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To: The Cathaoirleach and Each Member of Roscommon County Council

Date: Wednesday, 20 September 2017

Re: Notice of Monthly Meeting

Dear Member,

Notice is hereby given that the Monthly Meeting of Roscommon County Council will be held in the Council Chamber - Áras an Chontae on Monday, 25th September, 2017 at 2.15 pm to discuss the agenda set out below.

The Register of Chief Executive Orders will be available for inspection at the meeting.

You are hereby requested to attend.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Patricia Bohan'.

Patricia Bohan
Meetings Administrator

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AGENDA

1. Adoption of Minutes
 - Monthly Plenary Meeting of 25.07.2017
2. Matters Arising
3. Management Report
 - July 2017
 - August 2017

4. Disposal of Lands - Community & Enterprise
 - 0.1984 ha. at Ballyboughan Industrial Estate, Ballyboughan Townland, Roscommon
5. Lease of Lands - Assets and Energy Management
 - Part of Ballaghaderreen Courthouse
6. Update on Emergency Response Orientation Centre, Ballaghaderreen
7. Local Property Tax Adjustment Factor 2018 and Budget Process 2018
8. Budget Process 2018
9. Overdraft Approval 2018
10. Approval of Making of Loan pursuant to Section 6 of Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1992
11. Appointment of New Sectoral Representative to Housing and Corporate SPC
 - Vacancy following resignation of Gail Murray (Social Inclusion Pillar)
12. Appointment of New Sectoral Representative to Environment and Emergency SPC
 - Vacancy as result of resignation of Ms. Teresa Keegan (Environmental/Conservation Pillar)
13. Appointment of New Member to Standing Orders Committee
 - Vacancy as result of resignation of Cllr. Rachel Doherty.
14. Roscommon Mental Health Services Report
15. Completion of Revaluation of Roscommon County Council Rating Authority Area
16. Correspondence
17. Notice of Motion
 - Notice of Motion from Councillor Ward - 14/17
 - Notice of Motion from Councillor Leyden - 15/17
 - Notice of Motion from Councillor Connaughton - 16/17
 - Notice of Motion from Councillor Kilduff - 17/17
18. Councillors Conferences - Payment/Attendance
19. Votes of Congratulations and Sympathy
20. Any Other Business

Agenda Item 1

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NOTICE OF MOTION – SEPT 2017

14.17. Change System of Home Help Hours

Notice of Motion from Councillor Ward - 14/17

“I am calling on the Minister for Health Mr. Simon Harris TD, the Government and the HSE to change the present system of putting people on waiting list for a number of months for home help hours after they have been assessed and approved by the HSE. I am also calling for increase home help hours from two and quarter hours per week to seven hours per week.”

REPLY:

This motion requires a resolution of the Council.

15.17. Home Care Support Scheme

Notice of Motion from Councillor Leyden - 15/17

“That Roscommon County Council support increased home help hours and home care packages through the Home Care Support Scheme to be made available in County Roscommon.”

REPLY:

This motion requires a resolution of the Council.

16.17. Verge Trimming

Notice of Motion from Councillor Connaughton - 16/17

“That Roscommon County Council provide sufficient funding from 2018 to ensure all roadsides in the county are trimmed annually (including hedging) in the interest of safety to the public. The option of full privatisation to a large number of contractors should be considered as the current number of outdoor staff is not sufficient to carry out the proposed increased workload.”

REPLY:

Landowners are responsible for the cutting, trimming and maintenance of roadside trees and hedges which are a hazard or potential hazard to road users or interfere with the maintenance of the road. A public road means from fence to fence and includes grass margins. It is the policy of the Council to carry out hedge trimming where it is required to facilitate road works or safety works only.

The Council also carries out verge trimming. This operation is targeted at the most heavily trafficked roads and at junctions where sight distance is impeded by vegetation. Each Municipal District Engineer examines the budgets and local situation and takes whatever action considered necessary within the resources available. The trimming of verges is done during the spring and summer months. It will not be possible, having regard to the

resources available, to carry out this work on all local roads. Priority will be given to locations where sight distances are restricted by vegetation.

Hedge and verge cutting operations in the county are partially privatised. The service is carried out through the hire of machinery and driver or the hire of machinery with a Council driver. The funding of hedge and verge trimming is financed from road maintenance allocations which are not adequate to meet all maintenance requirements. These limited allocations also fund pothole repairs, drainage etc.

17.17. An Garda Síochána Recruitment Process

Notice of Motion from Councillor Kilduff - 17/17

In light of technological developments and indeed the widespread use of social media both of which are extensively used and sometimes abused Roscommon County Council calls on the Minister for Justice to develop robust screening and selection processes for recruitment and graduation to An Garda Síochána in order to ensure that only individuals with the right character, integrity and moral compass are allowed to enter the force.”

REPLY

This motion requires a resolution of the Council.

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