

**COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LIATROMA**

**Áras An Chontae  
Cora Droma Rúisc**

**5<sup>th</sup> May 2009**

**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, Áras an Chontae, Carrick on Shannon, on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2009 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

- (i) Minutes of Meeting of Leitrim County Council held in the Council Chamber, Áras an Chontae, Carrick on Shannon, Co. Leitrim on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2009 (copy enclosed)
- (ii) Minutes of Special Meeting of Leitrim County Council held in the Council Chamber, Áras an Chontae, Carrick on Shannon, Co. Leitrim on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2009 (copy enclosed)

2. To approve the following proposals in compliance with the Planning & Development Act, 2000 and Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 to carry out the following works:

- (i) Proposal to carry out the upgrading of a section of the Regional Road (R202) re-alignment, strengthening and widening works at Garvagh Td. to Greagh Td., Garvagh & Fenagh, Co Leitrim (Report enclosed)
- (ii) Proposal to carry out the following works at Mohill Library, Mohill Td., Castle Street, Mohill, Co Leitrim – The development (Phase1) will consist of a proposed new single storey extension (57m<sup>2</sup>) to the front of the existing library building, together with associated site development works. The new extension will have a large entrance court front on to a new public plaza, this plaza will link the library to Castle Street. This new plaza will be completed as Phase 2 of the proposed development (Report enclosed).

3. To approve the Taking in Public Charge of the following housing developments in accordance with the provisions of Section 180 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000
  - (i) Housing Development known as Oaklands at Lisnabrack, Carrick-on-Shannon, Co Leitrim
  - (ii) Housing Development known as Shelia Mor's, Manorhamilton Co Leitrim. (Report enclosed).
4. To approve the declaration of the following roads as public roads under Section 11 of the Roads Act 1993 and Article 5 of the Roads Regulations 1994.
  - (i) Road off Local Road LS 5612-0 in the townlands of Clooncoe and Farnaght northwards for a distance of 2,967 metres to the junction of Local Road LP 1053 for a distance of 2,967m.
  - (ii) Road off Regional Road R282 in the townland of Clooneen, Manorhamilton, at Sheila Mór's estate, north-eastwards for a distance of 83.5m.
  - (iii) Road off Local Road LP 3413 in the townland of Lisnabrack at Oaklands Manor Estate, northwards for a distance of 737.5 metres. (Report enclosed).
5. To approve the acquisition by agreement of the waterworks constructed as part of the Glenboy Glenfarne Group Water Scheme, from Manorhamilton Hospital to the Pump House at Donagh More, in line with the provisions of the Water Services Act 2007 (*report enclosed*)
6. To adopt Annual Report 2008 in accordance with Section 221(3) of the Local Government Act 2001
7. To consider adoption of the Leitrim County Council Estate Management Plan 2009-2014 (*report enclosed*).
8. To consider adoption of the Leitrim County Council Draft Housing Estate Management Grant Scheme 2009 (*report enclosed*).
9. To note revised Roads Programme 2009 (*report to follow*)
10. To note report on Service Indicators 2008 (*report enclosed*)
11. To note time and date of Annual Meeting 2009
12. To consider the issue of Polling Information Cards in relation to Local Elections 2009
13. To note commitments to be entered into under Section 138(1) of the Local Government Act 2001.
14. To consider report from Corporate Policy Group.
15. Correspondence.

16. To receive deputation from Leitrim Executive IFA

**Part I - Notice of Motions.**

**Agenda Items.**  
**Council Meeting: 11/05/2009**

**Part I - Notice of Motions.**

**17. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor John McTernan;**

"1(a) I am requested that Leitrim County Council scrap the proposed one way system in Dromahair as it isn't feasible.

(b) I am requested that the Backline be resurfaced, the provision of property street markings and signs put in place.

(c) When completed, consideration given to the placing of raised islands, where the need arises.

(d) That Leitrim County Council work closely with the residents and business people to find a satisfactory solution.

(e) Where the pipes and proposed lighting is to be placed at the Chapel - that it be moved back so that it won't be interfering with private property."

**18. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Gerry Reynolds;**

"To ask the County Manager to outline the reduction in funding the Council has been informed of by the Government after the recent supplementary budget. The Departments of the Council that have had funding reduced. The effect on employment and services in all directorates, and where the reductions are being applied.

With the introduction of the latest voluntary redundancy scheme what is the likely take-up within the Council, and when will the scheme become operative. And what options are being considered to deal with the reduction in funding."

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

"I will ask Leitrim County Council to support a call to Government Departments to review the reduction in Social Services to the public where reasonable amounts of money in National terms make a huge impact in the areas of Housing Grant Aid for Disabled, Essential Repairs and Housing Aid for Elderly. This can be done by reducing the Council's contribution and getting much better value in the current economic climate."

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

"That Leitrim County Council request the Minister and Department of Environment,

Heritage & Local Government to provide funding for preparatory survey/design work/costings etc on roads, water, sewage and housing works for those schemes which cannot proceed to full tender because of inadequate funding at this time. Completion of the preparatory work would at least ensure the schemes are ready to proceed to on-site work as soon as Government funding for those purposes becomes available"

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

"I propose that Leitrim County Council keep in continued negotiations with the contractors who are involved with the up-grading of the South Leitrim Water Scheme so as this scheme will be finished on time before the summer. As we are all aware there are alot of houses in the Fenagh, Gorravagh Cloone and Aughavas areas who can be without water in dry weather."

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

"I ask Leitrim County Council when will the extension to Kiltoghert Graveyard be completed, most of the work has been done at this stage, yet its not possible to use it as a burial ground as there are a number of minor jobs to be finished, this work is now ongoing for a number of years, and would not take huge sums of money to complete."

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

"I ask the District Engineer when will the development works and landscaping be completed alongside the new relief road at Tully, Ballinamore (at junction with main Carrigallen road) which is presently in a very poor state of repair and when will an uncontrolled pedestrian crossing be installed at this location as previously agreed. Can I also ask what is the up-to-date position regarding the installation of a new roundabout at High Street linking the relief road with the main Enniskillen/Killeshandra and Mohill regional roads as this is presently posing a significant danger to merging traffic and pedestrians alike."

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

"I ask the County Manager, what is the up to date position in relation to the Urban Framework Plan for the Villages of Dromod and Rooskey. Have discussions taken place with the communities in both villages in relation to the preparation of the plan."

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

"Could this Council please resurface the road from the graveyard in Drumshanbo down by Murhaun and Lavagh as it is in a very poor condition and the Irish Wheelchair Bus has to use this road twice a week."

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

"I call on this Council to reject the proposal by Minister Gormley giving powers to members of this council to carry out inspections on farms as its just another from of Cross Compliance to incur more hardship on farmers."

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

"At the May Council meeting I will ask Leitrim County Council to request Minister for Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs, Eamon O' Cuiv to make funding available through the Clar Programme, so that more local improvement schemes can be done. I am aware of the huge backlog of laneways to be done in rural Leitrim. This year's allocation of money from the department will not go very far."

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

"That this Council take in charge immediately Oaklands, Rockingham and Cluain Si housing estates, Carrick on Shannon, as promised, and investigate the possibility of taking in charge Shannon Grove and Cluain Ard housing estates."

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

"I propose that this Council call on the ESB to provide a proper customer care service to consumers and a dedicated helpline."

**30. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Damian Brennan;**

"That we the Members of Leitrim County Council call on the Government to reverse the cut-backs on schemes which are labour-intensive, such as, the Grants to renovate houses for Older People and those who are Disabled, Road Grants and Local Improvement Scheme Grants."

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

"I call on the Director of Services for Transportation to outline priorities for the future upgrading of the Hill Road, Drumshanbo to include the provision of a safety upgrading of the road at Hyland's house, the tarring of the road and repairs at Naomh Phadraig Housing Estate and the footpath below that estate and finally I call on the Council to outline what measures it would propose to widen the junction where the hill road meets the town especially at the bridge which is extremely dangerous for pedestrians. I would like some form of safety report on this junction to include recommendations from the Council's road design department.

As I have stated before the majority of residents in the town use this road and these dangerous points must form part of the Council's priorities for Drumshanbo going forward."

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

"At the May Meeting of Leitrim County Council I will ask for the support of the members in calling on Eircom to prioritize the upgrading of the remaining exchanges in Leitrim. At the Corporate Policy Group meeting of the Council in September 2007, an Eircom representative advised that the Drumsna Exchange would be upgraded by the end of 2008. The Eircom website now advises that this exchange will not be upgraded until the end of 2009. The absence of broadband facilities in rural villages and surrounding areas is a critical problem for people working at home, students studying and businesses and is not acceptable in the modern day."

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

"I propose that Leitrim County Council install hydro electric generating units at sewage treatment works in the county. This has been done by at least one other local authority with great success and saved huge amounts in electricity costs. It is both the environmentally and economically responsible way forward, to save money and set the sustainable example."

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

"I call upon Leitrim County Council to re-surface a stretch of the Carrigallen Mohill Road (R201) from the vocational school to North of the Carrigallen GAA grounds as the existing surface seems to offer poor road holding to vehicles with an ever increasing amount of accidents on this section of road."

**Part II - Questions.**

**35. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor John McTernan;**

"That monies received from the E.S.B. for road damage, (where E.S.B. lines went across) be spent on those particular roads in the Killenummery, Killovogy and Killargue areas."

**36. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor John McTernan;**

"To enquire as to the start up date for new waste water treatment plant in Dromahair and Killargue."

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

"I will ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure to review the safety measures on the approach to Manorhamilton on the Carrick road at Ross where there are two estates on either side of the road and a school nearby - There is need for Traffic Calming measures and signposting in consultation with the local residents; can this be done as soon as possible?"

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

"Why is it taking so long to replace bulbs in Public Lighting? Many are in darkness for very long periods. Have we an Energy Officer dedicated to good practice on the staff of the Council?"

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

"Can I get an indication as to when the footpath surface will be completed out to Johnny Wynne's at Carrick-na-brack, Drumshanbo?  
This will be used extensively by locals and in particular tourists over the next few months so I urge completion to compliment the already fine job completed at the nearby roundabout and the water tower."

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

"Will Leitrim County Council request the Office of Public Works (Dromahair Office) to make available the articles removed for safe-keeping from the family homestead of Seán Mac Diarmada at Corranmore, Kiltyclogher for public display during the Mac Diarmada Summer School planned for 19th to 21st June 2009?"

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

"When will houses be connected to the improved water scheme covering Mullies/Brackerymore/Brackerybeg/Falcarragh?"

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

"I will ask Leitrim County Council to carry out immediate works on the road from Fenagh to Keshcarrigan in the Lemonish/Castlefore area as the surface on this section of the road is in a deplorable condition."

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

"What is the details of the further completion works that are required for Leitrim Village and can I ask the Director of Services for a timetable for same? Finally can I get assurances that the footpath leading to the Community Park will be completed within the time frame for these present works?"

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

"As has been acknowledged at a previous meeting excellent work was carried out on the road from Shannagh to Main Street. May I request that the final three ramps at the Shannagh end be now removed and one ramp left there albeit with a less severe incline."

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

"For the past number of years we have discussed the Taking in Charge of housing developments, and the complex legal issues involved here, and with an increasing number of developers now defaulting on their responsibility, and as some have

already been declared bankrupt, is this Council in a position to use whatever bond may be in place and commence completion of unfinished works."

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

"I ask the District Engineer when will the sewage scheme extension out as far as the Sean O'Heslin's G.A.A. Park in Ballinamore be completed as the works at the club grounds are nearing completion."

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

"I ask the District Engineer when will the council resurface the roadway at Kiltymooden, Ballinamore which is in a very poor state of repair in order to compliment the good work done to date on the stone wall and road widening at this location."

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

"At the May meeting of Leitrim County Council I will ask John Mc Guinness, Director of Services, Infrastructure, what is the up to date position with regard to carrying out improvements at Clooneagh Crossroads, in Bornacoola in the interest of public safety.

There have been a number of serious accidents at the cross over the past couple of years, which is also a pick up point for the school buses, and there is genuine concern among the local community for their safety."

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

"Where is the extra light for Drumcong Church?"

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

"When will the sewerage be complete in Drumcong?"

**51. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Gerry Dolan;**

"I ask this Council to have a 'No Through Road' declared across the Furnace Hill in Drumshanbo - passing by the school gate only to be used by locals and school business, as cars come from Drumshanbo and avoid the roundabout and cross the Furnace Hill at high speed which leaves it very dangerous to locals and school goers."

**52. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Gerry Dolan;**

"To have the speed limit reduced from 80kph to 30kph on the Kilclare Road from the phone box to Declan Beirne's house, as its a built up area and with alot of children walking and playing on this road."

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

"I will ask Leitrim County Council if it would be possible to erect a sign on the R281 roadway in the town land of Gortnaderrary, Kiltyclogher. There is a serious dip on the road coming from the Rossinver side. There are three house entries on the road at this dangerous point, one of them being a Bed and Breakfast."

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

"I ask the District Engineer, what is the time-scale of work to replace the crash barrier along the N16 that has been badly damaged on a bad bend in the townland of Cornacloy, Glenfarne? This is a serious issue as there is a dwelling house at this point"

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

"To ask that this Council erect a "Stop" sign at the house of Pat Joe Doonan, Kiltoghert and that the adjoining road to Efferinagh be re-surfaced."

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

"To ask when the connecting pathway from Aura Centre and Glencarrig to Summerhill, Carrick-on-Shannon, will be black-topped."

**57. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Gerry Reynolds;**

"To ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure what plans the Council has to complete works at Kiltoghert Cemetery; when will the works commence and what is the timeframe for completion of these works."

**58. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Gerry Reynolds;**

"To ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure when it is expected to start works on the Carrick on Shannon Sewerage Scheme"

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

"That the Council carry out repairs to the Ardrougher/Tents Road including bridge repairs as soon as possible."

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

"That Leitrim County Council enter into discussion immediately with the Cornacloy G.W.S. for the purpose of refurbishing the remainder of the scheme."

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

"I ask Mr John Mc Guinness, Director of Services, Infrastructure when is it planned to secure and tidy the area around the Lime Kiln at Farnaught, by providing a timber rail fence and gate at this most historical Kiln, and one of the few that is left intact in the Country. It is extremely dangerous for local people and tourists alike who call to see the Kiln. The work in question was to have been carried out over the past number of years."

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

"I will ask Leitrim County Council to extend the sewage scheme on the Swanlinbar road as far as Sean O'Heslin's G.A.A. Park to facilitate the football pitch and the houses adjacent to it and can the County Council explain what is causing the strong odour at the bottom of the Town at the canal and if so is anything being done about it."

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

"At the May meeting of Leitrim County Council, I will ask the Director of Services, Planning, Environment & Emergency Services to seek a meeting with Eircom regarding the possible usage of the old telephone Kiosks. Leitrim currently has a large number of voluntary groups who have trained in CPR and in the use of Defibrillators to provide a fast response in the case of cardiac arrest within their own communities. Many of these 'Heart Safe' Communities have a number of defibrillators which they have purchased by fund-raising and are currently in the process of appropriately locating same. Locating defibrillators in the rural areas, where groups are trained in their usage, is proving to be somewhat of a challenge and at a recent meeting of the Drumsna HeartSafe committee I suggested that the old telephone kiosks could be an ideal housing for the equipment."

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

"At the May meeting of Leitrim County Council I will ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure, to meet with members of the Kiltoghert Graveyard Committee, with a view to resolving outstanding issues and developing a programme of management and maintenance going forward."

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

"I ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure when can work be done on bridges in the Ballinamore engineering area that have been damaged mainly with parapet walls fallen in and are in dangerous condition. The bridges in question include the bridge between Boeshill and Drumcullion on the Gardice road, on the golf links road Ballinamore, Castleroggey-Stradermot Bridge on the Aughnasheelin road, the wall along the main Mohill road at the Grange beside the Cloone River, at Drumdarkan, Cloone beside Vincent Doogans and several others."

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

"When will the necessary repairs be carried out to the roadside drainage on Road LS 55970 in the townland of Drumkeelwick - the road is frequently flooded following heavy rain."

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

"When will resurfacing of the R204 in the townland of Drumcannon, (Carrigallen to Ballinamore) Road be carried out. Excellent work has been done here in drainage and making safe the bad bend but resurfacing is urgent."