

## *Minutes of Monthly Council Meeting 17<sup>th</sup> June 2019*

Minutes of Monthly Meeting of Louth County Council held in County Hall, Dundalk on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at 10:00 a.m

### **In attendance:**

**Cathaoirleach:** Cllr. Liam Reilly

**Members:** Councillors Paul Bell, Marianne Butler, James Byrne, Joanna Byrne, Kevin Callan, Emma Coffey, Hugh Conlon, Edel Corrigan, Tom Cunningham, Maria Doyle, Michelle Hall, Seán Kelly, Conor Keelan, Colm Markey, Erin McGreehan, Pearse McGeough, Paddy McQuillan, Dolores Minogue, Ruairí Ó Murchú, Declan Power, Tomás Sharkey, John Sheridan, Pío Smith, Jim Tenanty, Oliver Tully, Antoin Watters, Maeve Yore

**Officials:** J. Martin, Chief Executive  
C. Duff, Director of Services  
J. McGuinness, Director of Services  
F. Pentony, Director of Services  
B. Woods, Head of Finance  
A. Lawler, A/Director of Services  
A. Abbott-King, Senior Planner  
D. Hanratty, Senior Engineer  
M. Johnston, Senior Engineer  
J. Lawrence, Senior Executive Officer  
T. McEvoy, Head of LEO  
L. McKenna, Senior Executive Officer  
C. Moss, Senior Executive Officer  
W. Walsh, Senior Executive Officer  
R. McAuley, Accountant  
B. Lynch, Accountant  
T. Hamilton, Public Realm Designer  
A. Morrissey, Public Realm Designer  
A. Sherry, Meetings Administrator

**Apologies:** Councillor John McGahon

**Minute No. 130/19**

**Confirmation of Minutes**

**Proposed by:** Cllr. P. Bell  
**Seconded by:** Cllr. P. Smith  
**And resolved:**

That the minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2019 be confirmed.

**Minute No. 131/19**

**Minutes for Noting**

Borough District of Drogheda, 1st April 2019

Economic Development & Enterprise Support SPC, 10th December 2018

**Minute No. 132/19**

**Matter Arising**

It was agreed to revert back to the members with a timescale for the CFRAM works tenders to be issued.

**Minute No. 133/19**

**Monthly Management Report**

It was agreed to meet any members to discuss the issue of dog fouling fines.

It was agreed to revert back to the members with a timescale in relation to the redevelopment of Ardee Castle.

It was agreed to review tourist and taxi rank signage in Drogheda.

The need to ensure funding was spent on effective projects to counter racist abuse and violence was highlighted.

It was agreed to revert back to the members in relation to the proposed toilets for Ardee library and the quality of Wi-Fi in all libraries.

**Minute No. 134/19**

**To confirm the draft scheme of priority for affordable dwelling purchase arrangements, in accordance with Section 85 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009.**

This was proposed by Cllr. M. Yore, seconded by Cllr. P. Bell and agreed by the Members.

**Minute No. 135/19**

**To consider the filling of a casual vacancy in the Drogheda Rural Local Electoral Area (LEA) of Louth County Council arising from the vacancy caused by the decision of Cllr Kevin Callan to choose to take the Drogheda Urban LEA seat, after being elected to both Local Electoral Areas, in compliance with the terms of Article 124 of the Local Elections Regulations, 1995**

Declan Power was proposed by Cllr. K. Callan, seconded by Cllr. J. Tenanty, and agreed by the Members.

Members and the CE welcomed Cllr. Power to the Council and wished him well. Some members expressed dissatisfaction with the candidates being able to seek election in more than one local electoral area and with a candidate who did not run in the election as non-party being co-opted.

**Minute No. 136/19**

**Congratulations & Sympathies**

Conor Kerley, Setanta Nutrition, Dundalk – Young Entrepreneur Awards  
Orla Stafford, Izmo Drogheda - Young Entrepreneur Awards  
Kirsten, Piper and Sarah, St Vincent's school – Student Enterprise Awards  
Katie Taylor  
Red Door staff involved in the Boyne swim  
Organisers of the Boyne Valley Camino walk  
All involved in the Darkness into Light event  
The Chamber of Commerce on the Drogheda Motor Show and Music at the Gate events

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The Clogherhead lifeboat crew on their new life boat

Votes of sympathy were extended to the families of the following:

Bridie Coleman  
Matt Ginnety

### **Minute No. 137/19**

#### **Memorandum of Understanding with Newry and Mourne District Council**

*Schedule 10, 4 (4) of the Local Government Act, 2001 as amended*  
To appoint one (1) member as joint Chair

It was proposed by Cllr E. Corrigan, seconded by M. Butler and agreed by the members to select 4 representatives for Dundalk, 3 for Drogheda and 2 for Ardee and the recommendations should be made at the next meetings of the borough/municipal districts.

### **Minute No. 138/19**

#### **Proposed BID (Business Improvement District) Scheme – Submissions Report**

Members noted the report.

### **Minute No. 139/19**

#### **Notice of Motion**

**Proposed by Cllr. E. Coffey**  
**Seconded by Cllr. J. McGahon**  
**And resolved**

"Louth County Council will launch a scheme to tackle Period Poverty by providing free sanitary products in all public buildings across the County, including Town Halls, Community centres, Swimming Pools and Libraries."

#### **Reply:**

**The Council will consult with other local authorities to establish if a scheme such as this has been put in place elsewhere. A report in relation to the matter will then be circulated to the members.**

Members agreed the motion.

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That concluded the business of the meeting.

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

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

Cathaoirleach: \_\_\_\_\_

Meetings Administrator: \_\_\_\_\_