

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LAOISE
LAOIS COUNTY COUNCIL

Áras an Chontae,
Portlaoise,
Co. Laois.

September 20th 2005

TO: THE CATHAOIRLEACH & EACH MEMBER OF LAOIS COUNTY
COUNCIL

A Chara,

Tionólfar cruinniú de Comhairle Chontae Laoise i Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise Dé Luain -26iú
Mean Fomhair 2005 ar 11.00 a.m. chun an gnó seo leanas a chur i grich.

Tá orm a iarraigh ort bheith i láthair.

You are requested to attend the September Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held in
Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise on Monday, September 26th 2005 at 11.00 a.m. to consider
the matters referred to on the Agenda hereunder.

Mise le meas,



Gerry Gillen
Senior Executive Officer
Corporate Affairs Department

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AGENDA

- (1) Confirmation of minutes of the July Meeting of Laois County Council held on the 25th of July 2005 (documentation enclosed)
- (2) Fix date for October Monthly Meeting of Laois County Council - suggested date 24th October, 2005.

- (3) Nomination of two members each to:
- (i) South East River Basin District Advisory Council and
 - (ii) Shannon River Basin District Advisory Council.

Each nominee must be a member of the County Council or be a member of an S. P. C. of this Council (documentation enclosed).

- (4) Disposal of land under Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001. Notices already circulated in respect of:-

- Disposal of .505 acres at Ballacolla to Hawthorn Development Association for a consideration of €5,000 (documentation enclosed).

- (5) Material Contravention of the County Development Plan 2000 in relation to: Planning Ref: 05/753 - Owenass Developments Ltd., for permission to alter the scheme as follows, reposition the petrol station to accommodate change to Laois County Council road layout. Redesign the forecourt canopy and elevation changes to shop. Extend the footprint of building for public house and takeaway at ground floor and restaurant at 1st Floor to increase the gross area by 73 sq.mt and consequential alterations to service yard. The addition of an electrical sub-station and a maintenance workshop adjacent to Portlaoise Western Circular Relief Road. Change of use of three appts to three commercial units totalling 237 sq. mt at 1st Floor over retail units giving an amended total of 253 houses. Addition of terraces to 6 appts and 3 commercial offices at 1st floor level over retail units. Addition of 2 bin enclosures for use of the appts above the retail units and alterations to bin store location for apt buildings. Internal replanning of supermarket and retail units to reduce retail units from 11 to 9 and incr. supermarket floor area. Further alterations, rotations etc., to house units, appts and residential units at Rossleaghan/Clonreher, Mountmellick Road, Portlaoise (documentation enclosed).

- (6) Review of the Housing Strategy (documentation enclosed).

- (7) (a) Approval of the elected Council to the raising of a loan not exceeding €3,465,000 from the Housing Finance Agency Plc., in respect of construction of 22 Affordable Housing Units (Part V) at the Fairgreen, Mountmellick Road, Portlaoise.
- (b) Approval of the elected Council to the raising of a loan not exceeding €567,200 from the Housing Finance Agency Plc., in respect of construction of 4 Affordable Housing Units (Part V) at Maryborough Crescent, Dublin Road, Portlaoise.

(8) Taking in Charge of Roads and Services at Portlaoise (documentation enclosed):

Kilminchy Place	Kilminchy Avenue	Kilminchy Close
Lime Tree Avenue	Castle Avenue	Castle Close
Castle Way	Castle Mews	Castle Drive
Lake Drive	Lake Avenue	Lake Way
Colliers Way	Colliers Lane (Lower)	

(9) Adoption of the following:-

- (a) Mountmellick Town Draft Parking Places Bye-Laws and Mountmellick Town Draft Car Park Bye-Laws 2005 (documentation already circulated).
- (b) Draft Casual Trading Bye-Laws for Fitzmaurice Place, Portlaoise, Market Square, Abbeyleix and The Square, Ballinakill (documentation enclosed).

(10) Proposal to introduce charge for the use of the Civic Amenity facilities at Kyletalisha (documentation enclosed).

(11) (a) Laois County Council Draft Policy on Museums (documentation enclosed).

(b) Laois County Council Draft Policy on Sustainable Rural Economic Development (documentation enclosed).

(12) Draft Laois Arts Plan 2006 - 2011 (documentation enclosed).

(13) Correspondence.

(14) Notice of Motions:

36/05 Councillor Brian Stanley

"That the members of this Council be given a comprehensive breakdown of the figures for projected income and spending in advance of this years budget meeting. Figures from 2004 or 2005 would assist members in deciding on the budget for 2006"

37/05

Councillor Brian Stanley

"That the rent scheme for local authority housing be altered so as to increase the deduction for each dependent child in a household. The current figure of €1 per child is inadequate"

38/05

Councillor Michael Moloney

"That in view of the continued fiasco on the M7 Motorway due to misleading and poor signage as highlighted once again on the letters page in The Irish Times edition of August 7th last that Laois County Council call on the Minister for Transport to force the N.R.A. to deliver on their commitment to Laois County Council regarding the signage and to account for their mishandling of the signage issue from the outset

39/05

Councillor Michael Moloney

"In light of the proposal at the July meeting to having the Notice of Motions postponed that Laois County Council adopt the following:

- (a) That Notices of Motions be taken directly after the confirmation of the previous meeting minutes and any official business
- (b) That the slot for any presentation by outside agencies be agreed with the Councillors beforehand
