



Comhairle Contae Lú
Louth County Council

County Council Monthly Meeting - Council Chamber, County Hall, Dundalk -
Monday, 28th April 2025 at 10:00am

Clár Oibre / Agenda

Miontuairiscí / Minutes - For Adoption

1.0 Minutes of Meeting held on 24th March 2025

Miontuairiscí / Minutes - For Noting

2.0 Miontuairiscí/Minutes of District Meetings - For Noting

- Borough District of Drogheda 3rd March 2025
- Municipal District of Ardee 6th March 2025
- Municipal District of Dundalk 11th March 2025

Miontuarairiscí Chruinnithe an Choiste lena n-aithint / Minutes of Committee Meetings for Noting

3.0 Miontuarairiscí Chruinnithe an Choiste lena n-aithint / Minutes of Committee Meetings - For Noting

- Audit Committee 23rd January 2025
- Corporate Policy Group 11th March 2025

Tuarascáil ó Chathaoirleach an Ghrúpa Beatais Corpaideach / Report from Chairperson of Corporate Policy Group

4.0 Tuarascáil ó Chathaoirleach an Ghrúpa Beartais Corpaideach / Report from Chairperson of Corporate Policy Group

Tuarascáil Chathaoirligh an Choiste um Beartas Straitéiseach / Strategic Policy Committee Chairpersons Report

5.0 Tuarascáil ó Chathaoirligh an Choise an Beartais Straiteiseach /Strategic Policy Committee Chairpersons Report

Gnó Reachtúil / Statutory Business

6.0 Freastal ar Chomhdhálacha a Cheadú / Approval of Attendance at Conferences

7.0 Allocation of Members Community Grants provided for under Section 66 of the Local Government Act 2001

8.0 Vacancies on the Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative

Committee

9.0 Annual Financial Statement 2024

To consider the Draft Annual Financial Statement for 2024 under Section 108 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and to approve, in accordance with Section 104 of the same Act.

- The revised expenditure for the financial year ended 31st December 2024 as set out in Note 16 to the Accounts and
- The transfers to and from Capital as per the report

10.0 Audit Committee - Documents for Noting and Approval

- Charter - For Adoption
- Work Programme 2025 - for Adoption
- Standing Orders - For Noting

11.0 Amenity Grants 2025 - For Approval

12.0 Section 141 Reports 2024 - Compliance with Section 141 of the Local Government Act, 2001 as amended

Elected Members are required to report on the activities and operations of Bodies, Boards and Committees to which they are elected, appointed or nominated to represent Louth County Council, annually or if so requested by resolution or Cathaoirleach.

Members shall, within 15 working days of the end of each 3 monthly period to 31st March, 30th June, 30th September and 31st December in each year notify the local authority concerned of all attendances by the Member at meetings of the body concerned.

13.0 Louth Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) Annual Report 2024 - For Noting

14.0 Climate Action Plan Update

- Presentation by David Hanratty, Senior Engineer

15.0 Breithniú ar Thuarascálacha agus ar Chomhréitigh ón bPríomhfheidhmeannach / Consideration of Reports and Recommendations from Chief Executive

Monthly Management Report

- Support Services
- Strategic Economic Development
- Placemaking and Physical Development
- Organisational Development
- Social Development

Fógraí Foriarratais / Notices of Motion

16.0 Notice of Motion - Cllr. Fiona Mhic Conchoille

That Louth County Council will examine the provision of special parking spaces in our county's car parks for individuals with hidden disabilities, similar to existing disability parking spaces. These spaces would be clearly marked with a sunflower symbol and appropriate lining. They are intended as courtesy spaces, relying on the public to respect them and leave them available for individuals with sensory or hidden disabilities. As such, this initiative would not create any additional administrative burden on the council.

17.0 Notice of Motion - Cllr. Fiona Mhic Conchoille

That Louth County Council erect Lyme Disease information and warning signage, in collaboration with the Lyme Resource Centre, in all public recreational grounds such as parks, playgrounds, cycle paths, and beaches. This signage will inform the public about the dangers of Lyme disease and outline steps to minimise the risk of contracting this chronic illness. Additionally Louth County Councils website should also include relevant information on tick danger / safety, including tips for removal, use of repellents and avoidance strategies.

Note - The Lyme Resource Centre has effective yet unobtrusive outdoor signage displaying a QR code to HSE information available for FREE for public areas so there would be no financial burden involved in this project and the signs are ready to use without delay.

18.0 Notice of Motion - Cllr. Shane McGuinness

Would this council consider putting a programme of workshops together specifically on planning and development. These workshops would I feel be great preparation for our up and coming County Development plan. It would also help the newly elected members have an opportunity in a workshop environment to have greater input with our officials in a collaborative way. Some of the workshops could also be split via each municipal area also. The outcome of these workshops could also enable us to have a good start made on opinions, priorities and legislative changes in planning prior to having full council meetings on the plan. This plan I believe, is so fundamental for the public, our counties future and we relate back to it for everything we do on a daily basis within our council both as councillors and officials.

19.0 Notice of Motion - Cllr. Eric Donovan

I'm calling on LCC to urgently address the absence of bus stops from Gort Bul to Linenfield, Listoke, Ballymakenny Park area of Drogheda. This is a distance that stops 1.5km short from 1,500 residents who are living in the new housing developments for over 12 months. The infrastructure is there, the NTA and Bus Éireann have agreed to and support the need for a new bus stop but still despite the adequate infrastructure we can't seem to bring it into operation.

In at time where we are trying to promote and encourage public transport this is a very poorly planned service to the public. People are fed up and frustrated by same and is not good enough. Therefore, I am once again calling on the council to implement a bus stop where there is adequate and appropriate facilities to do so for the benefit of 1,500 residents, many of whom depend on public transportation.

Fógraí Ceistanna / Notices of Question

20.0 Notice of Question - Cllr. James Byrne

"Can Louth County Council provide a progress update on the establishment of the new Local Community Safety Partnership?"

Correspondence

21.0 Chomhfhreagras / Correspondence

- Sligo County Council 9th April 2025
- Donegal County Council 10th April 2025
- Leitrim County Council 16th April 2025