



COMHAIRLE CONTAE
CHEATHARLACH

CARLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

September 9th, 2026

Notice Of Meeting

You are requested to attend **Council Meeting** to be held on **Monday, 14th September 2026** at **2:00 pm** in **Council Chamber, Council Offices, Athy Road, Carlow.**

F. Byrne,

Senior Executive Officer/Meetings Administrator.

Agenda

1.0 Confirmation of Minutes/Dearbhú Miontuairiscí of meeting held on Monday 13th July 2026

2.0 Business prescribed by Statute, Standing Orders or Resolutions of Council/Gnó forordaithe do réir reachtaíochta, orduithe seasta, nó rúin an Chomhairle

2.1 Approval of Draft Scheme of Letting Priorities 2026 - 2030 in accordance with Section 22 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 2009

2.2 To approve AIB Treasury Services Registration

2.3 To approve Overdraft Accommodation for year ended 31st December 2027

2.4 Agree dates for the 2027 Budget Meetings

Proposed Dates:-

- Budget Briefing/Workshop at 11.30 a.m. on Wednesday 18th November 2026
- Statutory Budget Meeting at 2.00 p.m. on Wednesday 18th November 2026

2.5 Approval of travel to Pont-Péan France

2.6 Section 11 of the Roads Act, 1993; Section 180 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 as amended and Section 59 of the Planning & Development Act 2010 - Taking in charge of roads and services at Cois Dara, Tullow Road, Carlow (Phase 2) (Units 94 - 147)

2.7 Section 11 of the Roads Act, 1993; Section 180 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 as amended and Section 59 of the Planning & Development Act 2010 - Taking in charge of roads and services at Schoolhouse Gate (Dwelling Units 1 to 10) Ballinkillen, Co. Carlow.

2.8 Approval to proceed with public consultation on the Draft County Carlow Urban Speed Limit Bye-Laws 2026

2.9 Extension of Section 85 Agreement with Kilkenny County Council - Paulstown Dog Shelter

2.10 To seek the views of the Elected Members on the Application to An Coimisiún Pleanála under Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended - Ref: ACP-324426-26 – 10 Year Planning Permission for the construction of an Anaerobic Digestive (AD) facility and ancillary development located at Milford, Co. Carlow. Applicant – Greengate Biogas 001 Ltd.

3.0 Consideration of Reports and Recommendations/Breithniú ar Thuarascálacha agus ar Mholtaí

3.1 Training & Conference Approvals

4.0 Chief Executives Report/Tuarascáil an Phríomhfheidhmeannaigh

5.0 Correspondence/Comhfhreagras

6.0 Notices of Motion/Fógraí Rúin

6.1 Standing in the name of Cllr. J. Cassin

"That John Cassin calls on all elected members to stand with the residents of Graiguecullen and the surrounding areas and to reject the proposed Church Street Pedestrian and Cycle Scheme in its current form.

Reason for Motion

This proposal has generated deep and legitimate concern across Graiguecullen and the surrounding communities. Residents are being asked to accept a scheme that, in its present form, appears to place ideology ahead of practicality, with insufficient regard for the everyday needs of the people who live, work, and travel in the area.

There are serious concerns about the loss of much-needed parking, the impact on elderly residents and people with disabilities, access for families, schools, businesses, and community facilities, and the knock-on effect on surrounding housing estates. Graiguecullen is a substantial residential area, and residents are worried that these changes will simply shift pressure from one street to the next.

There is also growing concern about the lack of meaningful consultation and the failure to present a balanced, evidence-based case for the scheme. The protection of the Croppy Graves and the broader character of the area must not be treated as an afterthought. The Council must listen to residents, respect local knowledge."

6.2 Standing in the name of Cllr. J. Cassin

"That Carlow County Council calls on the Minister for Health and the Health Service Executive to urgently review and reform the current admission policy for patients presenting at Emergency Departments with suicidal ideation or acute mental health distress.

Specifically, Council calls for:

The establishment of dedicated mental health assessment and admission pathways, separate from general A&E services, for individuals presenting in mental

health crisis or expressing suicidal ideation.

A mandatory requirement that mental health records be immediately accessed and reviewed when a patient presents with a history of mental health issues or expresses suicidal thoughts.

Continuous monitoring and observation of any patient identified as at risk of self-harm or suicide while in hospital care.

Additional resourcing and training for frontline staff to ensure trauma-informed care for those in mental health crisis.

This Council recognises the profound and ongoing trauma experienced by families who have lost loved ones to suicide following inadequate support in healthcare settings. We stand with bereaved families in calling for systemic change to ensure no individual in crisis is left waiting, in an Emergency Department.

The Council further requests that a copy of this motion be sent to the Minister for Health, the HSE National Director of Mental Health, and all local authorities in Ireland."

6.3 Standing in the name of Cllr. J. Cassin

That this Council calls on the Government to refrain from proceeding with any planned increases in fuel costs, including the reinstatement of excise duty, the increase in the NORA levy, the proposed carbon tax increase, and the planned increase in the renewable transport fuel obligation, given the significant impact these measures would have on petrol and diesel prices for households, farmers, workers travelling for work, rural communities, businesses, and essential services.

This Council notes the warning from Fuels for Ireland that the combined effect of the planned measures could add approximately 35 cent per litre to petrol and diesel prices between now and January, at a time when fuel prices remain highly volatile

This Council further notes that many families depend on home heating oil to heat their homes, and that sharp increases in oil prices place particular pressure on older people, vulnerable households, and those on fixed incomes

This Council also recognises that schools, hospitals, and other essential public services rely on heating oil and other fuel inputs, meaning that any additional fuel price increases can have wider knock-on effects across communities and public services

This Council believes that adding further taxes and levies during a period of volatile

wholesale fuel prices would place unfair additional pressure on households and essential services, and would deepen the cost-of-living burden already being felt across the country

6.4 Standing in the name of Cllr. B. Ward

"The Chief Executive prepares a report outlining the additional services provided to the public from each municipal as a result of the increased LPT where the funding was ringfenced for municipals. The report should show the services provided before the increase and after the increase and account for inflation. For example, the report should show a budget of €50k for road sweeping increased to €60k with inflation of 5% (€2500) i.e. €7500 left which meant, for example, 2 extra road sweeping days happened in July and August."

6.5 Standing in the name of Cllrs B. Ward, W. Paton, D. Pender, B. O'Donoghue & F. Phelan

"Noting the increased workload on staff from 18 councillors and 6 Oireachtas members, Carlow County Council implements, on a trial basis, a representation system for elected members to make representations to the council. The system should be similar to the ones operating successfully in other counties. Both councillors and staff should be trained to use the system and shown examples in other counties."

6.6 Standing in the name of Cllr. W. Paton

"Noting that several agencies including Inland Fisheries Ireland, The Office of Public Works, The Slaney Trust, The Environmental Protection Agency, The National Parks and Wildlife Service as well as Carlow County Council has responsibility for the River Slaney depending on the situation."

"Also, noting the fact that the weir on the River Slaney at Tullowbeg has been breached in several places and that the salmon box is not functioning properly."

"That Carlow County Council makes contact with the appropriate responsible agency and lobbies the agency to carry out immediate repairs on the weir and salmon box."

"Furthermore, that this Council further calls on the appropriate responsible agency to design and install a rock pool fish pass next to the weir at Tullowbeg."

6.7 Standing in the name of Cllr. F. Phelan

Carlow County Council calls on Iarnród Éireann / Irish Rail to reinstate, as soon as possible, the catering services on the Dublin–Waterford rail route, which serves Carlow, noting that this service has not been reinstated since before the COVID-19 pandemic.

Council recognises that the provision of onboard catering is an important passenger service, particularly on longer-distance journeys, and provides passengers with the convenience of being able to purchase refreshments during their journey. A copy of this motion be sent to Irish Rail, The Minister for Transport and the NTA.

**7.0 Any other business with the consent of the Cathaoirleach/Aon
gnó eile le haontú an Chathaoirligh**