



An Bille Rialtais Áitiúil (Láir Bailte), 2013
Local Government (Town Centres) Bill 2013

Mar a tionscnaíodh

As initiated



**AN BILLE RIALTAIS ÁITIÚIL (LÁIR BAILTE), 2013
LOCAL GOVERNMENT (TOWN CENTRES) BILL 2013**

Mar a tionscnaíodh

As initiated

CONTENTS

SECTION

1. Amendment of Local Government Act 2001 to provide for establishment of town revitalisation teams
2. Regulations
3. Expenses
4. Short title

ACT REFERRED TO

Local Government Act 2001 (No. 37)



AN BILLE RIALTAIS ÁITIÚIL (LÁIR BAILTE), 2013
LOCAL GOVERNMENT (TOWN CENTRES) BILL 2013

Bill

entitled

An Act to make provision for the establishment by each local authority, of a town team, such team to be responsible for the making and implementation of a town revitalisation plan, the aim of such plan being the revitalisation of town centres and to provide for related matters. 5

Be it enacted by the Oireachtas as follows:

Amendment of Local Government Act 2001 to provide for establishment of town revitalisation teams 10

1. The Local Government Act 2001 is hereby amended by the insertion of a new section 48A as follows—

“48A. (1) A local authority, being a county or city council, shall establish, by way of resolution, a town team, such team to be responsible for the making and implementation of a town revitalisation plan and such plan shall have regard, but shall not be limited to the following— 15

- (a) promotion of use by start-up business and community groups of vacant town centre premises (commonly known as ‘empty shops’),
- (b) prioritisation of town centre capital developments, 20
- (c) examination of town centre parking charges structures with a view to implementing changes to encourage increased social activity,
- (d) establishment of a town centre anti-social behaviour prevention initiative,
- (e) establishment of a ‘safe town streets’ initiative, and 25
- (f) creation of cultural initiatives that encourage increased social activity in the town centre.

(2) The establishment of a ‘town team’ shall be undertaken by the local authority concerned in accordance with such guidelines as may be issued by the Minister for that purpose under section 2, such guidelines shall include— 30

- (a) the representation of persons at subsection (3), and

- (b) the term of office of members of town revitalisation teams and the chairpersons of such teams.
- (3) The making of a plan as specified under subsection (1) shall be completed and implemented by the local authority concerned within such a time period as may be prescribed by the Minister under section 2. 5
- (4) The team at subsection (1) shall consist of members of the local authority concerned and persons from the following—
 - (a) local businesses,
 - (b) public bodies, and 10
 - (c) An Garda Síochána.
- (5) The chairperson of the team shall be a member of the local authority concerned.”.

Regulations

- 2. (1) The Minister may make regulations for the general purpose of this Act and may, by regulation, provide for any matter referred to in this Act as prescribed or to be prescribed. 15
- (2) Every regulation under this Act shall be laid before each House of the Oireachtas as soon as may be after it is made and, if a resolution annulling the regulation is passed by either such House within the next 21 days on which that House has sat after the regulation is laid before it, the regulation shall be annulled accordingly but without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done under the regulation. 20
- (3) Regulations under this Act may contain such incidental, supplementary and consequential provisions as appear to the Minister to be necessary or expedient for the purposes of the regulations. 25

Expenses

- 3. The expenses incurred by the Minister in the administration of this Act shall, to such extent as may be sanctioned by the Minister for Finance, be paid out of moneys provided by the Oireachtas.

Short title

30

- 4. (1) This Act may be cited as the Local Government (Town Centres) Act 2013.
- (2) This Act shall come into operation on such day or days as may be fixed by order or orders of the Minister.

BILLE

(mar a tionscnaíodh)

dá ngairtear

Acht do dhéanamh socrú chun go ndéanfaidh gach údarás áitiúil foireann baile a bhunú, is foireann a bheidh freagrach as plean um athfhuinnmhiú baile a dhéanamh agus a chur i ngníomh, arb é is cuspóir do phlean den sórt sin láir bailte a athfhuinnmhiú agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

*An Teachta Barra V. Ó Comhain a thug isteach,
16 Deireadh Fómhair, 2013*

BILL

(as initiated)

entitled

An Act to make provision for the establishment by each local authority of a town team, such team to be responsible for the making and implementation of a town revitalisation plan, the aim of such plan being the revitalisation of town centres and to provide for related matters.

*Introduced by Deputy Barry Cowen,
16th October, 2013*

BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH
ARNA FHOILSIÚ AG OIFIG AN tSOLÁTHAIR
Le ceannach díreach ó
FOILSEACHÁIN RIALTAIS,
52 FAICHE STIABHNA, BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH 2.
(Teil: 01 - 6476834 nó 1890 213434; Fax: 01 - 6476843)
no trí aon díoltóir leabhar.

DUBLIN
PUBLISHED BY THE STATIONERY OFFICE
To be purchased from
GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS,
52 ST. STEPHEN'S GREEN, DUBLIN 2.
(Tel: 01 - 6476834 or 1890 213434; Fax: 01 - 6476843)
or through any bookseller.

€1.27

ISBN 978-1-4468-0510-7



9 781446 805107