



Coiste na Mí

An Cumann Lúthchleas Gael



Cathaoirleach: Seán Ó Caomhánaigh

Rúnaí: Ciarán Ó Floinn

Ionad Barr Feabhais Dhún Geannaí,
Dún Geannaí,
Atha Troim,
Co. na Mí.
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11ú Nollaig 2023

Comhdháil Bhliantúil CLG na Mí 2023

Monday, 11th December 2023 at 19:00 in the O'Mahony's GAA Clubhouse, Navan.

Clár:

- i. Glacadh leis na hOrduithe Seasta.
- ii. Miontuairiscí ón gComhdháil Bhliantúil dheireanach.
- iii. Tuarascáil an Rúnaí.
- iv. Tuarascáil an Chisteora agus Bileog Iarmhéid.
- v. Aitheasc an Chathaoirligh.
- vi. Toghchán Oifigeach do 2024.
- vii. Fo Dhlíthe.
- viii. Rúin chuig Comhdháil Bhliantúil.
- ix. Deireadh an Chruinnithe.

Agenda:

- i. Adoption of Standing Orders.
 - ii. Minutes of the last Annual Convention.
 - iii. Secretary's Report.
 - iv. Treasurer's Report and Balance Sheet.
 - v. Chairperson's Address.
 - vi. Election of Officers for 2024.
 - vii. Bye-Laws.
 - viii. Motions to Annual Congress.
 - ix. Close of Meeting.
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(i) Adoption of Standing Orders

For the proceedings of the Annual Convention to be carried out without delay, the following standing orders will be observed:

- a) The Proposer of a Resolution or an Amendment thereto may speak for **2 minutes**, but no more than **4 minutes**.
- b) A delegate speaking to a Resolution or of an Amendment must not exceed **5 minutes**.
- c) The Proposer of a Resolution or an Amendment may speak a second time for **1 minute** before a vote is taken, but no other delegate may speak a second time to the same Resolution or Amendment.
- d) The Chairperson may at any time he considers a matter has been sufficiently discussed call on the proposer for a reply, and when that has been given a vote must be taken.
- e) A delegate may, with the consent of the Chairperson, move that "the question be now put", after which when the proposer has spoken, a vote must be taken.
- f) Where the Annual Convention considers it appropriate, a vote may be by secret ballot. This decision shall be made by a show of hands.
- g) A speaker to the Annual Report or any other general discussion shall not exceed **2 minutes** to any one topic.
- h) Any Motions to remove or amend an existing Bye-Law shall be carried by **three-fifths** of those present, entitled to vote and voting. This applies to motions to the Annual Congress also.
- i) Standing Orders shall not be suspended to consider any matter on the agenda except by the consent of a majority equal to by three-fifths of those present, entitled to vote and voting.
- j) The Chairperson may change the order of items on the agenda with the support of a simple majority of those present, entitled to vote and voting.

ii. Minutes of the last Annual Convention

[DRAFT Minutes of County Convention 2022 \(gaa.ie\)](#)

iii. Secretary's Report

[Meath GAA Secretary Report \(Version 1 - 01-12-23\)](#)

iv. Treasurer's Report and Balance Sheet

[Coiste Chontae Na Mi CLG Accounts 2023 \(gaa.ie\)](#)

[Gross Gates_2023 \(gaa.ie\)](#)

v. Chairperson's Address

This will be delivered by outgoing County Chairperson John Kavanagh.

vi. Election of Officers for 2024.

[Nominations - Comhdháil Bhliantúil CLG na Mí 2023 \(gaa.ie\)](#)

vii. Bye-Laws.

Proposed Change 1:

That Meath GAA Bye-Law 11 paragraph 1 be amended to read:

"A person seeking to become a member of the Association shall be restricted to joining a club in the Catchment area of their permanent residence or club with other relevant connection as defined in TO 6.2, except as outlined in these Bye-laws or the Official Guide."

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Proposed Change 2:

That Meath GAA Bye-Law 9 be amended to read:

A player resident in the Parish unit of Laytown-Mornington, as defined in Bye-Law 11, who has not played with his first club in the previous 48 weeks may choose to transfer to another club within the same Parish. Transfer requests in this instance will be processed as per Bye-Law 9. In instances where the first club does not sign the transfer request this shall not prohibit the transfer being granted. The request shall be sent directly to the Meath County Secretary and forwarded to the Meath CCC for processing.

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Proposed Change 3:

That Meath GAA Bye-Law 1 be amended to include the Demographics Officer:

The Annual County Convention shall elect the following officers of the County Committee: Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Coaching Officer, Officer for Irish Language and Culture, Public Relations Officer, One Central Council representative, Two Provincial Council representatives and shall appoint a Planning and Training Officer, **Demographics Officer**, and a Children's Officer recommended by the outgoing County Committee.

A member shall not hold more than one of the above officer positions at any given time. The officers elected/appointed shall hold office until the conclusion of the next Meath Annual Convention.

That Bye-law 1, be amended to allow for the appointment of a full-time secretary, subject to permission from Central Council, as per Rule 3.9(b)(1) T.O. 2023.

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Proposed Change 4:

That Meath GAA Bye-Law 3 be amended to include the following:

- (ii) As per Rule 3.10 T.O. 2023 the County Convention shall authorise the County Management Committee to select the following:
- (a) Delegates to attend the Annual Congress, who shall include the Chairperson and County Secretary, when available.
 - (b) Delegates to attend the Provincial Convention.

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Proposed Change 5:

That Meath GAA Bye-Law 4 be amended as follows:

- (i) **Meath Management Committee (Coiste Bainistíochta an Mhí)** which shall consist of the **elected** officers of the County Committee, Central and Provincial Council Representatives, Meath Hurling Development Chairperson, Meath Minor Committee Chairperson, Safety and Facilities Officer, Planning and Training Officer, Football Development Committee Chairperson, County Competitions Control Committee Chairperson, and the Children's Officer.
- (ii) **Meath Competitions Control Committee (Coiste Rialaithe Comórtas an Mhí)** shall be designated as the Competitions Control Committee for the Meath County Committee. It shall consist of a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, **Fixtures Administrator, Disciplinary Administrator, one member of the Fixtures Analysts Sub-Committee**, Referees' Administrator (who may only vote on the appointment of Referees) and a minimum of one other member appointed by the County Committee on the recommendation of the Meath Management Committee.

The following plenary powers and functions have been specifically delegated to the Meath C.C.C. as per **Rule 3.18 T.O. 2023**:

1. Competition scheduling and arrangements for and control of all games under their jurisdiction.
2. The appointments of referees and all match officials for all games under their jurisdiction.
3. To allow Under 21/20/**19**, Minor or Younger Grade players of Clubs that are unable to field Under 21/20/**19**, Minor or Younger Grade teams to avail of a provision of **Rule 6.7 T.O. 2023**, Exception (1)(a) or (b).
4. To allow the formation of Independent Teams to play in competitions as per **Rules 3.17 (o); 6.2; 6.7 T.O. 2023**.

(vii) **Meath Coaching and Games Development Committee (Coiste Cóitseála agus Forbartha Cluichí an Mhí)** which shall consist of the Coaching Officer who shall act as the Chairperson, the Head of Games Development who shall act as the Secretary, ~~Football General-Manager~~, Football Academy Head Coach, **Hurling Academy Lead, Hurling Development Committee Chairperson, Football Development Committee Chairperson**, and a minimum of one other member by the County Committee on the recommendation of the Meath Management Committee.

(x) **Meath Youth Planning Committee (Coiste Pleanála Óige an Mhí)** which shall consist of the County Vice-Chairperson who shall act as the Chairperson, County **Assistant Secretary** who shall act as the Secretary, the Children's Officer, Head of Games Development, **two members of the Meath County Competitions Control Committee, two members of the Meath Minor Committee, two members of the Meath Youth Committee, and two members of the Meath Go Games Committee, and a minimum of one other member (if desired) appointed by the County Committee on the recommendation of the Meath Management Committee.**

(xi) **Meath Finance Sub-Committee (Fochoiste Airgeadais an Mhí)** which shall consist of the County Treasurer who shall act as the Chairperson, County Assistant Treasurer who shall act as the Secretary, **County Chairperson, County Secretary, County Vice-Chairperson, County Assistant Secretary**, the Central Council Representative, and a minimum of one other member appointed by the County Committee on the recommendation of the Meath Management Committee.

(xvii) Demographics Committee (Coiste na Daonáireachta)

It shall be responsible for monitoring the impact of population changes and advising the County on the formation of policies to deal with those changes.

It shall liaise with the relevant committees within the Association and with relevant bodies outside the Association in carrying out its functions.

It shall consist of at least five members including the Demographics Officer, who shall act as Chairperson. All other members shall be suitably qualified in areas relevant to the Terms of Reference of the Committee.

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viii. Motions to Annual Congress.

That GAA Official Codes 11.1 and 11.5 be amended to read:

All players who compete in their County Senior Football Championship – that includes Single Entities Senior Club Players and Divisional Team Players from intermediate and Junior Clubs shall be graded Senior Status – players are not eligible to play in their Provincial or All-Ireland Club intermediate and Junior Football Championship.

Their C oiste Chondae C.L.G can have a bye-law, that will allow these players to be regraded to play in their Intermediate and Junior Club Championship the following year. GAA Official Code 10.8 and Rule 3.28 T.O 2023 to be amended accordingly and all other relevant rules.

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That GAA Official Guide Rule 6.11 be amended to read:

INTER-COUNTY

Minor (Under 17): A player shall have celebrated their 16th birthday prior to January 1st and their 17th birthday on or after January 1st of the Championship Year. (i.e. Final Year Minors only)

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ix. Close of Meeting.

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References:

- a) [GAA Official Guide Part 1 \(November 23\)](#)
- b) [GAA Official Codes \(Special Congress 30-09-23\)](#)
- c) [Meath Bye-Laws 2023 \(Approved – 27-01-23\)](#)
- d) [GAA Governance Guide](#)