

**Minutes of Corporate Policy Group meeting held on
Monday 4th July, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. in the Boardroom/MS Teams
Áras Contae an Chláir, New Road, Ennis, Co. Clare.**

Present: Cathaoirleach, Cllr. Tony O'Brien, Cllrs. G. Flynn, P. McMahon, P. Hayes and S. Talty.

MS Teams: Cllrs. J. Crowe and Clare Colleran Molloy.

Officials Present: Pat Dowling, Chief Executive.
Mary McMahon, Administrative Officer, Corporate Services.

Cathaoirleach, Cllr. Tony O'Brien presided.

Minutes of meeting held on 3rd June, 2022.

The minutes of the C.P.G. meeting held on 3rd June, 2022 were approved, having been proposed by Cllr. G. Flynn and seconded by Cllr. P. Hayes.

Headed Items and Notices of Motion for July Council Meeting.

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

Budget 2023 & LPT process

Trina Rynne advised of proposed schedule of meetings to discuss L.P.T. The proposed dates were agreed by C.P.G.

Any other business

- Cllr. G. Flynn advised that a meeting of the Standing Orders committee is taking place on 13th July. Meeting will review commencement time of Council meetings. Discussion at C.P.G. recommended briefings take place at 2:00 p.m. and Council meeting at 3:00 p.m.
The meeting will also consider addressing Comhfhreagras (correspondence) as an earlier item on the Council Agenda, as important replies are not being adequately debated or given due consideration when the item sits at the end of the agenda.
- Cathaoirleach asked whether there were any objections to him attending workshop on County Development Plan. There were no objections raised.
- Pat Dowling advised that a presentation was being given by Barry O'Sullivan, Chair of Shannon Estuary Economic Taskforce prior to July Council meeting. Presentation commences at 2:45 p.m.

- Pat Dowling advised of new framework for operation of Irish Water to be in place by 2026 and outlined details of same. Members expressed views that staff opting to continue working with Clare County Council should be accommodated close to their current work location. It was also noted that Council staff are excellent in dealing with Water queries. The loss of this expertise was noted.
- Pat Dowling advised of the merger of MHP Solicitors with Sellors Solicitors.
- Pat Dowling advised of an itinerary for tour of West Clare and Wild Atlantic Way. Members

*Mary McMahon, Administrative Officer,
Corporate Services.*

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