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PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 (AS AMENDED) (S.179) AND PART 8 OF THE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS 2001 (AS AMENDED)

PART 8 - LAOIS COUNTY COUNCIL

DEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNITY HUB AT THE FORMER METHODIST CHAPEL/ICA HALL, PATRICK STREET, DURROW, CO. LAOIS.

In accordance with Part XI, Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended and Part 8 articles 80 and 81 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 as amended notice is hereby given that Laois County Council, in partnership with Durrow Development Forum CLG, propose to develop a Community Hub at the former Methodist Chapel/ICA Hall at Patrick Street, Durrow, Co. Laois.

The former Methodist Chapel is listed in the County Laois Record of Protected Structures (RPS) ref. no. 164

The proposed development will include the following:

- Alterations to the single-storey toilet block side extension (42 sq.m) which comprised Phase 1 of the previously permitted Community Hub extension. (Laois County Council Planning Register ref. 18/639 & An Bord Pleanála appeal ref. 303848-19)
- Construction of new two-storey Community Hub side extension with single-storey link element to/from the protected structure, (486 sq.m) and associated site works & service connections.
- Hard and soft landscaping of the Patrick Street forecourts to enhance the setting of the protected structure and to facilitate drop-off/deliveries and a variety of outdoor community activities.

Plans and particulars of the above proposed development, including Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Appropriate Assessment (AA) Screening Reports, are available for viewing on our online consultation portal at <https://consult.laois.ie> from 23rd April 2024 to 22nd May 2024 inclusive. Plans and particulars are also available for inspection at the offices of Laois County Council, Áras an Chontae, JFL Avenue, Portlaoise from 23rd April 2024 to 22nd May 2024 inclusive.

In accordance with Article 81 and 120 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001, as amended, Laois County Council has concluded from a preliminary examination that there is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development and an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is not required. Any person may, within 4 weeks from the date of this notice apply to An Bord Pleanála for an Environmental Impact Assessment Screening Determination as to whether the proposed development would be likely to have significant effects on the environment.

Submissions or observations with respect to the proposed development, dealing with the proper planning and the sustainable development of the area in which the development would be situated, **may be made online** at <https://consult.laois.ie> before 5.00 p.m. on 6th June 2024.

Submissions or observations with respect to the proposed development, dealing with the proper planning and the sustainable development of the area in which the development would be situated, **may also be made in writing** to: Donal Brennan, Director of Services, Laois County Council, Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise, Co. Laois to be received not later than 5.00 p.m. on 6th June 2024. Submissions should be clearly marked: **Community Hub at the former Methodist Chapel / ICA Hall, Patrick Street, Durrow, Co. Laois, Part 8.**

Note: Only submissions made in the above manner will be considered as valid submissions for the purposes of the Chief Executive's Report that will be presented to Council.

All the issues that are raised in submissions and observations to the Council in regard to this development, including the response of the Chief Executive thereto, will form part of the statutory report to be presented to the monthly meeting of Laois County Council. The statutory report will list the persons or bodies who made submissions or observations with respect to the proposed development in accordance with regulations made under Part XI of the Planning and Development Act as amended. The minutes of that meeting including the statutory report will appear on the Council's Website. Details including the names of those making submissions and observations may also be shared with relevant Council Departments and agents working on their behalf.

The Council is subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act. If you consider that any of the information supplied by you is either commercially sensitive or confidential in nature, this should be highlighted and the reasons for its sensitivity specified. In such cases, the relevant material will, in response to FOI requests, be examined in light of exemptions provided for in the FOI Act.

Donal Brennan,
Director of Services.

ALT 75, ACHT NA MBÓITHRE 1993 (RIALACHÁIN BÓITHRE 1994)

De réir forálacha Alt 75 den Acht thuas agus Airteagal 12 de Rialacháin na mBóithre, 1994, seirbheálann Comhairle Chontae Laoise leis seo fógra go bhfuil sé beartaithe Bóthar Mhaighéan Rátha, R445, Port Laoise, ag dul soir, a dhúnadh go sealadach ón timpeallán ag a dtrasnaíonn eastát Rockdale go pointe 400m soir ar an R445 áit a dtrasnaíonn sé aomhal timpeallán an Chuarbhóthar Thiar R941, ón 4 Meitheamh 2024 go dtí an 2 Meán Fómhair 2024. Fanfaidh an lána thiar ar oscailt do thrácht ar feadh na tréimhe seo.

Tá sé riachtanach an bóthar a dhúnadh chun oibreacha cosáin agus raonta rothar a éascú.

Cuirfear comharthaí soiléire ar atreoruithe. Beidh léarscáil a thaispeánfaidh na bealaí atá le dúnadh agus na bealaí eile ar fáil lena scrúdú ag www.laois.ie agus Áras an Chontae, Port Laoise.

Ba chóir d'aon duine atá ag iarraidh agóid a dhéanamh i gcoinne an dúnadh bóthair atá beartaithe é sin a dhéanamh trí ríomhphost chuig roadadmin@laoiscoco.ie, nó scríobh chuig an Oifigeach Riaracháin, Rannóg na mBóithre, Comhairle Contae Laoise, Áras an Chontae, Ascaill Shéamuis Fhiontáin Lalor, Port Laoise tráth nach déanaí ná 4in Déardaoin 9 Bealtaine 2024.

SIMON WALTON
Stiúrthóir Seirbhísí,
Comhairle Chontae Laoise,
Áras an Chontae,
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FÓGRA TOGHCHÁIN

Údarás Áitiúil: Comhairle Chontae Laoise

Táthar ar tí toghchán a reáchtáil chun comhaltaí do gach aon cheann de thoghlimistéir áitiúla a thoghadh don údarás áitiúil atá luaite thuas.

Is féidir páipéir ainmniúcháin a fháil ón seoladh thíos le linn gnáthuaire oifige.

Féadfaidh duine é féin nó í féin a ainmniú mar iarrthóir i dtoghchán nó féadfaidh duine eile (is duine atá cláraithe mar thoghthóir rialtais áitiúil i limistéar an údarás áitiúil a bhfuil sé beartaithe ag an duine an t-iarrthóir a ainmniú dó), mar mholtóir, é nó í a ainmniú, lena thoilíú nó lena toiliú i scríbhinn.

Ní mór deimhniú cleamhnachta polaitíochta a bheith ag gabháil le páipéir ainmniúcháin ó iarrthóir páirtí polaitíochta cláraithe agus caithfear é a thabhairt ar aird domsa lena fhoirm/lena foirm ainmniúcháin chomhlánaithe.

Mura mbeidh aon deimhniú tugtha ar aird ní mór don iarrthóir, roimh an am is déanaí chun ainmniúcháin a fháil, ceachtar den dá rud seo a dhéanamh –

- cúig aontú dhéag leis an ainmniúchán a fháil trí dhearbhuithe reachtúla ó thoghthóir rialtais áitiúil a bheidh cláraithe sa toghlimistéar áitiúil ábhartha (tá na foirmeacha ar fáil uaimse nó ón údarás cláraithe), nó
- éarlais de €100 a íoc (is féidir éarlais a íoc thar ceann an iarrthóra freisin).

Is é 12 meánlae an 18 lá de Bealtaine, 2024 an t-am is déanaí le hainmniúcháin a ghlacadh.

Is féidir leis an iarrthóir nó lena mholtóir/a moltóir páipéir ainmniúcháin chomhlánaithe a sheachadadh chugam i bpearsa tráth ar bith a bhím i m'óifig, ó 10 am an 11 lá de Bealtaine, 2024 go 12 meánlae ar an 18 lá is déanaí le hainmniúcháin a ghlacadh.

Tá ceangal orm faoin dlí a bheith i láthair le glacadh le hainmniúcháin idir 10 am agus 12 meán lae agus idir 2 pm agus 5 pm an 17 lá de Bealtaine, 2024 agus idir 10 am agus 12 meán lae an 18 lá de Bealtaine, 2024.

Má bhíonn toghchán comhraic ann, reáchtálfar vótaíocht an 7 lá de Meithimh, idir 7am agus 10 pm.

Donal Ó Braonáin
An Ceann Comhairimh
Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise, Co. Laois.
(057) 8664000.

Dáta: 23ú Aibreán 2024.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Local Authority: Laois County Council.

An election of members for each of the local electoral areas of the above-mentioned local authority is about to be held.

Nomination papers may be obtained from the address below during the usual office hours.

A person may nominate himself/herself as a candidate or may, with his/her consent, be nominated by a proposer who is registered as a local government elector in the local electoral area of the local authority for which he/she proposes to nominate the candidate.

A nomination paper from a candidate of a registered political party must have a certificate of political affiliation attached which must be produced to me with his/her completed nomination paper.

If no certificate is attached, the candidate must, before the latest time for receiving nominations, either-

- secure 15 assents to the nomination by way of statutory declarations by local government electors registered in the relevant local electoral area (forms available from me or the registration authority), or
- make a deposit of €100 (deposit may also be made on the candidate's behalf).

The latest time for receiving nominations is 12 noon on the 18th day of May 2024.

Completed nomination papers may be delivered to me in person by the candidate or his/her proposer at any time when I am at my office, from 10 am on the 11th day of May 2024 until 12 noon on the last day for receiving nominations.

I am required by law to attend to receive nominations between 10 am and 12 noon and between 2 pm and 5 pm on the 17th day of May 2024 and between 10 am and 12 noon on the 18th day of May 2024.

If the election is contested, a poll will be taken on the 7th day of June 2024 between the hours of 7 am and 10 pm.

Donal Brennan
Returning Officer,
Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise, Co. Laois.
(057) 8664000.

Date: 23rd April 2024.

SECTION 75, ROADS ACT 1993 (ROAD REGULATIONS 1994)

In accordance with the provisions of Section 75 of the above Act and Article 12 of the Roads Regulations, 1994, Laois County Council hereby serves notice that it is intended to temporarily close the R445 Mountrath Road, Portlaoise, **eastbound only**, from the roundabout at its intersection with Rockdale estate to a point 400m east on the R445 where it intersects with the roundabout junction of the R941 Western Orbital Road, from 4th June 2024 to 2nd September 2024. The westbound lane will remain open to traffic for this period.

The road closure is necessary to facilitate footpath and cycle track works.

Diversions will be clearly signposted. A map indicating the routes to be closed and the alternative routes will be available for inspection at www.laois.ie and Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise.

Any person wishing to object to the proposed road closure should do so by email to roadsadmin@laoiscoco.ie, or in writing to the Administrative Officer, Roads Section, Laois County Council, Áras an Chontae, James Fintan Lalor Avenue, Portlaoise not later than 4pm on Thursday 9th May 2024.

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