

To all Local Authorities,

At the March meeting of Longford County Council, the following Notice of Motion was approved:

The following Notice of Motion was proposed by Councillor David Cassidy and seconded by Councillor Kevin Hussey

I call upon Longford County Council to write to the Minister for Children, Disability & Equality, Norma Foley TD and Minister of State Emer Higgins TD to strongly advocate for an emergency payment to be made to disabled people to alleviate the shortfall from cuts to disability funding in Budget 2026, as a mechanism to bridge the gap until an annual Cost of Disability payment (which the government has committed to implement) in 2027 is put in place to address the extra expenses faced by disabled people.

Response:

It was agreed that Longford County Council would write to the Minister for Children, Disability & Equality, Norma Foley TD and Minister of State Emer Higgins TD and the Notice of Motion will be circulated to all Local Authorities.

Kind Regards

Signed: Lorraine McKee
Lorraine McKee
Meetings Administrator

Date: 12 March 2026