



Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe
Galway County Council

Oifig an Rúnaí
Áras an Chontae
Cnoc na Radharc
GAILLIMH

14 Bealtaine 2024

CHUIG GACH BALL DEN CHOMHAIRLE

A chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i láthair ag Cruinniú Míosúil de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a thionólfar san Oranmore Lodge Hotel, Órán Mór, Co. na Gaillimhe, H91 NN76, **Dé Luain an 20 Bealtaine 2024 ag tosú ag 11.00 ar maidin.**

You are requested to attend an Ordinary Meeting of Galway County Council which will be held **in the Oranmore Lodge Hotel, Oranmore, Co. Galway, on Monday 20th May 2024 commencing at 11.00am.**

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 22nd April 2024.

[Report available on the Extranet]

2. Consideration of Reports and Recommendations.

- a) Minutes of Corporate Policy Group held on 15th April 2024.
- b) Minutes of Planning, Environment & Emergency Services SPC Meeting held on 15th December 2023.
- c) Minutes of Climate Change & Biodiversity SPC Meeting held on 26th February 2024.
- d) Minutes of Transportation & Infrastructure SPC Meeting held on 28th February 2024.

[Reports available on the Extranet]

3. To consider report under Section 37E (4)(5)(6) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) on the Strategic Infrastructure Development application ABP Reference 315469 submitted to An Bord Pleanála by Laurclavagh Limited to develop 8 Wind Turbines and specified associated development in the townlands of Laurclavagh, Cahermorris, Cluidrevagh, Kilcurriv Eighter, Bunnahevelly More, Pollacossaun Oughter, Kilcurrivard and Ballynacreg North.

[Report to follow]

4. To fix a Date and Time for the Annual Meeting of Plenary Council.

- 5. To consider and if deemed appropriate adopt minor amendments (to clarify the Tenant in Situ Scheme etc.) to the Galway County Council Housing Allocation Scheme in accordance with Section 22 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009 and the Social Housing Allocation Regulations 2011 (S.I. No. 198 of 2011) as amended.**

[Report to follow]

- 6. Reports on activities and operation of bodies accordance with Section 141 of the Local Government Act 2001 (as amended by Section 53 of the 2014 Act)**

Reports on activities and operation of the following bodies for the period June 2023 to May 2024 inclusive:

- (a) Lough Corrib Navigation Trustees
- (b) Northern & Western Regional Assembly
- (c) Athenry Heritage and Tourism Co. Ltd.
- (d) Association of Irish Local Government
- (e) Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd.
- (f) Loughrea Heritage Committee
- (g) Local Authority Members Association (LAMA) Committee
- (h) Western Inter-County Rail Committee
- (i) Galway & Roscommon Education & Training Board (Formerly VEC)
- (j) Regional Health Forum Representation, West
- (k) Galway Rural Development Company
- (l) Forum Conamara Ltd.
- (m) Comhar na nOileán Teoranta
- (n) Governing Authority of National University of Ireland, Galway
- (o) Údarás na Gaeltachta

[Reports to follow]

- 7. To consider the Management Report – May 2024 in accordance with Section 136(2) of the Local Government Act 2001 (as amended).**

[Report to follow]

8. Chief Executive's Business & Correspondence.

[Correspondence available on the Extranet]

9. Question Cllr. Donohue

To ask the Chief Executive to set out in tabular format what FLAG grants have been applied for the following piers over the years and how much has been approved and allocated to same. Has there been any recent FLAG application applied for these three piers.

Tarrarea Pier

Kinvara Pier

Rinville Pier

What other Piers in County Galway have been successful and how much has been granted?

C O U N C I L L O R S N O T I C E S O F M O T I O N S

O T H E R M O T I O N S R E C E I V E D

10. Cllr. Donohue

I will propose:

I propose that when Galway County Council are disposing of residential properties that it is a condition of the sale that the purchaser proves a housing need and is a first time buyer of a home to ensure that we try to meet the current demand for houses.

11. Cllr. Shane Curley

I will propose:

That Galway County Council engage in town twinning between each town in Galway and a town in Palestine to support the rebuilding of the country and create cultural links.

12. Cllr. Donagh Killilea

I propose that Galway Co Co put in place a facility to fund affordable housing schemes in Galway Co Co area. I understand that Fingal Co Co, Cork Co Co and many other local authorities have separate funding facilities for standalone affordable and cost rental schemes. In some cases, the elected members have approved up to €50m loan facility to get projects off the ground. As we know this money is then recouped from the dept as developments are completed on a phased basis. We need to be as ambitious in delivering affordable schemes as we are at delivering public housing schemes.

13. Cllr. Donagh Killilea

I propose that Galway Co Co make an application for Ballygaddy Park, Tuam under the Community Recognition fund. In 2023 I funded the design of a refurbished park and it needs to be developed under some funding stream.

14. Cllr. Thomas

That Galway County Council write to the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications Eamon Ryan and to the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland about the large volume of renewable energy that is being dumped in Ireland and the need for an immediate government plan to use the surplus renewable energy to help tackle fuel poverty. There is an opportunity to use some of this surplus renewable energy to help families in fuel poverty with projects such as with the charity EnergyCloud who are working with local authorities and housing associations across Ireland.

15. Cathaoirleach's Business

16. Votes of Sympathy/Congratulations

Followed by Civic Reception for Mr. Keith Finnegan