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The Council is aware that such facilities, when located in certain areas such as residential estates, can adversely affect the amenity through increased traffic generation and other impacts.

Retail Planning Guidelines

Replace reference to Draft Retail Planning Guidelines 1999 with *Retail Planning Guidelines* throughout the text and especially in section 4.8 of the Draft Plan.

Update on Sanitary Services

- 2.21 The Tuam Regional Water Supply Scheme is currently being extended to Athenry (expected completion in early 2002). This work also includes improvements to the water main network in the town.
- 2.22 The sewerage treatment works, to the south of the town, is designed to cater for a population of 4,000. The proposed growth of Athenry will require investment in the sewerage system of Athenry town.

Athenry has been granted aid, under the Serviced Land Initiative for improvement to water and sewerage, by the Department of the Environment.

4.10 Galway County Council provide sewerage and water services for residents and employers in the Plan area. The County Council recognise the importance of providing an adequate water supply for the development of industrial, commercial, agricultural, domestic and other uses. The County Council will therefore seek to improve trunk mains from which a network of distribution mains can be developed.

4.10 Objectives

WS1 It is an objective of the Council to maintain an adequate source of water supply in the town.

WS2 It is an objective of the Council to secure funding and undertake preparatory work required for the implementation of the Athenry Sewerage (Improvement) Scheme.

WS3 Implement the Serviced Land Initiative for sewerage.

Update of Specific Objectives Map

It is proposed to amend the specific objectives map by making revisions to routes Tl, T2 and T3.

It was proposed by Cllr. McClearn, seconded by Dep. Burke, and agreed, to accept the recommendations of the Loughrea Electoral Area Committee on the further recommendations and issues contained in the Report.

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COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT ÁRAS AN CHONTAE, PROSPECT HILL ON MONDAY 25th MARCH, 2002.

<u>CATHAOIRLEACH:</u> Mayor M. Regan.

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Deps. U. Burke, P. Connaughton, Sen. J. McDonagh, Cllrs. J. Callanan, J. Conneely, M. Connolly, M. Fahy, S. Gavin, N. Grealish, M. Hoade, P. Hynes, J. Joyce, M. Loughnane, J.J. Mannion, T. Mannion, J. McClearn, T. McHugh, M. Mullins, Comh. C. Ni Fhatharta, P. O'Foighil, S. O'Neachtain, Cllrs. P. O'Sullivan, K. Quinn, S. Quinn, T. Rabbitt, S. Walsh, T. Walsh.

Oifigigh: Messrs. D. O'Donoghue, Co. Manager, T. Kavanagh, P. Ridge, J. Cullen, J. Morgan, F. Gilmore, Directors of Services, E. Lusby, Head of Finance, T. Murphy, D. Barrett, A. Comer, Senior Executive Officers, P. Carroll, E. Moloney, Administrative Officers, L. Gavin, R. Killeen, Senior Engineers, L. Kavanagh, Senior Executive Engineer, Ms. R. Mitchell, Assistant Planner, Ms. R. O'Boyle, Staff Officer, Ms. M. Bourke, Assistant Staff Officer.

Thosnaigh an cruinniú leis an paidir.

The Mayor congratulated the Mercy College, Woodford on winning the County Senior Hurling Colleges Final at the weekend. Dep. Burke said he would also like to extend his good wishes to the College on their wonderful achievement.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY

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A Resolution of Sympathy was extended to the following: -

Mr. John Moran & Family, Polltalilaun, Killeen, Ballyshrule, Ballinasloe.
Mrs. Margaret Hughes & Family, Moate, Moylough, Ballinasloe.
Mrs. Roisin Ryan, Meadow Court, Moylough, Co. Galway.
Mrs. Jacqueline Smyth, St. Michael's Place, Ballinasloe.
May Bn. Ui Chualain, Druim, Leitir Moir, Co. na Gaillimhe.
The Reilly Family, Cloon, Claregalway, Co. Galway.
The O'Toole Family, Curramore, Headford, Co. Galway.
The Smyth Family, Kilgarve, Creagh, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway.
The Hoarty Family, Ballymaquive, Ardrahan, Co. Galway.

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MINUTES

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The Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on the 25th February, 2002 were approved by the Council and signed by the Mayor on the proposal of Cllr. Callanan, seconded by Cllr. Fahy.

REPORTS

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The Report of the Cultural & General Services Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on the 14th March, 2002 was considered. It was adopted by the Council on the proposal of Cllr. Grealish, seconded by Cllr. Callanan.

The Report of the Planning and Economic Development Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on the 25th February, 2002 was considered. It was adopted by the Council on the proposal of Cllr. O'Neachtain, seconded by Cllr. Hoade.

The Report of the Tuam Area Committee Meeting held on the 15th February, 2002 was considered. It was adopted by the Council on the proposal of Cllr. T. McHugh, seconded by Cllr T. Walsh.

Cllr. Walsh asked that the Council investigate the situation and see what can be done to prevent explosives being used for quarrying which is causing serious concern to the residents of Knockadaniel, Ballymoe.

The Report of the Oranmore Area Committee Meeting held on the 15th February, 2002 was considered. It was adopted by the Council on the proposal of Cllr. Rabbin, seconded by Cllr. Grealish.

The Report of the Loughrea Area Committee Meeting held on the 25th February, 2002 was considered. It was adopted by the Council on the proposal of Cllr. Faby, seconded by Cllr. Hynes.

The Report of the Conamara Area Committee Meeting held on the 13th February, 2002 was considered. It was adopted by the Council on the proposal of Cllr S. Walsh seconded by the Cllr. Conneely.

Material Contravention of the County Development Plan: - 1500 Permission for 1. Demólition of existing public house

and associated residential accommodation; 2. Demolition of existing retail outlet; 3. Construction of new access points onto the N.17; 4. Construction of the following residential and commercial units with all associated roads, pavements, services and associated hard and soft landscaping and public open spaces and carparking – 11 no. 3-4 bed terraced houses, and as one complex around a town centre square; -33 no. 2 bed apartments, first and second floor; - 9 no. office units, first floor; - 1200 msq of retail outlet at ground floor; 5. Construction of the following – Public House, bars, and ancillary accommodation with 21 bedroom accommodation on upper floors with reception and all ancillary services. All associated roads, pavements, hard and soft landscaping and public open space and car parking in the townland of Cahergowan/Summerfield.

Planning Reference No. 00/3659 Applicant: Sean Dunleavey

Mr. Comer gave details of the application referring to report dated 21st March 2002, which had been circulated in advance.

<u>PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT</u>: 1. Demolition of existing public house and associated residential accommodation. 2. Demolition of existing retail outlet. 3. Construction of new access points onto the N17. 4. Construction of the following residential and commercial units with all associated roads, pavements, services and associated hard and soft landscaping and public open spaces and carparking – 11 no. 3/4 bed terraced houses, and as one complex around a town centre square, 33 no. 2 bed apartments – first and second floor, 9 no. office units – first floor, 1200m² of retail outlet at ground floor. 5. Construction of the following – public house, bars, and ancillary accommodation with 21 bedroom accommodation on upper floors with reception and all ancillary services. All associated roads, pavements, hard and soft landscaping and carparking.

LOCATION: The site of proposed development is located within the village boundary of Claregalway within the 30mph speed limit. It is situated along the N17 opposite the bridge of the 9 arches over the old course of the River Clare. There are a number of 3 storey offices/retail units located on an adjacent site to the south along the same side of the road. To the west of the site in question there exists a housing estate. There is a farmhouse/shed located directly to the north of the site. Adjacent across the road is the old 9 arch bridge; a bungalow and a two-storey farmhouse styled building.

<u>SITE DESCRIPTION</u>: On site inspection site clearance work had been carried out on the south of the site (a container loader was located on site). Furthermore, a significant part of the site to the rear was backfilled to lay the foundations to development. A stone wall is located halfway along the frontage of the site in question.

<u>PLANNING HISTORY</u>: Prior to this application there were previous applications on site:

- <u>98/1538</u>: Permission granted to applicant on smaller site within site in question for retention of (a) Rear extension to dwelling, (b) Shed to rear of house, (c) Enlargement and relocation of septic tank serving house, shop and bar and percolation area to same subject to 1 no. condition.
- <u>69534</u>: Permission granted to applicant on site in question for (a) Retention and completion of rear extension, (b) Retention of front façade finishes, (c) Retention to already approved extension to dwellinghouse and bar subject to 2 no. conditions.

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- <u>64530</u>: Permission refused to Padraig Dunleavy on site directly to the north for conversion of farmhouse to 3 no apartments and construction of septic tank by reason of public health and fire safety.
- <u>58151</u>: Permission granted to Bob Dunleavy to relocate and develop new motor service station on site to the north (which partially overlaps site in question) subject to 3 no. conditions.
- <u>58150</u>: Permission granted for retention of shop to Bob Dunleavy on smaller site within site in question subject to 1 no. condition.
- <u>58149</u>: Permission granted to Bob Dunleavy on smaller site within site in question for retention of additional living rooms and change of elevations of house and shop subject to 2 no. conditions.
- <u>51285</u>: Permission granted to Bob Dunleavy on smaller site within site in question for erection of extension to public house subject to 3 no. conditions.

ZONING: The site is currently zoned as Commercial/Residential on the southern portion of the site and agriculture on the northern section of the site in the current County Development Plan (which includes the village of Claregalway – See Map No.6) within the 30mph speed limit. The draft Development Plan for Claregalway proposes that the northern portion of the site be zoned Amenity. In order for Planning Permission to be granted a Material Contravention of the current development plan is required. The applicant is proposing a private effluent treatment plant to service this development.

ASSESSMENT: A further information request was recommended by the Planning Authority on 27th November 2000. The applicant proposed to connect to the public sewer, this proposal was considered premature by both the Planning Section and the Sanitary Services Section. The applicant was advised to consider the installation of a proprietary treatment system, submit a hydrological survey and to demonstrate mitigation measures against the impact of floodwaters on site. The reply to further information was received on 23rd July 2001, and a subsequent extension of time request was made by the applicant. The hydrological survey was to the satisfaction of the Planning Section and the Environment Section, however, in order to meet the County Councils Minimum Distance Requirements with regard to public health the applicant was advised to re-advertise for revised site boundaries.

OBJECTIONS: No objections to this planning application have been received.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: Due to the location of this site within the 30mph zone, its close proximity to the village core, the fact that a substantial part of this site is proposed for commercial zoning in the draft development plan, the recommendation is to grant with conditions subject to a material contravention being passed.

STATUTORY CONSIDERATION: A decision to grant permission cannot be made unless a resolution is passed by the members requiring that such a decision be made in accordance with Section 26(3) of the 1963 Planning Act as substituted by Section 39(d) of the 1976 Planning Act as amended by Section 45 of the Local Government Act 1991.

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Public notice of the Council's intention to consider deciding to grant permission was given on 5th February 2002 and the notice invited members of the public to submit representations or objections. None were submitted.

If a resolution is passed requiring that a decision to grant permission be made, such a decision will issue with suitable conditions, otherwise a decision to refuse permission must issue.

Cllr. Grealish proposed that having considered the Planning Application made by Mr. Sean Dunleavy for the townlands of Cahergowan/Summerfield for permission for the following: (1) Demolition of existing public house and associated residential accommodation. (2) Demolition of existing retail outlet. (3) Construction of new access points onto the N17. (4) Construction of the following residential and commercial units with all associated roads, pavements, services and associated hard and soft landscaping and public open spaces and carparking - 11 no. 3/4 bed terraced houses, and as one complex around a town centre square, 33 no. 2 bed apartments first and second floor, 9 no. office units – first floor, 1200m² of retail outlet at ground floor. (5) Construction of the following – public house, bars, and ancillary accommodation with 21 bedroom accommodation on upper floors with reception and all ancillary services. All associated roads, pavements, hard and soft landscaping and public open space and carparking in the townland of Cahergowan / Summerfield and having considered the Report dated 21st March 2002, Galway County Council in accordance with the provisions of Section 26 (3) of Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 1963, as amended by Section 39 (d) of Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 1976, as amended by Section 45 of the Local Government Act, 1991 hereby require that a decision to grant permission be made in the case of this application.

Sen. McDonagh seconded this proposal. A vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

<u>AR SON:</u> Deps. U. Burke, Connaughton, Sen. McDonagh, Cllrs. Callanan, Connolly, Conneely, Fahy, Gavin, Grealish, Hoade, Hynes, Loughnane, J.J. Mannion, T. Mannion, McClearn, P. McHugh, T. McHugh, Mullins, O'Sullivan, S. Quinn, Rabbitt, Regan, S. Walsh, T. Walsh, Comh. Ni Fhatharta, O Foighil, O'Neachtain. (27)

IN AGHAIDH:

GAN VOTÁIL:

The Mayor declared the resolution carried.

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Material Contravention of Development Plan for the1501Scheduled Town of Loughrea: Application for retention of
dwellinghouse, revised site boundaries and storage shed at
6 Fortland Meadows in the townland of Gorteenapheebera.1501Planning Ref. No. 02/66Applicant:O'Rourke & Sons Construction.

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Mr. Comer gave details of the application referring to report dated 21st March 2002, which had been circulated in advance.

LOCATION: The site is located in the townland of Gorteenapheebera within the 40 m.p.h. speed limit zone of Loughrea town on lands which are zoned agriculture in the current Loughrea Town Plan.

<u>APPLICANT</u>: O'Rourke & Sons Construction Ltd.

<u>PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT</u>: The applicant is seeking permission for the retention of alteration to dwellinghouse and revised site boundaries and storage shed at No. 6 Fortland Meadows, Gorteenapheebera, Loughrea.

PLANNING HISTORY:

Planning Ref. No. 6136:	Outline Permission granted to Mr Walter J Campbell on the 7 th November 1969 for the erection of a single storey motel.
Planning Ref. No. 99/185:	Permission granted to Mr Stephen O'Rourke to construct 16 no. houses.
Planning Ref. No. 99/3075:	Permission granted to Mr Stephen O'Rourke for the retention and completion of house no.2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16.
Planning Ref. No. 99/3842:	O'Rourke & Sons Construction Ltd were refused permission for change of house design and revised site boundaries at no. 6 Fortland Meadows. (Material Contravention not passed on 11/04/00).
Planning Ref. No. 99/5313:	An application for permission for construction of dwellinghouse at No. 8 Fortland Meadows was withdrawn.
	Permission granted to above applicants for the construction of dwellinghouse on what is now site no, 6 subject to 6 no conditions (passed by material contravention on the 13 th November 2001).
OBJECTIONS : No obje	ctions to this planning application have been received.

ASSESSMENT: The site is located in the townland of Gorteenapheebera within the 40 m.p.h. speed limit zone of Loughrea town on lands which are zoned agriculture in the current Loughrea Town Plan. This current application seeking permission for the retention of dwellinghouse, revised site boundaries and storage shed at 6 Fortland Meadows is related to Planning file Ref. No. 00/3595 where planning permission was granted for the construction of dwellinghouse subject to 6 number conditions (passed by material contravention on the 13th November 2001). The boundaries have been increased

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under this planning application and a boiler house has been constructed. The plans, elevations and section submitted under this current application are the same as those that were submitted under planning ref. No. 00/3595. The ground floor windows of the front elevation have not been constructed as shown on the plans submitted – the semi-circle effect shown on the plans has been omitted. Therefore, revised drawings are to be submitted as per Condition No. 5. Due to the location of the site on lands zoned agricultural in the current Loughrea Town Plan a material contravention will be necessary.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: Due to the increased nature of the site and previous similar grant of permission under planning ref. No. 00/3595, recommendation is to grant with conditions subject to a Material Contravention being passed.

STATUTORY CONSIDERATION: A decision to grant permission cannot be made unless a resolution is passed by the members requiring that such a decision be made in accordance with Section 26(3) of the 1963 Planning Act as substituted by Section 39(d) of the 1976 Planning Act as amended by Section 45 of the Local Government Act 1991.

Public notice of the Council's intention to consider deciding to grant permission was given on 23rd February 2002 and the notice invited members of the public to submit representations or objections. None were submitted.

If a resolution is passed requiring that a decision to grant permission be made, such a decision will issue with suitable conditions, otherwise a decision to refuse permission must issue.

The latest date for a decision on this application is 22nd April 2002. Dep. Burke proposed that having considered the Planning Application made by O'Rourke & Sons Construction Ltd, for retention of dwellinghouse, revised site boundaries and storage shed at 6 Fortland Meadows in the townland of Gorteenapheebera, and having considered the Report dated 21st March 2002, Galway County Council in accordance with the provisions of Section 26 (3) of Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 1963, as amended by Section 39 (d) of Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 1976, as amended by Section 45 of the Local Government Act, 1991 hereby require that a decision to grant permission be made in the case of this application.

Cllr. S. Walsh seconded this proposal. A vote was taken which resulted as follows: -

<u>AR SON</u>: Dep. U. Burke, Connaughton, Sen. McDonagh, Cllrs. Callanan, Connolly, Conneely, Fahy, Gavin, Grealish, Hoade, Hynes, Joyce, Loughnane, J.J. Mannion, T. Mannion, McClearn, P. McHugh, T. McHugh, Mullins, O'Sullivan, S. Quinn, Rabbitt, Regan, S. Walsh, Comh. Ni Fhatharta, O Foighil, O'Neachtain. (27)

<u>IN AGHAIDH</u>: (0) <u>GAN VOTÁIL</u>: (0)

The Mayor declared the resolution carried.

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SALE OF LAND AT PORTUMNA

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On the proposal of Cllr. Fahy, seconded by Cllr. Callanan, the Council approved the sale of land comprising 0.0676 acres/0.02736 ha at Capira, Portumna to Leo Larkin, Earlspark, Loughrea, in accordance with Notice dated 8th March, 2002, under Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, a copy of which had been circulated to the Members.

DECLARATION OF ROAD TO BE A PUBLIC ROAD – SECTION 11 OF THE ROADS ACT, 1993

(a) On the proposal of Cllr. Hoade, seconded by Cllr. Connolly, the Council approved the declaration of the following road to be a public road, the statutory procedures having been complied with: -

Tuam Area

Road commencing at junction with Co. Rd. 2119 and extending north for a distance of 913 metres in the townland of Corrandulla.

APPROVAL TO RAISING OF LOAN OF €7 M TO FUND 1504 NON DOMESTIC ELEMENTS OF WATER AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES UNDER THE POLLUTER PAYS PRINCIPLE

Mr. T. Kavanagh referred to report dated 19th March 2002, which had been circulated to each member. He said that the Polluter Pays Principle applies only to the nondomestic element of water and sewerage schemes. The reason for this is that at EU level, the Government negotiated Ireland's position as regards the cost of the domestic element of water and sewerage schemes. He said that in applying the new policy, the Council will have to be clearly transparent and show that non-domestic users will not be charged any of the domestic element of cost. The new policy puts non-domestic water services on a commercial footing and a charter of service is proposed for customers. He said that there will be two types of users/customers under the framework:

- A. "Significant" users e.g. factories using a lot of water or discharging a lot of effluent. There may only be two or three of such users in a town or maybe none. The charge would be related to the cost of the plant from which the industry is getting water or to which it is discharging its effluent. It is possible that a percentage of the capacity of the plant may be reserved for the industry.
- B. "General non-domestic" users to pay a single consolidated charge reflecting the marginal capital and average operational costs across the functional area of the County Council, including maintenance and administrative costs of providing water services.

He said that it was not possible at this stage to estimate the level of charge for nondomestic users. The Council has a lot of work to do in establishing a database of water and waste water users and categories. The Council must establish the nondomestic cost of running our 47 water treatment plants and 26 waste water plants, establish the volume of water produced at each plant or volume of waste treated and the strength of it. The number of "significant" users must be established. He said that since the last Council meeting, it had been clarified that the initial Capital Marginal Cost must be funded by way of loan to be raised over a period of up to twenty years. The loan chargers will be part of the basket of charges that will make up the consolidated charge. He said that the Council has a very serious decision to make and if it doesn't approve the new policy, the Council is accepting that no new water or sewerage schemes will commence in the county.

The following points were made and questions asked by the Members: -

- Industrialists will feel that this is an added cost before a company starts up.
- What amount will the levy be?

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- Extremely costly for farmers, industry, B & B's.
- That capital expenditure on Water and Sewerage Schemes be fairly distributed throughout the Electoral Areas.
- That funding for schemes such as Kilcolgan be made available.
- Are Schemes 100% funded or not, e.g. Moycullen.
- This is another indirect tax on ratepayers.

The County Manager stressed the importance of raising the loan of \in 7 M as existing commitments have to be met in order that schemes may be completed, and the Council could not incur any further overdraft with the bank. He said that the Council had made considerable progress over the past number of years in relation to the provision of water and sewerage facilities, and it was important to continue with this progress.

It was proposed by Mayor Regan and seconded by Cllr. Connolly that the Council approve the raising of a loan of \in 7 Million to fund the non-domestic element of water and sewerage schemes under the water pricing policy of the Polluter Pays Principle.

A vote was taken which resulted as follows: -

Cllrs. Callanan, Connolly, Conneely, Fahy, Grealish, Hoade, Joyce, Loughnane, T. Mannion, O'Sullivan, S. Quinn, Rabbitt, Regan, Comh. Ni Fhatharta, O'Neachtain. (15)
Deps. U. Burke, Connaughton, Sen. McDonagh, Cllrs. Gavin,
Hynes, J.J. Mannion, McClearn, P. McHugh, T. McHugh,
Mullins, S. Walsh, T. Walsh, Comh. O'Foighil. (13)
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The Mayor declared the resolution carried.

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PROGRAMME FOR SMALL PUBLIC WATER AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES.

Mr. T. Kavanagh referred to report, which had been circulated to each member. He said that at a previous meeting, the Council had been notified of the grant from the Department of Environment & Local Government of €550,000 for Small Public Water and Sewerage Schemes for 2002. The grant is subject to a local contribution of 25% of the total cost of any project and in the past the Council used this grant money to carry out improvements/extensions to existing schemes which were badly needed. The grant wasn't big enough to do any one scheme on the Councils assessment of needs list. He said that there was a new dimension to the scheme this year with the arrival of the Clár Programme, whereby the Department of Agriculture & Food will match euro for euro the Department of Environment grant expenditure.

Obviously the Council would like to draw down the maximum grant available but to confine projects to Clár areas would give these areas an advantage over other areas and the schemes may not be as urgent. He said that a lot of consideration had been given to the matter and he had decided to draw up a three year programme which would include schemes both in Clár and non-Clár areas. He then went through the three-year programme which had been circulated and which assumed a D.O.E. grant of €550,000 for each of the years – 2002,2003 and 2004. He explained that the grant had to be spent and drawn down each year and it was not permissible to accumulate it. The schemes in list A were the type of schemes undertaken by the Council in the past. The work on these schemes could be done in 2002 and the reasons for selecting the locations were: -

Carraroe Sewerage Scheme: - There was a commitment for a number of years to replace defective sewerage pipes, which cause a serious problem following heavy rain.

Killimor Water Supply: - There is a serious water shortage in Killimor and the Council has failed in its efforts to augment the supply. A connection from the Portumna supply is the only alternative.

Portumna Water Supply: - There is no spare capacity in the Portumna water supply and an extra reservoir would benefit Portumna town, the proposed extension to Killimor and a group water supply scheme.

Ballygar Water Supply: - An extra reservoir is urgently required, as there is only onehour spare storage capacity. This scheme qualifies for Clár funding.

Mr. Kavanagh said that the schemes under list B require a greater lead in time and are planned for construction in 2003 and 2004.

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Clonbur Sewerage: - A new treatment plant will benefit the village and proposed industrial estate and improve the quality of the discharge to the stream to Lough Mask. A site and a substantial local contribution is on offer and the scheme qualifies for Clár funding.

Letterfrack Sewerage Scheme: - This scheme will benefit the village of Letterfrack and the Conamara West College Complex. A site and substantial local contribution is available and the scheme qualifies for Clár funding.

Eyrecourt Sewerage Scheme – Phase 1: - This will provide a treatment plant to replace the existing obsolete plant. It will benefit further development in the village and resolve the effluent discharge problem into the stream. The limited grant funding does not allow the full scheme of treatment plant and distribution system to be undertaken at this time.

Mr. Kavanagh said that the expenditure over the total programme amounted to approximately ϵ 3m, of which the Council would contribute ϵ 598,000, i.e. approximately 20%. He recommended the programme to the members for approval.

The Members welcomed the Programme and discussed it at length, but expressed their disappointment that certain schemes had not been included. The following points were raised during discussion: -

- The Creggs Scheme Dep. Connaughton asked that Creggs be included in the Planning Stage for Year 3. He also referred to places like Milltown, and Kilconnell. Cllr. Connolly also referred to Milltown and said that the community are going through a period of non-development due to lack of services. He asked that clarification be given that the Kilkerrin and Dunmore schemes would not be affected. The members were informed that the Kilkerrin and Dunmore Schemes were not affected.
- D'fhailtigh an Comh. O'Neachtain roimh airgead Clar agus Udaras na Gaeltachta. He also referred to areas such as the Villages of An Spideal and Furbo which were not on the list and said they needed attention in order that the areas could be further developed in the future.
- Dep. Burke welcomed the works on the Portumna Water Scheme, and in this regard he referred to the Gortanumera Group Water Scheme which was being held up as a watermain had to be laid from St. Joseph's Road out to the Gort Road. He asked that the Council request the Department of the Environment to provide the funding to lay this pipe.
- An Comh. Ni Fhatharta requested that for the next meeting of the Connemara Electoral area that the Members be given an account on how the Consultants are progressing with the Carraroe Sewerage Scheme. She also welcomed the Letterfrack and Eyrecourt Schemes.
- Cllr. McClearn referred to the Portumna Water Scheme and asked if all monies are to be spent on the provision of a Reservoir as the road leading to the Reservoir

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is the only road that development can take place on and he asked could funding he sought for the provision of a public sewerage scheme on this road. In relation to Killimor, he enquired if the reservoir in Killimor will be needed when the works are carried out. He also referred to the Tynagh Community and the works carried out by them and expressed his regret that their scheme had not been included

- Cllr. T. Mannion referred to the village of Caltra and other small villages where local authority housing is built and where there are problems with sewerage. He thanked the Housing Staff for their help in these areas. He said that he was delighted that all monies were not confined to Clár areas.
- Cllr P. McHugh also referred to the Creggs Scheme and agreed that it should go to the Planning Stage. He also referred to the Milltown Scheme and asked where it stood at the moment.
- Cllr. Joyce welcomed the Eyrecourt Scheme as this would rectify a pollution problem, and the village could not develop until this was done. He pointed out that smaller towns in the county should be grouped together as one Scheme under the Design/Build/Operate concept.
- Cllr. O'Sullivan said he was delighted to see the programme coming before the Council and said it was a good start. He also referred to the Design/Build Operate Scheme as the only way various types of schemes such as Swimming Pools, Gas etc., will be done in the future.
- Cllr. T. Walsh welcomed the programme, but he also referred to a Meeting he attended in Creggs where the community badly need a new scheme.
- Cllr. S. Walsh welcomed the programme but expressed his disappointment at the way the Carraroe Scheme was being dealt with. There were serious infrastructural problems in the village. *
- Cllr. Mullins particularly welcomed the inclusion of the Evrecourt Scheme. He said there were a lot of villages awaiting schemes - such as New Inn.

Mr. Kavanagh said that there was a need for many small sewerage schemes and this half million would hardly fund one small scheme. He felt that the Design/Built/Operate concept was an excellent idea. He said the estimated cost of the Creggs Scheme was €1.5 Million, and that it may be possible to progress the scheme to the Preliminary Report Stage. He said the Members could review the Assessment of Needs after the next three year programme is received from the Department.

The Programme was adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Loughnane, seconded by Dep. Connaughton.

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TO CONSIDER DRAFT COUNTY DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY 1506

Mr. Dawson outlined the position in relation to the process for preparing the County Development Strategy and gave an update on the present position in relation to the finalisation of the Strategy. Cllr. T. Mannion paid tribute to the numerous organisations and individuals who had participated in the process. He also paid tribute to Mr. Dawson and his staff for their commitment and dedication in the production of the Strategy.

ROADWORKS PROGRAMME 2002

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The Scheme as circulated was discussed and the following points were raised: -

- That funding made available to the Council and not used by it in a particular year (through no fault of the Council) be available the next year. This refers to NRA funding for N6 Cappataggle - Aughrim.
- · Community Involvement in Roadworks That schemes of this type be dealt with in the same way as the Local Improvement Schemes, i.e. on a queue basis. Mr. Morgan said that some schemes are a lot more deserving than others and he would advise against this course.
- Notice of Motion Monies for lights and roads to be carried forward from year to year if not used.

It was proposed by An Comh. Ni Fhatharta, seconded by Cllr. Mary Hoade and agreed to approve the Roadworks Programme for 2002.

TO CONSIDER SUBMISSIONS/OBSERVATIONS RECEIVED ON THE ATHENRY TOWN DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN

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It was agreed to defer this item.

TO CONSIDER OUGHTERARD TOWN DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The Draft Development Plan had been circulated to the members and had been considered by the Conamara Electoral Area Committee on 13th February 2002. It was proposed by Cllr S. Walsh, seconded by Cllr S. Quinn and agreed that the Oughterard Town Draft Development Plan be put on public display.

MAYOR'S BUSINESS

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It was agreed that a Special Meeting be held on the 8th April, 2002 to consider the Athenry Town Draft Development Plan.

It was agreed that a Special Meeting be held on the 15th April, 2002 to consider the Draft County Development Plan.

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The Mayor introduced Ms. Jean Anderson who is Chief Organiser of the Milwaukee Festival. He complimented her on the wonderful work she had done for people abroad, and for the Festival, and made a presentation to her on behalf of the Council

Ms. Anderson thanked the Mayor and went on to refer to the cultural relationship built up over the years between Galway County Council and Milwaukee. Ms. Anderson also made a presentation to the Mayor and County Manager.

CONFERENCES

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On the proposal of Cllr. Loughnane, seconded by Cllr. McClearn, it was agreed that the attendance of the following members be approved at the Conferences set out hereunder, the cost of each Conference having been circulated to each Member: -

Health Boards Conference, Killarney	22 nd /23 rd March, 2002
Cllrs. M. Loughnane, N. Grealish.	
Association of Health Boards, Killarney	21 st /22 nd March, 2002
Cllrs. J. McClearn, M. Connolly.	
Waste Management, Kilkenny	13 th /14 th March, 2002
Cllr. P. O'Sullivan	
L.A.M.A. 19 th Annual Conference	4 th /5 th April, 2002
Sen. J. McDonagh, Comh. S. O'Neachtain, P. O'Foigh Hoade, J. Joyce, M. Connolly, T. Rabbitt, J. Conneely, Grealish, T. McHugh, T. Walsh, J. McClearn, M. Mull	P. Hynes, S. Quinn, N.
Battle of Kinsale Winter School	3 rd /6 th January, 2002
Battle of Kinsale Winter School Cllrs. T. Mannion, M. Connolly.	3 rd /6 th January, 2002
	3 rd /6 th January, 2002 August 2002
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NOTICE OF MOTIONS

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 15 – DEP. P. CONNAUGHTON – 1512 SEWERAGE

The following reply was given: -

"The Creggs Sewerage Scheme is included in the County Council's Assessment of Needs for the period 2002 – 2006. The completion of projects within the Assessment of Needs is dependent upon the necessary capital funding being allocated by the Department of the Environment and Local Government. The Council are awaiting for the Department to announce its new capital programme for 2002 – 2004.

The Council have prepared a Small Schemes Programme and included are projects which will attract Clár funding. The Creggs Sewerage Scheme is not part of the current programme."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 16 – DEP. P. CONNAUGHTON – 1513 ROADS

The following reply was given: -

"This road is included in the Road Works Programme for 2002. Work will commence shortly."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 17 – CLLR. M. CUNNINGHAM – 1514 SPEED LIMITS

The following reply was given: -

"This speed limit has been included in the current speed limit review which has been forwarded to the N.R.A. seeking their approval."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 18 – CLLR. M. CUNNINGHAM – 1515 FIRE SERVICE

The following reply was given: -

"The Council had included the need for a 30,000 Ltr. Water Tanker on the Five Year Fire Services Capital Programme 2001 – 2005, which was sent to the Department in 2001. The Department have been requested to give Approval-in-Principle to the purchase of this Water Tanker as soon as possible due to the emergency situation caused by the low water pressure and flow in Gort."

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NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 19 – CLLR. M. CUNNINGHAM – FIRE SERVICE

The following reply was given: -

"The Council sent a proposal to the Department on the 30th January, 2002 outlining the urgent need to upgrade the Water Supply network in Gort due to the low pressure and flow in advance of the Regional Scheme. The matter was discussed at a meeting with Department officials on the 21st March, 2002. The matter is currently being assessed by the Department and an official reply is awaited. The Fire Hydrants can be upgraded when the Department sanctions the advanced network scheme for Gort"

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 20 – CLLR. M. FAHY – SEWERAGE SCHEMES

The following reply was given: -

"The Kinvara Sewerage Scheme is included in the County Council's Assessment of Needs for the period 2002 – 2006. The completion of projects within the Assessment of Needs is dependent upon the necessary capital funding being allocated by the Department of the Environment and Local Government. Galway County Council are currently examining a Preliminary Report for submission to the Department."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 21 - CLLR. M. FAHY - FOOTPATHS 1518

The following reply was given: -

"Footpath repairs will be carried out in Gort town this year."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 22 - CLLR. M. FAHY - LIGHTING 1519

The following reply was given: -

"This light will be installed under the 2002 Public Lighting Programme."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 23 - CLLR. M. HOADE - BRIDGES 1520

The following reply was given: -

"There is no funding provided for works at this location.

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 24 – CLLR. M. HOADE – ROADS 1521

The following reply was given: -

"There is no funding available for road repairs at this location."

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NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 25 – CLLR. M. HOADE – 1522 SIGNS/REFUSE

The following reply was given: -

"One sign and a bin will be provided at the pier."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 26 - CLLR. J.J. MANNION - ROADS 1523

The following reply was given: -

"This road is in poor condition. It is not feasible to impose a weight restriction as there is no specific item such as a substandard bridge which would justify the restriction. Signs advising heavy traffic not to use this road and to use alternatives could be erected."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 27 – CLLR. J. McCLEARN – 1524 LIGHTING

The following reply was given: -

"The Portumna Bridge is in the joint charge of Galway County Council and North Tipperary County Council and it would be necessary to forward a joint application for funding for lights on this Bridge."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 28 – CLLR. J. McCLEARN – 1525 BRIDGES

The following reply was given: -

"This section of the bridge is in the charge of Waterways Ireland."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 29 – SEN. J. McDONAGH – 1526 LIGHTING

The following reply was given: -

"The draft public lighting programme for 2002 has been prepared by Galway County Council and it is hoped that it will be adopted at the meeting on 25th March, 2002. This location has not been included in the programme but it will be considered for the programme in 2003."

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NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 30 – SEN. J. McDONAGH – FLOODING

The following reply was given: -

"This is an area which is prone to annual flooding. A major drainage design would have to be undertaken to check if this problem could be solved."

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NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 31 – SEN. J. McDONAGH – FOOTPATH

The following reply was given: -

"Funding has been allocated by the National Roads Authority for the completion of these works."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 32 – CLLR. C. NI FHATHARTA – 1 ROADS

The following reply was given: -

"Beidh freagra ar an gceist seo ag an gcéad cruinniú eile."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 33 – CLLR. C. NI FHATHARTA – 1530 PIERS

The following reply was given: -

"Déanfar roinnt deisiúcháin ar an gcéib seo chomh luath agus is féidir."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 34 – CLLR. C. NI FHATHARTA – 1531 FOOTPATHS

The following reply was given: -

"Déanfaidh an Comhairle Chontae meastacháin ar an gcostas cosán a chuir in áireamh i gCamus. Cuirfear é seo ar aghaidh go dti Roinn na Gaeltachta."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 35 – CLLR. P. O'SULLIVAN – ROADS

The following reply was given: -

"The surface of this road has been repaired."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 36 – CLLR. P. O'SULLIVAN – 1533 FLOODING

The following reply was given: -

"Galway County Council will install a gulley at this location in order to alleviate the flooding problem."

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NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 37 – CLLR. P. O'SULLIVAN – 15 ROADS

The following reply was given: -

"Repairs will be carried out to this road under the Roadworks Programme 2002.'

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 38 - CLLR. T. WALSH - ROADS 1535

The following reply was given: -

"A recommendation will be put before the Council on this matter as soon as possible."

NOTICE OF MOTION - CLLR. T. RABBITT - BUS SHELTERS 1536

"That Galway County Council look into the situation of Bus Shelters for Oranmore Village. There is currently no shelters at the Bus stops situated outside Londis Shopping Centre which leaves the public young and old open to the elements."

The following reply was given: -

"Galway County Council do not provide bus shelters".

NOTICE OF MOTION – CLLR. T. RABBITT – ROADS 1537

"That Galway County Council would inform me if the following estates in Oranmore have been taken over by the Council and if not have the Council any plans to do so -Oakfield Estate, Cloonarkin Estate, Beechgrove & Beechpark Estate, Ashbrook Estate and Tudor Vale Estate."

The following reply was given: -

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"The roads in Cloonarkin and Beechgrove Estates have been taken in charge. Galway County Council has no immediate plans to take the remainder of the services in charge. There are no plans in the immediate future to take Oakfield, Ashbrook or Tudor Vale Estates in charge."

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COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT ÁRAS AN CHONTAE, ON MONDAY 11TH MARCH, 2002

CATHAOIRLEACH:

Mayor. M. Regan

ILATHAIR FREISIN:

Baill:

Deps. U. Burke, P. Connaughton, Sen. J. McDonagh, Cllrs. J. Conneely, M. Connolly, M. Cunningham, M. Fahy, N. Grealish, M. Hoade, P. Hynes, J. Joyce, M. Loughnane, J.J. Mannion, T. Mannion, J. McClearn, P. McHugh, T. McHugh, M. Mullins, Comh. C. Ni Fhatharta, P. O Foighil, S. O'Neachtain, Cllrs. P. O'Sullivan, K. Quinn, S. Quinn, T. Rabbitt, S. Walsh, T. Walsh.

Oifigigh:

Messrs. D. O'Donoghue, Co. Manager, T. Kavanagh, P. Ridge, J. Cullen, J. Morgan, F. Gilmore, Directors Of Services; E. Lusby, Head of Finance, Messrs. T. Murphy, D. Barrett, A. Comer, Senior Executive Officers, P. Carroll, Administrative Officer, L. Gavin, Senior Engineer, L. Kavanagh, Senior Executive Engineer, C. Mac Aodha Bhuí, Oifigeach Gaeilge, Ms. M. Mannion, Heritage Officer, Ms. R. O'Boyle, Ms. G. Healy, Staff Officers; Ms. M. Bourke, Assistant Staff Officer.

Mr. G. McCarthy, Consulting Engineer. Ms. Lauria Germain, Washington County Board.

Thosnaigh an cruinniu leis an paidir.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY

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A Resolution of Sympathy was extended to the following: -

Mrs. Brid Allen, Cladhnach, An Cheathru Rua, Co. na Gaillimhe. Mrs. Ann O'Toole, Menlo. Galway.

The Members extended their sympathy to Cllr. Gavin on the death of his uncle, Cllr. Grealish on the death of his cousin and Dep. Burke on the death of his father-in-law. The County Manager, on behalf of the Staff, wished to be associated with the Resolutions of Sympathy to Cllrs. Gavin and Grealish and Dep. Burke.

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CASUAL VACANCY IN MEMBERSHIP OF THE COUNCIL

The Mayor stated that the late Cllr. Joe Burke had been a great colleague of all the Councillors and had done great work for his native Tuam. He invited proposals for the replacement of the late Councillor.

On the proposal of Cllr. Grealish, seconded by Cllr. T. McHugh it was agreed that Mr. Seamus Quinn, Rahogarty, Brownsgrove, Tuam, be co-opted to the Council in place of Cllr. Joe Burke, R.I.P

Cllr. Grealish stated that the late Cllr. Burke had given outstanding service as a Councillor and he wished Mr. Quinn every success in his role as Councillor.

Mr. Quinn thanked Cllr. Grealish for proposing him and Cllr. T. McHugh for seconding his nomination. He stated that he had received a kind reception from the Councillors and Officials and that he was honoured to take the place of Cllr. Burke whom he had known for many years. He stated that he was prepared to work with everyone in the Council for the betterment of the Community.

Mr. Murphy stated that the Irish Kidney Association had invited all the Councillors to the launch of the Irish Kidney Association's Donor Card Scheme in the Ardilaun Hotel on 22nd March, 2002 at 6.30 p.m. and the Councillors welcomed this invitation.

FILLING OF CASUAL VACANCY IN MEMBERSHIP OF: (a) CULTURAL & GENERAL SERVICES SPC (b) LOCAL TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

Report dated 21st January, 2002 was circulated to each Member.

On the proposal of Cllr. T. McHugh, seconded by Cllr. T. Walsh, Cllr. Seamus Quinn was co-opted to the Cultural & General Services Strategic Policy Committee.

On the proposal of Cllr. T. McHugh, seconded by Cllr. T. Walsh, Cllr. Seamus Quinn was co-opted to the Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee.

TO APPROVE REVISED REMUNERATION FOR CITY AND COUNTY LIBRARIAN

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Report dated 5th March, 2002 was circulated to each Member.

On the proposal of Comh. Ni Fhatharta, seconded by Comh. O'Neachtain, the revised remuneration for the City and County Librarian was approved.

TO APPROVE CREATION OF PERMANENT POSTS IN THE WEST REGIONAL AUTHORITY

Report dated 5th March, 2002 was circulated to each Member.

On the proposal of Comh. Ni Fhatharta, seconded by Cllr. T. Mannion, the creation of one permanent post of Staff Officer and one permanent post of Clerical Officer in the West Regional Authority were approved.

SALE OF LAND AT KILKERRIN, BALLINASLOE

On the proposal of Cllr. K. Quinn, seconded by Dep. Connaughton, the Council approved the sale of land comprising 0.25 acres at Cloonkeen Lodge, Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe to Frank O'Brien, W.I.P. Galway Ltd., Tuam Road, Galway, in accordance with Notice dated 19th February, 2002, under Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, a copy of which had been circulated to the Members.

CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN: -

, Presentation on Overview of Draft County Development Plan

- · Presentation on Settlement Strategy
- · Presentation on Landscape Assessment

Mr. Ridge referred to the review of the Draft Development Plan and associated maps together with (a) Settlement Strategy, (b) Landscape Assessment, (c) Demographic Report and (d) Clustered Housing Design Guidelines which had been circulated to members. He stated that there is a period of approximately seven weeks for members to amend or make the Draft Plan, following which the Draft Plan will go on public display for a period of three months. He referred to the importance of National Policy in preparing the Plan and the need to take such Policy into account. He stated that the Plan is an extreme challenge in that members have to agree future policy for the County for the next six years.

Mr. Gavin gave an overview on the Draft County Development Plan and stressed the need for a planned approach to sustainable development and land use over the period of the Plan. He outlined the main aims of the Plan and how these aims will be achieved. He referred to the unprecedented growth in the County and the need for a Sustainable Development Strategy. The key issues of the plan are Settlement Strategy, Environmental Issues, Infrastructural Developments, An Gaeltacht, Tourism, Social, Community and Cultural Affairs. He referred in particular to the Settlement Strategy proposed which would divert developments to designated settlements and provide housing in rural areas to cater for the needs of local farmhouse families. The Plan in addition contains measures to address dereliction.

Mr. McCarthy, Planning Consultant gave a presentation on the proposed Settlement Strategy, contained in the proposed Draft Development Plan. He defined settlement strategy as a spatial expression of population distribution, settlement size, settlement role, and settlement hierarchy. The Strategy will provide a planning framework for the location of development and population over the six-year life span of the Plan and will identify development patterns for different areas of the County. He showed the distribution of population and settlement for the period 1991 – 2001. The

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recommended Settlement Strategy identifies over 90 small towns and villages, with a hierarchy of Dormitory Satellite Towns, Service Hubs, Local Service Centres and Small Settlements, where it is proposed to direct new residential growth. In order to promote sustainable development and to provide for the optimum use of land, a more rational approach to Spatial Planning and Land Use Policy is essential, and this will derive from the implementation of a settlement strategy for the County.

Mr. L. Kavanagh gave a presentation on Landscape Assessment. Referring to An Gaeltacht he stated that there is a legal requirement to protect the culture and language of the Gaeltacht, and he outlined the proposals for the Gaeltacht. He stated that this Council is the first local authority to contain proposals for development of An Gaeltacht in its Development Plan and that any other suggestions by members would he welcomed.

Referring to the Landscape element of the Plan, he stated that the assessment of the landscape is to ensure that the Environment and Heritage generally are maintained in a sustainable manner, while at the same time enabling a pro-active approach to development. The changes in the National Landscape brought about by development pressure of recent years has led to the Government setting out guidelines for landscape appraisal. These require classification of the landscape as to character, values and sensitivity. Five sensitivity classes have been established in County Galway ranging from low sensitivity to unique and it will be the policy of the Planning Authority to include landscape classification as an important factor in determining development uses in areas of the County and to afford protection to views of amenity value.

On the proposal of Cllr. Loughnane, seconded by Cllr. McClearn it was agreed to defer discussion on this matter.

TO CONSIDER SUBMISSIONS/OBSERVATIONS RECEIVED ON THE ATHENRY TOWN DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN

On the proposal by Cllr. Fahy, seconded by Cllr. Loughnane, it was agreed to defer this matter until the next Council meeting.

MANAGER'S BUSINESS

Mr. A. Comer gave a presentation on the new Planning and Development Regulations 2001 and outlined the major changes that were to be implemented. He described changes in the new application form and site notices where extra information is required on the site notice and newspaper notice. He pointed out that planning decisions cannot issue until five weeks has expired and decisions must be issued within eight weeks. Further Information replies must be dealt with within four weeks.

MAYOR'S BUSINESS

The Mayor welcomed Ms. Lauria Germain from the Washington County Board. Ms. Germain stated that she was happy to be present at the Council's meeting. She stated that Washington County is similar to Galway in that it is primarily an agricultural area. It measures 432 square miles and has a population of 117,000

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people. She hoped that Washington County and Galway County could help each other through their links.

The Mayor made a presentation to Ms. Germain and she in turn made a presentation to the Mayor and to the County Manager.

The Mayor thanked Al Hayes Car Sales, Portumna for providing him with a car for his term as Mayor of the County of Galway.

In relation to rates on marts, the Mayor stated that the Department of the Environment and the Department of Agriculture had indicated that they would not give any compensation to marts as a result of their closure last year during the Foot and Mouth disease scare. He proposed that the Council give a 50% reduction in rates to the marts. This proposal was seconded by Cllr. Cunningham and agreed.

Dep. Connaughton stated that he wished to put on record that he had raised the question of compensation for marts in the Dail with both the Minister for Agriculture and the Minister for Finance but to no avail. He stated that there was no doubt that the marts could not pay the rates for last year.

Cllr. McClearn stated that it was wrong that the Minister for Agriculture made an Order to close the marts but would not compensate them for loss of earnings.

Cllr. K. Quinn stated that the Minister should be complimented for closing down the marts to help prevent the Foot and Mouth disease and asked that the Council reduce the rates on marts for 2001.

Cllr. Mullins strongly supported the proposal to reduce the rates on marts for 2001 but he felt that the Council should be refunded by Central Government as there was a precedent set by the Government who had made funding available to airports due to their losses after September 11th.

Cllr. T. Mannion stated that farmers played a large part in keeping the Foot and Mouth disease out of the country and that Central Government should compensate the marts but, if not, the Council should reduce the rates on marts.

Mr. Lusby stated that rates are not related to the ability to pay, but are based on the rateable valuation of the property which is calculated by an independent valuer. For that reason, the Council could not consider any request for a rate reduction due to inability to pay, even though the Council has sympathy for the marts. He stated that there was no provision made at the time of striking the rate for a reduction in rates for marts and that the Council must find £100,000 which was the cost of its contribution to preventing the spread of the Foot and Mouth disease.

The County Manager stated that the Council would pursue the matter with the Government Departments involved and report back to the Council on the issue.

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CONFERENCES

On the proposal of Cllr. Loughnane, seconded by Cllr. Fahy, it was agreed that the attendance of the following members be approved at the Conferences set out hereunder, the cost of each Conference having been circulated to each Member: -

Biodiversity, Essential for Sustainable Development, Dublin Castle 15th/16th April, 2002

Cllrs. M. Loughnane, M. Cunningham, M. Fahy, T. Mannion, M. Hoade, K. Quinn, M. Connolly, J. Conneely, P. Hynes, T. McHugh, T. Walsh, Comh. P. O'Foighil.

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Cllr. P. O'Sullivan

Killarney Association of Health Boards

22nd/23rd March, 2002

Cllr. J. Joyce

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Submitted, Approved + Signed

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CHOMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT ÁRAS AN CHONTAE, PROSPECT HILL ON MONDAY 25th FEBRUARY, 2002.

CATHAOIRLEACH:

Mayor M. Regan

ILATHAIR FREISIN:

Baill:

Deps. U. Burke, P. Connaughton, Sen. J. McDonagh, Cllrs. J. Callanan, J. Conneely, M. Connolly, M. Cunningham, M. Fahy, S. Gavin, M. Hoade, P. Hynes, J. Joyce, M. Loughnane, J.J. Mannion, T. Mannion, J. McClearn, P. McHugh, T. McHugh, M. Mullins, Comh. C. Ni Fhatharta, P. O'Foighil, S. O'Neachtain, Cllrs. P. O'Sullivan, K. Quinn, T. Rabbitt, S. Walsh, T. Walsh.

Oifigigh:

Messrs. D. O'Donoghue, Co. Manager, T. Kavanagh, P. Ridge, J. Cullen, J. Morgan, F. Gilmore, Directors of Services, E. Lusby, Head of Finance, T. Murphy, D. Barrett, A. Comer, Senior Executive Officers, P. Carroll, Administrative Officer, L. Gavin, Senior Engineer, L. Kavanagh, Senior Executive Engineer, C. Mac Aodha Bhuí, Oifigeach Gaeilge, Ms. M. Beirne, A/Executive Planner, Ms. R. O'Boyle, Ms. G. Healy, Staff Officers, Ms. M. Bourke, Assistant Staff Officer.

Thosnaigh an cruinniú leis an paidir.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY

A Resolution of Sympathy was extended to the following: -

Mrs. Mary Pardy and family, Laurencetown, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway. Mrs. Michael Clarke, Main Street, Eyrecourt, Co. Galway. The Dolphin Family, Ballyfintan, Gurtymadden, Loughrea, Co. Galway.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on the 28th January, 2002 were approved by the Council and signed by the Mayor on the proposal of Cllr. Cunningham, seconded by Cllr. Mullins.

REPORTS

The Report of the Corporate Policy Group Meeting held on 28th January, 2002 was considered. It was adopted by the Council on the proposal of Comh. O'Neachtain, seconded by Cllr. Gavin.

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The Report of the Planning & Economic Development Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 4th February, 2002 was considered. It was adopted by the Council on the proposal of Comh. O'Neachtain, seconded by Cllr. McClearn.

The Report of the Conamara Area Committee Meeting held on 1st February, 2002 was considered. It was adopted by the Council on the proposal of Cllr. Conneely seconded by Comh. Ní Fhatharta.

The Report of the Loughrea Area Committee Meeting held on 11th February, 2002 was considered. It was adopted by the Council on the proposal of Cllr. Cunningham, seconded by Cllr. McClearn.

DECLARATION OF ROAD TO BE A PUBLIC ROAD – SECTION 11 OF THE ROADS ACT, 1993

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(a) On the proposal of Cllr. Hynes, seconded by Cllr. McClearn, the Council approved the declaration of the following road to be a public road, the statutory procedures having been complied with:

Loughrea Area

Road commencing at junction with Co. Rd. 8265 in Townland of Raheen Eighter and extending north westwards for a distance of 380 metres in the Townland of Raheen Eighter.

(b) On the proposal of Comh. Ní Fhatharta, seconded by Cllr. Conneely, the Council approved the declaration of the following road to be a public road, the statutory procedures having been complied with:

Casla Area

Road commencing at end of Co. Rd. LT52065 and extending south for a distance of 440 metres in the Townland of Cartronlahan (An Cartúr Leathan).

(c) On the proposal of Cllr. Callanan, seconded by Sen. McDonagh, the Council approved the declaration of the following road to be a public road, the statutory procedures having been complied with:

Athenry Area

Road commencing at junction with Co. Rd. 6203 and extending west for a distance of 155 metres in the Townland of Ballybrone.

TO APPROVE OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION FOR PERIOD ENDING 30TH JUNE, 2002

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On the proposal of Cllr. Mullins, seconded by Comh. Ní Fhatharta the members approved overdraft accommodation to a maximum of $\notin 12,697,380.78$ for the six months period from 1st January, 2002 to 30th June, 2002 subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment and Local Government.

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TO APPROVE RAISING OF LOAN OF €7M TO FUND NON DOMESTIC ELEMENTS OF WATER AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES UNDER THE POLLUTER PAYS PRINCIPLE

Mr. T. Kavanagh referred to report dated 20^{th} February, 2002 which had been circulated to each member together with four circulars from the Department of the Environment & Local Government in connection with the Polluter Pays Principle. He said that this aspect of Polluter Pays Principle deals with the introduction of the Governments National Water Pricing Policy. This means that in future the State will only fund the domestic element of the capital and running costs of water and sewerage schemes. The capital and running costs of the non-domestic element will have to be borne by the non-domestic users. He gave an example of a new water scheme costing ϵ 10m where the domestic usage was 90% and non-domestic 10%. In such a case, the State would only fund to the extent of ϵ 9m and the remaining ϵ 1m would have to be collected from the non-domestic users. The same would apply to maintenance and replacement costs. The responsibility for recovering the cost of the non-domestic element falls on the Local Authority and it is planned to do this by a countywide charge.

He said that the cost to the user would be based on water usage, using the principle of water in/water out. The only effective way of measuring water use is through metering and the Council is obliged to meter all non-domestic supplies by 31^{st} December 2006. He said that the Council must commence a programme of installing meters as soon as possible. The new policy applies to schemes where tenders were approved by the DOELG after March 2000. To date there are nine schemes affected by the new policy, Moycullen Sewerage, Loughrea Sewerage, Tuam Regional Water Supply Scheme – Stage 3, Tuam Regional Water Supply Scheme – Extension to Athenry, Ballinasloe Regional Water Scheme, Dunmore Sewerage, Kilkerrin Sewerage, Tully Sewerage, Leenane Sewerage. In relation to these schemes, the State will only fund the domestic element and this has resulted in approximately €4m being withheld by the DOELG on these schemes. The loan of €7m is required to cover this deficit and future schemes.

As regards the operation, maintenance and replacement cost of schemes, Mr. Kavanagh explained that the domestic element would be paid by the State through the Local Government Fund but the non-domestic element would have to be paid for by the users. Pending full metering, it is proposed to introduce a flat countywide charge based on categories of use. The charges will be introduced in 2003 and will form part of the Estimates to be prepared later this year.

He said that this Water Pricing Policy comes under the Polluter Pays Principle, which is enshrined in the Maastrict Treaty and EU Water Framework Directive which the State is obliged to implement.

A long discussion on the proposal took place during which the following points were made:

- The charge would have serious implications for businesses, farmers and even schools. He stated that the Members were entitled to know what the flat rate charge was likely to be before they could consider the proposal further.
- The Members were being asked to approve a proposal, the implications of which were unclear.
- The charge would be impossible to collect in light of the failure to collect the £50 charge for sewerage schemes in the past.
- The fact that businesses, farmers and schools were already paying rates, this charge would be a further burden on them.
- This charge would be a further form of taxation and that the ability to pay would not be considered.
- By approving the drawing down of the loan, the Members would be approving of the new charging system.
- Could the proposal to draw down the loan and the proposal to implement the new system be handled separately.
- People would be willing to pay to have water and sewerage schemes provided for their towns and villages.
- The new charge would eliminate water wastage.
- The Government are introducing this charge because it was not in a position to fund the water and sewerage schemes, even those which they had approved already in 2000 and 2001 and for which contracts had already been signed.
- Job losses due to contracts not going ahead through lack of funds should be avoided.
- Cllr. T. Walsh asked that the meeting be adjourned for ten minutes so that the Members could discuss the proposal.

Mr. Kavanagh stated that before any charge could be calculated, much work had to be done to establish the non domestic costs and a database of non domestic users. He stated that the charge would be levied on a county wide basis and until such time as a metering system is put in place, different categories of charge will be implemented. He said that if the policy is not accepted by the Council, the Sanitary Services Capital Programme cannot proceed. He confirmed that this charge should not affect the existing "Small Schemes" or "Clár Schemes". He stated that there should be an adjustment on commercial rates when the scheme is working properly.

The County Manager stated that this proposal is a national one and recommended that the Members approve the raising of the loan so that existing contracts could be finalised. He stated that a report will be provided for the members so that full information on the charge will be available to them at the adoption of the next Estimates and that the matter will be on the Agenda for the next S.P.C. Meeting.

Mr. Lusby stated that it was necessary that the loan be approved so that contract payments could be honoured and that he would only draw down from the loan monies which are required to pay existing commitments. He also stated that if there are legal provisions in place requiring local authorities to collect charges, the local authority has no option but to collect. A

Five proposals were made and seconded at the Meeting as follows:

- It was proposed by Sen. McDonagh and seconded by Cllr. Gavin that a request be sent to the DoELG to exempt all schools from the proposed charge.
 - 2. It was proposed by Cllr. McClearn and seconded by Cllr. Gavin that the proposal to draw down the loan to fund the non-domestic element of water and sewerage schemes under the Polluter Pays Principle be rejected.
- It was proposed by Mayor Regan and seconded by Cllr. Callanan that the proposal to draw down the loan to fund the non-domestic element of water and sewerage schemes under the Polluter Pays Principle be approved
 It was proposed by Cllr. T. Mannion and seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh
 - It was proposed by Cllr. T. Mannion and seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh that the item be adjourned to the next meeting of the Council.
- It was proposed by Dep. Connaughton and seconded by Cllr. J.J. Mannion that approval be given that the Finance Officer could only draw down the monies required to meet existing commitments.

A vote was taken on the proposal to draw down the loan to fund the non-domestic element of water and sewerage schemes under the Polluter Pays Principle and the result of the vote was as follows: -

R SON:	Cllrs. Callanan, Connolly, Conneely, Cunningham, Fahy,
	Hoade, Joyce, Quinn, Rabbitt, Regan, Comh. Ni Fhatharta,
	O'Neachtain. (12)

IN AGHAIDH: Deps. Burke, Connaughton, Sen. McDonagh, Cllrs. Gavin, Hyneş, J.J. Mannion, T. Mannion, McClearn, P. McHugh, T. McHugh, Mullins, S. Walsh, T. Walsh, Comh. O Foighil (14)

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GAN VOTAIL: Cllr. O'Sullivan (1)

The Mayor declared the proposal lost.

REPORT UNDER PART X OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT) REGULATIONS 1994 REGARDING CONSTRUCTION WORKS UNDER THE HOUSING CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMME

Report dated 11th February, 2002 was circulated to each Member.

Construction of single rural houses with services at the following locations: Knock, Lettermullen, Co. Galway, Trabane, Lettermore, Co. Galway,

The works as proposed at Knock, Lettermullen were approved on the proposal of Comh. Ni Fhatharta, seconded by Comh. O'Neachtain.

The works as proposed at Trabane, Lettermore were approved on the proposal of Cllr. Conneely, seconded by Comh. O'Foighil.

Construction of 6 no. houses with services at Rosmuc: -

The works as proposed at Rosmuc were approved on the proposal of Cllr. Conneely, seconded by Comh. O'Neachtain.

PROCEDURE FOR REVIEW OF COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN

It was agreed to defer this item.

LOUGHREA DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN:-

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(a) Correspondence from DoELG

A draft response to the DoELG letter of 18th December, 2001 was presented to the Members. On the proposal of Cllr. McClearn, seconded by Cllr. Cunningham it was agreed that this letter be sent to the DoELG.

(b) To consider submissions/observations received on the Material alterations/amendments to the Plan

On the proposal of Cllr. Cunningham, seconded by Cllr. Callanan, it was agreed that this item should be deferred pending a meeting between the Loughrea Electoral Area Committee and the Carmelite Order.

MAYOR'S BUSINESS

Cllr. McClearn asked that the front door to County Hall be altered to improve disabled access to the building.

Dep. Burke asked that a mobile tanker be provided in Gort until such time as the Gort Water Supply Scheme is upgraded.

MANAGER'S BUSINESS

Mr. Murphy confirmed the following:

The official opening of Inishmore Regional Water Scheme will take place on Friday, 1st March, 2002 at 12 noon.

The official opening of Tuam Regional Water Supply Scheme, Stage 3 will take place on 4th March at 11 a.m at Carnmore.

The official opening of Tuam Regional Water Supply Scheme - Extension to Athenry will take place on 4th March'at 12 noon at Castlelambert.

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CONFERENCES

On the proposal of Cllr. Callanan, seconded by Cllr. Cunningham, it was agreed that the attendance of the following members be approved at the Conferences set out hereunder, the cost of each Conference having been circulated to each Member: -

A.M.A.I. Spring Seminar 2002, Tralee

15th/16th February, 2002

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Comh. C. Ni Fhatharta

Conference at Glen Colmcille Centre, Letterkenny, Donegal 22nd/23rd February, 2002

Cllr. K. Quinn

St. Patrick's Day Parade, New York

Mayor M. Regan

L.A.M.A. 19th Annual Conference

4th/5th April, 2002

14th/18th March, 2002

Comh. C. Ni Fhatharta

Health Boards Annual Conference, The Gleneagle Hotel, Killarney. 22nd/23rd March, 2002

Cllrs. M. Fahy, P. O'Sullivan, T. Mannion, J. Conneely, T. Walsh, T. McHugh, Comh. C. Ni Fhatharta, P. O Foighil

NOTICE OF MOTIONS

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 11 – DEP. U. BURKE – ROAD SAFETY 1455

The following reply was given: -

"(a) An application will be made to the N.R.A. to seek funding.

(b) The submission in relation to Speed Limits has already been made to the N.R.A. and it will shortly be coming before the Council. The above proposal is not included in this submission."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 12 – DEP. U. BURKE – ROAD SAFETY

1456

The following reply was given: -

"The results of the completed traffic count will be available for the next meeting."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 13 – DEP. U. BURKE – WATER SUPPLY

1457

The following reply was given: -

"The site investigation in relation to this project has been approved and should commence in the near future. Tender documents have also been submitted to the Department of the Environment and Local Government for approval. Once approval is received and tenders have been submitted and approved and a contract signed, it is expected that the works would take 9 - 12 months to complete. It is too early in the project to give an accurate estimated completion date."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 14 – DEP. P. CONNAUGHTON – 1458 ROADS

The following reply was given: -

"The road in question is included in the programme for surface dressing in year 2004 but it will be advanced to 2003 if funding permits.

There are no proposals to widen or raise the road or remove corners as this is outside the scope of works approved by Department of the Environment. The cost of widening would be prohibitive having regard to the fact that the road is over 4 miles long.

Work to alleviate flooding has been carried out in the past and it is not considered that there is a flooding problem on the road."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 15 – DEP. P. CONNAUGHTON – 1459 W.S.S.

The following reply was given: -

"The Gort Regional Water Supply Scheme will require a new abstraction order and an E.I.S. and consultants are currently in the process of preparing same. The Council have submitted an advance scheme to the Department of the Environment and Local Government in relation to the distribution system in the town of Gort and awaits approval of same."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 16 – DEP. P. CONNAUGHTON – 1460 LITTER

The following reply was given: -

"I am to advise that the Council does not provide skips for the collection of litter. However, there currently is one litter bin located in the Garrafrauns village and the Council is in the process of providing 3 more litter bins at this location."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 17 – CLLR. M. CUNNINGHAM – 1461 FLOODING

The following reply was given: -

"An estimate is being prepared on the cost of relieving flooding at this entrance and works will be carried out, if funding allows."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 18 – CLLR. M. CUNNINGHAM – 1462 ROAD SAFETY

The following reply was given: -

"The provision of a right turning lane on the National Primary Route will be investigated on the basis of the number of recorded accidents occurring at this location, along with data which relates to traffic volumes and safety concerns. If the results of the investigation meet the criteria as laid down by the N.R.A. an application will be made for funding under the Low Cost Accident Scheme."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 19 – CLLR. M. CUNNINGHAM – 1463 TRAFFIC

The following reply was given: -

"The traffic flow on the road in front of (details supplied) is one way. Appropriate signs will be erected on the ground to highlight this. With regard to the difficulty experienced by people living on this road, I suggest that they erect their own signs indicating that they must turn left when they exit on to this road from their properties."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 20 – CLLR. M. FAHY – WATER/SEW. SCHEMES

1464

The following reply was given: -

"In regard to Craughwell Water Supply Scheme, the site investigation contract has been approved and work on this contract will commence shortly. The Preliminary Report on the Sewerage Scheme is being prepared by the Council's consultants and when this report is reviewed by the Water Services Section, it will be submitted to the Department of the Environment and Local Government for approval."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 21 - CLLR. M. FAHY - ROADS

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The following reply was given: -

"There is no funding allocated in 2002 for this work."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 22 – CLLR. M. FAHY – TRAFFIC SAFETY

The following reply was given: -

"This will be examined by Road Design Staff."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 23 – CLLR. M. HOADE – SIGNAGE 1467

The following reply was given: -

"It is considered that warning signs are not necessary on this section of road."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 24 – CLLR. M. HOADE – ROADS 1468

The following reply was given: -

"The road in question does not comply with the guidelines set out by this Council for taking in charge".

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 25 - CLLR. M. HOADE - ROADS 1469

The following reply was given: -

"Routine maintenance works will be carried out as soon as possible."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 26 – CLLR. M. LOUGHNANE – 1470 ROADS

The following reply was given: -

"The location has been surveyed. A design will be prepared showing possible road improvement at this junction. At that stage a map will be made available to you."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 27 – SEN. J. McDONAGH – 1471 ROAD SAFETY

The following reply was given: -

"The Council is not in a position to erect bollards on private access on to the N.17. This is a matter for Corinthians Rugby Football Club"

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NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 28 – SEN. J. McDONAGH – ROAD SAFETY

The following reply was given: -

"There is a programme of installation of these bollards on the National Primary and National Secondary Roads. When this program is complete consideration will be given to other road classes."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 29 – SEN. J. McDONAGH – ROADS 1473

The following reply was given: -

"This road will be considered when the "Tertiary Road" grants come to hand in August/September, 2002."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 30 - CLLR. P. McHUGH - ROADS 1474

The following reply was given: -

"The Building Control Officer will inspect the estate and will inform the residents of requirements for the estate to be taken in charge."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 31 - CLLR. P. McHUGH - PARKING 1475

The following reply was given: -

"A carparking scheme for the square will be drawn up in consultation with the Gardai in the near future. In relation to landscaping and putting of E.S.B. cables under ground these works will depend on the allocation of a village renewal scheme grant."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 32 – CLLR. P. McHUGH – SPEED LIMITS

1476

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The following reply was given: -

"There is a review of speed limits currently under way and consultation has been completed at area committee level. A submission has been made to the N.R.A. and following receipt of their reply the Bye-Laws will be brought before the Council for adoption.

The provision of speed ramps at the location specified are not appropriate."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 33 – COMH. C. NI FHATHARTA – 1477 ROADS

The following reply was given: -

"Níl an bóthar seo tógtha ar lámh ag Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe. Tá meastachán dhá ullmhú ó thaobh caoi ar chaighdeán réasúnta a chur air. "

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 34 – COMH. C. NI FHATHARTA – 1478 FOOTPATHS

The following reply was given: -

"Bheadh costas measta de ϵ 40,000 ar bhalla cloiche a chur ar fáil. Cuirfear iarratas chuig Roinn na Gaeltachta faoi."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 35 - COMH. C. NI FHATHARTA – 1479 LITTER 1479

The following reply was given: -

"Déantar na boscaí bruscar ar an gCeathrú Rua a fholamhú dhá uair in aghaidh na seachtaine. Ar an drochuair tá bruscar tí dhá fhágáil iontu scaití. Déanfar monatóireacht rialta ar seo.,"

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 36 – COMH. S. O NEACHTAIN – 1480 PLANNING

The following reply was given: -

Eolas faoi iarratais phleanála Chonamara agus Oileáin Árainn

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(a)	Líon iomlán iarratais í 2001	= 1230	%
(b)	Líon iarratais a ceadaíodh	= 816	66
(c)	Líon iarratais a diúltaíodh	= 194	15
(d)	Líon iarratais a ndearnadh achomhairc orthu	= 19	1.5
(e)	Líon iarratais a tarraingíodh siar	= 62	5.04
(f)	Líon iarratais a hiarradh tuilleadh eolais orthu	= 89	5.04
(g)	Líon iarratais atá ag fanacht ar chinneadh	= 50	4.06

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 37 – COMH. S. O NEACHTAIN – 1481 ROADS

The following reply was given: -

" Níl aon airgead ar fáil i mbuiséad na bliana seo le caoi a chur ar an mbóthar seo. Déanfar gnáth obair chothabhála air."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 38 – COMH. S. O NEACHTAIN – 1482 ROADS

The following reply was given: -

"Déanfar an obair seo mar chuid den obair atá ag dul ar aghaidh ag an noiméad."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 39 – CLLR. T. WALSH – ROADS 1483

The following reply was given: -

"This road is not included in the Road Works Programme for 2002."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 40 – CLLR. T. WALSH – ROADS 1484

The following reply was given: -

"This road is not included in the Road Works Programme for 2002."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 41 - CLLR. T. WALSH - FLOODING 1485

The following reply was given: -

"The flooding at the location referred to is as a result of surface water flowing off private lands on to the public road.

Under the Roads Act 1993 there is an onus on the land owner to rectify this. However, since the drainage work necessary to rectify the problem would also facilitate road side drainagé, the Council would be prepared to carry out the work provided the land owner makes an equitable contribution towards the cost."

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COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT ÁRAS AN CHONTAE, PROSPECT HILL, ON MONDAY 28TH JANUARY, 2002

CATHAOIRLEACH:

Cllr. M. Regan

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Deps. U. Burke, P. Connaughton, Sen. J. McDonagh, Cllrs. J. Callanan, J. Conneely, M. Connolly, M. Cunningham, M. Fahy, S. Gavin, N. Grealish, M. Hoade, P. Hynes, J. Joyce, M. Loughnane, J.J. Mannion, T. Mannion, J. McClearn, P. McHugh, T. McHugh, M. Mullins, Comh. P. O Foighil, S. O'Neachtain, Cllrs. P. O'Sullivan, K. Quinn, T. Rabbitt, S. Walsh, T. Walsh.

Oifigigh:

Messrs. D. O'Donoghue, County Manager, T. Kavanagh, P. Ridge, F. Gilmore, J. Cullen, J. Morgan, Directors of Services, T. Murphy, Senior Executive Officer, A. Comer, Senior Executive Officer, D. Barrett, Senior Executive Officer, L. Gavin, Senior Engineer, E. Moloney, Administrative Officer, Ms. G. Healy, Staff Officer, Ms. R. O'Boyle, Staff Officer and Ms. M. Bourke, Assistant Staff Officer.

Thosnaigh an Cruinniu leis an paidir.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY

1402

A Resolution of Sympathy was extended to the following: -

Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Hession, Kilmalaw, Aughrim, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway. Mr. & Mrs. Brendan Downey & Family, Carrabane, Peterswell, Co. Galway. Mrs. Mary Ann Gill, Keamsella, Kilcolgan, Co. Galway. Ms. Teresa Brennan, (Aunt of An Comh. Ni Fhatharta) Ms. Julie Walsh, (Aunt of Cllr. Grealish)

DEATH OF MR. MICHAEL RYAN (FORMER COUNCILLOR) 1403

The Cathaoirleach expressed sympathy with the wife and family of Mr. Michael Ryan, former Councy Councillor. He said Michael's death would be a great loss to his family and the community. He was a gentleman and he had served well on numerous voluntary and statutory Bodies throughout his public life. In recognition of his wisdom and long service as a Councillor, he became known as "The Father of the House" at the Council Meetings.

The Cathaoirleach said that he was aware that the Members wished to pay individual tributes to Mr. Ryan and he proposed to adjourn the Meeting for 10 minutes as a mark of respect when those tributes had been made.

The Members present paid tributes to their former colleague and reference was made to the hard work he put in for his community and the farming community in particular. It was noted that he was always available to give advice on any matter. Tributes were paid to Dep. Connaughton on the speech he made at the Graveside.

County Manager's Tribute

The County Manager said that Mr. Ryan, as well as being a member of Galway County Council and the Western Health Board, was deeply involved in many community organisations and initiatives. He said he had great interest in Local Government affairs in the County even during his illness, and that he had always valued his advice. He had represented the farming interest in this Council and had served the Council with distinction and dedication.

He expressed his sympathy to Mr. Ryan's wife Mary and their family.

The Council also expressed their sympathy to the Ryan Family, Halfway House, Brownsgrove on the death of Joe (cousin of Michael Ryan) who was killed in a road traffic accident as he was returning from Michael's funeral.

The Meeting then adjourned for 10 minutes.

MINUTES

1404

The Minutes of the Estimates Meeting held on the 10th December, 2001 were approved by the Council and signed by the Cathaoirleach on the proposal of Cllr. Callanan, seconded by Cllr. Mullins.

The Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on the 17th December, 2001 were approved by the Council and signed by the Cathaoirleach on the proposal of Dep. Connaughton, seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh.

The Minutes of the Special Meeting held on the 11th January, 2001 were approved by the Council and signed by the Cathaoirleach on the proposal of Cllr. Callanan, seconded by Cllr. Grealish.

REPORTS

1405

The Report of the Cultural & General Services Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on the 14th December, 2001 was considered. It was adopted by the Council on the proposal of Cllr. Joyce, seconded by Cllr. Mullins.

The Report of the Planning and Economic Development Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on the 7th December, 2001 was considered. It was adopted by the Council on the proposal of Comh. O'Neachtain, seconded by Dep. Burke.

Dep. Burke said the Committee dealing with ribbonisation had only met once and he hoped that further meetings could be arranged in order to solve the many difficulties that existed. Cllr. Loughnane said that the political parties have their meetings immediately prior to the full Council Meetings and that the meetings of the Corporate Policy Group should not clash with those meetings.

The Report of the Tuam Area Committee Meeting held on the 10th December, 2001 was considered. It was adopted by the Council on the proposal of Cllr. Connolly, seconded by Cllr T. McHugh.

Cllr. P. McHugh asked when would the "off-street and on-street" parking Bye-laws for Tuam be ready to be put before the Council. He also referred to a new anti-litter initiative under the umbrella of IBAL (Irish Business Against Litter) and said that Tuam had been designated to participate in this initiative. He asked for assistance from the Council to have Tuam declared a litter-free zone. Mr. Ridge said that funding was being made available with a view to improving the litter problem in Tuam and he said that the new Community Wardens would make a major contribution in achieving this.

The County Manager stressed that no campaign will be a success without the input of the local people. He said this was a challenge for the people of Tuam and that the Council would work wholeheartedly with the Members and people.

The Report of the Oranmore Area Committee Meeting held on the 11th December, 2001 was considered. It was adopted by the Council on the proposal of Cllr. Rabbitte, seconded by Cllr. Grealish.

The Report of the Conamara Area Committee Meeting held on the 7th December, 2001 was considered. It was adopted by the Council on the proposal of Cllr. Conneely, seconded by Comh. O'Neachtain.

The Report of the Conamara Area Committee Meeting held on the 21st December, 2001 was considered. It was adopted by the Council on the proposal of Cllr. Conneely, seconded by Comh. O'Neachtain.

Duirt An Comh. O'Neachtain go raibh se tabhachtach go sheolfai an tuairisc faoi Caladh Mor, Inis Meain, chuig An Roinn Ealaíon, Oidhreachta, Gaeltachta agus na h-Oileáin comh luath agus is feidir.

The Report of the Ballinasloe Area Committee Meeting held on the 18th December, 2001 was considered. It was adopted by the Council on the proposal of Cllr. O'Sullivan, seconded by Cllr. T. Mannion.

Referring to the Aughrim/Cappataggle Road, Cllr. Callanan asked that the Council should insist on the N.R.A. providing necessary funding in 2002 to complete this bad stretch of roadway. Cllrs. Mullins stressed the importance of having the new Swimming Pool in Ballinasloe completed as soon as possible as Ballinasloe is one of the Host Towns for the 2003 Special Olympics.

The Report of the Loughrea Area Committee Meeting held on the 20th December, 2001 was considered. It was adopted by the Council on the proposal of Cllr. Cunningham, seconded by Cllr. Fahy.

Referring to the correspondence from DoELG regarding the Non-national Road Grants, Cllr. McClearn said that no mention had been made of the Portumna/Tynagh/Loughrea Road in the grant allocations. The County Manager replied that the document circulated contained projects that have been approved by the Department for the Council for the year 2002. He said that all projects approved at the Loughrea Electoral Area Meeting of 20/12/01 were included in the application made to the Department for funding.

The Report of the Joint Committee Meeting of County Council and Corporation Roads and Planning Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on the 28th June, 2001 was considered. It was adopted by the Council on the proposal of Cllr. Hoade, seconded by Cllr. Callanan.

The Report of the Joint Committee Meeting of County Council and Corporation Roads and Planning Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on the 11th September, 2001 was considered. It was adopted by the Council on the proposal of Cllr. Connolly, seconded by Dep. Connaughton.

Material Contravention of the Development Plan for1406the Scheduled Town of Gort for variation to previously approvedPlanning Permission (Ref. No. 99/3880) consisting of (i) substitutionof 3 no. pairs of House Type D (semi-detached dwelling) for approveddevelopment on sites 39 - 42 inclusive, (ii) substitution of 3 no.

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pairs of House Type C (semi-detached dwelling) for the approved development on sites 45 - 48 inclusive (iii) substitution of 9 no. pairs of House Type D (semi-detached dwelling) for approved development on sites 49 - 63 inclusive on their lands (off Ennis Road) in the townland of Cloonnahaha.

PLANNING REF. NO. 01/4052

Regcon Ltd. APPLICANT:

Permission for variation to previously approved **PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:** Planning Permission (Ref. No. 99/3880) consisting of (i) substitution of 3 no. pairs of House Type D (semi-detached dwelling) for approved development on sites 39 - 42 inclusive, (ii) substitution of 3 no. pairs of House Type C (semi-detached dwelling) for the approved development on sites 45 - 48 inclusive (iii) substitution of 9 no. pairs of House Type D (semi-detached dwelling) for approved development on sites 49 - 63 inclusive on their lands (off Ennis Road) in the townland of Cloonnahaha.

LOCATION: The site is accessing onto a National Primary Route within the boundary of Gort Town Plan Boundary. Part of the development has been completed and occupied.

DEVELOPMENT PLAN PROVISIONS: The site of the proposed variation is zoned part Agriculture and part Residential in the current Statutory Plan for Gort 1992 (Map 4: Zoning Map). In order to facilitate the proposed residential development over the entire site, a Material Contravention is required.

PLANNING HISTORY: 99/3880 → Planning Permission granted on 28th February 2000 for the provision of 25 no. detached & 40 no. semi-detached dwellings, roadworks & associated services (off Ennis Road).

No objections to this planning application have been received. **OBJECTIONS:**

Due to a change in the housing market in Gort Town the developer ASSESSMENT: submitted this application for a variation of the development granted under Planning Ref. No. 99/3880. The original development had 65 dwellinghouses. The houses involved in this application were 23 originally and the proposal will result in an increase to 30 dwellinghouses, an increase of 7 dwellinghouses.

The changes are threefold:

- 1. Original sites 39 42 comprised of 2 detached type A/B houses and 2 semi-detached type D. They are now numbered sites 39 - 40 and 49 - 52. There is an increase of 2 houses from 4 to 6.
- 2. Original sites 45 48, 4 No detached houses types A/B are to be replaced by 3 pairs of semi-detached house type C which are now to be numbered 41-46.
- 3. Original sites 49 63 which comprised 14 no. semi-detached house type C and 1 no. detached house type A/B are to be replaced by 18 no. houses of type D.

These proposed houses are 24 type D houses comprising of kitchen, dining room, W.C and living room on the ground floor with 3 bedrooms on the first floor one of which is en-suite. House type C is larger than type D and has a bay element on the front at both ground and first floor level. There are also protruding utility rooms to the rear of each house type C. They also have a kitchen, dining room, W.C and living room on the ground floor with 4 bedrooms on the first floor one of which is en-suite. 6 of the proposed dwellinghouses are like this.

Block walls of 1.8m in height are proposed around the boundaries. Each house has a rear garden that meets the privacy requirements of the County Development Plan.

There shall be 7 additional houses in this proposed variation on the same area of land as the original 23 and a further 9 additional houses in another part of the estate which is subject to a separate concurrent application under Ref. No. 01/4062. This increase shall bring the total number of houses to 81 in a site area of 3.8 hectares. This density is 21.3 dwelling units per hectare. In the context of the <u>Residential Density</u>: <u>Guidelines for Planning Authorities</u>, Section 3.6, the increased density is appropriate, due to its location close to the town centre, in order to maximise social and infrastructural investment is such facilities as schools, shops, libraries and childcare facilities.

The developer shall be required to submit a revised house numbering scheme for the estate considering some of the dwellinghouses are already occupied and there are two concurrent planning applications on the site. Additional fees shall be levied for the 7 no. additional dwellings proposed under this application and for the 9 no. on the other application, Planning Reference No. 01/4062. These issues shall be dealt with by condition.

As there are proposed to be more than 75 dwellinghouses in the estate there is a requirement to provide a crèche/childcare facility within the site. Ideally, the developers should be encouraged to provide a single detached building dedicated for use as a crèche/childcare facility in a location convenient to the main access point of the site. However, this requirement shall be dealt with by condition in the event of the Material Contravention being successfully passed.

RECOMMENDATION: In light of the above details, a grant of Planning Permission is recommended for the proposed variation of the housing development by Regcon, subject to a Material Contravention being passed.

STATUTORY CONSIDERATION: A decision to grant permission cannot be made unless a resolution is passed by the members requiring that such a decision be made in accordance with Section 26(3) of the 1963 Planning Act as substituted by Section 39(d) of the 1976 Planning Act as amended by Section 45 of the Local Government Act 1991.

Public notice of the Council's intention to consider deciding to grant permission was given on 1st December 2001 and the notice invited members of the public to submit representations or objections. None were submitted.

If a resolution is passed requiring that a decision to grant permission be made, such a decision will issue with suitable conditions, otherwise a decision to refuse permission must issue.

The latest date for a decision on this application is 31st January 2002.

Cllr. Fahy proposed that having considered the Planning Applications made by Regcon Ltd. for approved planning permission variation to previously approved Planning Permission (Ref. No. 99/3880) consisting of (i) substitution of 3 no. pairs of House Type D (semi-detached dwelling) for approved development on sites 39 – 42 inclusive, (ii) substitution of 3 no. pairs of House Type C (semi-detached dwelling) for the approved development on sites 45 – 48 inclusive (iii) substitution of 9 no. pairs of House Type D (semi-detached dwelling) for approved development on sites 49 – 63 inclusive on their lands (off Ennis Road) in the townland of Cloonnahaha, and having considered the Report dated 4th January 2002, Galway County Council in accordance with the provisions of Section 26 (3) of Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 1963, as amended by Section 39 (d) of Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 1976, as amended by Section 45 of the Local Government Act, 1991 hereby require that a decision to grant permission be made in the case of this application.

Cllr. Callanan seconded this proposal. A vote was taken which resulted as follows:

AR SON: Dep. U. Burke, Connaughton, Sen. McDonagh, Cllrs. Callanan, Connolly, Conneely, Fahy, Gavin, Grealish, Hoade, Hynes, Joyce, Loughnane, J.J. Mannion, T. Mannion, P. McHugh, T. McHugh, Mullins, Sullivan, Quinn, Rabbitt, Regan, Comh. O'Neachtain. (23)

IN AGHAIDH: (0)

GAN VOTÁIL: (0)

The Cathaoirleach declared the resolution carried. Cllr. Cunningham was not present when this matter was being discussed and accordingly did not participate in discussions or voting on this item.

Material Contravention of the Development Plan for the 1407 Scheduled Town of Gort for variation to previously approved Planning Permission (Ref. No. 99/3880) consisting of substitution of 9 no.pairs of House Type E (semi-detached dwelling) for the approved development of sites 1 – 9 inclusive and for associated change of road layout on their lands (off Ennis Road) in the townland of Cloonnahaha

PLANNING REF. NO. 01/4062
APPLICANT: Regcon Ltd.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: Permission for variation to previously approved Planning Permission (Ref. No. 99/3880) consisting of substitution of 9 no. pairs of House Type E (semi-detached dwelling) for the approved development of sites 1 - 9 inclusive and for associated change of road layout on their lands (off Ennis Road) in the townland of Cloonnahaha.

LOCATION: The site is accessing onto a National Primary Route within the boundary of Gort Town Plan Boundary. Part of the development has been completed and occupied.

DEVELOPMENT PLAN PROVISIONS: The site of the proposed variation is zoned part Agriculture and part Residential in the current Statutory Plan for Gort 1992 (Map 4: Zoning Map). In order to facilitate the proposed residential development over the entire site, a Material Contravention is required.

PLANNING HISTORY: 99/3880 \rightarrow Planning Permission granted on 28th February 2000 for the provision of 25 no. detached & 40 no. semi-detached dwellings, roadworks & associated services (off Ennis Road).

OBJECTIONS: No objections to this planning application have been received.

ASSESSMENT: Due to a change in the housing market in Gort Town the developer submitted this application for a variation of the development granted under Planning Ref. No. 99/3880. The original development had 65 dwellinghouses of 3 types A, B, and C. The houses no. 1 - 9 were type A and B and were detached houses on the sites closest to the entrance. The foundations were poured and were prepared for construction. The proposed change of plans is so as to replace the 9 detached housed with 18 semi detached units covering the same area on subdivided sites.

These proposed houses are type E houses comprising of kitchen, dining room, W.C and living room on the ground floor with 2 en-suite bedrooms on the first floor. The floor area for each pair of semi-detached houses is greater than that of the original detached houses.

Block walls of 1.8m in height are proposed around the boundaries. Each house has a rear garden that meets the privacy requirements of the County Development Plan.

The drawings submitted are inconsistent with the floor plans as submitted. The front and side elevations show a protruding gable element on the house to the right on each pair. However this is only protruding circa 0.6m (1:50) on the floor plan while the side elevations show it protruding 1.2m (1:100). This inconsistency shall be resolved by condition. The drawings for the first and ground floors of the dwellings shall be required to be resubmitted.

There shall be 9 additional houses in this cul-de-sac and a further 7 additional houses in another part of the estate which is subject to a separate concurrent application under Ref. No. 01/4052. This increase shall bring the total number of houses to 81 in a site area of 3.8 hectares. This density is 21.3 dwelling units per hectare. In the context of the *Residential Density: Guidelines for Planning Authorities*, Section 3.6, the increased density is appropriate, due to its location close to the town centre, in order to maximise social and infrastructural investment is such facilities as schools, shops, libraries and childcare facilities.

The developer shall be required to submit a revised house numbering scheme for the estate considering some of the dwellinghouses are already occupied and there are two concurrent planning applications on the site. Additional fees shall be levied for the 9 no. additional dwellings proposed under this application and for the 7 no. on the other application Ref. No. 01/4052. These issues shall be dealt with by condition.

As there are proposed to be more than 75 dwellinghouses in the estate there is a requirement to provide a crèche/childcare facility within the site. Ideally, the developers should be encouraged to provide a single detached building dedicated for use as a crèche/childcare facility in a location convenient to the main access point of the site. However, this requirement shall be dealt with by condition in the event of the Material Contravention being successfully passed.

<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> In light of the above details, a grant of Planning Permission is recommended for the proposed variation of the housing development by Regcon, subject to a Material Contravention being passed.

STATUTORY CONSIDERATION: A decision to grant permission cannot be made unless a resolution is passed by the members requiring that such a decision be made in accordance with Section 26(3) of the 1963 Planning Act as substituted by Section 39(d) of the 1976 Planning Act as amended by Section 45 of the Local Government Act 1991.

Public notice of the Council's intention to consider deciding to grant permission was given on 1st December 2001 and the notice invited members of the public to submit representations or objections. None were submitted.

If a resolution is passed requiring that a decision to grant permission be made, such a decision will issue with suitable conditions, otherwise a decision to refuse permission must issue.

The latest date for a decision on this application is 31st January 2002.

Dep. Connaughton proposed that having considered the Planning Application made by Regcon Ltd for planning permission (Ref. No.99/3880) consisting of substitution of 9 no. pairs of House Type E (semi-detached dwelling) for the approved development of sites 1-9 inclusive and for associated change of road layout on their lands (off Ennis Road) in the townland of Cloonnahaha, and having considered the Report dated 4th

January 2002, Galway County Council in accordance with the provisions of Section 26 (3) of Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 1963, as amended by Section39 (d) of Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 1976, as amended by Section 45 of the Local Government Act, 1991 hereby require that a decision to grant permission be made in the case of this application.

Cllr. Callanan seconded this proposal. A vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

AR SON: Dep. U. Burke, Connaughton, Sen. McDonagh, Cllrs. Callanan, Connolly, Conneely, Fahy, Gavin, Grealish, Hoade, Hynes, Joyce, Loughnane, J.J. Mannion, T. Mannion, P. McHugh, T. McHugh, Mullins, Sullivan, Quinn, Rabbitt, Regan, S. Walsh, Comh. O Foighil, O'Neachtain. (25)

IN AGHAIDH: (0)

GAN VOTÁIL: (0)

The Cathaoirleach declared the resolution carried.

Material Contravention of the Development Plan for the 1408 Scheduled Town of Loughrea and the Environs of Loughrea for housing development (change of house type for domestic dwellinghouse no's 76, 56, & 24 previously granted under Planning Reference No. 99/2334) at Dun an Oir in the townland of Caheronaun, Loughrea

PLANNING REF. No. 01/3771

APPLICANT: George Fahy (Mermoss Developments)

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: Permission for housing development (change of house type for domestic dwellinghouse no's 76, 56, & 24 previously granted under Planning Reference No. 99/2334) at Dun an Oir in the townland of Caheronaun, Loughrea.

LOCATION: The site is located in the townland of Caheronaun, on the northeastern outskirts of Loughrea Town.

<u>PLANNING HISTORY</u>: 00/4811 (adj.) \rightarrow John and Liz Connelly were granted permission for the construction of two detached dwellinghouses.

99/2334 → Golden Pine Constructions were granted permission to erect 76 dwellinghouses including road, sewers and all associated services on 24th January 2001 (Material Contravention).

<u>96/333</u> \rightarrow John and Liz Connelly were granted permission for retention of mobile home and septic tank.

ZONING: The site is at present zoned for agricultural use on the current Loughrea Development Plan, but is zoned residential in the Draft Development Plan for Loughrea. This site has had a material contravention granting planning permission, under Planning Reference No. 99/2334 for residential purposes.

OBJECTIONS: No objections to this planning application have been received.

ASSESSMENT: The development approved under Planning Reference No. 99/2334 comprises of a mix of 76 dwellinghouses.

This application concerns the revision of 3 houses to different designs which are similar to those approved elsewhere within the development.

The material contravention has previously been approved under Planning Reference No. 99/2334. As the use has previously been permitted and there is no intensification of use, the impact of the development shall not differ considerably.

RECOMMENDATION: Taking into consideration the proposed zoning of the lands for residential development in the Draft Plan for Loughrea and Planning Reference No. 99/2334 previously granted for the site, a grant of planning permission is recommended subject to appropriate conditions.

STATUTORY CONSIDERATION: A decision to grant permission cannot be made unless a resolution is passed by the members requiring that such a decision be made in accordance with Section 26(3) of the 1963 Planning Act as substituted by Section 39(d) of the 1976 Planning Act as amended by Section 45 of the Local Government Act 1991.

Public notice of the Council's intention to consider deciding to grant permission was given on 3rd November 2001 and the notice invited members of the public to submit representations or objections. None were submitted.

If a resolution is passed requiring that a decision to grant permission be made, such a decision will issue with suitable conditions, otherwise a decision to refuse permission must issue.

The latest date for a decision on this application is 1st February 2002.

Cllr. Cunningham proposed that having considered the Planning Application made by Mr. George Fahy (Mermoss Development) for housing development (change of house type for domestic dwellinghouse no's 76, 56, & 24 previously granted under Planning Reference No. 99/2334) at Dun an Oir in the townland of Caheronaun, Loughrea, and having considered the Report dated 10th January 2002, Galway County Council in

accordance with the provisions of Section 26 (3) of Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 1963, as amended by Section 39 (d) of Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 1976, as amended by Section 45 of the Local Government Act, 1991 hereby require that a decision to grant permission be made in the case of this application.

Cllr. Fahy seconded this proposal. A vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

AR SON: Dep. U. Burke, Connaughton, Sen. McDonagh, Cllrs. Callanan, Connolly, Conneely, Cunningham, Fahy, Gavin, Grealish, Hoade, Hynes, Joyce, Loughnane, J.J. Mannion, T. Mannion, P. McHugh, T. McHugh, Mullins, Sullivan, Quinn, Rabbitt, Regan, S. Walsh, Comh. O Foighil, O'Neachtain (26)

IN AGHAIDH: (0)

GAN VOTÁIL: (0)

The Cathaoirleach declared the resolution carried.

Material Contravention of the Development Plan for the 1409 Scheduled Town of Loughrea (& Environs) for Outline Planning Permission for the construction of 24 no. dwellinghouses and also Permission for the retention and completion of another 2 no. dwellinghouses and site development works in the townland of Cuscarrick

Planning Ref. No. 01/4388

APPLICANT: Mrs. Emily Stanley

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: Outline Planning Permission for the construction of 24 no. dwellinghouses and also Permission for the retention and completion of another 2 no. dwellinghouses and site development works in the townland of Cuscarrick.

LOCATION: The site is located on both a County Road outside of the speed limit and on the Restricted Regional Road to Gort on the edge of Loughrea Town within the 40mph speed limit.

ZONING: The site is located in an area zoned Agriculture in the current Plan for Loughrea 1993. This development was previously granted with 1 less dwellinghouse on it. In order to grant the current proposal, a Material Contravention is required.

PLANNING HISTORY: $00/2316 \rightarrow$ Approval granted for a dwellinghouse on one of the sites in development.

 $00/3031 \rightarrow$ Planning Permission granted for 25 no. dwellinghouses on same site minus house no. 2 for treatment plant.

 $01/990 \rightarrow$ Planning Permission granted on site 1 on development.

 $01/4210 \rightarrow$ Application for approval on site no. 5 on Further Information.

OBJECTIONS: No objections to this planning application have been received.

ASSESSMENT: The purpose of this application is that the developer is now in a position to connect the development directly to the public sewer in Loughrea Town without the use of a treatment plant on site. Under the previous grant of Planning Permission it was connected to a temporary treatment unit prior to the entry of the effluent into the public sewer. The Loughrea Sewage System has been upgraded since that time. Sanitary Services had no objections on the original file Planning Reference No. 00/3031 and this issue remains the same. There are two separate access points from the site. One accesses the Gort road inside of the 40mph speed limit which 8 houses shall use as their access, while the other 18 houses access the county road to the north of the site. The Senior Executive Engineer in the Roads Section, Galway County Council, at the time had no objections to the proposal. The density on site is acceptable.

The only difference now is as previously stated that the temporary treatment plant which was located in the southeast corner of the site is now omitted. It is now proposed to locate dwellinghouse no.2 at this point. The site works have been done for the southern part of the site and they are in compliance with what was originally required.

RECOMMENDATION: In light of the above details, a grant of Planning Permission is recommended for the proposed variation of the housing development by Mrs. Emily Stanley, subject to a Material Contravention being passed.

STATUTORY CONSIDERATION: A decision to grant permission cannot be made unless a resolution is passed by the members requiring that such a decision be made in accordance with Section 26(3) of the 1963 Planning Act as substituted by Section 39(d) of the 1976 Planning Act as amended by Section 45 of the Local Government Act 1991.

Public notice of the Council's intention to consider deciding to grant permission was given on 1st December 2001 and the notice invited members of the public to submit representations or objections. None were submitted.

If a resolution is passed requiring that a decision to grant permission be made, such a decision will issue with suitable conditions, otherwise a decision to refuse permission must issue.

The latest date for a decision on this application is 31st January 2002.

Cllr. Fahy proposed that having considered the Planning Application made by Ms. Emily Stanley for outline permission for housing development (change of house type for domestic dwellinghouse no.'s 76, 56 & 24 previously granted under Planning Reference No. 99/2334) at Dun an Oir in the townland of Caheronaun, Loughrea, and having considered the Report dated 10th January 2002, Galway County Council in accordance with the provisions of Section 26 (3) of Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 1963, as amended by Section 39 (d) of Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 1976, as amended by Section 45 of the Local Government Act, 1991 hereby require that a decision to grant permission be made in the case of this application.

Cllr. Loughnane seconded this proposal. A vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

AR SON: Dep. U. Burke, Connaughton, Sen. McDonagh, Cllrs. Callanan, Connolly, Conneely, Cunningham, Fahy, Gavin, Grealish, Hoade, Hynes, Joyce, Loughnane, J.J. Mannion, T. Mannion, McClearn, P. McHugh, T. McHugh, Mullins, Sullivan, Quinn, Rabbitt, Regan, S. Walsh, Comh. O Foighil, O'Neachtain. (27)

<u>IN AGHAIDH</u>: (0) <u>GAN VOTÁIL</u>: (0)

The Cathaoirleach declared the resolution carried.

DECLARATION OF ROAD TO BE A PUBLIC ROAD – SECTION 11 OF 1410 THE ROADS ACT, 1993

(a) On the proposal of Cllr. Grealish, seconded by Sen. McDonagh, the Council approved the declaration of the following road to be a public road, the statutory procedures having been complied with: -

Athenry area

Road commencing at junction with Regional Road R339 and extending south west for a distance of 306 metres in the townland of Carnmore West.

(b) On the proposal of Cllr. Cunningham, seconded by Dep. U. Burke, the Council approved the declaration of the following road to be a public road, the statutory procedures having been complied with: -

Athenry area

Road commencing at junction with Co. Rd. 4102/4 and extending south for a distance of 189 metres in the townland of Stradbally North.

(c) On the proposal of Comh. O'Neachtain, seconded by Cllr. Conneely, the Council approved the declaration of the following road to be a public road, the statutory procedures having been complied with: -

Casla area

Road commencing at junction with Reg. Road R336 and extending north for a distance of 145 metres in the townland of Kilroe East.

(d) On the proposal of Cllr. Regan, seconded by Cllr. McClearn, the Council approved the declaration of the following road to be a public road, the statutory procedures having been complied with: -

Loughrea area

Road commencing at junction with Co. Road 8215 and extending north for a distance of 152 metres in the townland of Newtownbracklagh and linking up with County Road 82156 in the townland of Bracklagh.

(e) On the proposal of Dep. U. Burke, seconded by Cllr. McClearn, the Council approved the declaration of the following road to be a public road, the statutory procedures having been complied with: -

Loughrea area

Road commencing at a point on Co. Road 42195 in the townland of Kilquaine 38 metres north-north-west of the south east gable of house known as "Lambert Lodge" and running east, south east and south west for a distance of 57 metres when measured along the centre line.

LOUGHREA DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN:-

1411

(a) CORRESPONDENCE FROM DOELG – REPORT ALREADY CIRCULATED.

(b) TO CONSIDER SUBMISSIONS/OBSERVATIONS RECEIVED ON THE MATERIAL ALTERATIONS/AMENDMENTS TO THE PLAN – REPORT ALREADY CIRCULATED.

Mr. Ridge outlined the main points of the letter dated 18th December 2001 received from the DoELG. In this letter the DoELG questioned the amount of re-zoning in the Loughrea Town Plan and pointed out that this amount of re-zoning will have serious implications for the future funding of infrastructure for Loughrea. Mr. Ridge stated that he would strongly recommed that the Council should re-consider the proposed zoning and not continue to ignore the basic principles of sustainable development.

The following comments were made and questions raised by members, in relation to the correspondence from DoELG:-

- That the DoELG should be told that the Council do not agree with their concerns for re-zoning.
- The Loughrea Area Committee were commended for their positive attitude towards re-zoning.
- Town of Loughrea would suffer if lands aren't re-zoned for industry.
- DoELG failed to recognise Loughrea's long term plan.
- The number of Material Contraventions to the County Development Plan in Loughrea proves that more land needs to be re-zoned.
- Loughrea is being passed over by the IDA.
- Concern that a Regional Water Supply Scheme for Loughrea would not be provided within the lifetime of the Plan.
- Who provoked this letter from the DoELG.
- Powers of the Councillors being undermined.
- Revert back to Loughrea Area Committee for further discussion.

Mr. Ridge stated that the letter sent to the DoELG was a standard letter similar to the one circulated to all the members and other bodies which the Planning Authority was obliged to send.

On the proposal by Cllr. P. McHugh, seconded by Cllr. Callanan, it was agreed to defer this item in order that it may be discussed by the Loughrea Area Committee.

WASTE WATER FACILITIES – WOODPARK, PORTUMNA: - 1412 AGREEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 85 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001

Mr. Kavanagh informed the members that the Department of the Environment and Local Government had confirmed that Woodpark, Portumna was to be included in a pilot project for the procurement of small sewage treatment plants. He confirmed that a total of twelve projects were chosen nationally and these would be progressed in two "bundles" of six on a Design, Build, Operate Basis. The Woodpark project was included with projects from a number of other counties and Meath County Council was appointed as lead authority to advance this bundle. He stated that a resolution under Section 85 of the Local Government Act 2001 was necessary to appoint Meath County Council to act as lead authority for the procurement of Woodpark.

Members expressed concern about the role of Meath County Council acting as lead and they feared that this could delay progress on the scheme and remove total control from the Council.

Mr. Kavanagh confirmed that it was not unusual for another authority to be appointed to lead a project outside its administrative area and that the members would receive progress

reports. He confirmed that the design and build phases of the project were effectively outside the Council's controls once the D.B.O. procedure started but that the matter of operation would revert to the Council for agreement.

It was proposed by Cllr. Loughnane, seconded by Cllr. Connolly and agreed that Galway County Council would enter into an agreement under Section 85 of the Local Government Act 2001 to appoint Meath County Council to act as lead authority for the procurement of sewerage treatment facilities for Woodpark.

ALTERNATIVE TITLE TO CATHAOIRLEACH AND LEAS-CATHAOIRLEACH

The Cathaoirleach referred to report dated 21st February 2002 regarding an alternative title for Cathaoirleach and Leas-Cathaoirleach. It was agreed that the title of Mayor was more acknowledged and universally recognised than that of Cathaoirleach. It was proposed by Cllr. Grealish, seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh and agreed that the name of the office of Cathaoirleach and Leas-Cathaoirleach be changed to that of "Mayor" and "Deputy Mayor". Cllr. Grealish suggested that the Mayor should also have a Mayoral car and driver. Cllr. Loughnane suggested that a Chain of Office be provided for the Deputy Mayor.

CASUAL VACANCY IN MEMBERSHIP OF THE COUNCIL 1414

It was agreed to defer this matter until the Special Meeting of the Council on 8th March, 2002.

FILLING OF CASUAL VACANCY IN MEMBERSHIP OF:-1415 **CULTURAL & GENERAL SERVICES SPC** (a)

- (b)
- LOCAL TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

It was agreed to defer this matter until the Special Meeting of the Council on 8th March, 2002.

ADOPTION OF THE LITTER MANAGEMENT PLAN 2002

1416

Mr. Kavanagh informed the Members that the Plan had been put on public display and that it was now proposed to implement it. He said that two Environmental Awareness Officers had been appointed and that further support would be to hand when the new Community Wardens took up duty.

The members referred to the great work being done by Officials and Staff of the Council in relation to our litter problems and in particular Ms. Sinead Ni Mhainnin.

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It was proposed by Deputy Burke and seconded by Cllr. Mannion and agreed that the Litter Management Plan be adopted.

LOAN FOR ENVIRONMENTAL WORKS

Mr. Kavanagh referred to report dated 22nd January 2002 which had already been circulated to the members.

It was proposed by Cllr. Mannion and seconded by Cllr. Mullins and agreed to raise a loan of €1.3m to provide for the following developments:-

Name of Project	Capital Funding Required
 Civic Amenity Centre – Athenry Civic Amenity Centre – Clifden Ballinasloe Composting Site Bring Banks upgrades Landfill Remediation 	€317,435 €317,435 €380,921 €76,184 €208,025

€1,300,000

MANAGER'S BUSINESS

The County Manager informed the Members that Lunchtime Opening Hours were now in place as part of the Councils Corporate Plan.

Mr. Murphy said that the Costello Area Office would be transferring to Carraroe on 28th January 2002 and is located in the same building as the Branch Library.

Cllr. Mullins referred to a letter he had got from SIPTU in relation to difficulties being experienced by Council staff arising from the changes in the engineering area.

Mr. Cullen informed the Members that the Council were in discussion with representatives of the workers in a partnership approach and he was confident that the matters could be resolved.

Deputy Burke said that he hoped the "cutbacks" which RTE were proposing to put in place do not include Radio na Gaeltachta as this would impinge on the great work being done in relation to the Irish Language.

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CONFERENCES

On the proposal of Cllr. Callanan, seconded by Cllr. Loughnane it was agreed that the attendance of the following members be approved at the Conferences set out hereunder, the cost of each Conference having been circulated to each Member: -

L.A.M.A. Conference, Brandon Hotel, Tralee

4th/5th April, 2002

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Cllrs. M. Fahy, M. Cunningham, T. Mannion, M. Hoade, K. Quinn, M. Connolly, J. Conneely, M. Mullins, Comh. S. O'Neachtain

Clare Tourism Council Conference, Armagh City Hotel 12th/13th April, 02

Sen. J. McDonagh, Comh. S. O'Neachtain, P. O'Foighil, Cllrs. M. Cunningham, T. Mannion, P. O'Sullivan, M. Hoade, J. Conneely, N. Grealish.

A.M.A.I. Conference, Brandon Hotel, Tralee.

15th/16th February, 2002

Cllrs. M. Fahy, M. Cunningham, P. O'Sullivan, J. Joyce, T. Mannion, M. Hoade, K. Quinn, M. Connolly, J. Conneely, S. Walsh, P. Hynes, N. Grealish, Comh. S. O'Neachtain, P. O'Foighil.

General Council of County Councils at Slieve Russell Hotel, Cavan 7th/8th February, 2002

Sen. J. McDonagh, Cllrs. J. Callanan, M. Fahy, M. Cunningham, P. O'Sullivan, T. Mannion, J. Joyce, M. Hoade, K. Quinn, M. Connolly, T. Rabbitt, J. Conneely, S. Walsh, P. Hynes, N. Grealish, T. McHugh, M. Mullins, J. McClearn, Comh. S. O'Neachtain, P. O Foighil.

Conference on Waste Disposal at Newpark Hotel, Kilkenny 13th/15th March, 2002

Cllrs. M. Fahy, T. Mannion, J. Joyce, M. Hoade, K. Quinn, M. Connolly, T. Rabbitt, J. Conneely, N. Grealish, M. Mullins, Comh. S. O'Neachtain, P. O'Foighil.

Mid-West Regional Authority at Woodlands House Hotel, Adare, Co. Limerick. 14th/15th June, 2002

Sen. J. McDonagh, Cllrs. J. Callanan, M. Loughnane, M. Fahy, M. Cunningham, T. Mannion, J. Joyce, M. Hoade, K. Quinn, J. Conneely, P. McHugh, S. Walsh, S. Gavin, N. Grealish, Comh. S. O'Neachtain, P. O'Foighil.

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Conference of Local Government Reform, Hotel Minella, Clonmel

Sen. J. McDonagh, Cllrs. M. Loughnane, M. Fahy, T. Mannion, J. Joyce, M. Hoade, J. Conneely, N. Grealish, M. Mullins, J. McClearn, M. Cunningham, Comh. S. O'Neachtain, P. O'Foighil.

I.P.A. Training Seminar for Councillors, Clarinbridge Court Hotel, Clarinbridge. 25th January, 2002

Cllr. J. Joyce

Pilot Waterways Corridor Study, Local Stakeholders Workshop, Tullamore. 16th January, 2002

Cllr. J. Joyce

Seminar on Networking, Partnership & Social Housing Development, Menlo Park Hotel, Galway. 26th January, 2002.

Cllr. J. Joyce

NOTICE OF MOTIONS

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 17 – DEP. U. BURKE – ROADS 1420

The following reply was given to Dep. Burke: -

"The road in question is LS 7203 which is known as Larchill road leading from the townlands of Cahertinny to Lickalea. Following inspection it was found that the road is in good repair. The problem is the road is narrow and there are no passing bays along road. There is no funding available for this road."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 18 – DEP. U. BURKE – ROADS 1421

The following reply was given to Dep. Burke: -

"Some road marking will be considered for the R353 (Gort Derrybrien) road in 2002."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 19 – DEP. U. BURKE – FOOTPATHS 1422

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The following reply was given to Dep. Burke: -

"Surface repairs will be carried out to this section of footpath by County Council maintenance crew."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 20 - DEP. P. CONNAUGHTON - LIBRARIES 1423

The following reply was given to Dep. Connaughton: -

"Galway County Council received notification of approval for the provision of a Library in Mountbellew. Investigations are ongoing at present for the identification of a suitable site and it is hoped that work on the Project will commence in 2002."

NOTICE OF NOTION NO. 21 – DEP. P. CONNAUGHTON – ROADS 1424 The following reply was given to Dep. Connaughton: -

"C.R. 3112 Carnakelly road is included on this year's road reconstruction programme."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 22 - DEP. P. CONNAUGHTON - SEWERAGE 1425

The following reply was given to Dep. Connaughton: -

"The County Council has a preliminary report lodged with the Department of the Environment and Local Government for capital funding to install a sewerage scheme in Milltown. Until the Department confirms that funding will be allocated, the County Council cannot proceed any further on this matter.

The possible allocation of funding from the Clár Programme towards waste water schemes is a matter for the Department of Agriculture and the Department of the Environment and the County Council has no authority in the allocation of such funds.

The Council is aware of the crucial importance of waste water schemes generally, not only in Milltown, but is dependent largely upon the Department of the Environment and Local Government to provide the significant capital funding necessary for their construction."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 23 – CLLR. J. CONNEELY – BRIDGES 1426

The following reply was given to Cllr. Conneely: -

"The position regarding this bridge is being assessed at the present time."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 24 – CLLR. J. CONNEELY – BRIDGES 1427

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The following reply was given to Cllr. Conneely: -

"The position regarding this bridge is being assessed at the present time."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 25 – CLLR. J. CONNEELY – FOOTPATHS 1428

The following reply was given to Cllr. Conneely: -

"There is no funding available at present time to carry out this work because allocations have not been finalised. If funding becomes available this work will be considered."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 26 – CLLR. M. FAHY - LIGHTING 1429

The following reply was given to Cllr. Fahy: -

"This National School is on a spur road off L.P4514. Initially a survey will be carried out to determine the traffic numbers and movements, pedestrian, cycle and cars at this junction, in order to determine if flashing lights are feasible. The clay banks referred to can be removed subject to land being available."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 27 – CLLR. M. FAHY – ROADS 1430

The following reply was given to Cllr. Fahy: -

"This proposal will be examined and a report will be available for the next meeting."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 28 – CLLR. M. FAHY – PLANNING 1431

The following reply was given to Cllr. Fahy: -

"Galway County Council decided to grant permission to Kiolpa Ltd. for the construction of a 25metres high monopole support structure carrying radio antennae for mobile telephone, equipment containers and palisade fencing in the townland of Templemartin on the 12 February, 2001. 10 conditions were attached to the said decision.

This decision was appealed to An Bord Pleanala who subsequently concurred with the Planning Authority's recommendation and granted permission for the said mast subject to 6 conditions. The said decision was made on the 9th November, 2001.

The reason given by An Bord Pleanala for the grant of permission, which includes consideration of the residential properties in the vicinity, is as follows:

Having regard to -

- (a) the national strategy regarding the improvement of mobile communications services,
- (b) the guidelines relating to telecommunications antennae and support structures which were issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government to Planning Authorities in July 1996,
- (c) the location of the proposed development on a site which does not come within the scope of specific restrictions with regard to development in scenic areas as set out in the current Development Plan for the area,
- (d) the general topography of the area and the separation and screening from residential buildings in the area, and
- (e) the proposals for co-location for mobile telephony facilities on the structure,

It is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions in the Second Schedule, the proposed development would not seriously injure the amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity, would not be prejudicial to public health and would be in accordance with the proper planning and development of the area.

With reference to Cllr. M. Fahy's notice of motion and specifically his query on the 'development in progress for another Mast at Templemartin and only now planning is being sought when work has long been in progress'.

The Mast Cllr. Fahy refers to was granted permission under Planning Reference 95/2177. This permission expired at the end of June 2001.

On foot of a complaint in July 2001 the site was inspected and a letter issued to Bord Telecom Eireann in October 2001 requesting them to clarify their position. A Section 31 enforcement notice to Bord Telecom Eireann in November 2001 has been served and they applied for retention of the existing structures, Planning Reference 01/5184 in December 2001.

This planning application is currently being processed and pending the outcome of this, further action will be considered."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 29 – CLLR. J.J. MANNION – LIGHTING 1432

The following reply was given to Cllr. Mannion: -

"The provision of these lights will be included for consideration in the 2002 public lighting programme."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 30 – CLLR. J.J. MANNION – LIGHTING 1433

The following reply was given to Cllr. Mannion: -

"The County Council will prepare a plan and associated estimate for the provision of the lights and footpaths as outlined."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 31 – SEN. J. McDONAGH – ROADS 1434

The following reply was given to Sen. McDonagh: -

"The road in question is not included on this year's restoration/reconstruction programme. Repairs were carried out on Friday 25/1/02. More extensive repairs will depend on future funding and on the road reaching a higher priority for more extensive work."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 32 - SEN. J. McDONAGH - TRAFFIC 1435

The following reply was given to Sen. McDonagh: -

"A proposal to review the speed limit at Lackagh village has been included in the recent revision of speed limits which is currently with the National Roads Authority for their consideration."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 33 – SEN. J. McDONAGH – ROADS 1436

The following reply was given to Sen. McDonagh: -

"The work is at present being considered under a Low Cost Accident Scheme. Negotiations are ongoing with land owners with a view to acquiring the land necessary to carry out improvement works."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 34 - COMH. C. NI FHATHARTA - G.W.S.S. 1437

"Tá na n-inealltóirí comhairleacha atá ag plé leis an scéim seo ag feitheamh ar thairiscintí faoi láthair. Beidh siad ag déanamh tuairisc agus moladh ar na tairiscintí agus beidh an Chomhairle Chontae ag déanamh scrúdú ar an tuairisc sin nuair a thagann sí isteach."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 35 – COMH. C. NI FHATHARTA – 1438 FOOTPATHS

The following reply was given to Comh. Ni Fhatharta: -

" Ulllmhófar an meastachán agus cuirfear iarratas chuig Roinn na Gaeltachta faoin Scéim Athnuachana Bailte a bhfuil ullmhú plean baile mar chuid de."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 36 – COMH. C. NI FHATHARTA – 1439 LIGHTING

The following reply was given to Comh. Ni Fhatharta: -

"Breathnófar ar seo faoin gclár reatha atá againn do shoilse poiblí le deamhéin".

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 37 – COMH. S. O'NEACHTAIN – 1440 FOOTPATHS

NOM NOT GIVEN TO COMH. O'NEACHTAIN

"Níl aon airgead ar fáil don chosán seo a mbeidh seilbh le fáil ar thalamh dó chun a chinntiú go mbeidh sé sách leathan."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 38 - COMH. S. O'NEACHTAIN - ROADS 1441

The following reply was given to Comh. O'Neachtain: -

"Tá cuid den bhóthar seo nach bhfuil tógtha ar lámh ag Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe. Níl an chuid sin den bhóthar atá faoi chúram na Comhairle in áireamh i gclár na bliana seo. Déanfar gnáth chothabháil air de réir mar atá acmhainní ar fáil."

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 39 – COMH. S. O'NEACHTAIN – 1442 FOOTPATHS

The following reply was given to Comh. O'Neachtain: -

"This work will be considered under this year's programme of works."

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