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Swords  
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Wednesday 8th June 2022

To Each Member of the County Council

Dear Councillor

The Meeting of the **County Council** will be held in the **Council Chamber - County Hall, Swords** at **5.00 pm** on **Monday, 13th June, 2022** to consider the following Agenda.

Yours faithfully

**B. Buckley**  
**Meetings Administrator**  
**Corporate Services**

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## A G E N D A

- 1 **Confirmation and Re-Affirmation of Minutes of Council Meeting held on Monday 9th May 2022**

- 2 **Appointment of One Member to the Board of BASE Enterprise**

### QUESTIONS

- 3 **Councillor J. Hopkins - Maintenance Grant for Community Halls**

“To ask the Chief Executive if there are any plans to increase the regular maintenance payments to Community Centres to assist with the increased prices of utility bills, specifically light and heat?”

- 4 **Councillor J. Hopkins - Grass Cutting Contracts for Fingal**

“To ask the Chief Executive to provide analysis of the current grass cutting regimes with a specific emphasises on plans around redeployment of monetary and staffing resources away from some grass cutting and move more towards other works, such as rewilding and biodiversity projects?”

- 5 **Councillor C. Boland - Attendance at Deputation Meetings**

“To ask the Chief Executive to assure the Members that the officials attending Deputation meetings are those relevant to the matters of the deputation?”

- 6 **Councillor JK. Onwumereh - Number of Ukrainian refugees in Fingal**

“To ask the Chief Executive how many Ukrainian refugees are now living in Fingal since the Ukrainian war started and what is the Council doing to support them in the areas of housing, school places and other services?”

- 7 **Councillor B. Manton - Directly Elected Mayor**

“To ask the Chief Executive if she could outline her position on the Directly elected Mayor to the Council, it is important that she is aware of the Members’ views while speaking with members of the forum?”

- 8 **Councillor J. Guerin - Local Fund Report**

“To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report setting out the

following:

- The total Local Fund Opening Balance for the year to date period – including and broken down by Capital, Revenue, Cash on hand and Investments separately and in total
- 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
- 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
- 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
- Comparison of cumulative and monthly figures against the same period in the preceding year
- Explanatory comment and financial analysis of the financial situation of the Council?"

**9 Councillor A. Donnelly - Housing Adaptation Occupational Reports**

"To ask the Chief Executive to report why Council tenants who opt to pay for a private Occupational Therapist report for housing adaptation are not refunded their costs if their application is approved whilst private home owners are refunded their costs?"

**10 Councillor J. Humphreys - Apprenticeships in Fingal County Council**

"To ask the Chief Executive how many apprentices are employed by this Council and what plans are been considered to increase the places available for apprenticeships?"

**11 Councillor J. Humphreys - Rainbow Pedestrian Crossing**

"To ask the Chief Executive what Department Circular/communication or legal advice the Council has received that prevented a similar Rainbow Pedestrian Crossing which was painted on Capel Street in 2021 being painted in Fingal?"

## **12 Report of Committees**

- a Report of Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area Committee (Services B) meeting held on 12th May 2022
- b Report of Corporate Policy Group meeting held on 18th May 2022
- c Report of Howth/Malahide (Services B) Committee meeting held on 1st June 2022
- d Report of Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar Area Committee (Services B) meeting held on 2nd June 2022
- e Report of Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area Committee (Services B) Meeting held on 9th June 2022

## **13 Financial Matters**

- a Financial Assistance to Approved Housing Bodies under the Capital Assistance Scheme - Call for CAS 2017 - To provide units of living accommodation in the Fingal area

## **14 Initiation of procedure pursuant to Part XI of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 - 2015 (as amended) for proposed Swords Cultural Quarter development incorporating a new County Library and Arts Venue, and public realm upgrades including the forecourt to County Hall in vicinity of Main Street Swords Castle, North Street and Seatown Road, Swords, Co Dublin.**

## **15 Draft Scheme of Priority for Affordable Dwelling Purchase Arrangements**

## **16 Summer Projects Funding 2022**

## **17 Chief Executive's Report**

## **18 Mayor's Business - Councillors S. Ó Rodaigh, D. Whooley - Endorsement of Amnesty Report**

"That this Council endorses the recent Amnesty International report entitled 'Israel's Apartheid Against Palestinians: A Cruel System of Domination and a Crime Against Humanity' as a show of solidarity with the Palestinian people."

## **19 Conference Report**

- a AILG - Module 3 Training - 'Finalising your Development Plan' - Hodson Bay Hotel, Thursday 16th June 2022
- b AILG - Module 4 Training - "Government Legislation Policy Programme 2022 - A Briefing for Elected Members" - Allingham Arms Hotel, Bundoran, Saturday 23rd July 2022

## **20 Departmental/Ministerial Correspondence**

## **21 Correspondence**

- a Letter from Cavan County Council dated 17th May re Turf Cutting
- b Letter from Clare County Council dated 18th May 2022 re Basic Income for Artists with disabilities
- c Letter from Clare County Council dated 18th May 2022 re - Shannon Airport
- d Letter from Galway County Council dated 27th May 2022 - re Public Recognition Marker (PRM) for the LGBT+Community

### **MOTIONS - STATUTORY FUNCTIONS**

## **22 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 and the possible impact on Fingal by Ireland's failure to ratify it, that this Council fully supports this important free trade agreement."

## **23 Councillor JK. Onwumereh - Fingal Summer Festival**

"That this Council supports the establishment of a Fingal wide festival to foster inclusion, integration and cohesion among residents to celebrate the rich diversity in Fingal."

## **24 Councillor H. Mahony - Garda Briefing to Full Council**

"That the Chief Executive request both Divisional Officers of An Garda Síochána attend a full Council meeting annually to give the Councillors who are not members of the Joint Policing Committee an opportunity to express concerns about issues in their area."

## **25 Councillor P. Mulville - Draft Dublin Local Authority Electric Vehicle Strategy**

"That this Council recommends that the draft Dublin Local Authority Electric Vehicle Strategy must be published for full public consultation, including allowing submissions from members of the public and the holding of public information webinars."

**26 Councillor B. Hanaphy - Part V Long-term leasing agreements**

"That this Council agrees the provision of social housing through Part V long-term leasing agreements represents extremely poor value for money in the use of public funds, it's more expensive over a 25 year period than buying outright at the outset and furthermore could result in zero Part V housing units being available for tenancy into the future in many developments."

**27 Councillor J. Newman- Irish Winter Sports Strategy 2022 - 2026**

"That the Chief Executive will consider the recently launched Irish Winter Sports Strategy 2022 - 2026 and report her findings as to how we as a Council can avail of the opportunity to encourage and support the development of Winter sports in the Fingal area."

**28 Councillor A. Donnelly - Local Post Office Viability**

"That the Chief Executive engages with the local post office network to ascertain if any Council services could be undertaken in conjunction with their local network."

**29 Councillor J. Walsh - Adoption of the European Circular Cities Declaration 2020**

"That this Council resolves to adopt the European Circular Cities Declaration 2020."

**30 Councillor N. Treacy - Housing Adaptation waiting time**

"That the Chief Executive reports on the length of time it should take for a person waiting on adaptation work to be carried out in their homes and to report on how many people at the moment are on this list and what places a person on a priority list and what is the turnaround time whilst on the priority list as opposed to those not on a priority list."

**31 Councillor C. Boland - Car parking provision for private dwellings**

"That the Chief Executive agree that the current manner of determining the amount of car parking permitted for private dwellings fails to take into account the level of public services which places additional demand for parking which results in congestion that leads to fears of "what if" amongst residents."

**32 Councillors B. Manton, D. Butler, B. Dennehy, A. Henchy, T. Kitt, E. O'Brien - Modular Swimming Pools - Fingal**

"That the Chief Executive supply 25 metre above ground modular swimming pools in the major towns in Fingal which will be built at a cost of €950k and have an anticipated lifespan of 30 years, this would solve the problem of having no municipal pools in Fingal and do so at a very moderate cost."

**33 Councillor D. Healy - Integration of Improvements for Walking and Cycling into Road and Street Maintenance**

"That the Chief Executive bring forward proposals for ensuring that the improvement of roads and streets for walking and cycling is integrated into the maintenance programme, including:

- where maintenance is being done, the quality of provision for walking and cycling is reviewed;
- where the review reveals that new designs are needed, they are implemented as part of the maintenance process;
- the identification of required maintenance work is carried out in time to enable the review for walking and cycling;
- walking and cycling needs are factored into the prioritisation of maintenance tasks."

**34 Councillors S. Ó Rodaigh, P Conroy - Appointment of Disability Liaison, Access and Equality Officer**

"That this Council provides a Disability Liaison, Access and Equality Officer, in order to promote equality of opportunity and access for all people."

**MOTIONS - NON  
STATUTORY  
FUNCTIONS**

**35 Councillor R. O'Donoghue - Introduction of Pilot Scheme for Artists with Disabilities**

"That this Council calls on the Government and Minister of Social Protection to introduce a pilot scheme for artists with disabilities, to co-exist for the duration of the Basic Income for Artists pilot scheme, which would remove the weekly earnings limit and means test from those in receipt of disability supports."

**36 Councillor A. Graves - Moore Street Area**

"That Fingal County Council recognises that Moore Street, Dublin, as the site of the last HQ of the Easter Rising is a site of National historic importance, relevant and linked to all Irish Citizens and as such:

- The area is deserving of regeneration as a cultural historical site.
- Recognises and commends the work done by Save Moore Street and the 1916

Relatives groups in protecting, highlighting and championing the area.

- And further, commends them on their innovation in designing a plan for the area

which would protect and promote the history of the area in a fitting way, while also

reinvigorating this urban area in a way which serves communities and adds real value

to the surrounding area.

- Recognises that the State has an interest in this area both in terms of historical and

cultural preservation, and the public ownership of several buildings at the location,

and this motion calls on the Council to write to the Government to:

1. Call on them to meet with Save Moore Street and the 1916 Relatives Groups to discuss their proposed plan.

2. That the Council, recognising the national significance of Moore Street Area, would express support for the creation of a Historical Cultural Quarter in this area."

**37 Councillor Karen Power - Child Exploitation Material**

"That this Council offers public and resounding support for the Bill being progressed by Senator Eileen Flynn seeking for the term "child pornography" to be changed in Irish legislation to "child exploitation material."

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