

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LAOISE LAOIS COUNTY COUNCIL

Áras an Chontae,
Portlaoise,
Co. Laois.

February 19th 2020

TO: THE CATHAOIRLEACH & EACH MEMBER OF LAOIS COUNTY COUNCIL

A Chara,

Tionólfar cruinniú de Comhairle Chontae Laoise i Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise Dé Luain –24iú Feabhra 2020 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 February Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held in Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise on Monday, February 24th 2020 at 11.00 a.m. to consider the matters referred to on the Agenda hereunder.

Mise le meas,

Irene Delaney
Administrative Officer
Corporate Affairs Department

CLÁR GNÓ AGENDA

- (1) Confirmation of the Minutes of the January meeting of Laois County Council held on the 27th of January 2020 (documentation enclosed)
- (2)
 - (i) Report on CPG Meeting held on the 20th of January 2020 (documentation enclosed)
 - (ii) Report on Municipal District Meetings held in January 2020 (documentation enclosed)
- (3) **DISPOSAL OF LAND UNDER SECTION 183 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001 in respect of:**
 - (i) Disposal of freehold comprising 0.024 hectares at 13 Colliers View, Kilminchy, Portlaoise, Co. Laois in the townland of Ballyroan, for a consideration of €1.00 (documentation enclosed)
 - (ii) Disposal of freehold comprising 0.013 hectares at 26 Ballymorris Court, Portarlinton, Co. Laois in the townland of Cooltederry for a consideration of €1.00, (documentation enclosed)
 - (iii) Lease of 0.245 hectares of land at Clonminam Business Park, Portlaoise in the townland of Knockmay for a period of 4 years and 11 months for a consideration of €12,000 (documentation enclosed)

- (4) Part VIII of the Local Government Planning & Development Regulations, 2001 (documentation enclosed) in respect of the construction of a residential development with additional community and social enterprise spaces of a total of 52 dwelling units, consisting of 4 houses and 48 apartments over 6 Blocks all at a site of 1.35 hectares, at Church Avenue, Portlaoise, Co Laois with a new access road from Church Avenue at the existing School entrance. The development will include the conservation and redevelopment of the existing Presentation Convent building, a protected structure (RPS no. 475) and the existing Sacred Heart school buildings (documentation enclosed)
- (5) Nomination of Laois Partnership Company Representative to the Local Community Development Committee (documentation enclosed)
- (6) Official Invitation to Williamson County, Tennessee (documentation enclosed)
- (7) Consideration of Civic Reception (as recommended by the Corporate Policy Group on the 17th of February 2020) to Portlaoise Panthers
- (8) Report on Local Community Development Committee (documentation enclosed)
- (9) **Audit Committee:-**
 - (i) Audit Committee Report on the Annual Financial Statement and Statutory Audit Report 2018
 - (ii) Audit Committee Annual Report 2019
- (10) Adoption of Draft Training & Development Programme 2020 (documentation enclosed)
- (11) Laois County Council Monthly Management Report for February 2020 (documentation enclosed)
- (12) 12.00 Noon – Presentation by Ms. Nicola Cooke, National Broadband Ireland on the National Broadband Plan
- (13) Ratification of Conferences/Attendance at Training
- (14) Correspondence

(15) Notice of Motions

Notice of Motion No: 08/2020 – Councillor Noel Tuohy

“That this Council support the ICTU campaign to prevent the pensionable retirement age being increased to 67 years of age”

Notice of Motion No: 09/2020 – Councillor Noel Tuohy

“That this Council set out and explain the criteria applied by the Planning Department to establish 'local need' for planning permission applications in rural areas”

Notice of Motion No: 10/2020 – Councillor Mary Sweeney

“That Laois County Council provide an update on the Rural Serviced Sites Scheme and the availability of same in Laois”

Notice of Motion No: 11/2020 – Councillor Aisling Moran

“That this Council following on from Notice of Motion No: 05/2020 revisit the issue of rental accommodation for students – since last month several universities and colleges have increased campus accommodation rent by up to 4% on last year’s cost - this would have a knock on effect on private landlords which will now also increase their rent making third level education out of reach for many already struggling families - if we do not address this worsening issues we are complaisant in making our society more uneven where only the wealthy can afford third level education and further widening the gap”

Notice of Motion No: 12/2020 – Councillor Aisling Moran

“That this Council proposes the removal of rates for crèches and other childcare providers – in this day and age it is not a luxury but an essential part of living in Ireland - parents should have access to affordable childcare but unfortunately due to rising cost of rates, rent and insurance people providing this service find it impossible to provide an affordable service”
