



Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe
Galway County Council

Oifig an Rúnaí

Áras an Chontae

Cnoc na Radharc

GAILLIMH

18th May 2021

CHUIG GACH BALL DEN CHOMHAIRLE

A chara

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i láthair ag Cruinniú Míosúil de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a thionólfar í **Halla Spóirt Chor an Dola, Cor an Dola, Co. na Gaillimhe Dé Luain an 24 Bealtaine 2021 ag 11.00am.**

You are requested to attend an Ordinary Meeting of Galway County Council which will be held in Corrandulla Sports Hall, Cor an Dola, Co. Galway **on Monday 24th May 2021 at 11.00a.m.**

Mise, le meas,

M. Owens

Riarthóir Cruinnithe / Meetings Administrator

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1. Confirmation of Minutes of the following Meetings:

- (a) Minutes of Monthly Plenary Meeting held on 26th, 29th April, and 4th and 6th May 2021.

[Report to follow]

2. Consideration of Reports and Recommendations.

- (a) Minutes of Corporate Policy Group held on 15th March 2021.
- (b) Minutes of Corporate Policy Group held on 22nd April 2021.
- (c) Minutes of Planning, Environment, Agriculture & Emergency Services SPC held on 18th November 2020.
- (d) Minutes of Economic Development & Enterprise SPC held on 8th December 2020.
- (e) Minutes of Housing SPC held on 3rd February 2021.

[Reports available on the Extranet]

3. To consider report under Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001 on the lease of 1.289 acres in the townland of Oranmore to Calasanctius College, Oranmore.

[Report already circulated and available on the Extranet]

4. To consider report under Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001 on the lease of 0.184 acres in the townland of Oranmore to Gaelscoil de hÍde.

[Report already circulated and available on the Extranet]

5. To fix a Date, Time & Venue for the Annual Meeting of Plenary Council.

6. Filling of Casual Vacancy in the Membership of Forum Connemara CLG.

[Report available on the Extranet]

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

[Report to follow]

8. To consider the proposed provisions of the Land Development Agency Bill 2021 to include the proposal for the removal of the Section 183 Reserved Function of Elected Members in relation to the disposal of local authority held land to the LDA as provided for in Part 7 Section 56 of the bill.

[Reports available on the Extranet]

9. To receive a presentation from Galway Film Centre on the Western Region Audio-visual Producers (WRAP) Fund, UNESCO City Of Film and the impact/potential for Audio-visual Sector in Galway and the Region.

10. Chief Executive's Business & Correspondence.

[Correspondence available on the Extranet]

11. Cathaoirleach's Business.

**COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTIONS
OTHER MOTIONS RECEIVED**

12. Cllr. Shane Curley

I will propose:

"Galway County Council calls on the government to legislate to make it mandatory that all products and packaging labelling be written in Irish, as well as whichever other language the seller chooses.

This is already in existence in Canada and Finland and has proven extremely successful in helping to enhance the level of fluency in the native tongue of these countries."

13. Cllr. Shelly Herterich Quinn and Cllr. Martina Kinane

I will propose:

"Cllr Shelly Herterich Quinn and Cllr Martina Kinane support the Love 30 Campaign for Lower Speed Limits

- 30 km/h speed limits should be introduced in all residential estates, other residential roads and in neighbourhood centres.*
- Periodic 30 km/h zones should be implemented around all schools and other places of assembly (cinemas, theatres, community centres, religious buildings, all sporting venues etc.), that have large numbers of people arriving and/or departing at the same time.*
- These 30 km/h speed limit changes should also apply to roads in new housing estates that have not yet been taken in charge and to future housing estates. This can be achieved by setting 30 km/h as the default speed limit across whole towns and villages, with exceptions for specific roads.*
- In semi-rural and rural areas, roads with ribbon housing should not have speed limits exceeding 50-60 km/h. In some of these cases, the speed limit should be substantially lower.*

We, therefore, wish to propose that the Transport and Infrastructure SPC undertake a review of the recommendations as stated above."

14. Cllr. Thomas Welby

I will propose:

"The EPA is implementing a revised Code of Practice for Domestic Waste Water Treatment Systems (Population Equivalent < 10) on the 7th June 2021. On page 22 of the document it states "As soon as the assessment has been completed the trial hole and percolation test holes should be backfilled as they may fill following heavy rainfall and pose an even greater health and safety risk."

Can Galway Co Co confirm that applicants will not be required to leave open test excavation holes or planning will not be refused on the grounds that the holes were backfilled?"

15. Cllr. Gabriel Cronnelly

I will propose:

"The Motion being that the Traffic Management Plan for Oranmore for which the Council have received funding to carry out a Feasibility study should include in that study the feasibility of a Coastal Cycling/Walkway from Tesco's in the centre of Oranmore to the rear of Renville Park approx 4km in length, and seek the support of the Councillors for same.

The advantages gained from the proposed cycle way are vast:

- a) Develop a safe cycle, walking, jogging path for an expanding population.*
- b) For the use of the combined membership of the various sporting codes located in or to be located in Maree that combined number of sports persons of all ages and codes are over 2,500 players.*
- c) Reduce traffic on an already busy road.*
- d) The potential as an amenity to south Galway and to tourism as part of the Wild Atlantic way. Routes can be planned to take walkers, cyclists and joggers through this coastal route through Renville Park and on to natural beauty spots like Taiwan Island, Ardfry house etc. with the potential for a round trip of 36km.*
- e) A safe means of connecting to the cycleway planned from the railway station to the village thereby creating the opportunity of leaving the car at home*
- f) If the width of the cycle way is 4m this will allow its use by 4x4 vehicles by the Coast Guard and the Oranmore Search and Rescue group and speed up the response time considerably and searches of the coastline."*

16. Cllr. Albert Dolan

I will propose:

"I, Cllr. Albert Dolan propose that Galway County Council write to the minister Roderic O'Gorman calling on his department to help victims of domestic, sexual and gender based violence access free counselling and support and for better awareness of services available to victims after their court case ends without facing long waiting lists, bearing in mind that perpetrators have immediate and free access to therapy while in prison"

17. Cllr. Jim Cuddy

I will propose:

"I propose that Galway County Council immediately investigate the serious problem of not having sufficient Planning Enforcement Officers for the County. My understanding is that at the moment we have but one to cover the whole county and that there is a six months backlog in dealing with possible breaches of planning regulations. I propose that the council set in progress the appointment of at least 4 enforcement officers and that if they cannot recruit sufficient enforcement officers from their present staff that the CEO would apply to the Department for the necessary funding to employ the required extra staff."

18. Votes of Sympathy / Congratulations