

# COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LAOISE

## LAOIS COUNTY COUNCIL

Áras an Chontae,  
Portlaoise,  
Co. Laois.

September 23<sup>rd</sup> 2020

**TO: THE CATHAOIRLEACH & EACH MEMBER OF LAOIS COUNTY COUNCIL**

A Chara,

Tionólfar cruinniú de Chomhairle Chontae Laoise i Ionad Ealaíon & Amharclann Dunamaisé Portlaoise, Dé Luain –28iú Meán Fómhair 2020 ar 11.00 a.m. chun an gnó seo leanas a chur i gcrích.

Tá orm a iarraigh ort bheith i láthair.

You are requested to attend the September Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held in Dunamaisé Arts Centre & Theatre, Portlaoise on **Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup> 2020 at 11.00 a.m.** to consider the matters referred to on the Agenda hereunder.

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

### **CLÁR GNÓ** **AGENDA**

- (1)
  - (i) Confirmation of the Minutes of the July meeting held on the 27<sup>th</sup> July 2020 (documentation enclosed)
  - (ii) Confirmation of the Minutes of the Special meeting held on the 11<sup>th</sup> of August 2020 (documentation enclosed)
  - (iii) Confirmation of the Minutes of the Special meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> September 2020
- (2)
  - (i) Report on CPG Meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> July 2020 (documentation enclosed)
  - (ii) Report on CPG Meeting held on the 31<sup>st</sup> of August 2020 (documentation enclosed)
  - (iii) Report on Municipal District Meetings held in July 2020 (documentation enclosed)
- (3) Part VIII of the Local Government Planning & Development Regulations, 2001 in respect of:
  - (i) The construction of a residential development of 3 houses and 4 apartments, all in a single terrace at a site of 0.10 hectares at Mooreville, Rathdowney (documentation enclosed)
  - (ii) The construction of a 1 No. 3 bed single storey rural dwelling with associated siteworks at Coolroe, Ballybrittas (documentation enclosed)
  - (iii) The construction of a new children's playground, the widening and re-use of the existing vehicular entrance from Heywood Demense Road, a new roadway within the site, car parking with 51 spaces, turning circle, bus set down area, lighting and associated site development works. The construction of a multipurpose sports court, perimeter fencing, outdoor lighting and landscaped open space/wildflower meadow at Heywood Demense, Ballinakill (documentation enclosed)

- (4) **DISPOSAL OF LAND UNDER SECTION 183 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001 in respect of:**
- (i) Disposal of 0.0264 hectares of land at Ballyfarrell, Clonaslee in the townland of Ballyfarrell by way of a land swap for a consideration of €1.00 (documentation enclosed)
  - (ii) Disposal of 0.337 hectares of land at Oldtown Cullahill, Co. Laois in the townland of Oldtown for a consideration of €10,000.00 (documentation enclosed)
  - (iii) Disposal of 0.10 hectares of land (Site No. 7) at Castletown, Co. Laois in the townland of Churchfield for a consideration of €30,000.00 (documentation enclosed)
- (5) Taking in Charge of Graigavern Lodge, Ballybrittas (documentation enclosed)
- (6) Update on Portlaoise & Portarlinton Leisure Centres - Presentation by Mr. Donal Brennan, Director of Services
- (7) Laois County Council Monthly Management Report August/September 2020 (documentation to follow)
- (8) Social Media - Presentation by Mr. Pat Grassick, Head of Information Systems
- (9) Correspondence
- (10) Notice of Motions

**Notice of Motion No: 26/2020 – Councillor Catherine Fitzgerald**

“That this Council request the Minister for Health Mr. Stephen Donnelly to address access to dental care for medical card holders”

**Notice of Motion No: 27/2020 – Councillor Catherine Fitzgerald**

“That this Council install a Columbarium Wall in larger cemeteries and also give members an update on the progress regarding County Crematorium”

**Notice of Motion No: 28/2020 – Councillor Mary Sweeney**

“That this Council, as part of the Digital Strategy, work with the relevant agencies to support digital literacy among older people”

**Notice of Motion No: 29/2020 – Councillor Mary Sweeney**

“That this Council invite the National Transport Authority to provide an update on public transport in the County with particular reference to rural transport”

**Notice of Motion No: 30/2020 – Councillor Aisling Moran**

“That Laois County Council initiate a feasibility study in conjunction with Laois Tourism, Laois Chamber, Laois Partnership and Tourism Ireland, to increase tourism in Laois. This study will focus on the benefit of having serviced touring camping sites and motorhome parks across the County. This will have a positive impact on the economy and employment across Laois - unfortunately we are currently one of the only Counties in the entire country with no such facilities. Landowners in strategic locations should be assisted financially through grants / initiatives to encourage development of such facilities”

**Notice of Motion No: 31/2020 – Councillor Aisling Moran**

“That Laois County Council request a detailed report as to why people in Laois that are in hospital, have an unnecessarily longer stay than their counterparts in neighbouring counties due to a home care system that is not fit for purpose and seek clarification as to whether it is a funding or operational issue. A longer hospital stay increases the risk of hospital acquired infection and puts the whole health care system under needless pressure, particularly heading into the winter months when hospitals are having capacity issues already”

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