

**Comhairle Contae Fhine Gall
Fingal County Council**

Minutes of the County Council Meeting held on Monday, 8th September, 2025 in the Council Chamber - County Hall, Swords, at 5.00 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors:

Boland, Cathal
Boland, Mark
Burtchaell, John
Butler, Darragh
Carbone-Mangan, Eimear
Dennison, Kieran
Dockrell, Eoghan
Donnelly, Angela
Guerin, Jimmy
Hanaphy, Breda
Haughey, Cathal
Healy, David
Hopkins, Joan
Humphreys, James
Johnston, Corina
Kelly Darren Jack
Kitt, Tom
Leddy, Ted
Maguire, Grainne

Councillors:

McCamley, Mary
Mulligan, Dean
Mulville, Paul
Murphy, Tony
Newman, Joe
O'Brien, Eoghan
O'Leary, Tom
Onwumereh, JK
Quinlan, Patrick
Quinn, Malachy
Redwood, Helen
Sheehan, Gerard
Shovlin, Siobhan
Smyth, John
Tormey, Aoibhinn
Troy, Ellen
Walsh, John

Apologies for inability to attend were received for Councillor Luke Corkery, Councillor Tania Doyle, Councillor Brendan Ryan.

The Mayor, Councillor Tom O'Leary presided.

OFFICIALS PRESENT

AnnMarie Farrelly (Chief Executive); Oliver Hunt (Head of Finance); David Storey (Director of Services/Environment, Climate Action, Active Travel & Sports); Matthew McAleese (Director of Services /Planning and Strategic Infrastructure);

Paul Carroll (Director of Services /Housing Services and Community Development); Mary Egan (Director of Services/People, Corporate & Digital Services); John Quinlivan (Director of Services/Economic, Enterprise, Tourism and Cultural Development); Ciara O hAodha (Senior Executive Officer); Vanessa Carey (Senior Executive Officer); Naomi Weir (Senior Executive Officer).

F/346/25 (Agenda Item No)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor, Councillor T. O'Leary, at the start of the meeting, reminded Members that Standing Orders would apply to all aspects of the meeting.

The Mayor, Councillor T. O'Leary, informed the Members an emergency motion had been received and was ruled out of order.

F/347/25 (Agenda Item No 1)

Confirmation and Re-Affirmation of Minutes of Council Meeting held on Monday 7th July 2025

Minutes of the County Council Meeting held on Monday 7th July 2025 which had been circulated were considered.

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor T. O'Leary, seconded by Councillor K. Dennison and **RESOLVED** –

“That the minutes of the County Council Meeting held on Monday 7th July 2025 be **ADOPTED.**”

F/348/25 (Agenda Item No 2)

Nominations

a Appointment of two Members to the Regional Health Forum Dublin North East

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

It was proposed by Councillor M. Quinn, seconded by Councillor A. Donnelly and **AGREED:**

"That Councillor John Smyth be appointed to the Regional Health Forum Dublin North East."

It was then proposed by Councillor E. Troy, seconded by Councillor G. Sheehan and **AGREED:**

"That Councillor Ellen Troy be appointed to the Regional Health Forum Dublin North East."

F/349/25 (Agenda Item No)

QUESTIONS

It was proposed by Councillor T. O'Leary, seconded by Councillor J. Guerin and **RESOLVED:**

"That in accordance with Standing Order No. 51, Questions numbered 3 to 17 be **ADOPTED.**"

F/350/25 (Agenda Item No 3)

Councillor P. Mulville - School Streets Initiative

F/351/25 (Agenda Item No 4)

Councillor P. Quinlan - Social Housing Applicants

F/352/25 (Agenda Item No 5)

Councillor M. Quinn - Housing Adaptation Grants

F/353/25 (Agenda Item No 6)

Councillor C. Haughey - Revenue from Parking Charges

F/354/25 (Agenda Item No 7)

Councillor G. Sheehan - Housing List Numbers

F/355/25 (Agenda Item No 8)

Councillor E. Troy - Funding Increase for Dog Wardens in Fingal Area

F/356/25 (Agenda Item No 9)

Councillor J. Smyth - Naming and Commemorative Memorial Committee Update

F/357/25 (Agenda Item No 10)

Councillor J. Hopkins - Supports to increase Childcare places across Fingal

- F/358/25** (Agenda Item No 11)
Councillor J. Hopkins - Childcare Facilities
- F/359/25** (Agenda Item No 12)
Councillor E. Dockrell - Taken-in-Charge Applications
- F/360/25** (Agenda Item No 13)
Councillor E. Dockrell - Derelict Sites Register
- F/361/25** (Agenda Item No 14)
Councillor C. Johnston - Fingal Coastal Way
- F/362/25** (Agenda Item No 15)
Councillor C. Johnston - Electric Vehicle Charging Points
- F/363/25** (Agenda Item No 16)
Councillor B. Ryan - Appeals / Complaints System
- F/364/25** (Agenda Item No 17)
Councillor J. Humphreys - Tenant-in-Situ
- F/365/25** (Agenda Item No 18)
Report of Committees

a **Report of Corporate Policy Group (CPG) Committee Meeting held on Monday 1st September 2025**

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor K. Dennison, seconded by Councillor E. O'Brien, and **RESOLVED**:

"That the recommendations contained in the report of Committee of Corporate Policy Group (CPG) Meeting held on Monday 1st September 2025, are hereby **ADOPTED**."

b **Report of Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar Services B Area Committee Meeting held on Thursday 4th September 2025**

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor S. Shovlin, seconded by Councillor T. Kitt, and **RESOLVED**:

"That the recommendations contained in the report of Committee of Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar Services (B) Meeting held on Thursday 4th September 2025, are hereby **ADOPTED**."

F/366/25 (Agenda Item No 19)

Financial Matters

It was noted there was no business on this item.

F/367/25 (Agenda Item No 20)

Proposed Disposal of Properties

a Notice of Proposed Disposal of land and grant of wayleave at Baldoye Racecourse Park, Baldoye, Co. Dublin to ESB Networks

The attached report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor E. O'Brien and seconded by Councillor E. Carbone-Mangan and **RESOLVED**:

"That land and grant of wayleave at Baldoye Racecourse Park, Baldoye, Co. Dublin, as referred to in the Notice under S183 of the Local Government Act 2001 as amended and dated 27th August 2025, be disposed of to ESB Networks in accordance with the terms specified therein."

b Notice of Proposed Disposal of land and grant of wayleave at Corduff Community Resource Centre, Blackcourt Road, Corduff, Dublin 15 to ESB Networks

The attached report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor B. Hanaphy and seconded by Councillor M. McCamley and **RESOLVED**:

"That land and grant of wayleave at Corduff Community Resource Centre, Blackcourt Road, Corduff, Dublin 15 as referred to in the Notice under S183 of

the Local Government Act 2001 as amended and dated 27th August 2025, be disposed of to ESB Networks in accordance with the terms specified therein.”

F/368/25 (Agenda Item No 21)

Declarations of Roads

a Dunsoghly Way, Finglas, Dublin 11

The report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor M. McCamley, seconded by Councillor JK. Onwumereh, and **RESOLVED**:

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

b Hansfield Phase 2, Phibblestown, Dublin 15

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

The following amendment, in the name of Councillor C. Boland was proposed by Councillor C. Boland and seconded by Councillor M. Quinn:

“That the number 55 be amended to read 53 which on adoption the amended will then read “Avondale Court Length 53m Description from the junction Parnell Drive, heading West for 53m to cul-de-sac. Total Length:53m”

Following discussions, the amendment was **NOT AGREED**.

It was proposed by Councillor K. Dennison, seconded by Councillor T. Kitt, and **RESOLVED**:

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

c Avondale Park, Mulhuddart, Dublin 15

The report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor K. Dennison, seconded by Councillor M. McCamley, and **RESOLVED**:

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

d Avondale Court, Mulhuddart, Dublin 15

The report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor M. McCamley, seconded by Councillor JK. Onwumereh, and **RESOLVED**:

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

e Balroy Hall, 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 E. Carbone-Mangan, and **RESOLVED**:

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

F/369/25 (Agenda Item No 22)

Presidential Election - Special Meeting

The report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. A presentation was given to the Members by Mary Egan, Director of People, Corporate and Digital Services.

Following discussions, the Mayor instructed that a roll call vote be taken for the Special Meeting on Friday the 12th September 2025 to be held hybrid, and on a division the voting resulted as follows:

FOR: 28 TWENTY EIGHT
AGAINST: 5 FIVE

ABSTAIN: 3 THREE

FOR: Councillors Cathal Boland, Mark Boland, John Burtchaell, Darragh Butler, Eimear Carbone-Mangan, Kieran Dennison, Eoghan Dockrell, Angela Donnelly, Breda Hanaphy, Cathal Haughey, David Healy, Joan Hopkins, James Humphreys, Corina Johnston, Tom Kitt, Ted Leddy, Mary McCamley, Dean Mulligan, Paul Mulville, Eoghan O'Brien, Tom O'Leary, JK Onwumereh, Malachy Quinn, Helen Redwood, Siobhan Shovlin, John Smyth, Aoibhinn Tormey, John Walsh.

AGAINST: Councillors Jimmy Guerin, Joe Newman, Patrick Quinlan, Gerard Sheehan, Ellen Troy.

ABSTAIN: Councillors Darren Jack Kelly, Grainne Maguire, Tony Murphy.

The Mayor **DECLARED** the vote **PASSED**.

F/370/25 (Agenda Item No 23)

Fingal Age Friendly Strategy 2026 – 2030

The report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. A presentation was given to the Members by Naomi Weir, Senior Executive Officer, Community Section.

It was proposed by Councillor J. Guerin, seconded by Councillor DJ. Kelly and **RESOLVED:**

"That the Fingal Age Friendly Strategy 2026 – 2030 as set out in the foregoing report is hereby **APPROVED**."

F/371/25 (Agenda Item No 24)

Chief Executive's Report

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED**. Following discussion, the Chief Executive's report was **NOTED**.

F/372/25 (Agenda Item No 25)

Mayor's Business - Councillor T. O'Leary

a Civic Reception Dublin Ladies GAA Football Team

The motion, in the name of Councillor T. O'Leary was proposed by Councillor J. Walsh and seconded by Councillor T. Kitt.

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

F/373/25 (Agenda Item No 26)

Conference Report

a AILG Specialised Training Workshop for Strategic Policy Committee (SPC) Chairs Tuesday 2nd September 2025, The Midlands Park Hotel, Portlaoise

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

b AILG - Autumn Training Seminar 2025, 17th and 18th September 2025 - Westport Woods Hotel, Quay Road, Westport Demesne, Westport, Co. Mayo

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

c AILG - 2025 Training Programme - September to December 2025

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

d AILG / Maynooth University Level 8 Programme - The Planning System in Ireland - An Introduction to Planning Policy and Practice for Elected Member - Deadline Date - 15th October 2025

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

F/374/25 (Agenda Item No 27)

Correspondence

a Letter dated 1st July 2025 from Waterford City & County Council Re - Central Bank - Israeli Bonds

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

- b Letter dated 14th July 2025 from Wexford County Council Re - Section 12 of Residential Tenancy Act 2004**

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

- c Letter dated 15th July 2025 from Clare County Council Re - Defective Concrete Block Scheme**

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

- d Letter dated 15th July 2025 from Waterford City & County Council Re - Carers Allowance and Benefit Reform**

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

- e Letter dated 22nd July 2025 from Galway County Council to the Minister of Health Re - Announcement of HSE to downgrade Portiuncula Hospital**

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

- f Letter dated 22nd July 2025 from Galway County Council to the Chief Executive's Office, HSE Re - Announcement of HSE to downgrade Portiuncula Hospital**

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

- g Letter dated 8th August 2025 from Galway City Council Re - Safeguarding of the Triple Lock**

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

- h Letter dated 12th August 2025 from Tipperary County Council Re - Publication of Regulations of Renewable Energy**

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

- i Letter dated 14th August 2025 from Donegal County Council Re - National Affordable Housing Scheme**

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

j Letter dated 14th August 2025 from Donegal County Council Re - Socio Economic Status & Equality Legislation

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

k Letter dated 14th August 2025 from Offaly County Council Re - Tenant Purchase Scheme

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

**F/375/25 (Agenda Item No 28)
Departmental/Ministerial Correspondence**

a Email dated 15th July 2025 from Minister of Housing Re Motion from Sinn Féin Councillors - Tenant in-Situ March Council Meeting 2025

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

b Letter dated 11th August 2025 from the Department of Housing to the Mayor of Fingal Re National Planning Framework Zoning

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

MOTIONS - STATUTORY FUNCTIONS

**F/376/25 (Agenda Item No 29)
Councillor A. Donnelly - Medical Priority Process - Housing Support**

The motion, in the name of Councillor A. Donnelly was proposed by Councillor A. Donnelly and seconded by Councillor B. Hanaphy.

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

**F/377/25 (Agenda Item No 30)
Councillor E. O'Brien - Delivery of state-of-the-art Sports Complex at the Ballymastone Development**

The motion, in the name of Councillor E. O'Brien was proposed by Councillor E. O'Brien and seconded by Councillor E. Carbone-Mangan.

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

F/378/25 (Agenda Item No 31)
Councillor B. Ryan - Dishing of Public Footpaths

It was **AGREED** to defer this item to the next meeting.

F/379/25 (Agenda Item No 32)
Councillor J. Burtchaell - Short-term letting Enforcement

It was **AGREED** by the members to extend the meeting to conclude Item 32.

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

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

F/380/25 (Agenda Item No 42)
Councillor M. Quinn - Provision of a Fire Officer within the Fingal Area

The motion, in the name of Councillor M. Quinn was proposed by Councillor M. Quinn and seconded by Councillor J. Smyth.

The report was **ACCEPTED**.

F/381/25 (Agenda Item No 44)
Councillor J. Walsh - Provision of Free Sunscreen Dispensers

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

The report was **ACCEPTED**.

The Meeting concluded at 20.03.

MAYOR _____

DATE _____

