Comhairle Contae Loch Garman





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8ú Nollag, 2021

FÓGRA CRUINNITHE

Meeting of Wexford County Council On Monday 13th December, 2021 - 2.30 p.m. Ferrycarrig Hotel, Wexford

A Chara,

Tionólfar cruinniú de'n Chomhairle mar a léiritear thuas.

Mise, le meas,

Daithí O'Mhuinneóg

Runai

Please note lunch will be served at 1pm in The Ferrycarrig Hotel, Wexford

Please also note in keeping with Covid Guidelines, all attendees will have to have their Covid Cert & ID with them as they will be asked for them.

- County Council Meeting 13th December, 2021
- 1 Confirmation of Minutes:
 - 1.1 County Council Meeting 08.11.2021 2.30pm
 - 1.2 County Council Meeting 08.11.2021 4.30pm
 - 1.3 Budget Meeting 29.11.2021
- 2. Part XI of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) and Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 (as amended):
 - 2.1 LAC2107 Proposed Development
 - A) Minor alterations to the existing convent (protected structure Ref. WBC0196) for continued residential use (student accommodation).
 - B) Works to the existing c.1960's 3 storey extension, involving the demolition of its top floor for the provision of a 2-storey addition comprising of bedrooms, 1 no. 3-bed apartment & associated works.
 - C) All other ancillary works & access improvements under the curtilage of the protected structure Ref WBC0196 at Adoration Convent, Bride Street, Wexford Town.
 - 2.2 LAC2108 Proposed demolition of an existing derelict dwelling and the proposed construction of a 2-storey duplex containing 2 no. 1 bed units and a bungalow style 3 bed special needs house with associated site works at 15 Bullawn, New Ross, Co. Wexford.
- 3 Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001:
 - 3.1 Proposed disposal of land at Patrick Mernagh Park, Daphne View, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford.
 - 3.2 Proposed intention to lease land at Mannix Place, Wexford.
 - 3.3 Proposed intention to lease two parcels of land in Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford.
- 4. Chief Executive's Report
- 5. Minutes of CPG
 - 5.1 Minutes of CPG Meeting 6th December, 2021
- 6 Minutes of Meetings (For Noting):
 - 6.1 New Ross Municipal District Meeting 13.10.2021
 - 6.2 Rosslare Municipal District Meeting 18.10.2021
 - 6.3 Borough District of Wexford Meeting 18.10.2021
 - 6.4 Enniscorthy Municipal District Meeting 18.10.2021
 - 6.5Gorey-Kilmuckridge Municipal District Meeting 19.10.2021
 - 6.6Transportation & Water Services SPC 24.03.2021
 - 6.7Economic Development & Enterprise SPC 23.09.2021

7 Correspondence and Communications

- 7.1Letter from Sean Fleming TD re motion Insurance to Community Groups dated 3rd November, 2021.
- 7.2 Letter from Waterford City and County Council re motion (RICO) dated 25th November, 2021.
- 7.3 Letter from Waterford City and County Council re motion (visual communication boards) dated 25th November, 2021.
- 7.4 Letter from Galway County Council re motion (goods from occupied territories) dated 29th November, 2021.
- 7.5 Letter from Breda Cahill, President, Wexford Federation ICA dated 28th November, 2021

8 List of Councillors' Conferences and Training

- Report of Cllr. John Fleming Housing for All How will it help people find homes?, held in Carlingford, Co. Louth.
- Report of Cllr. Barbara Anne Murphy IPI Conference "Delivering Plan Led Development", held in Clayton Whites Hotel on 17/18 November.
- Report of Cllr. John O'Rourke Celtic Conferences Mental Health & Wellbeing, Carlingford,
 Co. Louth.

9 Notices of Motions -

9.1 Cllr. Tom Forde

"I ask for Wexford County Council's 'Severe Weather Protocol' to be activated and become operational in the event of any weather alert or weather warning that could put the health and well-being of our rough sleepers and homeless at risk."

Response of Executive:

This arrangement is already in place.

9.2 Cllr Davy Hynes

"This council calls on the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, to scrap the RAS scheme or remove the discriminatory criteria and allow tenants to remain on the Housing Transfer list as is the case in the HAP scheme.

Response of Executive:

9.3 Clir. Michael Sheehan

"That this Council reaffirms our commitment and support for the local Greyhound and Equine sports industry; we commend the Government for its continued financial support and calls on the Minister to guarantee the level of grants for the life of the government so that the organising bodies can continue to invest in the sport locally and the standards of aftercare for retired animals. Furthermore, we call on our Oireachtas members to state their position on this issue and commit to oppose any moves to reduce the support."

Response of Executive:

If the Motion is passed, the County Secretary will arrange for a copy of the Motion to be forwarded to the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine, Mr. Charlie McConalogue TD for consideration, and will also arrange for the Motion to be forwarded to the six Wexford members of the Oireachtas as outlined in the Motion.

9.4 Cllr. Andrew Bolger

"Wexford County Council undertake to increase its use of Irish Sign Language (ISL) in public communications. Irish Sign Language is the first and/or preferred language of 5,000 Deaf people in Ireland and approximately 40,000 people in general will communicate in ISL.

The Irish Sign Language Act 2017 provides a duty on public bodies to do all that is reasonable to ensure that interpretation into Irish Sign Language is provided for a person who is competent in that language and cannot hear or understand English or Irish when that person is seeking to avail of or access statutory entitlements or services provided by or under statute by that public body."

Response of Executive:

Wexford County Council currently offers services in ISL at it's headquarters at Carricklawn, Wexford.

ISL service will be available in all public libraries by the end of Qtr 1 2022 and in all Municipal District Offices by end of Qtr 4 2022.

If Motion is passed, Wexford County Council proposes that any new public-facing Council-made videos will also be made available in ISL. We will also consider the provision of ISL at all public events where Council members or Council officials are making an address.

9.5 Clir. Tom Forde & Clir. George Lawlor

"We ask that this council allow for the representation of all parties and none on the Corporate Policy Group."

Response of Executive:

Section 133 of the Local Government Act 2001 (as amended) provides the following:

"The elected council of each local authority shall form a committee, to be known as the corporate policy group and in this section referred to as the 'policy group', consisting of:

- (a) the Cathaoirleach of the local authority who shall chair the policy group,
- (b) the chairpersons of the strategic policy committees of the local authority, and
- (c) where for any period of time, a policy group does not contain a member from a municipal district to whom paragraph (a) or (b) relates, a municipal district member for each municipal district concerned"

As only the members identified at (a) (b) and (c) above can be members of the CPG, it is not be possible to comply with this Notice of Motion.

9.6 Clir. Andrew Bolger and Clir. L. Kelly

"We propose that Wexford County Council considers piloting the Space-Finder App or similar technology in County Wexford to assist disabled drivers in the identification of vacant disabled parking spaces and to provide real-time navigation to the nearest available disabled space".

Response of Executive:

Wexford County Council has been in contact with relevant staff of Limerick City and County Council (where such a system has been recently installed) with a view to the provision of a similar service to users of disabled parking facilities in County Wexford.

10 Any Other Business