



COMHAIRLE | CLARE
CONTAE AN CHLÁIR | COUNTY COUNCIL

10th February, 2026.

Our Ref: February26 – 14/JC/AC

Dear Meetings Administrator,

At the February meeting of the Council, the members passed the following resolution:

“That Clare County Council calls on the Irish Government, and in particular the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine, to urgently respond to the recent appeal from the Irish Beekeepers’ Association and associated national beekeeping organisations for:

1. The establishment of a properly resourced, dedicated and coordinated all-Ireland bee inspection service, to protect managed honeybees and wild pollinators from disease outbreaks, parasites and invasive threats;
2. The immediate reinstatement and expansion of professional bee inspection capacity in the Republic of Ireland, working in cooperation with counterparts in Northern Ireland, to ensure early detection, rapid response and effective biosecurity controls;
3. Enhanced national measures to combat invasive species and emerging parasites, including the Asian hornet and the Tropilaelaps (Tropi) mite;
4. Proactive surveillance, preparedness and contingency planning for the potential arrival of the Tropilaelaps mite in Ireland;
5. Full and continued Government support for the All-Ireland Pollinator Plan;
6. Recognition that bees and other pollinators are essential to Irish agriculture, food security, biodiversity and the wider environment.

This motion is to be circulated to the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine, the Minister of State with responsibility for biodiversity, all Oireachtas members representing County Clare, and local authorities in Ireland and Northern Ireland.”

Yours sincerely,

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