



Comhairle Contae Lú
Louth County Council

Borough District of Drogheda 2024 Budgetary Plan Meeting

Minutes of the Borough District of Drogheda meeting hosted in The Council Chamber County Hall, Dundalk on Monday 16th October 2023 at 9.40a.m.

In attendance:

Cathaoirleach: Mayor: Councillor Eileen Tully

Members: Councillors: Joanna Byrne, Tom Cunningham, Paddy McQuillan, Declan Power, Pío Smith

Apologies: Councillors: James Byrne, Kevin Callan, Emma Cutlip, Michelle Hall

Officials: Joan Martin, Chief Executive
Joe McGuinness, Director of Services
Bernie Woods, Head of Finance
Ger Murphy, Director of Services
Thomas McEvoy, Director of Services
David Jones, Director of Services
Gráinne Tuomey, Meetings Administrator
Mark Johnson, Senior Engineer
Róisín McAuley, Financial Accountant
Brian Lynch, Financial Accountant

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Budgetary Plan 2024

The Mayor, Councillor Eileen Tully, commenced the meeting and invited the Executive to speak.

Bernie Woods, Head of Finance advised Members that the executive await clarification from the Department on the 2024 allocation to Louth County Council. At this point in time, it was proposed that €100k could issue to each Municipal District for their 2024 Discretionary Fund. This would be reviewed at final balancing of Budget and may increase.

Ms. Woods further advised Members they had discretion on whether to accept the allocation laid out before them, as well as to allocate it now or decide to allocate it in the New Year.

Separately they had an option to increase local charges, which were mainly made up of Pay-Parking.

Approval of the allocation of €100,000 was

Proposed by Cllr Pio Smith
Seconded by Cllr Tom Cunningham
and agreed.


Deferral of decision on how to spend the approved allocation was
Proposed by Cllr Pio Smith
Seconded by Cllr Paddy McQuillan
and agreed.

A proposal to leave Local Charges at their current rate and not to increase them was
Proposed by Cllr Pio Smith
Seconded by Cllr Joanna Byrne
and agreed.

The Chief Executive told Members that all items raised in a recent budget workshop were being examined, and if they had any specific project they wanted tackled that they should raise this two weeks in advance of the budget meeting in November.

There being no other business, the meeting concluded.

The Minutes were confirmed at a meeting of the Borough District held on:

Date: 6 Nov 2023
Mayor: 
Meeting Administrator: 