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Ordinary Meeting

5th February 2018, Council Chamber

1 Confirmation of Minutes

1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary meeting held on 8th January 2018.

2 Matters arising from the Minutes

3 Expressions of Sympathy and Congratulations

4 Disposal of Land in accordance with Statutory Notices circulated pursuant to the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001

5 Statutory Business

5.1 Planning

5.1.1 To receive the Member's views in respect of Meath County Council's submission on the Regional Spatial & Economic Strategy "**Initial Public & Stakeholder Consultation Issues Paper**" for the East Midlands Regional Authority and if thought fit, to resolve to attach recommendations to that report.

5.1.2 To receive an update on Circular FPS 01/2018 – Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government re. Water Services Guidelines 2018 – Public Consultation.

5.2 Corporate Services

5.2.1 To note the report on the 2017 Municipal District Allocation.

5.2.2 To receive an update on Local Electoral Area Boundary Committee - Invitation for Submission.



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6 Reports

- 6.1 Chief Executive's Report
- 6.2 Report from the Corporate Policy Group
- 6.3 Report from the Protocol Committee

7 Correspondence

- 7.1 Correspondence from the Office of the Minister for Education and Skills in response to Notice of Motion 9.3 adopted at the December 2017 meeting of the Full Council re. consideration of a compulsory training programme of occupational first aid training for all teachers and SNAs in both primary and secondary schools throughout Ireland.
- 7.2 Correspondence from Transport Infrastructure Ireland re. 2018 National Road Grant allocations – N2 Rath Roundabout to Kilmoon Cross.
- 7.3 Correspondence from Transport Infrastructure Ireland in response to Notice of Motion 9.4 adopted at the December 2017 meeting of the Full Council re. tolling arrangements at M3 Toll Plaza, Clonee/Dunboyne.
- 7.4 Correspondence from Minister Eoghan Murphy, Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government re. Rebuilding Ireland.
- 7.5 Circular WP 02.18 – Department of Communications, Climate Action & Environment re. Waste Management (Prohibition of Waste Disposal by Burning) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 (SI No. 599 of 2017).
- 7.6 Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport - Regional and Local Road Grant Allocations - Comparison of the 2018/2017 allocations.

8 Notice of Question

8.1 Submitted by Councillor Wayne Harding

“Can I ask for an update on our plans as a County to fully benefit from a tourism and economic point of view from the holding of the 2018 Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann in Drogheda?”



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8.2 Submitted by Councillor Wayne Forde

“Can I ask for an update on the provision of 7 Slipways along the River Boyne and Blackwater?”

8.3 Submitted by Councillor Sharon Keogan

“Could the Chief Executive please confirm if she will act as Data Controller for future Community CCTV projects in this county?”

8.4 Submitted by Councillor Noel French

“Can Meath County Council provide figures for the number of litter fines issued during 2017, the number of fines paid, prosecutions taken, and a breakdown of these figures between individuals and businesses. What was the total amount spent by the Council in 2017 in litter control and prevention? How many dog fouling fines were issued and how many were paid?”

8.5 Submitted by Councillor Francis Deane

“With regard to trees on private properties growing out on public roads and presenting health and safety concerns for motorists and pedestrians, can property owners fell trees or do they need a permit from the local authority in order to do so?”

8.6 Submitted by Councillor Darren O'Rourke

“To ask the Chief Executive how many enquiries have been made to Meath County Council through the www.vacanthomes.ie website regarding identified vacant properties in Meath, since the website's launch last year; if the Council are satisfied that the general public in Co. Meath are aware of this website resource; and if they have any plans to publicise it / Ceist a chur ar an bPríomhfheidhmeannach an méid fiosrúchán a rinneadh do Comhairle Chontae na Mí tríd an suíomh idirlín www.vacanthomes.ie maidir le maoin folamh aitheanta sa Mhí ó bhunaíodh an suíomh idirlín anuraidh; an bhfuil an Comhairle sásta go bhfuil an pobail ginéaráalta ar an eolas maidir leis an acmhainn idirlín seo; agus an bhfuil sé in intinn acu é a fhógrú?”



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8.7 Submitted by Councillor Trevor Golden

“For each year from 2012 to 2017 inclusive, per Municipal District, how many IDA lead site visits took place and at what sites?”

9 Notice of Motion

9.1 Submitted by Councillor Noel French

“Section 5 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 allows any person to make an application to the Planning Authority for a declaration as to whether or not a development is exempt from the requirement to obtain planning permission. The process outlined in the Act does not require the publication of a notice of intention to apply for such a declaration and these applications are not currently available on line. In the interests of ensuring greater transparency in this application process I call on the Chief Executive to put in place a procedure to periodically notify Councillors of any Section 5 applications received”.

9.2 Submitted by Councillor Caroline Lynch

“In view of the recent planning decision in relation to the proposed development in Ballivor Meath County Councillors call for greater transparency re large scale developments in the County where there is a change of use from original planning application / Súil caite ar an mbeart pleanála a rinneadh i leith an fhorbraíocht mholta i mBaile Íomhair le déanaí, éilíonn Comhairleoirí Chontae na Mí níos mó follasachta a fháil maidir le forbraíochtaí móra sa Chontae lena bhfuil athrú úsáide i gceist ón iarratas pleanála tosaigh.”

9.3 Submitted by Councillor Caroline Lynch

“Sinn Féin calls on Meath County Council to set up a housing task force without delay to work with all relevant stakeholders to accelerate the process of resolving the housing crisis in the County /Éilíonn Sinn Féin ar Chomhairle Chontae na Mí tascfhórsa tithíochta a bhunú gan mhoill chun comhoibriú a dhéanamh leis na leaspháirtithe ábhartha go léir le luas a chur leis an ngéarchéim tithíochta a réitiú sa Chontae.”



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9.4 Submitted by Councillor Noel French

“That Meath County Council Councillors oppose the development of a non-medically supervised drug rehabilitation facility at Ballivor by Narconon.”

9.5 Submitted by Councillor Trevor Golden

“To further encourage recycling by standardising charges and accepted materials we call on the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment to facilitate the recycling of other household waste goods that are not covered by the Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Directive.”

9.6 Submitted by Councillor Damien O’Reilly

“I call on Meath County Council to write to the Minister of Transport, Sport and Tourism and the National Transport Authority requesting they add additional trains with commuter carriages to the Dunboyne and M3 Parkway service.”

9.7 Submitted by Councillor Damien O’Reilly

“I call on Meath County Council to write to the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government requesting the increase of the gross income limit of joint applicants under the new Rebuilding Ireland Home Loan to €100,000.”

9.8 Submitted by FG Councillors Eugene Cassidy, Enda Flynn, Joe Fox, Jim Holloway, Suzanne Jamal, Paddy Meade, Maria Murphy, Gerry O’ Connor (Cathaoirleach), Sarah Reilly, Alan Tobin, Sharon Tolan, Gillian Toole

“Meath County Council warmly welcomes the Minister for Health’s €8m. new funding allocation to facilitate the provision of 12 new respite care facilities. It asks the Minister to locate one of the proposed new dedicated respite homes in Meath.”

9.9 Submitted by Councillor Sinéad Burke

“That Meath County Council:

- supports the establishment of an annual national “Make Way Day”,*
- will write to an Taoiseach, Leo Varadkar, TD, and to each individual Minister and Minister of State, calling on them to support, establish, fund and resource an annual national “Make Way Day” which would be localised in each region,*



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- *will annually support and promote a local #MakeWayMeath campaign as part of the wider “Make Way Day”*

We further propose that Meath lead the way on this issue and contact the Chief Executives and Mayors in all local authorities all over Ireland asking them to join with us in supporting a national #MakeWayDay2018.”

10 Schedule of Chief Executive & Approved Orders (For Information Only)

10.1 Schedule of Chief Executive’s Orders – Transportation

10.2 Schedule of Chief Executive’s Orders – Environment

10.3 Schedule of Chief Executive’s Orders – Housing

10.4 Schedule of Chief Executive’s Orders – Community & Enterprise

11 Any Other Business

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