

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF BALLINASLOE

MINUTES OF MEETING OF MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF BALLINASLOE HELD AT BALLINASLOE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OFFICE, COUNCIL CHAMBER, BALLINASLOE, CO. GALWAY ON WEDNESDAY, 13TH JANUARY, at 2.00 p.m.

CATHAOIRLEACH: Cllr. M. Finnerty

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Baill: Cllrs. T. Broderick, D. Connolly, M. Connolly, A. Donohue, D. Burke

Oifigh: Ms. C. McConnell A/Director of Services, Mr. J. Leahy, A/Senior Engineer, Mr. A. Headd, A/ Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Fran McEvoy, A/Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. P. McLynn A/Graduate Engineer, Ms. A. Gardiner, Meetings Administrator, Ms. Ann Mallaghan, Rapid Co-Ordinator, Ms. A. Monaghan, Staff Officer.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY

Mr. Timmy Casey, St. Brendan's Terrace, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway
Mr. Liam Farrell, Loughbawn, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway
Fr. John Killeen, 2 College Crescent, The Pines, Creagh, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF BALLINASLOE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER, 2015

MDB16001

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Municipal District of Ballinasloe held on the 9th December, 2015 were approved by the Municipal District Members and signed by the Cathaoirleach on the proposal of Cllr. Donohue, seconded by Cllr. Burke.

Matters arising from the Minutes

Minute No. – MDB14103 Municipal District of Ballinasloe Cathaoirleach's Business – Page 3

Mr. Leahy referred to the December, 2015 Minutes of the Municipal District of Ballinasloe Minute No. – MDB14103 Municipal District of Ballinasloe - Cathaoirleach's Business – Page 3 which read as follows: "In response to Cllrs. Burke and D. Connolly, Mr. Headd advised that the Emergency Plan had been activated as part of this process". Mr. Leahy stated that he wished

to clarify that while elements of the Emergency Plan were activated, the Declaration of the Emergency Plan did not take place.

In response to Cllr. D. Connolly and with reference to MDB14101 Page 2, Ms. McConnell advised that she would request the Finance Department to provide an updated MD Budgetary allocation to the members of the Municipal District of Ballinasloe, based on the outcome of the Adopted budget 2016.

With reference to MDB14103 Page 3, Cllr. D. Connolly paid tribute to the Housing Staff for the way they dealt with housing issues which arose during the Flooding Crisis.

In response to Cllr. Burke and with reference to MDB14103 Page 3, Mr. Headd advised that in relation to Kylemore, he would seek clarification as to whether Kylemore would be included as part of the CFRAM Study.

In response to Cllr. D. Connolly and with reference to MDB14101 Page 2, Mr. Headd advised that the CFRAM Study would not impact on the Ballinasloe Town Enhancement Project. Mr. Headd stated that the Ballinasloe Town Enhancement Project was currently at Tender Stage and that submissions had been sought and received from pre qualifying Contractors. Ms. McConnell advised that the Part 8 Planning for this project was still in place.

With reference to MDB14103 Page 4, Mr. Headd advised that the Public Consultation Day for the Shannon CFRAM Study had been very well attended and Mr. Headd thanked the members for their support. Mr. Headd advised that the areas of Kylemore/Clonfert/Meelick and Camus were being assessed in order to determine if they would fall under CFRAM. Mr. Leahy asked that Councillors inform the Engineering Staff of local flooding issues as he stated these could be assessed for Minor Work Applications.

Cllr. Donohue asked what was the criteria being used by the OPW for their Cost Benefit Analysis. Cllr. Broderick referred to the specifications as set down by the OPW for pipe sizes when costing projects and he asked that the Revenue Collectors adopt a tolerant approach towards rate payers who have been affected by the flooding crisis. Mr. Leahy advised that such issues would be addressed at the Special Meeting of Galway County Council due to be held on the 14th January, 2016 to deal with Flooding in the County. Cllrs. M. Connolly and Finnerty paid tribute to Minister of State, Simon Harris for visiting the Ballinasloe locality during the flooding crisis.

On the proposal of Cllr Broderick which was seconded by Cllr. D. Connolly, the following was agreed: "That the OPW works with the Engineers in the Municipal District with regards to the specifications that are required in cost benefit analysis projects. This especially applies to the specification for pipes and the opinion of the Local Office must be taken into account".

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

MDB16002

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

(a) Road at Ballinlass, Mountbellew, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway:

(Point A to Point B) Road pavement, commencing at public road L-72541 (point A on map) and extending south east for approximately 210 meters (point B on map) - all in the Townland of Ballinlass, Municipal District Ballinasloe.

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

(b) Road at Greeninch, Addergoole North, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway

Road commencing at junction with local road L-74166 (184,147; 237,295) in the townland of Addergoole North and extending east for a distance of 24 meters in the townland of Addergoole North and finishing at Addergoole North (184,153; 237,292) in the town land of Addergoole North, Municipal District Ballinasloe.

TO APPROVE THE STATEMENT BY MUNICIPAL DISTRICTS IN RESPECT OF THE GALWAY COUNTY LOCAL ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY PLAN 2016 – 2021

MDB16003

Ms. McConnell presented to the members of the Municipal District of Ballinasloe the Statement of the draft Galway County Local Economic and Community Plan 2016 – 2021. Ms. McConnell advised that it was expected that the final draft of the Galway County Local Economic and Community Plan 2016 -2021 would be brought before the February, 2016 Plenary Council Meeting of Galway County Council for its ratification.

The Statement in respect of the draft Galway County Local Economic and Community Plan 2016 -2021 was approved by the Municipal District Members on the proposal of Cllr. D. Connolly, seconded by Cllr. Burke.

TRAFFIC CALMING R446 AT CREAGH

MDB16004

Mr. Headd advised that a Driver Speed Feedback Sign had been erected at Dubarry as a Traffic Calming Measure on the R446 Creagh and he advised that a Traffic Calming submission in

respect of R446 at Creagh had been made under the Low Cost Accident Scheme 2016. Cllrs. D. Connolly, M. Connolly and Donohue welcomed the measures.

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF BALLINASLOE DIRECTOR'S BUSINESS

MDB16005

No business arising

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF BALLINASLOE CATHAOIRLEACH'S BUSINESS

MDB16006

In response to Cllr. Broderick, Ms. McConnell advised that she would ask Mr. Jim Cullen, Director of Service if possible to provide an update on the Landfill at Kilconell for the February, 2016 MD of Ballinasloe Monthly meeting.

In response to Cllr. Finnerty, Mr. Headd advised that the gates at Creagh Cemetery had been refurbished and were ready to be erected.

Cllr. Finnerty advised that all of the Councillors were going to be invited to attend a meeting regarding the proposed setting up of a Wind Farm in the Clonfert Area. In response to Cllr. M. Connolly, Ms. McConnell advised that to date no Planning Application had been received in respect of such.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

MDB16007

In response to Cllr. D. Connolly, Ms. McConnell advised that that the moratorium on recruitment continues to remain in place.

In response to Cllr. Donohue with regard to complaints about speeding at Beechlawn, Mr. Headd advised that as a first step this matter should be referred to An Garda Siochana.

In response to Cllr. Donohue with regard to options available for dealing with speeding, Mr. Leahy stated that options other than installation of Flashing Signs should firstly be considered.

Following discussion, on the proposal of Cllr. M. Connolly, seconded by Cllr. Finnerty it was agreed to receive a Deputation at 1.15 p.m. in advance of the commencement of the February, 2016 Monthly Meeting of the Municipal District of Ballinasloe from Mountbellew National School BOM and Parents Association in relation to traffic management.

In response to Cllr. D. Connolly, Mr. Headd advised that the matter of the earth embankment at Deerpark had been raised at the recently Shannon CFRAM PCD.

Mr. Leahy advised that it was intended that the Municipal District Schedule of Works 2016 would be brought before the members at the February, 2016 Monthly Meeting of the Municipal District of Ballinasloe. Following discussion, it was agreed at Mr. Leahy request that

the February, 2016 Monthly Meeting be deferred to a date to be agreed by the Cathaoirleach and Meetings Administrator awaiting notification of Road Grants for 2016.

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Submitted, Approved and Signed

Michael Timothy

(Cathaoirleach to sign here)

10/2/2016 **(Date)**