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FINGAL COUNTY COUNCIL**

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Thursday 6th January 2022

To Each Member of the County Council

Dear Councillor

The Meeting of the **County Council** will be held in the **MS Teams** at **5.00 pm** on **Monday, 10th January, 2022** to consider the following Agenda.

Yours faithfully

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A G E N D A

- 1 **Confirmation and Re-Affirmation of Minutes of meeting held 13th December 2021.**
- 2 **Election of Chairperson to the Community Development, Heritage Culture & Creativity Strategic Policy Committee**
- 3 **Election of Members to the Marine and Coastal Management Strategic Policy Committee**
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- 5 **Appointment of Members for Inter Local Authority Special Committee on Fire and Ambulance Services and Emergency Management**

QUESTIONS

- 6 **Councillor P. Mulville - European Edge Cities Network**
 "To ask the Chief Executive whether this Council is still a member of the European Edge Cities Network and if so could an update be provided on the work of the Network, including current projects, up to date Strategic Plan and anything relevant for the Fingal area, also if she can outline the financial costs to the Council of being a member of the EECN?"
- 7 **Councillor B. Dennehy - Employment Hubs in Fingal.**
 "To ask the Chief Executive to outline any plans to create new employment hubs in Fingal subsequent to the Covid pandemic?"
- 8 **Councillor B. Manton - Active Travel Budget.**
 "To ask the Chief Executive if the Councillors could have a view of the Active Travel Budget for 2021/2022 and a list of projects which are to be prioritised for inclusion in that Budget?"
- 9 **Councillor B. Manton - Establishment of Coffee Carts.**
 "To ask the Chief Executive if Coffee Carts which were established during the pandemic could be allowed to continue to operate in car parks for the duration of the pandemic as these carts offer recreation outdoors for people and have provided jobs and a public service during one of our worst times of crisis and that there should also be a

policy on this which covers the entire County not applying different rules in different areas?"

10 Councillor J. Hopkins - Provision of Sports and Recreational Facilities.

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide the criteria set out in the Council's provision of Sports and Recreational facilities and to specifically outline the minimum provision allowed for playing pitches and sports halls based on population and demographics?"

11 Councillor E. O'Brien - Pedestrian wait times at Junctions.

"To ask the Chief Executive to outline the process in place for allocating time for pedestrians to cross at signal controlled junctions across the County and whether this will be reviewed to either allocate more time to pedestrians in each rotation or include an extra pedestrian crossing in each rotation of the lights?"

12 Councillor K. Power - Step Down Housing in Fingal.

"To ask the Chief Executive what assessments have been carried out across the County to identify needs for step down housing and if any towns/villages have been identified as having a deficit of step down housing options?"

13 Councillor JK. Onwumereh - St. Patrick's Day Parade 2022.

"To ask the Chief Executive, in view of the current Covid-19 climate, what the possibility will be of hosting the St. Patrick's Day Parade on 17th March 2022?"

14 Councillor J. Humphreys - VAS Contract.

"To ask the Chief Executive if the VAS installed are to the standard set out in the 2017 Contract and if they have a data collection facility that is capable of collecting the following information: time and date, actual speed, average and max speed, speed reduction, 85th percentile and if this is a requirement of all current contracts for VAS and if not, why was it removed?"

15 Councillor A. Henchy - Footpaths and Road Repairs/Reinstatements

"To ask the Chief Executive to outline Fingal's policy in relation to the

quality of finish both temporary and permanent to all footpath and road works repairs/reinstatements and to request that" temporary fill" is banned from use on our paths/cycle lanes and roads but instead they are finished to the high quality specification they were originally delivered in?"

16 Report of Committees

- a Report of Organisation, Procedures & Finance Committee Meeting held on 13th December 2021
- b Report of Corporate Policy Group Meeting held on Thursday 6th January 2022

17 Financial Matters

18 Proposed Disposal of Properties.

19 Declaration of Roads/Taking in Charge

- a Weavers Wood, Clonsilla, Dublin 15
- b Hammerhead extension at The Old Golf Links, Malahide, Co. Dublin
- c Foul Sewer and Watermains at St. Mary's, Baldoyle, Dublin 13

20 Climate Change Action Plan Annual Progress Report

21 Draft Strategic Policy Programme 2022

22 Report on Architectural Grant Schemes 2021

23 Chief Executive's Report

24 Mayors Business - Councillor S. Ó Rodaigh - 15-minute City or Town Centre First approach Feasibility Studies.

"That the Chief Executive carries out feasibility studies in a number of towns and villages across Fingal that will deliver an improved walking and cycling network to serve local town centres in line with the concept of a 15-minute city or town centre first approach."

25 Conference Report.

26 Departmental/Ministerial Correspondence

27 Correspondence.

- a Letter from Sligo County Council dated 10th December 2021 re Prospecting License to Flintridge Resources for 50 townlands in Nth Leitrim.
- b Letter from Donegal County Council dated 16th December 2021 re Section 140 Motions
- c Letter from Monaghan County Council dated 20th December 2021 re Coroner Service Provision
- d Letter from Galway County Council dated 22nd December 2021 re Help to Buy Scheme Extension for 5 years
- e Letter from Louth Co Council re Epilepsy Ireland Campaign Support

MOTIONS

28 Councillor A. Lavin - Remove large debris and rubbish dumped into the Broadmeadows Estuary

"That the Chief Executive arrange to urgently clean out the large items dumped off the M1 Bridge into the Broadmeadows Estuary which is a Special Area of Conservation (SAC) between Swords and Malahide."

29 Councillor P. Conroy - Universal Design in Housing

"That the Chief Executive write to the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage and ask the Department to undertake a review and revision of the Part M Regulations so that the minimum standard for new dwellings is that new dwellings should be suitable for people to live in over their lifetime, based on a Universal Design approach."

30 Councillor J. Hopkins - Protection of Natura 2000 sites/ SPAs/ SACs

"That the Chief Executive report on the steps this Council is taking to ensure the protection of Natura 2000 sites/ SPAs/ SACs, including Broadmeadows, Baldoyle and Rogerstown Estuaries, and to keep them free of pollution and litter."

31 Councillor B. Dennehy - Detailed independent report prior to the application or applications of any planning permissions sought for coastal protection measures

"That the Chief Executive provide a detailed independent report prior

to the application or applications of any planning permissions sought for coastal protection measures so as to evaluate and examine the scientific advice as well as carrying out a risk assessment on advice received to date from consultants advising on coastal erosion measures of which implementation of same is not recommended along the coastal areas of Fingal”.

32 Councillor C. Boland - Water Services supply over lifetime of County Development Plan

“That the Chief Executive engage with Irish Water to obtain their commitment that they will supply over the lifetime of the next County Development Plan adequate water services to meet the projected increase in population thereby ensuring that builders are not left in a situation that they have houses ready to go to the market but which do not have services.”

33 Councillors D. Mulligan and A. Graves - Protected Cycle Lanes, Removal of Kerbing

“That the Chief Executive remove the cement kerbing aspect of protected cycle ways due to the increase in significant falls, trips and injury due to trip hazards it has created and given measures taken to date have not reduced or eliminated trips, falls and injuries. We ask the Council to remove and replace with safer segregation as an immediate measure and any further plans regarding segregated cycle lanes should be paused pending consultation with residents and stakeholders and a full report on the issues that have arisen”.

34 Councillor P. Mulville - Need for water services to stay in public ownership

“That this Committee, in recognising the essential need for water services to stay in public ownership, as this is the only way in which we can improve what is a hugely under-invested area, calls on the Minister for Housing, Local Government & Heritage, who has responsibility for water services, to bring forward legislation as a matter of urgency to hold a referendum to prohibit the privatisation of water services.”

35 Councillor J. Walsh - Support for Tidy Towns/community groups

"That this Council calls upon the Chief Executive to identify and provide dedicated funding within the Operations budget to support the setting up and community activity of Tidy Towns groups throughout the County."

36 Councillor K. Dennison - Comprehensive Free Trade Agreement with Canada

"Given that Irish exports to Canada increased by 58% since the Comprehensive Economic Trade Agreement [CETA] was provisionally applied in 2017, that the Chief Executive outline the possible impact on Fingal by Ireland's failure to ratify this important free trade agreement."

37 Councillor A. Henchy - Open Water Swimming across Fingal

"That the Chief Executive, take an interdepartmental approach within Fingal County Council to carry out a comprehensive review and audit of facilities at key strategic locations all along the Fingal Coastal Community especially taking into account public toilets, changing rooms and storage facilities with a view to working in partnership with Swim Ireland, Open Sea Water Swimming and Bord Fáilte in order to improve and enhance these destinations as an all year round venue that accommodates open sea water swimming."

38 Councillor D. Healy - Bye-Laws on Election Posters.

"That the Chief Executive draft bye-laws for consideration by the Council under s.199 of the Local Government Act to restrict the placing of election posters on land in the ownership or in charge of the Council including public roads to some dedicated Council-provided sites as is common in many other jurisdictions."

39 Councillor D. Whooley - Report on the costings for a Community Project Fund.

"That the Chief Executive commissions a report to examine the possibility of creating a specific funding stream that would provide resources for Residents Associations and Tidy Towns to fix and maintain decorative railings, walls or pillars on the boundary between housing developments and open spaces or public roads."

40 Councillor JK. Onwumereh - To establish a Museum of World Artefacts in Fingal.

"That the Chief Executive supports the establishment of a Museum of World Artefacts in Fingal to house replica world artefacts, clothes, and other historic items, this museum, if properly promoted and resourced could become a tourist attraction capable of raising a steady stream of income for the Council."

41 Councillor R. O'Donoghue - LGBTIQ Freedom Zone

"That this Council declare Fingal as an LGBTIQ Freedom Zone, following the European Parliament's declaration for the European Union of 11 March 2021, and commit to public policies promoting and protecting LGBTIQ rights on the one hand, while explicitly sanctioning/rejecting structural discrimination mechanisms and that this Council agree to fly the Rainbow Flag outside County Hall, Swords and Civic Offices, Blanchardstown during Pride Month."

**MOTIONS - NON
STATUTORY
FUNCTIONS**

42 Councillor T. Doyle - Elected Members - An Bord Pleanála Submission Fees

"That this Council writes to the Department of Local Government to request the cancellation and withdrawal of the requirement for Elected Members to make payment in respect of submissions/observations which they may make to An Bord Pleanála in the performance of their duties."

43 Councillor K. Power - Exemptions from planning permission for solar panels

"That this Council formally requests the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government to include as a matter of urgency schools and community buildings in the exemptions from planning permission for the installation of solar panels that cover less than 50% of the rooftop (which commercial, industrial buildings, etc. all benefit from already)."

44 Councillor S. Ó Rodaigh - Personal Assistance Service

"That this Council supports the right to Personal Assistance Service (PAS) for people with disabilities to live independently, providing

individuals with the freedom and flexibility they need to live their lives as they choose.”
