# Comhairle Contae Loch Garman



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3ú Feabhra, 2021

### FÓGRA CRUINNITHE

Meeting of Wexford County Council
On Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February, 2021 - 2.30 p.m.
By Microsoft Teams

A Chara,

Tionólfar cruinniú de'n Chomhairle mar a léiritear thuas. Tá súil agam go mbeidh tú i láthair.

Beidh Clár ordaithe an Bhainisteóra ar fail i rith an chruinnithe.

Mise, le meas,

Daithí O'Mhuinneóg

Runai



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#### 1. Confirmation of Minutes:

1.1 County Council Meeting – 11th January, 2021

# 2. Proposed disposal of land under Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001:

- 2.1 Proposed disposal of a plot of land at Mauldintown, Wexford. (Plot A)
- 2.2 Proposed disposal of a plot of land at Mauldintown, Wexford. (Plot B)

# 3. Draft Wexford County Council Beach Bye-Laws – For Approval in accordance with Section 199 of the Local Government Act 2001

## 4. Chief Executive's Report

#### 5. Minutes of CPG

- 5.1Minutes of Expanded CPG Covid-19 Committee Meeting 25.01.2021
- 5.2Minutes of CPG Meeting 01.02.2021

# 6. Minutes of Meetings (For Noting):

- 6.1 New Ross Municipal District Meeting 09.12.2020
- 6.2 Borough District of Wexford Meeting 21.12.2020
- 6.3 Gorey Kilmuckridge Municipal District Meeting 15.12.2020
- 6.4 Rosslare Municipal District Meeting 14.12.2020
- 6.5 Enniscorthy Municipal District Meeting 16.11.2020 & 21.12.2020

# 7. Correspondence and Communications

- 7.1 Email from Patrick McCabe Private Secretary to the Minister for Justice dated 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2021.
- 7.2 Email from Frances-Mary Long, Private Secretary to Minister Simon Harris T.D. dated 26<sup>th</sup> January, 2021.
- 7.3 Letter from Galway County Council dated 26<sup>th</sup> January, 2021.
- 7.4 Letter from Wicklow County Council dated 28th January, 2021.
- 7.5 Email from Patrick McCabe Private Secretary to the Minister for Justice dated 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2021.

#### 8. Notices of Motion

#### 8.1 Cllr. J. Sullivan

"I wish to call on Wexford County Council to make recycling services free of charge at their designated locations around the county. " I make this call as I believe it would reduce the amount of litter currently been deposited in country areas which I see as getting progressively worse.

#### 8.2 Cllr. J. Hegarty

"To ensure that the main street of our four district towns remain vibrant, Wexford County Council will require that any vacant premises display graphics depicting a vibrant shop setting in it's windows. Furthermore, it will prohibit large "For Sale/Rent" signs attached to the building and instead have an A3 page displaying the relevant information on the shop window. "

#### 8.3 Cllr. D. Hynes

"That this government prioritise these 'essential workers' and 'key care partners'. There are 355 thousand family carers in Ireland, over 6,000 living in Co Wexford providing 24/7 care to our most vulnerable citizens and saving the State an estimated €4 billion every year. Family Carers are irreplaceable in the lives of the people they care for and should they become ill or require to self isolate the cared-for person's lives will instantly arrive at a crisis situation. Due to lack of investment in disability and elderly services for decades both locally and nationally, the health system does not have available capacity to provide the care provided at home by the family carer should such crisis arrive. Family Carers need to be prioritised for vaccines as a matter of urgency as they have been in many other States within the EU where their value to our vulnerable citizens is recognised and valued as essential to them and to society at large.

National Carers Strategy 2012, Vision Statement:

"Carers will be recognised and respected as key care partners. They will be supported to maintain their health and well being and to care with confidence. They will be empowered to participate as fully as possible in economic and social life "

A decade later, January 2021 and no social care support has been offered to carers who are caring for children with disabilities when special schools remain closed and adult Day services remain at much-reduced capacity followed by a blunt statement from the Minister for Health to say that he will not prioritise family carers in COVID-19 vaccine rollout.

Visions are wonderful but reality is where we live."

#### 8.4 Cllr. G. Lawlor

"Wexford Co. Council supports the provision of Free Travel for People with Epilepsy and for Reasonable Accommodations for students with epilepsy who may have a seizure during state examinations."

#### 8.5 Clir. C. Byrne

"Wexford County Council calls on the Minister for the Environment Eamon Ryan T.D. to amend the Litter Pollution Act 1997 and the Waste Management Act 1996 to provide a clear statutory framework for the use of CCTV by Local Authorities to deter and prosecute litter offences within their administrative areas."

# 8.6 Cllr. T. Forde & Cllr. F. O'Suilleabhán

"This council recognises that the income limits for social housing support applicants prevent many families, who are not in a position to obtain a mortgage or to pay high rents, from securing a home. This council calls on Fianna Fáil Minister Darragh O Brien to review and amend these income limits/thresholds without delay".

#### 8.7 Clir. G. Lawlor

"Wexford Co. Council calls on the Government to alter legislation transposing the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) into Irish law amending it to ensure that;

- (a) Communities and councils have ease of access to CCTV to protect them against crime and anti social behaviour including illegal dumping and fly tipping,
- (b) to ensure that councillors are given access to housing allocation information to enable the fair and transparent allocation of housing resources. "

# 9. Any Other Business