

**COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LONGFOIRT**

**LONGFORD COUNTY COUNCIL**

Corporate Affairs,  
Aras an Chontae,  
**LONGFOIRT.**

**13u Meitheamh 2011.**

**Chuig: Gach Ball don Chomhairle.**

A Chomhairleoir,

Iarrtar ort bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú Miosuil Chomhairle Chontae Longfoirt a tionolfar i Seomra na Comhairle, Longfoirt ar an **Cheadaoin, 20u Meitheamh 2011 ag 3.30 p.m** chun gno a dheanamh d'reir an Chlair thíos.

You are requested to attend the Monthly Meeting of Longford County Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Aras an Chontae, Great Water Street, Longford on **Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> June 2011 at 3.30 p.m.** to transact business, as set out on the Agenda hereunder.

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**Mary Cooney,**  
**A/ Meetings Administrator.**

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Prayer before Meeting.

1. Confirmation of Minutes of the following meetings of Longford County Council
  - (a) Monthly Meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> May 2011.
  - (b) Special Joint Meeting of Longford County Council and Longford Town Council held on the 26<sup>th</sup> May 2011.  
(copies enclosed)
2. Matters arising from Minutes.
3. To note County Manager's Orders. (Summary herewith).

4. To note adopted Minutes of Corporate Policy Group Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2011 - (enclosed).
5. Address to Members for nomination for Office of President, by Mr. Seán Gallagher.
6. Presentation on Rural Broadband Scheme by Ms. Sarah Morgan, Planning Policy & Research Officer, Midlands Regional Authority.
7. **Infrastructural and Environmental Services.**

**Roads.**

- (a) To note adopted minutes of following Meetings:-
  - Ballymahon Local Electoral Area Committee meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> April 2011.
  - Granard/Drumlisk Local Electoral Area Committee meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2011.
  - Longford Local Electoral Area Committee meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2011.(copies enclosed).
- (b) To consider establishment of committees in respect of proposed artistic features for the following capital projects:-
  - N5 Longford Bypass
  - Ballymahon/Granard Regional Water Supply Scheme

**Water.**

- (a) To note adopted minutes of Water Services and Environment Policy Strategic Policy Committee meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2011 - (copy enclosed).

**Environment.**

- (a) To consider response to the Department of Environment, Community and Local Government in respect of public consultation process on a possible levy on packaging – (letter of 25th May 2011 attached).

**7. Housing, Planning and Building Control and Emergency Services.**

- (a) Consideration of Planning Applications received since May meeting of the Council.
- (b) Presentation of quarterly Progress Report on Unfinished Housing Estates.
- (c) To note Minutes of Housing & Social Policy, Planning & Building Control Policy SPC Meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> March 2011 – (copy enclosed)
- (d) Consideration of Recommendation from Housing & Planning SPC to adopt 'Draft Revised Housing Allocation Scheme' – (copy enclosed).

**8. Finance Directorate.**

(a) To note Public Liability Claims received during May 2011 – (Report enclosed).

(b) Report from Rates Committee.

(c) **Notice of Motion - Councillor Padraig Loughrey**

“I propose that this Council fully debate the household charge proposed by Environment Minister Phil Hogan. I ask that this Council inform the Minister of its opposition to the introduction of a flat rate household charge”.

**9. Economic and Community Development, Corporate and Cultural Services and Human Resources.**

(a) Annual Report 2010 for noting.  
(Report will be circulated at monthly meeting).

(b) Presentation of proposals for Music Generation.

**(c) Notice of Motion - Councillor Martin Mulleady**

“That Longford County Council do hereby nominate Seán Gallagher, Entrepreneur, to contest the upcoming Presidential Election, subject to the formal ratification process being completed following the making of the Presidential Election Order.”

**(d) Notice of Motion - Councillor P.J.Reilly**

“I wish to put a motion forward to the meeting for Longford County Council to write on behalf of the elected members of the chamber to the Minister of Local Government, Mr. Phil Hogan TD for the moratorium to be withdrawn on Local authority staff lay offs. As if this is allowed to continue it will have serious effect on both our office services and outdoor works within our Local Authority works here in the County.”

## **10. General Items.**

### **(a) Notices of Motions.**

#### **Councillor P.J.Reilly.**

I wish to put a motion forward to the meeting for the County Council to write to Minister Ciaran Cannon TD, Minister of State at the Department of Education and Skills outlining the concerns of the local community of Cloonagh, Mullinalaghta on hearing the news of plans by school transport to withdraw services from September next from St. Columba's National School Cloonagh, Dring.

#### **Councillor Tom Victory**

I wish to put forward the motion that Longford County Council call on the Minister for Health James Reilly that the Minister, in reviewing the Fair Deal for nursing homes, invest in Public Nursing Homes and establish fast-acting medical assessment units for the older population.

#### **Councillor Mark Casey and Councillor Barney Steele**

In light of the recent announcement that the funding for the teacher for the hearing impaired in St. Mathews School, Ballymahon has been withdrawn, I propose that this Council sends a delegation to the Minister for Education requesting that funding would be reinstated for a further 12 months, to enable the hearing impaired children to source alternative Education facilities.

### **(b) Correspondence.**

- (i) Letter dated 19<sup>th</sup> May 2011 from Minister Phil Hogan re commercial rates.
- (ii) Letter dated 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2011 from Department of Justice and Equality regarding Certification of Target Shooting Ranges.
- (iii) Circular Letter LG 05/11 dated 26<sup>th</sup> May 2011 from DoEHLG re Position of Councillors who are elected to Seanad Éireann.
- (iv) Letter dated 8<sup>th</sup> June 2011 from Minister for Social Protection regarding Local Post Office Network.
- (v) Letter dated 7<sup>th</sup> June 2011 from Minister for Justice, Equality & Defence regarding Connolly Barracks Feasibility Study.

## **11. Votes of sympathy.**

## **12. Conferences and Reports from Conferences:-**

- (a) Consideration of Report from Corporate Policy Group.