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**Meeting of Wexford County Council
On Monday 13th May, 2019 – 2.30 p.m.
In the Council Chamber, Wexford County
Council, Carricklawn, Wexford.**

A Chara,

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

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

Mise, le meas,



Padraig O'Coileáin,
Runai



County Council Meeting – 13th May, 2019.

1. Confirmation of Minutes:

1.1 County Council Meeting – 8th April, 2019.

2. Annual Financial Statement 2018 and Annual Financial Report

3. Rebuilding Ireland Home Loan Borrowing Requirement

4. Scheme of Priority for Affordable Dwelling Purchase Arrangements

5. Analysis of Performance Indicators 2017

6. Local Election Update

- Date of First Annual Meeting – 14th June, 2019.

7. Report of Corporate Policy Group

8. Chief Executive's Report

9. List of Councillors' Conferences and Training

- Report of Cllr. G. Lawlor on delegation to Fleures, Belgium.
- Report on visit to London Wexford Association Annual Dinner Dance.

10. Minutes of Meetings:

- 10.1 Borough District of Wexford 19.03.19
- 10.2 Gorey Municipal District 19.03.19
- 10.3 Enniscorthy Municipal District 25.03.19
- 10.4 New Ross Municipal District 13.03.19
- 10.5 Economic Development SPC 04.03.19
- 10.6 Economic Development SPC 23.01.19

11. Sealing of Documents

12. Correspondence and Communications

- Correspondence from Private Secretary to Minister Katherine Zappone concerning Adoptee Identity Rights
- Acknowledgement from Minister Simon Harris concerning HSE recruitment ban
- Acknowledgement from Minister Simon Harris concerning the National Children's Hospital
- Acknowledgement from Minister Simon Harris concerning GP's FEMPI legislation
- Acknowledgment from Private Secretary to Minister Ross regarding the use of penalty points for illegal parking
- Correspondence from the Pension Policy Unit in relation to the State pension provision

13. Deferred Notices of Motion

13.1 Cllr. David Hynes:

"That this Council considers in view of the many housing applicants, that the Council is not in a position to provide a social house for at present, would therefore develop a more direct link with letting agencies to find out what accommodations are available to rent within the HAP income guidelines and as far as possible which landlords will accept HAP. As many applicants are under severe pressure and are often stressed trying to find a suitable place to rent".

13.2 Cllr. Malcolm Byrne:

"That Wexford County Council amend our County Development Plan to permit the construction of log cabins or other structures for housing for a defined period and that the appropriate amendment and regulations be presented at the April meeting of the Council".

13.3 Cllr. David Hynes:

"That this Council calls on the government to reverse the decision by revenue to impose VAT at 23% on Food supplements from health stores".

13.4 Cllr. Michael Sheehan:

"That Wexford County Council Housing section will review it's transfer policy of current tenants and consider accepting transfer applications on the grounds of unresolved antisocial behaviour as legitimate reasons for requesting a move".

13.5 Cllr. Fionntán ÓSúilleabháin

"In the event of a no-deal Brexit, Wexford County Council will back the growing calls for an All-Ireland Border Poll, as enshrined under the terms of the Good Friday Agreement".

13.6 Cllr. David Hynes:

"This Council calls on the relevant Minister or administrators of the HAP scheme to cover the 4 weeks rent in advance that some landlords are demanding from new tenants along with the deposit".

13.7 Cllrs: George Lawlor; Malcolm Byrne; John Hegarty

"That Wexford County Council, in view of the damage that spiraling insurance costs are causing to community groups, voluntary organisations, charities and small business, calls on the Government to accelerate its insurance reform programme. In particular, Wexford County Council calls on the Government to urgently recalibrate the Book of Quantum to reflect international norms, immediately establish a distinct Insurance Fraud Unit within an Garda Síochána and quantify the benefits to policyholders of the reforms currently being implemented."

13.8 Cllr. Tony Dempsey

"Due to the loss of jobs and the probability of further job losses in the Leisure and Play-activity centres in Wexford, that representatives of Wexford Co Co and the Leisure/Play activity centres seek an immediate Meeting with Minister Darcy.

The purpose of this Meeting

1. To discuss with Minister Darcy the problems faced by the Leisure/Play activity industry resulting from cost of Insurance and unavailability of Insurance.
2. To ask Minister Darcy to arrange a Meeting with Minister Charles Flanagan with same reps to discuss their concerns re current legislation and impact of same on the Industry".

13.9 Cllr. John Fleming

"That Wexford County Council calls on the minister for employment affairs and social protection not to link pensions to an inflation index . A lot of County Wexford pensioners who receive the state pension struggle at or below the poverty line and these measures if introduced would lock these pensioners in to poverty".

13.10 Cllr. Pip Breen

"That Wexford County Council calls on the Minister for Health Simon Harris and the HSE to fast track the provision of a second cat lab for Waterford University Hospital and stop using outdated figures and discredited reports to deprive the people of Southeastern region of this badly needed second cat lab".

13.11 Cllr. John Fleming

"That Wexford County Council:

- calls on the Minister to amend current legislation in order to increase the minimum litter fine to €500
- brings in a "name and shame" policy in relation to detected litter offences".

14. Notices of Motion

14.1 Cllr. Lisa McDonald

"That Wexford County Council calls on the Government to incentivise both the set up and the continuance of small businesses in the villages of rural Ireland".

14.2 Cllr. Lisa McDonald

"That Wexford County Council calls on the Government and Irish Water to transfer back to Local Government in its totality the management and completion of water services connections".

14.3 Cllr. Marie Doyle

“That this Council noting the recent Cervical Check Scandal, calls upon the Minister for Health, the Taoiseach to acknowledge, support and respond in detail to the demands of the Standing 4 Women* Campaign. These include Legislation and policy on mandatory open disclosure independent of the patient safety bill, provision of a start and end date and full disclosure on the 1800 smears yet to be audited, breakdown of the new packages being negotiated laboratories carrying out smear slide analysis including mandatory site audits”.

14.4 Cllr. John Hegarty

“While recognising the many responsible dog owners, in our county, there remains an ongoing problem of dog fouling on certain stretches of footpath, public parks and other community facilities. In light of the significant difficulties for our wardens trying to prosecute those responsible, WCC now proposes that it is an offence for anyone to be found in a public place without a plastic bag to clean up after their dog”.

14.5 Cllr. Martin Murphy

“Call on the Government to deliver on a 2008 Labour Court ruling to provide pension entitlement to supervisors on Community Employment schemes in the state. The Government's inaction on the 2008 decision is totally undermining the Labour Court and causing hardship to supervisors that made no alternative arrangements on foot of this historical Court decision”.

15. Any Other Business