

CAVAN COUNTY COUNCIL

Courthouse
Cavan

8th October 2024

To / Cathaoirleach and Each Member of the Council

Dear Councillor,

The monthly meeting of Cavan County Council will be held **in the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Cavan on Monday 14th October 2024 at 2pm.**

Agenda is given hereunder.

Yours sincerely,

L. McGavigan
Meetings Administrator

A G E N D A – CLÁR

Confirmation of Minutes

1. To confirm Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 9th September 2024.
2. **Disclosure of Interests** (*Section 177 Local Government Act 2001*).

Note Minutes of Committee Meetings

3. To note Minutes of Corporate Policy Group meeting held on 11th July 2024.

Note Members' Reports from Conferences/Training events

4. To note members' reports from conferences and training events (*Section 142 and Section 143 of the Local Government Act 2001; Local Government (Expenses of Local Authority Members) Regulations 2014 Part V Section 5 (1)*).

Correspondence

- 5(a) To note reply from Minister Heather Humphreys T.D. in relation to an advertising campaign in respect of restricted dog breeds in Ireland.
- (b) To note reply from Alan Dillon, T.D., Minister of State for Local Government and Planning in connection with the noticeable increase in telecommunication structures erected under Class 31 exemptions of the Planning Regulations.
- (c) To note reply from Uisce Éireann regarding communications with customers and communities affected by disruptions to water supply.

6. To approve attendance of members at:

- Patrick MacGill Summer School and Arts Week held in Glenties, Co. Donegal from 17th to 19th July (retrospective approval).
- LAMA Autumn Seminar to be held in the Newgrange Hotel, Navan on 17th & 18th October.

Business prescribed by Statute, Standing Orders or Resolutions of the Council

7. To note Chief Executive's monthly report (*Section 51 Local Government Reform Act 2014*).

8(a) Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee - in accordance with Circular Housing 27 of 2014 and Sections 21 and 22 of the Housing (Traveller Accommodation) Act 1998, the following persons be appointed (in addition to members already selected) to the Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee -

Traveller Representatives:

1. Chrissie O'Sullivan, Cavan Traveller Movement, Unit 9, New Court Centre, Cavan H12Y320
2. Mary Stokes, 8 Townparks, Cavan
3. Margaret Hutchinson, 27 Seangharrai, Ballinagh, Co. Cavan
4. Theresa Mongan, 6 Townparks, Cavan

Council Officials:

1. Lynda McGavigan, A/Director of Service, Cavan County Council, Courthouse, Cavan
2. John Wilson, Senior Engineer, Cavan County Council, Courthouse, Cavan
3. Ramona McAvenue, A/Senior Executive Officer, Cavan County Council, Courthouse, Cavan
4. Deirdre Donnelly, Administrative Officer, Cavan County Council, Farnham Centre, Johnston Central Library, Cavan

8(b) To formally appoint Councillor Trevor Smith as Chairperson of the Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee.

9. To approve overdraft accommodation in the sum of €9,000,000 for year ending 31st December 2025.

10. To fix date and time for Budget 2025 meeting (*Section 103 Local Government Act 2001*).

11. To approve the draft Strategic Policy Committee (SPC) Scheme.

MEMBERS' ITEMS – DEFERRRED FROM SEPTEMBER MEETING

12.1 Councillor Shane P. O'Reilly

Medical Card eligibility and need for review.

12.2 Councillor Shane P. O'Reilly

The need for updating and reviewing the rules and taxable income under Social Welfare payments and incentives for those under 23.

12.3 Councillor Philip Brady

The need to increase income limits for social housing.

MEMBERS' ITEMS – OCTOBER

12.4 Councillor Clifford Kelly

That Cavan County Council provide an update on the North South Interconnector.

12.5 Councillor Stiofán Conaty

Ranganna do dhaoine fásta curtha ar cheall mar gheall ar easpa maoinithe /

Cancellation of adult education classes due to shortfall in funding for CMETB.

12.6 Councillor Damien Brady

That Cavan County Council write to the Minister for Agriculture, Food and Marine requesting him to re-consider the date for the slurry closed season

12.7 Councillor Damien Brady

Repair of roads and lanes after timber extraction from our forestries.

12.8 Councillor Winston Bennett

As we are now in hedge cutting season to request assistance for people to fell trees along our roads especially ash.

12.9 Councillor Stiofán Conaty

Go n-iarrann an Comhairle, i solas rialú na Cúirte Bhreithiúnais Idirnáisiúnta faoi mídhleathacht lonnaíochtaí Iosrael sna Críocha Pailistíneacha faoi Fhorghabháil, ar Rialtas na hÉireann chun Bille na Críocha faoi Fhorghabháil a chur i bhfeidhm / That Cavan County Council, in light of the recent ruling by the International Court of Justice on the illegality of Israeli settlements in Occupied Palestinian Territories, call on the Irish Government to enact the Occupied Territories Bill.

12.10 Councillor Stiofán Conaty

Chun neamhaird a dhéanamh ar an Liúntas Míchumais do pháistí idir 16 agus 18 agus ríomhú á dhéanamh ar chíos thionóntaí na Comhairle faoin Scéim Cíosanna Difreálacha / To disregard the Disability Allowance received by children aged between 16 and 18 in full when calculating the rent of Council tenants under the Differential Rent Scheme.

12.11 Councillor Áine Smith

Need for the Department of Children to outline its plans regarding childcare places.

12.12 Councillor Áine Smith

Improved Ophthalmology services in Cavan.

12.13 Councillor Áine Smith

Need for improved home insulation grant scheme.

12.14 Councillor Noel Connell

Call on Minister Jack Chambers T.D. to stop the wasteful spending of public money and start financing essential services.

12.15 Councillor Noel Connell

Funding for First Responders equipment.

12.16 Councillor John Paul Feeley

That Cavan County Council set out timetabled arrangements to allow active farmers to have their lands exempted from the Residential Zoned Land Tax.

12.17 Councillor John Paul Feeley

That Cavan County Council call on Transport Infrastructure Ireland to provide funds to allow for the upgrade of the N3 to the border with County Fermanagh so as to ensure that the construction of the Virginia By-Pass does not simply move traffic delays on to the junction of the N3 with the N55 at Cavan.

12.18 Councillor John Paul Feeley

That Cavan County Council call on the Minister for Nature, Heritage and Electoral Reform to engage with the insurance industry to reduce the costs for the small number of thatched dwellings and improve grant aid for the re-thatching of roofs and amend other conditions to the grant support.

12.19 Councillor Brendan Fay

That Cavan County Council write to the Minister for Education on the issue of school retention for main-stream teachers and pupil enrolment as this is causing serious problems for both teachers and parents and needs to be updated.

12.20 Councillor Brendan Fay

That Cavan Council Council write to the Minister for Health requesting that changes be made to allow health insurance to cover cancer & TIL therapies abroad as this could save lives of Irish citizens who cannot get treatments in Ireland.

12.21 Councillor Brendan Fay

That Cavan County Council write to Minister Mary Butler T.D. and the HSE to ask that they consider funding small charities like SOSAD who help out in the vital area of mental health but receive no government funding.