



COMHAIRLE | CLARE  
CONTAE AN CHLÁIR | COUNTY COUNCIL

8 Nollaig 2021.

## DON CATHAOIRLEACH AGUS GACH BALL DEN CHOMHAIRLE

A Chomhairleoir, a chara,

Leis seo, iarraim ort, le do thoil, a bheith i láthair ag Cruinniú Míosúil na Comhairle a thionólfar ar **Dé Luain, an 13 Nollaig, 2021, i SEOMRA NA COMHAIRLE, ÁRAS CONTAE AN CHLÁIR, INIS AR 3:45 i.n. agus via ardán MS Teams.**

Thíos faoi seo, gheofar sonraí den ghnó a dhéanfar ag an gcruinniú.

Iarrtar ort a bheith i láthair.

Mise le meas,

**Riarthóir Cruinnithe**

**An Roinn Seirbhísí Corparáideach**  
**Stiúirtheoireacht Airgeadais agus Seirbhísí Tacaíochta**  
Áras Contae an Chláir, Bóthar Nua, Inis, Co. an Chláir, V95 DXP2

**Corporate Services Department**  
**Finance and Support Services Directorate**  
Áras Contae an Chláir, New Road, Ennis, Co. Clare, V95 DXP2

## CLÁR OIBRE - AGENDA

### 1) Miontuairiscí na Cruinnithe seo leanas den Chomhairle.

#### 1) Minutes of the following Council meeting.

- (a) Miontuairiscí Chruinniú mí Samhain, a tionóladh ar an 8 Samhain, 2021.
- (a) Minutes of November monthly meeting held on 8 November, 2021.
- (b) Miontuairiscí Chruinniú Cháinainéis Reachtúil a tionóladh ar an 26 Samhain, 2021.
- (b) Minutes of Statutory Budget meeting held on 26 November, 2021.
- (c) Miontuairiscí Chruinniú Speisialta a tionóladh ar an 30 Samhain, 2021.
- (c) Minutes of Special meeting held on 30 November, 2021.

#### 2. Matters Arising.

#### 2. Nithe ag éirí as.

### 3. Minutes of Municipal District Meetings.

#### Miontuairiscí cruinnithe Ceantar Bardasach

- (a) Killaloe Municipal District meeting held on 15 September, 2021.
- (a) Cruinniú Ceantar Bardasach Cill Dá Lua a tionóladh ar an 15 Meán Fómhair, 2021.
- (b) Shannon Municipal District meeting held on 21 September, 2021.
- (b) Cruinniú Ceantar Bardasach na Sionnainne a tionóladh ar an 21 Meán Fómhair, 2021.
- (c) Shannon Municipal District meeting held on 8 November, 2021.
- (c) Cruinniú Ceantar Bardasach na Sionnainne a tionóladh ar an 8 Samhain, 2021.
- (d) West Clare Municipal District meeting held on 7 September, 2021.
- (d) Cruinniú Ceantar Bardasach Iarthar an Chláir a tionóladh ar an 7 Meán Fómhair, 2021.
- (e) West Clare Municipal District meeting held on 30 September, 2021
- (e) Cruinniú Ceantar Bardasach Iarthar an Chláir a tionóladh ar an 30 Meán Fómhair, 2021.

### 4. Minutes of Strategic Policy Committee Meetings.

#### 4. Miontuairiscí Cruinnithe Coiste Polasaí Straitéiseach

- (a) Physical Development Strategic Policy Committee meeting held on 7 September, 2021.
- (a) Cruinniú Coiste Polasaí Straitéiseach Forbairt Fhisiciúil a tionóladh ar an 7 Meán Fómhair, 2021.
- (b) Rural Development Strategic Policy Committee meeting held on 21 September, 2021.
- (b) Cruinniú Coiste Polasaí Straitéiseach Forbairt Tuaithe a tionóladh ar an 21 Meán Fómhair, 2021.

5. Minutes of Corporate Policy Group meeting held on 1 November, 2021.
5. Cruinniú Grúpa Polasaí Corparáideach a tionóladh ar an 1 Samhain, 2021.
6. Monthly Management Report.
7. Disposal of lands at Bunnow, Ballaghboy, Doora, Co. Clare pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Section 211 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000.
8. Disposal of property at Ballyoughtra, Tulla, Co. Clare pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Section 211 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000.
9. Consideration and endorsement of
  - a) the Killaloe-Ballina Town Enhancement & Mobility Plan (November 2021) and
  - b) the Associated Strategic Environmental Assessment (Environmental Report) and Appropriate Assessment (Natura Impact Report).

**10. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. G. Keating:-**

“In keeping with its long standing tradition of offering limited apprenticeship places in the trades and allied work experience, that Clare County Council would expand its role in this regard with the initiation of the process for recruitment of apprenticeships into the trades and green skills, i.e. carpenters, block layers, plasterers, plumbers, fitters, mechanics, electricians, retrofitting personnel, alternative energy technicians, etc. This would signal a positive response to the Government call for the take up of apprenticeship training courses by local authorities and would be in line with the underlying principle for the broadening of this cohort of trainee students. It would facilitate the Councils commitments to incorporate appropriate green adaption and mitigation practices in its work programme and plans, as part of its suite of climate change measures. Further would provide the opportunity for the Council as a housing authority to fulfil its obligation to carry out upgrading in maintenance and retrofitting of its housing stock to the highest standard of green remedial measures allied with the Ennis 2040 and the Clare Rural Development Strategy 2026 this initiative would mark out Clare as a progressive and relevant public body in the modern era.”

**11. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. P.J. Kelly:-**

“That Clare County Council would provide grant aid to community groups who wish to enhance existing leisure facilities by providing low cost toilet facilities.”

**12. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. P. McMahon:-**

“That Clare County Council examine the options for positive brands at the various access points to the county.”

**13. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. P.J. Ryan:-**

“In light of the recent successful outcomes (a first in Ireland) of the search and rescue services, of Clare Civil Defence, using a drone which has limitations, that this council would complement the present drone with an all weather drone fitted with infra-red capability.”

**14. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. D. McGettigan:-**

“I call on Clare County Council to register any defibrillators in council facilities or other public AEDs that they would have an involvement with, with the PulsePoint AED defibrillator location App for Ireland and encourage all community groups, businesses, schools and others who may have them to register them with Pulsepoint AED.

PulsePoint allows you to find your nearest defibrillator at the touch of a button and has streamlined the process for Councils making it easier to submit your AEDs.

It is a multi award winning App and has also received a Garda community safety award.

This App that is so simple to use could help to save lives.”

**15. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. G. Flynn:-**

“I am calling on the environment section of Clare County Council to increase their efforts to identify people who are engaging in the destruction of our public areas due to dumping of waste material. I would also request the council to deploy surveillance equipment in a number of areas to curb this activity. It has been reported that some local authorities are having success with this approach.”

**16. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. J. Cooney:-**

“That Clare County Council provide an update on the application regarding the Counties Pyrite Redress Scheme.”

**17. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllrs. J. Killeen, S. Talty agus J. Garrihy:-**

“We call on Clare County Council to outline the arrangements in place including locations and times of business for the public consultation sessions on the County Development Plan.

We call for more clarity with regard to the vacant site levy to give confidence to relevant landowners.

We call on media outlets to make people aware of the consultation process.”

**18. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. P. Murphy:-**

"I am requesting all details relevant to Clare County Council's Derelict sites register, i.e. a listing of the number of properties in each Municipal District that are currently on the register, those that have been pursued for levies and how much money has been recouped to date?"

**19. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. A. Norton:-**

“Changing Places facilities is a highly important part of the life of someone with a disability, Members of the Brothers of Charity have been working on a project during covid to make people aware of the difficulties around toileting and making life easier for themselves and their carers or family members. They would like the opportunity to address the councillors and staff of Clare County Council to showcase their documentary and the opportunity to speak about the need for these facilities.”

**20. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllrs. P. Daly, J. Crowe agus M. Nestor:-**

“We request Clare County Council to call on the Government to make additional staff available to An Bord Pleanála, to enable them to make timely decisions, so that planning appeals can be expedited in the normal four months.”

**21. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllrs. C. Murphy, T. O'Brien, A. O'Callaghan agus P. Hayes:-**

“In light of the recent record lack of rental accommodation available nationally to ask the Minister for Finance to look at a tax policy solution that will encourage behavioural change in property owners to switch from short term lets to long term rental”.

**22. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllrs. J. Flynn, M. Howard agus P.J. Kelly:-**

“Clare County Council request the Minister for Health to personally intervene with regard the Limerick Hospital Group to address the lack of progress in the recruitment of the three dietitians posts, the four diabetes specialist nursing posts, and the additional two consultant endocrinologist posts, some of which were approved as far back as January 2021.

The result of lack of specialist clinical staff means that the Limerick hospitals group is not likely to be included in the current national expansion of DAFNE- Dose Adjustment for Normal Eating (Structured Type 1 Diabetes Education for Adults).

Another result of this slow recruitment is that Limerick is also left behind in the provision of insulin pumps. This is concerning because there are **currently 51 adults using pumps and only one or two members of staff who are qualified to support** them.

There are **663 people with diabetes, from Clare and Limerick, waiting** on a first appointment to the outpatient diabetes clinic in University Hospital Limerick with **half (336 people) waiting two to six years**. This delay in treatment is a serious concern as it puts these people at a higher risk of developing life-altering and costly complications such as blindness, amputation, kidney disease, heart attacks, and strokes.”

**23. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. M. Howard:-**

“Clare County Council asks Mr Darragh O'Brien TD, Minister for Housing, Local Government & Heritage to initiate an investigation into how inferior blocks containing Mica and Pyrite were used to construct homes.”

**24. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. P. Burke:-**

“That Clare County Council call on the Minister of State for Forestry, Senator Pippa Hackett to address the concerns of farmers and landowners whose Ash Tree plantations have suffered from ‘Ash Dieback Disease’.”

**25. Comhfhreagras/Correspondence.**