

FOGRA CRUINNITHE

**Special Meeting of Wexford County Council
On Monday 11th March, 2019 – 11.30 a.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

Please note that Deferred Motions will also be dealt with at this meeting.

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**1. National Revaluation Programme (Wexford) – Presentation by Valuation Office
(In-Committee)**

2. Deferred Notices of Motion

2.1 Cllr. T. Forde:

"We ask that Wexford County Council seriously consider and take steps to end the over reliance of privately run bed and breakfasts or hotels for emergency accommodation. We ask that Wexford County Council recognise the unsuitability of the current emergency accommodation model and to examine the possibility of acquiring and using more actual houses that could be operated by the council or in coordination with other housing organisations for the provision of emergency accommodation."

2.2 Cllr. T. Forde:

"We call on Wexford County Council to formulate and to make public a written mental health policy for housing which may include a clear protocol when dealing with tenants with mental health concerns and to include mental health issues as a priority in the allocation of housing"

2.3 Cllr. G. Carthy:

"That Wexford County Council immediately re-installs the vehicular access to the beach at Seaview, Kilmore. This commitment was given to the local community and the emergence services in May of 2018 and to date has not been acted on".

2.4 Cllr. J. Mythen:

"That this Council sends solidarity and support to our nurses and midwives whom have legitimately balloted their members to take strike action, to secure restoration of pay with a safe fully staffed, functioning Health service, that values and pays them as essential skilled workers".

2.5 Cllr. T. Forde:

"Maidir leis an Ghaeilge agus iarracht a dhéanamh í a chur chun cinn agus Seachtain na Gaeilge a cheiliúradh gach Márta: "Iarraim go spreagfaidh an Chomhairle seo go gníomhach úsáid na Gaeilge ag cruinniú Mí Mhárta de Chomhairle Contae Loch Garman gach bliain. Iarraimid ar bhaill atá compordach leis úsáid a bhaint as ár dteanga-an Ghaeilge chun moltaí, comhghairdeas agus comhbhrón a thairiscint"

"In an effort to promote the Irish language and to mark Seachtain na Gaeilge every March, I ask that this Council actively encourage the use of Gaeilge at the March meeting of Wexford County Council every year by asking members of the council who are comfortable using the language to consider submitting motions and to offer congratulations and sympathies as Gaeilge."

2.6 Cllr. M. Doyle:

"In support of events to mark the sitting of the first Dáil and in recognition of its historic importance, I propose that Wexford County Council take this opportunity to recognise the core principles of the Democratic Programme of the First Dáil by displaying a framed copy of the document in a prominent place in this chamber."

2.7 Cllr. R. Ireton:

"On behalf of Aitheantas I am calling on Wexford County Council to write to Minister Zappone's Department requesting/demanding that her Department acknowledges Adoptee Identity Rights and immediately shows Adoptees access to their own information on health, history and heritage in line with the equality and personal autonomy rights of other citizens and as voted for in two referenda".

2.8 Cllr. M. Whelan:

"That Wexford County Council review its development fees for Solar farms in the county and raise them to a level that would reflect the impact on the local community".

2.9 Cllr. J. Hegarty:

"In line with our ongoing efforts to position County Wexford as a healthy county, I call on Wexford County Council to pass on live information and warnings when required in relation to the air quality of our main towns to the general public via the Map alert system".

2.10 Cllr. M. Byrne:

"That Wexford County Council condemns the outrageous cost overruns of the planned National Children's Hospital and calls for those responsible to be held to account."

2.11 Cllr. M. Sheehan:

"That this Council supports our GPs campaign for better terms and conditions with the undoing of FEMPI legislation and to call on the Minister for Health to engage with the stakeholders to ensure that practices remain open, new doctors are recruited to ensure that practices remain viable and that patients do not have to travel long distances for GP appointments".

2.12 Cllr. T. Forde:

"I propose that this Council write separately to RTE, Eurovision Song Contest Ireland and the Irish performers, calling on all participants not to play any part in the 2019 Eurovision Song Contest, due to be held in Israel, until Israel recognises equal rights for Palestinians and observers international law."

2.13 Cllr. D. 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".

2.14 Cllr. M. Sheehan:

"That this Council calls on the Minister for Social protection to abandon the costly piecemeal practice to reviewing all those affected by the 2012 pension rules changes and to reinstate the old criteria of the pre-change State pension while developing a mechanism to backdate the full arrears to those pensioners affected"

2.15 Cllr. F. OSúilleabháin:

"This Council acknowledges the large number of homeowners in County Wexford who are currently experiencing mortgage distress. It welcomes the passing of the first stage of the 'No Consent, No Sale' legislation in Leinster House which prevents banks selling home mortgages to vulture funds without the consent of the borrower/home-owner. This council is calling on all T.D.s to facilitate the speedy passage of the bill through the remaining legislative stages".

2.16 Cllr. D. 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".