

## South Tipperary County Council

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

**7th April, 2010**

A Chara,

You are hereby requested to attend the Monthly Meeting of South Tipperary County Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Aras an Chontae, Clonmel, on **Monday 12th April, 2010 at 12 Noon**

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***J. O'Mahoney***

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**Meetings Administrator**

### **AGENDA**

1. (a) Minutes - Council Meeting 1st March, 2010.  
(b) Minutes – North and South Tipperary Joint Meeting 9<sup>th</sup> March 2010  
(c) Minutes – Budget Meeting 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2009
2. Conferences/Seminars – reports available
3. Presentation by SERA on Regional Planning Guidelines (Dominic Walsh, SERA) - 12.30pm
4. (a) Taking in Charge of Knocklofty Road, Marlfield, Clonmel  
(b) Taking in Charge of Nash Place & Mullaney Gardens, Cashel Road, Cahir, Co. Tipperary  
(c) Taking in Charge of Slievenamon Close Housing Estate, Killenaule Road, Fethard, Co. Tipperary

- (d) Taking in Charge of Ashlawn Housing Estate, Ballyclerihan, Clonmel
  - (e) Taking in charge of Highfield Housing Estate, Killenaule Road, Fethard
5. Extinguishment of Right of Way over Level Crossing XC128, Bishopswood, Dundrum
  6. Draft Corporate Plan 2010-2014 (copy attached)
  7. Housing Adaptation Grant Schemes – Capital Allocation 2010 - - (report attached)
  8. Environment Campaign 2010 – report attached.
  9. South East River Basin District Management Plans for
    - (a) South Eastern River Basin Management Plan;
    - (b) South Western River Basin Management Plan;
    - (c) Shannon International River Basin Management Plan. (already circulated)
  10. Nomination to Physical, Economic & Planning S.P.C. – Ger Kennedy, SIPTU, Connolly Hall, Churchwell, Tipperary Town
  11. Fix date for May Meeting.
  12. County Manager’s Orders for the Month of March

**Notices of Motion**

13. Cllr. Darren Ryan  
 “That this Council writes to HSE Local Management & Minister for Health asking them to retain the position of the Senior Community Development Worker in South Tipperary Community Care. The removal of this worker will be detrimental to the community life of South Tipperary”.  
 4/3/2010
14. Cllr T. Wood  
 “That in view of the dreadful litter situation throughout the County, this Council would instigate a co-ordinated effort to tackle the plight clearly depicted recently in a letter received from a concerned citizen re Cashel/Boherlahan road when she wrote “What shocked me most of all was the wide variety of litter – large whiskey and vodka bottles, milk cartons, orange, coke, lemonade and cidona plastic bottles, red bull, Heineken, Budweiser, Guinness and fanta tins; paper coffee and tea

cups, take-away food cartons, tayto bags and numerous items of plastic. Occasionally bags of waste are thrown on the grass margins." 25/3/2010

15. Cllrs Darren Ryan, Tom Acheson, Siobhan Ambrose, Seamus Healy, Pat English, Richie Molloy, Michael Murphy  
"To call on the County Manager to make funding available for the installation of a footpath in Grange, from the Church to Grange NS, to allow the public to access the school safely, this in the interest of public safety." 25/3/2010

16. Councillor Catherine McLoughlin  
"That this Council make affordable sites or small units available to persons who wish to start their own business. People are restricted by the County Development Plan from setting up in the countryside or adjacent to their own homes. The rents of customised units in the towns are too high for people with limited capital. Immediate action is necessary to get people back to work." 26/03/10

17. **Correspondence**

- (a) Reply dated 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2010, from Mr. Batt O'Keeffe, TD, Minister for Education and Science regarding special needs assistants.  
(b) Acknowledgement dated 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2010, from Office of the Minister for Environment, Heritage and Local Government, regarding Head Shops.  
(c) Acknowledgement dated 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2010, from Office of the Minister for Environment, Heritage and Local Government, regarding staff embargo.  
(d) Letter dated 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2010, from General Secretary, I.V.E.A. re. V.E.C.

18. **Resolutions for other Local Authorities**

**Waterford City Council**

This Council notes:

- The proliferation of 'Head Shops' across the state and their availability locally
- The concern of parents, health professionals and drug awareness workers about the availability and the chemical composition of the products on sale
- The dishonest way products for sale in these shops are marketed and sold and calls for:

- Urgent Government intervention to provide a regulatory framework for this industry
- EU and National legislation to deal with the marketing, advertising and packaging of products in this area
- Increased funding for community based drug education programmes.

#### **Kilrush Town Council**

"That this Council would write to all councils to protest against water rate charges".

#### **Donegal County Council**

"That Donegal County Council discuss the need to reduce or indeed abolish water charges on community, voluntary and churches in this County".

#### **Kildare County Council**

"This Council calls on the Government to abandon the policy of leasing houses for social housing rather than buying them and that where the Council is buying a number of homes in a development that they be scattered randomly throughout the development rather than clustered together".

#### **Sligo Borough Council**

"That Sligo Borough Council calls on the Minister for Finance Brian Lenihan to introduce a NAMA Style Scheme for the 44,000 plus households facing serious arrears in meeting their mortgage payments. This scheme to include a provision for writing off or for giving borrowers a slice of their home loans, to bring them more in line with current market values of their homes. This motion to be circulated to all Local Authorities".

#### **Sligo Borough Council**

"That Sligo Borough Council support the measures contained in the proposals forwarded to the Minister for Finance Mr. Brian Lenihan in August 2009 to prevent any unwarranted repossessions of family homes in the state by Financial Institutions. It is important that legislative changes are made as soon as possible in advance of the full impact of the decline in the Irish Economy on individual family homeowners and mortgagees".

#### **Tipperary Town Council**

"That this Council write to the Minister for Health calling on her to instruct the H.S.E. not to proceed with the downgrading and possible closure of South Tipperary General Hospital as

this decision will have a huge effect on people's health and peace of mind in the County of Tipperary".

**Clonmel Borough Council**

"This Council calls on the Minister for Education and Science to immediately reverse the shocking decision to reduce the number of "Special Needs Assistants" providing an invaluable service to children in our Education System, and furthermore that this motion be forwarded to all other Local Authorities".

**Clonmel Borough Council**

"That Clonmel Borough Council requests the Minister for Justice, Equality and Law Reform to introduce legislation to ban or control the sale of dangerous subsistence from Head Shops throughout the 26 Counties. New laws are urgently needed to cover the sale of dangerous substances from Head Shops".

**Clonmel Borough Council**

"That Clonmel Borough Council requests the Minister for Health and Children, Mary Harney T.D. to reverse the HSE decision to centralise all Medical Card processing to the PCRS Offices in Dublin. This proposed transfer will result in a total meltdown of medical card processing and will restrict the number of medical cards issued".

**Balbriggan Town Council**

"Balbriggan Town Council call on the Minister for Education not to cut back on the number of Special Needs Assistants in our Schools".

**Galway County Council**

"That Galway County Council call on the relevant Ministers, Agencies, including the Department of Social Welfare; Department of Environment, heritage & Local Government; department of Enterprise, Trade & Employment; Local Authorities and Fás to initiate schemes that would give young unemployed men and women in this state meaningful work where they could improve their skills for future employment".

19. Any other business incidental to the Meeting arising with the permission of the Cathaoirleach.