

# COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LIATROMA

*Áras An Chontae  
Cora Droma Ruisc*

*1<sup>st</sup> July 2008*

*Cathaoirleach agus Gach Ball,  
COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LIATROMA.*

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A Chara,

A Meeting of Leitrim County Council will be held *in the Council Chamber, Aras an Chontae, Carrick on Shannon, on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2008 at 5.30pm* for the purpose of considering the business set out on the Agenda hereunder.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

In accordance with Statutory Provisions, the Register of Manager's Orders will be available for inspection at the Meeting.

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*Aideen McGovern*  
**Meetings Administrator**  
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### 1. Deimhniu Miontuairisci

- a. *Minutes of Meeting of Leitrim County Council held in the Council Chamber, Aras an Chontae, Carrick on Shannon, Co. Leitrim on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2008 (copy enclosed)*
- b. *Minutes of Annual Meeting of Leitrim County Council held in the Council Chamber, Aras an Chontae, Carrick on Shannon, Co. Leitrim on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2008 (copy enclosed)*
2. To consider adoption of Draft Parking Places Bye Laws 2008 in respect of the town of Carrick on Shannon in accordance with the provisions of Section 36 of the Road Traffic Act, 1994 (report enclosed)
3. To consider adoption of Draft Carrick on Shannon Taxi Stand Bye Laws 2008 in accordance with the provisions of Section 84 of the Road Traffic Act 1961, as substituted by Section 15 of the Road Traffic Act 2002 (report enclosed)
4. To adopt Annual Report 2007 in accordance with Section 221(3) of the Local Government Act 2001 (report enclosed)
5. To consider proposal to establish a Youth Council in County Leitrim (copy enclosed).
6. To note and approve Higher Education Grant Scheme 2008

7. To approve the raising of a loan not exceeding €3.5 million to be provided to Cluainin Voluntary Housing Association Ltd. for the construction of 22 unit Residential Group Home at Main Street, Drumkeerin, under section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1992 subject to sanction from the Department of the Environment, Heritage & Local Government.
8. To approve the raising of a loan not exceeding €4.1 million for the purposes of water and waste water infrastructure, in accordance with Section 106(2) of the Local Government Act, 2001
9. To note the resignation of Councillor Gordon Hughes from the Shannon River Basin District Advisory Council and nominate one member of Leitrim County Council to the Shannon River Basin District Advisory Council
10. To nominate Chairpersons to the following Strategic Policy Committees:
  - a. Housing & Corporate Services SPC
  - b. Planning SPC
  - c. Water, Environment & Emergency Services SPC
  - d. Community, Cultural & Enterprise Development SPC
11. To review Leitrim County Council nominated membership to the Leitrim Integrated Development Company Ltd.
12. To note commitments to be entered into under Section 138(1) of the Local Government Act 2001.
13. To consider report from Corporate Policy Group.
14. Correspondence

### **Part I - Notice of Motions.**

#### ***15. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Gerry Dolan;***

"To ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure as to when its intended to start major long awaiting road works in Leitrim Village which also includes footpaths."

#### ***16. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Caillian Ellis;***

"I propose that Leitrim County Council carry out the necessary clean up around Castlefore Lake in Fenagh. This clean-up was promised to the local community last April and is required due to the fact that Leitrim County Council have left it in its present position"

#### ***17. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Sean McGowan;***

"To ask the Co. Manager, what is the delay in the bringing forward of Urban Framework Plan for the Villages of Dromod & Rooskey, (a commitment was given that the plan would be in place by now) in view of the fact that both villages have been by-passed I believe that it is vitality important that the framework plan should be put in place as quickly as possible for the future development of the villages. I would ask that both communities would be consulted during the preparation of the plan."

**18. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Gordon Hughes;**

"“To ask the area engineers office when will the realignment of the crossroads at Drumcoura commence in order to improve visibility at this dangerous junction. Can I also ask what is the present position regarding the completion of the widening/resurfacing of the roadway from Aughoo Bridge towards Drumcoura in order to compliment the excellent work done to date”."

**19. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Michael Colreavy;**

"That Leitrim County Council amend the Councillor representation on Leitrim Integrated Development Company to ensure equality of Councillor representation between electoral areas, and that the Council adopt a principle that Councillor representation on any Company, Body or Board should - where numerically possible - always ensure area equality. As currently constituted, the Integrated Development Company has no Councillor representation from north of the county."

**20. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Liam McElgunn;**

"Leitrim County Council calls on the Minister for the Environment, Heritage & Local Government to review the Housing (Adaptation Grants for Older People and People with a Disability), Regulations 2007 to cater for circumstances where there has been a change in income circumstances in the current year. The Regulations currently require that the grant is means tested based on income in the previous tax year and no discretion is allowed. No provision is made for a change in financial circumstances as a result of accident/injury/disability which can cause significant hardship and this situation must be addressed. Other legislation and guidelines have made provision for such circumstances."

**21. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Enda Stenson;**

"May I ask the County Manager [A] Do we know what number of jobs actually came to Leitrim as a result of decentralization, and [B] Do we still expect Inland Waterways to come to Carrick."

**22. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Frank Dolan;**

"At the July meeting of Leitrim County Council I will propose that the N.R.A. be requested to immediately introduce a proper traffic calming system at the filling station on the Sligo Road, Manorhamilton. Presently it is just a fatality waiting to happen."

**23. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Aodh Flynn;**

"This Council expresses its concern with the introduction of deregulation of postal deliveries and its effects on the door to door deliveries in rural areas."

**24. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Sean McDermott;**

"At the July council meeting I will ask the council to have a look once again at the entry into the Health Centre in Kilyclogher. There is no entry from the roadway onto the footpath that is conveniently close to the front door of the Health Centre. This is a great inconvenience for older people. I have raised this problem in the past."

**25. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Francis Gilmartin;**

"Could I ask this Council could they use fair-trade products in their canteen where possible? This would help to give a fair wage for those who work to produce such products. Can this council

forward this motion to all other County Councils?"

***26. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Paddy O'Rourke;***

"I wish to complement Leitrim County Council on the excellent work carried out at Drumcoura on the Carrigallen - Ballinamore Road which I had repeatedly called for. However there still exists a very hazardous section that being from the crossroads over to the road leading to Keenkeen. This road is only 4 metres wide in places with a few very bad bends along with a steep incline at one point. I call upon Leitrim County Council to continue the road widening along this area in order to make it safe."

***27. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Mary Bohan;***

"I propose that the section of road LT42641-0 Derinaher Dromahair which is not a public road at present, be taken into charge by Leitrim County Council."

***28. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Enda McGloin;***

"I propose that Leitrim County Council seek an urgent meeting with the Minister for Housing, Mr Michael Finneran TD. to discuss the on going difficulties that this council has with the Department of Environment regarding 2 issues,  
The difficulty in progressing grant aid for urgently required remedial works for some local authority estates in South Leitrim & the current difficulties this local authority has(as reported to members at the June meeting) in relation to the provision in the current year of the Housing Aid for the Elderly grant scheme."

***29. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Tony Ferguson;***

"I will ask the Council to call on the Minister for Environment and Local Government to Initiate a Full review of better Local Government on the basis of service to the community and the cost benefit analysis of the entire project."

***30. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Martin Kenny;***

"I propose that Leitrim County Council write to the Government warning against cutting back finances, needed for vital services such as housing and assistance for the elderly and disadvantaged and indeed the programmes of work on roads and infrastructure. This possibility of cuts has being mooted recently in the name of balancing the budget in difficult times. We in this county have been the last to the experience the development boom and should be the last place to suffer from cuts in government spending. Investment must be ensured for the needs of this long neglected county."

***31. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Sinead Guckian;***

"At the July meeting of Leitrim County Council, I will ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure, when will work commence on the new footpath from the Grange housing estate, Drumsna, towards the village. This project was approved at the beginning of the year under the Development Contribution scheme. I would also ask that appropriate lighting would be installed and that due consideration will be given to the design and layout of the new playground in the area. I would ask that the Area Engineers office liaises with Community and Enterprise to ensure best design on both projects."

**Part II - Questions.**

**32. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Caillian Ellis;**

"I will ask Leitrim County Council to improve the Shoemakers Cross at Stralongford, Aughnasheelin to insure the safety of the persons on the Bus Eireann School Bus and other users of this road."

**33. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Caillian Ellis;**

"I will ask Leitrim County Council what is the up to date position in relation to removing the bends at Castlefore in Fenagh in view of the fact that the Council have purchased the necessary lands to do this work."

**34. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Enda McGloin;**

"Can I ask the Director for Infrastructure if there is any progress to report in relation to the possible future provision of sewage treatment works at Kilclare, Carrick-on-Shannon?"

**35. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Enda McGloin;**

"Can I ask Leitrim County Council to provide 2 lights from the recycling centre to the entrance to Moorlands equestrian centre in Drumshanbo.  
Lights that were there originally were taken down and were not replaced!  
Can I get a commitment that they will be replaced in conjunction with current works ongoing in that area of the town?"

**36. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Sean McGowan;**

"To ask Mr. Paul Mc Mahon, Senior Executive Engineer Carrick-on-Shannon, to provide a number of passing bays on the road from Cloonboney Crossroads on the R202 to Fearnought on the N4, as it is impossible for two vehicles to meet on this road, a commitment was given last year that the works concerned would be carried out during 2007."

**37. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Sean McGowan;**

"To ask Mr. Paul Mc Mahon, Senior Engineer, Roads Carrick-on-Shannon, what is the delay in carrying out repairs to the stone wall and piers at the entrance to the Errew road beside Francie Faughnan's house, a commitment was given in 2006 that the works would be carried out that year. The wall and piers were one of the original entrances to Lough Rynn estate, was damaged some years ago. It is very unsightly for the local community and the large number of people who use that road on regular basis."

**38. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Gordon Hughes;**

"To ask the area engineer what is the up-to-date position regarding the hedge cutting programme for the Ballinamore area as there is presently a lot of overgrowth of hedge-row which is posing a danger to pedestrians & passing traffic alike".

**39. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Gordon Hughes;**

"To ask the area engineers office what is the present position regarding the proposed new pedestrian crossings for Ballinamore at the following locations; National school, St Felim's College, Catholic church & at the entrance to the Lahard Estate. Can I also seek an update regarding the proposed pedestrian crossings for Carrigallen & other associated road safety measures proposed for this location. Could the area engineer also confirm the likely cost of these works & when it is

expected to commence construction of same”.

**40. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Michael Colreavy;**

"Will Leitrim County Council prepare (in conjunction with local Councillors) proposals for the implementation of (improved) traffic calming measures at the following Manorhamilton locations:

- \* N16 Enniskillen Road at National School / Our Ladys Hospital entrance
- \* N16 New Line on the approaches to Main Street / Castle Street junction
- \* N16 Sligo Road between McCormacks Shop / Petrol Station and Council's Recycling Centre
- \* R280 Creamery Road in the vicinity of roadside houses"

**41. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Michael Colreavy;**

"In relation to Local Improvement Schemes (LIS):

1. What is the current average wait from application to work commencement date?
2. What number of schemes are currently:
  - - Awaiting approval decision?
  - Approved and awaiting work commencement?"

**42. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Enda Stenson;**

"Has a decision been made as to the location of the three promised and much needed pedestrian crossings in Mohill as yet."

**43. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Frank Dolan;**

"I will ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure who is responsible in the situation where a "Dead Tree" is standing very close to the roadside."

**44. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Frank Dolan;**

"At a previous meeting of Leitrim County Council I was told that the Council Executive would look at the possibility of providing funding to remove that extremely dangerous corner on Ross Lane. What is the up to date position on this."

**45. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Aodh Flynn;**

"What are the bases of the council seeking financial information from business people in relation to litter control?"

**46. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Aodh Flynn;**

"Can the County Manager confirm that all households in the Mullies/Lisnabrack/Ballyglass will be connected into the refurbished water scheme?"

**47. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Liam McElgunn;**

"To ask that seating be provided at the Bus Stop for Sligo, near the Bridge at Carrick-on-Shannon. At present people, including the elderly and invalids, have to stand while waiting for the bus."

**48. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Liam McElgunn;**

"To ask that the parking area at the 'Man and Boy' statue, at Boathouse Bay near Aras An Chontae, Carrick-on-Shannon, be properly lined-out, to facilitate people wishing to park there."

**49. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Enda Stenson;**

"What is the present position regarding works on, Roadway -Footpaths - and public lighting, on the Attrory Road, as €301,168 was allocated to complete these works in February 2008."

**50. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Sean McDermott;**

"Can I ask the District Engineer to have a look at local road LP2211-1 in the townland of Bronagh, Glenfarne where timber has been harvested lately. This is a road that alot of money has been spent on in recent years by the council. The road has been damaged where the lorries are coming into the above mentioned road."

**51. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Sean McDermott;**

"I will ask Leitrim County Council for an update on the proposed village enhancement programme village of Rossinver."

**52. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Francis Gilmartin;**

"Could this Council repair the pothole outside of Tommy Bohan's house and the one outside Elizabeth Bohan's house at Funhsinagh?"

**53. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Francis Gilmartin;**

"I have asked this Council on a number of occasions before, did they receive the compensation I asked them to request from the forestry sometime ago and if not why. This road is the one that has become in such bad repair that the people cannot use it. This road goes from Melick to Courdery."

**54. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Paddy O'Rourke;**

"When will the necessary works in the townland of Drumcoura i.e. infilling/embanking of the roadside along the road from Drumcoura Cross to Swan Island farm be undertaken. Each time surfacing has taken place the road is raised creating a steep fall off to each side, these works need urgent attention."

**55. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Paddy O'Rourke;**

"When will the resurfacing of the Longford Road at Carrigallen i.e. towards the school and the Roman Catholic Church commence as the present surface is deteriorating rapidly."

**56. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Mary Bohan;**

"When will re-surfacing works commence on the R280 at Drumkeerin Village (Manorhamilton Road). The road is in a very poor state of repair."

**57. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Mary Bohan;**

"I propose that urgent repair works be carried out on the Greaghmaglough Road, Drumkeerin"

**58. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Tony Ferguson;**

"Is there a roads safety statement on all the roads of County Leitrim and if so is it available to all the members in each of the areas that they represent?"

**59. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Tony Ferguson;**

"I will ask the Director of Services Roads when it is proposed to reinstate the roads in the Largy area?"

**60. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Martin Kenny;**

"I am asking the Director of Services, Infrastructure when will the road from Ballinamore to Fenagh road through Ardrum be resurfaced as it is needed badly after the sewage scheme left very uneven areas where the trench was in-filled."

**61. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Martin Kenny;**

"I am asking the Director of Services, Infrastructure can two or three street lights be erected at the road from the entrance to Druncowra City bar and restaurant to the cross on the Carrigallen to Ballinamore road, in the interest of public safety."

**62. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Sinead Guckian;**

"At the July meeting of Leitrim County Council, I will ask the Directors of Services, Infrastructure why has there been a delay in providing the " vehicles turning left only" road markings at the main roundabout on the eastern entrance to Carrick on Shannon. At our February meeting I requested that the dangerous situation regarding traffic entering this roundabout be addressed as drivers travelling from the Bridge on the N4, past the new government offices are creating two lanes of traffic and sometimes three, when entering this roundabout. However, the road markings indicate one lane only. In rush hour traffic Drivers are still driving up the left side to cross over onto Circular Road. It was agreed in February that due to the limited space on the roundabout that road markings would be provided to allow left turning vehicles only to use a newly marked lane on the left."

**63. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Sinead Guckian;**

"At the July meeting of Leitrim County Council , I will ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure what is the up to date position regarding the provision of a group sewerage scheme for residences on the school road Jamestown, which are in close proximity to the proposed treatment plant but which are not currently included in the proposed new sewerage scheme in the village. In January, this year it was agreed to liaise with these residents with a view to progressing a new group scheme."