



## Clár / Meeting Agenda

### Statutory Budget Meeting

25<sup>th</sup> November 2024 @ 1.30p.m.

**Buvinda House, Navan (and online via zoom)**

#### Hybrid Meeting

This meeting is a hybrid meeting, Elected Members may attend in-person or online. These meetings are regulated by the Council's Standing Orders.

#### Public Health Guidance

This meeting is being held in line with the *Transitional Protocol – Good Practice Guidance for Continuing to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19*, which outlines advice and best practice guidance to maintain infection prevention and control and other measures for the safe operating of workplaces.

Please note the following:

- Attendance at Buvinda House is open to Elected Members, designated Council officials and members of the press and public;
- The wearing of a face-mask is not required but may be worn.

Meeting attendees are requested to:

- Adhere to public health best practice in relation to cough and sneeze etiquette and hand hygiene and sanitation;
- Adhere to meeting and venue housekeeping arrangements including fire safety arrangements as briefed at the start of the meeting;
- Refrain from bringing food or drink, except bottled water, into the meeting room;
- Adhere to information displayed on signage and to the advice of meeting staff.

#### Online Attendance – Please Note:

		
Turn on your <b>camera</b>	Ensure your <b>microphone</b> is on mute	Use the ' <b>Hand Function</b> ' to ask for the floor and for voting



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### For Members:

- If you wish to speak you should use the Hand function – you'll be given the floor by the Cathaoirleach.
- This Hand function will also be used for voting, unless a roll call vote is used.

### For All Participants:

- All participants must have their camera on during the meeting and you should have your microphone on mute at all times, unless called upon by the Cathaoirleach to speak
- It is the personal responsibility of all participants to ensure that there are no other persons present who are not entitled to be present for this meeting
- Recording of the meeting or any part thereof is not permitted.

In accordance with Section 103 of the Local Government Act, 2001 as amended by the Local Government Reform Act 2014, the Local Government (Financial Procedures & Audit) Regulations 2002, the Local Government (Financial Procedures & Audit) Regulations 2014 and Local Government Rates and Other Matters Act 2019, as amended

1.0 To consider the Chief Executive's Draft Budget of Meath County Council for the year ending 31st December 2025.

2.0 To pass a resolution adopting the Draft Budget for 2025 as set out in Tables A – F.

3.0 Subject to section 6 of the Local Government Rates and Other Matters Act 2019 as amended and in accordance with the Budget adopted, determine the annual rate on valuation applicable in the calculation of the amount of the rate under Section 4 of the Local Government Rates and Other Matters Act 2019 as amended.

4.0 That Meath County Council makes a scheme for the abatement of rates due to it by liable persons, or classes of liable persons, in respect of vacant properties in accordance with the provisions of Section 9 of the Local Government Rates and Other Matters Act 2019. Such a scheme will provide for an abatement rate as detailed below on vacant premises as provided for in Section 9 (1) of the Local Government Rates and Other Matters Act of 2019 for the financial year ending 31st of December 2024.

100% of rates due where rates demand is less than €100,000

10% of rates due where rates demand is between €100,000 and €249,999

0% of rates due where rates demand is over €250,000

5.0 That Meath County Council approves of the transfer to capital account of the sums provided for various capital purposes in the Annual Budget for 2025 as adopted.



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6.0 That Meath County Council approves the estimated over expenditure for financial year 31st December 2024 as set out in Table A – F and outturn details.

7.0 To adopt the Business Support Scheme 2025 in accordance with Section 66 of the Local Government Act 2001.