CAVAN COUNTY COUNCIL

Courthouse

Cavan

5 February 2019

**To / Cathaoirleach and Each Member of the Council**

Dear Councillor,

The monthly meeting of Cavan County Council will be held in **the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Cavan on Monday 11 February 2019 at 2pm.**

Agenda is given hereunder.

Yours sincerely,

**L. McGavigan,**

**Senior Executive Officer**

**A G E N D A – CLÁR**

1. **Confirmation of Minutes**

To confirm Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 14 January 2019.

2. **Disclosure of Interests** *(Section 177 Local Government Act 2001*).

**Note Minutes of Committee Meetings**

3. To note Minutes of Corporate Policy Group meeting held on 6 December 2018.

**Note Members’ Reports from Conferences / Training events**

 4. To note members’ reports from conferences and training events *(Section 142 and Section 143 of the Local Government Act 2001; Local Government (Expenses of Local Authority Members) Regulations 2014 Part V Section 5 (1)).*

**Correspondence**

5.(a)To note reply from Department of Rural and Community Development

regarding rural Ireland.

 (b)To note reply from Department of Transport, Tourism & Sport regarding

proposed traffic legislation.

 (c) To note reply from National Transport Authority regarding public transport in East Cavan.

6. To approve attendance of members at the following:

(a) AILG Annual Conference to be held in the Longford Arms Hotel on 21-22 February.

(b) Celtic Conferences “Good Governance of Community, Voluntary & Charitable

Organisations in Ireland” to be held in Clonakilty from 22-24 February 2019.

(c) LAMA Spring Seminar to be held in The Bush Hotel, Carrick on Shannon on 7-8 March.

**MEMBERS’ QUESTIONS**

**Councillor John Paul Feeley**

7(i) **To ask the Director of Service to outline:**

(a) The number of applications on hand under the Local Improvement Scheme

(b) The number of applications that have been fully processed and costed

(c) The estimated cost of completing the roads on the list

(d) The estimated local contribution required

(e) The year of application of the next lanes due to be completed.

(ii) **To ask the Director of Service to outline:**

(a) The number of applications on hand for local authority housing

(b) The number of such applicants who avail of housing support schemes such as HAP

(c) The first preference for location of housing

(d) The second preference for location of housing

(e) The number of existing local authority house that are vacant and the cost of rendering such houses habitable

(f) The number of houses Cavan County Council propose to construct or acquire, the stage at which projects are and the likely waiting period for construction.

(g) The number of houses to be provided using approved housing bodies and location thereof.

**Business prescribed by Statute, Standing Orders or Resolutions of the Council**

8. To note Chief Executive’s monthly report *(Section 51 Local Government Reform*

 *Act 2014)*.

9. Election of Leas Cathaoirleach *(Section 38 Local Government Act 2001, as amended).*

10(a)To approve the lease of the building known as 2 Keadue Lane, Cavan to Cuan Cancer Care for the sum of €1.00 per annum, *pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001 and Section 211 of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 2000*, and notices circulated.

 (b)To approve of the disposal of a plot of land at Kilconny, Belturbet, Co. Cavan containing 0.021 ha/0.052 acres to Andrew Reynolds, Kilconny, Belturbet, Co. Cavan for the sum of €100.00, *pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001 and Section 211 of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 2000*, and notices circulated.

11. In accordance with *134(A) of the Local Government Act 2001 (as inserted by Section 50 of the Local Government Reform Act 2014),* adoption of 2018 Annual Service Delivery Plan (to be circulated).

**MEMBERS’ ITEM – DEFERRED FROM JANUARY MEETING**

1. **Councillor John Paul Feeley**

‘That Cavan County Council call on the Government to implement a programme of decentralisation of government departments and agencies from the greater Dublin area.’

**MEMBERS’ ITEMS – FEBRUARY**

2. **Councillor Clifford Kelly**

Mobile phone coverage.

3. **Councillor Clifford Kelly**

Insurance for Men’s Sheds.

4. **Councillor Shane P. O’Reilly**

To call on the Minister for Finance and the Minister for Health to immediately cease construction of the National Children’s Hospital pending an independent review and accountability process being completed.

5. **Councillor Shane P. O’Reilly**

To call on the Minister for Finance and Minister for Health to reverse the decision to increase VAT on health foods and vitamin supplements.

6. **Councillor Shane P. O’Reilly**

That the Minister for Finance engages in an urgent review of the VAT increase in the hospitality trade.

7. **Councillor Sean Smith**

Cohesion funding.

8. **Councillor Sean Smith**

Tourism / TV Licences.

9. **Councillor Daniel Downey**

That Cavan County Council resolves to write to the Department of Housing & the Residential Tenancy Board to request a consideration of the French model of blocking evictions of tenants from October 31st to March 31st each year.

10. **Councillor Daniel Downey**

Re-examination of Salting Routes for County Cavan.

11. **Councillor Sean Smith**

Provision of separate access to road and parking at Cavan Astro-Park, Tullacmongan.

12. **Councillor Sarah O’Reilly**

That Cavan County Council supports our nurses, midwives and ambulance personnel having a right to pay parity with other graduate professions and better working conditions thus reducing the risk to patients.

13. **Councillor Sarah O’Reilly**

Propose that Cavan County Council engage a sub-committee of engineers and designers to come up with relevant ideas and plans to address parking issues in large towns in the county.

14. **Councillor John Paul Feeley**

‘In welcoming the announcement by Minister of State Andrew Doyle T.D., that an independent study on the forestry sector in Co Leitrim is to be conducted by Dr. Áine Ní Dhubháin of the UCD School of Agriculture and Food Science, that Cavan County Council call for:

1. The inclusion of County Cavan in the study.

2. That pending the completion of the study and the implementation of appropriate changes to the regulatory framework that the Department cease to issue Consents for Afforestation.

3.That the terms of reference of the study take into account the many aspects of afforestation.

4. That Cavan County Council make a detailed submission setting out the impact of afforestation on our county.

5. That changes in the regulation of afforestation include:

a. making the afforestation of lands and related works subject to the Planning & Development Act

b. Introduce a level playing field for other farmers who want to acquire lands for active farming

C. That lands grant aided for afforestation are made available for public access and public benefit.”

15. **Councillor John Paul Feeley**

That Cavan County Council call on the Government to engage as a matter of urgency with the Irish Nurses and Mid-Wives Organisation to resolve the current industrial dispute and support the establishment of a judge-led commission to study the wider issues in the nursing and mid-wifery profession.

16. **Councillor Paddy McDonald**

Cavan Count Council Against A Hard Border on the Island of Ireland.

17. **Councillor Damien Brady**

Support for the nurses and midwives strike.

18. **Councillor Noel Connell**

Clarity on obligations to local community by sex offenders settling into area.

19. **Councillor John Paul Feeley**

That Cavan County Council call on the government to establish a Task Force with specific funding to address the damage Brexit will do to the Border Region.

20. **Councillor Sarah O’Reilly**

Calling on Cavan County Council to engage with local disability groups and consider supporting an initiative similar to Monaghan County Council’s #MakeWayDay aiming to raise awareness of the obstacles and barriers people with disabilities and mobility difficulties face in public areas.

21. **Councillor Paddy O’Reilly**

This Council provide an update on Diaspora Strategy since meeting in Leinster House.

22. **Councillor Paddy O’Reilly**

That this Council request the Department of Health / HSE to provide additional health services for Virginia Primary Care Health Centre for East Cavan.

23. **Councillor Paddy O’Reilly**

That this Council provide an update on ready to go lands / facilities for additional development in County Cavan.