Ceantar Bardais Dún na nGall

Oifig Riarthóir na gCruinnithe, Aras an Chontae, Leifear.

12ú Deireadh Fómhair, 2016

Fógra Cruinnithe

Beidh Cruinniú de Ceantar Bardais Dún na nGall ar siúl <u>De Luain 24ú Deireadh Fómhair, 2016</u>, <u>ag</u> <u>5.00 i.n. in Ionad Serbhísí Pobail, Bhaile Dhún na nGall.</u>

DO GACH BHALL DEN CEANTAR BARDAS DÚN NA nGALL

A Chara.

larrtar ort bheith i lathair ag an gcruinniú seo Ceantar Bardais Dún na nGall. Tá Clar an Cruinnithe le seo.

Mise, le meas

Seosamh O'Piopla p.p. Riarthóir Cruinnithe

Municipal District of Donegal

Office of Meetings Administrator, County House, Lifford.

12th October, 2016

NOTICE OF MEETING

A Meeting of the Municipal District of Donegal will be held on <u>Monday 24th October 2016, at 5.00 p.m.</u> in the <u>Donegal Public Services Centre.</u>

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF DONEGAL

Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend this meeting of the Municipal District of Donegal. The Agenda is attached.

Yours sincerely,

for Joe Peoples Meetings Administrator

Agenda

| 1) | I o considei | r the Draft Bu | udgetary Pla | in for the Mi | ınıcıpal Distr | ict of Donegal |
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| | for 2017 | | | | | |
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Draft Budgetary Plan & General Municipal Allocation 2017

Donegal Municipal District

1.0 Background

- 1.1 The Local Government Reform Act 2014 and associated regulations require the allocation of a general municipal allocation to each Municipal District as part of the annual revenue budget process.
- 1.2 In respect of 2016, a preliminary allocation of €100,000 per Municipal District was made with this subsequently being increased, proportionate to the number of members in each Municipal District, at the plenary budget meeting held in November of 2015.
- 1.3 The rationale behind this approach in 2015 was that it was challenging, if not impossible, to allocate a global and final figure as part of the General Municipal Allocation, prior to the final and full plenary budget being adopted, at which point in time it could only be known with certainty as to what capacity existed within the Council resources to allocate such funding.

2.0 <u>2017 General Municipal Allocation</u>

- 2.1 Discussions with the Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government have outlined the challenges associated with the timing required under the current regulations with regard to the allocation of the GMA. The Department have acknowledged the challenges associated with this and are scheduled to commence a detailed review of this approach in December 2016.
- 2.2 However, this approach will not be amended in time for the 2017 revenue budget considerations and as such it is envisaged that it will only come into effect for future years annual revenue budgets beyond 2017.
- 2.3 On that basis it is now proposed to allocate an amount equivalent to €20,000 per member, at this juncture, to the general municipal allocation and that any final and conclusive decision be made as part of the plenary budget meeting in November 2016, at which point in time the members can conclude and determine the final amount to be made available to the general municipal allocations. This could, if the members wished, affirm the allocation proportionate to the number of members in respect of each of the individual Municipal Districts or suggest an alternative allocation methodology.

3.0 Recommendation

3.1 It is therefore recommended that in line with the requirements of the Local Government Reform Act 2014 and associated regulations that the Municipal District adopt a provisional general municipal allocation in the amount of €120,000 at this time.

Garry Martin, CPFA
Director of Finance, Information Systems & Emergency Services
10th October 2016

Draft budgetary plan 2017 - Donegal Municipal District

| Munic | Current Year Information | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| | | € | € |
| | | Municipal District | |
| General Municipal Allocation | | 120,000 | |
| Total (A) | | 120,000 | |
| To finance Gross Revenue Exper | nditure | Municipal District proposed expenditure | Local Authority total expenditure |
| Development Management | Strategic Development Fund | 120,000 | 740,000 |
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| <u>Total</u> | | <u>120,000</u> | <u>740,000</u> |