



Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe
Galway County Council

Oifig an Rúnaí
Áras an Chontae
Cnoc na Radharc
GAILLIMH
12 Deireadh Fómhair

CHUIG GACH BALL DEN CHOMHAIRLE

A chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i láthair ag Cruinniú Míosúil de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a thionólfar i **Halla Spóirt Cor an Dola, Cor an Dola, Co. na Gaillimhe, Dé Luain an 18 Deireadh Fómhair 2021 ag 11a.m.**

You are requested to attend an Ordinary Meeting of Galway County Council which will be held at **Corrandulla Sports Hall, Cor an Dola, Co. on Monday 18th October 2021 at 11.a.m.**

Mise, le meas,

J. Brann

Riarthóir Cruinnithe / Meetings Administrator

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1. Confirmation of Minutes of the following Meetings:

- (a) Minutes of Monthly Plenary Meeting held on 17th September 2021

[Report available on the Extranet]

2. Consideration of Reports and Recommendations.

- (a) Minutes of Planning, Environment, Agricultural & Emergency Services SPC of 23rd June 2021.
- (b) Minutes of Transportation & Infrastructure SPC held on 30th June 2021.

[Report available on the Extranet]

3. To consider report under Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001 on disposal of lands at Lodge, Headford, Co. Galway - 0.1585 acres.

[Report circulated to Members and available on the Extranet]

4. To consider report under Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001 on the Disposal of lands at Kiltiernan East, Kilcolgan, Co. Galway – 0.563 hectares.

[Report circulated to Members on 23rd Sep. 2021 and available on the Extranet]

5. To consider Overdraft Accommodation for the 12 months 1 January 2022 to the 31 December 2022.

[Report available on the Extranet]

6. To consider and if deemed appropriate authorise the attendance at Training in accordance with Section 142(5A) of the Local Government Act 2001 (as amended).

- a) Government Decision on the Reform on Remuneration Payable to Local Authority Elected Members & Update on Planning & Development Bill 2021 and other planning related matters (Retrospective Approval) held in Glendalough Hotel, Co. Wicklow on 23rd September 2021 and Sligo Park Hotel, Sligo on the 2nd October 2021.

[Report available on the extranet]

7. To consider and if deemed appropriate to authorise the attendance at Conferences, Meetings, Other Events in accordance with Section 142(5) of the Local Government Act 2001 (as amended)

- a) Celtic Conferences – A Housing for All. How will it help people find homes? To be held in The Four Seasons Hotel, Carlingford, Co. Louth between 29th to 31st October 2021
- b) Celtic Conferences – The Fair Deal Scheme to be held in O'Donovan's hotel, Clonakilty, Co. Cork on 5th to 7th November 2021
- c) Celtic Conferences – Health & Safety in the Workplace (Retrospective Approval) held in O'Donovan's hotel, Clonakilty, Co. Cork on 24th to 26th September 2021
- d) Celtic Conferences – The Fair Deal Scheme (Retrospective Approval) held in The Four Seasons Hotel, Carlingford, Co. Louth on 1st to 3rd October 2021
- e) Celtic Conferences – Mental Health & Wellbeing (Retrospective Approval) held in O'Donovan's hotel, Clonakilty, Co. Cork on 8th to 10th October 2021
- f) Celtic Conferences – A Practical Guide to Budget 2022 (Retrospective Approval) held in O'Donovan's hotel, Clonakilty, Co. Cork on 15th to 17th October 2021

[Report available on the extranet]

8. To consider the Management Report – October 2021 in accordance with Section 136(2) of the Local Government Act 2001 (as amended)

[Report to follow]

9. To consider a date and venue for the Budget meeting.

10. To consider Financial Report on Accounts of Galway County Council for the period ending 30th September 2021.

[Report available on the Extranet]

11. Chief Executive's Business & Correspondence.

[Correspondence available on the Extranet]

12. Cathaoirleach's Business.

COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTIONS

OTHER MOTIONS RECEIVED

13. Cllr. Herterich Quinn & Cllr. Kinane

We will propose:

“When it comes to addressing gender balance on external boards like the GRET, GRD, and NWRA, that the membership of Galway County Council is conscious of the necessity for gender balance to support the delivery of stronger outcomes for individuals, organisations, and communities, and in particular where a Statutory Instrument exists.

Where no Statutory Instrument exists for external boards, that we as the Elected Representatives for our County work together to ensure that a Statutory Instrument is put in place for gender balance.”

14. Cllr. Curley

I will propose:

“That Galway County Council supports the campaign of Epilepsy Ireland to address long-standing issues that continue to impact on people with epilepsy and their families in Ireland today, namely:

1. Access to Free Travel.

2. Provision of Reasonable Accommodations for State Examinations for students with epilepsy.” The Motion, if agreed, to be then sent to the Minister for Health, Stephen Donnelly TD, Minister for Social Protection, Heather Humphreys TD, Minister for Education, Norma Foley TD, Michael Moynihan TD (Chair, Oireachtas Committee on Disability Matters) and to other local authorities for correspondence purposes.”

15. Cllr. Finnerty

I will propose:

“that in future the debate on the LPT take place 3 months ahead of the decision date. This is to give all members the opportunity to discuss the pros and cons of varying the rate.”

16. Cllr. Mannion

I will propose:

“that Galway County Council contact Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurance to ask them to provide cover for outdoor exercise equipment on community owned property across the county”

17. Cllr. Canning

I will propose:

“that all future CIS/LIS projects will be planted with Wild Flowers instead of Grass Seed on the verges beside the newly erected fencing.

This will be beneficial in many ways.

Most importantly, are the environmental benefits, as it is proven that wildflowers are a major component in the halt to decline bee species, and other pollinators. Wild flowers are essential to the flora and the fauna of our countryside, and provide a natural habitat for many birds, small mammals and insects.

They are also more visually enhancing, providing a relaxing atmosphere for country walks. In a time where mental health has never been as important, I feel that this is a prime factor in this motion.

Wildflowers are also very low maintenance, which means lower costs to our already stretched funding. Once established, they need very little care, with as little as two cuttings a year.”

18. Cllr. Reddington

I will propose:

“that Galway County Council Executive confirms what platforms we as elected officials are required to use when discussing council business as to protect Information or content that may compromise the safety or security of the local authority.

19. Cllr. Cuddy

I will propose:

“that the Director for Roads and Transportation and the Interim CEO write without any further delay to the Minister for Transport Mr. Eamon Ryan demanding that he proceed with the long awaited Claregalway Relief Road which has been paused since 2012. It is very clear now that the M 6 has not made any worthwhile reduction to the volume of traffic going through the village of Claregalway each day and is now worse than ever.

Galway County Council is in agreement that the relief road should proceed and it is referenced both in the present County Development Plan and the Draft County Development Plan 2022-2028 and lands along the preferred route have been frozen for years.

Local people need certainty now in order to be able to plan for the future.”

20. Cllr. Geraghty

I will propose:

“That this Council propose to the Minister with responsibility for Inland Fisheries Ireland that the current necessity for a permit to fish the River Suck be withdrawn”.

21. Votes of Sympathy / Congratulations