A Chara,

A Meeting of Leitrim County Council will be held in the Council Chamber, Áras an Chontae, Carrick on Shannon, on Monday the 12th January 2015 at 11 am 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. Deimhniú Miontuairisci

   a. Minutes of Meeting of Leitrim County Council held in Aras An Chontae, Carrick-on-Shannon on Monday, 3rd November 2014 (copy enclosed).

   b. Minutes of Budget Meeting of Leitrim County Council held in Aras An Chontae on Monday, 24th November 2014 (copy enclosed).

2. To make the Leitrim County Development Plan 2015-2021 as set out below:

   a. To consider the report of the Chief Executive on the Submissions received in relation to the Proposed Material Amendments to the Draft Leitrim County Development Plan 2015-2021 (report previously circulated) and adopt the material amendments with or without modification, in accordance with the provisions of the Planning & Development Acts 2000-2014, Section 12(9)(a).

   b. To consider the making of the Leitrim County Development Plan 2015–2021, incorporating the amendments to the Draft Plan as agreed at the Council Meeting on 15th September 2014 together with the material amendments as adopted at today’s meeting, in accordance with the Planning and Development Acts 2000–2014, Section 12(10)(a).
c. To consider the adoption of the detailed supporting documents in regard to the Housing and Retail Strategies 2015 – 2021, in accordance with the Planning and Development Acts 2000–2014 and relevant Ministerial Guidelines.


4. To receive report on Programme of Capital Projects for the forthcoming three years in accordance with Section 135 of the Local Government Act 2001 as amended (report enclosed).

5. To consider Monthly Management Reports by the Chief Executive for October and November 2014 in accordance with the provisions of Section 136(2) of the Local Government Act 2001 as inserted by Section 51 of the Local Government Reform Act 2014 (reports previously circulated)

6. To consider the Audit Report for the year 2013 in accordance with Section 121(1) of the Local Government Act 2001 (Report enclosed).

7. To note commitments to be entered into under Section 138(1) of the Local Government Act 2001.

8. To consider report from Corporate Policy Group.

9. To approve the attendance of the Elected Members at forthcoming conferences.

10. Correspondence (enclosed)

11. To receive a Presentation on the Regional Waste Management Plan.

********* Notice of Motions *********

12. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Des Guckian;

"That, in the light of the 200 plus unfinished estates in County Leitrim, the Chief Executive Mr. Curran, be requested by Councillors to seek special funding from the Department of the Environment, Community & Local Government to finish these estates and, if necessary, to undertake an investigation as to how and why such a vast amount of permissions to build these estates were handed out, by Leitrim County Council, during “The Celtic Tiger” years."

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

"I ask the Director of Services, Economic Development, Planning, Environment and Transportation what progress has been made to date to amend the 2013 Bye-Law for Waste Management in Leitrim. In November all Members supported my motion to immediately address the registration process for households that don't have a requirement for a bin service but who do dispose of their waste legally and for households that are not on a serviced route."

14. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Sean McGowan;
"I ask the Chief Executive to make contact with Mr. Patrick Conroy of the Valuation Office to invite him to make a presentation to the Council on the valuation process and its relevance to the Local Authority."

15. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Finola Armstrong-McGuire;

"The Boardwalk at Linear Park in Carrick on Shannon is a wonderful feature in our Town and County. Attractive lighting was part of the investment, yet currently only 35% of lights are working. What is required to get all lights aglow? Large investments throughout the County deserve every effort to keep maintenance at a high standard."

16. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Justin Warnock;

"I call on Leitrim County Council to write to the Minister for Agriculture, Simon Coveney TD, on behalf of Leitrim’s farmers to ensure that they are afforded every opportunity to enter the new Glas Environmental Scheme. Historically Leitrim farmers have the lowest Single Farm Payments and they farm some of the most challenging land in this country. Our hill farmers must also be given every chance to join this Scheme from the outset as failure to do so would be detrimental to the survival of the family farm in North Leitrim. The Glas payments would play a significant part in sustaining the family farm and have a major impact for Leitrim’s County Development Plan 2015 - 2021 Agricultural Policy."

17. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Padraig Fallon;

"I ask this Council to call on the Department of Health, the HSE and the Minister for Health to ensure that adequate resources and funds are put in place so that the many individuals awaiting increased Personal Assistance hours can have those hours allocated."

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

"I ask what is the present position regarding the search to find suitable business to re-occupy the Bank of America building in Carrick on Shannon - promises have been made to us that a suitable tenant would be found and as of yet nothing is forthcoming. I ask the Chief Executive has contact been made with him by the Department or the IDA regarding this. Future sustainable employment is the most important issue facing this County as we face into 2015."

19. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Brendan Barry;

"I ask Leitrim County Council to call on the Government to amend the Health (Fluoridation of Water) Act 1960 and subsequent Statutory Instrument (42/2007 Fluoridation of Water Supplies Regulations 2007) to ban the addition of fluoride to water supplies."

20. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Seadhna Logan;

"I ask that this Council calls on Iarnród Éireann to clarify the purpose of recent head counts at rural railway stations in the last number of months. Recent reports that Iarnród Éireann are struggling financially and looking at cutbacks and towards increased subvention are very worrying to rural service users. I am calling on Iarnród Éireann to re-assure the people of Leitrim regarding the viability of Dromod train station and their long term commitment to maintaining services at current levels in the County."

21. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Martin Kenny;
"I propose that Leitrim County Council call on the Government to amend health and safety legislation regarding road works, which at present place unrealistic rules and regulations for works on minor and local roads. Health and Safety needs to have flexibility and appropriateness to the task and circumstances on the ground reflected in its application. The present one-size-fits-all approach means that the same signage and warning operation is required to repair a pothole on a back road in rural Leitrim as on the M50 in Dublin, and this simply does not work."

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

"I ask Leitrim County Council to write to the Government, calling for the cessation of public water fluoridation."

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

"I propose that Leitrim County Council call on the Minister for the Environment, Community and Local Government to amend the current restrictive income threshold for Local Authority housing applicants."

24. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Felim Gurn;

"Following on from comments made by Fáilte Ireland's Chief Executive Shaun Quinn on the projected visitor numbers for 2015 and his assertion that "Fáilte Ireland will support these ambitious targets by developing compelling reasons to visit Ireland and will work closely with tourism businesses throughout the country to sell smarter and market more effectively", I call on Leitrim County Council to engage with Fáilte Ireland and the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport with a view to allocating additional funding to counties like Leitrim where tourism numbers have not increased proportionately in relation to the more developed tourist destinations."

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

"I ask Leitrim County Council to call upon the Minister for Justice to withdraw his proposal regarding the disallowing of the public to have firearms in their possession."

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

"I propose that Leitrim County Council actively pursue a policy of engaging with local business to ensure that every opportunity to procure from within our own rate base is exhausted."

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

"I ask that this Council contact the Minister for Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation, Richard Bruton T.D., regarding the situation at the former Bank of America Site as to whether there has been any progress regarding securing a client at the site. Given the excellent facility that is available and the extremely well trained cohort of workers in the region who are accustomed to working in a highly regulated industry, surely the Minister has it within his remit to instruct the job creation agencies to prioritise it, particularly as it is now approaching almost 3 years since the Minister attended a meeting of this Authority and was told of the impending situation."

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