



Comhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe
Galway City Council

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8 Feabhra, 2017
8th February, 2017

Fógra/Notice

Cruinnithe Chomhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe Galway City Council Meeting

Do Gach Ball de Chomhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe:

A chara,

Tionólfar Gnáthchruinniú de Chomhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe ar an 8 Feabhra 2017 ag 4.00 i Halla na Cathrach, Bóthar an Choláiste, Gaillimh.

An Ordinary Meeting of Galway City Council will be held on the 13th February 2017 at 4:00pm in City Hall, College Road, Galway.

Tá cóip de Chlár an Chruinnithe seo ar fáil ag an bhFáiltiú ar mhaithe le hiniúchadh.
A copy of the Agenda for this meeting is available at Reception for inspection.

Tá clár an chruinnithe leagtha amach faoi seo.
The agenda for the meeting is set out hereunder.

Is mise, le meas,

Sínithe/Signed: Patrick Foley,
Riarthóir Cruinnithe/Meetings Administrator.

Clár/ Agenda

Presentation from Mr. David Minton, Director, Northern & Western Regional Assembly, including NWRA Economic Study and the proposed National Planning Framework.

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

- (a) Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of Galway City Council held on Monday 9th January 2017
- Copy attached
- (b) Minutes of Special Meeting of Galway City Council held on Monday 23rd January 2017
- Copy attached

2. BUSINESS PRESCRIBED BY STATUTE

- (a) (i) Consideration of Audit Committee Annual Report for 2016
(ii) Review of Audit Committee Charter
(iii) Adoption of Audit Committee Work Programme for 2017
- (b) Draft Annual Service Delivery Plan 2017 – Report previously issued (January 2017) (partly adjourned from the meeting held on 23rd January, 2017)
- (c) To seek the agreement of the City Council to consider proposed Material Contravention of the Galway City Development Plan in respect of Planning Application 310/15 at the Special meeting of Galway City Council to be held on the 20th February, 2017
- (d) Section 85 Agreement with Galway County Council in relation to the Galway City Ring Road Project

3. REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- (a) Report from Procedures Committee of Meeting held on 11th November 2016 (to be considered if time permits, otherwise to be deferred to special meeting on 20th February, 2017) – Report previously issued
- (b) Report from Corporate Policy Group Meeting of 10th February, 2017 – Report to follow

4. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS OF OFFICIALS

- (a) My Open Library – To receive a presentation from Mr. Peter Rabbitte, County Librarian
- (b) Chief Executive's Report for February 2017 – Report to follow

- (d) To consider making a Submission on National Planning Framework (closing date 16th March, 2017)
- (e) To receive a report on Notice of Motion NOM 01/17 – Report to follow
- (f) Repair and Leasing Scheme / Buy and Renew Initiative – To receive a report
- (g) Road Traffic Special Speed Limits Galway City Bye-law No. 1 – 2017 (Housing Estates Slow Zones) (to consider putting draft out to public consultation) – Report to follow

5. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Motion proposed at December 2016 Meeting:

“That this Council introduce one-way systems throughout Galway City as a means of solving the traffic gridlock and that such projects are introduced immediately on a pilot basis with a view to full implementation in March 2017”

Proposed: Cllr. M.J Crowe

Seconded: Cllr. P. Keane

NOM 03/16 Notice given by: Cllr. N. McNelis
Date Received: 30th March, 2016

“For the benefit of retailers in the city centre and for shoppers and visitors all pedestrian areas of the city centre are vehicle free from an earlier start of 9.00 am during the months of June, July and August”.

NOM 09/16 Notice given by: Cllr. C. Connolly
Date Received: 11th April, 2016

“That GCC requests that the Government provide adequate funding to provide special housing units for victims of domestic violence”.

NOM 12/16 Notice given by: Cllr. C. Connolly
Date Received: 3rd May, 2016.

“That Galway City Council Transportation SPC calls on the Government to introduce a free school transport service for all children attending city schools.

NOM 16/16 **Notice given by:** **Cllr. C. Ó Conchúir**
Date Received: **24th August, 2016.**

"That this Council ask Sean Kyne T.D. and the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to intervene in the ongoing dispute at Ros a Mhil Harbour between local fisherman and the harbour authorities".

NOM 23/16 **Notice given by:** **Cllr. B. Cameron**
Date Received: **3rd October, 2016**

"I call on the Chief Executive to earmark and designate the 1.4 acre site in the Westside as a Cultural and Artistic hub to cater for a mix of organisations specialising with Children and youth".

NOM 26/16 **Notice given by:** **Cllr. N. McNelis**
Date Received: **5th December, 2016**

"That Galway City Council introduce weight restrictions on vehicles that enter pedestrian areas of the city centre".

NOM 27/16 **Notice given by:** **Cllr. N. McNelis**
Date Received: **5th December, 2016**

"That an audit of housing for the elderly owned by Galway City Council take place, with regard to best practice in EU to heating and weather glazed windows".

NOM 2/17 **Notice given by:** **Cllr. M. Lohan**
Date Received: **23rd January, 2017**

"Member of Galway City Council are calling on the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs, Minister Katherine Zappone to invest in early Childhood Care and Education to ensure that children have access to quality, sustainable and affordable childcare with decent pay and conditions for professional in the sector.

Early Years professionals are hugely dedicated professionals who care for and educate children during the most crucial years of their development. It is vital that children receive high quality care and education. However a lack of investment means that qualified professionals are struggling to make ends meet and providers are struggling to stay open.

We call on Minister Zappone to put children first and invest in quality childcare.

NOM 3/17 **Notice given by:** **Cllr. J. Walsh**
Date Received: **25th January, 2017**

"I am calling on Galway City Council to expedite the preparation of the Draft Local Area Plan for Ardaun. These lands have been identified as one of the major urban housing delivery sites with a potential yield of 500 units in the medium term subject to progress on the Local Area Plan".

NOM 4/17 **Notice given by:** **Cllr. C. Ó Conchúir**
Date Received: **2nd February, 2017**

"That Galway City Council calls on Minister Creed to relax the criteria for young Farmer Scheme as regards educational requirements. As it currently stands, the strict deadlines for enrolment in FETAC level 6 courses means that many worthy applications are automatically excluded from the scheme. With farming uptake by younger people at an all-time low, this Council considers it of the upmost importance that proper incentives are given to young people to get involved in farming activities and that the legislation in place is as inclusive as possible".

NOM 5/17 **Notice given by:** **Cllr. C. Connolly**
Date Received: **6th February, 2017**

"That Galway City Council request the Government to progress the Coroner's Bill as a matter of urgency that the Coroner's Bill will provide for an automatic Inquest into every maternal death in this state".

6. QUESTIONS

Q1/17 **Question given by:** **Cllr. N. McNelis**
Date Received: **1st February, 2017.**

Can I please have an update on the water Safety Audit for Galway City that was requested over 12 months ago. When will it be published, distributed. What are the plans for it. Who is the point of contact that will be working to deliver safety works. What is/has been the delay in getting the audit done. Who is in charge of audit in City Hall.

This has been a very sad year again for the amount of persons who have entered the water across the city, I have been working with a number of groups who are trying to put in place a system to recover victims quicker. The next step is prevention.

Q2/17 **Question given by:** **Cllr. T. O'Flaherty**
Date Received: **6th February, 2017.**

Can this Council give an explanation as to why the delay with regard to the installation of the long awaited CCTV cameras which have been agreed for Walter Macken Place and the area close to Park, Castle in Ballybane.

Has Garda clearance been sought for the CCTV cameras and if not why the delay.

7. ITEMS FOR COUNCILLORS' INFORMATION

- (a) Letter from Ms. F. Monaghan, Failte Ireland, dated 12th December, 2016
RE: Wild Atlantic Way.
- (b) Letter from Ms. A. O'Reilly, Department of Defence dated 20th January, 2017
RE: resolution passed by Galway City Council, - Donation of LÉ Aisling
- (c) Letter from Mr. M. Coughlan, Department of Housing, Community & Local Government dated 23rd January, 2017
RE: Expenses incurred by Elected Members
- (d) Letter from Mr. C. Murphy, South Dublin County Council dated 23rd January 2017
RE: Motion passed by South Dublin County Council
- (e) Letter from Eamon Martin, Archbishop of Armagh, dated 30th January, 2017.
RE: Prospective visit of Pope Francis to Ireland
- (f) Letter from Mr. M. Killilea, Purdy Fitzgerald dated 27th January, 2017
RE: Vote of Sympathy
- (g) Letter from Mr. G. McGinn, Department of Housing, Community & Local Government dated 23rd January, 2017
RE: Change in PRSI treatment of elected members of local authorities

8. CONFERENCES

- (1) Title: 2 Day Social Media Training for Councillors
 Date: 22nd and 23rd February, 2017
 Venue: Clonakilty, Co. Cork
- (2) Title: 28th Colmcille Winter School 2017 – Ireland and the EU post British withdrawal
 Date: 24th and 25th February, 2017

Venue: Letterkenny, Co. Donegal

(3) Title: The Fair Deal Scheme
Date: 10th to 12th March, 2017
Venue: Carlingford, Co. Louth

(4) Title: The Finance Act 2016
Date: 24th to 26th March, 2017
Venue: Clonakilty, Co. Cork

Approved Training

(1) Title: AILG Training Seminar
Date: 7th February, 2017
Venue: Hotel Kilmore, Cavan

9. VOTES OF SYMPATHY/CONGRATULATIONS

10. OTHER BUSINESS SET FORTH IN THE NOTICE CONVENING THE MEETING

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS