CAVAN COUNTY COUNCIL

Courthouse Cavan

4th March 2025

To / Cathaoirleach and Each Member of the Council

Dear Councillor,

The monthly meeting of Cavan County Council will be held in the Courthouse,

Cavan on Monday 10th March 2025 at 2pm.

Agenda is given hereunder.

Yours sincerely,

<u>L. McGavigan</u> Meetings Administrator

AGENDA-CLÁR

Confirmation of Minutes

- 1. To confirm Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 10th February 2025.
- 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 13th January 2025.

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 Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) regarding the location of the average speed cameras on the N3 Cavan.
- (b)To note reply from the National Tobacco Control Office, HSE regarding Vaping Regulations.
- (c)To note reply from HSE Dublin and North East regarding trolley crisis in Cavan General Hospital.

- (d)To note reply from Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage in relation to hedge cutting.
- (e)To note reply from Office of the Government Chief Whip and Minister for Mental Health in relation to SOSAD.
- (f)To note reply from Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine regarding the fallout from recent storms, in particular around powerlines and forestry.
- 6(a)To approve attendance of members at the AILG training seminar to be held in the Falls Hotel, Ennistymon on 20th March or the Clayton Hotel, Galway on 22nd March.
- (b) To approve attendance of members at AILG Annual Training Conference to be held in the Limerick Strand Hotel on 2nd and 3rd April.

7. Member's Question - Councillor John Paul Feeley

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm:

- a. The number of LIS applications on hand and the year of submission of such applications
- b. The estimated cost of completion applications to hand.

8. Member's Question - Councillor John Paul Feeley

To ask the Chief Executive to confirm:

- a. The number of times in the past twelve months when the Council Outdoor Staff/Fire Service have had to respond to fallen trees, telephone or electricity supply poles on to public roads
- b. The number of invoices issued to landowners/utility providers on foot of such incidents
- c. The number of such incidents arising from Commercial Forestry.

9. Member's Question - Councillor Stiofán Conaty

Chun ceist a chur faoin mhéid daoine agus clainne gan dídean sa Chabhán To ask how many individuals and families presented as homeless in Cavan in 2024.

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

- 10. To note Chief Executive's monthly report (Section 51 Local Government Reform Act 2014).
- 11. To seek a nomination to replace Councillor Shane P. O'Reilly on the Northern & Western Regional Assembly.

12. To approve recommendations for Arts Awards including development, emerging and professional artist awards.

MEMBERS' ITEMS - MARCH

13.1 Councillor Clifford Kelly

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

13.2 Councillor Áine Smith

College placements for apprentices.

13.3 Councillor Áine Smith

Promotion of the Irish Language.

13.4 Councillor Áine Smith

Need to reform systems of approval for new medicines.

13.5 Councillor Niamh Brady

Hazard of scooters on footpaths in the towns in County Cavan.

13.6 Councillor T.P. O'Reilly

That extra funding be sought from central government for necessary repairs after Storm Eowyn.

13.7 Councillor T.P. O'Reilly

That Cavan County Council seek clarification from EIR regarding recent repair works after Storm Eowyn.

13.8 Councillor T.P. O'Reilly

To request the Minister for Health to provide additional funding for the Alzheimer Association of Ireland.

13.9 Councillor John Paul Feeley

That Cavan County Council call on the Oireachtas to amend the Forestry Act, 2014 to make the local authority a notice party in respect of all licencing applications lodged under the Act so that they can make submissions as appropriate for consideration by the Minister before the granting or refusal of such applications.

13.10 Councillor John Paul Feeley

That Cavan County Council call on the transfer of all recreational, amenity and tourism related functions from Coillte and transfer of these to NWPS or a specifically created agency.

13.11 Councillor John Paul Feeley

That Cavan County Council call on the TII to conduct a safety review on all junctions on the N3 from the Dublin Road Roundabout to Aghalane.

13.12 Councillor Noel Connell

The need for emergency assistance to deal with the serious deterioration of our local roads.

13.13 Councillor Noel Connell

The need for an online rental system for tenants living in Council accommodation.

13.14 Councillor Niall Smith

To ask Cavan County Council if they will consider extending the next hedge cutting period in 2026 until the middle of March as consideration has to be given to the huge clear up that has to be undertaken after inevitable Winter Storms e.g. Winter 2024/2025 is a typical example of incredible work required after two storms. Unfortunately, many rural hedges remain uncut on minor roads, as this year's hedge cutting period comes to an end.

13.15 Councillor Niall Smith

To ask Cavan County Council to write to the Minister for Transport to request more funding for repair of roads in County Cavan to deal with the damage done during recent storms.

13.16 Councillor Stiofán Conaty

An gá le maoiniú ceart don Ghaeilge / Lack of funding for Irish language.

13.17 Councillor Stiofán Conaty

Go ndéanfaí athbhreithniú ar no go nglacfaí le agus go gcuirfí i bhfeidhm Polasaí Soláthair Eiticiúil i dtaobh críocha faoi fhorghabháil / That Cavan County Council review or adopt and implement an Ethical Procurement Policy in respect to illegally occupied territories.

13.18 Councillor Stiofán Conaty

Gá dul i bhfeidhm ar earcaíocht agus fadhbanna eile sa chóras tástála tiomána / Need to tackle recruitment and other problems in the driver testing system.

13.19 Councillor Trevor Smith

The need to recruit and retain additional home carers.

13.20 Councillor Trevor Smith

That Cavan County Council lobby for a substantial top up on this year's road works allocation.