

# COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LAOISE

## LAOIS COUNTY COUNCIL

Áras an Chontae,  
Portlaoise,  
Co. Laois.

July 25<sup>th</sup> 2017

TO: THE CATHAOIRLEACH & EACH MEMBER OF LAOIS COUNTY COUNCIL

A Chara,

Tionólfar cruinniú de Comhairle Chontae Laoise i Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise Dé Luain -3iuú Iúil 2017 ar 11.00 a.m. chun an gnó seo leanas a chur i grích.

Tá orm a iarraigh ort bheith i láthair.

You are requested to attend the July Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held in Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise on Monday, July 31<sup>st</sup> 2017 at 11.00 a.m. to consider the matters referred to on the Agenda hereunder.

Mise le meas,

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**Irene Delaney**  
**Administrative Officer**  
**Corporate Affairs Department**

### CLÁR GNÓ AGENDA

- (1)
  - (i) Confirmation of the Minutes of the June meeting held on the 26<sup>th</sup> of June 2017 (documentation enclosed)
  - (ii) Confirmation of the Minutes of the A.G.M. of Laois County Council held on the 26<sup>th</sup> of June 2017 (documentation enclosed)
- (2)
  - (i) Report on CPG Meeting held on the 19<sup>th</sup> of June 2017 (documentation enclosed)
  - (ii) Reports on Municipal District Meetings held in June 2017 for noting (documentation enclosed)
  - (iii) Reports on S.P.C. Meetings held in June 2017 for noting (documentation enclosed)
- (3) **DISPOSAL OF LAND UNDER SECTION 183 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001 in respect of:**
  - (i) Extension of lease agreement on Aras Eoghan Community Centre, O' Moore Place, Portlaoise, Co. Laois, in the townland of Maryborough (comprising 1.977 acres) for a consideration of €100.00 per annum (documentation enclosed)

- (i) Disposal of 0.146 acres at Patrick Street, Durrow in the townland of Durrow Townsparks for a consideration of €50,000 (documentation enclosed)
  
- (4) Part VIII of the Local Government Planning & Development Regulations, 2001, as amended in respect of the Portlaoise Public Library Facility (documentation enclosed)
  
- (5) Laois County Development Plan 2017-2013 – Section 31 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000, as amended by the Planning and Development (Amendment) Act, 2010 (documentation circulated on 21/07/2017)
  
- (6) Nomination of representative from the Portarlinton/Graiguecullen Municipal District to the Placenames Committee (documentation enclosed)
  
- (7) Nomination of Members to the Board of Portarlinton Leisure Centre (documentation enclosed)
  
- (8) Laois County Council – Monthly Management Report for July 2017 (documentation enclosed)
  
- (9) Fix date in September for Local Property Tax Meeting - Notice of Consideration of setting a Local Adjustment Factor (proposed date the 11<sup>th</sup> of September 2017 at 2.30 p.m.)
  
- (10) Ratification of Conferences/Attendance at Training
  
- (11) Correspondence
  
- (12) Notice of Motions

**Notice of Motion No: 23/2017 – Councillor Mary Sweeney**

“That this Council supports the drinks industry and hospitality sector which supports 2,536 jobs in Laois and is a critical component of our offering to tourists with tourism spend in Laois worth €34 million in 2016. This Council backs the ‘Support Your Local’ Campaign in calling for a reduction in excise tax on alcohol in budget 2018, in order to support local jobs, the hospitality sector and our local economy”

**Notice of Motion No: 24/2017 – Councillor James Kelly**

“That Laois County Council in light of the withdrawal by banks of over the counter cash services in local towns writes to the Minister for Finance urging him to expand the powers and remit of Credit Unions and Post Offices so that these institutions can provide the local services that the banks are taking away from our communities”

**Notice of Motion No: 25/2017 – Councillor James Kelly**

That this Council writes to the management of Laois Leisure facilities requesting that persons over 65 years of age receive free access or a substantial discount to use the swimming pools in their establishments.

**Notice of Motion No: 26/2017 – Councillor Noel Tuohy**

“That this Council provide a suitable green area designated as a dog park where dog owners can safely exercise their pets”

**Notice of Motion No: 27/2017 – Councillor Noel Tuohy**

“That Laois County Council explore the possibilities and opportunities for providing suitable bus shelters in partnership with the service providers and other relevant agencies for the benefit of the numerous passengers who rely on such transport services throughout the County”

**Notice of Motion No: 28/2017 – Councillor Noel Tuohy**

That Laois County Council strenuously oppose and lodge a formal objection to the proposed electoral boundary commission annexation of Portarlington into the Kildare South constituency which would result in the disenfranchisement of over 10,000 Laois voters.

**Notice of Motion No: 29/2017 – Councillor Tom Mulhall**

“That Laois County Council give an update on the number of vacant houses in the County”

**Notice of Motion No: 30/2017 – Councillor Jerry Lodge**

“That this Council, believing that the Minister for Health has had adequate time to peruse the Susan O'Reilly report on future services at Portlaoise General Hospital, now calls on him to publish this report without any further delay”

**Notice of Motion No: 31/2017 – Councillor Caroline Dwane Stanley**

“That Laois County Council Members support the relocation of the Dunamaise College to a permanent site at the old Convent Grounds and to write to the Minister for Education and skills Richard Bruton and ask him to acquire this site “