



COMHAIRLE | CLARE
CONTAE AN CHLÁIR | COUNTY COUNCIL

4 Meán Fómhair, 2024.

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 9 Meán Fómhair, 2024 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,

Presentation by Tristan Casson-Rennie,
Regional Director, Hidden Disability
Sunflower Team – 2p.m.

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 Iúil, a tionóladh ar an 8 Iúil 2024.
 - (a) Minutes of July monthly meeting held on 8 July 2024.
 - (b) Miontuairiscí Chruinniú Speisialta a tionóladh ar an 26 Iúil 2024.
 - (b) Minutes of the Special meeting held on the 26 July 2024.

2. Matters Arising.
2. Nithe ag éirí as.

3. **Comhfhreagras/Correspondence.**

4. Minutes of Municipal District Meetings.
4. Miontuairiscí cruinnithe Ceantar Bardasach.
 - (a) Killaloe Municipal District meeting held on 15 May 2024.
 - (a) Cruinniú Ceantar Bardasach Cill Dá Lua a tionóladh ar an 15 Bealtaine, 2024.
 - (b) Killaloe Municipal District AGM held on 26 June 2024.
 - (b) Cruinniú cinn bhliana Ceantar Bardasach Cill Dá Lua a tionóladh ar an 26 Meitheamh, 2024.
 - (c) Shannon Municipal District meeting held on 24 May, 2024.
 - (c) Cruinniú Ceantar Bardasach na Sionnainne a tionóladh ar an 24 Bealtaine, 2024.
 - (d) Shannon Municipal District AGM held on 25 June, 2024.
 - (d) Cruinniú cinn bhliana Ceantar Bardasach na Sionnainne a tionóladh ar an 25 Meitheamh, 2024.
 - (e) West Clare Municipal District meeting held on 7 May 2024.
 - (e) Cruinniú Ceantar Bardasach Iarthar an Chláir a tionóladh ar an 7 Bealtaine 2024.
 - (f) West Clare Municipal District special meeting held on 24 May 2024.
 - (f) Cruinniú Speisialta Ceantar Bardasach Iarthar an Chláir a tionóladh ar an 24 Bealtaine 2024.
 - (g) West Clare Municipal District AGM held on 1 July 2024.
 - (g) Cruinniú cinn bhliana Ceantar Bardasach Iarthar an Chláir a tionóladh ar an 1 Iúil 2024.

5. Minutes of Strategic Policy Committee Meetings.
- 5 Miontuairiscí Cruinnithe Coiste Polasaí Straitéiseach.

- (a) Social Development Strategic Policy Committee meeting held on 6 March, 2024.
- (a) Cruinniú Coiste Polasaí Straitéiseach Forbairt Shóisialta a tionóladh ar an 6 Márta, 2024.

- 6. Minutes of Corporate Policy Group meeting held on 1 July, 2024.
- 6. Cruinniú Grúpa Polasaí Corparáideach a tionóladh ar an 1 Iúil, 2024.

- 7. Monthly Management Report.

- 8. Disposal of land at Violet Hill, Broadford, Co. Clare pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Section 211 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000.

- 9. Disposal of land at Cloonanaha, Inagh, Co Clare pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Section 211 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000.

- 10. Report in accordance with Part XI, Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and Part VIII, Article 80 and 81 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001-2013 for the proposed construction of a residential development at Cloughleigh Road and Shallee Drive, Ennis Co. Clare.

- 11. Report in accordance with Part XI, Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and Part VIII, Article 80 and 81 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001-2013 for the proposed construction of 12 no. residential units at Back Road, Kilrush, Co. Clare.

- 12. Report in accordance with Part XI, Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and Part VIII, Article 80 and 81 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001-2013 for the proposed construction of 16 no. residential units including refurbishment and demolition of existing residential & commercial units at Moore Street, Kilrush, Co. Clare.

- 13. Report in accordance with Part XI, Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and Part VIII, Article 80 and 81 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001-2013 for the extension of the existing burial ground at Carrowmore, Scarriff, Co. Clare.

- 14. Local Property Tax Local Adjustment Factor consideration.

- 15. Audit Committee 2024-2029.

- 16. Loan Finance – Reaffirm Resolution of Council 2019-2024.

- 17. Interim Financial Report to 30 June, 2024.

18. Ratification of nomination to the Board of the Clare Local Development Company. (Nomination to replace Cllr. J. Garrihy)
19. Clare Sports Partnership Committee nomination. (2 members)
20. Draft Strategic Policy Scheme.
21. Presentation by Tristan Casson-Rennie, Regional Director, Hidden Disability Sunflower Team – 2p.m.

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

“In the interest of road safety, I call on Clare County Council to explore and implement an enhanced program of road lining and refreshing of fading markings throughout all national primary, secondary and local road networks in the county with particular focus on junction definition and enhancement, additional on road directions including installation of directional arrows at entrances and exits to towns and villages and around heavily trafficked tourist areas.”

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

“I move that Clare County Council calls on the Minister for Further and Higher Education to support the application by the University of Limerick and immediately establish a new Veterinary School in the Mid-West in order to address the chronic shortage of college places for students wishing study veterinary and avoid them having to go abroad to study and to ensure that we have enough vets going forward to ensure our food security, animal welfare and support our farmers.”

24. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. M. Shannon:-

“I call on Clare County Council to improve the maintenance of all school signage throughout the school year of 24/25. There are three electronic types of signage, which need maintenance and replacement on an ongoing basis.

We need a centralised logging system reporting faults on all signage for teachers, parents and members of the public. Text number or email address should be well publicised.”

25. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllrs. P. Daly, M. Howard, T. O’Callaghan:-

“That Clare County Council calls on the Department of Local Government to review its refusal of proposed zoning of lands agreed during the County Development Plan discussions by both the elected members and management of Clare County Council, in prime locations, in Ennis and other towns and villages.”

26. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. T. Guilfoyle:-

“The River Fergus winds its way down through the North Clare MD and into the Shannon Estuary in the West Clare MD. The river's banks and surrounds play a major role in our county's flood

defences. Alongside that serious function, it also plays a massive role in our county's wildlife and biodiversity.

To enable the Clare County Council to protect these key functions, I request that the Clare County Council carry out a Biodiversity Study and create an Action Plan on the Corrovorrin River (Fergus Minor) from the former West Clare metal bridge (adjacent to Aughanteeroe Estate) downstream to its confluence with the Fergus River at the railway metal bridge (adjacent to Knox's Bridge) in order to protect the existing undeveloped riverside corridor for biodiversity and nature-based flood solutions.”

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

“Prior to Clare County Council extending the lease and approving an expansion of the facility to the OPW for Kilkee Coast Guard, that Clare County Council request the Irish Coast Guard Operations Management Team attend a meeting to present the current operational status of all Clare based Coast Guard Units, and the future operational plans and improvements any developments will yield.”

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

“That the Environmental Department of Clare County Council liaise with an Gardaí Siochána in formulating an effective strategy in how to deal with the many abandoned vehicles that are strewn across carparks, roads and public spaces throughout Clare.”

29. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllrs. R. McInerney, J. Crowe, P. Burke agus M. Shannon:-

“We call on Minister Darragh O'Brien & government to provide additional funding to local authorities for the purchase of suitable sites in towns and villages for the purpose of the delivering housing projects under the Croi Conaithe serviced sites initiative and to examining enhanced supports under this scheme to add to the viability and affordability for qualifying people building their own homes and additionally for the purpose of making housing available for rightsizing/ people wishing to downsize. We request the reply outlines additional state supports possible to access to qualifying individuals for the Croi Conaithe Serviced Sites scheme as it is currently.”

30. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. R. McInerney:-

“That Clare County Council conduct a report on industrial units in the county. This process would include consulting with estate agents and business park management to include:

- Current Occupancy
- Current Availability
- Zoned Industrial Land
- Current Demand
- Future Demand

With the view to recognising and formulating a strategy from a planning perspective to address any shortfall identified.”

31. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. T. O’Callaghan:-

“To call on government to introduce strict laws that will protect our children when purchasing any electronic devices.”

32. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllrs. S. Talty, J. Garrihy, B. Slattery agus J. Killeen:-

“That Clare County Council recognise that the Cliffs of Moher Coastal Walk has become integral to the tourism product of County Clare & is indistinguishable from the Cliffs of Moher Visitor Experience. In light of recent developments regarding the trail, we ask the Chief Executive to urgently engage with Clare Local Development Company to discuss the future management of the walk.”

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

“Calling on Minister Stephen Donnelly to expedite the final report from HIQA on the need for a second A&E. Reports are that this will not be published until next year, yet this is needed urgently. The crisis at University Hospital Limerick (UHL) has already been subjected to several reviews with very little positive outcomes for patients. Only recently we saw once again a raft of elective surgeries and appointments cancelled in light of overcrowding at UHL A&E. We would like to see this review completed and published urgently, less than a year for the sake of all people in Clare and wider regions.”

34. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. J. Crowe:-

“I call on Clare County council to seek a development strategy for additional secondary schools in County Clare owing to the population growth we are and will be experiencing, over the next ten years. This will help elevate the school public transportation issues currently being faced across the county and will help develop a sustainable plan into the future. If Clare County Council could arrange an urgent meeting with the Department of Education on this, as this problem is not going to go away but will be a serious issue year on year.”

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

“That Clare County Council call on the Road Safety Authority to locate a second N.C.T Centre in Co. Clare.”

36. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. P. O’Gorman:-

“I am calling on Clare County Council to upgrade all their recycling centres to recycling and transfer stations, like what we currently have in operation in Scariff.”

37. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. R. Hartigan:-

“To ask if consideration could be given to building "Dog Parks" in towns and villages across the county.” (M)