# Comhairle Contae Loch Garman



MD/ZP

9ú Deireadh Fomhair, 2024

# FÓGRA CRUINNITHE

Meeting of Wexford County Council
On Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October, 2024 – 2.00 p.m.
Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford

A Chara,

Tionólfar cruinniú de'n Chomhairle mar a léiritear thuas.

Mise, le meas,

Micheál O Braoi

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Attendees may attend in person or remotely via Teams



# County Council Meeting - 14th October, 2024 - Agenda

- 1. Presentation LEADER Mr. Tom Bermingham
- 2. Confirmation of Minutes:
  - 2.1 County Council Meeting 9th September, 2024
  - 2.2 Corporate Policy Group / Budget Working Group 7th October, 2024
  - 2.3 County Council Meeting 13th May, 2024 Amendment
- 3. Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001:
  - 3.1 Intention to dispose of property at 1 Centenary Place, Gorey, Co. Wexford
  - 3.2 Intention to transfer a portion of land at Beechview Estate, Newbawn, Co. Wexford.
  - 3.3 Intention to transfer a portion of land at Ashgrove, Fethard, Co. Wexford.
  - 3.4 Intention to dispose of property at 20 John Street, New Ross, Co. Wexford.
  - 3.5 Intention to transfer a portion of land at Lambstown, Killurin, Co. Wexford.
- 4. Draft Taking In Charge For Approval
- 5. Local Property Tax 2025 Local Adjustment Factor (LAF) Decision
- 6. Borrowing Requirements
- 7. Approval in accordance with Section 106 of the Local Government Act, 2001 (as amended)
  - Bank Overdraft Accommodation 2025
- 8. Appointment of Audit Committee 2024 2029
- 9. Corporate Plan 2025 2029 Update
- 10. Annual Service Delivery Plan 2024- mid year review report.

- 11. Invitation European Forum at Abbaye aux Dames in Caen 30<sup>th</sup> / 31<sup>st</sup> October
- 12. Invitation for delegation to attend Remembrance Event to mark the sinking of the SS St. Patrick on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2024.
- 13. St. Patrick's Day Delegations 2025
- 14. Chief Executive's Report
- 15. Draft Strategic Policy Committee Scheme 2024 2029
- 16. Minutes of CPG
  - 16.1 Minutes of CPG Meeting 7th October, 2024
- 17. Minutes of Meetings (For Noting):
  - 17.1 New Ross Municipal District Meeting 10th July, 2024
  - 17.2 Borough District of Wexford Meeting 15th July, 2024
  - 17.3 Enniscorthy Municipal District Meeting 16th July, 2024
  - 17.4 Gorey-Kilmuckridge Municipal District Meeting 16th July, 2024
  - 17.5 Two Special Meetings of Enniscorthy Municipal District 3rd September, 2024
- 18. Correspondence and Communications
  - 18.1 Letter from Office of Minister Malcolm Noonan TD re: motion Japanese knotweed dated 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2024
  - 18.2 Letters from Leitrim County Council dated 6th September, 2024 re: motions.
  - 18.3 Letter from Disability Federation of Ireland dated 20th September, 2024
  - 18.4 Letters from Roscommon County Council dated 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 2024 re: motions.
  - 18.5 Letters from Sligo County Council dated 16th September, 2024 re: motions
  - 18.6 Letter to Councillors from NOAC dated 20th September, 2024

# 19. Councillor's Conferences and Training

- 19.1 List of Conferences/Training List Attached
- 19.2 Councillors Conference Report
  - Cllr. M. Sheehan Threshold Conference "Changing Our Housing System" 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2024
  - Report from Fron-goch, Wales 4<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> September, 2024
  - Report on Delegation to Danville September, 2024

#### 20. Notices of Motion

## 20.1 Cllr. Fionntán Ó Súilleabháin

"Wexford County Council acknowledges the increased construction-related costs over recent times, and calls on the Department for Social Protection, and/or other relevant agencies, to increase the Housing Adaptation Grants cap from 30K to 35K. as well as increasing the allocations for the HOP and Mobility Aids Grant to take account of these extra costs".

## 20.2 Cllr. John Fleming

"I am calling on Wexford County Council to erect speed feed back signs (and other safety measures where necessary) to slow down traffic outside all our primary Schools in the County to help protect our children."

## 20.3 Cllr. Marty Murphy

"Wexford County Council calls on the minister for further and higher education, science and innovation to make a final determination on a new Pharmacy Program for South East Technology University before November the 1st so that the new University course may be available to CAO applicants next year".

#### 20.4 Clir AoifeRose O'Brien & Clir. Tom Forde

"We ask that this council to form a sub-committee for Mental Health, to support calls for, and to work towards the goal of securing dedicated mental health beds for Wexford and 24/7 care".

#### 20.5 Cllr. Michael Sheehan

"That this Council calls on the Minister for Finance and the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth to open and fund new applications for Family Resource Centres in County Wexford as part of Budget 2025."

## 20.6 Clir. Leonard Kelly

"Wexford County Council ask that the Minister for Finance immediately consider a reduced rate of VAT for cafés and restaurants, a rate that will be relating to turnover"

#### 20.7 Cllr. Fionntán Ó Súilleabháin

"This council heartily commends all who contributed to the huge success of Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann 2024. It notes the profits made by vintners and will engage with the Vintners Association to establish a Community Benefits Fund to assist a local mental health charity or other worthy local cause for Fleadh Cheoil 2025."

#### 20.8 Cllr. AoifeRose O'Brien

"I ask this council to develop emergency accommodation units specifically for women/families that provide a safe environment for those who present as homeless. We note the absence of such specific accommodation for women and ask that the council plan for such accommodation and explore the possibility of this being achieved in conjunction with other housing bodies."

#### 20.9 Cllr. Tom Forde

"Using the 'Kilarney Cup Project' as a model, I ask that Wexford County Council work to develop a 'Wexford Cup Project' as a pilot programme in the Wexford District."

\*The County Kerry town went through about 23,000 cups a week – more than a million a year. Killarney, working with Kerry County Council, Killarney Chamber of Tourism & Commerce & Department of Housing, Local Government & Heritage, became the first town in Ireland to phase out single-use coffee cups. If you want a takeaway coffee from a cafe or hotel, you must bring your own cup or pay a €2 deposit for a reusable cup that is returned when the cup is given back.

### 21. Any Other Business