

COMHAIRLE CLARE CONTAE AN CHLÁIR COUNTY COUNCIL

7 Meitheamh, 2023.

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 12 Meitheamh, 2023 AR 3:00 i.n. i SEOMRA NA COMHAIRLE, ÁRAS CONTAE AN CHLÁIR, INIS 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,

Am Repuelds .

Riarthóir Cruinnithe

An Roinn Seirbhísí Corparáideach Stiúrthóireacht 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 Bealtaine, a tionóladh ar an 8 Bealtaine 2023.
- (a) Minutes of May monthly meeting held on 8 May 2023.
- 2. Matters Arising.
- 2. Nithe ag éirí as.

3. Comhfhreagras/Correspondence.

- 4. Minutes of Municipal District Meetings.
- 4. Miontuairiscí cruinnithe Ceantar Bardasach
 - (a) Ennis Municipal District meeting held on 4 April 2023.
 - (a) Cruinniú Ceantar Bardasach na hInse a tionóladh ar an 4 Aibreán 2023.
 - (b) Ennis Municipal District meeting held on 2 May 2023.
 - (b) Cruinniú Ceantar Bardasach na hInse a tionóladh ar an 2 Bealtaine 2023.
 - (c) Shannon Municipal District Special meeting held on 28 March 2023.
 - (c) Cruinniú Speisialta Ceantar Bardasach na Sionnainne a tionóladh ar an 28 Márta 2023.
 - (d) Shannon Municipal District deferred meeting held on 31 March 2023.
 - (d) Cruinniú Iarchurtha Ceantar Bardasach na Sionnainne a tionóladh ar an 31 Márta 2023.
 - (e) Killaloe Municipal District meeting held on 22 March 2023.
 - (e) Cruinniú Ceantar Bardasach Cill Dá Lua a tionóladh ar an 22 March 2023.
- 5. Minutes of Strategic Policy Committee Meetings.
- 5. Miontuairiscí Cruinnithe Coiste Polasaí Straitéiseach
 - (a) Physical Development Strategic Policy Committee meeting held on 8 March 2023
 - (a) Cruinniú Coiste Polasaí Straitéiseach Forbairt Fhisiciúil a tionóladh ar an 8 Márta 2023
- 6. Minutes of Corporate Policy Group meeting held on 28 April 2023.
- 6. Cruinniú Grúpa Polasaí Corparáideach a tionóladh ar an 28 Aibreán 2023.
- 7. Monthly Management Report.

- 8. Disposal of property (by lease) at Hastings' Farmhouse and surrounding lands, Shannon, Co. Clare pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Section 211 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000.
- **9.** Disposal of property at Drom Cuilinn, Bóthar an Luchra, Tullyvarraga, Shannon, Co Clare pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Section 211 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000.
- **10.** Disposal of property at An Cladach, Quilty, Co. Clare pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Section 211 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000.
- 11. Disposal of property at Cnoc na Scoile, Ashline, Kilrush Road, Ennis, Co. Clare pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Section 211 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000.
- 12. 2023 Clár Funding applications.
- **13.** LCDC Membership
- 14. Supplementary Clare Local Area Grant Scheme 2023 (CLAGS).
- **15.** Draft Annual Report 2022
- **16.** Briefing by Dr. Eamonn Murphy, Managing Director, Irish Centre for Business Excellence on the potential of the Shannon Estuary.

17. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. C. Colleran Molloy, Cllr. P.J. Ryan, Cllr P. Hayes:-

"Several of our libraries carry unique historical names – examples being the Sean Lemass library in Shannon, Cultúrlann Sweeney in Kilkee, the William Smith O'Brien library in Newmarket on Fergus and the Dr Patrick J Hillery library in Milltown Malbay. I propose that the new County Library located in Ennis which will open in Q1 2024 retain the name the "DeValera Library".

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

"That the Government be requested to provide grants of €50,000 to those who build their own houses".

19. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. T. O'Callaghan:-

"To ask Clare County Council to consider providing toilet drop and coach wash facilities at main tourist attractions throughout the County".

20. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. C. Murphy, Cllr. T. O'Brien, Cllr. S. Talty, Cllr I. Lynch, Cllr. P. O'Gorman, Cllr. L. Grant, Cllr. M. Howard, Cllr. D. McGettigan, Cllr. T. O'Callaghan, Cllr. J. Garrihy:-

"In recognition of the critically important local services our retained fire fighters provide to the communities we represent; we call on the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage and the Minister for Public Expenditure to provide the funding necessary to sustain and enhance the Retained Fire Service now and for future generations".

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

"That this Council would become involved in a Farm Safety Awareness Campaign as there have been numerous farm accidents (some fatal) in our county in recent times and it is very important that farmers and the general public are aware of the dangers on farms and on the public roads".

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

"That Clare County Council calls on the Government and the Oireachtas to take extra threats to Irelands security seriously and to review national policy in relation to security".

23. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. P. Burke, Cllr. P. Murphy, Cllr. J. Killeen:-

"That Clare County Council invite representatives of Macra na Feirme (Elaine Houlihan, National President; Liam Hanrahan, Chair of Agricultural Affairs Committee and Niamh Farrell, Chair of Rural Youth Committee) to give a report on their campaign "The Rural Revival, Steps For Our Future" and advise on what the elected members can do to help re representations to Government in advance of Budget 2023".

24. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. J. Killeen:-

"We call on DCEDIY (Department of Children) to improve their line of communication with Oireachtas Members, Local Authority (Forum), and Councillors with regard to properties considered/chosen for use for International Protection within County Clare".

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

"Given the many funding schemes and funds that are currently available i.e. Active Travel, Rural Regeneration Development Fund, Town and Village Renewal and Community Recognition Fund; I am asking if Clare County Council has the appropriate staffing resources across all Directorates and Municipal Districts to gain the maximum benefit from all the opportunities and benefits provided by these funding streams, both presently and going forward into the future".

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

"To request the H.S.E. to initiate a recruitment campaign, to improve staffing levels in the provision of home care".

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

"Clare County Council requests Minister for Arts, Culture & Heritage Ms Catherine Martin and Minister for Disability Ms Anne Rabbitte for clarity as regards free access for carers when accompanying those with disabilities to venues throughout Ireland".

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

"I am calling on the Taoiseach Leo Varadkar, the Tánaiste Micheál Martin and the Minister's for Justice & Integration to have consideration for the impact of placing huge numbers of people seeking asylum in Clare from a number of countries. Clare has received well in excess of 5,000 people through Direct Provision and the Ukrainian Crisis. The people in Clare have shown great generosity and hospitality in dealing with the high numbers being placed throughout the County by the Government. The impact in various communities is being felt where there is a deficiency in services to support the existing local community. Negative publicity portrays people in Clare as not being welcoming in dealing with new arrivals and this is dividing communities and causing huge stress at a time when people are struggling to deal with the high cost of living. Clare is one of the counties hosting high numbers and the constituents contacting me feel that the county of Clare has accommodated enough at this point in time, and they are of the opinion that the Government need to adequately address the deficiencies in support services available and put in place additional measures to help the integration of people seeking asylum in Ireland and the numbers placed in Clare".

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

"Due to an increase in drug use and services being stretched in Clare, I am calling on Clare County Council to ask the Minister for the National Drug Strategy to invest in a low threshold detox centre for Clare. People who are trying to get away from substance abuse are finding the hurdles to get help difficult and need to be almost clear of drugs before being able to enter a centre, there is also a long waiting list and costs to use these facilities meaning many of those looking for help end up not being able to avail of them".