

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LIATROMA

*Áras An Chontae
Cora Droma Ruisc*

4th May 2010

***Cathaoirleach agus Gach Ball,
COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LIATROMA.***

A Chara,

A Meeting of Leitrim County Council will be held **in the Community Centre, Kiltyclogher, Co Leitrim, on Monday 10th May 2010 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.

Mise le meas,

Aideen McGovern
Meetings Administrator
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1. Deimhniu Miontuairisci

- (i) Minutes of Meeting of Leitrim County Council held in Áras An Chontae, Carrick-on-Shannon, Co. Leitrim on Monday 12th April, 2010 (copy enclosed).
- (ii) Minutes of Special Meeting of Leitrim County Council held in Áras An Chontae, Carrick-on-Shannon, Co. Leitrim on Monday 19th April, 2010 (copy enclosed).

2. To approve the following proposal in compliance with the Planning & Development Act, 2000 and Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001:

- Proposed extension to Mullies Graveyard – Cornagillagh Td – including erection of treated timber post and rail boundary fencing, construction of associated footways and all associated site development works. (Report enclosed)

3. To consider disposal of portion of land in the townland of Shoalmore, Mohill, Co Leitrim (0.048 hectares) to Padraig Browne, in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Notice of Intention to Dispose of portion of land dated 28th April 2010 circulated to each Member.

4. To consider County Manager's Report on Submissions received on the Material Alterations to the Draft Carrick on Shannon Local Area Plan in accordance with Section 20 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 and decide by resolution to make the Plan in accordance with or otherwise than in accordance with the County Manager's recommendations. (report previously circulated)

5. To consider Draft Annual Report 2009 (report enclosed)
6. To note report on Service Indicators 2009 (report enclosed)
7. To consider time and date of Annual Meeting 2010
8. To note commitments to be entered into under Section 138(1) of the Local Government Act 2001.
9. To consider report from Corporate Policy Group.
10. Correspondence.

Part I - Notice of Motions.

11. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Gerry Kilrane;

"I call on Leitrim County Council to please consider extending the moratorium on rates for start up businesses in the Mohill Enterprise Centre. There are 5 units in the Centre which is run as a non-profit Community Development organisation. This small measure will certainly provide a great incentive for prospective start up tenants who need every help in this difficult economic climate with minimal loss of Revenue to the Council."

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

"I call on the Director of Services, Infrastructure to have the wall newly built alongside the road leading from Leitrim Church onto the main Carrick-Drumshanbo road, on left hand side, lowered as it is impossible to get a clear view onto the Main Road."

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

"I will ask the County Manager to put in place a major plan for the promotion of the villages in County Leitrim with a view to attracting new families into these areas where there are excellent services and many vacant affordable houses. A positive profile for each village and town."

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

"I propose that Leitrim County Council put in place the two barriers on Local Road L5515. I already received written communication from the County Council over twelve months ago that these barriers would be put in place."

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

"I ask the Director of Services, Planning, Environment and Emergency Services how many applications have been received for the Taking in Charge of Estates from the town of Carrick on Shannon; at what stage are each of these applications and how many estates

in Carrick on Shannon have not yet sent in an application to Leitrim County Council for the Taking in Charge."

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

"I ask the County Manager, Jackie Maguire, to set up a forum and call in the IDA and other State Bodies, to discuss the possibility of creating work in Leitrim. The ongoing debate about empty houses will continue unless there is employment to encourage families into our County."

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

"At the May Council Meeting I ask Leitrim County Council who is responsible for cleaning up the litter along the National Primary routes in the County. We are heading into the tourism season and there is a lot of litter along the roads."

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

"I ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure what is the up-to-date position regarding the design and installation of a roundabout at High Street, Ballinamore at the junction of the new relief road with the main Killeshandra/Enniskillen road. It was my understanding that this was due to be built in conjunction with the opening of this road nearly 18 months ago. This is posing a significant traffic hazard at a busy intersection and is an accident waiting to happen unless these works are carried out as a matter of urgency."

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

"I call on Leitrim County Council to immediately investigate the fact that Leitrim Village has no broadband available despite the fact that fiber optic cable is in the ground. As a Village only 4 miles from Carrick-on-Shannon it is vital from a development and business point of view that this local authority co-ordinates efforts to bring broadband to the Village."

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

"I call on Leitrim County Council to prepare a submission to the Joint Oireachtas Committee on European Scrutiny on the current issue of the Implementation of New EPA Code of Practice on Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Systems serving Single Houses. This submission should include alternative engineering solutions to the issues including that provided by this local authority's environment engineers and from others.

I further propose that this Council seek to send a delegation to meet with the said committee at Leinster House and ask them to examine and to review its interpretation and implementation of the Statutory Instrument from the EU."

21. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor John Ward;

"I ask Leitrim County Council to reverse traffic flow in Carrick town for one month as a trial - at present the traffic is chaos from across the Bridge to the Tesco roundabout in evenings and mornings."

22. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Siobhan McGloin;

"At the next meeting of Leitrim County Council I will propose that the government exempt farm diesel from the carbon tax."

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

"I purpose that Leitrim County Council invite Dr. Rory Harrington, Senior Scientist in the Department of the Environment to make a presentation on Integrated Constructed Wetlands (ICW's). I further propose that sufficient time be allowed for a questions and answers session on this very important topic."

24. 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 the Minister for Health to reverse the decision to suspend periodontal treatment for medical card holders and also to engage in talks with the Irish Dental professional to find a workable solution to the current financial constraints."

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

"I call on Leitrim County Council to consider the current scheme offered by Minister Finneran in relation to long term leasing. I request that Leitrim County Council report to members the feasibility of this scheme for the County in terms of meeting the current waiting lists. There is a number of people in Dromahair experiencing a long wait for a local authority house and I am anxious to learn if this scheme can help these people in this regard."

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

"Could this Council contact the Minister for Finance by letter asking him why we put the carbon tax on tractor diesel when other countries in the EU did not and request him to remove same in time for the baling and slurry spreading etc. This tax would cost farmers 5% that they would struggle to afford."

27. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor John McCartin;

"Since the OPW are not prepared to carry out a study on flooding in the Shannon Region until the 3rd quarter of this year, I propose that Leitrim County Council call on them to put in place an interim action plan to address the immediate flood risk in the region."

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

"I ask that Leitrim County Council, when carrying out the proposed roadworks surfacing etc at the road leading to the local authority estate Bredagh Carrigallen, would consider replacing the high Kerb on the left hand side beside houses no. 1 to 4 in order that residents could access the small parking area between houses no. 2 and 3. This would

contribute to safety with off street parking. I would also ask that the section of the wall adjacent to house no. 7 be removed (presently it is cracked and dangerous) in order that the truck which collects the contents of the bring centre can access the site with safety. Presently it causes difficulty to road users due to only being able to partially enter the site."

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

"At the May meeting of Leitrim County Council I will seek the support of the members in again calling on Bus Eireann to restore the school bus service, to the students from the Gortletteragh / Bornacoola area who are attending the new Community College in Mohill, to its original route through Tooman, Clooncumber and on to Johnstons Bridge which had been in operation for a long number of years. Bus Eireann changed the route 2 years ago, where the Bus now goes from Tooman to Clooneagh Cross and it means that 12 students who used to be picked up at Johnstones Bridge (where there is plenty of room for them to safely wait for the bus) have to make their way to Clooneagh Cross which is very narrow and dangerous. The parents and students are concerned for their safety and are seeking to have the original route restored. They are extremely angry and frustrated with the school bus section of Bus Eireann."

Part II - Questions.

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

"I call on the Director of Services, Infrastructure to improve the junction at the Ballinaboy Cross, Leitrim, coming from Mohereerogue as the recent works carried out have made it more dangerous for traffic to get onto the Leitrim Drumshanbo Road."

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

"I ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure the reason why over 60% of the lights at the Riverside Walk do not now work. What plans has the Council to replace them and when will this be done."

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

"I ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure if the Council could carry out remedial work at the entrance to the Glencarrig Housing Estate, Carrick on Shannon, to stop the flash flooding that takes place after rainfall."

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

"I ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure if the Council has a full list of all connections authorised and others to Group Water Schemes where the Council are the providers of the water?"

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

"I will ask the County Manager has a mapping exercise of the "black spots" for the mobile phone coverage in Leitrim been completed?"

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

"I will ask Leitrim County Council to put in place a number of laybys on the second section of the local road which goes through Drumharkin/Drumroosk South on the Drumroosk side."

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

"I will ask Leitrim County Council to put in place laybys on the road around Lough Rowan number L3458. The trout fishing season has just begun and this road is very busy with cars coming to the lake with boats attached."

37. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Siobhan McGloin;

"At the next meeting of Leitrim County Council I will ask that when this Council is placing adverts in the media regarding plans that are on Public display in the Council Headquarters in Carrick on Shannon that the advert state that the plans are also available to be viewed in the local area office."

38. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Siobhan McGloin;

"I ask the District Engineer to erect dangerous bend signs/SLOW signs or signs indicating the entrances on to R280 at Park crossroads warning drivers that there are a number of entrances on to the R280 at this point."

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

"I ask the Director of Services, to consider erecting a directional sign for Drumshanbo at the Dublin Road roundabout at Carrick-on-Shannon?"

This request has been mentioned on a number of occasions before, and I am anxious for some commitment on this request?"

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

"At the May meeting of Leitrim County Council, I will ask the Carrick Area Engineer, when will the appropriate work be complete to have a water supply at Kiltoghert Graveyard. Last year it was agreed by Leitrim County Council to provide same to assist the committee and caretakers with the upkeep of the graveyard. I would also ask if any solution has been found to address the slippery and dangerous surface of the footpaths after a rain fall."

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

"I ask what is the present update regarding the Shannon Grove Development in Carrick on Shannon."

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

"I ask the District Engineer, Mr Michael Flynn when can we expect work to be carried out on the ramps at Shannagh Mohill, to ease the slope and prevent more damage being done to cars."

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

"I ask if cast-iron type name signs can be provided for Glenfarne Village - one of the existing signs is down for some time. Also the sign for Kiltyclogher/Glenfarne on the R283

in the townland of Lissinagroagh has been knocked down."

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

"I ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure if signs can be provided at 'Fowleys Falls' Rossinver, to indicate where parking is available along the road and also No Parking signs where parking is taking place at dangerous locations, which is a danger to oncoming and passing traffic. This would leave the tourist amenity area much safer."

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

"I ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure what is the up-to-date position regarding a review of the entire bridge network within the county to ascertain their levels of safety and structural condition as agreed at the March meeting of Leitrim County Council. In particular the bridge at Lower Main Street, Ballinamore and at Kilbracken Bridge are just two examples of bridges that need to be reviewed."

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

"I ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure when it is proposed that the Council will widen the roadway R204-10 at Gortahoosh, Corrawallen P.O. as agreed previously, and what works are proposed to be carried out at this location."

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

"I ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure for any update or progress towards the upgrading of the 'Aughagrana group water scheme'?"

48. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Gerry Kilrane;

"What services can the County Council provide to the residents of Knocklongford and O'Carolan Court Estates in Mohill for the cutting of grass in the common areas and lawns this Summer. Many of the residents are elderly and not able to do this work which was previously undertaken by a Community Scheme."

49. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Gerry Kilrane;

"I ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure if signage could be erected at Clooncarne near Mallons house. This is a fully registered playschool and motor vehicles are inclined to excessive speed at this location. I am of the opinion that some signage indicating Children at Play or School Ahead would be both beneficial and justified."

50. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor John Ward;

"I ask Leitrim County Council to erect a barrier or put in place some safety measure at the bridge in townland of Annaghselherny, Killnagross (no road number exists there)."

51. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor John Ward;

"I ask Leitrim County Council when are they going to put in place a pedestrian crossing on Main Street and ramps in St Patrick's Park, also the footpath across the green in Drumsna at the Church as this is going on for the last six months."

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

"I request this Council to provide adequate litter bins in all our towns and villages, and all public amenity area's including the tennis court area in Drumkeerin."

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

"At the May Meeting of Leitrim County Council, I will ask Mr Michael Flynn, Senior Executive Engineer, Carrick-on-Shannon, to provide 2 No. 60 KM speed signs on the Farnaught side of Thomas Gilroy's house, Beihy, (Mohill – Drumlish Road) and to carry out improvements to the sightlines on this stretch of road.

It is extremely dangerous for the Gilroy family coming onto the road, they have little or no view back in the Mohill direction and they are concerned for their safety with the speed of traffic on the road."

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

"At the May meeting of Leitrim County Council I will ask Mr John Mc Guinness, Director of Services, Infrastructure to provide funding in this year's roadwork's programme to carry out improvements to the sightlines at the crossroads at the former post office at Bornacoola. It is extremely difficult and dangerous for motorists approaching the crossroads from the community centre and Cloonmorris direction."

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

"At the May meeting of Leitrim County Council I will ask the Carrick District Engineer to investigate the possibility of providing a lay-by to allow vehicles to pass on the Gowel to Effernagh road at Annahealy. Currently vehicles that meet in one section have to use the soft grass margin which is not capable of taking the vehicle weight and subsequently this is causing some subsidence of the road surface edge."

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

"I would like this Council to clarify what impact a change of design of a conservatory which was already granted planning under a previous application would have on S.A.C's and S.P.A's. I feel this is a step too far as a change of design in my opinion could have no impact on a Natura 2000 site."

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

"I ask Mr Martin Dolan, Director of Services, Planning, Environment and Emergency Services what is the position in regard to people requesting an extension under planning permission. Will the old guidelines apply to their septic tank effluent treatment?"

58. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor John McCartin;

"I ask that Leitrim County Council do repair works on the most regularly used section of LT-15291 at Drumishingore across from the Killerrin turn. This road has become rutted and bumpy."

59. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor John McCartin;

"As the left hand margin on a narrow turn of LS 5541 at Killegar, Ballynamony and Laheen has broken down, I ask that Leitrim County Council pipe, stone and surface this section of water-table."

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

"I would ask again that a depression in the road (R201) outside the factory under construction in the town land of Kivvy, Carrigallen be attended to urgently as it has potential to cause a serious accident with many motorists swerving abruptly to avoid it. A small amount of materials and labour would render this safe."