

Minutes of Council Meeting January 2019

Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of Louth County Council held in County Hall, Dundalk on Monday 21st January 2019

In attendance:

Cathaoirleach: Cllr. L. Reilly

Members: Councillors: M. Butler, J. Byrne, A. Campbell, E. Coffey, E. Corrigan, R. Culhane, T. Cunningham, M. Dearey, M. Doyle, K. Flood, F. Godfrey, C. Keelan, C. Markey, J. McGahon, P. McGeough, D. Minogue, R. O'Murchu, , D. Saurin, P. Savage, P. Smith, J. Tenanty O. Tully, A. Watters, M. Yore

Apologies: Cllrs P. Bell

Officials: J. Martin, Chief Executive
F. Pentony, Director of Services
J. McGuinness, Director of Services
P. Donnelly, Director of Services
B. Woods, Head of Finance
W. Walsh, A/Director of Services
M. Johnston, Senior Engineer
J. O'Hagan, Senior Engineer
C. Duff, Senior Engineer
A. Abbott-King, Senior Planner
T. McEvoy, Head of LEO
J. Lawrence, Senior Executive Officer
A. Lawler, Senior Executive Officer
L. McKenna, Senior Executive Officer
B. Lynch, Financial Accountant
R. McAuley, Financial Accountant
A. Sherry, Meetings Administrator
T. Loan, Asst. Planner

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Minute No.01/19

Confirmation of Minutes

Proposed by: Cllr. M. Doyle

Seconded by: Cllr. M. Yore

And resolved:

That the minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 17th December 2018 be confirmed

Minute No. 02/19

Minutes for noting

Corporate Policy Group 5th December 2018

Borough District of Drogheda 3rd December 2018

Municipal District of Dundalk 4th December 2018

Municipal District of Ardee 6th December 2018

Infrastructure, European & Cross Border SPC 18th October 2018

Minute No.03/19

Report on CPG Meeting

The Cathaoirleach reported that there wasn't a quorum for the last CPG meeting held on 9th January 2019. He reviewed the agenda with the officials and noted the report in relation to the Members Communication Plan and agreed that it should be a standing item on the CPG agenda.

Minute No. 04/19

Monthly Management Report

It was agreed to include a report in relation to the vacant sites register on the agenda of the next Council meeting.

It was requested that a presentation be given to the members in relation to the 2 projects being funded under the regional development fund

The members were given a presentation in relation to the Council's Brexit activities by the Head of LEO

The members then had a discussion in relation to Brexit with Mairead McGuinness and Matt Carthy, MEPs

With regard to the submission to be made on the regional special strategy a question was raised in relation to whether or not Navan was the best location for hospital and the need for a station in Louth for the Dublin to Belfast high speed train was raised. Concern was raised at the capability of Staleen water treatment plant to sustain any further housing or commercial developments.

The need for the Energy office to promote the grants available to individual households from SEAI was raised.

The number of FPNs issued in relation to dogs and the number euthanized was queried.

A report was requested in relation to the payment rate in relation to litter fines.

Minute No. 05/19

Vote of Sympathy:-

Votes of sympathy were extended to the families of the following:-

Bernard Murnahan

Garda Shane McGinn

Colin Foley

Liam Malone

Harry Todd

Elzbieta Piotrowska

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Minute No. 06/19

Vote of Congratulations to the following:-

Rod Bond was wished well on his departure as Centre Director, Netwell CASALA Young Irelands GAA Club on winning the Leinster Junior Club Championship St. Joseph's CBS under14 team

Minute No. 07/19

Section 183 Notice – Disposal of land at Coulter Park, Dundalk

Proposed by: Cllr. P. Savage
Seconded by: Cllr. F. Godfrey
And resolved:

That having considered the notice on the matter dated 6th December 2018 to confirm the disposal of 0.35 hectares in total of land in the townland of Moorland in the Municipal District of Dundalk for a consideration of €50,000 (fifty thousand euro) to TUATH Housing Association.

The sale is conditioned on TUATH Housing Association providing the above residential development and obtaining the necessary funding from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government under the Capital Assistance Scheme, with commencement within 24 months and completion of the project within a reasonable timeframe, to be agreed between the Housing Authority and TUATH Housing Association. The sale is also subject to Louth County Council providing good title and subject to any condition(s) that solicitors for Louth County Council may see fit.

Minute No. 08/19

County of Louth (Segregation, Storage and Presentation of Household and Commercial Waste) Bye-Laws, 2019

Proposed by: Cllr. P. Savage
Seconded by: Cllr. J. McGahon
And resolved:

That the report as circulated with the agenda on the County of Louth (Segregation, Storage and Presentation of Household and Commercial Waste) Bye-Laws, 2019 be adopted.

Minute No. 09/19

Audit Reports

- 2017 AFS Audit
- 2017 AFS Audit Report
- 2017 Audited AFS

Proposed by: Cllr. M. Yore

Seconded by: Cllr. M. Doyle

And resolved:

To note the above reports as presented with the agenda, and following discussion a number of queries were addressed by the Chief Executive and Head of Finance.

Minute No. 10/19

Periodic Speed Limits for Schools 2018

Proposed by: Cllr. F. Godfrey

Seconded by: Cllr. A. Watters

And resolved:

To approve the Policy for the provision of Periodic Speed Limits for Schools 2018

Minute No. 11/19

Nomination to the Regional Health Forum

Proposed by: Cllr. C. Keelan

Seconded by: Cllr. F. Godfrey

And resolved:

To appoint Cllr. E. Coffey to the Board of the Regional Health Forum – Dublin North East. Vacancy arose due to the resignation of Cllr. T. Byrne.

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Minute No. 12/19

Conferences and Events

Proposed by: Cllr. F. Godfrey

Seconded by: Cllr. E. Coffey

And resolved:

To approve attendance of members recorded in the Conference & Events Register at such Conferences and Events listed within the agenda & noted by the Chairman at Policy Group on 9th January 2019

Minute No. 13/19

Motions from other Councils

Motions from other Councils as listed with the Agenda were noted by the members

Minute No. 14/19

Correspondence

Correspondence as listed with the Agenda was noted by the members

That concluded the business of the meeting

The Minutes were confirmed at a meeting of Council held on:-

Date: _____

Cathaoirleach: _____

Meetings Administrator: _____