

South Tipperary County Council

Comhairle Contae Thiobrad Arann Theas
Aras an Chontae, Cluain Meala.
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Don Cathaoirleach Agus
Gach Ball den Comhairle

8th December, 2010.

A Chara,

You are hereby requested to attend the Monthly Meeting of South Tipperary County Council to be held at **11 a.m.** in the Council Chamber, Aras an Chontae, Clonmel, on **Monday 13th December, 2010.**

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J. O'Mahoney

Meetings Administrator

AGENDA

1. Minutes of Council Meeting of 1st November, 2010
2. Conferences and Seminars – reports attached.
2. Section 183 Notice
Disposal of Land –
 - (a) Disposal of .2055 hectares at Knockcommene, Kilbehenny, Co. Limerick to Breda Barry.
 - (b) Lease of Industrial Units at Drangan
3. Finance – Approval to authorised signatories
4. Cahir Local Area Plan (report attached)

5. Limerick Junction District Service Enhancement Scheme (report attached)
6. Holycross Local Area Plan 2006 – deferral of notice (report attached)
7. County Development Board update
8. (a) Fix date for January Meeting
(b) Fix date for Joint Policing Committee Meeting
9. County Manager's Orders for the month of November (attached)

Notices of Motion

10. **Cllr. John Fahey**
 "That this Council provide a pedestrian crossing at Bailey Street, Killenaule so that the students from Scoil Ruain and St. Mary's Central school can cross the road safely".
 13/11/10
11. **Cllr. John Fahey**
 "That this Council provide a pedestrian crossing from the hall to St. Anne's Terrace, Gortnahoe".
 13/11/10
12. **Cllr. Darren Ryan**
 "That this Council writes to the Minister for Education & Skills and Minister for Health & Children requesting them to direct their Departments to reinstate the partnership that existed between our secondary schools and Community Based Drugs Initiative Programmes in delivering information classes on substance misuse to pupils"
 14/11/10
13. **Cllr. Liam Ahearn, Cllr. Marie Murphy, Cllr. Seamus Healy, Cllr. Pat English**
 "South Tipperary County Council calls on the Government to recognize the unique and vital role of the postal service in Ireland, particularly rural Ireland, as a means of communication, as a vital economic tool and as an intrinsic part of the fabric of the community.
 Our postal service has a social value and an economic value; these must be properly protected as the Government drafts legislation to open the postal market to full competition. Postmen and women provide an important public service and also function as an integral part of the social fabric of their community, particularly for the elderly and the isolated citizens whose only human contact might be their post

person. Furthermore An Post's extensive delivery and collection network, is an intrinsic part of the economic and business infrastructure of the country. Reaching every corner of the country and by delivering to every front door An Post is an essential partner in business from a marketing, payment collection and business generation point of view.

As Ireland prepares to liberalise its postal market it is essential that the Government acknowledges this important public service, ensures that the Universal Service Obligation is protected by legislation and does not allow the opening of the market to lead to wide spread job losses, social dumping and an erosion in service levels as has happened in other countries who have already opened their postal market to competition. 15/11/10

14. **Cllr. Seamus Healy**
"That speed ramps/traffic calming measures be provided in the village of Faugheen, Carrick on Suir". 16/11/10
15. **Cllr. Pat English**
"That South Tipperary County Council ensures that the footpaths at the Frank Drohan Road are cleared of leaf during this time of year and they are in a dangerous condition for pedestrian users". 18/11/10
16. **Cllr. Pat English**
"That South Tipperary County Council provides a footpath from the Council Lay-by to Glenbawn, Knocklofty, Clonmel". 18/11/10
17. **Cllr. Joe Brennan**
"That South Tipperary carry out drainage works to alleviate the flooding of the lands of Mr. Peter Lyons, Breanormore, Grangemockler, Carrick on Suir as the current flooding is causing the Lyons family hardship". 25/11/10
18. **Cllr. Joe Brennan**
"That South Tipperary County Council carry out surfacing and drainage works on the road from South Lodge to Breanormore to help prevent the flow of water onto the N76 at South Lodge and improve the road surface". 25/11/10
19. **Cllr. Joe Brennan**
"South Tipperary County Council writes to An Post requesting that measures are put in place at Carrick on Suir post office for people to queue indoors and not out on the footpath".

25/11/10

20. **Cllr. Marie Murphy**
"That in the interests of health and safety, additional public lighting be provided at Skeheenarinky". 25/11/10
21. **Cllr. Marie Murphy**
"That this Council makes improvements to bend between Walsh's and McCarthy's at Ballyboy, Clogheen (Road No. 7417) in the interest of road safety. There has been a number of accidents at this location". 25/11/10
22. **Cllr. Pat English**
"That South Tipperary County Council ensures that the road in Castleview Estate, Ardfinnan is resurfaced and the potholes filled and made good". 25/11/10
23. **Cllr. John Fahey**
"That in view of the recent European Court of Auditors report on the international sugar industry, this Council calls on the Government to consider measures which would result in Ireland reacquiring its sugar beet production quota and encourage the re-establishment of the sugar processing industry in Ireland and further that this Council would facilitate a meeting of interested parties with a view to progressing any proposal in this regard". 25/11/10
24. **Cllr. Seanie Lonergan**
"That the Ardfinnan Road from Cahir to Rochestown be surface dressed and also the Goatenbridge Road from St. Finnans Avenue be taken in hand as a matter of urgency". 25/11/10
25. **Cllr. Tom Acheson**
"In the interest of traffic safety that South Tipperary County Council would take immediate action to prevent the flooding that occurs on the main Clonmel to Fethard road at Caherclough". 25/11/10
26. **Correspondence**
(a) Letter dated 26th October, 2010 from Minister for Lifelong Learning, Seán Haughey TD in relation to children with special needs resident in South Tipperary.
(b) Letter dated 3rd November, 2010 from Interim National Care Group Lead – Disability Services regarding funding to Disability Service Providers

- (c) Reply dated 17th November, 2010, from Mary Coughlan T.D., Tanaiste and Minister for Education and Skills regarding the amalgamation of the V.E.C.'s.
- (d) Reply dated 17th November, 2010, from IVEA regarding the amalgamation of the V.E.C.'s.
- (e) Reply dated 17th November, 2010, from South Tipperary Health Service Executive regarding Home Help Services in South Tipperary.
- (f) Thank you letter dated 24th November, 2010, from John Watson in relation to vote of sympathy passed on the death of his late mother.
- (g) Letter dated 25th November, 2010, from Meetings Administrator, North Tipperary County Council re. Joint Policing Committees.

27. **Resolutions from other Local Authorities**

Clonmel Borough Council

"Clonmel Borough Council call on the Minister for Environment, Heritage and Local Government, the Minister for Enterprise Trade and Innovation and the Minister for Finance to provide funding to Local Authorities to allow them to administer a waiver scheme for commercial rate payers genuinely struggling to make rates payments. That this motion be circulated to all other Local Authorities requesting their support for the motion".

Monaghan Town Council

"That this Council calls on the Government to increase fuel allowance".

Offaly County Council

"That this Council write to the Minister for Health and the Minister for Finance requesting the implementation of a new scheme for Medical Cards for people who are diagnosed with cancer. Upon written diagnosis by a Consultant, a person should automatically receive a full medical card for a minimum one year period or such time as treatment is completed and should not be subjected to means assessment. The motion was amended to include the following: "That action should be taken to streamline the processing and issuing of medical cards".

Offaly County Council

"That this Council write to the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government requesting the introduction of a rain water harvesting grants scheme for Domestic, Commercial and Agricultural Users in the upcoming Budget".

Carrick-on-Suir Town Council

"That Carrick on Suir Town Council would request a review of the powers of HIQA (Health Information and Quality Authority) in the ability of its inspectorate team to decide the appropriate/inappropriate care needs of people requiring care in nursing homes and other residential settings and the fact that there is no place in current nursing home legislation to the right of redress by care providers following publication of their findings".

Donegal County Council

"That this Council calls-

- (a) Upon the Government and HSE –
 - (1) To make Alzheimer's and other forms of Dementia a National Health Priority;
 - (2) To meet the growing needs of families affected by dementia by advancing the Action Plan for Dementia in a manner consistent with the Dementia Manifesto 2007-09 published by the Alzheimer's Society of Ireland, until a more permanent Strategy can be determined;

and

- (b) Upon other local authorities and groups representing civil society in Donegal and nationwide to add their support to this call"

Donegal County Council

"That Donegal County Council opposes the Government's introduction of a Public Service Obligation (PSO) levy on electricity bills that will increase the cost of electricity to householders and businesses by an average of 5%.

New Ross Town Council

"Mindful of the recent report of the Radiological Protection Institute and aware that New Ross is designated a "High Radon Area" this Council calls on the Minister for the Environment to implement a scheme of free Radon tests in areas of high risk – as recommended by the RPI – and that a grant system for remediation works be likewise put in place".

Waterford City Council

"That this Council, recognising that,

- The National Minimum Wage is an important instrument designed to prevent worker exploitation

- Low paid workers and those on the minimum wage are struggling to get by and cannot afford to take any reduction in their incomes
 - Any reduction in the minimum wage or the incomes of low paid workers would force more families to rely on supplementary welfare assistance from the state
 - Economic recovery will not be achieved by driving down wages or by becoming a low wage economy
- Opposes any reduction in the National Minimum Wage.

Dublin City Council

“This Council calls on the Oireachtas to introduce regulations on the “Cash for Gold” business. This transaction enterprise is prolific throughout Ireland and is not regulated which leaves the business open to be used as a legal way of disposing of stolen goods. The lack of regulation on Cash for Gold shops could possible lead to an increase in theft of jewellery from persons and homes”.

Monaghan Town Council

“That this Council calls on the Government to address the plight of the self-employed, who now find themselves unemployed, to access welfare assistance more speedily”.

28. Any other business incidental to the meeting, arising with the permission of the Cathaoirleach.