

Comhairle Contae Fhine Gall
Fingal County Council

Minutes of the County Council Meeting held on Monday, 11th April, 2022 in the Council Chamber, Swords, at 5.00 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT

Boland, Cathal
Burtchaell, John
Butler, Darragh
Conroy, Pamela
Dennehy, Brian
Donnelly, Angela
Doyle, Tania
Graves, Ann
Guerin, Jimmy
Hanaphy, Breda
Healy, David
Henchy, Adrian
Hopkins, Joan
Humphreys, James
Kitt, Tom
Lavin, Anthony
Leddy, Ted
Maguire, Grainne
Mahony, Howard

Manton, Brigid
McCamley, Mary
McDonagh, Brian
Mulligan, Dean
Mulville, Paul
Murphy, Tony
Newman, Joe
O'Brien, Eoghan
O'Donoghue, Robert
O'Leary, Tom
Onwumereh, JK
Ó Rodaigh, Seána
Power, Karen
Shovlin, Siobhán
Tormey, Aoibhinn
Treacy, Natalie
Walsh, John
Whooley, Daniel

Apologies received from Councillor Ian Carey.

The Mayor, Cllr. S Ó Rodaigh, presided.

OFFICIALS PRESENT

AnnMarie Farrelly (Chief Executive); Emer O’Gorman (Director of Services/People, Corporate & Digital Services); John Quinlivan (Director of Services/Economic, Enterprise, Tourism and Cultural Development); David Storey (Director of Services/Environment, Climate Action & Active Mobility); Mary Daly (Director of Services/Operations & Water Services); Matthew McAleese (Director of Services/Planning & Strategic Infrastructure); Robert Burns (Director of Services Housing and Community); Oliver Hunt (Head of Finance); Brian Buckley (Senior Executive Officer); Bronagh Corry (Administrative Officer).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor, Cllr. S. Ó Rodaigh, reminded Members that Standing Orders would apply to all aspects of the meeting.

F/117/22 (Agenda Item No 1)

Confirmation and Re-affirmation of Minutes of Fingal Development Plan 2023 - 2029 Meetings held from 18th January 2022 - 10th February 2022

It was proposed by Cllr. T. Murphy and seconded by Cllr. G. Maguire –

“To amend Item FDP/752/22 (Agenda Item 698) to read -

Following discussion, the manager advised if an appropriate end user was identified for these lands a variation of the plan would be considered.”

Following discussion, it was **AGREED** to **DEFER** consideration of this proposal to the May meeting of the County Council.

It was then proposed by Cllr. J. Guerin, seconded by Cllr. S. Ó Rodaigh and **AGREED** to amend Minute No. FDP/153/2022 to read as follows -

“Following a proposal from Cllr Guerin to amend the motion to reflect the inclusion of non-binary persons it was **AGREED** that a Chief Executive

Amendment would be brought to address Cllr Guerin's proposal and an amended text for the motion."

F/118/22 (Agenda Item No 2)

Confirmation and Re-Affirmation of Minutes of Council Meeting held on 14th March 2022

Minutes of the County Council Meeting held on 14th March 2022 which had been circulated were considered.

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor S. Ó Rodaigh, seconded by Councillor D. Whooley and **RESOLVED** –

"That the minutes of the County Council Meeting held on 14th March 2022 be **ADOPTED.**"

F/119/22 (Agenda Item No)

QUESTIONS

It was proposed by Councillor S. Ó Rodaigh, seconded by Councillor D. Whooley and **RESOLVED:**

"That in accordance with Standing Order No. 53, Questions numbered 3 to 10, be **ADOPTED.**"

F/120/22 (Agenda Item No 3)

Councillor J. Hopkins - Local Link Community Bus and GoCar Partnership

F/121/22 (Agenda Item No 4)

Councillor K. Power - The use of weed killer which contains glyphosate

F/122/22 (Agenda Item No 5)

Councillor B. Manton - Housing for All initiative in Fingal

F/123/22 (Agenda Item No 6)

Councillor P. Mulville - Development Plan public consultation meetings

F/124/22 (Agenda Item No 7)

Councillor H. Mahony - Swimming Pool facilities in the County

F/125/22 (Agenda Item No 8)
Councillor J. Humphreys - Recycling Centres pricing review

F/126/22 (Agenda Item No 9)
Councillor J. Humphreys - Dog Fouling - DNA Testing

F/127/22 (Agenda Item No 10)
Councillor JK Onwumereh - Homelessness and housing needs in the County

F/128/22 (Agenda Item No 11)
Report of Committees

a **Report of Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar Area Committee (Services B) meeting held on 7th April 2022**

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor S. Ó Rodaigh, seconded by Councillor D. Whooley and **RESOLVED**:

"That the recommendations contained in the report of the Blanchardstown/Mulhuddart-Castleknock/Ongar Committee Services B meeting held on 7th April 2022 be **ADOPTED**."

b **Quarterly Reports of Strategic Policy Committee Chairpersons**

The report by the SPC Chairpersons, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED** and **NOTED**.

F/129/22 (Agenda Item No 12)
Proposed Disposal of Properties/Grant of Wayleaves

a **Proposed Grant of Wayleave at Rathbeale, Swords, Co. Dublin to Irish Water**

The report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor D. Mulligan and seconded by Councillor S. Ó Rodaigh and **RESOLVED**:

"That the wayleave referred to in the attached report be granted in accordance with the terms specified therein."

b Proposed Grant of Wayleave at Rolestown, Swords, Co. Dublin to Irish Water

The report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor D. Whooley and seconded by Councillor S. Ó Rodaigh and **RESOLVED**:

“That the wayleave referred to in the attached report be granted in accordance with the terms specified therein.”

F/130/22 (Agenda Item No 13)

Declaration of Roads

a The Hawthorns, Castleknock, Dublin 15

The report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor J. Walsh, seconded by Councillor H. Mahony, and **RESOLVED**:

“That the roads referred to in the attached report be, and are hereby declared to be, public roads.”

b Cnoc Dubh, Ballyboughal, Co. Dublin

The report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor C. Boland, seconded by Councillor D. Whooley, and **RESOLVED**:

“That the roads referred to in the attached report be, and are hereby declared to be, public roads.”

F/131/22 (Agenda Item No 14)

Financial Matters

a Report on Schedule of Uncollected Rates for year ended 31/12/2021

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED** and **NOTED**.

F/132/22 (Agenda Item No 15)

Annual Report 2021

The report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor S. Ó Rodaigh, seconded by Councillor J. Humphreys and **RESOLVED** that:

"In accordance with Section 221 of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended by the Local Government Reform Act 2014, the Annual Report of Fingal County Council for the year 2021 is hereby **ADOPTED**."

F/133/22 (Agenda Item No 16)

Artists' Support Scheme Awards

The report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor S. Ó Rodaigh, seconded by Councillor K. Power and **RESOLVED**:

"That the award of Artists Support Scheme 2022 as set out in the foregoing report is hereby **APPROVED**."

F/134/22 (Agenda Item No 17)

Festivals and Events Funding Scheme

The report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor S. Ó Rodaigh, seconded by Councillor C. Boland and **RESOLVED**:

"That the award of Festivals and Events Funding Scheme 2022 as set out in the foregoing report is hereby **APPROVED**."

F/135/22 (Agenda Item No 18)

Chief Executive's Report

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED**.

During the course of the discussion the following motion was proposed by Cllr. N. Treacy, seconded by Cllr. A. Graves -

“That this Council agrees to provide funding for counselling for residents/groups that have been involved in traumatic incidents that happen on Council owned grounds or Council owned Community Centres/premises.”

Following discussion, the motion was **AGREED**.

The following motion was then proposed by Cllr J. Guerin and seconded by Cllr J. Newman –

“That the Chief Executive prepare and submit a report, under the existing finance heading listed on the agenda, similar to that submitted to Dublin City Council, on the Finances of Fingal County Council to the Members at each Monthly Council Meeting and that such Report –

- Be in the form of a Report on and Statement of the Local Fund (as defined in the Local Government Act 2001 as amended);
- Be for the cumulative current year and monthly periods up to the month preceding the Monthly Council meeting and include a comparison against the same period in the preceding year;
- Include both Monthly and Cumulative Receipts and Payments Account, set out in tabular form and showing the following –
 - o The total Local Fund Opening Balance for the period – including and broken down by Capital, Revenue, Cash on hand and Investments separately and in total
 - o The total Payroll and Non-Payroll Payments for the period – showing all payments, transfers and setting out individual recipients of non-Payroll payments totalling greater than €300,000 during the period broken down by Capital, Revenue and Investments separately in total
 - o The total Receipts figures for the period – showing total receipts for all major income streams (including all transfers and interest on investments), setting out individual parties that have received totals greater than €300,000 within the period and the purpose for which payment was received and broken down by Capital, Revenue and Investments separately and in total
 - o The total Local Fund Closing Balance for the period – including and broken down by Capital, Revenue, Cash on hand and Investments separately and in total
 - o Comparison of cumulative and monthly figures against the same period in the preceding year

- Include a written report providing explanatory comment and financial analysis of the financial situation of the Council."

Following discussion, it was **AGREED** to adjourn this matter and to reconvene the discussion at the May meeting of the County Council.

Following further discussion, the Chief Executive's report was **NOTED**.

F/136/22 (Agenda Item No 19)

Mayor's Business - Councillor S. Ó'Rodaigh - Athletics Ireland European Cross-Country Event

The motion, in the name of Councillor S. Ó Rodaigh was proposed by Councillor S. Ó Rodaigh and seconded by Councillor E. O'Brien.

Following discussion, the motion was **PASSED**.

F/137/22 (Agenda Item No 20)

Conference

a Mental Health Policy in Ireland Conference

The notice which had been circulated was **NOTED**.

F/138/22 (Agenda Item No 21)

Departmental/Ministerial Correspondence

It was **NOTED** that there was no business under this heading.

F/139/22 (Agenda Item No 22)

Correspondence

a Letter from Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council dated 22nd March 2022 Re- Specific Planning Policy Requirements

The correspondence which had been received was **NOTED**.

MOTIONS - STATUTORY FUNCTIONS

F/140/22 (Agenda Item No 23)

Councillor K. Power - Use of Promotional signs at launch events

The motion, in the name of Councillor K. Power was proposed by Councillor K. Power and seconded by Councillor D. Whooley.

Following discussion, it was proposed by Cllr. K. Power and seconded by Cllr. D. Whooley to and **AGREED** to amend the motion as follows –

"To include the following words:

"any new" and "without looking into viable alternatives"

To read

"That the Council, in the interest of sustainability, cease the use of any new single use signs and promotional items at launch events and in photo calls without looking into viable alternatives."

Following further discussion, the motion, as amended, was **PASSED**.

F/141/22 (Agenda Item No 24)

Councillor A. Henchy - Walking and Cycling at the heart of Active Travel in local towns and villages across Fingal

The motion, in the name of Councillor A. Henchy was proposed by Councillor A. Henchy and seconded by Councillor D. Whooley.

Following discussion, the motion was **PASSED**.

F/142/22 (Agenda Item No 25)

Councillor K. Dennison - Comprehensive Free Trade Agreement with Canada

This item was **DEFERRED** to the May meeting of the County Council.

F/143/22 (Agenda Item No 26)

Councillor D. Mulligan - Public Realm Street Lighting

The motion, in the name of Councillor D. Mulligan was proposed by Councillor D. Mulligan and seconded by Councillor T. Doyle.

Following discussion, the report was **NOTED**.

The Meeting concluded at 8.00pm

MAYOR

DATE
