



COMHAIRLE | CLARE
CONTAE AN CHLÁIR | COUNTY COUNCIL

3 Iúil, 2024.

DON CATHAOIRLEACH AGUS GACH BALL DEN CHOMHAIRLE

A Chomhairleoir, a chara,

Leis seo, iarraim ort, le do thoil, a bheith i láthair ag Cruinniú Míosúil na Comhairle a thionólfar ar **Dé Luain, an 8 Iúil, 2024 AR 3:00 i.n. i SEOMRA NA COMHAIRLE, ÁRAS CONTAE AN CHLÁIR, INIS** agus via ardán MS Teams. Thíos faoi seo, gheofar sonraí den ghnó a dhéanfar ag an gcrúinniú.

Iarrtar ort a bheith i láthair.

Mise le meas,

Presentation on the Draft County Sports
Plan at 2:00 p.m.

Riarthóir Cruinnithe

An Roinn Seirbhísí Corparáideach
Stiúrthóireacht Airgeadais agus Seirbhísí Tacaíochta
Áras Contae an Chláir, Bóthar Nua, Inis, Co. an Chláir, V95 DXP2

Corporate Services Department
Finance and Support Services Directorate
Áras Contae an Chláir, New Road, Ennis, Co. Clare, V95 DXP2

CLÁR OIBRE - AGENDA

- 1) Miontuairiscí na Cruinnithe seo leanas den Chomhairle.
- 1) Minutes of the following Council meeting.
 - (a) Miontuairiscí Chruinniú mí Bealtaine, a tionóladh ar an 13 Bealtaine 2024.
 - (a) Minutes of May monthly meeting held on 13 May 2024.
 - (b) Miontuairiscí Chruinniú mí Bealtaine a cuireadh ar atráth, a tionóladh ar an 22 Bealtaine 2024.
 - (b) Minutes of the adjourned May meeting held on 22 May 2024.
 - (c) Miontuairiscí Chruinniú cinn bhliana de Chomhairle Contae an Chláir a tionóladh ar an 21 Meitheamh, 2024.
 - (c) Minutes of Annual General Meeting of Clare County Council held on 21 June, 2024.
2. Matters Arising.
2. Nithe ag éirí as.
3. **Comhfhreagras/Correspondence.**
4. Minutes of Municipal District Meetings.
4. Miontuairiscí cruinnithe Ceantar Bardasach
 - (a) Ennis Municipal District meeting held on 7 May 2024
 - (a) Cruinniú Ceantar Bardasach na hInse a tionóladh ar an 7 Bealtaine 2024
 - (b) Killaloe Municipal District meeting held on 20 March 2024
 - (b) Cruinniú Ceantar Bardasach Cill Dá Lua a tionóladh ar an 20 Márta 2024
 - (c) Shannon Municipal District meeting held on 19 March 2024
 - (c) Cruinniú Ceantar Bardasach na Sionnainne a tionóladh ar an 19 Márta 2024
5. Minutes of Strategic Policy Committee Meetings.
5. Miontuairiscí Cruinnithe Coiste Polasaí Straitéiseach
 - (a) Economic Development Strategic Policy Committee meeting held on 26 February, 2024.
 - (a) Cruinniú Coiste Polasaí Straitéiseach Forbairt Gheilleagrach a tionóladh ar an 26 Feabhra, 2024.
6. Minutes of Corporate Policy Group meeting held on 3 May, 2024.
6. Cruinniú Grúpa Polasaí Corparáideach a tionóladh ar an 3 Bealtaine, 2024.

7. Monthly Management Report.
8. Consideration of report in accordance with Part XI, Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and Part VIII, Article 80 and 81 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001-2013 for a proposed development comprising of public realm enhancement works, creation of a new footpath at the playground and beach area at Cappa, Kilrush, Co. Clare.
9. Applications considered at Memorial Committee for approval by Council.
10. Adoption of Clare County Council Homeless Policy.
11. Draft Strategic Policy Scheme.
12. LCDC Membership for ratification.
13. LCDC Annual Report 2023.
14. Nominations to the Clare Local Community Safety Partnership (7 members)
15. Clare Sports Partnership Committee nomination. (1 member)
16. Presentation on the Draft County Sports Plan at 2p.m.
17. **Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. I. Lynch:-**

“I request that Clare County Council implement a policy whereby all email responses to elected members are signed by the responding person with their full name and contact details, this will enable more effect and efficient communication. This is specifically required for shared or grouped emails.”

18. **Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. D. McGettigan:-**

“Calling on Clare County Council to stand in Solidarity with Natasha O'Brien.
The outcome of this case is hugely concerning. It has sent a message that you can beat a woman almost to death on the street, boast about it online, deny it, blame the victim and then walk free. Once again women around the country are left feeling that their lives don't matter. Time and again we have had to hold protests, vigils and outcry against injustice in cases like this, we should not have to ask or advocate for this. The system is broken, and it is taking brave women like Natasha to bring their case to the public in order to be heard. This has to go further than just an outcry.”

19. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllrs. C. Colleran Molloy, R. McInerney, R. Hartigan agus A. Baker Bashua:-

“In light of the recent sentence handed down in Natasha O’Brien’s assault case-another victim of random violence on our streets-and the righteous public concern about assault type crimes, with both victims and the people at large being let down and dumbstruck by the sentencing system in Ireland, that Clare County Council;

(1) while not seeking to fetter judicial discretion, but rather seeking to attain a tougher legislative regime, call on the Government and in particular the Minister for Justice for the firming up/toughening up of sentencing involving the offence of non-fatal assault & gender-based assault, with provision of clear policy guidelines, and;

(2) that the Clare County Council, correspond with the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions asking that an appeal of leniency of sentence be lodged in this case as a matter of urgency.”

20. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. M. Howard:-

“Clare County Council request the Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP) to consider re-evaluating the sentencing in the recent Natasha O’Brien / Cathal Crotty case.”

21. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. T. O’Callaghan:-

“Due to significant shortage in tourism accommodation, I propose the roll-out of a new camping site models similar to other European countries that would create much needed overnight accommodation instantly benefiting many urban and rural communities both socially and economically throughout the county.”

22. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllrs. D. McGettigan, J. Garrihy, I. Lynch agus T. Mulcahy:-

“We call on Minister Roderick O’Gorman to clearly outline the future plan for supporting people coming to Ireland seeking asylum, refuge and protection along with local host communities where refuge is provided.

We seek a plan and implementation strategy which is fair, equitable and sustainable.

We seek a plan which aligns with local population versus expected numbers being hosted along with assessment of resource capacity and provision and impact on the sustainable development of the community overall.

We seek a plan and implementation approach which has decision making informed by engagement with local communities and local authority support agencies.”

23. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. D. Griffin:-

“To ask that Clare County Council conduct a mapping exercise to identify key vacant and derelict sites throughout the county that could be taken into municipal ownership for mixed community use.”

24. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. J. Killeen:-

“We call on Central Government, Oireachtas Members and related parties for directed assistance and financial support for the hospitality sector particularly small-scale catering industry whose margins have diminished due to a variety of factors.”

25. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. S. Talty:-

“Ask the Physical Development Director to give a detailed brief on the process & timeline for implementing the revised speed limits as enacted under the Road Traffic Act 2024 on 17th April 2024.

Please include details of plans, if any, to conduct a full countywide speed limit review and process and timeline for same.”

26. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllrs. M. Howard, A. O’Callaghan agus P.O’Gorman:-

“In light of recent dog attacks, we the members of Clare County Council are appealing to Minister Humphries to urgently finalise the list of restricted and banned dogs in Ireland and that the American XL Bully be considered a banned breed.”

27. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. J. Garrihy:-

“At the outset of the new Council term and in line with objectives of our Rural Development Strategy, LECP, I call on Clare County Council members, executive and all directorates to set a priority across all strategies and initiatives towards the success, sustainability and regeneration of our towns and villages, small medium business and surrounding communities who depend on them for the future.”

28. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. P. Burke:-

“I am calling on Clare County Council to outline what plans are in place to deal with roadside Ash Trees that have suffered from ash dieback disease and will inevitably lead to major issues during any storms that may occur during the coming winter”.

29. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. R. McInerney:-

“Given the multifaceted approach required to address the housing crisis in Ireland, I am calling on Clare County Council to survey its zoned residential publicly owned sites or available to purchase in villages and towns with the view to providing all services including pre-planning, water & wastewater, electricity and broadband. These sites could then be divided into single sites and resold at cost to individuals, couples and families to build their own home as primary residence for minimum of 10 years.”

30. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. R. Hartigan:-

“I wish to put forward a motion that Clare County Council, in conjunction with the ESB and Eneveo, will address the backlog of broken streetlights needing repair across the county; and that a timeline for repairs would be provided to the elected members of this Council.”

31. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. M. Shannon:-

“I’m calling on Clare County Council and the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment to conduct a review of empty industrial space that’s available to lease in Co. Clare. We have to be preparing as a county to accommodate industry into this county in the near future, we will have supply of new green energy off the West Coast, and we need jobs to be created in the local areas. Would like to see new industrial hubs in Kilrush and Killaloe, buildings that are carbon neutral to run and powered locally by green energy. This is the future.”

32. Curtha faoi bhráid na Comhairle ag Cllr. G. Keating:-

“I refer to my notice of motion in January 2023 and reply from John Leahy, Senior Engineer. I would request an update in the appointment of a full-time road safety officer, active travel officer. This is now becoming a very high priority given the significant rise in road deaths and serious collisions on our roads in Co. Clare over the last few years.”