



COMHAIRLE | CLARE
CONTAE AN CHLÁIR | COUNTY COUNCIL

3 Bealtaine, 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 8 Bealtaine, 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,

Ann Reynolds.

Riarthóir Cruinnithe

An Roinn Seirbhísí Corparáideach
Stiúrthóireacht Airgeadais agus Seirbhísí Tacaiochta
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 Aibreán, a tionóladh ar an 3 Aibreán 2023.
 - (a) Minutes of April monthly meeting held on 3 April 2023.

 - (b) Miontuairiscí Chruinniú Speisialta a tionóladh ar an 24 Aibreán, 2023.
 - (b) Minutes of Special Council meeting held on 24 April, 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 7 March 2023.
 - (a) Cruinniú Ceantar Bardasach na hInse a tionóladh ar an 7 Márta 2023.

 - (b) Ennis Municipal District Special meeting held on 21 March 2023.
 - (b) Cruinniú Speisialta Ceantar Bardasach na hInse a tionóladh ar an 21 Márta 2023.

 - (c) Shannon Municipal District meeting held on 17 January 2023.
 - (c) Cruinniú Ceantar Bardasach na Sionnainne a tionóladh ar an 17 Eanáir 2023.

5. Minutes of Strategic Policy Committee Meetings.
5. Miontuairiscí Cruinnithe Coiste Polasaí Straitéiseach
 - (a) Rural Development Strategic Policy Committee meeting held on 21 February 2023.
 - (a) Cruinniú Coiste Polasaí Straitéiseach Forbairt Tuaithe a tionóladh ar an 21 Feabhra 2023.

6. Minutes of Corporate Policy Group meeting held on 27 March 2023.
6. Cruinniú Grúpa Polasaí Corparáideach a tionóladh ar an 27 Márta 2023.

7. Monthly Management Report.

8. Disposal of property at 14 Elton Court, Meelick, Co. Clare pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Section 211 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000.

9. Disposal of lands at Ballycasey, 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 lands at Fodera, Kilbaha, Co. Clare pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Section 211 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000.
11. Disposal of ground at Lacka, Sixmilebridge, Co. Clare pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Section 211 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000.
12. Schedule date for Annual General Meeting – proposed date Friday, 30th June 2023 at 3.00 p.m.
13. Memorial Committee Applications.
14. Ratification of new Rural SPC member.
15. Statutory Audit Report to the members of Clare County Council for the year ended 31st December 2021.
16. Report from Audit Committee on Statutory Audit Report for year ended 31st December 2021.
17. Clare County Council Audit Committee Annual Report 2022.
18. Clare County Council Annual Financial Statement 2022.
19. Section 85 Agreement between Limerick City and County Council and Clare County Council - UL to Montpelier Greenway

20. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. C Colleran Molloy:-

“In light of the long and strong connection of the 22nd Infantry Battalion Association and the 22nd Infantry Battalion with both the town Ennis and indeed the County, I am calling on Clare County Council to provide the necessary space in the new DeValera Library in Ennis for the 22nd Infantry Battalion collection of historical memorabilia, which currently has no permanent home.”

21. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. PJ Kelly:-

“That Clare County Council call on the Minister for Transport to make arrangements with TII in order to facilitate planning permissions for farmers sons or daughters who take over the ownership and management of farms from their parents”.

22. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. I. Lynch:-

“As fly tipping continues to blight our county, destroying the environment and encouraging additional cost on Clare County Council and landowners both financially and in resources I am requesting:

- A) that Clare County Council suspend the issuing of fines for fly tipping and all cases are processed through the courts.
- B) Request an update on the implications for households receiving state support, for housing, that have been identified as illegally fly tipping

C) I request that the Department of Environment implement and manage all arrangements for household waste services as part of all state assisted tenancy agreements through the weekly/monthly rental payment.”

23. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. PJ Ryan:-

“That this Council request Minister for Housing, Darragh O'Brien would look at the criteria around affordable housing in Co. Clare”

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

“To ask Clare County council to engage analysis on provision of adequate parking throughout our County Towns and villages due to seasonal increase in population at different times throughout the year.”

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

“Calling on the Minister with responsibility for forestry Pippa Hackett to give landowners emergency permission to remove dead ash trees from plantations affected by Ash Dieback disease as a matter of urgency”.

26. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. J. Garrihy:-

“In light of the very unique and positive role Clare County Council will play in the future direction of Clare Tourism and the potential multifaceted opportunities arising I can call on Clare County council insert a pillar and priority strategic objective with accompanying KPIs into the operating model of the various council/state owned vehicles and attractions under the control and direction of the local authority ensuring they operate in a manner that strategically creates conditions for the success and sustainability of host communities, SMEs and Towns and Villages in their immediate vicinity as a first priority and as a standing item to reference when key business decisions are being made.

Increasing business, SME enterprises, sustainable jobs, vibrant and regenerated rural towns and villages and living populations in line with our Rural Development Strategy are heavily dependent for success on proper mobility planning footfall / economic activity which can be enhanced and enabled by this focus being front and centre for Council owned and operated attractions.

The control and Governance of LA/State owned facilities and attractions / business interests with accompanying resources is a major responsibility as well as an important development opportunity for Clare County Council and the county and I ask that these vehicles set a regenerative theme, first and foremost for the communities and areas in which they operate.”

27. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr J. Cooney; Cllr J. Garrihy; Cllr M. Howard:-

“That Clare County Council welcomes the decision by the government to extend the Croi Conaithe Vacant & Derelict Property Refurbishment Grant to those who wish to renovate a vacant or derelict property for either permanent occupancy or long term rent along with increased funding in recognition of the costs involved. This measure will boost the supply of rental properties and options for permanent homes & will deliver on a key plank of Housing

for All which is to reduce vacancy and dereliction in our cities, towns, villages and rural countryside and provide more housing options in the process.

We applaud the work being done by the team in Clare County Council on this key initiative and call on the Council to maximise support and resources for their efforts to bring this expanded scheme to the attention of everyone across the county through walk in clinics and information events in each LEA along with a revised information campaign in context of the expanded scheme.

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

"That Clare County Council supports the recent Macra na Feirme campaign, entitled "The Rural Revival, Steps for our Future". This campaign was a march that departed Athy, Co. Kildare at 7pm on Tuesday, April 25th, marching through the night, physically carrying their message, before arriving at Government Buildings circa 1pm on Wednesday, April 27th. The message is simple, Macra Na Feirme members want to be able remain at home, working and living in their own communities and the key components of their message are as follows:

Accessing affordable housing and cumbersome housing planning guidelines.

Disjointed and scarce healthcare services for rural communities.

The Government's definition of a family farm as 'average' and 'typical'.

No recognition or engagement by Government on a farming succession scheme.

Lack of planning for the future of our rural communities informed by rural people.

Imposition of quotas on young farmers availing of grant aid support.

Lack of public transport for rural Ireland.

Proposals to rewet large areas of rural Ireland.

I am also requesting that this Notice of Motion be circulated to all other local authorities."

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

"That this Council provide charging points for electric cars at each of the tourism facilities operated by the Council at which a suitable location for charging points be designated in each town and village to be in conjunction with electricity suppliers."

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

"Each week we are seeing more and more graffiti throughout our county. I request Clare County Council facilitate a meeting/ subgroup of Council staff, Councillors and retailers to discuss the sale and use of aerosol paint sprays.

The objective of this group would be to only sell these aerosols to those over 18 and that like solvents, cigarettes, alcohol and vaping equipment, that these products would be kept behind or near the cash register.

I also request that this Council write to the Minister for Justice asking them to review the penalties given to those who destroy our public spaces and properties with graffiti and tagging."

31. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. C. Murphy:-

"That a policy be put in place to ensure key presentations, with cross directorate implications, to SPCs are offered to all councillors, irrespective of their membership"

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

“While welcoming the latest initiatives to increase the supply of much needed housing we call on Clare County Council to (A) illustrate how the various different components will enhance our housing stock (B) run workshops in the Municipal Districts to inform relevant business interests, owners of vacant/derelict properties and those who may wish renovate/convert or build with support from these schemes.”