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Swords
Co Dublin**

Tuesday, 7th May 2024

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 May, 2024** 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 Council Meeting held on Monday 8th April 2024**

QUESTIONS

2 **Councillor J. Hopkins - "Register to Vote" Drive**

"To ask the Chief Executive if there are any plans for pop ups at events or specific Register to Vote drives and, if possible, to provide details, refer to in person events and not social media?"

3 **Councillor S. Shovlin - 30km per hour Speed Limit for Urban Areas in Fingal**

"To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the introduction of the new 30 km per hour speed limit in all urban areas in Fingal?"

4 **Councillor B. McDonagh - Historical Land Transfer**

"To ask the Chief Executive what the process is to rectify a situation where the last recorded owner of a piece of land states it was transferred to the Council, but where the Council has no record of taking ownership, and how can this be rectified quickly?"

5 **Councillor J. Burtchaell - Council Construction Cost to Build Three Bed, Two Bed Houses and One and Two Bed Apartments on Council land**

"To ask the Chief Executive what the average construction costs are for the Council to build the following types of dwelling on its own land: •3-bedroom house; •2-bedroom house; •1 and 2 bed apartments?"

6 **Councillor J. Burtchaell - Number of Vacant Dwellings both Public and Private**

"To ask the Chief Executive for the estimated number of vacant dwellings that exist in Fingal, both public and private?"

7 **Councillor B. Manton - Debating Competition to be Organised and Sponsored by this Council**

"To ask the Chief Executive if a debating competition could be organised and sponsored by this Council for schools in the area,

debating promotes skills in young people that they will never get from a screen and would be excellent for developing skills required in a next generation of politicians?"

8 Councillor D. Healy - European Investment Bank Loan Facility

"To ask the Chief Executive to report on the loan facility which the Council has with the European Investment Bank, (EIB), to list any projects which the Council has considered putting forward for EIB funding and to set out the reasons that no loans have yet been taken out under this facility?"

9 Councillor A. Tormey - Identify Rights of Way - Fingal Development Plan

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the work underway to identify Rights of Way, as committed to in the Fingal Development Plan?"

10 Councillor C. Boland - Farm Sales within the Precinct of a Farm

"To ask the Chief Executive to outline the status of a farmer selling their own produce within the precinct of their farm?"

11 Councillor B. Ryan - Preferred Route of the Fingal Coastal Way

"To ask the Chief Executive whether genuine concerns raised by residents will be given due consideration as the emerging preferred route of the Fingal Coastal Way progresses to the final design and which will become the preferred route to be submitted to An Bord Pleanála for planning permission?"

12 Councillor B. Ryan - National Transport Authority's Cycle Network Plans - Fingal Coastal Way

"To ask the Chief Executive to indicate to what extent she has worked with the Department and/or the National Transport Authority (NTA) in relation to ensuring "cohesion with the NTA's Cycle Network plans" in Fingal wherever the Fingal Coastal Way enters urban areas, as is required under the section on Urban Greenways in the Department's published "Strategy for the Future Development of National and Regional Greenways"?"

13 Councillor J. Humphreys - Commercial Rates for Kiosks in Private Car Parks

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an explanation of the methodology used to calculate commercial rates for companies operating kiosks in private car parks, including the criteria and factors considered in the assessment, any differences from rates applied to other businesses, and the appeals process available for businesses to challenge their assessed rates?"

14 Councillor J. Humphreys - Review of the Citizen Charter

"To ask the Chief Executive, considering it has been 12 years since Fingal County Council last updated its Citizen Charter and in light of the recent Citizens Assembly on Local Government, are there any plans to update the Citizen Charter to reflect current needs and best practices?"

15 Councillor JK Onwumereh - Waste Management Compliant with Fair Competition Practices

"To ask the Chief Executive to confirm if waste management business in the county is compliant with fair competition practices?"

16 Report of Committees

- a Report of Organisation, Procedure and Finance Committee Meeting held on Monday 8th April 2024
- b Report of Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Services B Area Committee Meeting held on Thursday 11th April 2024
- c Report of Howth/Malahide Services B Area Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 1st May 2024
- d Report of Blanchardstown/Mulhuddart/Castleknock-Ongar Services B Area Committee Meeting held on Thursday 2nd May 2024
- e Report of Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area Committee Services B Meeting held on Thursday 9th May 2024

17 Financial Matters

18 Proposed Disposal of Properties

19 Declarations of Roads

- a Blackwood, Ongar, Dublin 15
- b Fairhaven, Castleknock, Dublin 15
- c Barnageeragh Cove, Phase 3, Skerries, Co Dublin

- d The Park, Skerries, Co Dublin
- e Hyde Court, Rush, Co Dublin
- f Lusk Village, Lusk, Co Dublin
- g Thornleigh, Swords, Co Dublin
- 20 **LADP/002/24 Local Authority Development Proposal for 274 no. new Houses, Apartments and Duplexes and associated site development works at Rathbeale Road, Swords. Notice of Intention to undertake development by a Local Authority (Fingal County Council) under Section 179A Of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended)**
- 21 **Part XI/004/24 Notice of Proposed Development Part XI Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended) Part 8 Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) Replacement Public Toilets at Malahide Beach, Malahide, Co. Dublin**
- 22 **Part XI/005/24 Notice of Proposed Development Part XI Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended) Part 8 Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) Replacement Public Toilets at Howth East Pier, Howth, Co. Dublin**
- 23 **Draft Annual Report 2023**
- 24 **Fingal Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) Annual Report 2023**
- 25 **Summer Project Funding Programme for 2024**
- 26 **Flavours of Fingal County Show 2024**
- 27 **Fingal Artists' Support Scheme 2024 for Professional Fingal Artists**
- 28 **Chief Executive's Report**
- 29 **Mayor's Business - Councillor A. Henchy**
 - a **Councillor A. Henchy - St. Patrick's Day Parades - Early Engagement with Disability and Sensory Stakeholders**

"That the Chief Executive pays tribute to the Events Team, and everyone involved in the very successful St. Patrick's Day parades across Fingal, and, in making further progress for next year's St. Patrick's Day parades, to look for early engagement with Disability and Sensory stakeholders to work on making this wonderful national event even better by improving the environment for this very important section of our local

community."

30 Conference Report

- a AILG Elected Member Training Programme Module 2 (In-Person) 21st March 2024 - Southern Region Hotel Kilkenny - "Local Election 2024 Preparation – A Briefing from the Electoral Commission"
- b AILG Elected Member Training Programme Module 2 (In-Person) 23rd March 2024 - Northern & Western & Midlands & Eastern Region Hodson Bay Hotel, Athlone - "Local Election 2024 Preparation – A Briefing from the Electoral Commission"
- c 2024 Buildings Action Coalition Summit 8th -10th April 2024, The Riverside Hotel, Enniscorthy, Co Wexford
- d ICLEI Europe is further recognising the importance of water resilience and the Blue Economy at the upcoming European Urban Resilience Forum (EURESFO) held in ICLEI Member Valencia (Spain) from 26-28 June. It will be one of the conference's main thematic areas of focus, devoting sessions to water-based adaptation solutions, policies and regulations on water resilience, and accelerating the transition to a blue economy

31 Correspondence

- a Letter from Clare County Council dated 24th March 2024 - Extension of Community Employment Schemes until the age of 70 years
- b Letter dated 2nd April 2024 from Westmeath County Council re Support for the Irish Farmers' Association (IFA)
- c Letter from Louth County Council dated 18th April 2024 - Good Friday Agreement - Cross Border Bodies

32 Departmental/Ministerial Correspondence

**MOTIONS
STATUTORY
FUNCTIONS**

33 Councillor A. Tormey - Register of Management Companies

"That the Chief Executive maintain a rolling record of the management companies for the industrial estates, apartment blocks, and housing estates, including their contact information, this can be organised by operational area."

34 Councillor JK Onwumereh - Fingal County Wide Sports Recognition Event

"That the Chief Executive considers implementing a county wide sports recognition event to promote and deepen sports development in Fingal by recognizing the role of volunteers, coaches, clubs, youth motivation programmes as well as private investment in infrastructure development."

35 Councillor E. O'Brien - All-weather Playing Facilities Across Fingal

"That the Chief Executive puts plans in place to address the deficits in all-weather playing facilities across the county, putting specific focus on areas where football, GAA and rugby clubs rely entirely or predominantly on Fingal County Council pitches for playing matches."

36 Councillor A. Donnelly - Dedicated Phone Number to Report Anti-social Behaviour

"That the Chief Executive considers the introduction of a dedicated telephone number for residents who are victims of anti-social behaviour, whether they are council tenants or are being victimised by council tenants, residents finding themselves in this position feel isolated and abandoned and contacting the Council and/or An Garda Síochána can be a very complicated process therefore, a point of contact would be very beneficial to ease the concerns of these residents."

37 Councillor H. Mahony - Accessible Playground Equipment for all Playgrounds constructed from 1st January 2024

"That this Council considers that all playgrounds constructed in Fingal from 1st January 2024 will include a full range of play equipment suitable for children with special needs."

38 Councillor A Lavin - Vacant and Derelict Grants received by this Council in 2023

"That the Chief Executive outline how many applications were received by this Council for the Vacant Property Refurbishment / Derelict Grants in 2023 and outline at what stage they are now at."

39 Councillor C. Boland - The Council's Management of Planning Enforcement Files - daa

"That the Chief Executive provides a comprehensive report on the Council's management of the Planning Enforcement files and related files as they pertain to the operation by daa of their operations in Fingal."

40 Councillor P. Conroy - "Inclusive, Accessible and Equitable Play for All" Play Spaces

"That the Chief Executive outline her plan to retrospectively implement the application of the "Inclusive, Accessible and Equitable Play for All" section of the Space for Play - A Play Policy for Fingal, given that this section states that "central to this policy is the recognition that all children have a fundamental right to play and to enjoy an equitable quality of experience of play, from this understanding stems the guiding principles of best practice that all play spaces within Fingal should be implement".

41 Councillor J. Newman - Autism Friendly Town in Fingal

"That the Chief Executive liaise with the Director of Services of the relevant department to put in place a formal process with the Autism Organisation, AsIAm, to encourage the creation and development of an autism-friendly community in Fingal".

42 Councillor S. Shovlin - Pitch Playability Review

"That the Chief Executive arranges a midweek pitch playability review?"

43 Councillor D. Healy - Planning and Development Act - Non-Build to Rent Developments

"That the Council, pursuant to S.13 (1A) of the Planning and Development Act, for the following reasons (already referred to in the Fingal Development Plan): the need for increased options for members of the public looking to down-size and/or right-size, the establishment of diverse and balanced communities as well as providing opportunities to down-size and to right-size, hereby requests the Chief Executive to prepare a report on the following proposal to initiate a process to consider a variation of the Development Plan:

The insertion in the Development Plan of the following:

3.5.9.4 Apartments not designated as Build to Rent

Policy SPQHP33A

Apartment schemes not designated as Build to Rent may be required

in their planning decision to offer for sale to the public a proportion of units (other than those covered by a Part V agreement), the proportion, up to 100%, to be determined taking into consideration the demand in the area, particularly the demand to purchase an apartment to move to/from a larger dwelling."

44 Councillor J. Walsh - Impact of Noise from the M50 Motorway

"That this Council engages with Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) regarding the severe impact of noise from the M50 on local communities over many years and urges TII to engage constructively with residents and bring forward solutions to address this long-term problem."

45 Councillor K. Power - Wastewater Discharge Licence Application and Representation System

"That the Chief Executive seeks to establish an online Wastewater Discharge Licence application and Representation System, similar to the GIS mapped Planning Application viewer, where applications for Local Authority regulated wastewater discharge licenses, under the Local Government (Water Pollution Acts, 1977 and 1990, Local Government (water pollution) regulations 1978 and 1992, are available for the public to view and make representations/submissions online."

**MOTIONS NON-
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46 Councillor D. Mulligan - Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty

"That this Council formally backs the call for a Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty, and urges the Irish Government to support the initiative for a Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty, if passed, a letter should be sent to all Local Authorities, An Taoiseach, An Tánaiste and the Minister for the Environment."

47 Councillor T. O'Leary - Increase funds for Fingal Sport and Community Facilities via Sports Lotto Fund

"That the Chief Executive write to the Department of Finance and, in particular, to the Minister for Expenditure, Paschal Donohoe, requesting that substantial extra funds be allocated to the National Sports Lotto Fund, noting that the National Development Plan is under review we must plan, fund and put in place new and extra sport

and community facilities for our communities and the projected growing population in Fingal and Ireland.”

48 Councillor P. Mulville - Primary Care Centres in this Council's Administrative Area

“That the Chief Executive report on the number of Primary Care Centres in this Council's administrative area, the location of each, and the current position regarding discussions between this Council and the Health Service Executive (HSE) regarding the locations for new Primary Care Centres, including where the Council is working with the HSE to either identify and / or provide sites for same, in the context of the Development Plans and Local Area Plans.”

49 Councillor A. Graves - Increase resources and Funding for the operation of the Tenant in-Situ funding Scheme

“That this Council calls on the Departments of Housing, Finance and Public Expenditure to increase resources and funding for the operation of the Tenant in-Situ (TIS) purchase scheme by at least 400%, Council officials claim that the TIS scheme is working, but tenants and landlords report long delays and poor communications, about 200 properties have been brought to the closing stages of the process, but there are over 6000 people on this Council's housing waiting lists, so much more is needed if this Scheme is to be anything more than a sticking plaster.”

50 Councillor S. O'Reilly - Legislation regarding Household Waste Collection

“That this Council request that legislation to be brought in for Fingal Council to control the market for household waste collection, to introduce competitive tendering or provide the collection itself.”
