

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

8 Meán Fómhair 2022.

**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 are an **Chéadaoin 14ú Meán Fómhair 2022 ag** **3pm** chun gnó a dhéanamh d’réir 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 14 September 2022 at 3pm** to transact business, as set out on the Agenda hereunder.

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*Ann Marie Mc Keon*

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**Ann Marie Mc Keon**

**Meetings Administrator.**

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Prayer before meeting.

**1.** Confirmation of Minutes of Monthly Meeting of Longford County Council held on 13 July 2022– copy enclosed.

Confirmation of Minutes of Annual General Meeting of Longford County Council held on 29 June 2022 – copy enclosed.

**2.** Matters Arising.

**3.** Declaration of Interest by Members.

**4.** To note Management Report – to follow.

**5.** To note adopted Minutes of Corporate Policy Group Meeting held on the

8 June 2022 – enclosed.

**6. Community, Corporate and Enterprise**

**(a)** To note adopted Minutes of meeting of Placemaking Strategic Policy

Committee held on the 4 April 2022 - enclosed.

**(b)** Item referred from the Placemaking Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held

on the 18 July 2022 – Approval to pursue funding for the Longford County Squirrel Trail Project.

**(c)** Consideration of amendment to Longford County Council Standing Orders for commencement time of monthly meetings.

**7. Planning and Project Delivery**

**(a)** To note Planning Applications received since last meeting of the Council.

**(b)** To note adopted Minutes of meeting of Climate Action and Planning Strategic Policy

Committee held on the 20 April 2022 - enclosed.

**(c)** Notice of Motions, submitted by Councillors, as listed hereunder –

**Councillor Paul Ross**

That Longford County Council put a budget in place to maintain our existing trails and greenways and engage with other state agencies to see if they can help with the maintenance of these walks to ensure they are safe to walk on.

**Colin Dalton**

I call on Longford County Council to look into providing funding for the maintenance of our walkways in the county.

**Councillor Seamus Butler**

That Longford County Council should consider levies on zoned unused sites and derelict buildings in the forthcoming 2023 budget process.

**Councillor Mark Casey**

(i) That this council provides the members with a full break down of events surrounding the purchase of property for the former Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment.

(ii) I propose that a full report of the regeneration projects be given to the members along

with the costs of these projects and their locations.

**8. Infrastructure, Housing and Innovation**

**(a)** To note adopted Minutes of meeting of Strategic Infrastructure Strategic Policy

Committee held on the 21 April 2022 - enclosed.

**(b)** Item referred from Strategic Infrastructure Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held

on the 21 July 2022 - To approve amendment to Columbarium Wall Policy – enclosed.

**(c)** Notice of Motions, submitted by Councillors, as listed hereunder –

**Councillor Uruemu Adejinmi**

I call on Longford County Council to make available longer disabled parking spaces as well as overhead signs. This will enable buses carrying wheelchair users fit in these parking spaces and overhead signs will provide added visibility to help ensure the parking spaces are reserved for people who need them.

**Councillor Seamus Butler**

That Longford County Council request’s Transport Infrastructure Ireland to explain the extraordinary and unacceptable delay in publishing the preferred route for the N4 dual

carriageway between Mullingar and the Leitrim border.

**9. Finance and IT**

**(a)** To note adopted Minutes of meeting of Governance Strategic Policy

Committee held on the 26 April 2022 - enclosed.

**(b)** Item referred from Governance Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held

on the 19 July 2022 – Consideration of Training and Policy Programme for Councillors

– enclosed.

**(c)** To consider the Local Property Tax Variation in accordance with the provisions of

Section 20 of the Finance (Local Property Tax) Act 2012 (as amended).

**(d)** To approve the raising of a loan of €2,880,000 from the Housing Finance Agency to finance approved Local Authority Housing Loan applications, as authorised by the Housing Acts – enclosed.

**10. General**

**(a)** Notice of Motions, submitted by Councillors, as listed hereunder –

**Councillor Paul Ross**

That Longford County Council call on the Minister for Education to extend the free school transport scheme to those who travel on private buses to attend school.

**Councillor Mark Casey**

That this council contacts the minster for education seeking addition transport for the secondary schools around Longford and put practical bus routes in place.

**Councillor Paul Ross**

That Longford County Council call on the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications Eamonn Ryan to recommission the power stations at Lanesboro and Shannonbridge with immediate effect to protect Ireland from the unprecedented energy crisis that is predicted in the coming months and protect businesses and residents from energy blackouts and try to curb out of control electricity prices.

**11. Correspondence**

(i)Correspondence dated 26 July 2022 received from Minister of State for Housing Re Notice of Motion from Councillor Garry Murtagh on Housing Adaptation Grants – enclosed.

(ii) Correspondence dated 11 July 2022 received from Minister for Finance Re Notice of Motion from Councillor Paul Ross on the removal of VAT on AED Defibrillator Devices – enclosed.

(iii) Correspondence dated 15 July 2022 received from Minister for Agriculture Re Notice of Motion from Councillor Paraic Brady on the exporting of Irish pigs to China – enclosed.

(iv) Correspondence dated 26 July 2022 received from Minister for Finance Re Notice of Motion from Councillor Garry Murtagh on a three tier VAT rate – enclosed.

(v) Correspondence dated 26 July 2022 received from Minister of Health Re Notice of Motion from Councillor Paul Ross on the Tobacco and Nicotine Inhaling Products Bill – enclosed.

(vi) Correspondence dated 26 July 2022 received from Iarnrod Eireann Re Notice of Motion from Councillor Peggy Nolan on the continued service of Longford train station – enclosed.

(vii) Correspondence dated 27 July 2022 received from the Minister for Transport Re Notice of Motion from Councillor Paul Ross on the reinstatement of NLDS walk-in service – enclosed.

(viii) Correspondence dated 25 August 2022 received from the Minister for Social Protection Re Notice of Motion from Councillor Uruemu Adejinmi on the Extension of Back-to-School Clothing and Footwear Scheme – enclosed.

(ix) Correspondence dated 2 August 2022 received from the Farrell Clan Committee.

**12.**  **Training – enclosed.**

**13. Votes of Sympathy**