WATERFORD CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING 10TH JUNE, 2021

Item No. 7

MOTIONS

1. Motion in the names of Cllrs Seamus Ryan, Thomas Phelan, John Pratt and Ger Barron

"Adult literacy limitations can prevent people from taking a full and active part in our economy so it is vitally important that all possible supports are provided to deal with the issue. The Labour Court has made a recommendation in relation to a claim brought by SIPTU and TUI in respect of regularising the terms and conditions of Adult Education Tutors employed by Education and Training Boards. This recommendation has been under consideration by officials from the Department of Further and Higher Education; Research; Innovation and Science; the Department of Education; and, the Department of Public Expenditure. It is now over 5 months since the Minister of State at the Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science (Niall Collins TD) in reply to a parliamentary question in early December 2020 said that the Labour Court recommendation was still under consideration by officials, and he did not advise when this would be completed. We propose that Waterford City & County Council write to Minister Simon Harris, and cc Ministers Michael McGrath and Norma Foley, and Minister of State Niall Collins, to call for the implementation of the Labour Court recommendation to be treated with the importance and urgency that it deserves."

Reg. No. 189 (dated, 4th May, 2021)

2. Motion in the name of Cllr. Lola O'Sullivan

"That Waterford City and County Council would write to the Minister for Foreign Affairs asking him to explore the possibility of Ireland establishing a formal partnership with an African country with a view to developing closer, mutually-beneficial administrative, cultural and economic links. It is envisaged that such a partnership could provide a strong framework under which cities like Waterford and other cities and counties throughout Ireland could look to develop their own links and possibly work towards a more formal sister city / twin city relationship at some point in the future."

Reg. No. 190 (dated, 28th May, 2021)

3. Motion in the name of Cllr. Eamon Quinlan

"That WCCC writes to the Minister for Housing and Local Government to request legal powers for Local Authorities to attach fines to any tenants rent book who are engaged in anti social behaviour. The fines would be equal to the cost in Council staff hours salary devoted to dealing with the anti social behaviour at the specific premises."

Reg. No. 191 (dated, 28th May, 2021)