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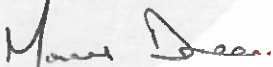
**FÓGRA CRUINNITHE**

**Meeting of Wexford County Council  
On Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2023 - 2.30 p.m.  
Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford**

A Chara,

Tionólfar cruinniú de'n Chomhairle mar a léirítear thuas.

Mise, le meas,



**Micheál O Draoi**  
Runai

***Attendees may attend in person or remotely via Teams***



**County Council Meeting – 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2023 – Agenda**

**1. Confirmation of Minutes:**

1.1 County Council Meeting 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2023

**2. Local Authority Home Loan (LAHL)**

- a. 2023 Allocation and Borrowing Requirement
- b. Information note of changes to the LAHL Scheme

**3. Housing Allocation Scheme 2023**

**4. Invitation to London Wexford Association 67<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner Dance on 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2023**

**5. Invitation for delegation of 3 to travel to Fleurus in April for the annual easter cavalcade 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2023 to 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2023**

**6. Chief Executive's Report**

**7. Minutes of CPG**

7.1 Minutes of CPG Meeting 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2023

**8. Minutes of Meetings (For Noting):**

- 8.1 New Ross Municipal District Meeting – 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2023
- 8.2 Rosslare Municipal District Meeting – 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2023
- 8.3 Borough District of Wexford Meeting – 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2023
- 8.4 Enniscorthy Municipal District Meeting – 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2023
- 8.5 Gorey-Kilmuckridge Municipal District Meeting – 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2023
- 8.6 Protocol Committee Meeting Borough District of Wexford – 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2022

**9. Correspondence and Communications**

- 9.1 Letter from Wicklow County Council re motion Irish Forestry dated 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2023
- 9.2 Email from Niamh Redmond, Private Secretary, Minister O'Brien's Office re: Defective Concrete Blocks Scheme dated 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2023
- 9.3 Email from Niamh Redmond, Private Secretary, Minister O'Brien's Office re: Rent Pressure Zones dated 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2023
- 9.4 Letter from Sligo County Council re: resolution dated 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2023
- 9.5 Letter from Cavan County Council re: resolutions dated 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2023
- 9.6 Letter from Westmeath County Council re: resolution dated 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2023

## **10. Councillor's Conferences and Training**

10.1 List of Conferences/Training – List Attached

10.2 Councillor's Conference Reports:

- Conference Report – Cllr. J. O'Rourke, Modular Housing, Carlingford, Co. Louth – 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> February 2023

## **11. Notices of Motion**

### **11.1 Cllr. M. Sheehan**

"That this Council reaffirms and recognises the contribution of women who remained out of the workforce as homemakers for many years and calls on the government to consider some of the Budgetary Surplus to restore all of the pensions who are reduced in value because of the Average Contribution Rule introduced in 2012 that punished those who were out of the workforce during their working careers. Furthermore, this Council calls on the Government to ensure that any Automatic Pension enrollment programme treats every worker fairly regardless of employment status. "

### **11.2 Cllr. J. Hegarty**

"Wexford County Council has previously expressed its full support for the Healthy County Committees "Not around us" campaign to discourage smoking or vaping in any outdoor area used by children and young people.

In support of the next phase of the "Not around us" campaign, I propose that any event organised by, funded by, supported by or on Wexford County Council property which engages children or young people would be designated a "Not around us" supporting event and would display the "Not around us" logo and signage in promotion of the event and at the event itself. This requirement will then be included in any event support or funding agreements, as standard. Soft copy graphics will be included on WCC website and the signage and banners available for events through WCC MD offices. "

### **11.3 Cllr. T. Forde, Cllr. D. Hynes and Cllr. F. O Súilleabháin**

"We call on Wexford County Council to initiate a full and independent review of our fire service which would include an independent feasibility study for a potential full time fire service in Wexford."

#### 11.4 Motion from Women's coalition

"That this council calls on the government to incentivize sports clubs and community based sporting facilities through sports capital grants and other funding streams to prioritize improving the physical and social barriers to young female participation in sports."

#### 11.5 Cllr. D. Hynes

"This council calls on the Minister of State for Law Reform James Brown TD to introduce legislation to call on Supermarkets and other retail outlets to insure that National Lottery tickets and scratch cards be displayed at a separated designate area (similar to the alcoholic drinks area) and end the present situation where they are displayed at check outs. As, there are many people who have a gambling problem who find these a trigger and encourages these vulnerable people to buy these in the hope, often a vain hope of winning. "

#### 11.6 Cllr. M. Whelan

*(a) Any person or body, on payment of the prescribed fee, may make a submission or observation in writing to a planning authority in relation to a planning application within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.*

*b) Any submission or observation received*

*Shall—*

*(i) State the name of the person or body making the submission or observation, and*

*(ii) Indicate the address to which any correspondence relating to the application should be sent.*

*(2) Subject to article 26, the planning authority shall acknowledge any submissions or observations as soon as may be after receipt in the form set out at Form No. 3 of Schedule 3, or a form substantially to the like effect.*

*(3) Where a submission or observation, under this article, is received by the planning authority after the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt of the application, the planning authority shall return to the person or body concerned the submission or observation received and the fee and notify the person or body that their submission or observation cannot be considered by the planning authority.*

*(4) Where the planning authority so consents, a submission or observation under sub-article (1) may be made in electronic form.*

"This council asks the minister to strengthen section 29/b/ sub sections (1) and (2) of the planning and development, (submissions or observations in relation to planning application) to put an end to bogus submissions or objections and that the SPC would look to see if this local authority could change our own policies to avoid this.

If this motion is passed that it would be circulated to all local authorities."

### **11.7 Cllr. T. Forde**

"We ask that the Minister for Education modernise payroll systems for staff so that online payslips are facilitated and the current spend of approximately €2 million per year on posting payslips is significantly reduced and could be used to better resource disadvantaged children or children with additional needs."

### **12. Any Other Business**