

# COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LAOISE

## LAOIS COUNTY COUNCIL

Áras an Chontae,  
Portlaoise,  
Co. Laois.

July 24<sup>th</sup> 2024

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

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort freastal ar chruinniú míosúil mhí Iúil de Chomhairle Chontae Laoise a thionólfar in Áras an Chontae, Port Laoise Dé Luain, 29 Iúil 2024 ag 11.00 r.n. chun na hábhair dá dtagraítear sa Chlár thíos a bhreithniú.

You are requested to attend the July monthly meeting of Laois County Council to be held in Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise on **Monday, July 29<sup>th</sup> 2024 at 11.00 a.m.** to consider the matters referred to on the agenda hereunder.

**You can also join this meeting via Microsoft Teams**

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

### **AGENDA** **CLÁR GNÓ**

- (1)
  - (i) Confirmation of the Minutes of the May monthly meeting held on the 27<sup>th</sup> of May 2024 (documentation enclosed)
  - (ii) Confirmation of the Minutes of the Special meeting held on the 24<sup>th</sup> of April 2024 (documentation enclosed)
  - (iii) Confirmation of the Minutes of the Annual General meeting held on the 21<sup>st</sup> of June 2024 (documentation enclosed)
- (2)
  - (i) Report on CPG Meeting held on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June 2024 (documentation enclosed)
  - (ii) Report on Borris-in-Ossory/Mountmellick Municipal District meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> of May 2024 (documentation enclosed)
- (3) Part VIII of the Planning & Development Regulations, 2001 (as amended) – Proposed Development of a Community Hub and associated works at the Former Methodist Chapel/ICA Hall, Patrick Street, Durrow (documentation enclosed)

- (4) DISPOSAL OF LAND UNDER SECTION 183 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001 in respect of:**
- (i) Lease of the Old Fire Station, Portlaoise Road, Portarlinton in the townland of Cooltederry to Portarlinton Men's Shed, for a period of 4 years and 11 months for a consideration of €1.00 per annum (documentation enclosed)
  - (ii) Lease of land comprising 1.52 hectares at the former old waterworks in the townland of Ballymorris, Portarlinton to the Irish Field Archery Monthly for a period of ten years up the 30<sup>th</sup> of June 2034 with a clause for a break at four years or four and a half years for a consideration of €100.00 per annum (documentation enclosed)
- (5) Nomination of Mr. Simon Walton, Interim Chief Executive (representing the Local Government Body) to the Local Community Development Committee (documentation enclosed)
- (6) Nomination of Councillor Caroline Dwane Stanley to the Laois Leader LAG (replacing Councillor Aisling Moran following her resignation (documentation enclosed)
- (7) Nomination of External Members, Mr. John McCormack & Mr. John Brennan to the Audit Committee (documentation enclosed)
- (8) Agree a date for Special Meeting of Full Council to consider the Chief Executive's Report on submissions to the Draft Portlaoise Local Area Plan 2024 – 2030 (suggested dates 11<sup>th</sup> September – 16<sup>th</sup> September 2024)
- (9) Adoption of the Carlow Graiguecullen Joint Urban Area Plan 2024-2030 – consideration of the Chief Executive Report on Material Alterations (documentation circulated on the 9<sup>th</sup> of July 2024)
- (10) Laois Road Safety Strategy 2024 to 2030 (documentation enclosed)
- (11) Draft S.P.C. Scheme 2024-2029 (documentation enclosed)
- (12) Commencement of initial Consultation on the Draft Corporate Plan for noting
- (13) Monthly Management Report for June & July 2024 (documentation enclosed)
- (14) Training & Conferences
- (15) Correspondence

(16) Notice of Motions

**Notice of Motion No: 27/2024 – Councillor Willie Aird**

“That Laois County Council calls on the Minister for Health, Mr. Stephen Donnelly, T.D., to review Speech and Language Therapy, Occupational Health Therapy, Orthodontic and Psychological Services available to children in Laois with a view to resourcing adequate practitioners to reduce children’s waiting time for these services”

**Notice of Motion No: 28/2024 – Councillor Willie Aird**

“That Laois County Council calls on Deputy Fleming, Flanagan & Stanley to meet with the O.P.W. to finalise a commencement date for the new Courthouse in Portlaoise”

**Notice of Motion No: 29/2024 – Councillor Tommy Mulligan**

“That Laois County Council engage and consult with the various education agencies ensuring that adequate education places are available in future years. With the new building projects having commenced and the expected population projection there is an acute problem around school places. With most schools at capacity is there an awareness around the lack of availability of school places for pre-school, primary, post primary and special classes”

**Notice of Motion No: 30/2024 – Councillor Tommy Mulligan**

“That Laois County Council write to Irish Rail requesting that they ensure that the Company have personnel available and operating throughout the working day to assist and provide information to customers at the train stations throughout the County - Portlaoise Train Station, Portarlinton Train Station and Ballybrophy Train Station”

**Notice of Motion No: 31/2024 – Councillor Tommy Mulligan**

“That Laois County Council call on the Minister of Education, Ms. Normal Foley, T.D., to ensure that there are adequate special education resources in all schools in the County”

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