

## **Borough District of Drogheda 2022 Budgetary Plan Meeting**

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Borough District of Drogheda 2022 Budgetary Plan Meeting held in The Council Chamber, County Hall, Dundalk on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 9.00a.m.

### **In attendance:**

**Mayor:** Councillor James Byrne

**Members:** Councillors: Joanna Byrne, Kevin Callan, Paddy McQuillan, Declan Power.

**Apologies:** Councillors: Tom Cunningham, Michelle Hall, Fiachra Mac Raghnaill, Pio Smith, Eileen Tully

**Officials:** Joan Martin, Chief Executive  
Joe McGuinness, Director of Services  
Bernie Woods, Head of Finance  
Gráinne Tuomey, Meetings Administrator

### **Minute No. 103/21**

#### **Budgetary Plan 2022**

An Cathaoirleach, Mayor James Byrne, commenced the meeting.

The Chief Executive briefed Members on the Draft Budgetary Plan and the Borough District of Drogheda Budgetary Plan for 2022. Members were informed of loss of income from pay-parking of circa €1m which was probably not recoupable from the Department, payroll increases due to national pay agreements, with only 80% of payroll costs being funded by Department and the overall allocation of funding from the Department remaining at €9.8m as per preceding years.

Members were advised that District Allocations were proposed at €75,000 for each District.

Members were informed by the Head of Finance they had an option to increase or decrease local charges, which were made up of Pay-Parking and Sport Centre Charges, but cautioned any decrease would come out of the general Municipal District allocation.

Cllr. Kevin Callan and other Drogheda Members expressed concern that Dundalk Municipal may be looking for increased allocations, and that this could signal the start of a tiered approach to service provision, rather than a county wide approach. It was suggested that any decision made at this meeting should be stuck to by Drogheda Borough District Members at subsequent meeting, and that charges and allocations should be accepted as previous years.

The Budgetary Plan was:

**Proposed by:** Cllr. Kevin Callan

**Seconded by:** Cllr. Joanna Byrne

And agreed by the members.

There being no other business, the meeting concluded.

**The Minutes were confirmed at a meeting of the Council held on:**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mayor:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Meeting Administrator:** \_\_\_\_\_