

6ú Samhain, 2019.

## FOGRA CRUINNITHE

**Meeting of Wexford County Council  
On Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November, 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 – 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2019.**

**1. Presentation to the Council – Music Generation**

**2. Confirmation of Minutes:**

2.1 County Council Meeting – 14<sup>th</sup> October, 2019.

2.2 Special County Council Meeting – 9<sup>th</sup> September, 2019. (**Amended**)

**3. Proposed disposal of land under Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001:**

3.1 Proposed disposal of property at Cois Mara, Rosslare Strand.

3.2 Proposed disposal of Land at Seamount, Ardamine, Co. Wexford.

3.3 Proposed disposal of a property 71 Ard Alainn, Castlebridge, Co. Wexford.

**4. Part XI of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) and Part 8, of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 (as amended):**

**LAC 1906** Refurbishment and upgrade a fire damaged house and rebuild a 2 bedroom semi-detached bungalow along with auxiliary and associated site works at No. 21 St. Martin's Park, Ballycullane, New Ross, Co. Wexford.

**LAC 1907** Proposed Development of a single storey detached dwelling at Glasganny (E.D. Ardavan), Co. Wexford.

**5. Proposed Amendments to Standing Orders**

**6. Annual Report 2018**

**7. Ratification of Representatives to SPC's**

**8. Report of Corporate Policy Group**

**9. Town and Village Renewal Programme 2019**

**10. Chief Executive's Report**

**11. List of Councillors' Conferences and Training**

**12. Minutes of Meetings:**

12.1 Enniscorthy Municipal District – 16.09.19

12.2 Gorey Kilmuckridge Municipal District – 17.09.19

12.3 New Ross Municipal District – 11.09.19

12.4 Wexford Borough District – 16.09.19

**13. Sealing of Documents**

**14. Correspondence and Communications**

Correspondence from Minister Simon Harris regarding palliative care for children.

## 15. Notices of Motion

### 15.1 Cllr. Fionntán OSúilleabháin

"That Wexford County Council will exercise its duty of responsibility to act in the best interest of the health and safety of the people and the environment of County Wexford in relation to 5G technology and:

1. That Wexford County Council call on ComReg to stop the licensing of this roll out with immediate effect.
2. That we call on the Minister for Communications, Climate Change and the Environment to establish the facts about the radiation impact of 5G technology on human and environmental health, based upon up-to-date, 5G specific, scientific, peer-reviewed studies from independent global resources-the reports of which, are to be presented to the Oireachtas for consideration.

This council further notes that on 18th April 2019, the advisory group of the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) of the World Health Organization (WHO), released new recommendations to reassess as a "High Priority" the cancer risks of radiofrequency (RF) radiation between 2020–2024.

The IARC advisory group of 29 scientists from 18 countries met in March, 2019. Many WHO/IARC scientists have publicly stated the classification will likely strengthen to a Category 1 risk, due to the (NTI ) National Toxicology Program study. "

### 15.2 Cllr. Tom Forde

"We ask that this Council become, and promote itself as, a Living Wage employer and call on government to

1. recognise the huge contribution low paid workers make to the Irish economy;
2. reverse their decision not to increase the national minimum wage;
3. introduce a Living Wage (set by the Living Wage Technical Group) of €12.30 per hour in 2020."

### 15.3 Cllr. Malcolm Byrne

Smoky Coal Ban  
Noting

- (i) the seriously damaging effects on health and the environment of the continued burning of smoky coal
- (ii) the motion carried by this Council in March, 2015 seeking to prohibit the burning of smoky coals in the County;
- (iii) the announcement in October, 2015 by then Minister, Alan Kelly, of the Government's intention to proceed with a nationwide ban;
- (iv) the further motion carried by this Council in March, 2017, expressing concern at the failure of Government to proceed with this ban and the continued failure since;

(v) the call in that motion in March 2017 for the introduction of this ban within six months;  
(vi) the continued evidence of the damage caused by the burning of smoky fuels being provided by the Council's own assessments;  
(vii) the Council's unanimous agreement to a motion in April introduce and enforce a Countywide ban on the sale and use of smoky coals to take effect on 1st May 2019 and to provide an information campaign to consumers on the dangers of poor air quality and on this ban;  
(viii) the priority given to tackling this issue as part of the new Council's Civic Agreement;  
(ix) the failure of Government to take this issue sufficiently seriously and its lack of action in dealing with poor air quality, and their prohibition on us taking direct action on this matter,

Wexford County Council expresses no confidence in the Minister for Communications, Climate Change and the Environment and his officials in their handling of ensuring better air quality through the banning of the sale and burning of smoky coals,

And agrees to seek legal advice on the Minister's action in preventing us from implementing our own Countywide ban, such advice to be presented to the Council at our December meeting for consideration".

15.4 Cllr. Michael Sheehan, Cathaoirleach

"That this Council expresses it's dismay at the conditions, overcrowding and treatment of patients at the Psychiatric Unit of UHW and calls on the Minister for Health to apologise to the frontline staff, patients and their families for the conditions.

Furthermore, this Council calls on the HSE to conduct a full investigation and to make resources available to ensure age appropriate accommodation and beds for patients in the area."

15.5 Cllr. Davy Hynes:

"This council supports the call by former ministers for drugs re 'The National Drugs Strategy which is danger of collapse' and the urgent need for extra support and funding to the Drugs and Alcohol Task Forces at this time when communities are threatened by this growing scourge."

15.6 Cllr. Leonard Kelly:

"Early intervention is key to addressing Mental Health issues. So why are CAMHS Wexford South still operating out of Slaney House, a building that was deemed not fit for purpose in 2009? And why are there multiple vacancies across the specialist staff required to provide the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services required by some of our most vulnerable young people. And what is the plan, with timelines to fill these vacancies?"

I call on the Minister for Health and the HSE to provide answers to these questions."

## 16. Any Other Business