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TUAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of Draft Budget of Expenses Meeting held on Monday, 13th December, 2010

Present: Mayor: Councillor Flanagan

Councillors: L. Bane, O. Ward, T. Reilly, I. Kelly,
S. Cunniffe, E. Kitt, M. Loftus

Apology: Councillor Warren

Officials:

Mr. Frank Gilmore, Director of Services
Mrs. A. Holian, Town Clerk

The Prayer was recited.

Budget of Expenses:

Mr. Gilmore introduced the Draft Budget of Expenses for the year 2011, which had been discussed at Budget of Expenses meeting held on 6th December, 2010. He urged the Members not to cut the rate and reminded the Members that there had been no increase in the rate for the past three years.

He said all items of expenditure had been examined and reduced where possible. He reminded the Members of the loss of revenue from the Courts Service. Replying to the Members who said the Business Community was just surviving he said all money raised from rates was put back into the town. The Business Community is supported by the rates. The Tuam Water and Main Drainage Scheme alone will cost Galway County Council E9M. He urged the Members to adopt the Budget as proposed.

Replying to Councillor Loftus who asked for leniency for Rate Payers to pay over a longer term Mr. Gilmore said Galway County Council were already doing this – phased payments may be arranged through the Finance Officer.

Replying to Councillor Cunniffe who queried expenditure on house repairs Mr. Gilmore said Galway County Council, through the housing unit, supports the Town Council. A meeting of the Local Traveler Consultative Committee had been held and a task force for the Tirboy/Gilmartin Road Area is to be set up. It is hoped the vacant houses situation at Gilmartin Road can be turned around next year.

Following further discussion it was proposed by Councillor Kitt, seconded by Councillor Ward and agreed that the rate in the Euro of 3.66 be adopted and that the draft Budget of Expenses as presented be adopted by the Councillors. It was proposed by Councillor Kitt, seconded by Councillor Ward and agreed that the net amount of E106,506-00 be demanded from Galway County Council in respect of year ending 31st December, 2011 and that the form of Demand be signed by the Mayor and the Town Clerk.

This concluded the Meeting.

Recorded by:
Angela Holian,
Town Clerk

SIGNED BY:

MAYOR

Draft Budget of Expenses for the Year to 31st December, 2011
TUAM TOWN COUNCIL

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TUAM TOWN COUNCIL

Budget of Expenses

**For
Year ending**

31st December, 2011

**Adopted by the Council
Monday 13th December, 2010**

Draft Budget of Expenses for the Year to 31st December, 2011
TUAM TOWN COUNCIL

RECEIPTS:

HOUSING

	Outturn for 2010	Est. for 2011
1. Rents	55,000	52,000
2. Annuities	410	---
3. Ground Rents	300	300
4. Tenancy Deposits	300	---
Total	56,010	52,300

GENERAL:

Interest – Galway County Council	3,500	3,500
Interest - Bank	2,161	2,500
Rent Town Hall	12,749	---
Total	18,410	6,000

MISCELLANEOUS:

	1,400	---
Fire Claim – 43 Gilmartin Road	4,450	---
Sale of House (38 Tubberjarlath Road)	30,000	---
Total	35,850	---

Gross Total 110,270 58,300

Opening Credit (debit) Balance	_____	15,464
Estimated Expenditure for Year	_____ 196,749	_____ 180,280
Estimated receipts for year	_____ 110,270	_____ 58,300
Final Estimated Outturn	_____	_____ 106,516
Amount of Demand 2010 and estimated 2011	_____ 101,943	_____ 106,516
Closing (Debit) Credit Balance	15,464	

Summary for 2011	
Total Demand	106,516
Rate in the Euro	3.66
Percentage increase in rates	0%

DRAFT BUDGET OF EXPENSES FOR YEAR TO 31ST DECEMBER, 2011
TUAM TOWN COUNCIL

Housing	Outturn 2010	Est. for 2011
1. Repairs	33,000	40,000
1a. Replace Kitchens	2,000	2,000
2. Legal Expenses	540	700
3. Insurance	12,572	15,000
4. Town Clerk Salary 50%	7,900	7,900
5. Town Engineer Salary 80%	7,100	7,100
6. Pension	520	-----
7. Printing, Post, Stationery, Advertising	600	600
8. Rent Collection	2,800	2,800
TOTAL	67,032	76,100
General		
1. Rent, Rates on Town Hall	892	1,500
2. Office Expenses	3,000	3,000
3. Legal Expenses		
4. Town Clerks Salary 50%	7,900	7,900
5. Town Engineer Salary 20%	1,770	1,770
6. Audit Fee	5,341	2,700
7. Print, Post etc.	800	800
8. Town Hall	20,000	20,000
9. Municipal Authorities	2,968	3,500
10. Receptions/Presentations	992	1,500
11. Twinning	1,500	1,500
12. Members Expenses	9,162	9,162
13. Rep. Allowance	22,348	22,348
14. Contribution to Tuam Chamber of Commerce Christmas Lights	10,000	10,000
15. Gratuities to retired Members		
16. Town Enhancement		10,000
17. Local Election Expenses		2,000
18. Contribution to Arts	1,500	1,500
19. C.C.T.V.	9,214	3,500
20. Miscellaneous and other expenses	940	1,500
21. Refund of Rent	1,390	
22. Gilmartin Road Clean	30,000	
TOTAL	129,717	104,180
Gross Total Expenditure	196,749	180,280

COMHAIRLE BAILE THUAMA
Tuam Town Council



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5th January, 2011

To each Member of Tuam Town Council

A Chara,

**The Monthly Meeting of Tuam Town Council will be held in the
Town Hall on Monday, 10th January, 2011 at 7.00 p.m. You are hereby
summoned to attend.**

Mise, le meas,

Angela Nolan Baile Cleireach

Agenda

Special Meeting held 24th November, 2010

Minutes - Budget of Expenses Meeting held 6th December, 2010

Ordinary meeting held 6th December, 2010

Budget of Expenses Meeting held 13th December, 2010

Manager's Business

Correspondence

Ambulance Base

Tuam Chamber of Commerce

Notice of Motion – Councillor Ward

"I propose that the present and forth coming Government review the multiple pension scheme that allows multiple pensions to be paid to officials while receiving a salary".

A. O. B.

TUAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on Monday 6th December, 2010

Present: **Mayor:** Councillor Flanagan

Councillors: O. Ward, L. Bane, T. Reilly, S. Cunniffe
E. Kitt, P. Warren, M. Loftus

Officials: Mr. Alan Farrell, Acting Director of Services
Mr. Enda Gallagher, Town Engineer,
Ms. Angela Holian, Town Clerk
Mr. Dermot Collins, Project Engineer, Tuam Water
Distribution and Main Drainage Scheme

Apology: Councillor Imelda Kelly

The Prayer was recited.

The minutes of meeting held on 1st November, 2010 were adopted on the proposal of Councillor Reilly seconded by Councillor Kitt.

The Mayor and Members welcomed Mr. Alan Farrell, Acting Director of Services to the meeting.

Matters arising from the Minutes:

Replying to the Mayor regarding the Library Mr. Farrell said he had been unable to contract Mr. Kevin Kelly, Director of Services.

Replying to Councillor Reilly regarding the Ambulance base Mr. Farrell said he had no further information. It was agreed to keep the matter on the agenda.

Councillor Ward told the Members discussions with Tuam Chamber of Commerce regarding proposals for the "High King of Ireland" festival had taken place.

Councillor Ward asked that his proposal for a "Preservation Order" for the palace grounds be considered again. Replying Mr. Farrell said the palace grounds was zoned amenity and nothing would happen without consultation with the Council. He advised writing to Galway County Council.

Correspondence:

The following letters were read, noted and agreed:

Letter dated 4th November, 2010, from Monaghan Town Council. There was unanimous support for the following Notice of Motion:-"That this Council calls on the government to address the plight of the self-employed, who now find themselves unemployed, to access welfare assistance more speedily".

Letter dated 11th November, 2010 from Supt. Gearoid Begley – read.

Letter dated 22nd November, 2010 from Ace High Cheerleading Squad, Lissadyra, Tuam – noted.

Letter dated 25th November, 2010 from Monaghan Town Council – read.

Tuam Water Distribution and Main Drainage Scheme:

The mayor welcomed Mr. Dermot Collins to the meeting. Mr. Collins said they were now nine months into a two year programme. Good progress has been made however work had to be suspended last week due to weather conditions. The re-surfacing of lower Dublin will be carried out when weather conditions permit. Tunnelling under the N17 at Abbey Trinity/Ballygaddy Road is complete but finishing work will keep the road to Glynn's closed until February. The Weir Road junction to Gilmartin Road junction, section will be completed next week. The Traffic Management Plan for the N17 and the town centre is reviewed weekly. Work on the N17 will continue for several months and there will be considerable disruption on the N17, in both directions, in the New Year. Work will stop on 23rd December and recommence 3rd January, 2011.

Transition Year Students:

The Mayor welcomed Transition Year Class, Presentation College, Tuam with their Teacher Ms. Ester Mannion. Ms. Mannion thanked the Town Council for their support and contribution to last year's project. She outlined the plans to enhance the Square in front of O'Toole's Super Value, Bishop Street. The focus would be to have the area re-surfaced, move the bottle bank to less prominent area and have a 'history wall' in that area. It is proposed to provide mature trees in containers on the two street sides. It is

also proposed to have a sculpture of a hot air balloon and a seating area there. The Mayor, Manager and Members complimented the Girls on their initiative. Mr. Farrell advised them to contact the Environmental Section, the Community and Enterprise Section and the Heritage Officer, Galway County Council also the Galway Rural Development Group.

Notice of Motion:

Councillor Ward said he had submitted this notice of motion again because of the number of young people who have been killed on Irish roads. He asked support in bringing the proposal to the next level. There was unanimous support for the motion. It was agreed to send the motion to the Minister for Transport and to all the Town Council's in the Country, seek their support and request they write to the Minister for Transport and the Road Safety Authority in support of the motion.

A. O. B.:

Replying to Councillor Bane who asked that grit/salt be supplied to housing estates the Town Engineer said there was no procedure in place but the purchase of a small gritter, suitable for housing estates, is being investigated. Councillor Ward proposed that application be made to the Department of the Environment for funding for Grit Boxes.

Councillor Cunniffe stated that the Shambles and O'Toole's car park would be suitable for bicycle parking areas.

Councillor Warren asked that lighting be provided at Chapel Lane.

The Members welcomed the opening of Joyce's Supermarket also re opening of the Corralea Court Hotel

Sympathy:

A vote of sympathy was passed with the following families:

Roache Family, on the death of Colm,
Greaney Family on the death of John,
Hession Family on the death of Rita,
McGough Family on the death of Mike,
Cassidy Family on the death of Kathleen
Tony Galvin, Tuam Herald on the death of his Father.

This concluded the meeting

Recorded by,
Angela Holian,
Town Clerk

SIGNED BY:



MAYOR

TUAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of Draft Budget of Expenses Meeting held on Monday, 6th December, 2010

Present:

Mayor: Councillor Flanagan

**Councillors: O. Ward, L. Bane, T. Reilly, S. Cunniffe,
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Apology:

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Officials:

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Mrs. A. Holian, Town Clerk

The Prayer was recited.

Budget of Expenses:

Mr. Farrell introduced the Draft Budget of Expenses for the year 2011, which had been circulated to each Member and advertised. He said it was not proposed to increase the rate for 2011. He said total expenditure for 2011 is estimated at E180,280-00 while receipts are estimated at E58,300-00.

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The Councillors examined the various items of expenditure and receipts proposed in the Budget of Expenses. Letter dated 29th November (received 6th December, 2010) from Tuam Chamber of Commerce was read. It was proposed by Councillor Reilly and seconded by Councillor Warren that parking fees be suspended in the town until 2nd January, 2010. Mr. Farrell stated that free parking would apply in the car parks up to Christmas but on-street parking will stay. Replying to the Members Mr. Farrell said a 20% cut in the rate would fund savings of £21,303.02. There was unanimous support for Councillor Bane's proposal to reduce the rate and support the Business Community.

It was proposed by Councillor Reilly, seconded by the Mayor and agreed to adjourn the meeting and postpone a decision on the Budget of Expenses until Monday, 13th December, 2010.

This concluded the Meeting.

Recorded by:
Angela Holian,
Town Clerk

SIGNED BY: _____
MAYOR

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29th November, 2010

To: Each Member of Tuam Town Council

A Chara,

The **Budget of Expenses** meeting of Tuam Town Council will be held in the Town Hall on **Monday 6th December, 2010 at 7.00 p.m.** You are hereby summoned to attend.

Mise, le meas,

Angela Hoban Baile Cleireach

AGENDA

Budget of Expenses for 2011

Adoption of Rate for 2011

TUAM TOWN COUNCIL

DRAFT Budget of Expenses

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Tuam Town Council



TUAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of Sub-Committee meeting **held on** **Wednesday 24th November, 2010**

Present: Mayor: S. A. Flanagan, Councillor I. Kelly, Councillor O. Ward
Ms. Angela Holian, Town Clerk

The Meeting was called to discuss the planned visit of the Mayor of Straubing, Herr Markus Pannermays to the St. Patricks Day festival. (2011 is the 20th Anniversary of the twinning of Tuam and Straubing).

It was agreed a formal invitation be sent to the Mayor of Straubing.

It is expected that the Mayor of Straubing will arrive in Ireland on 16th March, 2011. It was agreed that the Mayor be met at Dublin Airport. He is expected to arrive in Tuam at approximately 7 p.m. and be welcomed by the Mayor, Town Councillors and Members of the Tuam Twinning Committee at the Art-Ri House Hotel, accommodation for the duration of his visit to be provided at the Ard-Ri House Hotel.

On St. Patrick's Day the Twinning Committee plan an Irish Mass, a tour of Tuam (weather permitting), St. Patrick's Day Parade and an evening dinner with the Twinning Committee/Chamber of Commerce. It is proposed that the German Ambassador is also invited to the St. Patrick's Day festival.

On Friday 18th March (morning for personnel use) a trip to Galway/Cong is planned. It is proposed that a Civic Reception be hosted by the Town Council at approximately 7 p.m. followed by Dinner at the Ard-Ri house Hotel.

This concluded the meeting.

Recorded by:
Angela Holian,
Town Clerk

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29th November, 2010

To each Member of Tuam Town Council

A Chara,

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Town Hall on Monday, 6st December, 2010 at 7.30 p.m. You are hereby
summoned to attend.**

Mise, le meas,

Angela Nolan Baile Cleireach

Agenda

Minutes

Manager's Business

Correspondence

Transition Year Students - Presentation Convent

Notice of Motion – Councillor Owen Ward

I propose that each private vehicle that is owned or driven by any person under the age of 25 years old or within at least having 10 years driving experience, become mandatorily fitted with a speed inhibitor that will allow the states maximum speed limit only. I support that this proposal for the mandatory installation of speed inhibitors will allow for young drivers to become conditioned to a safer way of driving when they become accustomed to a governing speed that cannot be exceeded by the installation of a speed inhibitor.

A. O. B.

TUAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on Monday 1st November, 2010

Present: **Mayor:** Councillor Flanagan

Councillors: P. Warren, I. Kelly, O. Ward, S. Cunniffe
E. Kitt

Officials: Mr. Frank Gilmore, Director of Services
Mr. John Leahy, Senior Executive Engineer,
Ms. Angela Holian, Town Clerk

Apology: Councillor Reilly, Councillor Bane, Councillor Loftus

The Prayer was recited.

The minutes of meeting held on 4th October, 2010 were adopted on the proposal of Councillor Warren seconded by Councillor Kitt.

Councillor Reilly was wished a speedy recovery.

Matters arising from the Minutes:

Replying to Councillor Kelly regarding the cemetery Mr. Leahy said the matter had been discussed with the Conservation Officer. A copy of a report including plans and costings will be sent to the Town Engineer. Regarding the Library Mr. Gilmore said he would contact Councillor Kelly shortly. Regarding the Tuam Water Distribution and Main Drain Scheme Councillor Kelly said there was a lack of informing the Public regarding road closures which needs to be addressed. Replying Mr. Leahy said this will be raised at the next weekly meeting. He stated that a 'Closure Order' had been granted for Dublin Road. Mr. Gilmore said the Town Council may arrange a meeting with Mr. Dermot Collins, Project Engineer anytime and suggested that Mr. Collins attend the next meeting of the Board.

Councillor Kitt stated that the Church View diversion was working very well and being handled excellently by Coffeys.

Replying to Councillor Warren regarding the M17/18 'Gort to Tuam' road Mr. Gilmore said he was confident it would go ahead. Galway County Council is continuing with in-house preparatory work. Regarding where the work will start is a matter for the contractor. Regarding the N17/Kilcloghans junction Mr. Leahy said work to improve visibility will be carried out.

Replying to Councillor Cunniffe regarding Gilmartin Road Mr. Gilmore said the owners of private derelict houses will be invoiced for their share of the cost of the clean-up.

Councillor Ward told the Members he together with Councillor Bane and Councillor Cunniffe had met with the Old Tuam Society and Mr. T. Claffey, Historian to consider proposals for the "HIGH KING OF IRELAND" festival which it is hoped would attract more people into Tuam. Replying to Councillor Ward regarding a Preservation Order for the Palace Grounds Mr. Gilmore said a Preservation Order was unnecessary.

Manager's Business:

Regarding the Ambulance Base Mr. Gilmore said he had no further information.

Correspondence:

The following letters were read, noted and agreed:

Letter dated 9th September, 2010, from Tuam Straubing Twinning Committee. It was proposed by Councillor Kelly seconded by the Mayor and agreed that the remainder of the 2010 allocation for Twinning be rolled over to next year – the Tuam Twinning Committee to be notified of same. The Mayor of Straubing has agreed to visit Tuam in March 2011 and it was agreed that a sub-committee – The Mayor, Councillor Kelly, Councillor Ward and the Town Clerk be put in place to plan for the visit.

Letter dated 24th September, 2010, Mr. Patrick Farrell, 12 Leopardstown Grove, Blackrock, Co. Dublin – read.

Letter dated 12th October, 2010 from Monaghan Town Council – read.

Letter dated 19th October, 2010 from Michael P. Kitt, T. D. together with letter dated 15th October, 2010 from Mr. Fred Barry, Chief Executive, National Roads Authority.

Letter dated 21st October, 2010 from Mr. Noel Brett, C. E. O., Road Safety Authority – read.

Letter dated 30th October, 2010 from Councillor T. Reilly. It was agreed to defer discussion on reducing the bricked area outside the Town Hall until the New Traffic Management Plan is being considered following completion of the Tuam Water Distribution and Main Drain Scheme.

Residential Parking:

Mr. Gilmore told the Members parking permits are issued to Residents where parking restrictions and paid parking exists. A new Traffic Management Plan and Parking Bye-laws for Tuam will be implemented following completion of the Tuam Water Distribution and Main Drainage Scheme. The obvious solution for Liam Mellows Street is co-operation between the residents, G.A.A and the Gardai. He presented a copy of the Galway County Council Parking Bye-laws – a copy to be circulated to the members.

A. O. B.:

It was proposed by the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Cunniffe and agreed to invite Mr. J. J. Holleran, Manager, Galway Football Board to a meeting of the Town Council.

Replying to Councillor Kelly regarding the Old Library Building at Shop Street Mr. Gilmore said he would check with Mr. Kevin Kelly, Director of Services.

Councillor Kitt congratulated Tuam Marian Choral Society on their production of Titanic.

Sympathy:

A vote of sympathy was passed with the Minister for Foreign Affairs on the death of his daughter also the Byrne Family Athenry Road, Tuam on the death of Joseph.

This concluded the meeting

Recorded by,
Angela Holian,
Town Clerk

SIGNED BY: _____
MAYOR

TUAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting of Joint Policing Committee

Held on Monday 8th November, 2010

Present: Mayor: Councillor S. A. Flanagan
Councillor L. Bane, Councillor I. Kelly, Councillor O. Ward,
Councillor P. Warren, Councillor S. Cunniffe, Councillor M. Loftus,
Councillor E. Kitt

Superintendent Gearoid Begley
Inspector Michael O'Dwyer
Sargent Martin Connor

Deputy Michael Kitt
Mr. Pat O'Hora

Officials: Mr. Frank Gilmore, Director of Services
Mr. Enda Gallagher, Town Engineer
Ms. Angela Holian, Town Clerk

Apology: Councillor Reilly

The Prayer was recited.

The Minutes of meeting held on 5th July, 2010 were adopted on the proposal of Councillor Kitt seconded by Councillor Cunniffe.

Matters arising from Minutes:

Regarding Crime Statistics Superintendent Begley stated that provisional figures for the Tuam Sub District to 25th October, 2010 compared with 2009 showed that Public Order offences decreased by 31 from the previous year. Criminal Damage cases increased by 14 on the previous year, there were 10 instances on one night alone and 4 on another occasion. Thefts were down by 26 while burglaries decreased by 10 when compared with 2009. Replying to Deputy Kitt he said Minor Assaults, 'Section 2', Offences increased by 11 over 2009. Serious Assaults, 'Section 3', Offences - where there is physical damage to a person - were down slightly. Replying to Councillor Loftus he said all public order issues are alcohol related. Replying to Councillor Kitt Inspector O'Dwyer said Garda Hugh Gallagher liaises with the schools and young people - training is taking place at the moment regarding a pilot scheme for secondary schools. The Members welcomed the initiation of five new "Neighbourhood Watch" schemes in the town.

Tuam Town Water Distribution and Main Drain Scheme:

Councillor Kelly thanked Supt. Begley and the Gardai for the efficient way they responded to a traffic jam earlier in the evening. Councillor Warren asked that Dublin Road -beside St. Patricks School' - be monitored as cars are coming down the one-way system. Councillor Bane asked that the traffic lights at the Old Road/Ballygaddy Road junction be adjusted.

A. O. B.:

Replying to the Mayor regarding a vacancy on the Joint Policing Committee Mr. Gilmore said the vacancy will be filled from the Community and Voluntary Sector and this will be done by Galway County Council.

Replying to Councillor Cunniffe regarding monitoring of C.C.T.V. Supt. Begley said the Gardai do not take on monitoring. Monitoring of C.C.T.V. would mean four Gardai having to be taken of street duty, this would be an inefficient use of available resources. The Town Manager stated that C.C.T.V. was funded by the Departments of Communications and Justice and Law Reform and may be used by Gardai post incidents. The monitor is fully accessible to the Gardai and access can be gained very quickly.

Replying to Councillor Ward regarding the installation of speed inhibitors on cars Supt. Begley said that was a matter for legislation.

Supt. Begley told the J. P. C. that the Local Policing Plan for 2011 is being prepared and any suggestions would be welcomed.

It was agreed to hold the next J. P. C. meeting in February 2011.

Letter dated 9th September, 2010 from Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform was read.

This concluded the meeting.

Recorded by:
Angela Holian,
Town Clerk

Signed by: _____
MAYOR

Galway County Council Archives



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AN ROINN DLÍ AGUS CIRT, COMHIONANNAIS AGUS ATHCHÓIRITHE DLÍ
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, EQUALITY AND LAW REFORM

**Chairman of Tuam Joint Policing Committee,
c/o Town Hall,
Tuam,
Co. Galway**

9 September 2010

Dear Chairman,

In 2009 the Department of Justice and Law Reform commenced work on the development of a White Paper on Crime which is due to be completed next year.

The White Paper is intended to set out a framework for future crime policy.

In developing the White Paper the Department embarked on a national public consultation exercise which has been designed around four discussion documents. To date, two have been published and the final two will be published this year (summary of the documents' contents attached). The Department has invited written submissions on the publication of each discussion document and has also organised regional consultation meetings (Athlone, Cork, Dublin, Dundalk, Sligo).

In the course of our consultations, a number of Joint Policing Committees throughout the country have actively engaged in this consultation exercise. We are taking this opportunity to advise every Joint Policing Committee about our ongoing work and our interest in seeking your input to the process.

In the coming months we will be holding a further series of regional meetings. While locations have yet to be confirmed, the following are currently under consideration: Dublin, Galway, Limerick, Tralee and Waterford.

Please let us know if you wish your Committee to be represented at those meetings and we will accommodate you. Your written submissions on any aspect of the process would be most welcome (address for submissions below). Alternatively, the White Paper on Crime Unit is available to meet representatives of your Committee should you so wish. You can contact the White Paper on Crime Unit by calling 01/6028349 or emailing whitepaperoncrime@justice.ie.

More detailed information on the White Paper on Crime process and access to documents published is available at www.justice.ie.

Yours sincerely,

Doncha O'Sullivan
White Paper on Crime Unit

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White Paper on Crime Discussion Documents - Summary

Discussion Document 1. *Crime Prevention and Community Safety*

This document takes as its starting point the existence of crime and its impact on the quality of life of individuals and society as a whole. It focuses mainly on 'high volume' or 'street' crimes of burglary, theft, physical assault and public order offences. It considers the strategies in place in Ireland to prevent crime and their effectiveness and asks:

- How well are existing crime prevention measures working?
- What scope is there for further development?

Approaches to crime prevention are looked at under the following headings:

- (i) Reducing opportunities for crime and making it harder for crimes to be committed;
- (ii) Using locally based partnerships to reduce crime in communities;
- (iii) Working with those most at risk of becoming involved in crime to prevent first-time criminality;
- (iv) Working to reduce the likelihood of re-offending among those found guilty of offences.

Questions raised in the document include:

- What do you think has worked best to prevent or to reduce crime in your neighbourhood? What other things can be done and how can we ensure that they are effective?
- In your experience, how is information on local crime prevention/reduction measures and successes communicated?
- How can links between An Garda Síochána and local communities be improved?
- What part should communities play in considering aspects of their local living environment and their effect on law and order?
- How could existing crime prevention measures be better targeted to get the best possible results and to improve the use of limited resources?
- What structures should coordinate crime prevention activity and monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of initiatives?
- How could parents be encouraged, helped or made responsible when it comes to tackling criminal or anti-social behaviour by their children?
- How could community-based sentences be developed in your area?
- How can ex-prisoners successfully reintegrate into society? In a contracting labour market are there any particular measures which might help ex-offenders to get a job and keep them from offending again?

Consultations on the Discussion Document comprising public advertisements for written comments and a series of regional consultation meetings concluded in December 2009. Reports on the outcome of these consultations, one on the regional meetings and one summarising written submissions, were published in January 2010. These documents are available at www.justice.ie and hard copies are available on request.

Discussion Document 2. *Criminal Sanctions*

This document sets out the current range of sanctions applied in Ireland and asks:

- what role should sanctions play as part of an overall response to crime ?
- how well is the existing approach working to prevent and reduce crime ?
- how should policy in this area best be developed and implemented ?

The document considers some of the most commonly cited aims of imposing a sanction and how these might contribute to crime prevention and public protection. In particular, the role of sanctions in deterrence, incapacitation and rehabilitation is highlighted.

The document then outlines the current range of sanctions as applied in Ireland, covering custodial and non-custodial options and discusses possible benefits and challenges presented by both approaches. Finally, it summarises the general framework for sentencing policy in Ireland and how it might be developed for the future.

Questions raised in the document include:

- to what extent does imprisonment contribute to crime reduction and public protection ?
- could greater use be made of non-custodial penalties ?
- what types of non-custodial sanctions might be appropriate for less serious but persistent offenders ?
- what kind of role should communities have in the operation of Community Service Orders ?
- should mechanisms be put in place to curtail the number of short prison sentences ?
- does Irish sentencing policy require greater structuring and, if so, how should this be achieved ?
- how can public information and understanding of the sentencing process be improved ?

In August 2010, two reports were published on the outcome of the consultation process: a summary of the written submissions received by the Department and a summary of the contributions made by the participants at the consultation meeting held at Dublin Castle in May 2010. These documents are available at www.justice.ie and hard copies are available on request.

Discussion Document 3. *Organised and White Collar Crime*

This document will consider a very wide range of complex crimes which can often attract organised criminals, but can also involve individuals, companies or very *ad hoc* groups. The specific crimes considered are:

- drug trafficking
- fraud (including fiscal fraud)
- human smuggling and trafficking
- money laundering
- white collar crime
- bribery and corruption
- regulatory crime
- counterfeiting and piracy
- cybercrime

While there are interconnections between several of these fields, each gives rise to its own discrete issues and law enforcement responses.

A further feature of these crimes is that they are rapidly evolving and increasingly enabled by new technologies. Accordingly, an important objective in this discussion document is to seek to identify emerging trends with a view to ensuring that the White Paper on Crime anticipates future challenges as far as possible.

Discussion Document 4. *The Relationship between the Community and the Criminal Justice System*

This document will consider the range of relationships between communities (e.g. as victims, witnesses, jurors, neighbourhood watch schemes) and the various contact points within the criminal justice system. It will examine best practice here and in other jurisdictions with a view to assessing what aspects of the relationship between the community and the criminal justice system work well and what aspects might be adjusted and/or improved.

TOWN COUNCIL

held on Monday 8th November, 2010

Councillor I. Kelly, Councillor. O. Ward,
Councillor S. Cunniffe, Councillor M. Loftus,

Director of Services
Town Engineer
Town Clerk

Mr. J. Kelly, C. E. O. and Mr. John Stapleton, President,
Meeting.

The Business Chamber of Commerce decided to invest in
2000-00. The Business Community provided
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TUAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of special meeting held on Monday 8th November, 2010

Present: Mayor: S. A. Flanagan
Councillor. L. Bane, Councillor I. Kelly, Councillor. O. Ward,
Councillor. P. Warren, Councillor S. Cunniffe, Councillor M. Loftus,
Councillor E. Kitt

Officials: Mr. Frank Gilmore, Director of Services
Mr. Enda Gallagher, Town Engineer
Ms. Angela Holian, Town Clerk

Apology: Councillor Reilly

The Prayer was recited.

The Mayor welcomed Ms. Sarah Roarty, C. E. O. and Mr. John Stapleton, President, Tuam Chamber of Commerce to the meeting.

Ms. Roarty stated that two years ago Tuam Chamber of Commerce decided to invest in new Christmas Lights at a cost of E120,000-00. The Business Community provided E44,000-00 and the balance was borrowed over five years. The cost of Public Liability Insurance and Insurance on the lights is E16,020-00 annually, electricity costs approximately E3,000-00 and a 'lighting up'/'switch on' fun afternoon costs E1,000-00. The tender to erect and dismantle the lights was E8,000-00 last year. The lights will be switched on this year on Sunday 28th November. The current outstanding loan is E63,000-00.

COMHAIRLE BAILE THUAMA
Tuam Town Council

The Mayor thanked the Ms. Roarty and Mr. Stapleton for attending the meeting. She said the Town Council will continue to support the Chamber of Commerce, the contribution to the Christmas Lights will be discussed at the Annual Budget of Expenses meeting to be held in December.

Application to use the Town Hall by Cortoon and Lavally Drama Group was discussed. It was proposed by the Mayor seconded by Councillor Kelly and agreed let the Group have the use of the big room downstairs for two evenings a week until their show is staged.

This concluded the Meeting.

Recorded by:
Angela Holian,
Town Clerk

SIGNED BY _____

MAYOR

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Meeting of Joint Policing Committee

18th October, 2010

To each member of the Joint Policing Committee

A Chara,

A meeting of the J.P.C. will be held in the Town Hall on **Monday 8th NOVEMBER, 2010 at 7 p.m.** You are invited to attend.

Mise le meas,

Angela Bolan
Baile Cleireach

Agenda

- ✓ 1. Minutes
- ✓ 2. Crime Statistics
- ✓ 3. Tuam Town Water Distribution and Main Drainage Scheme
- ✓ 4. A. O. B.

*Vacancy.
Neighbourhood Watch.*

TUAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting of Joint Policing Committee

Held on Monday 5th July, 2010

Present:

Mayor: Councillor S. A. Flanagan
Councillors: S. Cunniffe, L. Bane, P. Warren, I. Kelly,
T. Reilly, O. Ward.

Superintendent Marie Skehill,
Inspector Michael O'Dwyer

Deputy Paul Connaughton
Mr. Pat O'Hora
Mr. Martin Ward

Officials: Mr. Frank Gilmore, Director of Services
Mr. Enda Gallagher, Town Engineer
Mr. Dermot Collins, Resident Engineer, Tuam Water
Distribution and Main Drainage Scheme
Ms. Angela Holian, Town Clerk

Apology: Councillor Loftus, Councillor Kitt

The Prayer was recited.

The Minutes of meeting held on 1st March, 2010 were adopted on the proposal of Councillor Reilly seconded by Councillor Warren.

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting. She thanked Superintendent Skehill for attending the meeting and for her services to Tuam over the past two years. On behalf of the Town Council she presented a vase to Superintendent Skehill and wished her well in her new appointment.

Superintendent Skehill thanked the Mayor and Members. She said she enjoyed her two year in Tuam and thanked everyone for their co-operation. She paid tribute to retired Councillor Ward and wished him good health. She also thanked the Media. She said the J.P.C. was up and running and working well when she came to Tuam and it continues to work well with everyone involved working towards a common goal. The Gardai will continue to help. The new Superintendent, Gearoid Begley, will take up his position shortly.

Matters arising from Minutes:

Inspector O'Dwyer stated that the Treo Nua/Garda Youth Diversion Project continues to work positively and has been selected by an E. U. Committee as an example of a positive way in which European Structural Funds are being expended. A Delegate has visited the centre since the last meeting.

Replying to Councillor Reilly regarding recent incidents in the town Inspector O'Dwyer said there have been four arrests and a file is being prepared for the D. P. P. The Gardai are not looking for anyone else. Regarding more Gardai on foot patrol at weekends Inspector O'Dwyer said the Gardai have very concentrated patrols during weekends and C.C.T.V. is very useful. Extra Gardai on foot patrol will be a decision for the new Superintendent. He said the Gardai will continue to work with Resident Associations in promoting "Neighbourhood Watch" schemes and continue to patrol at night. Replying to Deputy Connaughton he said the Gardai view C.C.T.V. from a number of sources.

Tuam Town Water Distribution and Main Drain Scheme:

The Mayor welcomed Mr. Dermot Collins, Project Engineer to the meeting. Mr. Collins stated that the project started on 15th March, 2010. Work is on schedule at seven sites (1) High street, (2) N17 (3) Purcell/Stockwell Road, (4) Cloonthue Road, (5) Ballygaddy Road, (6) Weir Road and (7) Old Ballygaddy Road. A new water reservoir is being constructed which will take four or five months to complete. Site investigation work is 95% complete.

A pro-active approach to information has been adopted, a meeting is held each week with the Town Engineer. Consultation has taken place with the Chamber of Commerce, Gardai, Emergency Services, Schools, Media, etc. There is a 24 hour contact line which is manned day and night by Coffey Contractors. A Web Page has also been set up by the Contractor and 12,000 flyers have been distributed.

In relation to road closures a Traffic Management Plan is submitted to the Area Office.

The Town Engineer processes the applications through Galway County Council on a case by case basis. Every effort is made to minimise disruption. Traffic disruption has taken place but the Contractor is moving quickly and High Street will be finished before the Annual Holidays on 19th July. He thanked the Gardai for their co-operation.

The Mayor and Members thanked Mr. Collins for attending the Meeting.

Replying to the Members the Town Engineer said there were technical constraints in relation to re-introducing two-way traffic on Dublin Road, from the School to Circular Road.

Crime Statistics:

Inspector O'Dwyer stated that year end figures issued by the Central Statistics Office are more accurate however provisional figures for the first six months of the year in the Tuam Garda District indicate that Burglaries were down on last year. Thefts from shops and cars were down from 57 to 37. Criminal damage cases increased from 49 last year to 62 this year, this included one incident in May and the recent incident in the town and the Cathedral otherwise the figures would be the same as the previous year. Public Order offences were down slightly from 74 in 2009 to 72 this year. Drunken Driving offences were down from 23 last year to 17 this year.

Replying to Deputy Connaughton he said a Juvenile who commits a minor offence will be given a caution. Replying to Councillor Warren he said the Drugs Unit is going through a transition period with one Member being transferred to Galway however the Gardai have the support of the Drugs Surveillance Team and the Divisional Drugs Unit. Replying to Councillor Kelly he said while ASBO's are useful tools however none have been served in Tuam.

It was proposed by the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Reilly and agreed to include Crime Statistics on the agenda for the next meeting.

A. O. B.:

Letters dated 5th July, 2010 from Mr. Noel Wynne, Galway Road, Ms. Siobhan Reynolds, Killaloonty Road and Martin and Mairead Rooney, Galway Road were read. Traffic Volume, Speed, Speed Limits/signs and traffic calming measures for Killiloonty Road were discussed. It was agreed to refer the matter to the Area Engineer with a view to having a report for the next meeting.

Letter dated 30th June, 2010 from Tuam Chamber of Commerce regarding vacancy on J.P.C. It was agreed to refer to the guidelines and process in relation to the filling of a vacancy.

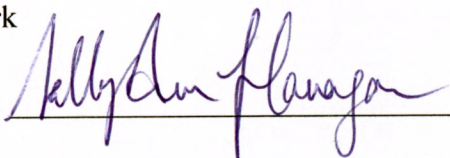
Replying to Councillor Ward regarding gaming machines Inspector O'Dwyer said under section 10 of the Gaming and Lotteries Act 1956 a machine would be illegal if the gain was higher than the amount paid in.

Replying to Councillor Cunniffe regarding monitoring of C.C.T.V by Gardai Inspector O'Dwyer said it is the opinion of the Gardai that this would not be the best way of using resources. This matter will also be discussed with the new Superintendent.

This concluded the meeting.

Recorded by:
Angela Holian,
Town Clerk

Signed by:



MAYOR

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27th October, 2010

To each Member of Tuam Town Council

A Chara,

The Monthly Meeting of Tuam Town Council will be held in the
Town Hall on Monday, 1st November, 2010 at 7.00 p.m. You are hereby
summoned to attend.

Mise, le meas,

Angela Nolan Baile Cleireach

Agenda

Minutes

Manager's Business

Correspondence

Residential Parking

A. O. B.

TUAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on Monday 4th October, 2010

Present: **Mayor:** Councillor Flanagan

Councillors: E. Kitt, L. Bane, O. Ward, I. Kelly
P. Warren, S Cunniffe.

Officials: Mr. Frank Gilmore, Director of Services
Mr. Enda Gallagher, Town Engineer,
Ms. Angela Holian, Town Clerk

Apology: Councillor Reilly

The Prayer was recited.

The minutes of meeting held on 5th July, 2010 were adopted on the proposal of Councillor Kelly seconded by Councillor Kitt. The minutes of special meeting held on 30th August, 2010 were adopted on the proposal of Councillor Kelly seconded by Councillor Warren. The minutes of meeting held 6th September, 2010 were adopted on the proposal of Councillor Kitt seconded by Councillor Warren. The minutes of special meeting held on 30th September were adopted on the proposal of Councillor Kelly seconded by Councillor Kitt.

Matters arising from the Minutes:

Replying to Councillor Kelly regarding the cemetery the Town Engineer said it was hoped to hold a meeting next week. Regarding opening hours at the Library Mr. Gilmore said he was awaiting a response from the Director of Services. Regarding the Town Hall a meeting will be held with the Court Services with a view to refurbish.

Replying to Councillor Warren regarding a barrier to prevent cars and vans accessing the playground at Dublin Road at night the Town Engineer this was an entrance to the rear of houses and the area is covered by C.C.T.V. The Gardai should be contacted.

Councillor Warren thanked the Manager and staff for work carried out at Gilmartin Road. The Mayor complimented all involved in bringing the Trad Fest to Tuam also all involved with refurbishment work at the Railway Station.

Manager's Business:

Regarding the M17/18 'Gort to Tuam' road Mr. Gilmore informed the Members that the preferred bidder has been chosen. If negotiations with the preferred bidder are successful and funds are in place then the contract will be awarded.

Regarding Residential Parking he said he would bring a report to the next meeting of the Board.

Correspondence:

The following letters were read, noted and agreed:

Letter dated 6th September, 2010, from Office of Minister for Finance – read.

Letter dated 8th September, 2010, from Commissioner for Taxi Regulation – read.

Letter dated 9th September, 2010 from Mr. Doncha O'Sullivan, White Paper on Crime Unit, Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform – to be brought to the attention of the Joint Policing Committee.

Letter dated 22nd September, 2010 from Dr. Matthew Potter, BA, Department of History, Mary Immaculate College, Limerick - copy of letter to be sent to Old Tuam Society also to be included with applications for funding under the Contribution to the Arts Scheme.

Letter dated 23rd September, 2010 from Monaghan Town Council - read.

Tuam Anglers:

The Mayor welcomed a Deputation from the Clare River Angling Federation – Mr. Tommy Casserly, Mr. Sean Nestor and Mr. Jim Harte. Mr. Casserly outlined the problems experienced by anglers, tourist anglers and concerned local residents regarding ongoing pollution problems in the rivers Clare and Nanny and submission recently made to Inland Fisheries Ireland.

He said a discharge pipe at Tuam swimming pool car park is still a matter of serious concern also a discharge pipe in the river Nanny at bridge leading from old-mill wheel. He asked if a discharge pipe located at the opposite side to the entrance to the Ann McHugh Memorial would be piped into the Tuam Water Distribution and Main Drainage Scheme. He also queried the condition of water from Tuam Treatment Works which is being discharged into the River Clare.

The Town Manager advised that a copy of the correspondence be sent to him also to Mr. Dermot Collins, Project Engineer, Tuam Water Distribution and Main Drainage Scheme. Regarding incorporating the old arches into the new bridge at Garvey's Mr. Gilmore said proposals are being worked on to bring the new road to fruition and any submissions should be made quickly.

Tuam Town Water Distribution and Main Drain Scheme:

The Mayor welcomed Mr. Dermot Collins, Project Engineer to the Meeting. Mr. Collins said work will recommence on the N17, Weir Road to Gilmartin Road, next week while work at Vicar Street is due for completion. Work continues at Bobby Burke road, Belair Drive and off Shop Street. No work will be carried out on Shop Street before Christmas. The main construction of the new water reservoir is near completion. Work is due to commence on the Square to the Dublin Road junction and will take two weeks. Then Dublin Road to St. Patrick's School will be closed for thirteen weeks. Work at Stockwell Road will be suspended and will move into the Glebe.

Replying to the Members he said every effort is being made to facilitate traffic. The next meeting with the Chamber of Commerce will be held on Friday 8th October. He said he was aware of the impact on the Weir Road/Weir Road junction and this is being reviewed weekly. Councillor Kelly stated that drivers on the N17 were experiencing delays of up to 55 minutes daily just to get to the Weir Road junction and then delays at Abbey Trinity. She warned against diverting traffic around Cloonthue. She asked that road closures be communicated to People via the Tuam Herald and Tuam Town Topics. Councillor Bane asked that the traffic lights at the Ballygaddy Road/Old Road junction be adjusted also a leak at Old Road be attended to.

A. O. B.:

Replying to the Mayor regarding provision of a bicycle rail the Town Engineer said this was being considered. Regarding double yellow lines on Old Road he was awaiting a copy of the relevant By-laws.

The Mayor told the Members she intended to hold a clinic in the Town hall on Monday 11th October, from 7 to 9 p.m.

The Town Clerk was instructed to contact Supt. Gearoid Begley with a view to arranging a Joint Policing Committee Meeting.

Replying to Councillor Ward Mr. Gilmore said Galway County Council had purchased private houses in Tuam.

Councillor Ward appealed to People to become involved in the "HIGH KING OF IRELAND" Committee.

Replying to Councillor Kitt regarding the taxi rank Mr. Gilmore said the present arrangement had been agreed with Taxi people, Traders and the Town Council. If a change is needed the taxi people and the traders will have to come to an agreement. There is no provision for taxis in the proposals for the Shambles.

Notices of Motion:

Councillor Ward spoke on his motion regarding the installation of speed inhibitors in cars owned or driven by people under 25 years of age. Mr. Gilmore asked that the last sentence be withdrawn (This proposal is made within the fact that Galway has had the 2nd highest death rates from vehicle accidents in Ireland in 2009) as Galway which is the second largest county in Ireland has the best road safety record in the country. It was agreed to send the proposal to the Road Safety Council and the Gardai.

Councillor Ward spoke on his motion regarding appointing a Standards Officer for Gilmartin Road. Mr. Gilmore said the recruitment ban is rigidly enforced, Galway County Council has just spent a considerable amount of money on Gilmartin Road, following the recent clean-up. Tenants will be served with a disposal of refuse "Section 18" notice and failure to comply will result in court action. Litter issues need to be resolved, community support is needed - the Housing Liaison Officer, Social Worker, and Community Wardens can be contacted by phone. He said C.C.T.V. will be installed. Replying to Councillor Cunniffe he said one third of houses in Gilmartin Road are empty. Galway County Council will be looking to the Town Council for a contribution towards the Clean-up. Replying to Councillor Warren he said the legal issues regarding two houses at the top of Gilmartin Road are being resolved.

Sympathy:

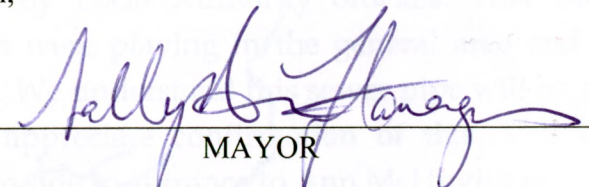
A vote of sympathy was passed with the following Families:

Frawley Family, Dublin Road on the death of Ann
Cunniffe Family, Dublin Road on the death of John
Noone Family, Milltown on the death of Padraig

This concluded the meeting

Recorded by,
Angela Holian,
Town Clerk

SIGNED BY:


MAYOR

Clare River Angling Federation



EST: 2009

Chairman: Tommy Casserly
Secretary: Michael Waldron
Treasurer: Eoin Trill
C/O: Michael Waldron,
Bishop Street,
Tuam,
Co. Galway.

05/Sept/2010

RE: Pollution issues on the River Nanny and River Clare

Dear Sir/ Madame

We the Clare River Angling Federation consisting of four of the main fishing clubs on the Clare River, namely; Tuam Anglers, Milltown Anglers, St. Coleman's Anglers, Corofinn and Cregmore/Athenry make up of in excess of 450 anglers wish to make the following submission:

1. Discharge pipe at swimming pool car park is still a matter of serious concern. This has been going on for the past 10 years and a permit was never granted for this discharge pipe. It is clearly seen by the photos provided that there is a definite mix up between surface run-off, domestic and industrial waste. Past history has proven by WRFB officials that a discharge came from the IDA estate on the Dunmore Road but the most recent contamination discharge was proven to come from a pumping station at the rear of the swimming pool by EPA engineer Mr. Tierney. As concerned anglers no matter where I comes from we demand that this matter be addressed ASAP, with the 'big dig' on-going surely now is the time to recertify this situation once and for all. See photos provided
2. Photos provided show discharge into River Nanny at bridge leading from old-mill wheel. Again, we understand nothing is being done to this discharge pipe with the 'big dig'. It is also clear that there is a mix up in the surface water run-off and domestic waste water in this area.
3. A serious discharge of raw sewerage where hundreds of gallons were pumped into the River Nanny from an overflow sewer pipe which was witness by Local Authority officials. This was a serious health issue as children were playing in the general area and ordered away by concerned anglers. We understand this sewer pipe will be piped into the new system we would appreciate confirmation of this. This discharge pipe is located at opposite side to entrance to Ann McHugh memorial. Supporting photos being processed.

Clare River Angling Federation



EST: 2009

4. Discharge of what should be clean water from Tuam treatment works again it is clear that in our view there is a unaccessable level of nutrients, grease etc being discharged into the River Clare. Evidence of this can be seen from the photos provided. These photos show serious weed growth, floating grey matter, serious discolouration of a large portion of the River Clare with practically no-visibility in comparision to the opposite side of the river.

The Clare River Angling Federation have spent tens of thousands of euro in stream enhancement projects on the Clare River Tributaries and have just completed a major project in the River Dawros, a tributary of the River Clare in Milltown. These projects are designed to ensure a continuation of the Wild Brown Trout and the Wild Atlantic Salmon on the Clare River and Corrib system. The latter is classed as an endangered species and protected under an EU Habitats Directive. We are currently considering hiring accredited water samplers to sample certain locations around Tuam which we feel are a cause for concern. We would also like to know is there a watershed warden currently employed in the WRBD and if not will there be and when will he/she be employed. As each tributary has its own genetic breed of the Wild Atlantic Salmon it is imperative that water quality should be of the highest standard and is also one of the guidelines for the Water Framework Directive.

In conclusion the Clare River Angling Federation are willing to work with all parties to ensure good water quality on the Clare River and its tritirates. It has come to our attention that contractors who have no discharge permits are collecting sewerage from private houses with septic tanks and discharging the effluent into manholes in industrial estates etc around the town unnoticed into the already overloaded system. There is also a serious amount of untreated sewerage coming from sites within a 20km radius around the town; this is also overloading the system. We are living in an era of eco-friendly solutions to pollution problems we would like to make a suggestion: Directly below Tuam WWTP lies a large area of disadvantaged land leading to the Clare River. This land could be constructed into a reed bed. This in turn would greatly reduce the nutrient loading and suspended solids from the effluent being discharged into the Clare River.

Regards,
Officers,

Tommy Casserly, Michael Waldron, Eoin Trill, Sean Nestor.



Point 1



Nanyang River, Guam 26/08/05. Drain adjacent
Tuan Shopping Centre



River Nanny, Tuam 26/08/05.
Water pollution downstream
of outfall adjacent to Tuam
Shopping Centre
Part 2



Nanny River, Tuam 26/08/05. River downstream of drain.

Point 2.



Point 4.

Effluent from Tuam WWTP



Point 4

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TUAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of special meeting held on Monday 30th September, 2010

Present: Mayor S. A. Flanagan
Councillor. I. Kelly, Councillor. E. Kitt, Councillor. O. Ward
Councillor. S. Cunniffe, Councillor T. Reilly, Councillor P. Warren
Mr. Johnny Kelly
Ms. Angela Holian, Town Clerk

Apology: Councillor Bane, Councillor Loftus

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting. Councillor Ward and Mr. Kelly outlined their proposals for a "High King of Ireland" Committee. The Members agreed that anything that promotes Tuam would have the full support of the Town Council and agreed that the matter be discussed at the next meeting of the Board.

Regarding the 150th anniversary of the opening of Tuam Railway Station the Mayor thanked the volunteers involved in the clean-up. Councillor Reilly stated that the Minister for Transport had been invited. Mr. Richard Fearn, C. E. O., Iarnrod Eireann, East Galway Deputies, Deputy O'Cuiv, West-on-Track, Western Intercounty Railway Committee, the County Manager and others had also been invited to the event. The Mayor would be expected to speak – it was agreed to clarify this.

This concluded the Meeting.

Recorded by:
Angela Holian,
Town Clerk

BUSINESS CASE PROTOCOL 1

Tuam Area/ Galway County/ Province of Connaught

Background Information

A previous meeting with local business men and political figures has encouraged this next step towards implementing the concept of forming a 'High King of Ireland Committee' derived from the business personalities and members of community groups, in the town of Tuam. The local authority has been previously informed on this idea as a possible business concept.

Reasons Why!

- 1. The latest National Census records the population of Tuam as 6.500 (approx). ✓*
 - 2. Tuam has not met the criteria to announce itself as 'attractive' for new and foreign investment to infuse the community with employment opportunities through the recognized steps, i.e. Bord Failte, NDP. Foreign Investment, etc ✓*
 - 3. Tuam has always suffered from a High Percentage of Unemployment even during the Celtic Tiger period. This was in part due to the unattractiveness of the town i.e. traffic problems, congestion, no proper internet service/access. ✓*
 - 4. Present unemployment figures at 3.462 (July 2010) give serious cause for concern as to the future of the community and its young and well educated, and viable, yet unemployed work force. ✓*
 - 5. The Business world have not seen or believed that Tuam is a progressive location, with the new 'on stream developments' (Tuam's By-Pass, and the new installation of the fiber optic cables that will support easy accessibility to the much needed Internet access, to be completed by 2012) that are presently progressing towards activating a means to enhance and entice foreign investment interests by identifying Tuam as a primary location for business to develop. To date Tuam, has not been seen nor recorded as an attractive business location for additional foreign investment. ✓*
- Most operating business's have local investment?*

This proposal endeavors to change all previous misconceptions, by offering the town of Tuam, by its Historical Heritage, the opportunity for each and every man of Irish extraction, to avail of the opportunity to become the recognized High King of Ireland for a period of 1 year (for 12 months, with ambassadorial duties attached that primarily include positive identification of the town of Tuam, and Galway, and Connaught, as

primary location's for new and foreign investment).

This is an innovative business opportunity that should be encouraged. The local community has the business opportunity to Capitalize on its natural and Historical Heritage as been the last location of the Last High King of Ireland.

It is expected that the King will provide much needed positive publicity in connecting with our historical past.

It is expected that the Mayor will act as a Judge in this business/community concept.



WHO WILL SUPPORT THIS LOCAL INITIATIVE?

This new project will need local interest and discipline to obtain the following:

Creating Community Awareness. ✓

Promoting Cultural Awareness. ✓

Identifying Tuam as a Primary Location to set-up Foreign Interests/Investments ✓

Create local awareness of National Heritage/importance ✓

Promote the importance of local Heritage. ✓

Individualize the importance of local Heritage ✓

WHO ARE THE POTENTIAL ALLIES TO THE PROJECT?

The first allies of this concept are local business interests;

Tuam's Chamber of Commerce.

Local authority & Co Co.

GAA

Hoteliers

Restaurants

Small retailers

Old Tuam Society

Local community

Arts groups.

Schools

Each and every descendent of Irish extraction, regardless of colour or creed are equally acceptable as candidates for the High King Of Ireland project (this project is culturally acceptable as a project of a diverse nature) with the High King's duties, included and attached as per individual requisites, as per annual project.

PROJECT PROPOSAL;

This project will endeavor to activate local and regional heritage that will create employment and provide local revenue.

HOW?

By implementing a Project that will by committee process elect a High King of Ireland. (An annual process that will not interfere nor impede on Irelands status as a Republic).

CAN THIS BUSINESS/HERITAGE PROPOSAL BECOME VIABLE?

Yes!

The main objective of this business proposal is to create a greater awareness of our local heritage and to market our local area history, internationally.

WHY?

- 1. Tuam as a community has in its possession as part of its rich heritage the Throne of the Last High King of Ireland. ✓*
 - 2. Because of the nations present and ongoing financial circumstances that are changing quarterly, in the present climate of turbulent financial instability. ✓*
 - 3. Communities need to become innovative in order to become attractive to foreign investment!*
 - 4. The financial capital is cost minimal. Other larger communities will have more sanction towards the finance available to create employment and sustain present local services.*
 - 5. It is imperative that every local community strive to capitalize on its local and natural heritage. Marketing our heritage, for tourism is our best asset to date.*
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Innovation;

****I believe that new ideas are needed for our community to progress towards its next business development with business innovation.***

**** Every community nationally will endeavor to capitalize on their own local/ national heritage.***

**** I believe that the concept of creating a King as a business concept is indigenous to this town's community, and I would welcome your support in this project.***

Today's business leaders, realize that culture is s BUSINESS issue. Marketing our culture to facilitate the needs of the community is becoming a more nationally specialized business task, that requires: detail to research, website contact, invitation's, and involvement from local businessmen and entrepreneurs.

SPECIAL EVENT'

This can become after its inauguration an annually respected event. This concept has never occurred anywhere in Ireland before and it will entice high level personal that can visit the town to allow the respected community leaders the opportunity to entice foreign investment through industrial development.

Present Requirements;

A community group needs to be formed to devise; ✓

A comprehensive plan that will guide the organizational process. ✓

***The structure of the plan should include vital information such as background to event,
target audience,
proposed themes,
estimated budget and locations,
defined roles and tasks.***

Thanking you
John Kelly
Owen Ward

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29th September, 2010

To each Member of Tuam Town Council

A Chara,

The Monthly Meeting of Tuam Town Council will be held in the
Town Hall on **Monday, 4th October, 2010 at 7.00 p.m.** You are hereby
summoned to attend.

Mise, le meas,

Angela Holian Baile Cleireach

Agenda

Minutes

Meeting held 5th July, 2010
Special Meeting held 30th August, 2010
Meeting held 6th September, 2010
Special meeting held on 30th September, 2010

Manager's Business

Correspondence

Residential Parking

Tuam Anglers

A. O. B.

Notices of Motion: Councillor Ward:

1. I propose that each private vehicle that is owned or driven by any person under the age of 25 years old or within at least having 10 years driving experience, become mandatorily fitted with a speed inhibitor that will allow the states maximum speed limit only. I support that this proposal for the mandatory installation of speed inhibitor will allow for young drivers to become conditioned to a safer way of driving when they become accustomed to a governing speed that cannot be exceeded by the installation of a speed inhibitor. This proposal is made within the fact that Galway has had the 2nd highest death rates from vehicle accidents in Ireland, 2009.

2. I propose that each dwelling that is under the responsibility of the Tuam Town Council or hereby recognized as Tuam Town Commissioners, have a Standards Officer appointed that can ensure that the level of living standards within those recognized properties is maintained. This proposal is being introduced to provide a solution to combat the various problems that have highlighted the main tenancy road that leads out of the town of Tuam onto the N17. This proposal would provide temporary employment and assist in the positive maintenance of an exit avenue that has left the town with a serious negativity.

Galway County Council Archives

TUAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on Monday 6th September, 2010

Present: Mayor: Councillor Flanagan

Councillors: O. Ward, S. Cunniffe, L. Bane, I. Kelly
T. Reilly, P. Warren, E. Kitt.

Officials: Mr. Frank Gilmore, Director of Services
Mr. Enda Gallagher, Town Engineer,
Ms. Angela Holian, Town Clerk

Apology: Councillor Loftus

The Prayer was recited.

The Mayor welcomed a Deputation from Gilmartin Road to the meeting – Sr. Agnes, Margaret Ward and Olivia Ward. Sr. Agnes stated that the Clean-up promised for Gilmartin Road had not been carried out. She appealed to Galway County Council to clean the area as soon as possible. Margaret Ward called on the County Council to ensure all Tenants availed of the bin service.

The Town Manager said the Clean-up would be started by the end of the week. The Clean-up will be costly, lowest quote received was E50,000-00, this comes out of the maintenance allocation. He said the majority of houses in Gilmartin Road are very well maintained and he appealed to Residents to report anyone seen dumping in the area. He said Galway County Council work with Residents Associations around the county and advised the Residents Association to contact the Housing Liaison Officer.

The Members welcomed the commencement of the Clean-up. They again called on the Residents to report anyone seen dumping in the area. They hoped that the newly formed Residents Association will help, C.C.T.V. cameras should be installed in the area as a deterrent also action should be taken regarding vacant houses.

Councillor Ward stated that he and two other men assisted by Galway County Council cleaned Tirboy. The Area remains clean.

Matters arising from the Minutes:

It was proposed by Councillor Kelly, seconded by Councillor Ward and agreed that money from the Town Enhancement fund be used on the cemetery. The Town Engineer said FAS schemes are no longer available for this type of work, he had requested extra funds from the Environmental Section. Councillor Reilly said the Pastoral Council will contact the Town Engineer.

Replying to Councillor Bane regarding Tuam Stadium the Mayor said she had attended the recent meeting of Tuam Stadium Committee. A meeting takes place in Croke Park tomorrow.

Replying to Councillor Warren regarding a barrier to prevent cars and vans accessing the playground at Dublin Road at night also the Kilcloghans Road/N17 junction the Town Engineer said he would investigate.

Replying to Councillor Reilly Mr. Gilmore said the Courts Service have confirmed that they will be gone from the Town Hall by the end of September.

Manager's Business:

Regarding the Ambulance Base Mr. Gilmore told the Members that the Health Service Executive are preparing tender documents and expect to complete the process before the end of the year. They are confident that construction of the Ambulance Base will receive approval.

Regarding the M17/18 'Gort to Tuam' road he said completion date for the tender process is the last week of October, 2010.

Replying to Councillor Reilly regarding the inner relief road Mr. Gilmore said discussions were taking place between the water services unit and the Developer.

Correspondence:

The following letters were read, noted and agreed:

Letter dated 2nd July, 2010, from Mr. Noel Dempsey, T. D. regarding Western Rail Corridor – read.

Letter dated 15th July, 2010, from office of Minister for the Environment – read.

Letter dated 16th July, 2010 from Ms. Kathleen Doyle, Commissioner for Taxi Regulation – read.

Email dated 12th July, 2010 from Local authority Members Association regarding Autumn Seminar – noted.

Letter dated 22nd July, 2010 Mr. Ciaran Byrne, Chief Executive Officer, Inland Fisheries Ireland – Councillor Reilly stated that the Clare River Angling Federation has made a submission, 'Copy of submission to be circulated to the Members'. It was agreed to discuss the matter at the next meeting.

Letter dated 29th June, 2010 from Mr. Paul Kelly, Treasurer, Marian Choral Society – to be discussed at Estimates meeting.

Letter dated 5th July, 2010 from Mr. John Cooke, The Rushes, Corrandulla, Re: Map of the City of Tuam, -to be discussed at Estimates meeting.

Councillor Ward was congratulated on the award received for his play.

Tuam Town Water Distribution and Main Drain Scheme:

Councillor Bane said the Business People had been hit badly by the water scheme and asked Galway County Council to look again in relation to Rates. Replying to Councillor Bane the Town Engineer said no ducting for electric lines had been included. Mr. Gilmore said strenuous efforts had been made to have all services included in the scheme. Councillor Warren welcomed 'One line' traffic at Purcell Road. He said it is working well.

The Mayor stated that she had been in contact with the Project Engineer who informed her that following a noise survey work on the N17 had to be changed to day time hours. 25% of the contract is now completed.

Replying to Councillor Reilly regarding new storm drains at lower Ballygaddy Road Mr. Gilmore said he would refer the matter to the Water Services Unit.

Councillor Reilly asked that yellow lines be installed quickly at Old Road as there is indiscriminate parking in the area. He also asked that the Traffic Wardens visit the area. It was proposed by the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Reilly and agreed to include Residential Parking on the agenda for the next meeting.

A. O. B.:

Replying to Councillor Kelly regarding one late evening at the Library Mr. Gilmore said he would pass the request to the Libraries section.

Replying to Councillor Warren regarding house at Galway Road/Weir Road junction Mr. Gilmore advised the owner to write to Galway County Council. Regarding house at Parkmore Estate Mr. Gilmore said the Parkmore Residents Association had requested the use of a house as a facility for community based activities.

Replying to Councillor Reilly the Town Engineer said there were no proposals/funding for additional street lights this year. Replying to Councillor Warren he said he would check regarding Dunmore road.

The Mayor told the Members she intended to hold a clinic in the Town hall on Monday 13th September, from 7 to 9 p.m.

Councillor Ward told the Members a meeting with the Chamber of Commerce regarding the 150th anniversary of Tuam Station would be held in the morning. He appealed to People/groups to become involved in the clean-up.

Councillor Ward presented a copy of the recently launched **All Ireland Traveller Health Study**.

It was proposed by Councillor Reilly, seconded by Councillor Kitt and agreed that a letter of congratulations be sent to Colm Wallace on his retirement.

It was proposed by Councillor Reilly seconded by Councillor Bane and agreed that the Town Council would organize bunting for the Trad Fest.

Sympathy:

A vote of sympathy was passed with the following Families:

Rafferty Family, Galway on the death of Joe
Brady Family, Athenry Road on the death of Frank
McCarthy Family, formally Ballygaddy Road on the death of Lily
L. Ainsworth, Gilmartin Road on the death of his brother Padraig

This concluded the meeting

Recorded by,
Angela Holian,
Town Clerk

SIGNED BY:


MAYOR

TUAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of special meeting held on Monday 30th August, 2010

Present: Mayor S. A. Flanagan,
Cllr. L. Bane, Cllr. O. Ward, Cllr T. Reilly, Cllr. I. Kelly,
Cllr. P. Warren, Cllr. S. Cunniffe, Cllr. E. Kitt
Ms. Angela Holian, Town Clerk

Ms. Olivia Wynne, Mr. Jimmy Wynne, Mr. Gary Quinn,
Mr. Shane Donnellan – Tuam Trad. Festival Committee

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting. Mr. Quinn outlined the plans for the Tuam Trad Festival 2010 which will be held from 17th to 19th September, 2010. Ms. Wynne said this is the first year of the Festival but it is hoped it will become an Annual event. The official opening, by Dolores Keane, on Friday 17th September will be held at the new Shopping Centre.

She outlined the costs involved in running the festival and asked the Town Council for their help.

The Members congratulated the Committee on their initiative and pledged their support for the Trad Festival. Councillor Warren said he would check the cost of bunting. Councillor Reilly agreed to contact the Town Engineer in the morning.

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The Mayor welcomed Mr. Pat Dwyer and Ms. Sarah Roarty, Tuam Twinning Committee, to the meeting. Mr. Dwyer outlined the presentation made on behalf of Tuam. Ms. Roarty outlined the projects visited in Straubing and contacts made. The Mayor stated that the Mayor of Straubing will visit Tuam for St. Patrick's Day next year.

In relation to the 150th Anniversary of the Railway in Tuam Ms. Roarty told the Members that a special meeting was being held at the Railway Kitchen on Tuesday morning at 11.30 a.m. It was agreed Councillor Reilly would represent the Board at the meeting.

Letter dated 16th August, 2010 from Mr. Tenence Egan, Manager, Ard Ri House Hotel was read. On the proposal of Councillor Reilly seconded by Councillor Warren it was agreed the Town Crest may be used as outlined in Mr. Egan's letter.

Letter dated 10th August, 2010 from Mr. Paul Flaherty, Precision Training and Education ltd. was read.

Letter dated 18th August, 2010 from Mr. Tom Gilmore, regarding the use of the Town Crest, was read.

Councillor Ward was congratulated on his acting debut.

This concluded the meeting.

Recorded by:
Angela Holian,
Town Clerk

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1st September, 2010

To each Member of Tuam Town Council

A Chara,

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Town Hall on Monday, 6th September, 2010 at 7.00 p.m. You are hereby
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Angela Holman Baile Cleireach

AGENDA

- ✓ Minutes
- ✓ Manager's Business
- ✓ Correspondence

A. O. B.

TUAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on Monday 5th July, 2010

Present: **Mayor:** Councillor Flanagan

Councillors: S. Cunniffe, L. Bane, P. Warren, I. Kelly
T. Reilly, O. Ward.

Officials: Mr. Frank Gilmore, Director of Services
Mr. Enda Gallagher, Town Engineer,
Ms. Angela Holian, Town Clerk

The Prayer was recited.

The Minutes of special meeting held on Monday, 24th May, 2010 were adopted on the proposal of Councillor Warren seconded by Councillor Reilly.

The Minutes of Annual meeting held on Monday, 14th June, 2010 were adopted on the proposal of Councillor Reilly seconded by Councillor Warren.

The Minutes of monthly meeting held on Monday 14th June, 2010 were adopted on the proposal of Councillor Reilly seconded by Councillor Warren.

Matters arising from the Minutes:

Replying to Councillor Reilly regarding the cemetery Mr. Gilmore said some work would be carried out. It was proposed by the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Cunniffe and agreed that a committee be formed to monitor maintenance at the cemetery.

Replying to Councillor Warren regarding Gilmartin Road Mr. Gilmore said the clean-up will be carried out next week.

Replying to the Mayor regarding up-grading playground equipment the Town Engineer said he would talk to the Ms. Ann Mallaghan, RAPID Co-ordinator.

Regarding Tuam Stadium the Mayor said she would meet with the Manager of the Galway Football Board.

Manager's Business:

Regarding the Ambulance Base Mr. Gilmore told the Members that Notice of intention to grant Planning Permission has been sent to the Health Service Executive.

Regarding the Courts Service a contract has been signed with the H. S. E. The Courts will be held in the Grove from September, 2010.

Regarding the new Fire Station approval to seek Tender Documents has been granted. Planning for site at Milltown Road can now be considered.

Mr. Gilmore told the Members a meeting of the Tuam Electoral Area Committee took place last week. The Mayor represented the Town Council at the meeting. The Tuam Local Area Plan will be advertised and be on display at the Area Office and the Library for a period of six weeks. Replying to Councillor Reilly he said a copy may be displayed at the Town Hall. He said he would arrange a briefing for the Town Council at the September meeting.

Correspondence:

The following letters were read, noted and agreed:

Letter dated 9th June, 2010, Mr. Richard Fearn, Chief Executive, Iarnrod Eireann to Deputy Noel Treacy, T. D. regarding Western Rail Corridor – noted.

Letter dated 11th June, 2010, Mr. John J. Lynch, Chairman, Coras Iampar Eireann to Deputy Noel Treacy, T. D. regarding Western Rail corridor – noted.

Letter dated 14th June, 2010 from Ms. E. Flynn and Ms. Juliet Evason, Tuam Market Group. On the recommendation of the sub-committee it was agreed to let the Tuam Market Group use the Town Hall as outlined.

Letter dated 11th June, 2010 from Post 30, I. U. N. V.A. – Invitation to opening of Memorial Garden – noted.

Letters dated 28th June, 2010 and 2nd July, 2010 from Mr. Pat Daly regarding the Gaming

& Lotteries Act 1956 - noted.

Letter dated 30th June, 2010 from Mr. John J. Lynch, chairman, Coras Iompar Eireann regarding Western Rail Corridor – read.

Letter dated 1st July, 2010 from Mr. Richar Fearn, Chief Executive, Iarnrod Eireann regarding Western Rail Corridor – read.

Letter dated 5th July, 2010 from Jojo Hynes, Earwig. It was agreed to make the Town Hall (downstairs) available to Earwig from 11th August to 31st August, 2010.

Letter from Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland regarding “Democratic Local Government” circulated following previous meeting. It was proposed by the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Reilly and agreed to arrange meeting with local Deputies. It was agreed that the Mayor and Councillor Flanagan attend the A.G.M. of the A. M. A. I.

A. O. B.:

Replying to Councillor Warren regarding footpath at entrance to Kilcloghans the Town Engineer said he would investigate.

Councillor Ward asked that speed ramps be considered for Cloonthue Road and Gilmartin Road.

Councillor Reilly asked that the Board consider the recent decision by An Taisce to object to the granting of planning permission for a Development at Milltown Road. He said Galway County Council gave planning permission for the development but An Taisce objected. Tuam could lose approximately 400 jobs because of this. It was proposed by Councillor Ward, seconded by the Mayor and agreed to write to the Minister.

It was agreed that a Civic Reception for the Special Olympic’s winners be held on the 19th July, 2010.

Councillor Cunniffe proposed that the J.P.C. meetings and Town Council meeting be held on separate nights.

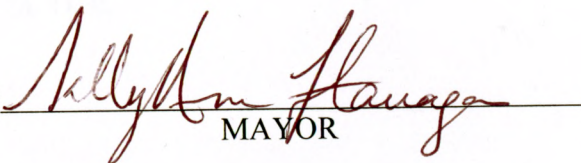
Sympathy:

A vote of sympathy was passed with Archbishop Neary on the death of his Mother, Nora also to the McGrath Family, Ballygaddy Road on the death of Paddy.

This concluded the meeting

Recorded by,
Angela Holian,
Town Clerk

SIGNED BY:


MAYOR

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Meeting of Joint Policing Committee

14th June, 2010

To each member of the Joint Policing Committee

A Chara,

A meeting of the J.P.C. will be held in the Town Hall on **Monday 5th July, 2010 at 7 p.m.** (prior to the ordinary meeting.) You are invited to attend.

Mise le meas,

Angela Holohan
Baile Cleireach

Agenda

1. Minutes
2. Tuam Town Water Distribution and Main Drainage Scheme
3. Crime Statistics
4. A. O. B.

TUAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting of Joint Policing Committee

Held on Monday 1st March, 2010

Present: Mayor: Councillor T. Reilly
Councillors: M. Ward, P. Warren, L. Bane I. Kelly,
S. A. Flanagan, E. Kitt, S. Cunniffe, M. Loftus.

Superintendent Marie Skehill,
Inspector Michael O'Dwyer
Sergeant Martin Connor

Mr. Owen Ward

Ms. Mairead Ni. Laoi, Treo Nua Project Co-ordinator

Officials: Mr. Frank Gilmore, Director of Services
Mr. John Leahy, S. E. E.
Ms. Angela Holian, Town Clerk

Apology: Dep. P. Connaughton

The Prayer was recited.

The Minutes of the meeting held on 5th October, 2009 were adopted on the proposal of Councillor Warren seconded by Councillor Kitt.

Matters arising from Minutes:

Regarding C.C.T.V. the Town Engineer stated that funding had been made available for additional cameras which will be installed at the Square. Supt. Skehill, the Mayor and Members welcomed the additional funding.

Gardai Youth Diversion Project:

Letter dated 19th October, 2009 from Ms. Mairead Ni Laoi, Treo Nua Project Co-ordinator was read. Miss Ni Laoi said the Treo Nua Project is a Garda Youth Diversion Project, a partnership project between Youth Work Ireland, Galway and An Garda Siochana. It is part of a network of Garda Diversion Projects to divert young people away from possible involvement in anti-social behaviour. The Tuam Youth Diversion Project operates from Monday to Friday and some weekends such as Halloween and St. Patrick's Day from the Old Junior School, Dublin Road. Replying to Councillor Kelly she said they cater for about sixty young people ranging in age from 12 to 17 years and are always looking for volunteers. Replying to Councillor Warren she said the primary source of referrals onto the project is through the Garda Juvenile Diversion Programme. It was proposed by Councillor Kelly, seconded by Councillor Ward and agreed that Tuam Town Council fully supports the Garda Youth Diversion Project.

European Commission -

Tuam Town Water Distribution and Main Drain Scheme:

Supt. Skehill stated that she had been in contact with Coffey Contractors and intended to meet with them. She would also liaise with the Town Engineer. Mr. Gilmore stated that Public Consultation with the People of Tuam will take place within the next two weeks.

A. O. B.:

Replying to Councillor Flanagan Supt. Skehill said overall crime rate in the Tuam Garda District, which consists of 10 sub districts, is down by 7.14% from the previous year. While thefts in general were down there was an increase in burglaries of 47%. She said she would encourage people to establish neighbourhood watch groups and community alert schemes. The Gardai will help and support these schemes. She would also like to see the revival of Tuam's dormant Business Watch scheme. Drug seizures in the Tuam District rose last year, with 22 people in possession of drugs for their own use while there were two cases of drug cultivation, with the value of drugs seized at E320,791-00. A Member of the **Regional Drugs Task Force** will attend the next J. P. C. meeting. Serious assaults were up by 31.8% while minor assaults were down by 12.7%.

