



Comhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe
Galway City Council

7 Feabhra 2024
7th February 2024

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 **Luain, 12 Feabhra 2024 ar a 3.00in sa Seomra na Comhairle, Halla na Cathrach, Comhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe agus ar líne ar MS Teams**. Tá cóip de Chlár an Chruinnithe seo ar fáil ag an bhFáiltiú ar mhaithe le hiniúchadh.

Tá clár an chruinnithe leagtha amach faoi seo.

An Ordinary Meeting of Galway City Council will be held on **Monday, 12th February 2024 at 3.00pm in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Galway City Council and online via MS Teams**. A copy of the agenda for this meeting is available at Reception for inspection.

The agenda for the meeting is set out hereunder. Members are requested to send queries regarding Matters Arising relating to Item 1(a) in writing, in advance of the meeting, to the undersigned.

Ailish Rohan,
Riarthóir Cruinnithe / Meetings Administrator

Clár/Agenda

Ordinary Meeting 12th February 2024

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

(a) Ordinary Meeting of Galway City Council held on 8th January 2024 (attached).

2. BUSINESS PRESCRIBED BY STATUTE

(a) Consideration of the Draft Local Authority Climate Action Plan 2024–2029, the Chief Executive’s Report on the Consultation Process and Environmental Assessments and to adopt by resolution the Galway City Local Authority Climate Action Plan 2024-2029 (reports attached).

(b) Draft Annual Service Delivery Plan 2024-2025 for adoption (plan attached).

(c) St. Patrick’s Day Parade Event Licence 2024 for adoption (report attached).

3. REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

None

4. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS OF OFFICIALS

(a) Chief Executives Report for January 2024 & Quarterly Reports for period October to December 2023 (reports issued 05/01/2024).

(b) Chief Executives Report for February 2024 (report attached).

(c) Proposed safety improvements/ toucan crossing at the Seamus Quirke Road / Browne Roundabout – update prior to public consultation.

5. NOTICES OF MOTION

NOM 8/2022

Submitted by Cllr. A. Cheevers on the 16th May 2022

Response issued 18/05/2023

Response issued 06/10/2023 - Request to leave on the agenda.

I am calling on Galway County Council to have full consultation with Galway City Council public representatives in relation to the Master Plan for the Galway Airport Site.

I believe that as it is jointly owned with the county council the city council need to have full consultation in this process and it should not be solely for County Council.

NOM 17/2022

Submitted by Cllr. D. Lyons on the on the 10th Oct 2022.

Response issued 05th April 2023 Resubmitted 10th April 2023 (Not included in Special meeting on 22/05/23 as Cllr. Lyons had three motions on this agenda).

I request Galway City Council to progress the installation of a lighted pedestrian crossing on the Barna Road at the laneway that exits from the Rusheen Woods to the Barna Road. This laneway since upgraded is widely used by residents who walk the back Promenade. It is my understanding that the necessary drawings have been completed for some time for a pedestrian crossing at this location.

NOM 18/2023

Submitted by Cllr. A. Curran on the 23rd June 2023

That the council will create a warm weather response contingency plan for the city to be actioned during forecasted spells of warm and dry weather. This contingency plan will consider amongst others the council's approach to water safety, transportation, refuse and waste, public spaces, sanitation facilities and recreational areas.

NOM 19/2023

Submitted by Cllr. D. Lyons on the 22nd June 2023

In view of the recent petition by the Mincloon Residents seeking a footpath in their area from the junction of the Clybaun Road to the junction of Bóthar Stiofáin, I request Galway City Council to forward this request to the National Transport Authority and pursue it as a pilot Active Travel Project, which could be replicated in other parts of the city which is similar to the Ragoon Road, lacking the necessary infrastructure like footpaths and public lighting.

NOM 22/2023

Submitted by Cllr. D. McDonnell on 7th July 2023

Call on Galway City Council to re-examine the junction at Roscam and consider removing a number of bollards in order to facilitate motorists trying to get out of the estate to get to work and to school.

NOM 26/2023

Submitted by Cllr. D. Lyons on the 26th July 2023

I request Galway City Council, Roads Department/Active Travel Department to prepare the necessary drawings and seek funding from the National Transport Authority for the provision of a lighted pedestrian (zebra) crossing south of the roundabout on the Cappagh Road. The provision of a lighted zebra crossing at this location would make it safer for users of the Cappagh Park facilities to cross this busy road.

NOM 27/2023

Submitted by Cllr. A. Cheevers on the 8th August 2023

I am Calling on Galway City Council to support the retention of VAT at 9% for the food related businesses and we are calling on the Minister for Finance to extend the 9% vat rate to the end of 2024.

NOM 29/2023

Submitted by Cllr. N. Larkin on the 11th Sept 2023

The people of Roscam really need us as elected representatives to properly represent their needs. Considering the unsustainable return junction at Roscam between South Doughiska Road and the Road up to housing estates - Ros Caoin, Renaissance, Boireann Beag , I am calling on this Council to support the democratic campaign fought by

residents in 2019 and commitments from Galway City Council to formalise two vehicular lanes to alleviate traffic congestion and after such Galway City Council liaises with stakeholders to create a safe cycle network for exiting the estates.

NOM 30/2023

Submitted by Cllr. C. Higgins on the 11th Sept 2023 Seconded by: Cllr. D. Lyons

That this Council commits to placing double yellow lines outside the front driveways (only) of properties on Threadneedle Road on the grounds of safe access and egress as per resident's requests.

NOM 37/2023

Submitted by Cllr. J. Connolly on the 2nd November 2023

That the planning notices provided to elected members would include all applications made for licences to Galway City Council under section 254 of Planning and Development Act, 2000.

Section 34 Motion submitted on 8th January 2024

Proposed By: Cllr. D. McDonnell

Seconded By: Cllr. P. Keane

NOM 02/2024

In the interest of facilitating fundraising endeavors of Clubs to whom Pitch Licenses are granted, Galway City Council resolves to insert an amendment to the current Licenses to allow for Pitch-side Advertisement Hoardings.

NOM 03/2024

Submitted by Cllr. C. Higgins on the 29th January 2024

That the government recognises the urgent situation of the crisis facing the hospitality sector and acts swiftly to provide immediate support to SMEs in the hospitality sector by way of a suite of measures. Failure to do so, risks irreversible damage to our economy and loss of countless jobs and livelihoods. Recognising the urgency of the matter Galway City Council calls on the Government to take the following immediate actions to support SMEs in the hospitality sector;

1. Reduce the VAT rate to 9%
2. Extension of Warehouse Tax scheme in line with calls from the Restaurant Association of Ireland which will give businesses a viable opportunity to pay back what they owe over an extended period.
3. An overhaul of the electric support which is one of the most crippling costs to SMEs in the hospitality sector at present.

6. QUESTIONS

Q4/2023

Submitted by Cllr. N. McNelis on the 10th April 2023

Can Galway City Council urgently look at the design of Upr and Lwr Clybaun Road and Upr and Lwr Ballymoneen roads as pedestrian crossings at this roundabout are not safe and the speed coming off these is very high. Elected members of the West Ward met with Garda Superintendent last week and also raised this but there needs to be a design change to make these areas safe.

Q7/2023

Submitted by Cllr. A. Curran on the 31st August 2023

What are the constraints and barriers (financial, legal, resource based or otherwise) that is stopping the installation of red light cameras at busy traffic junctions in the city, which record and fine motorists who break red lights.

Q8/2023

Submitted by Cllr. T. O'Flaherty on the 6th November 2023

Please outline a time frame for completion of the Renmore Neighbourhood Project Framework Scheme, which will provide junior and senior playgrounds, if there are no objections; to include target dates for each of the following stages:

Stage I: Feasibility and Concept Design

Stage II: Preliminary Design for Planning Consent and Development for Initial Pre-Tender Cost estimate

Stage III: Tender Action, Evaluation and Award

Stage IV: Construction

Stage V: Handover

Q9/2023

Submitted by Cllr. J. Connolly on 20th November 2023

Can the Council be provided with a list of all the Traffic Signal Controlled Junctions and the Pedestrian Crossing Signal Locations that are connected to the UTC system?"

Q1/2024

Submitted by Cllr. N. Murphy on 23rd January 2024

The Galway City Development Plan in section 5.10 in specific objective 29 states: "Continue the phased recording of Public Rights of Way in accordance with OPR good practice guidance and make publicly available by inclusion in the website inventory and by use of the plan variation process. The website will be updated within one year of adoption of the plan."

Can I please get an update of how much progress has been made. The plan is more than a year old, so the inventory should be in place.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) Correspondence received on 11/01/24 from the OPR – response to NOM40/23 query re meetings.

- (b) Correspondence received on 15/01/24 from Minister H. Humphreys – Acknowledgement re NOM01/2024.
- (c) Correspondence received on 17/01/24 from CCMA – Response to NOM39/2023.
- (d) Correspondence received on 19/01/24 from Mayo County Council – Resolution passed at January meeting.
- (e) Correspondence received on 19/01/24 from Offaly County Council – Support for GAZA
- (f) Correspondence received on 30/01/24 from Wexford County Council – Resolution passed at January meeting.
- (g) Correspondence received on 30/01/24 from Sligo County Council – Resolution on Legislation on use of bicycles/E-Scooters.
- (h) Correspondence received on 06/02/24 from Sligo County Council – Resolution on provision of additional bus services.

8. ITEMS FOR COUNCILLORS' INFORMATION

None.

9. CONFERENCES

Approved Training & Events

	Training title and Provider	Date and Location
A	AILG Module 1 – Training Programme - Elected Members Briefing: Annual Declarations, Donations, Code of Conduct, and Local Representation Allowance Update	Thursday 25 th January 2024 The Fairways Hotel, Dundalk (Retrospective)
B	Celtic Conferences – Conference on The First Homes Scheme – Helping Homeowners get onto the property ladder	23 rd , 24 th & 25 th February 2024 McKevitt's Hotel, Carlingford, Co. Louth
C	AILG Training Webinar 1 – Session 1: Introduction to advertising on Facebook and Instagram Session 2: Planning Budgets, Tracking Results, and getting authorised to run political ads on Meta	26 th January 2024 (Retrospective) Webinar – Online 2 nd February 2024 (Retrospective) Webinar - Online

Events

	Event	Date & Location
D	Galway Association Coventry Annual Dinner Dance 2024	23 rd March 2024 Brittania Royal Court Hotel, Coventry

10. VOTES OF SYMPATHY / CONGRATULATIONS

- Sincere sympathy to the Francis and Brennan families on the passing of Margaret Francis, RIP.

- Sincere sympathy to Bernadette and family and the extended Crowe family on the passing of Frank Crowe, RIP.
- Sincere sympathy to Brigid and family and the extended Coppinger family on the passing of Michael Coppinger, RIP.
- Sincere sympathy to Jo-Anne on the passing of Oliver Kane, RIP.

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

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

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