



**COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LIATROMA**  
**Leitrim County Council**



**Áras an Chontae**  
**Carrick on Shannon**

**Tuesday, 1 November 2022**

***Cathaoirleach agus Gach Ball,***  
***COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LIATROMA.***

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A Chara,

A meeting of Leitrim County Council will be held in the **Council Chamber, Áras an Chontae, Carrick on Shannon, Co. Leitrim on Monday, 7 November 2022 at 11.00 am** for the purpose of considering the business set out on the Agenda hereunder.

You are hereby invited to attend.

In accordance with Statutory Provisions, the Register of Chief Executive's Orders will be available for inspection at the meeting.

Yours sincerely,

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**Agenda**

1. Adoption of Minutes
  - I. Adoption of Minutes 5th September 2022 (Pages 1 - 146)
  - II. Adoption of Minutes of Special meeting 4th October 2022 (Pages 147 - 256)
2. Disposals under Section 183(1) of the Local Government Act, 2001
  - I. Consider for approval disposal of house and lands at Cornacloy, Glenfarne, Co Leitrim (Folio LM1209F) (Pages 257 - 260)
  - II. Consider for approval disposal of strip of land at Lahard, Ballinamore, Co. Leitrim (Folio 14081) (Pages 261 -

3. To approve overdraft accommodation, in the sum of €1.5 million, for the twelve month period ending 31st December 2023 (Pages 265 - 266)
4. Consider the report of the Audit Committee on the audited Financial Statement 2021 and the LG Auditors Report (Pages 267 - 284)
5. To note Leitrim County Council Winter Maintenance Service Plan 2022-2023 (Pages 285 - 302)
6. Consider date for the January Plenary Meeting
7. Management Reports- August 2022 and September 2022 (Pages 303 - 342)
8. Commitments  
  
Under Section 138(1) of the Local Government Act, 2001
9. Report from Corporate Policy Group
10. Attendance at conferences/training
11. Meeting Correspondence (Pages 343 - 408)

### **Notice of Motions**

#### ***12. Motion from Councillor Des Guckian:***

That we strongly oppose the return of landlordism to County Leitrim by means of speculators and vulture funds buying up development land and, also, large amounts of agricultural land to be put under forestry.

#### ***13. Motion from Councillor Paddy Farrell:***

I ask Leitrim County Council to call on the Minister for Tourism, Catherine Martin, to control or regulate the rip-off rates being charged to customers staying in some of our hotels around the country, as this will ruin our tourist industry.

#### ***14. Motion from Councillor Sean McGowan***

I will seek the support of members in calling on Bus Eireann to now put in place the necessary arrangements to increase their school bus fleet, so that a sufficient number of buses will be available for next September, and thereby avoid the problems that happened throughout the country at the start of this school year.

**15. Motion from Councillor Pdraig Fallon:**

I propose that Leitrim County Council support a vote of No Confidence in Irish Water and write to the relevant Minister seeking a structured winding down of Irish Water. We have no confidence in Irish Water to provide a competent and quality water service to the people of Leitrim and believe the only way to achieve a proper water service is to hand control of water services back to the local authority.

**16. Motion from Councillor Felim Gurn:**

Rural Link has provided much needed transport into the county, connecting towns and villages that were previously not connected by transport services. However, the withdrawal of the subsidised bus service to crèches throughout the county has caused huge hardship for working parents trying to balance work and childcare. This service needs to be immediately reinstated at crèches throughout the county, where the service was available pre COVID .

**17. Motion from Councillor Paddy O'Rourke:**

As members may recall, we received a presentation from Comhairle na nÓg in March 2022. They put forward a proposal for an outdoor meeting space for young people in one of our larger towns. Comhairle Na nÓg have a proven track record in putting forward the needs of school going teenagers and this request comes having received the support of their members through what is a very democratic system. On behalf of Comhailre na nOg, I ask that the concept they put forward last March is explored and where feasible brought to fruition.

**18. Motion from Councillor Sean McDermott:**

I raise the issue of Group Water Schemes who are awaiting takeover by Irish Water and are finding that their financial reserves are been severely depleted by substantial increases in energy, and they have no other income except from subsidies. I call on Irish Water to speed up the process of taking over these Group Water Schemes.

**19. Motion from Councillor Finola Armstrong McGuire:**

I ask that this Council write to Minister Stephen Donnelly requesting that an evaluation is done of the Ambulance service in Co. Leitrim. The base in Carrick on Shannon is being called upon to serve a wide area into counties Cavan and Longford regularly, and the staff of the ambulance service are stretched beyond regulation. A fair evaluation would lead to a second ambulance and second team of personnel being based in South Leitrim.

**20. Motion from Councillor Ita Reynolds Flynn:**

I call on Leitrim County Council to write to HSE about obtaining more respite care places and a high dependency unit for the south of County Leitrim. This situation with respite care is at crisis point and needs to be addressed urgently.

**21. Motion from Councillor Justin Warnock:**

I ask that Leitrim County Council write to the Minister for Health, Stephen Donnelly TD, and the CEO of the HSE, Stephen Mulvany, to provide a new Primary Care Centre and a Day Care Centre for the town of Kinlough and environs. I ask that this issue is raised and supported by our representatives on the HSE Forum.

**22. Motion from Councillor Thomas Mulligan**

In light of the recent announcements of substantial developments to the “Old Mohill Station Hse” and the nearby “Former Vocational School” I am proposing a programme of events to inform the public and raise awareness of the economic and social advantages to be gained from the recreation off the former Narrow Gauge line between Mohil and Ballinamore as a Greenway.

**23. Motion from Councillor Mary Bohan**

I request the following information regarding applications for the extraction of timber from mature forests by Coillte and private individuals:

When an applicant applies for a felling licence to the Dept. of Agriculture, Food and Marine, what is the consultation process with Leitrim County Council, and is a bond put in place to cover any damage done to the roads during the extraction process?

**24. Motion from Councillor Gerry Dolan:**

I ask that Leitrim County Council make a submission in the interest of public safety, to the Irish Forestry Strategy Implementation Plan, calling for the erection of deer stock proof fencing, for all new afforestation licences and for all replanting projects undertaken by farmers, private forestry companies and Coillte.

**25. Motion from Councillor Enda McGloin**

That we, the members of Leitrim County Council, call on the Minister for Public Expenditure & Reform and the Minister for Transport to provide significant additional funding to Local Authorities in 2023 having regard to the unprecedented levels of inflation, spiraling energy costs, rising construction costs, enhanced payroll commitments, and the impact of the cost-of-living crisis on other revenue streams such as rents and rates. Such additional funding is crucial to maintaining essential services.

**26. Motion from Councillor Brendan Barry:**

I request that Leitrim County Council call on the Minister for Agriculture, Charlie McConalogue TD, to insure that all farmers who wish to partake in Acres or Glás will receive an environmental scheme payment in 2023. It would be totally unacceptable if farmers are blocked out, given that agriculture is expected to contribute so much to the countryside and emission reduction targets. Acres places for 2023 must not be limited to 30,000.

