

Cork County Council Meeting
28th May, 2018

Notice of Motion from Councillor Diarmaid Ó' Cadhla

That this Council welcomes ratification of the UN Convention on the Rights of People with Disabilities and wishes to be pro-active, ensuring full compliance and accountability, accordingly we request:

1. That the Executive prepare a brochure/leaflet for users of Council services outlining the rights of people with disabilities and Council's commitment to equality – to be made available at all points where services are offered. That this brochure should also invite suggestions from members of the public or from organisations dealing with disabilities, in regards to its implementation of the Convention – and that these be reported to Council periodically.
2. That the Minister stops delaying and now ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention, ensuring that our state is accountable, at home and internationally, for implementation of the Convention.
3. That we write to the Minister requesting his commitment for the above and asking how he plans to oversee and resource the implementation of the Convention and ensure that full accountability exists.

Response for Council's Executive:

Cork County Council currently has an Accessibility Charter and a Disability Access Policy. Both were introduced in 2007 following the introduction of the Disability Act 2005. The Charter was displayed at all public counters and the Policy was printed in a booklet and distributed to all council offices.

Both the Charter and the Policy are currently under review and will be redistributed once this review has been completed.

Director of Corporate Services
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