



Comhairle Contae Lú
Louth County Council

Municipal District of Ardee 2024 Budgetary Plan Meeting

Minutes of the Municipal District of Ardee meeting hosted in the Council Chamber County Hall, Dundalk on Monday 16th October 2023 at 9.20a.m.

In attendance:

Leas-Chathaoirleach: Councillor John Sheridan

Members: Councillors Bernie Conlon, Pearse McGeough, Jim Tenanty

Apologies: Councillors Paula Butterly, Dolores Minogue

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
Brian Lynch, Financial Accountant
Róisín McAuley, Financial Accountant

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As the Cathaoirleach had extended apologies, Leas-Chathaoirleach Cllr John Sheridan 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.

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 under legislation Municipal Districts have an option to increase local charges, but as these were made up of Pay-Parking which was not implemented in Ardee, this did not apply in this instance.

Approval of the allocation of €100,000 was

Proposed by Cllr Jim Tenanty
Seconded by Cllr Bernie Conlon
and agreed.

Deferral of decision on how to spend the approved allocation was

Proposed by Cllr Jim Tenanty
Seconded by Cllr Bernie Conlon
and agreed.

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

The allocation of €100,000 would be reviewed at final balancing of Budget and may increase. Responding to queries raised, Members were advised that if they had a specific capital project that they propose to spend funds on this should be agreed as early as possible if they wanted to frontload this before the next local elections, and possibly should go on their November agenda.

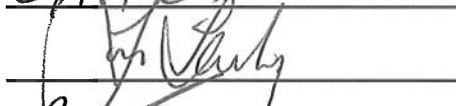
There being no other business, the meeting concluded.

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

Date:

2/11/23

Cathaoirleach:



Meeting Administrator:

