



Comhairle Contae Lú
Louth County Council

County Council Monthly Meeting - Council Chamber, County Hall, Dundalk -
Monday, 24th March 2025 at 10:00am

Clár Oibre / Agenda

Miontuairiscí / Minutes - For Adoption

- 1.0 Minutes of Meeting held on 17th February 2025**
- 2.0 Minutes of Special Council Meeting held on 28th February 2025 and 6th March 2025**

Miontuairiscí / Minutes - For Noting

- 3.0 Miontuairiscí/Minutes of District Meetings - For Noting**
 - Borough District of Drogheda 13th January 2025
 - Municipal District of Dundalk 14th January 2025
 - Municipal District of Ardee 6th February 2025
 - Borough District of Drogheda 10th February 2025
 - Municipal District of Dundalk 11th February 2025

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

- 4.0 Miontuarairiscí Chruinnithe an Choiste lena n-aithint / Minutes of Committee Meetings - For Noting**
 - Corporate Policy Group 4th February 2025

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

- 5.0 Tuarascáil ó Chathaoirleach an Ghrúpa Beartais Corpaideach / Report from Chairperson of Corporate Policy Group**
 - Corporate Policy Group Meeting 5th February 2025

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

- 6.0 Tuarascáil ó Chathaoirligh an Choise an Beartais Straitéiseach / Strategic Policy Committee Chairpersons Report**

Gnó Reachtúil / Statutory Business

- 7.0 Freastal ar Chomhdhálacha a Cheadú / Approval of Attendance at Conferences**

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

9.0 Adoption of Service Delivery Plan

10.0 Section 183 - Proposed Disposal of 89 Moneymore, Drogheda, Co. Louth

11.0 Section 183 - Proposed Disposal of 171 Moneymore, Drogheda, Co. Louth.

12.0 Section 183 - Proposed Disposal of Moneymore Childcare Centre, Roaches Lane, Moneymore, Drogheda, Co. Louth

13.0 Section 183 - Proposed Disposal of Lands at Ecco Road, Dundalk, Co. Louth.

14.0 Section 183 - Proposed Disposal of Lands at Navy Bank, Point Road, Dundalk, Co. Louth.

15.0 Section 183 - Proposed Disposal of Property at No. 10 Riverside Crescent, Dundalk, Co. Louth to David Newell

16.0 Vacancy on the Creative Spark Board

To approve the nomination of replacement member to the Creative Spark Committee following the resignation of Councillor Shane McGuinness

17.0 Vacancy on the Carlingford Lough Commission

To approve the nomination of a replacement member to the Carlingford Lough Commission following the resignation of Councillor Andrea McKeivitt

18.0 Nomination to Bru Na Boinne Forum / Steering Group

19.0 Local Authority Home Loan Allocation for 2025 - For Approval

20.0 Arts Grant Funding Awards for 2025 – For Noting

21.0 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.

22.0 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

23.0 Notice of Motion - Cllr. Ciarán Fisher

That Louth County Council write to the Minister for Finance to provide 2 million of discretionary funding from

the €14 billion surplus from the Apple Tax ruling, to Louth County Council and the 30 other local authorities across Ireland.

24.0 Notice of Motion - Cllr. Rachel Kerley

That Louth County Council will review the current policy regarding the moratorium of new public lighting with the objective to end the moratorium.

25.0 Notice of Motion - Cllr. Annemarie Ford

I call on the councillors of Louth County Council to support the motion that we prioritise the children of Ireland through promotion of a strategic early intervention approach in education and service provision for children and their parents, to ensure that every child regardless of the challenges they may face, can realise their full potential and contribute to society as investment in education is an investment in all our futures.

26.0 Notice of Motion - Cllr. Fiona MhicConchoille

That this council engage a qualified noise consultant to carry out a comprehensive noise pollution survey along Lower Shore Road in Omeath.

The objective of this survey would be to accurately measure and assess the background noise levels originating from Warrenpoint Port and which is impacting the local community within the jurisdiction of County Louth. Additionally, the measurements recorded should determine whether these noise levels exceed the permissible noise limits established by European/or National regulations.

This study would provide valuable insights into the environmental impact of port operations on the surrounding community.

27.0 Notice of Motion - Cllr. Michelle Hall

Louth County Council will, agree **in principle** that funding is allocated to each local authority from central Government to upgrade the access officer role, develop a standard national approach to UN CRPD implantation and to implement this approach, once agreed, at local level. This Council will, work together as elected members, with our council colleagues and any other relevant stakeholders, including people with disabilities, to achieve the afore mentioned, by writing to An Taoiseach, An Tánaiste and the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality, Norma Foley, T.D and the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, James Browne, T.D.

28.0 Notice of Motion - Cllr. Michelle Hall

Louth County Council will create a plan for varied cycle parking in Co. Louth as per Cycle Design Manual. Parking will address the need for safe, direct, coherent, attractive and comfortable parking. For long stay parking, either overnight or where bikes are regularly parked for much of the day, this council will provide shelter from weather and secure access (i.e. not open to the passing public). This plan will help increase the uptake of cycling in Co. Louth.

29.0 Notice of Motion - Cllr. Kevin Meenan

Louth County Council fully recognises the positive role the Tenant In Situ Scheme has played in preventing families entering homelessness.

To prevent more families becoming homeless through no fault of their own, we call on the Department of Housing to agree targets for the scheme and release funding to Louth County Council as a matter of urgency.

Fógraí Ceistanna / Notices of Question

30.0 Notice of Question - Cllr. Ciarán Fisher

In the next county meeting, I would like to ask for the number of fines issued for 1) Dog Fouling and 2) Fixed Penalties issued, and followed up on, for repeat offenders under the Waste Presentation Bye-Laws.

Are we approaching a position to put CCTV in problem areas yet?

31.0 Notice of Question - Cllr Antóin Watters

"How many planning applications have been made to Louth County Council in Rural Zone 1 & 2, over the last 12 months. Can you please provide details of the decision made, and the number in each Municipal District. Can you provide the results in list or table form".

32.0 Notice of Question - Cllr Fiona MhicConchoille

Can Louth County Council confirm the following:

1. Has a title search been conducted on The Dublin House in Omeath, a derelict, unsightly building, for many years, in a prime location facing onto both R173 and the main street, where the public realm scheme was recently completed.
2. Is it listed on the Derelict Site / Structure Register? if not why not?
3. Is LCC fulfilling its responsibility by ensuring there is no risk to the public from this dangerous structure and actively enforcing Derelict Site Legislation against its owner(s)?

Míreanna / Items

33.0 Chomhfhreagras / Correspondence

- Sligo County Council 11th February 2025
- South Dublin County Council 13th February 2025
- Roscommon County Council 17th February 2025
- Donegal County Council 27th February 2025
- Sligo County Council 4th March 2025
- Clare County Council 10th March 2025