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To: All Councils

Dear Meetings Administrator,

Below please find resolution passed by the Members of Mayo County Council at the Monthly Meeting held 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024, I would be grateful if you would circulate to Members.

## The Elected Members of Mayo County Council at their monthly meeting of Monday January 15<sup>th</sup> 2024, suspended standing orders and resolved:

"That all co-operation ceases immediately, between the staff of Mayo County Council and Department of children, equality disability integration and youth, until such time as an agreed strategy is put in place to properly co-ordinate the provision of additional services for the communities' hosting refugees and international protection applicants. Services should include medical, policing, accommodation, housing, education, transport, training etc..... and that the delivery dates are set down for the roll out of these services.

This strategy should also reflect equality on the numbers of refugees across all national constituencies.

That Mayo County Council requests the Irish Government to revoke the European Union (Planning and Development) (Displaced Persons from Ukraine Temporary Protection) Regulations 2022

That Mayo County Council encourages government to utilise lands where planning permission has been granted but no works have taken place to erect modular or prefabricated housing for the accommodation needs of refugees fleeing wars <u>and</u> Irish people requiring affordable accommodation.

That Mayo County Council requests the Irish Government to immediately cease leasing any property that is intended to be used in the future as tourist accommodation for the accommodation needs of refugees, asylum seekers or people seeking temporary protection.

Any contracts issued where residency has not been taken up to date that the contracts are paused until the strategy is agreed.

That this motion is circulated to An Taoiseach, Leo Varadkar, Micheál Martin, Tánaiste, Helen Mc Entee, Minister for Justice, Roderic O Gorman, Minister for Children, Equality Disability, integration and Youth, all local Oireachtas members and Councillors in all other Local Authorities."

I would be grateful if you would acknowledge receipt of this correspondence to councilmeetingsadmin@mayococo.ie

Yours sincerely

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