

Please note meeting will be held in the Council Chamber and via Microsoft Teams.

03 June 2025

Chuig: Gach Ball don Chomhairle

A Chomhairleoir,

Iarrtar ort bheith i láthair ag Cruinniú Míosuil Chomhairle Chontae Longfoirt a tionólfar i Seomra na Comhairle, Aras an Chontae, Longford agus via MS Teams ar an **De Cheadaoin 11 Meitheamh 2025 ag 4:00pm** chun gnó a dhéanamh d'éir an Chláir thíos.

You are requested to attend the Monthly Meeting of Longford County Council to be held in the **Council Chamber and via Microsoft Teams** on **Wednesday, 11 June at 4:00pm** to transact business, as set out on the agenda hereunder.

Mise le meas,



Lorraine McKee
Meetings Administrator

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Prayer before meeting.

A minute's silence for Andrew Lowry RIP – Employee of Longford County Council

1. Confirmation of Minutes

- (i) Monthly meeting of Longford County Council held on 14 May 2025 – enclosed.

2. Matters Arising

3. Declaration of Interest by Members

4. To note Management Report

5. To note adopted Minutes of Corporate Policy Group Meeting held on 09 April 2025 – enclosed

6. Social Development

- (i) Consideration of draft County Longford Outdoor Recreation Plan 2025 – 2030 - online presentation by Outscape consultants.
- (ii) Section 183 – Demountable Cabin Slieve Clondra, Co. Longford.
- (iii) Section 183 – P Mulligan - Freehold Interest of 2 Parnell Road, Granard, Co. Longford.
- (iv) Midlands Regional Homelessness Action Plan 2025 – 2029.
- (v) Approval to the appointment of the following as members of Longford Local Community Development Committee (LCDC), who have been nominated to replace outgoing members –
 - Ms. Breege Campbell, nominee of County Longford Public Participation Network.
 - Ms. Bernadette Fagan, nominee of County Longford Public Participation Network

7. Physical Development

- (i) To note planning applications received
- (ii) Climate Action Plan 2024-2029
- (iii) **Notice of Motions**

Councillor Mick Cahill

I call on Longford County Council to through the relevant SPC, review its current Policy on Traffic Calming Measures throughout the County in our

Towns, Villages, Residential Areas and on approach roads to Rural Schools in the interests of road safety."

Councillor Pat O'Toole

I call on Transport Infrastructure Ireland and Longford County Council for an update on the preferred route option on the N.55 between Ballymahon and Athlone. What is the current timeframe for the delivery of this much needed project?

Councillor Paul Ross

That Longford County Council call on the Minister for Climate, Environment and Energy Darragh O'Brien to open up the Domestic Waste Water Treatment grant to all those whose septic tanks need upgrading who wish to apply for it. The current scheme has 3 criteria which are :

- Grant under the National Inspection Plan.
- Grant in Prioritised Areas for Action.
- Grant in High Status Objective Catchment Areas.

County Longford has no areas in prioritised areas for action or high status objective catchment areas which means that unless a house is inspected and fails the criteria , Only then can it apply for the grant which the grant almost unattainable in County Longford in its current format.

8. General

Notice of Motions

Councillor Paul Ross

- (i) I call on Longford County Council to seek a meeting with senior management of Uisce Eireann to resolve the serious issue of the water main upgrade from Carrickboy to Ballymahon. This main is bursting on a daily basis causing hardship for families, businesses and farms and there is no information available as to when the upgrade is due to start or what is causing the delay. This level of service is unacceptable, and this issue needs to be resolved as soon as possible.

Councillor Pat O'Toole

I call on the Department of Health and Children and the HSE to immediately commence a recruitment process for the staff required to carry out Assessments of Need for children on the waiting list for Special Education Supports, in light of recent media reports that the waiting list for the assessments could increase to a very alarming level of 15,000.

Councillor Garry Murtagh

I call on Longford County Council to write to the minister Dara Calleary with responsibility for the Department of Social Protection, to conduct a full review of Community Employment, Rural Social Scheme (RSS) and the Tus initiative, with particular attention to the minuscule top-up payment to people that avail of or are activated on the current schemes and to include a full review of supervisor's salaries and pension entitlements, which need to be index linked to at least a grade 4/5 of a civil servants rates with the implementation of the same.

These schemes play an important and integrate role within our communities, up and down the country and the lack of respect and fair play being shown to these workers is unjust. Without their support within such areas as, childcare,/social care/ Tidy Towns, to name but a few would see the very fabric of our society deteriorate even further.

9. Correspondence

- (i) Correspondence from Uisce Éireann regarding the provision of generators
- (ii) Correspondence from Fingal County Council regarding ban on fox hunting on Council owned lands
- (iii) Correspondence received from Minister Patrick O Donovan – Notice of Motion at April Meeting of Longford County Council
- (iv) Correspondence from Donegal County Council regarding Road Safety and the wearing of High visibility Vests

10. Votes of Sympathy

11. Date and time of next Meeting