



Comhairle Contae Lú
Louth County Council

Cruinniú Bardasach Dhún Dealgan / Municipal District of Dundalk Meeting - Halla Na Bhaile, Dún Dealgan/ Town Hall - Dé Máirt, 9ú Nollaig 2025 ag 5:15in -
Tuesday, 9th December 2025 at 5:15pm

Clár Oibre / Agenda

Daighníú Miontuairiscí / Confirmation of Minutes

1.0 Minutes of Meeting held on the 11th November 2025

S. Dooley

Gnó Reachtúil / Statutory Business

2.0 Provision of Assistance for the promotion of interests of local community groups or projects, provided under Section 66 of the Local Government Act 2001

- Members Community Grants

Tuarascálacha / Reports

3.0 Housing Progress Report

D. Grimes

4.0 Roads & Local Services Report

M. Johnson, Senior Engineer

5.0 Physical Development Report

J. O'Hagan, Senior Engineer

Fógraí Foriarratais / Notices of Motion

6.0 Notice of Motion - Cllr Fiona Mhic Conchoille

That Louth County Council undertake an urgent investigation into the recurring flooding problems affecting two sections of the R173 Regional Road on either side of Omeath village. These locations have a long-standing history of flooding, which is unacceptable given the risks to public safety and the potential obstruction of emergency service vehicles and local traffic. The investigation should include: 1. A comprehensive assessment of the causes and frequency of flooding at these sites, with particular attention to the impact of high tides coinciding with periods of heavy rainfall. 2. An examination of the interaction between tidal conditions and the flow of the Essmore River, including the effects of high tide meeting river discharge. 3. The identification and costing of viable flood defence and mitigation measures, which may include: • Raising and strengthening river banks where

appropriate; • Installation of flood barriers or drainage improvements; and • Other sustainable flood prevention options designed to protect the regional road and surrounding properties.

Background / Rationale: The R173 is a key transport route through Omeath and a vital link between the Cooley Peninsula and neighbouring counties. However, two sections on either side of the village frequently flood—especially when high tides coincide with heavy rain—posing safety risks, restricting emergency access, and disrupting traffic and commerce. Flooding on the south side appears linked to tidal surges in Carlingford Lough interacting with the Essmore River’s outflow and drainage capacity. An urgent investigation is needed to identify causes and develop costed, practical solutions—such as enhanced drainage, riverbank reinforcement, or sustainable flood defences—to protect public safety and ensure the continued accessibility of this key regional route.
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7.0 Notice of Motion - Cllr Andrea McKeivitt & Cllr John Reilly

Calling on Louth County Council to pause the Dundalk Bay to Carlingford Greenway project until such time that the Louth county development plan review is completed. I am requesting this in light of the vast amount of submissions which have been submitted to the review in respect of MOV38 concerning the use of CPO's to facilitate greenways. In light of these submissions and the overarching concerns by the people of the peninsula I am asking that this process is paused until such time that a meaningful debate can take place in the chamber regarding CPOs.