

MD/ZP

9ú Aibreán, 2025

## FÓGRA CRUINNITHE

**Meeting of Wexford County Council  
On Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April, 2025 – **2.30 p.m.**  
Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford**

A Chara,

Tionólfar cruinniú de'n Chomhairle mar a léirítear thuas.

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**Micheál O Draoi**  
Runai

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

## **County Council Meeting – 14<sup>th</sup> April, 2025 – Agenda**

### **1. Confirmation of Minutes:**

1.1 County Council Meeting 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2025

### **2. Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001 :**

- 2.1 Intention to grant a deed of easement – Maudlintown, Forth, Co. Wexford
- 2.2 Intention to allow for the provision of a wayleave – traverses land at Nos. 11 and 12 Nolan's Lawn, Bellefield, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford
- 2.3 Intention to dispose of property at 22 High Hill Street, New Ross, Co. Wexford
- 2.4 Intention to dispose of property at 16 Haughton Place, New Ross, Co. Wexford
- 2.5 Intention to dispose of property at 16 Chapel Lane, New Ross, Co. Wexford.

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

**3.1 LAC2407** - Construction of 92 no. residential units along with a full-size soccer pitch, smaller training/astroturf pitch, parking area and changing facilities. The 92 no. housing units will consist of: 20 no. maisonette one-bed apartment units; 8 no. single storey one-bed independent and supported living units; 24 no. two-storey semi-detached and terrace two-bed houses; 2 no. single storey two-bed supported living units; 34 no. two-storey semi-detached and terrace three-bed houses; 4 no. two-storey semi-detached four-bed houses and associated site works, New Ross, Co. Wexford.

### **4. Draft Casual Trading Bye-Laws Fleadh Cheoil na hEireann, 2025**

### **5. Draft Street Performance Bye-Laws 2024**

### **6. Local Authority Home Loan (LAHL)**

a. 2025 Allocation and Borrowing Requirement

### **7. Annual Financial Statement 2024 and AFS Report**

### **8. Housing Construction Estate Naming Policy**

### **9. Invitation to delegation from Wexford – 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Twinning Agreement Lugo-Kulmbach 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2025 to 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2025**

- 10. Invitation to delegation to travel to 6<sup>th</sup> International Symposium of the Remembrance Cities network – Dunkirk (France) and Ypres (Belgium) – 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2025 to 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2025**
- 11. Approval sought for delegation to travel to KIMO Board Meeting Denmark – May, 2025**
- 12. PPN Sectoral Nominations to SPC's**
- 13. Nomination of Ms. Inez Brennan to LCDC replacing Ms. Meghan Callanan, Department of Social Protection**
- 14. Draft Annual Report 2024**
- 15. Chief Executive's Report**
- 16. Minutes of CPG**
  - 16.1 Minutes of CPG Meeting 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2025
- 17. Minutes of Meetings (For Noting):**
  - 17.1 Gorey-Kilmuckridge Municipal District Meeting – 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2025
  - 17.2 New Ross Municipal District Meeting – 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2025
  - 17.3 Borough District of Wexford Meeting – 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2025
  - 17.4 Protocol Meeting - Borough District of Wexford – 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2025
  - 17.5 Enniscorthy Municipal District Meeting – 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2025
  - 17.6 Rosslare Municipal District – 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2025 & 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2025
  - 17.7 Housing SPC – 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2025
- 18. Correspondence and Communications**
  - 18.1 Letter from Clare County Council re: motion dated 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2025
  - 18.2 Letter from HSE, South East Community Healthcare re: motion dated 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2025
  - 18.3 Email from TII re motion dated 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2025

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

19.1 List of Conferences/Training – List Attached

19.2 Delegation Reports:

- Australia Delegation – 27<sup>th</sup> February – 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2025
- Hartford Delegation – 13<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2025
- Savannah/Atlanta, Georgia Delegation – 12<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2025
- New York Delegation Report – 12<sup>th</sup> March, - 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2025
- Coetentin, Normandy, France – 20<sup>th</sup> March, - 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2025

## **20. Notices of Motion**

### **20.1 Cllr. Craig Doyle**

"I call on this council to conduct an audit of all vacant and derelict buildings with a view of identifying suitable buildings to be turned into schools for children with special needs.

If passed I also call for this motion to be circulated to all other local authorities to do the same"

### **20.2 Cllr. John Dwyer**

"That this council calls on the Minister for Health to urgently consider a diversion programme for suicide prevention to establish a professional 24/7 counselling service attached to and working in conjunction with existing accident and emergency departments throughout the country".

### **20.3 Cllrs. Tom Forde, Aoife Rose O'Brien, Craig Doyle**

"Wexford County Council fully recognises the positive role the Tenant In Situ Scheme has played in preventing many adults and children from entering homelessness.

We are concerned that restrictions to the scheme will reduce the ability of the Council to do everything that it can to prevent people from losing their home.

We are particularly concerned that the capital allocation for 2025 will be less than the final spend on the scheme in 2024; that refurbishment costs will be excluded; that an arbitrary 2 year in receipt of social housing support rule will be applied to properties.

We agree to write to the Minister for Housing, James Browne, urging him not to increase the risk of adults and children entering homelessness by removing the new restrictions to the operation of the Tenant-In-Situ scheme or reductions in funding to this vital homeless prevention measure."

#### **20.4 Cllr. Michael Sheehan**

“Recognising the huge contributions that Local Schools, Boards of Management, School Principals and staff, families and students play in the vitality of our local villages and parishes, this Council calls on the Minister for Education to review the funding for smaller schools to ensure their continued viability and operation by basing support grants and funding on (the physical) school size rather than enrolment numbers. Furthermore, this Council calls on Minister Mc Entee to ensure all schools have access to the €30M in the day to day support fund. “

#### **20.5 Cllr. Aoife Rose O’Brien**

"We ask that Wexford County Council write to the Minister for Justice, Jim O'Callaghan asking for the Department of Justice to introduce a live garda register for previous domestic violence offenders, similar to Claires Law."

#### **20.6 Cllr. Joe Sullivan**

"I call on this council to write to the Department of Housing Local Government and Heritage to request that they upwardly review the thresholds of income eligibility for social housing supports in County Wexford."

#### **20.7 Cllr. Tom Forde**

"We ask that Wexford County Council introduce a 'receipts' based system for the public when submitting housing applications and related documents to the council which would provide a record for the submission of documents."

#### **20.8 Cllr. Michael Sheehan**

"That this Council recognises the need to protect and enhance Town Centres and protect Town Centre Retail provision, agrees to direct the Planning and Development SPC to review and reinforce Wexford County Council's policies and guidelines to protect ground floor retail space and to discourage the conversion of dedicated shop areas into apartments and bedsits in urban centres. Furthermore, this council calls on the Government to make funding available to assist the reopening of vacant shop units. “

#### **20.9 Cllrs. Jim Codd & John Dwyer**

"We call on WCC's Housing Section to provide emergency accommodation, where possible, as close to where the person is living and has their social support structures."

#### **21. Any Other Business**