



Comhairle Cathrach
na Gaillimhe
Galway City Council

5 Feabhra 2025
5 February 2025

Fógra/Notice

Cruinnithe Chomhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe Galway City Council Meeting

Do Gach Ball de Chomhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe:

A Chara,

Tionólfar Gnáthchruinniú de Chomhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe ar an **Luain, 10 Feabhra 2025 ar a 3.00in sa Seomra na Comhairle, Halla na Cathrach, Comhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe agus ar líne ar MS Teams**. Tá cóip de Chlár an Chruinnithe seo ar fáil ag an bhFáiltiú ar mhaithe le hiniúchadh.

Tá clár an chruinnithe leagtha amach faoi seo.

A Plenary Meeting of Galway City Council will be held on **Monday, 10th February 2025 at 3.00pm in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Galway City Council and online via MS Teams**. A copy of the agenda for this meeting is available at Reception for inspection.

The agenda for the meeting is set out hereunder. Members are requested to send queries regarding Matters Arising relating to Item 2(a) in writing, in advance of the meeting, to the undersigned.

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Clár/Agenda Plenary Meeting - Monday 10th February 2025

- 1. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest (Section 177 of the Local Government Act 2001 as amended).**
- 2. Confirmation of Minutes**
 - (a) January Plenary Council meeting held on 13th January 2025.
- 3. Business Prescribed by Statute**
 - (a) St. Patrick's Day Parade Event Licence 2025 - for adoption.
 - (b) Grants Committee - Appointment of 9 Committee Members.
(3 Committee Members from each Ward)
(Group system of appointment applies)
Chairperson: Cllr. D McDonnell was appointed at the Annual General Meeting.
 - (c) Draft West Regional Homeless Action plan 2025-2027.
 - (d) Draft Annual Service Delivery Plan 2025 - for adoption.
 - (e) Draft SPC Standing Orders - for adoption.
 - (f) Declaration of Public Road/Taking in Charge of McConn's Lane, Threadneedle Road, Salthill, Galway.
- 4. Reports of Committee Meetings**
 - (a) Draft notes of Corporate Policy Group meeting held on 4th February 2025.
- 5. Consideration of Reports of Officials**
 - (a) Chief Executive's Monthly Management Report for February 2025.
 - (b) Arts Act Grants to Organisations 2025.
 - (c) Proposed Neighbourhood Centre and Social Housing Scheme at Ballyburke, Galway – Post Part 8 Amendments.

6. Notice of Motions

NOM 05/2025, submitted by Cllr. N. McNelis on 06/01/2025

Discussed at January plenary council meeting on 13/01/25 – agreed to arrange a commercial evaluation and to leave NOM on agenda

That Galway City Council continues to support Galway City as a UNESCO City of Film and ensures an unbroken operation of the Palas as an art house cinema. Galway City Council will work with project partners Element Pictures, Department of Arts, Screen Ireland, Western Development Commission and initiate further partnerships with University of Galway, Atlantic Technical University and Galway Roscommon Education Training Board and others.

NOM 06/2025, submitted by Cllr. Helen Ogbu on 28/01/2025

That Galway City Council conducts a comprehensive survey of existing trees in the city to assess their health and stability, with the objective of identifying and mitigating potential risks posed by weakened or unstable trees. This motion further calls for the implementation of a proactive tree maintenance and pruning program to enhance public safety, reduce the risk of future storm damage, and promote long-term tree health and urban biodiversity.

NOM 08/2025, submitted by Cllr. Níall McNelis on 03/02/2025

That this Council writes to the Minister responsible for Local Government and Planning with the following proposal; That as part of the conditions for planning applications for new housing estates, developers must install Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs). We are also calling on the Minister to instigate a review in order to install AEDs in all existing residential developments across Ireland. 70% of cardiac arrests happen at home, every minute that there is a delay in acting reduces the person's chance of survival by 10%. Having the AED close at hand provides a vital link in the chain of survival and offers the person, adult, baby or child the best chance of surviving a cardiac arrest.

NOM 09/2025, submitted by Cllr. Níall McNelis on 03/02/2025

That this Council calls on the new Minister for Arts and Culture for the continuation / mainstreaming of the Basic Income for the Arts scheme. The

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pilot has been a great success and the 2,000 artists and creative workers from the total eligible pool of 8,000 have had a transformative experience.

Reasoning:

The effect on these artists' lives and the cultural community in general has had a similar impact as the Rural Social Scheme (AKA 'Small Farmer's Dole') has had on part-time farmers, on their families and on their rural communities and is no less important than that scheme.

The pilot of the Basic Income for the Arts had robust eligibility criteria but only a quarter of those deemed eligible were included in the initial 3-year scheme. That cohort have had the time and space to work as artists but have also periodically reported back to the Department on the effect the scheme has had on their work and their lives.

I really strongly urge that the new government continues the scheme (including the reporting mechanism required of participants); continue the participation of the current cohort of 2,000; extend the scheme to the 6,000 artists who weren't lucky enough in the pilot and re-open an application process.

I believe this support to artists and the creative community can only deepen the strength and quality of the cultural life of Ireland. It is an opportunity to impact on individual artists and creative workers, the cultural community, the local communities in which they live and work and to our reputation nationally and internationally.

7. Questions

None

8. Correspondence

- (a) Correspondence from Roscommon County Council, received on 17/01/2025 – resolution regarding rural and urban isolation.
- (b) Correspondence from Clare County Council, received on 15/01/2025 – resolution regarding older peoples grants.
- (c) Correspondence from Clare County Council, received on 15/01/2025 – resolution regarding GAA admission charge.
- (d) Correspondence from Galway Culture Company, received on 05/02/2025.

9. Items for Councillors Information

None

10. Conferences & Training

	Provider	Details	Date & Location
(a)	AILG / OPR	Webinar – Learnings from Judicial Review Proceedings'	24th January at 10.00am
(b)	Association of Irish Regions (AIR)	Annual Training Seminar 2025	5th - 6th of February 2025 in the Radisson Blu Hotel, Athlone, Co. Westmeath.
(c)	AILG	February Training Module - An Overview of Wind Energy: Contribution to Economy, Climate Action and Future Potential	Thursday 20 th February 2025 10.00am – 1.00pm Fairways Hotel, Dundalk
(d)	Celtic Conferences	Conference – Health Services Entitlements	7 th – 9 th March 2025 Four Seasons Hotel, Carlingford, Co. Louth
(e)	AILG	Annual Training Conference 2025	Wednesday, April 2nd, and Thursday, April 3rd at the Limerick Strand Hotel, Limerick.

11. Votes of Sympathy/Congratulations

12. Other Business set forth in the notice convening the meeting

13. Any Other Business

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