CAVAN COUNTY COUNCIL

Courthouse

Cavan

3rd September 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 9th September 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 15th July 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 9th May 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 the Minister of State for Financial Services, Credit Unions and Insurance regarding insurance premiums.

(b)To note reply from the Office of the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage regarding a review of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2014 in relation to the recovery of dwellings from those in breach of their tenancy agreements.

(c)To note reply from the Office of the Minister for Justice regarding the Garda Vetting process.

(d)To note reply from the Office of the Minister for Health regarding home support services.

(e)To note reply from the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media regarding new laws in the area of online safety.

(f)To note reply from Minister Roderic O’Gorman TD regarding the draft regulations for childminders.

(g)To note reply from Office of the Minister for Housing regarding increased financial aid being given to first time home builders to help them install the various compulsory energy saving devices to their homes.

(h)To note reply from Office of the Minister for Education regarding Capitation Grants.

(i)To note reply from Minister of State for Special Education and Inclusion regarding Early Intervention Primary School Places.

(j)To note reply from Office of the Minister for Education regarding the School Bus Scheme.

(k)To note reply from Office of the Minister for Health in relation to accessing dental services for medical card holders in County Cavan.

(l)To note reply from the General Manager, Area Operations, Dublin North West National Ambulance Service regarding ambulance response times in the County.

6. **To approve attendance of members at**:

* AILG Autumn Training Seminar to be held in the Hillgrove Hotel, Monaghan on 11th and 12th September.
* AILG Training Module “An overview of the Planning System” to be held in the Bridge House Hotel, Tullamore on 28th September.

7. **Member’s Question – Councillor Stiofán Conaty**

Chun uasdátú a fháil ar stádas reatha an phróiséis earcaíochta chun Oifigeach Gaeilge lán-aimseartha úra a fhostú agus soléiriú ar an bhuiséad agus na dualgaisí a bhaineann leis an ról

To ask for an update on Cavan County Council’s recruitment of a new full-time Irish Language Officer and for clarification on the budget and job description associated with the role.

1. **Member’s Question – Councillor Stiofán Conaty**

Chun briseadh síos a lorg ar líon na ndaoine atá tar éis iad féin a chur i láthair Chomhairle Contae an Chabháin sa tóir ar lóistín éigeandála sa bhliain a chuaigh thart, agus cé mhéad dóibh siúd a fuair tairiscintí agus a ghlac le lóistín laistigh den chontae

To ask how many individuals and families have presented to Cavan County Council for emergency accommodation within the last year, including how many of those were offered and accepted accommodation within the county*.*

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

9. To note Chief Executive’s monthly report *(Section 51 Local Government Reform*

 *Act 2014)*.

10(a)To approve nomination of Councillor Winston Bennett to Cavan Monaghan Education and Training Board in place of Councillor Trevor Smith.

 (b)To approve nomination of Councillor Trevor Smith to the HSE Regional Health

 Forum – Dublin North East in place of Councillor Winston Bennett.

11. To seek nominations to Cavan County Council’s Protocol Committee.

12. To approve the Local Property Tax Rate Adjustment for 2025.

**MEMBERS’ ITEMS**

13.1 **Councillor Clifford Kelly**

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

13.2 **Councillor Shane P. O’Reilly**

Medical Card eligibility and need for review.

13.3 **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.

13.4 **Members of the Ballyjamesduff Municipal District**

The members of the Ballyjamesduff Municipal District request the Minister for Transport to immediately increase the maximum age for drivers of public transport from 70 to 75.

13.5 **Councillor Clifford Kelly**

Call on the Department of the Environment to provide more publicity at election time

to encourage more people to come out to vote.

13.6 **Councillor Damien Brady**

Lack of cruiser traffic on the Shannon/Erne Waterway.

13.7 **Councillor Damien Brady**

Support for the retained fire service in County Cavan.

13.8 **Councillor Noel Connell**

Calling on Cavan County Council to prioritise the construction of additional social housing units in response to the growing homelessness crisis.

13.9 **Councillor Stiofán Conaty**

Rún chun athbhreithniú a dhéanamh ar an chumarsáid le custaiméirí agus pobail atá buailte le fógraí uisce, i gcomhthéacs an bhriseadh i soláthair ar na mallaibh ar scéimeanna soláthair uisce

Motion for a review of communications with customers and communities affected by water notices in light of recent disruptions to group water supply schemes.

13.10 **Councillor Noel Connell**

Call on the Minister for Education to increase the capacity on school buses immediately.

13.11 **Councillor Stiofán Conaty**

Rún go scríobhfaí chuig Feidhmeanas na Seirbhísí Sláinte chun freagra a fháil ar úsáid amach anseo d’ionaid sláinte áitiúla follamha timpeall Contae an Chabháin, go sonrach Béal Átha hÉis i measc eile, agus an féidearthacht chun seirbhísí dochtúra a chur iontu arís

Motion to write to the HSE, requesting an answer on the intended use of empty local health centres around County Cavan, notably Ballyhaise among others, and on the possibility of the resumption of GP services within.

13.12 **Councillor Áine Smith**

Sick Leave and pregnancy loss.

13.13 **Councillor Áine Smith**

To request an extension of the deadline for works to be completed under the Croí Cónaithe Scheme.

13.14 **Councillor T.P. O’Reilly**

To seek clarity from Minister Darragh O’Brien T.D. on housing grants favouring urban development as opposed to rural development.

13.15 **Councillor Philip Brady**

To call on the Minister for Education and the Minister for Transport to review the school bus ticket programme.

13.16 **Councillor Philip Brady**

The need for more educational supports for children with additional needs.

13.17 **Councillor Philip Brady**

The need to increase income limits for social housing.

13.18 **Councillor Stiofán Conaty**

Rún go soláthródh Comhairle Contae an Chabháin ranganna Gaeilge don fhoireann agus do bhaill tofa, ar mhaithe le tuilleadh Gaeilge a bheith in úsáid ag cruinnithe agus i gcumarsáid inmheánach

Motion that Cavan County Council offer Irish language classes for staff and elected members, with a view to increasing the use of Irish at meetings and in internal communications.