

# COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LAOISE

## LAOIS COUNTY COUNCIL

Áras an Chontae,  
Portlaoise,  
Co. Laois.

23<sup>RD</sup> November 2010

**TO: THE CATHAOIRLEACH & EACH MEMBER OF LAOIS COUNTY COUNCIL**

A Chara,

Tionólfar cruinniú de Comhairle Chontae Laoise i Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise Dé Luain – 29iu iú Deireadh Fomhair 2010 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 November Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held in Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise on **Monday, November 29<sup>th</sup> 2010 at 11.00 a.m.** to consider the matters referred to on the Agenda hereunder.

Mise le meas,

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**Carmel McNicholl**  
**Senior Executive Officer**  
**Corporate Affairs Department**

### **CLÁR GNÓ** **AGENDA**

- (1)
  - (a) Confirmation of the Minutes of the October Monthly Meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> of October 2010 (documentation enclosed)
  - (b) Confirmation of the Minutes of the Special Meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> of November 2010 (documentation enclosed)
  
- (2) Disposal of land under Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 (notice already circulated) in respect of:-
  - (i) Disposal of freehold at Timahoe Road, Stradbally, Co. Laois in the townland of Stradbally, for a consideration of €100.00 (documentation enclosed)
  - (ii) Disposal of 2.22 hectares of land at Carrowreagh, Pike of Rushall, Co. Laois in the townland of Carrowreagh, for a consideration of €76,500 (documentation enclosed)

- (iii) Disposal of equity interest in the property at Pallas, Portlaoise, Co. Laois – Shared Ownership Loan No: 610029/F for a consideration of €33,048.74 (documentation enclosed)
  
- (3) Approval of Overdraft Accommodation in the sum of €9,000,000 for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> of December 2011
  
- (4) Draft Rathdowney Appointed Stands Bye-Laws(documentation enclosed)
  
- (5) Taking in Charge of ‘Ashbrook’, Abbeyleix (documentation enclosed)
  
- (6) 2.00 p.m. - Draft Multi-Annual Restoration Improvement Programme 2011-2013 (documentation enclosed)
  
- (7) 2.30 p.m. – Official signing of the Twinning Oath between the Municipality of Montebelluna, Italy and County Laois
  
- (8) Correspondence
  
- (9) Notice of Motions

**Notice of Motion No: 21/10 – Councillors Catherine Fitzgerald, Jerry Lodge, Kathleen O’ Brien, Mary Sweeney, Brian Stanley, William Aird & Rotimi Adebari**

“That Laois County Council calls on the Government to recognise 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 it's 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

**Notice of Motion No: 22/10 – Councillor Brian Stanley**

“That this Council contact Bord Gais to convey our disappointment at the long delays encountered in having gas re-connected to Council houses that are ready for re-letting. The Members of Laois County Council request that the Company put procedures in place to end the current delays which are totally unacceptable”

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