

**Minutes of Corporate Policy Group meeting held on
Monday, 4th January, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. via MS Teams
Áras Contae an Chláir, New Road, Ennis, Co. Clare.**

Present:

Cllrs. M. Howard P. Hayes, Cllr. J. Garrihy and J. Crowe, via Ms Teams Video Call
Cllrs G. Flynn and P. McMahon, via Conference Call

Officials Present:

Pat Dowling, Chief Executive via Ms Teams Video Call
Ann Reynolds, A/Senior Executive Officer.

Cllr. M. Howard presided.

Pat Dowling updated the members on the current escalating Covid-19 situation. The Council are in ongoing communication with HSE Mid-West and the Crisis Management Team are meeting on an ongoing basis. It is imperative that we minimise risks to staff, to members and the general public and that we minimise numbers attending Council offices. Staff notice being issued today to include advisory to wear face coverings in all open plan areas. Notice will be copied to members. Members of the public are recommended to make contact by phone/email and make appointments.

1. Minutes of meeting held on 7th December, 2020.

The minutes of the C.P.G. meeting held on 7th December, 2020 were approved having been proposed by Cllr. Gerry Flynn and seconded by Cllr. Pat McMahon.

2. Headed Items and Notices of Motion for January Council Meeting.

The draft agenda was circulated to members and the headed items and notices of motion were discussed and reviewed.

3. Any other business.

It was agreed to proceed with the January Council meeting at Glor and to encourage as many members as possible to access remotely.

Cllr. Gerry Flynn proposed that the planned meeting of the Standing Orders Committee be deferred to February in light of the current restrictions. This was agreed by all.

Cllr. Joe Garrihy noted one of the highlights over the Christmas period was the Kilfenora Ceili Band on TG4 supported by Clare County Council.

The current opportunities for access to funding were highlighted which include Sports Capital Grants and Community Support Grants.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

*Ann Reynolds, A/Senior Executive Officer,
Corporate Services.*

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