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To Each Member of the Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area Committee
(Services B - Strategic and General Matters)

Dear Councillor

A meeting of the **Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area Committee (Services B - Strategic and General Matters)** will be held via **MS Teams ONLY** on **Thursday, 14th March, 2024** on conclusion of the Services "A" meeting to consider the following Agenda.

Yours faithfully

**Nikki Halleran
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A G E N D A

- 1 Confirmation and Re-Affirmation of Minutes of Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Services B (Strategic and General Matters) meeting held on Thursday the 8th February 2024**
- 2 Confirmation and Re-Affirmation of Minutes of the Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Services B (Strategic and General Matters) Special meeting held on Thursday the 7th March 2024**

QUESTIONS

- 3 Councillor A. Henchy - Update on Active Travel Projects - Donabate/Portrane - AI093387**
 "To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on projects completed in 2023 and what active travel projects are planned for Donabate/Portrane in 2024?"
- 4 Councillor A. Henchy - Wi-Fi at Newbridge House - AI095066**
 "To ask the Chief Executive, in advance of the busy Spring/Summer season at Newbridge House, Donabate and in preparation for the Flavours of Fingal County Show, if there has been any upgrade or investment in the Wi-Fi infrastructure in and around Newbridge House, given the poor service last year?"
- 5 Councillor A. Henchy - Primary Health Care Centre - Donabate/Portrane - AI095070**
 "To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on any discussions that have taken place with the HSE with a view to the building of a modern Primary Care Centre to meet the current and future needs of the fast-growing Donabate/Portrane communities?"
- 6 Councillor A. Henchy - Unfinished Road and Surfacing at Cobbe Court, Donabate - AI095075**
 "To ask the Chief Executive to give consideration to investigating the unfinished road and surfacing at Cobbe Court, a new residential estate at the edge of Donabate Village, as this estate has been finished

for almost a year and it is essential that it is completed in accordance with the planning permission?"

7 Councillor A. Henchy - Hearse Road Network, Donabate - AI095077

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration could be given for the Active Travel Department to carry out an inspection of the Hearse Road network, from the Kilcrea back gates into Newbridge House and Park and the new Semple Woods housing development, where there is currently no footpath along this section of the road, with a view to providing footpaths, given how busy this section is on the approach to Donabate Village?"

8 Councillor A. Henchy - Phase 2 Donabate Distributor Road Project - AI095079

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on Phase 2 of the Donabate Distributor Road project to improve access to Donabate and Portrane from the M1 Lissenhall Interchange for all road users, particularly vulnerable road users such as pedestrians and cyclists?"

9 Councillor A. Henchy - Update on Coastal Protection Works in this LEA - AI095082

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update and projected timelines for the planning applications for coastal protection works for The Burrow Peninsula and Rush South Beach, to address problems relating to coastal change in the Outer Rogerstown Estuary, having regard to the recent introduction of new planning requirements to approval for marine based projects?"

10 Councillor P. Mulville - Affordable Purchase Housing Schemes in this LEA - AI094488

"To ask the Chief Executive to outline the current and future plans for further Affordable Purchase Housing Schemes across the Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords area?"

11 Councillor P. Mulville - Taking in Charge - Racecourse Green, Lusk - AI094639

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the Taking in Charge of Racecourse Green, Lusk, in particular the green spaces which are not currently being properly maintained and whether consideration is being given to provide a playground for children in

the estate?"

12 Councillor P. Mulville - Local Swimming Pool Facilities - North County - AI094686

"To ask the Chief Executive, following the previous pilot trial of the hugely popular pop-up Pool at the Donabate/Portrane Community Centre and the strong demand for swimming pool facilities to be provided across the North County on a permanent basis, if the sports and recreational facilities audit will give consideration to this and the timeframe for same?"

13 Councillor P. Mulville - General Landscaping - The Paddocks, Donabate - AI094951

"To ask the Chief Executive, further to representation R24\33329, for a comprehensive response to issues raised by the Paddocks Residents Association, Portrane Road, Donabate in relation to general landscaping (see attached)?"

14 Councillor P. Mulville - Update on Footpath at Cobbe Court - Donabate - AI094959

"To ask the Chief Executive, further to Question 22, January Area B meeting, for an update on the provision of the section of footpath at Cobbe Court along the Portrane Road, as per planning permission granted (F17A/0274) and whether there is any further progress being made on this by Tuath Housing and the developer and if not, the reason for the delay?"

15 Councillor P. Mulville - Update on Cobbe Court Street Lighting - AI094960

"To ask the Chief Executive, further to Question 25, January Area B meeting, to provide an update and the reason why the street lighting in Cobbe Court, Portrane Road, Donabate, is still not working and if this matter can be raised again with Tuath Housing with a view to having this issue addressed as a matter of urgency?"

16 Councillor P. Mulville - Illegal Dumping and Littering - Donabate - AI094976

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to urgently remove the persistent illegal dumping and littering at (details supplied), Donabate and if measures can be taken to prevent this re-occurring, CCTV should be considered here as per the new

regulations?"

17 Councillor B. Dennehy - Commercial Development - Main Street, Rush - AI094493

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise of any contact that has been made regarding the proposed commercial development on Main Street, Rush and the Council?"

18 Councillor B. Dennehy - Planning Permission F21A/0455 Upper Main Street, Rush - AI095071

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide a detailed report on the current status of planning permission F21A/0455 upper Main Street, Rush to include details of the following items, last engagement with the Council regarding commencement of development, the value and number of outstanding vacant and derelict site levies against the site and the implication of the new RTZ Tax on the site along with the percentage of the site that will be included in the new RTZ Tax?"

19 Councillor B. Dennehy - Public Lights Works - Lusk Graveyard - AI095073

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to have the public lighting at the Round Tower and beside the graveyard in Lusk repaired and brought back into action?"

20 Councillor B. Dennehy - Contact or Application Received to Purchase the Council 17 sqm Owned Land, Rush- AI095083

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise on any contact or application received to purchase the Council's 17 sqm owned land between Brookfield Estate and Golden Ridge Estate, Rush?"

21 Councillor B. Dennehy - Feasibility of Providing an Active Travel Route through Farren's Lane, Rush - AI095091

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to examine and report on the feasibility of providing an active travel route from the Main Street in Rush to eventually allow access into Kenure Park, Rush?"

22 Councillor J. Humphreys - Electric Car Chargers - Swords - AI094496

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide information on the policy

regarding electric car chargers on the kerb for households in Swords that do not have a driveway?"

23 Councillor J. Humphreys - Planning Permission for Electric Car Chargers - Swords - AI094496A

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise on the proper procedure for applying for planning permission for electric car chargers in Swords?"

24 Councillor J. Humphreys - Planning Enforcement Electric Car Chargers - Swords - AI094496B

"To ask the Chief Executive to clarify if it is the position of planning enforcement that electric car chargers cannot be installed in Swords?"

25 Councillor J. Humphreys - Taking Ownership of Compulsory Purchase Orders in this LEA- AI094499

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on Compulsory Purchase Orders in this Local Electoral Area and an indicative date when the Council could potentially take ownership?"

26 Councillor J. Humphreys - Planning Application to An Bord Pleanála for the Donabate and Rush Coastal Protection Scheme - AI095088

"To ask the Chief Executive to outline the reasons for the delay in submitting the Planning Application to An Bord Pleanála for the Donabate and Rush Coastal Protection Scheme as the households immediately affected by the effects of erosion are becoming totally disillusioned and the ongoing delay is putting the prospect of Government funding further down the line given the effect of global warming across the County?"

27 Councillor J. Humphreys - Taking in Charge - Rathbeale Grove, Swords - AI095102

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the Taking in Charge of Rathbeale Grove, Swords?"

28 Councillor J. Humphreys - Taking in Charge - Land at Archaeological Park, Swords - AI095104

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the Taking in Charge of the plot of land attached to the Archaeological Park,

between Rathbeale Road and Glen Ellan Road in Swords?"

29 Councillor T. O'Leary - Swimming Pool Feasibility Study - Castlelands, Balbriggan - AI094915

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the Feasibility Study for a swimming pool at Castlelands, Balbriggan, detailing if the Consultants have been appointed to carry out the agreed and funded feasibility study, who the Consultants are and when they will report back to the Council?"

30 Councillor T. O'Leary - Update on Paths Loughshinny Scoping Costing - AI094931

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on progress on the scoping and costing referred to in Motions AI092296 and AI092520, which were recently passed, requesting scoping and costing of two separate paths at Loughshinny, for inclusion in the next Capital Budget?"

31 Councillor R. O'Donoghue - Feasibility Study for Swimming Pool at Castlelands, Balbriggan - AI094919

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the progress of the proposed feasibility study for the provision of a swimming pool at the Castlelands site in Balbriggan and if clarity can be given to whether the feasibility study, while included in the capital spending plan, will not commence until the results of the Sports and Recreational facilities audit are complete in Q2 of 2024?"

32 Councillor R. O'Donoghue - Taking in Charge - Knightsgate Estate, Rush - AI094945

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the Taking in Charge of the Knightsgate Estate in Rush and to clarify if the estate cannot be Taken in Charge until the condition regarding the provision of the childcare facility is fulfilled?"

33 Councillor R. O'Donoghue - Lusk Sports Hub, Rathmore Park, Lusk - Planning Application Update - AI094946

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update and timeline for making the application to An Bord Pleanála for sporting facilities at Lusk Sports Hub at Rathmore Park, Lusk?"

34 Councillor R. O'Donoghue - Multi Purpose Arts, Community and Youth Centre in the Ballymastone Area, Donabate - AI094996

"To ask the Chief Executive, further to the recent meeting with representatives from the Donabate Community Group Crossroads, regarding the provision of a site for a Multi-Purpose Arts, Community and Youth Centre in the Ballymastone Area which is Council Policy since 2019 and an objective in the Donabate LAP, will a site be identified for this project which will be required to cater for an increase in population to 20,000 before the next meeting with the group and before all the suitable land is built upon or planning permission granted?"

35 Councillor R. O'Donoghue - F21A/0455 - Update on Rush Main Street Development - AI095022

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on the progress in getting the developer of Planning Permission F21A/0455 on site, the application was granted on the 12th of September 2022 and what communications have there been with the developer regarding the commencement of the building of the development?"

36 Councillor R. O'Donoghue - Taking in Charge - Racecourse Green, Lusk - AI095060

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the Taking in Charge of Racecourse Green in Lusk?"

37 Councillor R. O'Donoghue - Playground, Station Road Development, Lusk - AI095061

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide a timeline and update on the Taking in Charge/opening of the playground in the new Station Road development near Lidl in Lusk?"

38 Councillor K. Power - Update on Loughshinny Paths - Baldungan to Loughshinny Cross - AI094954

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on Motion AI092296 which was unanimously passed at a recent Area Committee Meeting?"

39 Councillor K. Power - Update on Loughshinny Paths - Skerries and Loughshinny - AI094955

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on Motion AI092520 which was unanimously passed at a recent Area Committee Meeting?"

40 Councillor K. Power - Update on Castlelands Swimming Pool Site, Balbriggan - AI094978

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an updated report on the feasibility study works on the potential swimming pool site in Castlelands, Balbriggan?"

41 Councillor D. Butler - Update on St. Columcille's Drive, Swords - AI094988

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on what properties are owned by the Council on St. Columcille's Drive and what development plans the Council have for the properties on this road (considering the neighbouring apartment works taking place on Seatown Road)?"

42 Councillor B. Ryan - CI Zoned Land Development, Ballisk - AI095002

"To ask the Chief Executive to report on discussions, if any, with the owner of the CI zoned land in Ballisk, Donabate (adjacent to Educate Together National School) regarding development at this location and if it is intended to provide independent living accommodation for senior citizens on this site?"

43 Councillor B. Ryan - Feasibility Study for a Public Swimming Pool at Castlelands, Balbriggan - AI095004

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise on the unacceptable delay in getting the Feasibility Study underway for a public swimming pool at Castlelands, Balbriggan, which has been budgeted for?"

44 Councillor B. Ryan - Preparation for Repair and Maintenance of St. Peter's Church in Balrothery - AI095005

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration could be given to arrange for the preparation of a repair and maintenance programme for the historic St. Peter's Church in Balrothery?"

45 Councillor B. Ryan - Small Business Trading Balbriggan LEA - AI095012

"To ask the Chief Executive to outline the key steps being taken to support small businesses in the Balbriggan Local Electoral Area in their efforts to keep trading successfully in a difficult trading environment?"

46 Councillor B. Ryan - Taking in Charge - Balrothery Court Estate, Balbriggan - AI095018

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to arrange for the completion of the process of having the green space in the Balrothery Court Estate Taken in Charge as the roads in the estate have already been Taken in Charge?"

47 Councillor B. Ryan - Road Safety Measures, Skerries - AI095021

"To ask the Chief Executive if any progress has been made in relation to the request made at the recent (08/02/24) Deputations meeting to bring together the Twinlite Developer, Uisce Eireann, the Planning Department and local representatives in an attempt to expedite the outstanding road safety measures at Shenick Road/Miller's Lane/Sherlock Terrace/Downside Heights and Ballygossan danger points?"

48 Councillor G. Maguire - Resurfacing Balbriggan Football Club Car Park - AI095030

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide a timeline for the resurfacing of Balbriggan Football Club car park in the interest of safety?"

49 Councillor G. Maguire - Feasibility Study - Swimming Pool - North Fingal - AI095031

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update in relation to the feasibility study that is long overdue in respect of the provision of a swimming pool for North Fingal?"

50 Councillor T. Murphy - MUGA Report - "Our Balbriggan" - AI095034

"To ask the Chief Executive why, in the town with the youngest population, there is no Multi-Use Game Area and if it could be considered in a suitable location under the "Our Balbriggan" project?"

51 Councillor B. Manton - Update on Pop Up Pool - Swords - AI095047

"To ask the Chief Executive if any progress has been made in relation to providing a pop-up pool in Swords, bearing in mind that a motion was passed at Full Council Meeting to progress these across the County?"

52 Councillor B. Manton - Thrive Project - Swords - AI095050

"To ask the Chief Executive if it is planned to put any project in Swords forward for funding from this European Funded Project, Thrive Project?"

53 Councillor B. Manton - Timeline of One-Way System - Balheary Road - AI095051

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise when the construction of the one-way system at Balheary Bridge will commence?"

54 Councillor A. Graves - Process Time for HMD Medical Form in this LEA - AI095049

"To ask the Chief Executive to outline the timeframe for a review of a HMD Medical Form by the Council in this Local Electoral Area, as historically this has been three months but now constituents are being advised that it can take up to a year or longer, has the process time been extended and if so, why?"

55 Councillor A. Graves - Safety Concerns - Corduff School, Lusk - AI095054

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to carry out a safety audit in relation to the new cycleway and road layout for Corduff School in Lusk as parents are concerned for the safety of their children during drop off and collection times because the new cycle lane has made it extremely dangerous as the children have to cross the lane and parents are opening cars into the path of oncoming traffic (photo attached)?"

56 Councillor A. Graves - Occupants in Council Properties in this LEA - AI095058

"To ask the Chief Executive to outline the process in relation to occupants in Council properties in this Local Electoral Area who have previously applied to be added to a tenancy, who have not received a response and are paying rent, if the tenant passes away and they are subsequently advised that the application has been unsuccessful as there are adult children who have lived all their lives in Council properties who are not on the tenancy and when their parent(s) passes away what happens to them and will the Council evict occupants in these cases?"

**COMMUNITY
BUSINESS**

57 Applications for Funding

a Applications for Community Funding

**PLANNING &
STRATEGIC
INFRASTRUCTURE
BUSINESS**

58 Notification of Application by Fingal County Council under Part XAB of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended to An Bord Pleanála in respect of the development of a new Active Recreational Hub located at Rathmore Park, Lusk, Co. Dublin.

59 Declaration of Roads/Taking in Charge

a Taking in Charge - Golden Ridge Phase 2, Rush.

**ECONOMIC,
ENTERPRISE,
TOURISM &
CULTURAL
DEVELOPMENT
BUSINESS**

60 Proposed Disposals

a Proposed granting of a permanent wayleave on land at Bremore, Balrothery, Co. Dublin to ESB Networks

GENERAL BUSINESS

61 Correspondence

a Letter from HSE regarding Need for Subsidised Nursing Staff Accommodation at St. Ita's Hospital Campus

MOTIONS

62 Councillor B. Manton - Future Assessment for Insulation in Rivermeade Estate - AI093625

"That the Chief Executive strongly recommends to the daa that the Rivermeade Estate be included in any future assessment for insulation as a matter of urgency due to the estate not being considered in the last round."

63 Councillor A. Graves - Approved Housing Bodies Meeting with Elected Representatives of this LEA - AI093616

"That this Committee agrees to invite representatives of the Approved Housing Bodies (AHB's) to a meeting with members of this Area Committee to discuss the roles of both the AHB and the Council and where responsibilities lie in respect of both, it will also afford the opportunity to be updated on future plans."

64 Councillor K. Power - Historical/Heritage Museum Skerries - AI094148

"That the Chief Executive identify and develop a suitable location in Skerries for the establishment of a Skerries History/Heritage Museum."

65 Councillor P. Mulville - Flying of Palestine Flag on Public Buildings in this LEA - AI094254

"That this Committee calls for the Palestinian flag to be flown or displayed at all public Council buildings in the Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords area including County Hall, Libraries, Community Centres and all other Council offices and for the Council to provide flags to each facility for this purpose."

66 Councillor D. Mulligan - Invitation to the Palestine Ambassador to a Civic Reception, County Hall, Swords - AI094450

"That the Chief Executive, on behalf of this Area Committee, invite the Palestine Ambassador to Ireland to a civic reception/ceremony in County Hall, Swords as a show of solidarity and appreciation to the people of Palestine at this extraordinarily difficult time."

67 Councillor R. O'Donoghue - Crèche Provision - Lusk and Rush - AI093634

"That the Chief Executive, given a number of revised planning permissions seeking to omit childcare facilities from developments in both Rush and Lusk, to outline what measures can be taken at Council level to guarantee the provision of these much-needed facilities in tandem with the increasingly expensive housing units that Developers provide, often to young families, while they simultaneously look to have the facilities that will service these families removed from their granted permissions."

68 Councillor A. Henchy - Provision of Playground - Portrane Village - AI093374

"That the Chief Executive provide a sense of urgency, through public consultation and engagement with local community groups, to explore all options at the Councils disposal that will allow for the design and build of a large playground at a desired location within the heart of Portrane Village given the time that has elapsed without providing this much needed amenity in Portrane."

69 Councillor B. Dennehy - Pedestrian route from the South Beach to the Bawn Road, Rush - AI093662

"That the Chief Executive provide a report on the current measures being carried out for delivering the pedestrian route from the South Beach, Rush to the Bawn Road, Rush."

70 Councillor T. O'Leary - New Open Space Playing Pitch at Hamilton Hill, Skerries - AI094455

"That the Chief Executive arrange a meeting with Skerries Town Football Club and Skerries Athletics Club to explore a collaboration by both clubs at the open space, Hamilton Hill, Skerries which is due to be Taken in Charge by the Council?"

71 Councillor T. Murphy - Swimming Pool Feasibility Study - Castlelands, Balbriggan - AI095025

"That the Chief Executive provide an update on the Castlelands swimming pool Feasibility study which should be concluded in time for the outcome to be considered in the 2025 budget."

72 Councillor B. Manton - Purchase of Building - Rathbeale Road, Swords - Community Development - AI093629

"That the Chief Executive consider purchasing the building on Rathbeale Road Swords, Eircode K67X7X3, as a community building for use by Women's Shed, Swords Karate Club and The Elders as the building is easily accessed by cycling, walking and public transport and would greatly benefit groups in the Brackenstown/Swords area."

73 Councillor A. Graves - Meeting with St. Margaret's/The Ward/FORUM Group - AI093633

"That the Chief Executive and the Area Committee Members, in follow-up to the meeting with the daa, agree to meet with representatives of

the St Margaret's/The Ward and FORUM Group and afford them the opportunity to make a presentation and give a briefing, in much the same format as the daa meeting, as the members of this Committee are representing the areas that are most affected by aircraft noise."

74 Councillor D. Mulligan - Apartheid Free Area in this LEA - AI094451

"That the Chief Executive makes this Area Committee area apartheid free, by writing to all local rate payers asking them to halt the purchase of goods and services produced either in Israel or by Israeli companies, until a ceasefire has been reached or until Israel complies with International law."

75 Councillor P. Mulville and Councillor A. Henchy - Turvey Pedestrian/Cycle Network - AI094484

"That this Committee calls for a study of the Turvey pedestrian/cycle network to be carried out, to look at how permeability can be improved across the Turvey area, with a view to bringing forward an Active Travel scheme for public consultation."

76 Councillor R. O'Donoghue - Erection of Plaque Commemorating the Johnny Cash Concert in Rush - AI094355

"That the Chief Executive make provision for the erection of a plaque commemorating the concert of Johnny Cash in Rush on October 20th 1963 where he appeared in the local Palladium, Lower Main Street, i.e. Johnny Cash, 1932–2003, Singer/Songwriter, appeared at The Palladium Rush, October 20th 1963, the erection of such items cannot be countenanced until a person has passed away for 20 years, Mr. Cash passed away in 2003."

77 Councillor T. O'Leary - Uisce Éireann Upgrade Works - Shenick Road/Golf Road, Skerries - AI094436A

"That the Chief Executive write to Uisce Éireann to provide an update on the completion of the upgrade works so that the Land Development Agency and the private Developer can implement their planning permission as soon as possible to upgrade the junction at Shenick Road/Golf Road to improve pedestrian and road safety at this junction."

78 Councillor K. Power - Castlelands Pool Feasibility - AI094726

"That the Chief Executive commit to providing the necessary funding to the Castlelands pool feasibility in the Capital Works Budget."

79 Councillor T. Murphy - Bath Road Car Park Surface - AI095027

"That the Chief Executive complete the correct blacktop surface on Bath Road car park as a matter of urgency."

80 Councillor B. Dennehy - Enforcement Action, Daly's Lane, Rush - AI095068

"That the Chief Executive provide this Committee with a report on the current status of enforcement actions being taken on a domestic house on Daly's Lane, Rush which has previously been reported to the Council Enforcement section."
