

COMAIRLE CATHRACH AGUS CONTAE PHORT LÁIRGE

WATERFORD CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL

MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING HELD 13TH APRIL, 2023

C O R R E S P O N D E N C E

1. CORRESPONDENCE:

None

2. CONFERENCES:

Irish Regions European Office “Connecting, Communicating and Collaborating – Irish Regions Cooperating Across the EU: How local authorities can engage in European Programmes”, Wednesday 19th April, Radisson Blu Hotel, Athlone, Co. Westmeath **(Event to be approved)**
Cllr. Joe Kelly

IPI Annual Planning Conference 2023: Planning Reform and Planning Delivery, 20th & 21st April, Hotel Minella, Coleville Road, Croan Lower, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary **(Event to be approved)**
Cllr. Tom Cronin

Previous approved

LAMA Spring Seminar “Apprenticeship and Future Building Initiatives Recruitment and Training”, 2nd-4th March, Westlodge Hotel, Bantry, Co. Cork **(Event already approved)**
Cllr Declan Doocey

AILG Training Module 2 “CARO – Climate Action Plans”, Thursday 23rd March, Clayton Whites Hotel, Wexford (Southern Region) **(Event already approved)**
Cllr. Ger Barron

AILG Training Module 2 “CARO – Climate Actions Plans”, Saturday 25th March, Fairways Hotel, Dundalk (Eastern & Midland/Northern & Western) **(Event already approved)**
Cllr Jason Murphy, Cllr Declan Clune, Cllr Joe Kelly, Cllr Tom Cronin, Cllr John O’Leary, Cllr Declan Doocey, Cllr Pat Nugent, Cllr Damien Geoghegan

AILG Training Module 3 “OPR – Climate Action Plan 2023: Implications for City and County Development Plans”, Saturday 17th June, Avalon House Hotel, Castlecomer, Kilkenny (Southern Region) **(Event already approved)**
Cllr Declan Clune

AILG Training Module 4 “Uisce Éireann (Irish Water)”, Saturday 22nd July, Sligo Park, Sligo (Eastern & Midland/Northern & Western) **(Event already approved)**
Cllr. Declan Clune

AILG Training Module 5 “Councillor Security”, Saturday 21st October, The Rose Hotel, Tralee (Southern Region) **(Event already approved)**

Cllr. Declan Clune

AILG Training Module 6 “Government Legislation Policy Programme 2023 – A Briefing for Elected Members”, Thursday 16th November, The Tower Hotel, Waterford (Southern Region) **(Event already approved)**

Cllr. Declan Clune

3. MAYORAL/CATHAOIRLEACH RECEPTION/FUNCTIONS:

1. St. Herblain Town Twinning Group
2. St. Herblain Rush Rugby Club
3. John Gleeson
4. Ballyduff / Kilmeaden Community Groups for one reception (Fan Glas Residents Association, Ballyduff Choir, Ballyduff Community Centre, Ballyduff Drama Group, Ballyduff/Kilmeaden Litter Lifters, Ballyduff/Kilmeaden Tidy Towns, Blacknock Residents Association, Parish Council, Community Alert
5. TJay Flanagan
6. St. Paul’s Football Club
7. Sean Sheehan – Dungarvan Lismore District

Lifetime Achievement Award

- John Kiely

4. MOTIONS RECEIVED:

Tipperary County Council

“That Tipperary County Council explores the possibility of offering Apprentice Schemes within the Council and in addition looks at the possibility of including an apprenticeship clause for contractors tendering for large council led construction projects”

Tipperary County Council

"That Tipperary County Council request the Government to amend the Mother and Baby Homes redress scheme to include the 24,000 survivors who were excluded from the redress scheme".

Cork County Council

"That rather than its apparent aims of limiting public participation and access to justice, the new Planning & Development Bill would take the opportunity to address identified concerns with regard to Ireland's need to meet the requirements of the Aarhus Convention, to which it is a signatory."

Westmeath County Council

*"That Westmeath County Council would write to the Finance Minister to request immediate action using the expertise available to design and implement a comprehensive regional public banking system that makes full use of the remaining financial services infrastructure in local towns and other areas in this county to deliver an essential local banking service to local communities and businesses that would augment the work of post offices and credit unions and give local people and business real finance and borrowing options and keep local towns thriving."*¹¹

Clare County Council

"In the context of the acknowledged desire, necessity and urgency to bring derelict and vacant properties back into use, I call on Clare County Council to write to the minister for Housing and Local Government requesting that the laudable Croi Conaithe scheme targeted to assist this objective is adjusted to allow owners of qualifying properties to access the scheme subject to conditions that the property is subsequently used for long term occupancy either through sale or long term lease. If supported, I request this motion be circulated to all other local authorities".

Sligo County Council

"This Council write to Minister for Health asking him to make the CF medication Kaftrio available to all patients who require it within the State."

Wexford County Council

"(a) Any person or body, on payment of the prescribed fee, may make a submission or observation in writing to a planning authority in relation to a planning application within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.

b) Any submission or observation received

Shall-

- (i) State the name of the person or body making the submission or observation, and*
- (ii) Indicate the address to which any correspondence relating to the application should be sent.*

(2) Subject to article 26, the planning authority shall acknowledge any submissions or observations as soon as may be after receipt in the form set out at Form No. 3 of Schedule 3, or a form substantially to the like effect.

(3) Where a submission or observation, under this article, is received by the planning authority after the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt of the application, the planning authority shall return to the person or body concerned the submission or observation received

and the fee and notify the person or body that their submission or observation cannot be considered by the planning authority.

(4) Where the planning authority so consents, a submission or observation under sub-article (1) may be made in electronic form.

"This council asks the minister to strengthen section 29/b/ sub sections (1) and (2) of the planning and development, (submissions or observations in relation to planning application) to put an end to bogus submissions or objections and that the SPC would look to see if this local authority could change our own policies to avoid this".

Offaly County Council

"At the March meeting of Offaly County Council, the Members passed a resolution that Offaly County Council calls on the Government to extend the Eviction Ban for all 'No Fault' tenants who face eviction until meaningful action is taken, to include measures that will ensure that thousands of children and their parents around the country aren't added to the Homeless List."