

**Minutes of Corporate Policy Group meeting held on  
Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. in the Boardroom  
Áras Contae an Chláir, New Road, Ennis, Co. Clare.**

**Present:** Cllrs. T. O'Brien, G. Flynn, P. Hayes, C Colleran Molloy, J. Crowe and P. McMahon.

**Present Ms Teams:** Cllr. S. Talty.

**Officials Present:** Pat Dowling, Chief Executive  
Ann Reynolds, Senior Executive Officer

Cathaoirleach, Cllr. Tony O'Brien presided.

**Minutes of meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2023.**

The minutes of the C.P.G. meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2023 were approved, having been proposed by Cllr. G. Flynn and seconded by Cllr. P. Hayes.

**Headed Items and Notices of Motion for March Council Meeting.**

The draft agenda was circulated to the members and the headed items and notices of motion were discussed and reviewed. The members discussed the provisions of Standing Order Number 19 with regard to co-signed motions. It was agreed that the Cathaoirleach would clarify to the members that the members may only submit one motion standing in their own name. In addition to this, members may co-sign a further motion, of which he/she is not the first signatory.

**Any other business:**

- Cllr. Tony O'Brien advised that he had received correspondence from the Chief Executive notifying of his intention to extend the duration of his contract as Chief Executive with Clare County Council up to the 11th of September 2026. The members welcomed this news and congratulated the Chief Executive on his decision.
- Cllr. Tony O'Brien reminded members of the County Development Plan Meeting on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 3:00 p.m. with workshop in advance.
- A request for a meeting from Minister of State Kieran O'Donnell was noted, with the date of the proposed meeting to be confirmed.
- A request for a Civic Reception from Cllr. Paul Murphy for Bernárd Lynch was circulated to the members. The members considered the nomination in accordance with Standing Order No. 72 and agreed to recommend the award of a Civic Reception to full Council.

- Pat Dowling advised that he will be reviewing the management structure due to the pending resignation of Liam Conneally, Director of Service. The members again acknowledged the significant experience and knowledge of the outgoing Director of Service which will be a loss to Clare and particularly to Shannon Municipal District.
- Pat Dowling advised that a Government decision with regard to funding in relation to Shannon Heritage sites is still pending following a recent meeting with Minister of State at the Department of Transport and at the Department of Environment, Climate and Communications, Jack Chambers.

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

*6<sup>th</sup> March, 2023.*