



Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe  
Galway County Council

Oifig an Rúnaí  
Áras an Chontae  
Cnoc na Radharc  
GAILLIMH

19 Márta 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 i **Seomra na Comhairle, Áras an Chontae, Cnoc na Radharc, Gaillimh, Dé Luain an 25 Márta 2024 ag tosú ag 11.00 ar maidin**. Ba chóir do chomhaltaí fógra a thabhairt don Riarthóir Cruinnithe chun páirt a ghlacadh go cianda i gcruinniú hibrídeach tráth nach déanaí ná 1 lá glan roimh an gcruinniú.

You are requested to attend an Ordinary Meeting of Galway County Council which will be held **in the Council Chamber, Áras an Chontae, Prospect Hill, Galway, on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2024 commencing at 11.00am**. Members should notify the Meetings Administrator in order to participate remotely in a hybrid meeting no later than 1 clear day prior to the meeting.

**Mise, le meas,**

***L. Keady***

***Riarthóir Cruinnithe / Meetings Administrator***

## **C L Á R**

### **1. Confirmation of Minutes of the following Meetings:**

- a) Minutes of Monthly Plenary Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

[Report available on the Extranet]

### **2. Consideration of Reports and Recommendations.**

- a) Minutes of Corporate Policy Group held on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2024.
- b) Minutes of Transportation & Infrastructure SPC Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

[Reports available on the Extranet]

### **3. To consider and approve if deemed appropriate, the Galway County Council Community Support Schemes 2024 proposed list of approvals, in accordance with the performance of its functions under Section 67 of the Local Government Act 2001 as amended.**

[Report to follow]

### **4. To consider the Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) Annual Report on performance of functions for 2023, in accordance with Section 128B (1) (i) of the Local Government Act 2001 as amended by the Local Government Reform Act 2014.**

[Report available on the Extranet]

### **5. To consider the Audit Committee 2023 Annual Report under Section 15 Local Government (Audit Committee) Regulations 2014.**

[Report available on the Extranet]

### **6. To fix a date, time and venue for the May Ordinary Meeting of Plenary Council.**

**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) Title of Conference:** Celtic Conferences – The First Home Scheme – Helping Homeowners get onto the property ladder– Retrospective Approval  
**Location of Conference:** McKeivitt’s Hotel, Carlingford, Co. Louth  
**Date:** 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> February 2024

**(b) Title of Conference:** Celtic Conferences – A Practical Guide to Personal Taxation in Ireland– Retrospective Approval  
**Location of Conference:** O’Donovan’s Hotel, Clonakilty, Co. Cork.  
**Date:** 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2024

**(c) Title of Conference:** 2024 Suck Valley Way Conference– Retrospective Approval  
**Location of Conference:** Hannon’s Hotel, Roscommon  
**Date:** 13<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> March 2024

[Reports available on the Extranet]

**8. 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) Title of Training:** AILG Module 1 ‘Elected Members Briefing: Annual Declarations, Donations, Code of Conduct and Local Representation Allowance Update.’ – Retrospective Approval  
**Assigned Location of Training:** The Fairways Hotel, Dundalk  
**Date:** 25<sup>th</sup> January 2024  
**Alternative Location of Training:** Greenhills Conference & Leisure Centre, Limerick  
**Date:** 27<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**(b) Title of Training:** WoMeN’s Regional Caucus Training & Development – Retrospective Approval  
**Location of Training:** Northwest Business Park, Collooney, Co. Sligo  
**Date:** 30<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**(c) Title of Training:** AILG Annual Training Conference – Retrospective Approval  
**Location of Training:** Arklow Bay Hotel, Co. Wicklow  
**Date:** 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> February 2024

**(d) Title of Training:** AILG Module 2 'Local Election 2024 Preparation – A Briefing from the Electoral Commission.' – Retrospective Approval  
**Assigned Location of Training:** The Hodson Bay Hotel, Athlone  
**Date:** 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2024  
**Alternative Location of Training:** Hotel Kilkenny, Limerick  
**Date:** 21<sup>st</sup> March 2024

[Reports available on the Extranet]

**9. To receive a presentation from the Irish Farmer's Association (IFA)**

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

[Report to follow]

**11. Chief Executive's Business & Correspondence.**

[Correspondence available on the Extranet]

**12. Question Cllr. McKinstry**

The Climate Action Plan requires a reduction in car-km driven of at least 20% by 2030;

- What is the baseline against which this will be measured, in terms of Km driven per MD
- Given population growth in our current County Development Plan, what are the expected changes in car traffic expected in the "No Action/Business as Usual" scenario
- What breakdown of Public Transport and Active Travel measures are planned to bring the traffic down, in terms of bus routes, km of cycle paths and footpaths?

## **COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTIONS**

### **OTHER MOTIONS RECEIVED**

#### **13. Cllr. Karey McHugh**

##### **I will propose:**

We propose that Galway County Council condemn the unparalleled destruction of Gaza and the mass slaughter of innocent civilians babies, children, women and men of Palestine. These acts must be called out in every political forum across the globe for what they are: genocidal acts masquerading as legitimate warfare. In light of these atrocities, we call on Galway County Council to suspend the purchasing of any goods and services from Israel, and we call on the government to do the same as they did following the Russian invasion of the Ukraine.

#### **14. Cllr. Gerry Finnerty**

##### **I will propose:**

Regarding Dietary Supplement Payments and due to the cost-of-living crisis, special diet and health foods are extremely expensive and are on the increase.

This was suspended in February 2014 and no new applicants were accepted since. While anybody who was on this payment before then, is still receiving the payment.

This dietary supplement is very important for Cystic fibrosis - Diabetic sufferers - Coeliac disease - Dairy free diets and many other food intolerance specialised diets.

I request this be forwarded to the Minister for health.

#### **15. Cathaoirleach's Business**

Change of date of Civic Reception to 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

#### **16. Votes of Sympathy/Congratulations**