

## **Clár / Meeting Agenda**

### **Ordinary Meeting**

#### **Navan Municipal District**

**10:30am, 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024, Navan Civic Offices**

Leas Meára, **Councillor Pdraig Fitzsimons**, presided.

**Councillors Present:** Councillors Francis Deane, Tommy Reilly, Emer Tóibín, Alan Lawes and Yemi Adenuga

**Councillors Present via Zoom:**

**Absent/apologies:** Councillor Edward Fennessy

**Officials in Attendance:**

**Director of Service:** Martin Murray

**Executive Engineer:** Shane Durcan

**Meetings Administrator:** Áine Bird

**Staff Officer:** Ann Monaghan

#### **1 Confirmation of Minutes**

Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2023

The minutes of the meeting held on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December 2023 were proposed by **Councillor Tommy Reilly** and seconded by **Councillor Yemi Adenuga**.

#### **2 Matters arising from the Minutes.**

There were no matters.

#### **3 Expressions of Sympathy and Congratulations**

Sympathy was extended to:

- The Dasaolu family, Johnstown on the passing of their father.
- The family of the late William Burke, Navan.
- The family of the late Sean Farrelly, Silverlawns.

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Congratulations to St Patricks Classical school football team who won their respective match in the Leinster quarter finals.

### **4 Disposal of Land pursuant to the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001**

There was none.

### **5 Statutory Business**

#### **5.1 Transport**

##### **5.1.1 To receive a Progress Report on works undertaken/planned for Navan Municipal District**

The report circulated in advance was noted and the following raised:

- Members commended the area engineer and outdoor crew on works completed.
- Referred to a turnaround area in Rathholden Court, where cars are parking here, can yellow lines/signage be erected – engineer advised that this is with the parking section to assess the area.
- Jetting required at Blackcastle Lodge- noted by the engineer.
- Potholes at Bohermeen – noted by the engineer.
- Update on yellow lines for Aylesbury lodge – advised on the list.
- Referred to road gritting and that the public need to be aware of what routes the Council look after – Members were advised that the Council used all platforms to inform the public of the routes being gritted.
- Referred to the salt bins available to groups for use in their areas.
- Asked that footpaths on Metges road be cleared of leaves – noted by engineer.
- Update on bins to the school campus from the roundabout at Supervalu, Johnstown.
- Yellow box required at Elm Park, estate- noted by engineer.

#### **5.2 Corporate Affairs & Governance**

##### **5.1.2 To approve amendments to the Municipal District Standing Orders Regulating the proceedings of the meetings.**

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The members approved the amendments on the proposal of **Councillor Emer Tóibín** and seconded by **Councillor Francis Deane**.

### **5.3 Housing**

5.1.3 To receive advance notification of Meath County Council's intention to apply for permission to construct a social housing development on local authority owned land in accordance with Part XI of the Planning and Development Act 2000 - 2022, and Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 - 2023, at Balbradagh, Robinstown, Co. Meath, C15 VP80.

Paul Barrell, SEE Housing gave a short update on the proposed social housing development in Robinstown. He said that the council intend applying for Part 8 permission to construct three semidetached houses on the current site which is owned by the council. He advised that a Part 8 will be presented to the members when completed.

The members welcomed the news that 3 family units will be developed on the site.

## **6 Notice of Question**

### **6.1 Submitted by Councillor Tommy Reilly**

Does Meath County Council have the map and folio numbers of the lands at St Oliver's Church, St Oliver's School and the Car Parks in that area.

#### **RESPONSE**

While we use land direct for our own operation, we are not mapping authority and it's not possible for us to authorize/ share this information under GDPR third parties' information. This information is available on <https://www.landdirect.ie/>

**The response was noted.**

### **6.2 Submitted by Councillor Francis Deane**

In the Navan Municipal District how many HAP applicants have been approved during the past three calendar years?

#### **RESPONSE**

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In the Navan Municipal District 506 Social Housing applicants have availed of HAP during the past three calendar years as set out below.

Year	Valid HAP Applications for the County	Valid HAP Applications for Navan Municipal District
2023	367	152
2022	419	153
2021	525	201
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,311</b>	<b>506</b>

The response was noted.

### 7 Notice of Motion

#### 7.1 Submitted by Councillor Tommy Reilly

I call on the Planning Department of Meath County Council to ensure Recreational, Sporting and Educational facilities are provided and be requested at all Section 247 preliminary meetings prior to Planning Applications in Navan Municipal District.

**Supporting information subject to the motion being proposed, seconded and considered:**

All pre planning in Meath County Council Planning Department (phone calls and meetings) includes consideration and compliance of the proposed development with the Meath County Development Plan 2021-2027, including an assessment of the servicing of the site and the recreational, sporting and educational needs arising as a result of the proposed development. The onus is then on the applicant and their consultants to ensure that the supporting documentation accompanying a subsequent application on the site adequately deals with all issues raised at pre -planning.

The response and motion were agreed on the proposal of **Councillor Tommy Reilly** and seconded by **Councillor Yemi Adenuga**.

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### **7.2 Submitted by Councillor Francis Deane**

I call on Meath County Council to improve the existing, inadequate public lighting, on the laneway, from Carriage Rd to Benildus Villas, where there is access to the railway line. Residents of this area are exposed to anti-social behaviour and feel that enhanced public lighting would help to alleviate the issues.

#### **Supporting information subject to the motion being proposed, seconded and considered:**

Meath County Council are carrying out a public lighting upgrade program as part of the PLEEP - Public Lighting Energy Efficiency Program - Eastern Region. All public lighting assets will be surveyed and public lighting due for energy efficiency upgrades will be designed to achieve minimum lighting standards and a replacement program will follow imminently there afterwards. Meath County Council are 8th in the program of counties and are due to commence in Q2 2024. This will improve the standard of existing lighting in St. Benildus Villas.

With respect to the public lighting of the footway between Carriage Road and St Benildus Villas across the railway track, the public lighting team currently do not have a budget for any capital works, but we will add to the list of future works which will be assessed on a priority basis, should funding become available. In the meantime, the issue of antisocial behaviour at this location has been referred onto the Joint Policing Committee for their pursual.

The response and motion were agreed on the proposal of **Councillor Francis Deane** and seconded by **Councillor Pdraig Fitzsimons**.

### **7.3 Submitted by Councillor Francis Deane**

I propose that Meath County Council would erect a few rest benches, along the route from the Round O Junction to the Senator Pat Fitzsimons Bridge, Beaufort Road (N51), with a view to daily walkers being able to sit for a while as they take exercise or walk to and from the town for their shopping.

#### **Supporting information subject to the motion being proposed, seconded and considered:**

An assessment on the suitability and location for benches will be taken in conjunction with the requirement for lighting, bins etc which need to be considered also.

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Consideration will also have to be considered with regard to viability concerns and privacy issues outside private residences. As this is a National Road, we will need to consult with TII as the authority in charge of the road with regard to the possibility of assigning extra street furniture on this section of road.

The response and motion were agreed on the proposal of **Councillor Francis Deane** and seconded by **Councillor Padraig Fitzsimons**

### **7 Strategic Policy Committee & Corporate Policy Group Reports**

There were no reports.

### **8 Correspondence**

There was none.

### **9 Any Other Business**

- Martin Murray Director updated the members on the bus routes changeover commencing within the town from January 28<sup>th</sup>. He said that a media campaign is underway and that the members will receive a pack with all the route details.
- Referred to a pothole at Dean Hill caused by Uisce Eireann works – advised that the pothole is fixed and that Uisce Eireann due to complete works here.
- Referred to a house in Silverlawns where the water tap cannot be accessed due to the footpath laid over it- noted by the engineer.
- Commended the housing department on all their assistance with recent issues.

The meeting concluded at 11.20am.

Signed:

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**Cathaoirleach**