

# COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LIATROMA Leitrim County Council



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Áras an Chontae Carrick on Shannon

Tuesday, 2 January 2024

Cathaoirleach agus Gach Ball, COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LIATROMA.

A Chara,

A meeting of Leitrim County Council will be held in the <u>Council Chamber, Áras an Chontae, Carrick on Shannon, Co. Leitrim on Monday, 8 January 2024 at 11.00 am</u> 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 6th November 2023	(Pages
	II.	Adoption of Budget Minutes 13th November 2023	1 - 254) (Pages 255 -
2.	Dis	sposals under Section 183(1) of the Local Government Act, 2001	266)
	l.	Consider for approval disposal of land at 6A Sheena, Drumkeerin	(Pages 267 -

3. Consider the Leitrim County Council Annual Service Delivery Plan (Pages 271 - 324)

- 4. Receive progress report on the Corporate Plan (Pages 325 346)
- 5. Consider the extension of the existing Leitrim Diaspora Strategy until 2025 (Pages 347 348)
- 6. Management Reports October & November 2023 (Pages 349 384)
- 7. Commitments

Under Section 138(1) of the Local Government Act, 2001

- 8. Note update to Membership of Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee
- 9. Report from Corporate Policy Group
- 10. Consider date and time for special meeting to consider Leitrim Climate Action Plan
- 11. Consider date, time and venue for March plenary meeting.
- 12. Attendance at conferences/training
- 13. Meeting Correspondence (Pages 385 452)

## **Notice of Motions**

## 14. Motion from Councillor Des Guckian

That County Leitrim Housing Department be requested to obtain government assistance to obtain many more social houses to accommodate the ever increasing demand, and that the idea of Choice Based Letting be abandoned as, clearly, it is no longer useful.

#### 15. Motion from Councillor Enda McGloin:

I ask Leitrim County Council to outline plans regarding the affordable housing programme to ensure that people who do not qualify for social housing and are currently unable to access the current housing market because of pricing are facilitated and considered in such a plan.

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

There has been a lot of stress in communities in Ireland, with regard to International Protection applicants being located in communities. There is regularly a lack of infrastructure and stretched resources in terms of health care, schools and community facilities, and a lack of consultation with community groups on this issue. I call on the Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth to engage in much greater detail on this issue with the local communities involved, so that successful solutions

and satisfactory infrastructure and resources can be delivered to meet the needs of the community.

## 17. Motion from Councillor Padraig Fallon:

I ask the Local Authority if any extra supports are made available, or will be made available, by Government Departments to help accommodate and integrate those seeking International Protection refuge in County Leitrim. There is a greater need for supports to be made available to communities where such individuals or families are located.

#### 18. Motion from Councillor Sean McDermott

I raise the serious hedge cutting issues that occurred in North Leitrim areas late last year. Many suggestions were made at a Manorhamilton Municipal District meeting, one being that the relevant Strategic Policy Committee would discuss this issue. The present hedge cutting system is not working for many roads in the county, especially local roads. Improvements can be seen on roads that avail of the hedge cutting grants. Many landowners who are notified to cut their hedges don't respond which makes the roads very dangerous.

#### 19. Motion from Councillor Justin Warnock

The R280 between Lennox's Bridge and Carrick-on-Shannon town is like a patchwork blanket, with sections of the road that are of a good standard and other sections substandard. I ask Terry McGovern, Senior Roads Engineer; a) how many kilometres of realignment works are necessary to make this road fit for purpose, and b) could a 5 year program of works be developed, and the necessary funding sought. The R280 is of paramount importance for the economic development of our county.

#### 20. Motion from Councillor Paddy Farrell:

I call on Leitrim County Council to call on the HSE to hire another Pathologist for Sligo Hospital, as in some circumstances, where a sudden death has occurred, bereaved families can be waiting for two or three days before a post-mortem can be carried out.

#### **21.** Motion from Councillor Brendan Barry:

I request that Leitrim County Council call on the HSE and the National Ambulance Service to provide additional ambulance and crews in County Leitrim and provide information on the percentage of life threatening calls that were attended to within 19 minutes and what was the longest time it took for an ambulance to arrive on the scene within the county for a life threatening call?

What the percentage of critical calls were responded to within 19 minutes and what was the longest time for a person to wait in a critical incident within the county?

## 22. Motion from Councillor Sean McGowan:

That we call on Úisce Éireann / Irish Water to immediately provide additional production capacity at the Water Treatment Plant in Carrick on Shannon. There has been huge pressure on the plant over the past couple of months with the supply having to be restricted at night to businesses, homeowners & farmers in the lead up to Christmas. The supply from the treatment plant is unable to keep up with the demand. There are water schemes & homeowners who are constantly without mains water.

## 23. Motion from Councillor Mary Bohan

I propose that Leitrim County Council call on the Government to provide a special allocation of funding for drainage in Leitrim. In particular at Corrasra on the R280 and areas around the Bonet river.

# 24. Motion from Councillor Paddy O'Rourke

I ask that Leitrim County Council write to the Minister for Finance, Michael McGrath TD, asking him to inform all state agencies to maintain systems which accommodates cash transactions between them and citizens. Surely Government has learned something from the closure of the rural post offices and Garda stations, and they can't contribute further to the isolation of elderly people who are the ones most likely to lose out with the creeping agenda to cease cash transactions. Already, we are hearing of elderly people who have been taken advantage of by persons purporting to assist them with online transactions.

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