

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT ÁRAS AN CHONTAE, PROSPECT HILL ON FRIDAY 5TH NOVEMBER, 2010.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY

CATHAOIRLEACH: Cllr. J. McClearn

I LATHAIR FREISIN:

Baill: Cllrs. T. Broderick, S. Canney, L. Carroll, D. Connolly, M. Connolly, J. Cuddy, Comh T. Ó Curraoin, Cllrs. M. Fahy, P. Feeney, G. Finnerty, M. Hoade, P. Hynes, C. Keaveney, S. Kyne, M. Maher, E Mannion, J McDonagh, T. Mc Hugh, M. Mullins, M. Noone, P. Roche, Comh S. Ó Tuairisg, Cllrs. S. Walsh, T. Walsh, T. Welby, B. Willers.

Oifigigh: Ms. M. Moloney, County Manager, K. Kelly, Directors of Service E. O'Doherty, Executive Planner, G. Kavanagh, P. Hanlon, Assistant Planners, A. Comer, B. Mc Dermott, Senior Executive Officers, P. O'Neachtain, Oifigeach Gaeilge, M. Mc Grath, Senior Staff Officer

Thosnaigh an cruinniú leis an paidir.

The Mayor welcomed the students and their lecturer from the Degree Course in Communications in Acadamh na hOllscolaíochta Gaeilge in NUIG who are attending the meeting and will also be attending the next monthly meeting as part of their college course.

The Mayor congratulated the Library Service who won "Best Library Service Award" for Public Library Provision through Public Community Partnership at this year's Chambers Ireland Awards.

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Cllr Ó Tuairisg congratulated Páid Ó Neachtain, Oifigeach Gaeilge, Galway County Council and his wife Bróna Ní Uallacháin for their recent success in the Agallamh Beirte and Sceitse competitions at Oireachtas na Samhna Festival in Killarney.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY

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A resolution of sympathy was extended to the following:-

Minister Micheál Martin and his family on the death of his daughter.
Ms. Evelyn Varley (former member of Galway County Council) and her family on the death of her husband Oliver Varley.
Mr. John Folan, Furrymulia East, Barna, Co. Galway.
Kathleen Murphy & Family, Seapoint, Barna, Co. Galway.

TUAM LOCAL AREA PLAN

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The Mayor invited Mr Kelly to present the Manager's Report on the submissions received on the Tuam Draft Local Area Plan 2011-2017. Mr Kelly stated that four Tuam Area Committee Meetings were held to consider the Manager's Report on the submissions received and various issues surrounding the Tuam Local Area plan.

Mr Kelly added that the Manager's Response took into account the proper planning and sustainable development of the area, the statutory obligations of any local authority in the area and any relevant policies or objectives for the time being of the Government, or any Minister of the Government.

He explained that a Strategic Environmental Assessment Screening and an Appropriate Assessment Screening of the Tuam LAP were also prepared and were distributed with the Draft Local Area Plan in July 2010.

He added that in response to the requirement of Flood Risk Management, a Flood Risk Map had been included in the Plan.

He advised that the plan must also adhere to the Regional Planning Guidelines and the population targets set out within these.

He explained that the intention of the Planning Authority was to have sufficient policies and objectives in the Plan to protect the town centre of Tuam and to consolidate particular uses at particular locations within the town.

The plan endeavoured to give greater certainty to prospective developers on where and what type of development would be considered favourably by the Planning Authority.

Mr Kelly gave an outline of the Manager's Report on the submissions received starting with Submission Number 1 and working through each

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submission individually. In many cases the Members agreed with the recommendations in the Manager's Report.

Submission No 1

Mr Kelly commenced with submission No 1 from Ita Daly, Health and Safety Authority by outlining a summary of the main issues raised, and the Manager's response and recommendation.

The Members agreed to accept the recommendation in the Manager's Report.

Submission No 2

In relation to Submission No 2 from The West Regional Authority, Mr Kelly explained that the issue of access at Killeelaun was considered under the NRA submission and the flooding issue under the OPW submission. In relation to population he outlined the proposed changes in relation to the strategy option maps/phasing and the overall position in relation to land zoning and population in the context of the Regional Planning Guidelines.

The Members agreed to accept the recommendation in the Manager's Report.

Submission No 3

In relation to submission No 3 from the Department of Education and Skills, Mr Kelly outlined a summary of the main issues raised, and the Manager's response and recommendation.

The Members agreed to accept the recommendation in the Manager's Report.

Submission No 4

In relation to Submission No 4 from Pdraig Fitzmaurice, Mr Kelly outlined a summary of the main issues raised, and the Manager's response and recommendation.

He also added that with a housing need a family member can be accommodated on agriculturally zoned lands as the plan already caters for this.

It was proposed by Cllr McHugh and seconded by Cllr Canney not to accept the recommendation in the Manager's Report and to zone the lands the subject of this submission from Agricultural to Residential.

A vote was taken on Cllr McHugh's proposal and the result of the vote was as follows:

AR SON Cllr Canney, Cllr Carroll, Cllr M.Connolly, Cllr Cuddy, Comh Ó Curraoin, Cllr Feeney, Cllr Finnerty, Cllr. Hoade, Cllr Keaveney, Cllr.

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Kyne, Cllr McClearn, Cllr McDonagh, Cllr McHugh, Cllr Noone, Cllr Roche, Comh Ó Tuairisg, Cllr S. Walsh, Cllr T. Walsh, Cllr Willers (19)

IN AGHAIDH: (0)

GAN VOTÁIL: (0)

The Mayor declared Cllr McHugh's proposal carried.

Submission No 5

In relation to Submission No 5 from John Connell, Mr Kelly outlined a summary of the main issues raised, and the Manager's response and recommendation. He noted that zoning was not required to enable the existing business to continue, the remote location from the town for such a zoning, the road network to the area, and the availability of industrial zoned lands elsewhere which were designed to consolidate development at appropriate locations.

Cllr McHugh submitted a revised map in relation to this submission which outlined a reduced area of land than that indicated on the original submission.

It was proposed by Cllr McHugh and seconded by Cllr Canney not to accept the recommendation in the Manager's report in relation to Submission No 5 and to zone the lands the subject of the revised map submitted to the meeting by Cllr McHugh from Agriculture to Industrial.

A vote was taken on Cllr McHugh's proposal and the result of the vote was as follows:

AR SON Cllr Canney, Cllr Carroll, Cllr M. Connolly, Cllr Cuddy, Comh Ó Curraoin, Cllr Feeney, Cllr Finnerty, Cllr. Hoade, Cllr Keaveney, Cllr. E. Mannion, Cllr McClearn, Cllr McDonagh, Cllr McHugh, Cllr Noone, Cllr Roche, Comh Ó Tuairisg, Cllr S. Walsh, Cllr T. Walsh, Cllr Willers (19)

IN AGHAIDH: (0)

GAN VOTÁIL: (0)

The Mayor declared Cllr McHugh's proposal carried.

Submission No 6

In relation to Submission No 6 from John Connell, Mr Kelly outlined a summary of the main issues raised, and the Manager's response and recommendation.

The Members agreed to accept the recommendation in the Manager's Report.

Submission No 22, 7, 21, 24, 25, 28, 30, 31, 37, 41 to 49, 51 to 54, 60 and 74

The Members agreed at this stage of the meeting to consider Submission No 22 from Royal Rock (Tuam) Ltd as it contained an issue raised in a

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number of other submissions, numbers 7, 21, 24, 25, 28, 30, 31, 37, 41 to 49, 51 to 54, 60 and 74

In relation to Submission No 22 from Royal Rock (Tuam) Ltd, Mr Kelly outlined a summary of the main issues raised, and the Manager's response and recommendation.

Mr Kelly explained the reasoning behind the change in the zoning and the recommendation in the Manager's Report which was to retain the BE zoning as per the Draft LAP while changing the zoning matrix for Industrial-Light use and Warehousing from 'open for consideration' to 'permitted'. He also referred to the floor area changes and the additional text in section 2.2.6.2 of the Plan on Established Use/Non-Conforming Use.

Mr Kelly also stated that wholesale retail type of business has been carried out at this location, some of which may have evolved overtime and not considered fully by the Planning Authority. He explained that the matrix in the existing plan suggests that some uses would be permitted which might not be successful if a planning application was lodged. He said the Planning Authority should give clarity and certainty as to what would be permitted at any location having regard to the local environment and National policy such as the Retail Planning Guidelines and NRA Policy. He added that the proposed B&E zoning would provide a degree of certainty for development uses that would be considered appropriate in principle at this location. The proposed matrix change would remove uses that would be more appropriate to Town Centre zoning and so protect the town centre.

He added that the concerns the Planning Authority had in relation to Submission 22 were the consequences that may arise from the opening up of retail development/town centre uses outside of the town centre of Tuam and making changes to the zoning matrix that will affect all of the B & E zonings throughout the plan and not just the B & E zoning on the lands the subject of Submission No 22.

Cllr Canney stated that the Tuam Area Councillors had discussed at length the issue of amending the Land use zoning Matrix.

On the proposal of Cllr Canney and seconded by Cllr M. Connolly it was agreed by the Members to change carpark land use from 'open for consideration' to 'permitted' under the Industrial zoning.

On the proposal of Cllr Canney and seconded by Cllr Keaveney it was agreed by the Members to change cash & carry land use from 'not permitted' to 'open for consideration' under the Business & Technology zoning.

On the proposal of Cllr Canney and seconded by Cllr McHugh it was agreed by the Members to change dancehall land use from 'not permitted' to 'permitted' under the Business & Enterprise zoning.

On the proposal of Cllr Canney and seconded by Cllr. Roche it was agreed by the Members to change drive-through restaurant land use from 'open for consideration' to 'permitted' under the Business & Enterprise zoning and from 'not permitted' to 'open for consideration' under the Business and Technology zoning.

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On the proposal of Cllr Canney and seconded by Cllr McHugh it was agreed by the Members to change enterprise unit land use from 'open for consideration' to 'permitted' under the Industrial zoning.

It was proposed by Cllr Canney and seconded by Cllr M. Connolly to change garden centre land use from 'open for consideration' to 'permitted' under the Business & Enterprise zoning, from 'not permitted' to 'permitted' under the Business and Technology zoning and from 'not permitted' to 'permitted' under the Industrial zoning.

It was proposed by Cllr Keaveney and seconded by Cllr S. Walsh to accept the recommendation in the Manager's Report in relation to the Garden centre land use in the land use zoning matrix.

A vote was taken on Cllr Canney's proposal and the result of the vote was as follows:

**AR SON Cllr Canney, Cllr Carroll, Cllr M. Connolly, Comh Ó Curraoin, Cllr. Hoade, Cllr Hynes, Cllr McHugh, Cllr Roche, Cllr T. Walsh, (9)
IN AGHAIDH: Cllr Feeney, Cllr Keaveney, Cllr Maher, Cllr McClearn,
Cllr S. Walsh (5)**

GAN VOTÁIL: Cllr D. Connolly (1)

The Mayor declared Cllr. Canney's proposal carried.

On the proposal of Cllr Canney and seconded by Cllr McHugh it was agreed by the Members to change industrial-light use land use from 'open for consideration' to 'permitted' under the Business and Enterprise zoning.

On the proposal of Cllr Canney and seconded by Cllr Hoade it was agreed by the Members to change industrial-light use land use from 'open for consideration' to 'permitted' under the Business and Technology zoning.

On the proposal of Cllr Canney and seconded by Cllr Hoade it was agreed by the Members to change Industrial-General land use from 'open for consideration' to 'permitted' under the Business and Enterprise zoning.

On the proposal of Cllr Canney and seconded by Cllr Roche it was agreed by the Members to change Industrial-General land use from 'open for consideration' to 'permitted' under the Business and Technology zoning.

On the proposal of Cllr Canney and seconded by Cllr M. Connolly it was agreed by the Members to change the Leisure land use from 'not permitted' to 'open for consideration' under the Industrial zoning.

On the proposal of Cllr McHugh and seconded by Cllr Canney it was agreed by the Members to change the Mart/Co-op land use from 'not permitted' to 'permitted' under the Industrial zoning.

On the proposal of Cllr. M. Connolly and seconded by Cllr Keaveney it was agreed by the Members to change the Medical and related Consultants land use from 'not permitted' to 'open for consideration' under the Business and Enterprise zoning.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche and seconded by Cllr Canney it was agreed by the Members to change the Night Club land use from 'not permitted' to 'open for consideration' under the Business and Enterprise zoning.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche and seconded by Cllr McHugh it was agreed by the Members to change the Place of public worship land use

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from 'not permitted' to 'open for consideration' under the Business and Enterprise zoning.

On the proposal of Cllr. Canney and seconded by Cllr Roche it was agreed by the Members to change the Restaurant land use from 'not permitted' to 'open for consideration' under the Business and Enterprise zoning.

On the proposal of Cllr. Canney and seconded by Cllr M. Connolly it was agreed by the Members to change the Science & Technology based industry land use from 'open for consideration' to 'permitted' under the Business and Enterprise zoning and the Industrial Zoning.

On the proposal of Cllr. Canney and seconded by Cllr McHugh it was agreed by the Members to change the shop comparison land use from 'not permitted' to 'open for consideration in the Business and Enterprise zoning.

On the proposal of Cllr. Canney and seconded by Cllr Hoade it was agreed by the Members to change the shop convenience land use from 'not permitted' to 'open for consideration in the Business and Enterprise zoning.

Mr. Kelly pointed out that the proposed retail uses are significant as it gives people the view that it is permitted in principle but one was refused by Bord Pleanala and it is incumbent on us as the Planning Authority and in accordance with the Retail Planning Guidelines to devise an appropriate matrix which will give some certainty.

On the proposal of Cllr. Canney and seconded by Cllr McHugh it was agreed by the Members to change the shopping centre (large scale convenience comparison) land use from 'not permitted' to 'permitted' in the Business and Enterprise zoning.

On the proposal of Cllr. Canney and seconded by Cllr McHugh it was agreed by the Members to change the Transport depot land use from 'not permitted' to 'open for consideration' under the Business and Technology zoning.

On the proposal of Cllr. Canney and seconded by Cllr M. Connolly it was agreed by the Members to change the Warehousing (retail/non-food < 700m²) land use from 'not permitted' to 'permitted' under the Business and Enterprise zoning, the Business and Technology zoning and under the Industrial zoning.

On the proposal of Cllr. Canney and seconded by Cllr McHugh it was agreed by the Members to change the Warehousing (retail/non-food 700m²-5,000m²) land use from 'not permitted' to 'permitted' under the Business and Technology zoning and from 'not permitted to open for consideration under the Industrial zoning.

Mr. Kelly pointed out that the above also deals with submission nos 7,21,24,25,28,30,31,37,41 to 49, 51 to 54, & 60 to 74.

Submission No 8 from ESB

On the proposal of Cllr Mc Hugh and seconded by Cllr M. Connolly the Members agreed to accept the recommendation in the Manager's Report.

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Submission No 9

In relation to submission No 9 from Robert Kilkelly & Associates, Cllr Canney submitted a new map to the meeting which identified the landowner's lands to be the subject of this submission with a request to zone from Agriculture to Residential. Mr. Kelly stated that no undeveloped lands should be zoned or rezoned for development in the plan without basic information on the habitats and nature conservation sensitivities on the land in question

The Members agreed to accept the recommendation in the Manager's Report.

Submission No 10 from Oliver Higgins, Engineers Ltd.

On the proposal of Cllr Canney and seconded by Cllr McHugh it was agreed by the Members to accept the recommendation in the Manager's Report.

Submission No 11

Mr Kelly outlined the main issues of Submission No 11 from Michael Donnellan together with the Manager's response and recommendation. He stated that the existing development on the lands the subject of this submission could be upgraded under the current zoning in the draft plan and that it was not necessary to change the zoning. This approach would have full regard to any residential amenity issues.

He pointed out that the existing plan acknowledges existing uses and the need to develop existing uses. Cllr McHugh stated that the site was located in an established Neighbourhood Centre.

It was proposed by Cllr McHugh and seconded by Cllr M. Connolly not to accept the recommendation in the Manager's Report and to zone the lands the subject of this submission from Residential to Commercial/Mixed Use zoning (C2.)

A vote was taken on Cllr McHugh's proposal and the result of the vote was as follows:

AR SON Cllr Canney, Cllr Carroll, Cllr D. Connolly, Cllr M. Connolly, Cllr Cuddy, Comh Ó Curraoin, Cllr Feeney, Cllr Finnerty, Cllr. Hoade, Cllr Hynes, Cllr Keaveney, Cllr Maher Cllr E. Mannion, Cllr Mc Clearn Cllr Mc Donagh, Cllr McHugh, Cllr Roche, Cllr T. Walsh, Cllr Willers (19)

IN AGHAIDH: (0)

GAN VOTÁIL: (0)

The Mayor declared Cllr McHugh's proposal carried.

On the proposal of Cllr M. Connolly and seconded by Cllr Roche it was agreed by the Members to change the shop comparison, the shop convenience and the shopping centre (large scale convenience

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comparison) land uses from 'open for consideration' to 'permitted' under the Commercial/Mix use zoning.

Submission Numbers 12, 13 and 14

The Members agreed to accept the recommendation in the Manager's report regarding Submissions No 12 from Joe Grogan and submission No 13 Fintan Higgins and Submission No 14 from Pat Gibbons.

Submission No 15

In relation to Submission No 15 from Teresa Togher Mr. Kelly stated that some areas within the subject lands were located within the high risk flood envelope and available CORINE data describes the area as peat bog. The route of the proposed inner relief roads/streets traverses the subject site and requires a building set back of 25 m minimum on each side of the route edge in areas of greater than >50kph together with a setback for the Suileen River.

He also added that there was an issue with access to these lands. He pointed out that there are over 86 acres of undeveloped land within the Tuam Plan Boundary.

It was proposed by Cllr Canney and seconded by Cllr. McHugh not to accept the recommendation in the Manager's Report and to zone the lands the subject of this submission from Agriculture to Industrial zoning

A vote was taken on Cllr Canney's proposal and the result of the vote was as follows:

AR SON Cllr Canney, Cllr M.Connolly, Cllr Fahy, Cllr Finnerty, Cllr. Hoade, Cllr Hynes, Cllr Keaveney, Cllr McDonagh, Cllr McHugh, Cllr Roche, (10)

IN AGHAIDH: Cllr Carroll, Cllr McClearn (2)

GAN VOTÁIL: Cllr D. Connolly, Cllr Cuddy Cllr Feeney, Cllr Kyne, Cllr Maher, Cllr Willers (6)

The Mayor declared Cllr. Canney's proposal carried.

Submission no 16

It was proposed by Cllr McHugh and seconded by Cllr Canney not to accept the recommendation in the Manager's report in relation to this Submission from Eoghan Browne and to zone the lands the subject of this submission from Agriculture to Residential (Phase 2)R2.

Mr Kelly explained that these lands cannot be developed during the life time of this plan and that there was sufficient residential zoned land available.

A vote was taken on Cllr McHugh's proposal and the result of the vote was as follows:

AR SON Cllr Canney, Cllr Carroll, Cllr M. Connolly, Cllr Fahy, Cllr Finnerty, Cllr. Hoade, Cllr Hynes, Cllr Keaveney, Cllr Kyne, Cllr Maher Cllr McDonagh, Cllr McHugh, Cllr Roche, (13)

IN AGHAIDH: Cllr Cuddy Cllr Feeney Cllr McClearn, (3)

GAN VOTÁIL: Cllr D. Connolly, Cllr Willers (2)

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The Mayor declared Cllr. McHugh's proposal carried.

Submission No 17

In relation to submission No 17 from John Fahy, Mr Kelly outlined the main issues and stated that regarding the proposal for the development of two houses for family members, there were provisions within the plan to consider such a proposal under the current zoning.

The Members agreed to accept the recommendation in the Manager's Report.

Submissions numbers 18, 19 and 20 from Paul Keating, James Higgins & Irish Wheelchair Association.

The Members agreed to accept the recommendations in the Manager's Report.

Submissions Numbers 26, 78, and 79

The Members agreed that Submissions Numbers 26, 78 and 79 from Paul Costello (OPW), Cllr. M. Connolly and Stephen Connolly respectively, be dealt with together.

Mr. Kelly stated that the 3 submissions dealt with the same piece of land and that there was a request to have it removed from the Flood Map as this land was not subject to flooding. He explained that the flood risk information contained in the plan was based on the best available data including historic data and preliminary data received from and in consultation with the OPW which allowed the planning authority to identify what it considers to be the areas of High risk, Medium Risk and Low Risk.

He added that the following text was proposed to be included in the Draft Plan,

'The assessment and mapping of areas of flood risk, in particular, still awaits the publication both of Preliminary Flood Risk Assessments (PFRA's) of Catchment-based Flood Risk Assessment and Management Plans (CFRAMS). As a result the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment of Tuam is based on available information. Accordingly all information in relation to flood risk is provided for general policy guidance only and may be substantially altered in light of future data and analysis. In the interim more reliance will be placed on individual Flood Risk Assessments for individual proposals which may be required in areas not included as flood risk areas in the maps attached to this plan'.

He stated that the approach in the Draft Plan was to allow detailed examinations through individual Flood Risk Assessments at planning application stage.

Cllr. M. Connolly stated his dissatisfaction with the extent of the floodplains designated using historical data and added that he knows that the subject lands do not flood and did not flood last November during particular adverse weather conditions.

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Cllr M. Connolly proposed to insert the following wording into the plan under Section 3.2.1.2 in place of the last sentence as proposed in the Manager's report

'Having regard to the preliminary draft nature of the flood risk data, all decisions in respect of planning applications which are either within the flood risk areas identified or outside of these areas but considered to be at flood risk will be considered in the context of Individual Flood Risk Assessments for individual proposals and not exclusively with regard to the Draft Flood Risk Map. In due course the flood risk areas will be refined and redefined on the basis of any better information that becomes available and these updated maps shall be considered to be the guiding mapping for flood risk at that time'.

Cllr. M. Connolly's proposal was seconded by Cllr Canney and agreed by the Members.

Submission No 27

It was agreed by the Members to deal with Submission No 27 from the DAU, Department of the Environment, and Heritage & Local Government with Submission No 70 as the issues contained in this submission were repeated in Submission no 70.

Submission No 29

The Members agreed that Submission No 29 had been dealt with under the amendments to the land use zoning matrix agreed earlier under Submission No 22.

Submissions Numbers 33, 34, 35 and 61

The Members agreed to accept the recommendations in the Manager's report in relation to the submissions from Frank Burke.

Submission No 36

Mr. Kelly outlined the mains issues of submission No. 36 from the NRA, and the Manager's response. He stated that there were eight recommendations in the Manager's Report in relation to Submission No 36. Cllr. Canney referred to recommendation no 5 regarding the amendment of RT6, he requested that the speed limit be changed from 50kph to 60kph where means of access to the National Primary and National Secondary Road Network for residential, commercial, industrial or other development dependent on such means of access, shall be permitted. Mr. Kelly stated that NRA policy is to avoid the creation of additional access points from new development or the generation of increased traffic from existing accesses to national roads to which speed limits greater than 50kph apply. He added that the proposed text provided, in limited cases where a speed limit of 50-60kph applies, where appropriate and where safety issues can be enhanced and in consultation with the NRA,

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access may be permitted. The Members stated that 60kph was their preferred option.

The Members agreed with the recommendations in the Manager's report in relation to this submission.

Submission No 38

The Members agreed that submission No 38 from the EPA was dealt with under Submission No 70.

Submissions Numbers 39 and 40

The Members agreed to accept the recommendations in the Manager's report. In response to Cllr. Roche's support of the request for carparking in relation to submission No 40. Mr. Kelly stated that the carpark land use was either 'permitted' or 'open for consideration' in most of the zoning options.

Submissions Numbers 42, 50 55 and 56

The Members agreed to accept the recommendations in the Manager's report.

Submission No 57

Mr. Kelly outlined the main issues, the Manager's response and recommendation in relation to Submission No 57 from Austin Connelly. Cllr McHugh presented a map to the meeting indicating a reduced area of land than that outlined in this submission and proposed that these lands be zoned from Agriculture to Industrial. Mr. Kelly advised against this and stated that the aim of the plan was to consolidate zoning and development types/uses at particular locations within the town of Tuam. He added that in the context of employment there was an adequate amount of zoned land in the plan. He pointed out that no assessment had been carried out of the suitability of this location for the zoning proposed. Cllr. M. Connolly seconded Cllr. McHugh's proposal.

A vote was taken on Cllr McHugh's proposal and the result of the vote was as follows:

AR SON: Cllr Broderick, Cllr Canney, Cllr Carroll, Cllr M. Connolly, Comh. Ó Curraoin, Cllr Feeney, Cllr. Hoade, Cllr Maher, Cllr E. Mannion, Cllr McDonagh, Cllr McHugh, Cllr Mullins, Cllr Roche, Cllr T. Walsh (14)

IN AGHAIDH: (0)

GAN VOTÁIL: Cllr Kyne, Cllr McClearn (2)

The Mayor declared Cllr. McHugh's proposal carried.

Submission No 58

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Mr. Kelly outlined the main issues, the Manager's response and recommendation in relation to this submission from John Stapleton. He stated that the subject site was situated on the periphery of the town where the maximum speed limits apply; he added that there were sufficient lands zoned within the plan that would accommodate retail uses in accordance with Retail Planning Guidelines. He stated that these lands would not be suitable in accordance with NRA's Policy statement on Development Management and Access to National Roads. He stated that the zoning of these lands may lead to a developer believing that he would get planning permission which was not the case as other factors would have to be considered including National Policy.

It was proposed by Cllr M. Connolly and seconded by Cllr. Canney not to accept the recommendation in the Manager's Report and to zone the lands the subject of this submission from Agriculture to Commercial/Mixed use (C2).

A vote was taken on Cllr M. Connolly's proposal and the result of the vote was as follows:

AR SON: Cllr Canney, Cllr M. Connolly, Comh. Ó Curraoin, Cllr. Hoade, Cllr Kyne, Cllr McHugh, Cllr Roche, Cllr T. Walsh (8)

IN AGHAIDH: Cllr McClearn, (1)

GAN VOTÁIL: Cllr Carroll, Cllr Maher Cllr McDonagh Cllr Mullins, Cllr. Willers (5)

The Mayor declared Cllr. M Connolly's proposal carried.

Submission Number 59 from Brendan Fogarty

The Members agreed to accept the recommendations in the Manager's Report.

Submission No 62

Mr. Kelly outlined the main issues, the Manger's response and recommendation in relation to this submission from Denis O'Connell and Brendan Quirke.

It was proposed by Cllr. Hoade and seconded by Cllr. McHugh not to accept the recommendation in the Manager's Report in relation to this submission and to remove the lands the subject of this submission from the Architectural Conservation Area (ACA).

A vote was taken on Cllr Hoade's proposal and the result of the vote was as follows:

AR SON: Cllr Canney, Cllr M. Connolly, Comh. Ó Curraoin, Cllr. Hoade, Cllr. McClearn, Cllr McDonagh, Cllr McHugh, Cllr Roche, Cllr T. Walsh (9)

IN AGHAIDH: Cllr Kyne, (1)

GAN VOTÁIL: Cllr Carroll, Cllr D. Connolly, Cllr Cuddy, Cllr Maher Cllr Mullins, Cllr. Willers (6)

The Mayor declared Cllr. Hoade's proposal carried.

Submission No 63

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Mr. Kelly outlined the main issues, the Manger's response and recommendation in relation to this submission from Martin Moran, Michael Loftus & Cathal Quinn. He stated that the subject lands were located in close proximity to the River Clare, (Lough Corrib cSAC) and are also partially located within lands identified as being in flood risk areas. He added that the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government had specifically referred to industrial zoned lands being close to designated sites and added that this zoning would trigger a Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment of the Tuam Local Area Plan.

The Members agreed to accept the recommendation in the Manager's Report.

Submissions Numbers 64, 65 and 66 from Paul Byrne, Tesco Ireland & Brendan Mc Gettigan & Association Ltd.

It was agreed to accept the recommendations in the Manager's Report.

Submission No 67

Mr. Kelly outlined the main issues, the Manger's response and recommendation in relation to this submission from Michael O'Connor.

It was proposed by Cllr Canney and seconded by Cllr McHugh not to accept the recommendation in the Manager's Report and to zone the lands the subject of this submission from Residential to Town Centre / Commercial (C1).

A vote was taken on Cllr Canney's proposal and the result of the vote was as follows:

AR SON: Cllr Canney, Cllr D. Connolly, Cllr M. Connolly, Comh. Ó Curraoin, Cllr. Hoade, Cllr Hynes, Cllr Keaveney, Cllr McHugh, Cllr Mullins Cllr Roche, Cllr T. Walsh (11)

IN AGHAIDH: (0)

GAN VOTÁIL: Cllr Broderick, Cllr Carroll, Cllr Cuddy, Cllr Kyne, Cllr. McClearn, Cllr McDonagh, Cllr Welby, Cllr. Willers (8)

The Mayor declared Cllr. Canney's proposal carried.

Submission No. 68

Mr. Kelly outlined the mains issues of this submission from the OPW, and the manager's response. He stated that there were six recommendations in the Manager's Report in relation to this submission. He stated that the approach taken was a reasonable one which dealt with the issue of flood protection but recognises the fact that the flood data will be subject to change. The plan provides for individual flood risk assessment for lands either within the identified flood risk areas or outside if it is considered that a flood risk exists but highlights the areas of concern at this point.

The Members agreed to accept the recommendations in the Manger's report in relation to this submission including the amendment to recommendation number 6 already agreed under submission No 26.

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Submission No 69

The Members agreed to accept the recommendation in the Manager's report in relation to this submission from Coffey Construction.

Submission No 70 & 27

Mr. Kelly outlined the main issues, the Manager's response and recommendation in relation to submissions from the Department of the Environment Heritage and Local Government. He outlined the matters dealt with including Appropriate Assessment /Strategic Environmental Assessment requirements, Flood Risk, land zoning and phasing for residential purposes, population parameters set in the Regional Planning Guidelines, the impending Core Strategy and other issues and outlined the recommended changes to address the issues raised.

The Members agreed to accept the recommendation in the Manager's report in relation to Submissions No 27 & 70.

Submission No 71

The Members agreed to accept the recommendation in the Manager's Report in relation to this submission from Thomas & Theresa O'Keeffe.

Submission No 72

Mr. Kelly outlined the main issues, the Manger's response and recommendation in relation to this submission from Michael O'Connor. He pointed out that the subject lands were surrounded primarily by residential development and that the lands were not contiguous to the existing town centre zoning.

It was proposed by Cllr. Canney and seconded by Cllr. M. Connolly not to accept the recommendation in the Manager's Report and to zone the lands the subject of this submission from Residential to Business and Enterprise.

A vote was taken on Cllr Canney's proposal and the result of the vote was as follows:

AR SON: Cllr Canney, Cllr D. Connolly, Cllr M. Connolly, Comh. Ó Curraoin, Cllr Feeney, Cllr. Hoade, Cllr Hynes, Cllr Keaveney, Cllr Kyne, Cllr E. Mannion, Cllr Mc Donagh Cllr McHugh, Cllr Mullins Cllr Roche, Cllr T. Walsh (15)

IN AGHAIDH: (0)

GAN VOTÁIL: Cllr Carroll, Cllr Cuddy, Cllr. McClearn, Cllr Welby, Cllr. Willers (5)

The Mayor declared Cllr. Canney's proposal carried.

Submission No 73 and 74

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The Members agreed that both submissions had been dealt with under the amendments to the land use zoning matrix as agreed earlier under Submission No 22.

Submission No 75 and 76

The Members agreed to accept the recommendation in the Manager's report in relation to both these submissions.

Submission No 77

The Members agreed that this Submission had been dealt with under the amendments to the land use zoning matrix as agreed earlier under Submission No 22.

Cllr Keaveney referred to the HSE site (formerly Bon Secours)

It was proposed by Cllr. Keaveney and seconded by Cllr. Canney to zone the HSE lands as indicated on a map submitted by Cllr. Keaveney to the Council meeting from Town Centre/Commercial (C1) to Community Facilities.

A vote was taken on Cllr. Keaveney's proposal and the result of the vote was as follows:

AR SON: Cllr Canney, Cllr D. Connolly, Cllr M. Connolly, Cllr Cuddy, Comh. Ó Curraoin, Cllr Feeney, Cllr. Hoade, Cllr Hynes, Cllr Keaveney, Cllr E. Mannion, Cllr. McClearn Cllr McDonagh Cllr McHugh, Cllr Mullins Cllr Roche, Cllr T. Walsh, Cllr. Willers (17)

IN AGHAIDH: (0)

GAN VOTÁIL: Cllr Welby, (1)

The Mayor declared Cllr. Keaveney's proposal carried.

It was proposed by Cllr Canney and seconded by Cllr M. Connolly and agreed to amend the wording in Objective WS1 as follows,

'Provide and/or facilitate where appropriate the refurbishment and or upgrading of water and wastewater treatment schemes in order to comply with the applicable urban waste water treatment disposal standards and to protect the River Clare and its qualifying interests'.

It was proposed by Cllr Canney and seconded by Cllr M. Connolly and agreed to amend the wording in Objective RN22 as follows,

'Essential rural generated housing needs within agricultural zoned lands/lands zoned as R2- Residential (Phase 2) shall be considered on a case-by-case basis in accordance with the rural housing need provisions within the GCDP 2009-2015, including the relevant policies, objectives and development management standards, and the relevant national guidelines'.

Cllr. D. Connolly referred to the status of a historical monument within the Tuam Plan that was not included in the list of protected structures. Mr Kelly stated that he would refer the matter to Mairin Doddy, Conservation Officer.

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It was proposed by Cllr Hoade and seconded by Cllr M. Connolly to put the Draft Tuam Local Area plan with the amendments and material alterations as agreed at the Council meeting on public display.

IMPLICATIONS OF NEW PLANNING ACT 520

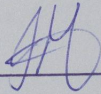
It was agreed by the members to defer this item.

LLATHAIR FREISIN:

Baili:

Criochnaigh an Chruinniú Ansin

submitted, Approved + Signed



17th December 2010

Date

Gairde:

Thosnaigh an cruinniú leis an baili

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY

495

A resolution of sympathy was examined to the following

The Nolan Family, Ballynacora, Co. Galway
The Grimes Family, Lisbreen, Co. Galway

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT ÁRAS AN CHONTAE, PROSPECT HILL ON MONDAY 18th OCTOBER, 2010.

CATHAOIRLEACH: Cllr. J. McClearn

ILATHAIR FREISIN:

Baill: Cllrs. T. Broderick, S. Canney, L. Carroll, P. Connaughton, D. Connolly, M. Connolly, J. Cuddy, Comh S O Cuaig, Comh T. Ó Curraoin, Cllrs. M. Fahy, P. Feeney, G. Finnerty, M. Hoade, P. Hynes, C. Keaveney, S. Kyne, E Mannion, T. Mannion, J McDonagh, T. Mc Hugh, M. Mullins, P. Roche, Comh S. Ó Tuairisg, Cllrs. S. Walsh, T. Walsh, B. Willers.

Oifigigh: Ms. M. Moloney, County Manager; Messrs. K. Kelly, J. Cullen, F. Gilmore, Directors of Service; G. Mullarkey, Head of Finance; M. Dolly, Senior Engineer; B. McDermott, County Secretary; A. Comer, Senior Executive Officer, B. Barrett, Administrative Officer, E. O'Doherty, Executive Planner, G. Kavanagh, Asst. Planner, M. McGrath, Senior Staff Officer, P. O'Neachtain, Oifigeach Gaeilge, G. Healy, Staff Officer.

Thosnaigh an cruinniú leis an paidir.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY

495

A resolution of sympathy was extended to the following

- The Nolan Family, Ballyaneen, Gort, Co. Galway
- The Grimes Family, Lisbrien, Gort, Co. Galway

Cllr. McDonagh proposed that the order of the Agenda be changed so that after Item 10, Items 12, 13 and 17 would be taken next. This proposal was seconded by Cllr. Mullins and agreed.

It was proposed by Cllr. Hoade that the Monthly Council Meetings commence at the earlier time of 2pm in future instead of 3.30pm thereby amending Standing Order No. 5. This proposal was seconded by Cllr. McDonagh and there was unanimous agreement to same.

It was also agreed that if the Monthly Meeting is not finished at a reasonable time in future, the Mayor can make a decision to defer the remaining items on the Agenda for discussion at a Special Meeting to be held on the first Friday of the following month.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETINGS 496

The Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 27th September, 2010 were approved by the Council and signed by the Mayor on the proposal of Cllr. Mullins, seconded by Cllr. McHugh.

Arising from the Minutes, Cllr. D. Connolly referred to his Notice of Motion No. 22 which was on the Agenda for the Monthly Meeting of 27th September, 2010 and he stated that the minutes did not reflect what he had said. He had referred to the reply which he had received from Mr. Cullen which stated that it is the EPA and not Galway County Council who is the competent Authority. He wished the minute to reflect that he had asked Galway County Council not to issue a licence/ permit if requested to do so.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION: 497

The Report of the Oranmore Area Committee Meeting held on 9th September 2010 was approved by the Council and signed by the Mayor on the proposal of Cllr. McDonagh, seconded by Cllr. Carroll.

The Report of the Corporate Policy Group Meeting held on 19th April, 2010 was approved by the Council and signed by the Mayor on the proposal of Cllr. Keaveney, seconded by Cllr. T. Walsh.

DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS – SECTION 11 OF ROADS ACT 1993 498

Details as follows:-

On the proposal of Cllr. E. Mannion, seconded by Comh. Ó Cuaig, the Council approved the declaration of the following road to be a public road, the statutory procedure having been complied with:-

Road commencing at junction with Local Road L-5132-24 in the townland of Kill and extending north for a distance of 280 metres in the townland of Kill and finishing at Kill graveyard in the townland of Kill.

Electoral Area: Conamara

DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS – SECTION 11 OF ROADS ACT 1993 – 499

Details as follows:-

On the proposal of Cllr. Kyne, seconded by Comh. Ó Curraoin, the Council approved the declaration of the following road to be a public road, the statutory procedure having been complied with:-

Road commencing at junction with Local Road L13142 in the townland of Rosscahill and extending north for a distance of 112 metres in the townland of Rosscahill, and finishing at Padraic Connells house in the townland of Rosscahill.

Electoral Area: Conamara

DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS – SECTION 11 OF ROADS ACT 1993 – 500

Details as follows:-

On the proposal of Cllr. Kyne, seconded by Comh. Ó Tuairisg, the Council approved the declaration of the following road to be a public road, the statutory procedure having been complied with:-

Road commencing at junction with Local Road LS347 in the townland of Knockauranny and extending north for a distance of 190 metres in the townland of Knockauranny and finishing at Sean Faherty's house in the townland of Knockauranny.

Electoral Area: Conamara

DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS – SECTION 11 OF ROADS ACT 1993 – 501

Details as follows:-

On the proposal of Cllr. Cuddy, seconded by Cllr. McDonagh, the Council approved the declaration of the following road to be a public road, the statutory procedure having been complied with:-

Road commencing at junction with Local Road L71121 in the townland of Lydacan and extending north east as appropriate for a distance of 250 metres in the townland of Lydacan and finishing at Donovans (end of road) in the townland of Lydacan.

Electoral Area: Oranmore

TO CONSIDER REPORT UNDER SECTION 183 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2001 ON THE DISPOSAL OF 24.38 SQ METRES AT BULLAUN, LOUGHREA, CO. GALWAY – 502

Report dated the 1st October, 2010 was already circulated to each Member.

On the proposal of Cllr. Hynes, seconded by Cllr. Mullins, the disposal of 24.38 sq metres of land at Bullaun, Loughrea, Co. Galway, was approved.

TO CONSIDER REPORT UNDER PART 8 OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS 2001 – EXTENSION TO KILCOONA BURIAL GROUND – 503

Report dated the 12th October, 2010 was already circulated to each Member.

On the proposal of Cllr. Hoade, seconded by Cllr. McHugh, it was agreed that the proposal for an extension to Kilcoona Burial Ground be approved.

In reply to points raised by some Members regarding the provision of extensions to burial grounds, Mr. Cullen stated that the Council's approach in this regard is to work in partnership with local communities in order to secure the extra land required and this approach has proven successful over the years. He stated that a budget has been provided each year in respect of burial grounds and it is hoped that this will continue.

TO CONSIDER REPORT UNDER PART 8 OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS 2001 – CONSTRUCTION OF WATER TREATMENT WORKS BUILDING, WASH WATER HOLDING TANKS, TOGETHER WITH RESERVOIR, STORAGE SHED AND ASSOCIATED SITE DEVELOPMENT WORKS AT CAPPADAVOCK TD. LEVALLY, CO. GALWAY – 504

Report dated the 7th October, 2010 was already circulated to each Member.

On the proposal of Cllr. McHugh, seconded by Cllr. Canney, it was agreed that the proposal for the construction of a water treatment works building, wash water holding tanks, together with reservoir, storage shed and associated site development works at Cappadavock Td. Levally, Co. Galway, be approved.

TO CONSIDER A PROPOSAL UNDER SECTION 73 OF THE ROADS ACT 1993 TO EXTINGUISH A PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY – A SECTION OF THE LT71072 IN THE TOWNLAND OF FRENCHFORT COMMENCING FOUR HUNDRED AND FIFTY FIVE METRES FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH THE LS7107 IN FRENCHFORT FOR A LENGTH OF SEVENTY SIX METRES –

505

On the proposal of Cllr. Carroll, seconded by Cllr. Willers, it was agreed that this item be deferred to the November, 2010 Monthly Meeting

PRESENTATION ON GALWAY AIRPORT

506

The Mayor welcomed Mr. Joe Walsh, General Manager of Galway Airport and Mr. Michael Corless, Chairman of Galway Airport to the Meeting.

Mr. Corless stated that Galway Airport is essential to the Galway City and County in order to facilitate existing overseas industry and to target new industry and also to facilitate and promote tourism in the area. He said that the airport employs 60 staff directly and 180 indirectly. He said that it is imperative that government subvention is maintained for the airport and he asked for the Council's continued support in this regard.

Mr. Walsh then made a presentation to the Members on Galway Airport. He outlined the developments which have taken place at the airport since he last spoke with the Members in 2008 and he also outlined the challenges faced by the airport in the current difficult economic climate. He said that the main focus of Galway Airport at present is to remain in operation although he also said that the runway needs to be extended.

He thanked Galway County Council for their continued support of the airport.

Cllr. Carroll thanked Mr. Walsh and Mr. Corless for their presentation in his capacity as Galway County Council's representative on the Board of Galway Airport. He said that the airport is of great benefit to local businesses and is essential for tourism and he assured them of the continued support of the Council for the airport.

The Manager stated that it cannot be emphasized enough how essential Galway Airport is for regional and county development and for the enhancement and growth of businesses in the city and county

Cllr. Hoade proposed that Galway County Council calls on the Minister for Transport and the Department of Transport to continue to support Galway Regional Airport which is essential for the economic and infrastructural development of Galway County and City. This proposal was seconded by Cllr. T. Mannion, and agreed.

GALWAY MAIN DRAINAGE – UPDATE REPORT & PRESENTATION

507

The Mayor welcomed Mr. Padraic Fogarty and Mr. Eamonn Waldron of Tobin Consulting Engineers and Mr. Gerry Monaghan of Nicholas O'Dwyer Consulting Engineers. Mr. Cullen pointed out that the Galway Main Drainage project is an essential infrastructure for growth and job creation. He said that works on the project are ongoing and the Consulting Engineers were invited to the Meeting in order to brief the Members on future plans for the scheme.

Mr. Fogarty made the presentation to the Members and stated that the existing treatment plant at Mutton Island is reaching capacity and a new site needs to be selected for a treatment plant to serve East Galway. He said that a preferred site has been located at Glenascaul, Oranmore.

The Mayor thanked Mr. Fogarty for his detailed presentation.

In response to a query raised, Mr. Cullen stated that the consultation process will take place in the course of the Environmental Impact Statement process.

In general, the Members welcomed the proposal stating that it is essential for economic development and stated that if the treatment plant is built and maintained properly, it should not cause any problems to the local area.

FLOODING UPDATE

508

The Manager stated that meetings between the Council and the OPW are continuing. Works on approved flood relief projects are progressing and a considerable number have been completed. She said that in excess of €700,000 has been drawn down from the OPW and an additional allocation of €100,000 has been received in respect of Portumna area and this work will be programmed in over the month of November. She also said that contract documents are being prepared by Galway County Council with a view to appointing consultants as soon as possible to prepare the Environmental Impact Statement for proposed works on the Dunkellin River.

In reply to a query from Cllr. D. Connolly regarding Derrymullen, Mr. Kelly stated that tenders for the approved works have been received and assessed and the works will commence without delay.

In reply to queries regarding the advance works at Claregalway, Mr. Gilmore stated that work cannot commence until the archaeology issues are dealt with. In relation to the main scheme for Claregalway, he advised that contract documents are being prepared by the OPW with a view to appointing consultants as soon as possible to prepare the Environmental Impact Statement.

In reply to a query from Cllr. Roche regarding a proposal for Feigh East at a cost of €3000 which he said is not adequate, the Manager stated that any works proposed have to meet the cost benefit criteria, however she will raise this issue with the OPW.

On the proposal of Cllr. T. Mannion, seconded by Cllr. McHugh, it was agreed that the Standing Orders be suspended in order that the meeting could continue past 6pm.

ECONOMIC WORK OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL –
CARRIED OVER FROM LAST MEETING 509

Referring to the presentation made by Mr. Barrett at the September meeting the following points were made by the Members:

- The presentation made by Mr. Barrett was very relevant in the current climate and while County and City Enterprise Boards are very beneficial to small businesses, their funding is totally inadequate.
- The Government needs to be made realize that a stimulus package is required in order to promote and fund new enterprise and create employment locally
- The Government needs to be lobbied in relation to payments to farmers in order to make farming viable and sustainable
- People on social welfare should be asked to make a contribution towards the community
- Farmers markets should be encouraged, bearing in mind the rights of ratepayers.

Cllr. Canney made the following proposal “that Galway County Council request the Government to defer the idea of a directly elected Mayor for Dublin. The monies saved should be distributed to the County and City Enterprise Boards to help generate jobs throughout the country. The exceptional talent available in this country needs to be encouraged to enter into business and the County & City Enterprise Boards should be utilized to help this job creation happen. The workforce available should be encouraged to become involved in schemes which will upskill people in business, technology and practical knowledge”. This proposal was seconded by Cllr. D. Connolly and it was agreed that this proposal be sent to each Government Minister and also to each Local Authority.

The Mayor proposed that the IDA and Enterprise Ireland be invited to address the Members at a forthcoming Meeting of the Council and this was seconded by Cllr. Mullins and agreed

Cllr. Mullins proposed that the Marine Institute also be invited to address the Members and this was seconded by Comh. Ó Curraoin and agreed

The Manager welcomed the views of the Members during the debate stating that without doubt the county is facing challenges but she said that

Galway County Council is doing quite an amount to ensure that County Galway is an appropriate place for economic development. She outlined the following:

- Revenue and capital expenditure of the Council is substantial
- Roads infrastructure in the county has seen major advances with the completion of the M6 last year and the Gort Crusheen Scheme due to be completed shortly
- Most towns in the county now have broadband
- The Water Services Investment Programme is creating employment locally and providing much needed infrastructure
- In relation to tourism, significant development work is being carried out on projects such as cycle trails, walking routes and public amenity areas.
- The Business Response Unit (BRU) is in place.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING 30TH SEPTEMBER 2010 **510**

Report dated 12th October, 2010 was already circulated to each Member.

Mr. Mullarkey presented the Financial Report for the period ending 30th September, 2010.

TUAM LOCAL AREA PLAN **511**

On the proposal of Cllr. M. Connolly, seconded by Cllr. McHugh, it was agreed that this item be deferred to a Special Meeting of the Council to be held on Friday 5th November, 2010 at 2pm.

IMPLICATIONS OF NEW PLANNING ACT **512**

On the proposal of Cllr. M. Connolly, seconded by Cllr. McHugh, it was agreed that this item be deferred to a Special Meeting of the Council to be held on Friday 5th November, 2010 at 2pm.

MANAGERS BUSINESS **513**

Mr. Cullen informed the Members that the Council received a letter dated 4th October, 2010 from the Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government outlining a review of water pricing. He said that the Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government contribution towards the domestic element in future will be increased from 40% to 90% for certain water services schemes so this will have a positive impact and is to be welcomed.

MAYORS BUSINESS

514

The Mayor stated that he understands that Community Alert is celebrating 25 years in existence and that the Council should recognize this fact. On the proposal of Cllr. Canney, seconded by the Mayor it was agreed that representatives from Community Alert groups around the county be invited to a reception to be held in their honour at Áras an Chontae at a forthcoming meeting of the Council.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS

NOTICE OF MOTION NO 20 – CLLR. J. MCDONAGH

515

The following reply was given:-

“The “Clare River” sign adjacent to Lackagh Bridge on the N63 will be replaced.”

NOTICE OF MOTION NO 21 – CLLR. J. MCDONAGH

516

The following reply was given:-

“The area office will be requested to submit costings to tar the footpath, following which a decision can be taken on whether the works can be included in this years programme and subject to budgetary constraints.”

NOTICE OF MOTION NO 22 – CLLR. J. MCDONAGH

517

The following reply was given:-

“The sign for “Coolarne Pitch” sign on Turloughmore Athenry Road will be replaced.”

Criochnaigh an Cruinniú Ansin

Submitted, Approved + Signed



22ND November 2010

DATE