Cathaoirleach agus Gach Ball,  
COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LIATROMA.

24th February 2015

A Chara,

A Meeting of Leitrim County Council will be held in the Council Chamber, Áras an Chontae, Carrick on Shannon, on Monday 2nd March 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. Deimhniu Miontuairisci

   a. Minutes of Meeting of Leitrim County Council held in Aras An Chontae, Carrick-on-Shannon on Monday, 12th January 2015 (copy enclosed).

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

   a. Extend existing cemetery, providing additional grave plots, access footpaths and new site boundaries for St. Brigid’s Church at Cooraleehan Td., Ballinamore, Co. Leitrim. (Report enclosed).

3. To consider resolution to enter into an agreement, under Section 85 of the Local Government Act 2001 as amended, with Cavan County Council in respect of the planning, design and construction of the Cavan Leitrim Railway Greenway whereby Cavan County Council will be enabled to carry out works as may be necessary in the Administrative Area of Leitrim County Council. (Report enclosed).

4. To consider resolution to enter into an agreement, under Section 85 of the Local Government Act 2001, with Sligo County Council in respect of the planning, design and construction of the SLNCR Greenway whereby Leitrim County Council will be enabled to carry out works as may be necessary in the Administrative Area of Sligo County Council. (Report enclosed)
5. To consider resolution to enter into an agreement, under Section 85 of the Local Government Act 2001, with Cavan County Council in respect of the planning, design and construction of the SLNCR Greenway whereby Leitrim County Council will be enabled to carry out works as may be necessary in the Administrative Area of Cavan County Council. (Report enclosed)

6. To consider resolution to enter into an agreement, under Section 85 of the Local Government Act 2001, with Donegal County Council in respect of improvement works to the N16 Shanvaus Bridge, N16 Windy Bridge and N16 Cornstauk Bridge whereby Donegal County Council will be enabled to carry out all work, including preparation of Contract Tender Documents, Supervision of Contract, etc as may be necessary in the Administrative Area of Leitrim County Council. (Report enclosed).


8. To adopt the Leitrim County Council Annual Service Delivery Plan 2015. (Report Enclosed).

9. To consider Monthly Management Reports by the Chief Executive for December 2014 and January 2015 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).

10. To approve Membership of the Strategic Policy Committees. (Report enclosed).

11. To approve revised Membership of the Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) (Report enclosed)

12. To note Road Works Scheme 2015.


14. To consider Report from the Audit Committee for 2014 (Report enclosed)

15. To approve deferral of sending of notices under section 20(3)(a)(i) and publishing a notice under section 20(a)(3)(ii) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 in accordance with Section 19(1)(d) of the Act in respect of the Carrick on Shannon Local Area Plan for a further period of 3 years (Report enclosed)

16. To note Draft ‘Incentivised Scheme for Business Start-ups in Town Centres’ and to approve placing the draft scheme on public display. (Report previously circulated)

17. To consider report in accordance with Section 10(3) of the Litter Pollution Act 1997 on the implementation of the Litter Management Plan for the year 2014. (Report to follow).

18. To approve the Leitrim County Council Community Tourism and Arts (Arts being Tourism Related) Grant Scheme 2015. (Report enclosed)

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

20. To consider report from Corporate Policy Group.

21. To approve the attendance of the Elected Members at forthcoming conferences.
22. Correspondence (enclosed)

23. To receive a Presentation from Waterways Ireland on the Blueway.

24. To receive a Presentation from the Valuation Office on the Valuation Process.

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

"I propose that Leitrim County Council call on Minister Alan Kelly and the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government to cease and desist with the practice of using Local Government Funds to subvent Irish Water. These funds could be put to much better use, for example they could be used to fund Local Improvement Schemes and other works."

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

"I ask the Director of Services, Housing, Community, Corporate Services, Culture and Emergency Services what the up to date position is regarding the creation of a film commission body and film industry portal for the County. As part of our current Arts Strategy, it was agreed that Leitrim County Council would develop a film industry portal for filmmakers so that they can access information about the County and the services and supports available. We urgently need to promote Leitrim as a first choice destination for national and international filmmakers and to promote the potential of Leitrim’s landscape, architecture, period villages and stunning scenery, while streamlining the process for film-makers by highlighting the services and co-operation available in the Council and the ease of access to same."

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

"That Leitrim County Council agrees to set out a five year programme for the repair and surfacing of all lanes and by-roads in County Leitrim. This is to ensure that no occupied home in the County is left without a properly surfaced lane/road servicing it."

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

"I propose that Leitrim County Council seek an urgent meeting with the relevant Minister or Ministers with responsibility for Rateable Valuations. The current situation is leading to the closing of many businesses in rural towns and villages throughout the country and particularly in County Leitrim."

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

"I call on Leitrim County Council to appoint a Building and Development Inspector to Leitrim Planning Authority to oversee all future projects at phase stages, from start to completion in this County. This appointment is necessary to avoid the mistakes of the past."

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

"I propose that Leitrim County Council calls on the relevant Minister to introduce the compulsory wearing of high visibility jackets by both pedestrians and cyclists, especially in areas that do not have footpaths or public lighting."
31. **To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Felim Gurn;**

"The existing County athletics facilities in Manorhamilton are very badly in need of improvement and enhancement to meet the needs of the existing athletics clubs, community, county and regional users. These facilities were put in place in 1972 and investment is badly needed to ensure that these facilities are safe and are enhanced in line with modern standards and those in other Counties. The community group and interests managing the facilities have made a number of applications for sports capital funding but to date have not been successful. I am calling on Leitrim County Council and Leitrim Sports Partnership to ensure that all efforts are made to secure the necessary funds to do the badly needed improvement works on this well used facility. Leitrim in recent years has two Olympic athletes who would have used these facilities and these improvements are very badly needed for future generations."

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

"I seek the support of the Members in calling on the HSE West to clarify the situation with regard to the HIQUA report into Arus Carolan Community Nursing unit in Mohill. There is anger and concern within the greater Mohill area that there is a threat to Arus Carolan, it appears that the HIQUA report wants to see a situation where there is only single bed in each room and this may cause a major problem for Arus Carolan. While there has been major improvement works carried out in recent years and substantial funding has been invested in the unit."

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

"In light of the fact that the former Minister for the Environment, Community and Local Government, Mr. Phil Hogan, saw fit to abolish the drainage boards which had served the County well in spite of their low budgets over the years I now call on this Local Authority to seek funding from the OPW or direct Department funding to carry out the very necessary works in order to alleviate the hardship presently being experienced by landowners who could suffer severe penalties on their farm payments, not to mention the loss in production on their farms remembering that one's land doesn't return to production for a considerable amount of time after the flood recedes."

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

"I request Leitrim County Council to write to Alan Kelly, TD, Minister for the Environment, Community and Local Government concerning the issue of transferring of the senior alert scheme from the Department of the Environment to Pobal. This is causing a hold-up for new community alert and text alert groups that are not being allowed to register for Safety and Security Systems for Senior Citizens."

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

"I ask that Leitrim County Council employ workers, through seasonal schemes, to work with the Hedge Cutting teams. My proposal is that when a route is highlighted for hedge cutting or verge cutting two people go into the area within two days of cutting. They should have road signage asking motorists to slow down etc adhering to all Health and Safety standards. When much needed verge and hedge cutting is done the litter becomes more visible. We must keep our countryside clean. Proper assignment of personnel to follow cutting would help the situation."
36. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Brendan Barry;

"I ask that Leitrim County Council support the Association of Childhood Professionals and Early Childhood Ireland by calling on the Government and Minister James Reilly, TD, Department of Children and Youth Affairs, to recognise the importance of early childhood care and education by adequately investing in our children's future. Current spending (0.2%GDP) on early childhood education and care is well below the European average (0.7%GDP). It is inadequate and degrading to Childhood Professionals who cherish and educate the children of the Nation."

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

"In light of the large number of vacant shop units in our towns throughout Leitrim may I ask do we, the Members, have authority to waive the rates payable for a period of time on a unit that may be opened, thus creating some employment and encouraging shoppers back to the streets of our towns."

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

"I propose that Leitrim County Council, recognising the need for safety for children at play in the housing estates in which they live, calls on the Minister for Transport to pass the Road Traffic Amendment Bill 2015, commonly known as Jake's Law in memory of Jake Brennan, in order to introduce a new mandatory speed limit of 20km specifically for housing estates."

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

"Given the very noticeable increase in the level of illegal dumping and fly tipping across the County in recent months, I am calling on Leitrim County Council to take a much more hard line zero tolerance approach to this issue. The Council needs to address this issue head on with a strong visible anti litter campaign and to put additional resources into litter management to address this problem. Many local and national roads are becoming unsightly as a result of the vast quantities of household waste dumped in the ditches. This situation cannot be tolerated or allowed to escalate any further."

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

"I ask this Council to put a scheme in place to have public sewerage extended out to Mahanagh and Derryhallow, Drumshanbo."

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