

DÁIL ÉIREANN

Fógraí Tairisceana : Notices of Motions

“Go mbreithneoidh Dáil Éireann an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Cosaint agus Comhionannas dar teideal ‘Tuarascáil maidir le héisteachtaí i ndáil le Scéim an Bhille um Leanaí agus Cóngais Teaghlaigh’, ar leagadh cóipeanna di faoi bhráid Dháil Éireann an 29 Bealtaine, 2014.

That Dáil Éireann shall consider the Report of the Joint Committee on Justice, Defence and Equality entitled ‘Report on hearings in relation to the Scheme of the Children and Family Relationships Bill’, copies of which were laid before Dáil Éireann on 29th May, 2014.”

—*David Stanton*
Chairman of the Committee on Justice, Defence and Equality.

GNÓ COMHALTAÍ PRÍOBHÁIDEACHA PRIVATE MEMBERS’ BUSINESS

“That Dáil Éireann:

notes:

- the central role that Local Development Companies play in providing local services across Ireland including the delivery of the LEADER Programme and social inclusion programmes;
- that local integrated development companies also provide supports across a wide range of areas such as rural transport, childcare, rural recreation and youth development and administer schemes such as the Rural Social Scheme and the Tús Scheme;
- that approximately 1,900 people are directly employed in the sector, thousands of positions are supported by the schemes involved and some €50 million is due to be spent on the programmes in 2014; and
- that Local and Community Development Programmes have a central part in developing and supporting local enterprise and sustaining jobs;

further notes the Government’s plans to align Local and Community Development Programmes within local authorities from 1st July with new programmes due to begin in 2015;

condemns the:

- Government’s cynical failure to engage in real consultation with the integrated community companies; and
- erosion of local democratic structures in the Government’s local government reform; and

calls on the Government to:

- fully review their approach to the delivery of community services and programmes by these companies;
- protect funding to LEADER Programmes through 50/50 co-financing;
- ensure that companies that are tendering for LEADER funding under the new local authority structure would be obliged to have partnership structures on their boards

and have their headquarters in the area of local authority in question to ensure community ethos and local representation is at the heart of the delivery of programmes into the future; and

- ensure that these companies should be used as a one-stop-shop to deliver rural services including rural transport and community schemes and continue to play a central part in sustaining the fabric of communities across Ireland.” — *Éamon Ó Cuív, Barry Cowen, Seán Fleming, Colm Keaveney, Niall Collins, Michael Moynihan, John Browne, Micheál Martin, Charlie McConalogue, Brendan Smith, Robert Troy, Dara Calleary, Seán Ó Fearghail, Michael P. Kitt, Seamus Kirk, Michael McGrath, John McGuinness, Billy Kelleher, Timmy Dooley, Willie O’Dea.*

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