

9 Iúil, 2025.
9 July, 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, 14 Iúil 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, 14 July 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) and 2(b) in writing, in advance of the meeting, to the undersigned.



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Clár/Agenda Plenary Meeting - Monday 14 July, 2025.
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1. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

Section 177 of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended.

2. Confirmation of Minutes

(a) June Plenary Council meeting held on 9 June, 2025 - attached.

(b) Annual General Meeting held on 20 June, 2025 - attached.

3. Business Prescribed by Statute

(a) Loan Sanction for Capital Fund – to follow.

(b) Mervue Football Club Lease – matter referred from Corporate Policy Group.

4. Reports of Committee Meetings

(a) Notes of Corporate Policy Group meeting held on 7 July 2025 - to follow.

(b) Lands adjacent to University Hospital – correspondence issued from HSE on 8 July 2025 to all Councillors and Residents Association - for noting.

(c) Adopted Minutes of Joint Meeting of the Corporate Policy Groups of Galway County Council and Galway City Council held on 25 February 2025 – attached.

5. Consideration of Reports of Officials

(a) Monthly Management Report for July 2025 and Quarterly Report – attached for noting.

(b) Annual Service Delivery Plan – Mid-year Review – to follow.

6. Notice of Motions

NOM 10/2025, submitted by Cllr. D. Lyons on 02/03/2025

In future in order to avoid what has emerged on the Upper Clybaun Road where two housing developments opposite each other are under construction with hoardings erected on either side of the road, giving only a 5m clear road space, no pedestrian facilities, very poor sight lines and no public lighting, I request Galway City Council would introduce a Condition which would be applied to every Planning Decision, to compel Developers to complete the public roadside footpaths, within a dedicated time of the Development commencing.

NOM 23/2025, submitted by Cllr. E. Seoighthe on 07/04/2025

Response issued 14/04/2025. Request to leave on the Agenda.

That this Council requests a full report from the Chief Executive detailing the purchase of Crown Square including:

1. The rationale for the purchase and how it aligns with the Council's Development Plan and strategic objectives.
2. The total purchase price, source of funding, and any additional financial commitments associated with the acquisition.
3. A breakdown of the due diligence process undertaken, including property valuation, structural surveys, legal title checks, and planning compliance.
4. Details of the procurement or selection process, including whether alternative properties were considered and if a competitive process was followed.
5. Any future plans for the property, associated costs, and the expected timeline for its use.
6. Confirmation of compliance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001 and other relevant legislative provisions.

Furthermore, this Council calls for a review of the governance procedures surrounding property acquisitions to ensure full transparency, value for money, and accountability in all future purchases.

NOM 33/2025, submitted by Cllr. J. McDonagh on 02/06/2025

That this Council affirms its commitment to transparency and public engagement, and hereby resolves that no decision will be made to dispose of, sell, or otherwise transfer any part of Shantalla Park — including lands associated with the proposed helipad — without first conducting a full and proper consultation process with the local residents and relevant community.

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NOM 34/2025, submitted by Cllr. N. McNelis on 02/06/2025

That Galway City Council will write to the Minister for Housing and the Taoiseach requesting urgent increased funding for the Capital Acquisitions Scheme 2025 to prevent families and individuals from being homeless and to allow the scheme to function as previously, given its success.

NOM 43/2025, submitted by Cllr. D. Lyons on 04/07/2025

I am requesting Galway City Council to examine the feasibility of installing a pedestrian crossing at the junction of the Cappagh Road and Barna Road to facilitate pedestrians to cross the busy Barna Road.

NOM 44/2025, submitted by Cllr. D. Lyons on 04/07/2025

The existing fire station on Fr. Griffin Road is in need of urgent replacement. In consultation with the Chief Executive of Galway County Council and the Chief Fire Officer of Galway City and County Fire Service can the Chief Executive give an update and time frame on the provision of a new site and fire station in Galway City for the Galway City and County Fire Service.

NOM 45/2025, submitted by Cllr. H. Ogbu on 06/07/2025

Utility Reinstatement Standards and Oversight

That Galway City Council outlines the current measures in place to ensure quality control and proper reinstatement of footpaths and roads following works carried out by utility providers such as Irish Water, ESB, and others.

Given ongoing concerns about substandard reinstatement works in many areas resulting in long-term damage, safety issues, and additional costs to the Council, I call for the consideration of recruiting a new staff who will be assigned to the Licensing & Technical team to monitor and inspect utility works both prior to commencement and post-completion. This would help ensure compliance with agreed reinstatement standards and reduce the financial and operational burden on the local authority.

7. Questions

Q17/2025, submitted by Cllr. J. McDonagh on 02/06/2025

Can the Chief Executive detail what consultations, if any, have taken place between Galway City Council and the HSE regarding (a) the proposed helipad in Shantalla Park, and (b) any potential disposal or transfer of lands within Shantalla Park? Furthermore, can all relevant correspondence, meeting notes, and records of communication between the Council and the HSE on this matter, from January 2025 to the present, be provided to elected members?

Q18/2025, submitted by Cllr. N. McNelis on 02/06/2025

To ask the Chief Executive the number of applications received, approved and disallowed by Galway City Council for 2023 and 2024 year to date under repair and lease scheme, the buy and renew scheme; the types of properties involved (apartment, detached, bungalow etc) the amount paid under each scheme to date, and the length of turnaround time on average in tabular form.

Q19/2025, submitted by Cllr. H. Ogbu on 06/07/2025

Safety Concerns Related to E-Bike and E-Scooter Use on Shared Walkways
Can the Chief Executive advise if Galway City Council will consider installing signage and implementing other safety measures to address the increasing use of e-bikes and e-scooters on shared pedestrian walkways, such as the Railway Line Walk, which is particularly narrow in some areas?
In light of public concerns and safety risks especially for older people, children, and individuals with mobility challenges, can the Council explore options for signage, awareness campaigns, and potential collaboration with An Garda Síochána and Iarnród Éireann, to support enforcement and safer usage?

8. Correspondence

- (a) Donegal County Council: Dismantling of the Triple Lock.
- (b) Carlow County Council: Occupied Territories Bill.
- (c) Carlow County Council: HIQA Coeliac screening.
- (d) Carlow County Council: Reinstate Tenant-in-situ scheme.
- (e) Galway County Council: Review Affordable Housing Policy.
- (f) Limerick County Council: Use of Smart phones
- (g) LG10/2025 Local Government Act 2001 (Section 142) (Security Allowance for Local Authority Members) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 (S.I. No. 297 of 2025)
- (h) Guidance for Public Representatives and Officials on Interaction with the Tobacco Industry

9. Items for Councillors Information

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10. Conferences & Training

	Provider	Details	Date & Location
(a)	AILG CARO Webinar Training	Local Authority responsibility on Green Public Procurement from 10:00am - 11:30am	Friday, 11 th July (Online) from 10:00a.m. -11:30a.m.

11. Votes of Sympathy/Congratulations

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

13. Any Other Business