



Comhairle Contae Lú
Louth County Council

LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL - CORPORATE POLICY GROUP

Minutes of the Corporate Policy Group Meeting held in the Setanta Room, County Hall Dundalk, and online, on Wednesday, 4th December 2024 at 09:00am

In attendance:

Cathaoirleach, Cllr: Kevin Callan

Members, Cllrs: Pío Smith
Robert Nash
James Byrne (online)

Officials: Joe McGuinness, Temporary Chief Executive
David Jones, Director of Services
Thomas McEvoy, Director of Services (online)
Ger Murphy, Director of Services
Bernie Woods, Director of Finance
Bryan Coughlan, A/Meeting Administrator

Apologies: David Hanratty, Acting Director of Services

1. Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th November, 2024.

The minutes of the Corporate Policy Group meeting held on Wednesday 6th November 2024 were confirmed on the:-

Proposal of: Cllr. Pío Smith
Seconded by: Cllr. Robert Nash
And approved

2. Matters arising

None

3. Members Allocations

Noted

4. To Consider and Recommend Conferences and Events

The list of conferences and events was noted.

5. Corporate Plan 2024 – 2029: Timelines

Ger Murphy briefed the meeting on the progress being made in finalising the draft Corporate Plan and informed members that they would receive a draft plan on Monday 9th December. The Corporate Plan 2024 – 2029 must be adopted by the Council before the end of December.

6. SPC Formulation

It was noted that the Strategic Policy Committees (SPCs) are currently arranging their first meetings, with a number of Committees scheduled to meet before Christmas. It was agreed that the SPC Work Programmes would be brought to the Corporate Policy Group for consideration.

7. Council Meeting Agenda

Joe McGuinness presented the agenda to the members which includes matters such as:

- The filling of two casual vacancies following the election to Dáil Eireann of Joanna Byrne and Paula Butterly
- The appointment of new chairs to two SPCs following the elections noted above.
- Consideration of the new Corporate Plan
- Consideration of the Draft North East Region Homelessness Action Plan

The motions included on the agenda were also noted.

8. Members Communication Plan

Joe McGuinness asked the members for feedback regarding outstanding Elected Reps. Cllr. Pio Smith commented that there had been an improvement in responses.

9. Any Other Business

It was noted that the new Chief Executive, Mr. David Conway will be commencing on 20th January 2025.

The Minutes were confirmed at a meeting of the Corporate Policy Group held on:

Date:

7/1/25

Cathaoirleach:



Meetings Administrator:

