



Meath County Council

Statutory Annual Budget 2011

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TABLE A - CALCULATION OF ANNUAL RATE ON VALUATION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2011											
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Summary by Service Division		Expenditure €	Income €	Estimated Net Expenditure 2011 €	%	Estimated Outturn 2010 Net Expenditure	%				
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Gross Revenue Expenditure and Income A Housing and Building		11,052,021	10,183,877	868,144	1.7%	1,194,870					
B Road Transport & Safety		23,784,801	13,942,416	9,842,385	19.8%	9,735,737					
C Water Services		21,864,128	6,885,018	14,979,110	30.1%	16,785,436					
D Development Management		7,668,824	1,280,455	6,388,369	12.8%	6,624,129					
E Environmental Services		13,116,296	4,470,295	8,646,001	17.4%	8,458,088					
F Recreation and Amenity		5,364,573	535,502	4,829,071	9.7%	4,951,378					
G Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare		8,174,410	7,700,902	473,508	1.0%	409,582					
H Miscellaneous Services		7,248,244	3,506,432	3,741,812	7.5%	3,373,622					
		98,273,297	48,504,897	49,768,400	100.0%	51,532,842					
Minus County Charge Provision for Debit Balance				5,309,900		5,187,500 -					
ADJUSTED GROSS EXPENDITURE AND INCOME	(A)			44,458,500		46,345,342					
Provision for Credit Balance				-		-					
Local Government Fund / General Purpose Grant				23,286,300		25,873,700					
Pension Related Deduction				1,353,600		1,504,000					
SUB - TOTAL	(B)			24,639,900		27,377,700					
AMOUNT OF RATES TO BE LEVIED	(C)=(A)-(B)			19,818,600							
NET EFFECTIVE VALUATION	(D)			284,649							
GENERAL ANNUAL RATE ON VALUATION	(C) / (D)			69.6247	1						

Service Division A: Housing and Building

Overview

Despite the many challenges presented by the prevailing economic circumstances and including reduced allocations for Capital projects generally, the Housing Department of Meath County Council advanced a number projects in 2010 from an overall Capital allocation of just over €17.8 million.

Because of the changed budgetary circumstances the Social Housing Investment Programme continued with a focus on social housing supply through an expanded suite of non-construction supply options including Social Leasing and the Rental Accommodation Scheme. In tandem with this shift in focus an increased emphasis continued to be placed on the management and improvement of the existing stock of local authority owned dwellings.

The Housing Department continued the programme of upgrading of the Housing stock in 2010 and endeavouring to bring them up to modern building standards, including the retrofitting of void houses and providing energy upgrades in accordance with a new funding scheme announced by the Department of the Environment, Heritage & Local Government.. The upgrading process also involved the installation of fire blankets in all the rented stock.

The programme also involved the carrying out of works on vacant houses in need of substantial repair and with a view to having them available for quick re-letting.

The following projects were advanced in 2010:

- Completion of the Headfort Grove remedial works Scheme in Kells and involving the construction of 21 new Social Houses.
- The completion of a community resource building in Windtown, Navan which will ensure a focal point for the community and which will help to address the challenges of social exclusion and disadvantage, estate management and community participation.
- The purchase of 29 houses for allocation to social housing applicants under the social housing investment acquisition programme.
- Three new rural cottages were completed and refurbishment works on 70 existing rural cottages were commenced.
- Remedial works schemes in Alverno Court Laytown, St Ultans Tce. Navan and Ashbrook Clogherboy have advanced to Part 8 Planning
- Remedial works for St Martins Park Halting Site Trim was commenced and will involve the replacement of the traditional bay structures with 14 conventional houses.
- Over 355 housing adaptation grants for people with a disability and housing aid for older people grants were processed. Funding was allocated to over 130 applicants with expenditure of over €1.8 million.
- Aproval was received for 5 projects in Navan and Drogheda initiated by approved housing bodies under the Capital Assistance Scheme and involving the provision of 16 units in total to people who are on the Councils Housing waiting list. The funding is to cater for accommodation for people with special housing needs including the homeless, older people requiring sheltered housing and persons with disabilities.

 Two further voluntary projects in respect of the provision of a homeless shelter in Navan and a special needs accommodation project in Kilmainhamwood progressed to the advanced stages of planning.

The Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009

A number of provisions of the 2009 Act were enacted in 2010 including

- The establishment of homeless forums and the preparation of homelessness action plans on a regional basis. Meath, Kildare and Wicklow were grouped together to form the Mid East Regional Homeless Forum and a homelessness a Homelessness action plan was adopted in May 2010 by each County.
- The Adoption of an anti-social behaviour strategy in respect of the Councils housing stock.
- The provision of a Legislative basis for the Rental Accommodation Scheme
- The introduction of a new incremental purchase scheme to facilitate the purchase of new Local Authority houses by existing tenants or applicants from the social housing waiting lists.

Social Housing Leasing Initiative.

In 2009 the Department of the Environment Heritage and Local Government (DOELG) launched the Social Housing Leasing initiative. The introduction of leasing as a form of social housing provision represents a widening of the options for increasing the supply of social housing. Leasing introduces greater flexibility in the composition of the housing stock and provides the opportunity for housing authorities to benefit from market conditions to increase output and meet housing need in a cost effective manner. This initiative promotes the Delivering Homes & Sustaining Communities policy of achieving mixed income /mixed tenure communities at appropriate densities and occupancy rates and avoiding social concentrations. The initiative provides for three forms of Leasing:

- Local Authorities leasing properties from private property owners for periods of 10-20 years.
- Approved Housing Bodies leasing from property owners, purchasing on the market or constructing properties and making them available for social housing provision through direct payment and availability agreements with the DOEHLG
- Local Authorities temporarily utilising unsold affordable housing stock.

Meath County have transferred unsold affordable houses over to the leasing scheme and are involved in discussions with voluntary and other bodies in respect of the other two options.

Rental Accommodation Scheme (RAS)

The Rental Accommodation Scheme is for people receiving rent supplement (usually over 18 months) and assessed by the Housing Authority as having a long term housing need. RAS provides Housing Authorities with an additional option for meeting the accommodation needs of such people. The Local Authority secures accommodation for the rent supplement recipients and makes arrangements with private landlords for long or short term leases.

It is considered that in the current economic climate that this scheme will play a major role going forward in addressing the housing accommodation needs of people and Meath County Council are actively promoting the scheme and with a particular focus on addressing the needs of single people currently living in poor quality private rented accommodation.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

At 31st December 2007 Meath County Council anticipated the delivery of 1260 Affordable Homes during the period 2008/2010 through the implementation of Part V of the Local Government Planning and Development Act 2000. These units were estimated to cost in excess of €123million which would represent the Council's financial exposure if it failed to sell on these homes to affordable purchasers. An aggressive multi-faceted programme of activity was initiated to dispose of affordable homes and to reduce Meath County Council's indebtedness arising from its implementation of Part V. This intensive programme of activity involving inter alia, re-negotiation of Part V agreements, subsidising the cost of houses, revising the housing strategy, and the transfer of units to social and leasing or RAS use has reduced the numbers on hands at October 2010 to 16 units. A number of these have been provided directly by the LA under 1999 Affordable Housing Scheme. Of these units, 8 are in the process of being sold at present. The Council is about to embark on a further targeted marketing programme to sell the remaining unsold units on the open market. The council intends to further subsidise the sale price of these units. In the event of these houses not being sold on the open market, the Council will allocate the accommodation to applicants from its housing waiting list under the social leasing initiative. When this process is complete, the Council will have successfully disposed of its overhang of homes under Part V.

Table B: Expendi	ture and Inco	ome for 2011	and Estima	ted Outturn	for 2010				
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	Adopted by Council	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council	Estimated Outturn	Adopted by Council	Estimated Outturn	
Division and Services	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	
A Housing and Building									
A01 Maintenance & Improvement of LA Housing Units		3,370,375		750,999	3,486,809	3,674,399	360,482	649,114	
A02 Housing Assessment, Allocation and Transfer		335,557		1,000	351,214	333,682	10,000	2,850	
A03 Housing Rent and Tenant Purchase Administration		718,653		5,910,955	698,668	745,511	6,229,868	6,207,511	
A04 Housing Community Development Support		311,249		5,853	310,459	300,440	6,080	6,376	
A05 Administration of Homeless Service		439,759		348,121	380,487	497,836	237,708	207,883	
A06 Support to Housing Capital Prog.		2,107,499		596,009	1,992,255	1,943,140	728,588	518,116	
A07 RAS Programme		845,403		730,000	461,402	536,523	432,000	499,808	
A08 Housing Loans		1,735,702		1,040,863	1,554,979	1,596,446	1,149,280	796,966	
A09 Housing Grants		1,187,224		800,077	1,273,587	1,286,802	800,080	832,021	
A11 Agency & Recoupable Services		600		-	733	736	-	-	
A Division Total		11,052,021		10,183,877	10,510,593	10,915,515	9,954,086	9,720,645	

Service Division B

Road Transportation and Safety

This year was a significant year for Meath County Council in terms of improvements to the road network. Works consisting of surface dressing, road repairs/reconstruction and the special M3 allocation to local roads delivered improvements to 247km of the local network. Additional lengths of the National road network were improved in response to the damage caused as a result of the severe weather conditions in 2009/2010.

Expenditure on the road network (excluding major projects such as the M3) increased from €21.2m in 2009 to €26.6m in 2010. Works on National roads included the **N51 Dunmoe Realignment** at a cost of €2.6m. Works were substantially completed on this project in June 2010. National Primary and National Secondary Pavement Improvement Works were carried out at various locations including:

- N2 Slane Bridge to N51 Junction
- N2 at Sweep,
- N51 from the Louth County Boundary to Cashel,
- N51 at Boyerstown.

Improvements on Non National roads included:

- R154 at Patrickstown, Oldcastle
- R154 at Connaught Street, Athboy
- R161 Navan Road, Trim.

Also in 2010 a new public lighting unit was established to oversee and manage all public lighting within the county. This has proven to be very successful and further efficiencies will be achieved in 2011.

In 2010 expenditure on safety schemes on National roads amounted to €715k while expenditure on Non National roads was €201k. A new Road Safety Plan 2010 – 2012 was published and we continue to engage with the Road Safety Authority in the implementation of the National Road Safety Plan 2007 – 2012.

The **National Road Design Office** continues to progress major schemes throughout the county including the following:

- M3 Clonee to North of Kells Motorway Scheme:- was opened to traffic in early June 2010. Work on the scheme will continue into 2011 dealing with construction issues, outstanding land acquisition cases, disposals of land, extinguishment of public right of ways etc.
- **N2 Slane By-Pass**:- Further Information submitted went on public display in Sept/Oct 2010. The Council is anxious to progress this most important of projects and is well prepared for the Oral hearing which is expected to take place during the first quarter of next year.

One of our primary objectives is to have schemes designed and prepared in advance of the future upturn in the economy. With this in mind we are progressing the following schemes:

R157 Dunboyne Maynooth – **Moygaddy**:- Funding is by DOE grant and the Part 8 planning process has been completed.

R156 Dunboyne Summerhill:-. Funding is by DOE Grant. This project is currently at preliminary stage.

R150/R152 Duleek Bypass:-. Funding is by DOE grant. This project is currently at preliminary stage.

Maynooth Outer Orbital Route:- Currently awaiting documents for a Part 8 planning application.

The **Regional Road Signage Scheme** which involves the upgrading of the directional signage along the regional routes in the county commenced in 2009 and continues in 2010. It is hoped to complete these schemes in 2011, subject to funding. At the end of 2010 59% of the regional roads in the county will be complete.

It is proposed to upgrade a number of **Bus Stops** on the Cavan to Dublin route (Route 109/109A). Funding is being provided by the National Transportation Authority. Eight locations have been selected in Phase 1 and the work will consist of the provision of Pull in Areas and Kassel Kerbing. This work has gone to contract for construction. Phase 2, which will see similar improvements to a number of other bus stops along the route, is currently under design by the QBN Office and will require Part 8 consultation.

Several **Village Enhancement Schemes** were carried out during 2010 including works to the R153 at the Kentstown Village Junction and a Resurfacing and Cycleway Scheme at Enfield Main Street.

Winter Gritting

Meath County Council salt predetermined routes 500km in length when frost or ice is predicted. All National Primary and National Secondary routes are salted as well as 50% of all Regional Routes. A map of the winter gritting routes for 2010/2011 has been prepared and circulated. The Council is expanding it's winter gritting fleet in 2010/2011 to 10 trucks plus a standby/emergency truck each with salt gritter mounted plus a snow plough if required. The NRA allocated funding to Meath County Council for a new **Salt Barn** in 2010. This will be located in the Machinery Yard at Mullaghboy Industrial Estate, Navan. Salt procurement and distribution for 2010/2011 will be carried out nationally by the NRA.

Plant & Machinery

Surface dressing plant and machinery was sold in 2010 for €240,000. The Council's fleet has been expanded and upgraded in 2010 to include three 18 tonne Tipper Trucks, five 3.5 tonne Crew Cab Tipper Trucks, five Demountable Patcher Units and two Romaquip Gritters. All new plant will be supplied in the Meath County Gold and branded with the Meath Council Crest and the wording "Transportation Unit" in both Irish and English.

Broadband

In relation to the County's Broadband Project Meath County Council has sold ducting along parts of the R158 Kilcock to Trim Road and the R161 Trim to Navan Road to IFTL. As part of this sale IFTL will have lit optic fibre installed in the duct by the end of 2010. They will also lay additional ducting in the remaining gaps between Kilcock and Navan. This fibre will provide additional capacity and backhaul to Navan and Trim and connect to the Bord Gais network north of Summerhill and also the T50 via Kilcock, benefiting business and domestic internet users.

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Division and Services	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€			
B Road Transport & Safety											
B01 NP Road - Maintenance and Improvement		775,551		503,567	1,230,356	800,148	904,195	464,322			
B02 NS Road - Maintenance and Improvement		577,565		466,683	450,652	563,966	394,780	468,816			
B03 Regional Road - Maintenance and Improvement		5,954,502		5,125,540	5,941,271	8,135,363	5,138,633	7,306,965			
B04 Local Road - Maintenance and Improvement		11,230,832		6,325,677	11,896,952	14,136,936	6,487,264	9,296,095			
B05 Public Lighting		2,010,957		102,213	2,024,394	2,024,411	141,613	146,905			
B06 Traffic Management Improvement		193,795		176,911	134,502	134,713	1,985	2,711			
B07 Road Safety Engineering Improvement		364,358		205,286	298,071	294,049	217,452	301,437			
B08 Road Safety Promotion & Education		287,066		6,886	291,852	292,626	7,153	7,500			
B09 Car Parking		-		-	-	-	-	-			
B10 Support to Roads Capital Prog		1,489,916		122,089	1,419,635	1,461,138	126,820	132,983			
B11 Agency & Recoupable Services		900,259		907,564	868,630	983,300	843,503	963,179			
B Division Total		23,784,801		13,942,416	24,556,315	28,826,650	14,263,398	19,090,913			

Service Division C: Water Services

GENERAL:

The provision of necessary water and sewerage infrastructure and services is fundamental to the growth of the county and in particular to meeting the requirements of industry, tourism, housing, agriculture and the food sector. In recent years, considerable investment has been made under the Water Services Investment Programme (WSIP), adding significant additional water and wastewater capacity for the county.

The challenges faced under this Service Division continue to grow due to a number of factors:-

- Additional responsibilities and duties imposed by legislation and regulation such as the Drinking Water Regulations and Wastewater Discharge Licencing.
- The increased costs associated with operating and maintaining an increasing number of new modern plants.
- Meeting the marginal costs (polluter pays principle) of schemes as required under water pricing policy.

In 2010, the Infrastructure Directorate was terminated and the Water Services Section was merged with Environment to create a new Directorate titled, Environment and Water Services. This change initiative will continue to be managed through 2011.

MAJOR WATER SERVICES INVESTMENT PROGRAMME:

Water Schemes at Construction:

- Non-Domestic Water Metering Project: –Works completed in 2010.
- County Wide Water Conservation Project & Strategic Water Plan for County Meath: Stages 1 & 2 complete with Rehabilitation Contracts (Stage 3) to commence early in 2011.
- **Dunshaughlin Water Supply: -** Works underway with expected completion in early 2011.
- Navan & Mid Meath Water Supply: -Works completed on Contracts 1,2,3 & 6.
- East Meath South Louth & Drogheda Water Improvement Scheme: Augmentation works at Rath are complete and Stage 1 works at Kiltrough on Contracts 3 and Contract 4 are complete.

Water Schemes at Planning Stage:

- East Meath, South Louth & Drogheda Water Supply: Preliminary Report Review completed and submitted to DoEHLG for approval in August 2009.
- Navan & Mid Meath Water Supply Contracts 4, 5 & 7 at advanced planning stage. These have not been included in the Current WSIP to proceed to construction. Their inclusion in the subsequent WSIP is anticipated.
- **Kells/Oldcastle Water Supply Scheme** Included in the 2010-2012 WSIP; Construction expected to commence by end 2011.

Sewerage Schemes at Construction Stage:

- **Dunshaughlin Sewerage Scheme:** Works substantially complete and scheme is operational.
- Enfield Sewerage Scheme Network Upgrade Stage 2: Completed and became operational in 2010.
- **Kilcloon Sewerage Scheme:** Works substantially complete and scheme will be operational in early 2011.
- Ashbourne/Ratoath/Kilbride Sewerage Phase 2:- Works completed and became operational in 2010.
- Grouped DBO Scheme (Rathcairn, Rathmoylon, Kilmainhamwood, Summerhill, Moynalty, Donore, Athboy and Duleek):- Works underway on the three main contracts. Scheme to be fully operational in early 2011.

Sewerage Schemes at Planning Stage:

- Oldcastle Sewerage Scheme: Contract Documents currently being finalised with scheme to be commenced in 2011.
- **Kells Sewerage Scheme:** Included in 2010-2012 WSIP; Preliminary report to be undertaken in 2011
- Ashbourne / Ratoath / Kilbride Sewerage Scheme Network Rehabilitation Contract: Included in 2010-2012 WSIP and, subject to Department approval, will commence on-site in O.2, 2011.

Rural Water Programme:

Substantial monies continue to be expended under the Rural Water Programme, covering the following sectors:-

- (i) Group Water & Sewerage Schemes 53 Schemes completed at cost of over €m (1997 2010)
- (ii) Small Water & Sewerage Schemes (threshold limit €IM) 104 Schemes completed at cost of nearly €1.9m (1997-2010)
- (iii) The Takeover of Group Schemes 31 Schemes completed at cost of over €lm (1998-2010)
- (iv) Well Grants

Drinking Water Services Unit:

Meath County Council provides drinking water to the County's expanded population and continues to ensure Meath County Council's compliance with legislative obligations regarding the provision of drinking water.

Operation & Maintenance (O&M):

Despite the reduced availability of financial and human resources and the ever-increasing demands caused by legislative requirements and customer expectations, Meath County Council continues to provide a high level of service to domestic and non-domestic customers through its drinking water provision and wastewater collection treatment. Meath County Council has succeeded in making substantial efficiencies and cost savings in its day-to-day operational activities without impacting on the quality or level of service provided.

Wastewater Discharge Licences (WWDLs):

In 2010, Meath County Council completed applications to the EPA for WWDL and Certificates of Authorisation for 40 of its wastewater treatment facilities. To date, 11 WWDL/Certificates of Authority have been granted. These impose further statutory obligations on the Local Authority, which continue to pose a particular challenge for Meath County Council.

Energy Management

In 2010, the Water Services Section participated fully in the Energy Management agenda being pursued by Meath County Council as part of its Climate Change Strategy. It is conceded that, nationally, water and wastewater facilities are major contributors to energy usage. The Water Services Section of Meath County Council, through its technical and administrative representation on the Energy Management Committee, is committed to pursuing savings on energy usage and associated costs.

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C01	Water Supply		9,764,627		3,334,501	10,828,932	10,246,213	3,027,119	3,095,651			
C02	Waste Water Treatment		10,068,184		1,053,982	10,632,027	10,180,138	547,817	1,209,174			
C03	Collection of Water and Waste Water Charges		726,439		1,586,169	647,479	1,461,247	1,113,715	1,185,557			
C04	Public Conveniences		68,394		22,555	86,114	89,009	22,615	2,291			
C05	Admin of Group and Private Installations		361,591		219,959	350,097	373,688	214,643	225,184			
C06	Support to Water Capital Programme		651,463		450,072	568,304	596,311	450,075	450,079			
C07	Agency & Recoupable Services		223,430		217,780	499,053	191,014	492,691	184,248			
С	Division Total		21,864,128		6,885,018	23,612,006	23,137,620	5,868,675	6,352,184			

Service Division D Development Management

Forward Planning

Meath Co Council actively participated in the review of the Regional Planning guidelines which were adopted in June. Planning, together with the Meath County Council members on the Regional Authority achieved considerable success in influencing the final document. Recognition of retail potential around Dunboyne and future development opportunities for Ashbourne and Ratoath were included, together with an Economic Strategy for the Mid east region aimed at addressing the imbalance of economic opportunities in the Greater Dublin Area.. The Planning Department also participated in National and Regional policy development including the NTA Strategy, FRAMs and Review of Retail Policy. The Julianstown Village Design statement was completed and significant work went into the progression of the Tara Skryne Valley Landscape Conservation Area.

The Rural Design Guide was adopted by the members in July.

A number of important sections of the Planning and Development Act 2010 were commenced in the 3rd Quarter of the year. They include additional statutory obligations .The Forward Planning team will be drafting key policy initiatives in the early months of 2011 to ensure consistency between the Regional Planning guidelines, The Act and the County Development Plan. The review of the County Development Plan will commence prior to March 2011. This major body of work will require significant internal staff resources supplemented by external expertise for the appropriate assessment and strategic environmental assessment elements of the plan.

Development Contributions

Work in this area continues to expand with a dedicated staff team proactively contacting all account holders where Development contributions remain outstanding. It is a tribute to the work of that team that they have collected in excess of €5.8 million to date in a very challenging financial environment.

Significant Enforcement action has been initiated, with 228 Warning letters and some 88 enforcement notices issued for non payment of contributions to date in 2010.

Taking Estates in Charge

Co-operation between the Planning Department and various area offices has ensured a steady increase in this area. Twenty five estates have been taken in charge to date in 2010. It is envisaged that service demands in will continue to expand in 2011

Development Management

2010 saw an adjustment in the level of planning applications received by the Planning Department to approximately 35 per week. Planning receipts are correspondingly reduced however activity in this sector remains significantly ahead of other counties who have experienced a greater fall off in application rates. It is not envisaged that planning application receipts will rise significantly in 2011.

Building Control

New Building Control regulations resulted in the submission of Disabled access certificates and 7 day regularisation certificates. These regulations realised a new income stream for the Building Control Authority in 2010 and income is expected to remain buoyant in this area in 2011

Amenity Levies / Community Grants scheme 2009

The Planning & Community Department facilitated the disbursement of community grants to projects approved in the years up to 2009. Given the number of grants already approved with work ongoing and a decrease in development contributions receipted in 2009-2010, it is intended to conduct a review in 2011 to inform the launch of the next trench of funding under the community grants scheme.

Knockharley grants scheme 2010.

In June 2010 two grant schemes were made available to Community Groups within the Knockharley, Kentstown Area and surrounding townlands. Twelve community groups and individuals were approved grant aid in 2010. Funding from the scheme has also been assigned towards the development of a Village Project.

Carranstown grants scheme 2010.

A new Scheme funded from a planning levy conditioned on the operators of the incinerator facility located at Carranstown was launched by the Planning & Community Department in September 2010. Construction commenced on a footpath linking Carranstown with the existing footpath on the Drogheda road. The Facility itself is due to open in July 2011 and the operational phase will increase the funding available to the Indaver community liaison committee for future years. This scheme will be administered by the Planning & Community Department.

Economic Development and Innovation

The objectives of the EDI Unit are to:

- Promote Meath as a desirable location for business investment.
- Work with new Business attending to establish in the County and ensure that all local authority issues effecting new business are dealt with in a coherent and timely manner.
- Liaise and work with existing business in the County and assist them with any local authority related issues
- Provide economic development policy input to a range of Council plans and strategies
- Focus on major projects that will bring an economic benefit to the county
- Work with other agencies such as IDA, Enterprise Ireland, County Enterprise Board, FAS etc. and assist them to deliver on their remit for the County.
- Promote and market the County as a quality Tourist destination.

A number of important major projects were advanced during 2010 including preliminary work on the development of a deep water port near Gormanstown for Breamore Ireland Port and the construction of phase two of the Navan to Dublin rail line. Theses two nationally significant projects will form the core work of the Economic Development Unit in 2011.

The Director of Economic Development & Innovation sits on the County Development Board Economic Sub-Committee (Meath Economic Forum) and worked through-out the year with the other state agencies and social partners to develop "A Study of the Skills and Training Needs for County Meath" which has just been

completed. This study will inform the various agencies of the training and upskilling requirements for the county and will be the basis for the development of training programmes for 2011 and beyond. The development of a dedicated training centre available for multi agency use remains a priority.

The Economic Development Unit acted as the lead agency in preparing the draft Economic Strategy for inclusion in the Regional Planning Guidelines for the GDA which was adopted during the year. Work is now progressing on the development of an action plan arising from theses adopted guidelines.

Meath Around the World, a website which encourages and supports interaction between Meath business people was launched during the year and the numbers using the site are steadily growing. Further development work on this site is necessary and will be carried out in 2011. Additional Meath ambassadors will be recruited during the year to promote the site at home and abroad.

The Economic Development and Innovation Unit partnered with The Meath Chronicle, Alltech and other local businesses to promote the **Meath Business and Tourism Awards 2010**. This proved to be a very successful initiative with an excess of 200 local companies entering and the awards were presented in early November at a well attended function in Dunboyne Castle Hotel. This feedback from this initiative has been very positive and it provided an opportunity to showcase the many excellent Meath based businesses that are continuing to thrive, innovate and change despite the economic difficulties we all face. It is intended, subject to the availability of funding, to participate in this initiative in 2011.

Work is continuing on preparations for The 2011 Solheim Cup which will be held in Killeen Castle in September 2011. The Council and Meath Tourism have key roles to play in the successful running of this event. We have formed partnerships with Failte Ireland and the local tourist trade to promote the County during this important international week and based on the final adopted budget we will launch a series of initiatives to involve local business and local communities in the event.

The Solheim Cup will attract in excess of one hundred thousand visitors to County Meath next year with approximately 20,000 expected to travel to Ireland from the U.S.A. and Europe. The event, when last held in Europe (Sweden) in 2007, was broadcast into over 421 million homes in 140 countries. It is important that we provide a budget to support our activities under this heading in 2011 and that Meath presents a good image to those who come here and those who watch the event at home.

Councillors will be familiar with the activities of Meath Tourism following a comprehensive report presented to the November Council meeting. Of particular importance is the Failte Ireland "10 destinations" strategy which involves focussing national and international marketing of 10 key destinations around the country. The Boyne Valley is one of these destinations with a focus on the heritage and cultural product. This presents major opportunities for the region to gain a greater share of the heritage tourism market which attracts over 2.5 million visitors through Dublin each year. The regional strategy will mean working more closely with our colleagues in Louth in the future to market the Boyne Valley. 2011 will see greater co-operation

between the two authorities including the introduction of a shared staff resources to market the region.

2011 unfortunately is likely to prove just as difficult as 2010 in terms of attracting new investment however we remain well placed as a county to benefit from any upturn when it comes. The opening of the M3 and phase 1 of the Navan/Dublin rail line makes Meath the most accessible county in Ireland. The challenges presented by the recent decisions of An Bord Planeala need to be faced and our focus in the future must continue to be on good quality, well presented projects that are plan lead and in conformity with sustainable planning principles and with national, regional and local planning policies.

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Division and Services	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	
D Development Management									
D01 Forward Planning		335,928		1,544	564,854	576,561	67,053	1,540	
D02 Development Management		4,103,083		925,871	4,175,066	4,354,508	1,622,756	783,804	
D03 Enforcement		536,700		-	548,100	516,734	-	-	
D04 Industrial and Commercial Facilities		740,102		57,145	591,816	570,389	18,229	37,462	
D05 Tourism Development and Promotion		229,532		2,330	233,119	227,966	32,820	32,938	
D06 Community and Enterprise Function		1,019,050		110,978	931,927	1,008,799	200,520	244,999	
D07 Unfinished Housing Estates		58,100		8,500	121,300	58,392	10,000	8,489	
D08 Building Control		108,729		-	111,857	106,343	5,000	-	
D09 Economic Development and Promotion		43,460		60	28,232	32,607	62	65	
D10 Property Management		-		-	-	-	-	-	
D11 Heritage and Conservation Services		398,783		167,557	419,892	419,286	194,618	195,137	
D12 Agency & Recoupable Services		95,357		6,470	95,183	95,526	38,221	38,548	
D Division Total		7,668,824		1,280,455	7,821,346	7,967,111	2,189,279	1,342,982	

Service Division E Environment, Fire & Emergency Services

Strategic Objective

To support and promote the clean, safe and healthy environment, for present and future generations.

Core Activities

- To manage waste in an integrated and sustainable manner in accordance with best practice
- To improve water quality in line with the requirements of the Water Framework Directive
- To raise environmental awareness and encourage sustainable actions
- To maintain excellence in the delivery of Fire & Emergency Services
- To ensure compliance with environmental standards
- To adopt and implement the Waste Management Plan for the North-East Region
- To minimise the impact of development on receiving waters by implementing a comprehensive monitoring regime, and identifying and eliminating potential pollution threats

Environment

North-East Region Waste Management Plan

The requirements of the Waste Management Plan 2005 – 2010 are being addressed by the North East Region Waste Management Steering Committee (Counties Meath, Louth, Monaghan and Cavan). The process of reviewing the regional waste management plan commenced in September 2010 with a view to the public consultation process commencing in December 2010/January 2011.

The Council continues to carry an unfunded capital deficit in connection with the remediation of the former Basketstown landfill. Further capital expenditure will be required on the site in connection with the gas collection and flaring system as well as other areas. Ongoing annual revenue monitoring costs continue to be incurred in relation to compliance with the EPA licence on the former landfill.

River Basin District Management Plans

The Council adopted the Eastern River Basin District (ERBD) Plan in October 2009, after which the Shannon and Neagh-Bann International River Basin District Plans were adopted in April 2010. The implementation of these plans will have significant resource implications for the Council. However the plans, when implemented, will have a very positive effect on water bodies throughout the majority of Co. Meath.

Illegal Dumping

The Council continues to pursue a number of historic illegal dumping sites throughout the county with two cases before the High Court at present. It must be noted that there is a possibility that the Council may have to incur significant expenditure through the legal system.

Litter / Waste / Water Pollution / Derelict Sites – Monitoring & Enforcement

Work continues on enforcement and monitoring issues in terms of Water & Waste Pollution, Litter Pollution, Derelict Sites and Control of Dogs. It should be noted that the CCTV operation at Ashbourne bring-bank has been highly successful in obtaining prosecutions. As a result of this the Council has extended CCTV operations to other bring-banks through-out the county in order to enforce compliance with the Litter Pollution Act.

The Council carried out a very successful Anti-Litter & Illegal Dumping Campaign throughout 2010 entitled 'Keep Meath Tidy'. This involved working with local communities, waste collection operators, local media, and the elected members. It is intended to continue this campaign in 2011.

The county's three civic amenity sites, supported by the countywide network of bring centres is contributing positively to recycling levels, though illegal dumping at some bring banks remains a concern. The net cost of operating each civic amenity site falls on the LA at a cost of ❸0k per centre. The search for a suitable site in the south-east of the county for an additional civic amenity centre continues. However, the successful delivery of the site will be dependent on the DoEHLG to subvent the capital cost in full. Work continues on the processing, issuing and enforcement of Waste Collection Permits (for the North-East Region) and Waste Facility Permits (Co. Meath).

Generally, the resources to deal with enforcement are not sufficient and consequently the ability to ensure compliance is much diminuished. The Council's RMCEI inspection programme for 2010, which is agreed with the EPA annually, cannot continue at 2009, or even 2010 levels, in recognition of reduced staffing levels. In particular, the following areas of activity are not presently receiving adequate follow-up: Waste Management (Tyres and Waste Tyres), Regulations 2007; WEEE Regulations 2005; Waste Management (Farm Plastics) Regulations 2001; Waste Management (Packaging) Regulations 2007; Waste Battery Regulations; Display Energy Certificates.

Climate Change

During 2010 the Environment Section compiled a **Corporate Climate Change Strategy 2011** – **2012**. This strategy was endorsed and adopted by the members at the November meeting. In tandem with this strategy the Environment Section co-ordinated 'Energy **Map**' training for a cross-section of Council staff in conjunction with the SEAI. The Corporate Climate Change Strategy in conjunction with the Energy Map training set out the methodology and steps which the Council will take in order to reduce corporate carbon emissions by 3% per annum (with associated financial savings) going forward.

Burial Grounds

During 2010 the Council made initial provision for the extension of the Dunboyne Burial Ground and for a new burial ground to cater for Dunshaughlin. It became clear in 2010 that there are further burial grounds throughout the county which will require the Council's attention as Sanitary Authority (provision to burial ground space as a number of existing burial grounds are close to capacity. In this regard the Council must be mindful of the financial implications associated with the provision of burial ground space throughout the county going forward.

Fire Service

As a result of the additional responsibilities which the significant increase in population and corresponding expansion of associated infrastructure in Co. Meath in the past 10-15 years places on the Fire Service, the Council has completed a study of the Fire Service entitled a 'Strategic Plan for the Development of Meath County Council's Fire Service'. This is a comprehensive plan which contains a total of 39 recommendations with associated actions. 2011 will see the implementation of a number of the recommendations. These recommendations include actions particularly those in relation to recruitment/staffing levels, building control, health & safety, major emergency planning and fire station capital works.

It is envisaged that current levels of **Fire-fighter training** will be maintained in order to ensure continued standards of service delivery. Fire stations and fire service vehicles & equipment will also be maintained in order to comply with the required standards. In 2010 a new programme i.e. 'Standard Operational Guidance (or SOGs)', was issued by the National Directorate for Fire & Emergency Management. This programme is currently been implemented throughout the country. These guidelines are to operate as tools in order to educate and enhance fire-fighters skills by utilising a consistent platform of standard operational guidance which will be implemented nationally. The SOGs are currently being introduced and roll-out through-out the Meath County Council Fire Service. They will be fully implemented over the next three years. This programme is being run in parallel to the existing training needs within the Fire Service and therefore extra financial resources will be required to implement this programme fully.

During 2010 the Fire Service completed the training of all fire-fighters in CFBT after commencing the implementation of the programme two years ago. This training is essential to the role of a fire-fighter as a breathing apparatus wearer. Due to the nature of this training and its critical importance refresher training will be provided on an ongoing basis into the future.

Fire prevention work continues with regard to fire-safety certificates, community fire safety, licensed premises inspections, pre-fire planning, and general monitoring of fire safety throughout the county.

The Fire Service ran a Fire Safety Awareness programme during the Christmas period 2009/2010 entitled 'The 12 days of Christmas'. Meath County Council is currently the only county in Ireland which implements this programme. This programme has been warmly received throughout the county and due to its success it is been added to Meath County Council Fire Service prevention programme on a permanent basis.

The **framework for Major Emergency Management** (MEM) which was finalised in September 2008 continues to be reviewed. Work will be shortly completed on the 'fit out' of the local MEM centre in Innovation House with DoEHLG grant assistance. Ongoing training of key staff will continue in relation to the Councils preparedness to deal with major emergencies. A **business continuity plan** was prepared in late 2009/early 2010 under the MEM framework in order to ensure that the business of Meath

Local Authorities will continue in the event of outbreaks such as swine flu, avian flu and other emergencies. The council will also participate in **regional planning**, **training and exercises**.

Civil Defence

The **Civil Defence Board grant allocation** for 2011 will remain at 2010 levels. This implies a reduction in funding however it will allow the organisation to substantially retain its training and emergency response programmes throughout the eight training centres and four specialist training activities.

A new **Civil Defence Strategic Plan** for 2010 - 2013 has been prepared and adopted. This will guide the organisation's training and operational development both locally and nationally over the next three years. The focus of the plan is on the development of the organisations training programmes in the support roles outlined in 'A Framework for Major Emergency Management'.

There are currently in excess of one hundred and ninety **Civil Defence volunteer members** throughout the county which nationally ranks as one of the highest per capita levels of participation. Civil Defence volunteers were actively involved in the severe weather crisis of January 2010 and it is envisaged that an active membership of this magnitude will be required to fulfil the many duties and services which the organisation provides throughout the year.

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Division and Services	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
E Environmental Services								
E01 Landfill Operation and Aftercare		222,160		4,094	222,152	222,188	4,252	4,460
E02 Recovery & Recycling Facilities Operations		776,217		269,989	805,860	808,544	393,585	264,027
E03 Waste to Energy Facilities Operations		-		-	-	-	-	-
E04 Provision of Waste to Collection Services		276,088		2,977	318,452	331,159	8,054	2,966
E05 Litter Management		358,073		176,546	272,434	290,702	116,722	110,893
E06 Street Cleaning		847,806		21,117	960,914	928,237	121,936	32,862
E07 Waste Regulations, Monitoring and Enforcement		4,389,777		3,161,649	4,505,110	5,663,844	3,194,174	4,743,060
E08 Waste Management Planning		50,000		-	-	-	-	-
E09 Maintenance of Burial Grounds		387,978		29,661	326,260	508,884	39,764	50,485
E10 Safety of Structures and Places		495,678		228,573	498,872	484,836	225,824	236,182
E11 Operation of Fire Service		4,088,362		286,982	3,938,943	4,101,789	286,693	414,173
E12 Fire Prevention		237,073		163,633	236,823	248,478	115,332	164,638
E13 Water Quality, Air and Noise Pollution		967,104		125,074	1,020,744	993,374	90,099	120,222
E14 Agency & Recoupable Services		19,980		-	20,020	20,021	-	-
E Division Total		13,116,296		4,470,295	13,126,584	14,602,056	4,596,435	6,143,968

Service Division F: Development Management and Recreation & Amenity

The Planning & Community Department develops and promotes a wide range of programmes and services that empower people to participate in community activity and development; and to work together within the Council, with communities and with stakeholders, to build confident sustainable communities.

Community Development & Meath County Development Board

The Social Inclusion Unit which is part funded by Department of Environment and Local Government (DEHLG) has now been established to support and facilitate the role out and embedding of social inclusion within Meath Local Authorities.

A new online forum, **Meath Communities <u>www.meathcommunities.ie</u>** replaces the former 'Communities and Schools Online Together'. This will shortly be replaced by a more detailed web presence facility for community and voluntary groups.

Highlights 2010

The Council supported the Meath Economic Forum, executive committees of MCDB , the Social Inclusion Measures Group and the employment seekers working group . A Staff Committee engages with all Departments in the provision of better access for people with disabilities and an external committee continues to liaise with representative groups in line with the Disability Implementation Plan 2008-2015.

Other initiatives include: The Community & Voluntary Steering Group, the County & Area Community Fora – Maintenance of a Community and the voluntary sector database & directory.

We submitted the Meath Interagency Strategy for the Traveller Community and the Meath Employment Initiative for Travellers.

Participation in the National Active Citizenship Week , Comhairle na nÓg/Dáil na nÓg, the JIGSAW Project, Pucas and Potions - Halloween Festival for Children and National Recreation Week - and the launch of The Meath Local Authorities Climate Change Strategy.

2011 Programme

The Meath County Development Board strategy 2009-2012 includes a strong focus on interagency working to deliver actions relating to Economic Development Training and Social Inclusion Strategies. Sustainability-Climate Change policies will also be advanced. The Community Section will continue to participate in and support the MCDB Social Inclusion Measures Group and their respective Executive Committees together with the Meath Economic Forum, Employment Seekers Working Group and the Community & Voluntary Steering Group.

It will also implement and source funding for the Disability Implementation Plan, and deliver the Meath Local Authorities Social Inclusion 2011 Work Plan. Other areas of activity will include the Meath Interagency Strategy for the Traveller Community and Comhairle Na nOg

RAPID Programme

A new RAPID Co-Ordinator was appointed in August who is responsible for the delivery of the programme locally.

2010 Highlights

Re-constitution of the Area Implementation Team and the Consultative Committee and increased public awareness and participation in the programme at local level.

2011 Programme

Work with and support the Area Implementation Team to develop plans and ensure delivery of services to the RAPID area with focus on the 2011 Strategic Theme of Youth. Continue to support, facilitate and encourage community participation in the programme.

Library Services

The reduction in the 2011 budget will impact on the level of service delivered in previous years in terms of the following reductions:

Library Book-fund will be reduced by 22% in 2011 reducing significantly range and depth of materials purchased for all branches.

The Primary School Library Service will operate with existing stock given the withdrawal of Department of Education and Science funding for the service.

Highlights 2010

- Progressed plans for refurbishment and minor extension of Navan Library and County Library H.Q
- Advanced development of an Adult Learning Centre at Ashbourne Library
- Advanced plans for a minor extension to Kells Library
- Total issues on course to exceed half a million mark for the first time
- Visits to libraries are up by 12%
- Overall issues increased by 7.9% on first half of previous year.
- Issues at Navan and Trim libraries increased by 19% and 14% respectively
- Automated Self-Issue and Return introduced at Navan, Ashbourne, Dunboyne and Trim
- Lifelong learning progressed with the continuation of 1:1 internet training sessions for members of the public at Ashbourne, Navan and trim.
- Internationally recognised authors including, Steve Cole and storyteller Pat Ryan headlined the annual **Children's Book Festival** in October. Eighty one events were organised around the county with fourteen authors and three storytellers visiting the county .Over 3,000 children attended events organised by library staff making this Meath's leading cultural event for children.
- 1,200 children participated in the annual 'Summer Reading Mission' to promote reading among children and young people-. Organised third annual Readers' and Writers' Day for adult book-clubs and reading groups.
- Over 2,000 children attended the **Meath County Council Library and Arts Service Summer Programme** in July and August.
- Published launched and promoted major literary work A Meath Anthology
- Organised second annual *Meath –Landscape and People* Seminar in Trim
- Published launched and promoted *Oral History* recordings of 50 key people from around the county
- Published two more audio books in our Local Studies Audio Book Series
- Hosting 2010/2011 Maynooth Diploma in Local History for the V.E.C
- Edited Navan Walking Guide-Points of Pride
- Prepared *Towards a History of Meath* for publication in association with History Press. Author royalties are to be donated to a MCCLS bursary.
- Funded subscription and access to Digital library of downloadable audio-book material for all users.
- Published brochures on eAudioBooks and Special Services

Pilot Initiatives

St.Patrick's Park Community Library, Navan launched by Children's Laureate Siobhan Parkinson.

Expanded Meath Healthy Reading Scheme to Kells, Oldcastle and Dunshaughlin. Meath Business Information Centres Initiative continued-in partnership with MCC Economic and Development Unit. Centres established in Navan and Ashbourne and materials available online through any branch library.

Online **E-Learning training initiative in partnership with FAS**. Centres continued in branches at Navan, Dunboyne, Ashbourne and Trim.

English language classes for foreign nationals through the *Fáilte Isteach* project at Dunshaughlin library in partnership with Third Age Centre Summerhill. *Books to Zambia* and *Better World Books* – established two self-financing book disposal initiatives

2011Commitments

Progress Bettystown Branch development

Progress Ballivor Library project

Progress plans for refurbishment and minor extension of County Library HQ and Navan branch

Provide minor upgrades to Athboy, Dunshaughlin, Nobber, Slane, Trim to comply with Accessibility guidelines

Community Initiatives - Pride of Place

Meath County Council Community Initiatives through the Pride of Place, the Anti Litter League, Kells Enhancement Scheme and the Schools Pride of Place Awards continued in 2010. The programme delivers a series of environmental and quality of life initiatives that encourages, recognises and rewards active community groups, schools and individuals who participate in community development and enhancement projects in their areas.

In 2010, 152 groups throughout the county participated in initiatives under the Pride of Place umbrella, with a further 35 schools taking part in School Competitions. Meath hosted the All Island Pride of Place Awards and welcomed visitors from all thirty two counties who are involved in projects which shape and grow their communities. It is conservatively estimated that for every € Meath County Council contributes to these initiatives, a return of €10 accrues based on the cost of voluntary labour input. In the current economic climate, and bearing in mind the reduction in resources available to the Council, these initiates are vital to the future viability of our communities.

Arts Office Programme

Meath County Council Arts Office now comprises of Part Time Arts Officer and Assistant Arts Officer with clerical officer support. Funding of €03,953 has been secured for the continued delivery of the Per Cent for Arts Scheme for the county. The Arts Office will also continue to implement key aims and objectives as per Council strategic Arts Policy.

Programme 2011

- Publish and launch third County Arts Development Plan
- Management and implementation of Per Cent for Art Scheme across the countytwenty two major commission projects.
- Manage and implement Private Developer Public Art Project programme e.g. Indaver project

- Continued Development of 'Pucas and Potions' Major Children's Halloween Arts Festival
- Programming and implementation of Bealtaine Arts Festival
- Continued professional development for artists living in Meath ETC programme
- Further development of the FEACH (furthering enterprise, arts culture and heritage) initiative.
- Management of nine awards and bursaries schemes.
- Develop proposal and model for county music school as per U2 funding application criteria (access U2 Music Education funds)
- Continue Urban Art Trails Development
- Expand and Develop Samhain Sounds Busking Festival, Navan,
- Develop proposal for Youth Film Festival in Meath.

Heritage Programme

The Meath Heritage Office acts as an agency to collect and disseminate heritage information. It provides training and policy advice and is instrumental in the preparation of the 5-Year County Heritage Plan.

The County Meath Biodiversity Action Plan was adopted in 2010.

A festivals and exhibitions were hosted together with publication of *The making of Meath, Megalithic art in county Meath* and *Swift's Trim.*

Biodiversity day and Heritage week were organized. Ten architectural conservation areas character statements were launched. A county Meath tree, woodland and hedgerow survey was also completed.

Programme 2011

The following projects are planned for 2011 under the Heritage Plan Implementation Programme:

- Photographic Archive for county Meath
- Branding Meath's biodiversity
- Green infrastructure strategy for county Meath
- Meath heritage awareness programme 2011

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	Division and Services	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€			
F	Recreation and Amenity											
F01	Leisure Facilities Operations		954,562		319,471	933,220	995,177	395,446	381,730			
F02	Operation of Library and Archival Service		3,266,285		123,186	3,294,487	3,381,989	125,751	148,551			
F03	Outdoor Leisure Areas Operations		131,761		1,635	145,317	139,992	14,199	3,384			
F04	Community Sport and Recreational Development		473,950		51,362	505,748	504,588	64,271	35,087			
F05	Operation of Arts Programme		535,896		39,148	558,574	566,166	78,348	69,118			
F06	Agency & Recoupable Services		2,119		700	12,104	2,099	10,728	763			
F	Division Total		5,364,573		535,502	5,449,450	5,590,011	688,743	638,633			

Service Division G: Agriculture, Education, Health and Welfare

Education

Provision has been made for the statutory demand of the Vocational Education Committee.

Provision has also been made for the payment of superannuation allowances to retired staff members of the Vocational Education Committee. The full amount is recouped from the Department of Education and Science.

A sum of €3,500,000 is provided for in the 2011 budget to meet the cost of the Higher Education Grant Scheme which will be recouped from the Department of Education and Science. A total of 719 first time applications and 542 renewal applications were received for funding under the Scheme for the academic year 2010/2011 to facilitate students' attendance at Universities and other third level Institutions in Ireland.

Grants are available at undergraduate level only in other approved third level EU Institutions.

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Division and Services	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	
G Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare									
G01 Land Drainage Costs		27,048		93	27,061	27,578	96	101	
G02 Operation and Maintenance of Piers and Harbours		-		-	-	-	-	-	
G03 Coastal Protection		-		-	-	-	-	-	
G04 Veterinary Service		556,581		349,109	578,537	551,363	367,400	335,968	
G05 Educational Support Services		4,586,579		4,384,300	4,548,742	5,506,406	4,384,300	5,341,905	
G06 Agency & Recoupable Services		3,004,202		2,967,400	2,939,202	2,988,740	2,937,000	2,986,531	
G Division Total		8,174,410		7,700,902	8,093,542	9,074,087	7,688,796	8,664,505	

Service Division H

Miscellaneous Services

The strategic objective of the Corporate Services Department is to work within a framework of democratic principles, which facilitates the delivery of quality services for the benefit of our community. From an accounting point of view much of the activity is reflected in Service Divisions G and H with some limited activities also reflected in Division D.

This objective is achieved by implementing the following strategies:

- Providing the framework to guide the operations and decision making of the organisation through the Corporate Plan 2009-2014.
- Providing support to the democratically Elected Members in fulfilling and enhancing their democratic and policy roles.
- Implementing the provisions of the Ethical Framework for the Local Government Service as it applies to councillors and staff.
- Capturing information and managing the quality control, publication and distribution of the Register of Electors.
- Preparing and facilitating the adoption of a new Polling Scheme to reflect the changes in constituency boundaries set out in the Electoral (Amendment) Act 2009. A new scheme was adopted and will come into force in February 2011.
- Working with the Constituency Returning Officers in supporting the democratic election process in an efficient manner.
- Providing administrative support to the Management Team in the execution of their functions.
- Implementing the provisions of our Customer Charter to provide quality customer care and develop relationships with our community to increase awareness of services and operations.
- Interaction with the national and local media to promote the work of the Council and its contribution to the life of the county.
- Administration of the Department of Education and Skills' Higher Education Grant Scheme at local level.
- Administering the provisions of the F.O.I. and Data Protection Acts as they apply to the local authority.
- Promoting a culture of workplace safety, health, welfare, education and training through a proactive health and safety programme designed to meet the specific needs of staff.
- Promoting a culture of excellence in service provision, which is responsive to the needs and expectations of our customers and community.
- Producing and publishing all Corporate publications and implementing the Corporate Brand.
- Preparing and implementing the Meath Local Authorities (Official Languages Act) Scheme 2010-2012 to incrementally improve the level of service available as Gaeilge.
- Providing, managing and maintaining a safe, secure and functional organizational environment accessible to all.
- All of the above will be prioritised in the context of the current challenging economic environment and in accordance with the financial resources allocated by the elected Council.

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Division and Services	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
H Miscellaneous Services								
H01 Profit & Loss Machinery Account		-		-	-	-	-	-
H02 Profit & Loss Stores Account		-		-	-	-	-	-
H03 Adminstration of Rates		649,864		215,821	643,278	693,422	205,988	348,323
H04 Franchise Costs		298,250		1,389	279,141	261,720	1,443	1,705
H05 Operation of Morgue and Coroner Expenses		207,446		792	207,706	173,448	822	863
H06 Weighbridges		10,798		-	10,975	2,889	-	-
H07 Operation of Markets and Casual Trading		-		4,500	-	-	4,500	903
H08 Malicious Damage		-		-	-	-	-	-
H09 Local Representation & Civic Leadership		1,541,650		20,767	1,514,098	1,541,682	21,572	28,553
H10 Motor Taxation		1,662,534		90,500	1,622,989	1,627,134	91,872	70,831
H11 Agency & Recoupable Services		2,877,702		3,172,663	2,740,178	3,763,751	3,079,792	4,239,246
H Division Total		7,248,244		3,506,432	7,018,365	8,064,046	3,405,989	4,690,424
Overall Total		98,273,297		48,504,897	100,188,201	108,177,096	48,655,401	56,644,254

Service Division J Central Management Charges

Finance

The overall aim of the Finance Dept is to safeguard the financial position of Meath County Council and to protect the value of its assets. This requires that the Council operates within its allocated Budget, obtains value for money from its operations and optimises its revenue streams.

Highlights 2010

Commercial Water Charges:

The water metering project has been completed. There are over 4,000 generating bills at present. Emphasis is now on dealing of queries that are now coming to light as a result of a sustained billing and issue of statements. This process has assisted customers in identifying water conservation measures to reduce their bills and consumption.

Additional emphasis is also given to the collection of water charges. MCC endeavours to come to suitable agreements and arrangements with customers. On occasion we have off sets funds due to suppliers against their outstanding water accounts. Only when MCC cannot proceed any further disconnection procedure commence. 32 Disconnection notices have been served only 4 of these were not resolved and were disconnected.

Software such as Temetra and Issue Tracker has made the work in relation to Water Charges much easier.

Rates

MCC has over 2300 rate customers at present. MCC endeavours to make reasonable arrangements and agreement with customers at all times. MCC have on occasion offset funds due to suppliers against their outstanding rates and only commence legal proceeding as a last resort where no reasonable agreement can be made.

Rents

MCC has 2266 tenants currently being charged rent. All tenants receive quarterly statements for their account. In cases of arrears MCC endeavours to come to reasonable agreements at all times. There was only 1 technical eviction in 2010.

Payment Card System

A total of 2,629 cards have now been issued to MCC customers. This gives flexibility to the customer to pay on a day and time that suits them. In 2010 the operation of these cards has been expanded to include Rates, Loans, Fire, RAS etc. Meath County also operates these cards for the Town Councils where 418 cards have been issued.

Non Principal Private Residence (NPPR)

So far 4,416 properties have paid the charge for 2010. An extensive Local and National campaign has taken place, reminders issued to all registered NPPR properties. Over the coming months methods are being developed with other agencies

to identify properties currently not registered. MCC also operates the scheme for the Town Councils where a further 1988 properties have paid for 2010.

Core Pay payroll system

A total of 19 separate payrolls across all four Meath Local Authorities including the VEC Pension payroll have now been transferred to the Corepay system. These payrolls were previously running on two separate software packages Acupay (MCC) and Micropay (TCs).

Finance now provides a payroll shared service to the three Town Councils and the VEC for pensions. Through efficiencies and streamlining we are now able to provide an expanded service with a reduction in frontline payroll staff.

Travel System

2010 saw the introduction of a new online Travel & Subsistence reimbursement system. This will increase efficiency and reduce administration costs as the system will streamline processing of claims and allow a greater degree of control over reimbursement and travel costs.

Internal Audit

We have strengthened to Internal Audit function with the appointment of a qualified accountant to this role on a full time basis.

Internal Audit provides an independent appraisal service to assist management with review and evaluation of internal control systems. In addition the Internal Auditor will carry out value for money studies and promote awareness of risk management. This unit also provides an essential support to the work of the Council's Audit Committee.

VAT

We have expanded our Accounts Payable operations to comply with the requirements to account for VAT on specified services. This is the second major addition to VAT processing in two years and both were facilitated by the introduction of the tax module on Agresso and changes to Accounts Payable procedures.

During 2011 **budgetary control** will continue to be the main focus for Finance. This will be aided by the implementation of "my agresso" a web based tool designed to allow budget holder monitor more closely their areas of expenditure. In addition Finance will seek to achieve further efficiencies and value for money

In addition Finance will seek to achieve further efficiencies and value for money through

- o Procurements
- o Low value purchase cards
- o Improvements to the Management Accounts Reporting System
- o New controls on the Capital Account
- o Further expansion of the online payments to other income areas.

Information Systems

2010 Achievements

2010 has been an extremely busy and productive year for Information Systems. Despite a reduction in staff numbers, major initiatives have been completed or are well under way, that have achieved significant cost savings for the council. Server room virtualisation has greatly reduced energy consumption. The roll out of a managed print service has reduced print costs and improved quality and reliability. The main modules of the new Corepay HR and Payroll system are now all live, and other new systems include Higher Education Grants, e-Payments and the introduction of a new Expenses Management system. It is hoped, that by the end of the year, map based planning queries will be available to the public. This will also include access to relevant supporting documentation. New web offerings will include, a website specific to the Solheim Cup, a website for "Meath around the World", and a new Meath Communities web based offering.

2011 Highlights

Cost reduction and business process improvement will continue to be a key focus of the department as the organisation seeks to use IT solutions "to do more with less". Specific areas of focus will be:

- Continuation and extension of business process improvement engagements with all areas of the Council. Increased focus on end-to-end process improvements, crossing departmental and organisational boundaries.
- Implementation of a document and records management platform to improve organisational efficiency and compliance with statutory and other requirements.
- Implementation of collaborative platforms to facilitate improved team working and cross departmental efficiency.
- Flexible and efficient use of existing and new technology, equipment and management systems e.g. Use of PC's, hand held electronic devices, satellite navigation, online reporting, GPS and Fleet Management.
- Initiatives to introduce online (including map based) services and to support migration of channels so that services delivered by the Council are optimised for cost efficiency and effectiveness.

In addition, we will have a number of initiatives geared towards ensuring that the computing and telecommunications infrastructure provides the performance, availability, security and flexibility to match the requirements of the organisation in a cost-effective manner.

Specific projects will include:

- Encryption of mobile devices
- Migration to Windows 7
- Revision of data management practices
- Network upgrade for Navan Town Council
- Tender for all fixed line voice services
- Development of business continuity processes

Human Resources:

The Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government instructed all Local Authorities to reduce payroll and administrative costs in 2009 A variety of initiatives were introduced to implement this eg:-

- Cessation of recruitment (other than specifically sanctioned posts)
- Reallocating and reorganising of work and staff accordingly
- Non-filling of temporary vacancies arising from staff on long term absences
- Implementation of the Incentivised Early Retirement Scheme and the Incentivised Career Break Scheme
- Further reductions in premium pay and
- The Introduction of voluntary unpaid leave.

Although Meath has the lowest per capita staff ratio to population, these initiatives together with natural retirements has, to date, reduced numbers by 120 throughout the organisation. This is giving rise to major difficulties in the areas where natural retirements are not being filled. This has resulted in the amalgamation of teams/gangs. Where it is proposed to fill a post, an application together with a business case, must be made to the Personnel Section, of the DOEHLG. Meath County Council was granted approval to date in 2010 for the filling of 20 posts, 3 of these seasonal, 3 at 10 hrs per week and 4 on the Capital side for a Water Services Project scheduled to commence December 2010. Permission was also obtained for one upgrade.

In the current financial situation it is expected that this position will deteriorate even further, and consideration will have to be given to the level and extent of services which can be provided in such circumstances.

TABLE C - CALCULATION	TABLE C - CALCULATION OF ANNUAL RATE ON VALUATION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2011											
Meath Co Co (B1)												
	Money D	emanded		ates and Cost of ection	Total Sum to be Raised (Col 2 + Col 4)	Annual Rate on Valuation to meet Col 6						
Name of Town	Estimated Col 2 €	Adopted Col 3 €	Estimated Col 4 €	Adopted Col 5 €	Col 6 €	€						
Kells Town Counci	620,236		-		620,236	2.1790						
Navan Town Council	3,999,499		-		3,999,499	14.0506						
Trim Town Council	690,165		-		690,165	2.4246						
TOTAL	5,309,900		•		5,309,900	18.6542						

Table D				
ANALYSIS OF BUDGET 2011 INCOME F	ROM GOODS AND SER	VICES		
	2011	2010		
Source of Income	€	€		
Rents from houses	5,625,000	5,915,800		
Housing Loans Interest & Charges	1,118,800	1,229,600		
Parking Fines &Charges	30,000	30,000		
Commercial Water	3,088,400	2,759,000		
Domestic Waste Water	-	-		
Commercial Waste Water	1,580,400	1,109,200		
Planning Fees	953,300	1,597,400		
Sale/leasing of other property/Industrial Sites	173,500	186,000		
Domestic Refuse Charges	-	-		
Commercial Refuse Charges	-	-		
Landfill Charges	50,000	50,000		
Fire Charges	260,000	260,000		
Recreation/Amenity/Culture	215,000	220,000		
Library Fees/Fines	55,000	55,000		
Agency Services & Repayable Works	-	450,000		
Local Authority Contributions	1,270,900	1,695,900		
Superannuation	1,279,997	1,329,601		
NPPR	850,000	676,900		
Other income	7,432,800	7,303,500		
Total Goods and Services	23,983,097	24,867,901		

Table E				
ANALYSIS OF BUDGET 2011 INCOME FROM	GRANTS AND SUB	SIDIES		
Department of Environment, Heritage and Local	2011	2010		
Government	€	€		
Housing & Building	2,588,500	1,804,100		
Road Transport & Safety	-	-		
Water Services	715,200	209,700		
Development Management	35,000	34,200		
Environmental Services	705,600	799,300		
Recreation & Amenity	-	-		
Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	-	-		
Miscellaneous Services	55,000	55,000		
Sub-total	4,099,300	2,902,300		
Other Departments and Bodies				
NRA & DoT	12,603,900	12,817,400		
Arts, Sports and Tourism	-	-		
DTO	-	-		
Social and Family Affairs	-	-		
Defence	-	-		
Education and Science	3,480,000	3,480,000		
Library Council	-	-		
Arts Council	30,000	69,000		
Transport and Marine	-	-		
Justice Equality and Law Reform	27,000	44,000		
Agriculture Fisheries and Food	-	-		
Non Dept HFA and BMW	-	-		
Other Grants & Subsidies	4,281,600	4,474,800		
Sub-total	20,422,500	20,885,200		
Total Grants and Subsidies	24,521,800	23,787,500		

Table F - Expenditure **Division A - Housing and Building** 2011 2010 Adopted by **Estimated** Adopted by **Estimated** Outturn Council by Manager Council € € **Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service** € € A0101 Maintenance of LA Housing Units 1,805,400 1,875,200 2,044,826 A0102 Maintenance of Traveller Accommodation Units 262,700 265,000 278,165 A0103 Traveller Accommodation Management 84,000 77,500 103,150 5,000 10,000 A0104 Estate Maintenance A0199 Service Support Costs 1,213,275 1,259,109 1,248,258 3,486,809 A01 Maintenance & Improvement of LA Housing Units 3,370,375 3,674,399 20,000 20,000 A0201 Assessment of Housing Needs, Allocs. & Trans. 75 A0299 Service Support Costs 315.557 331.214 333.607 A02 Housing Assessment, Allocation and Transfer 351,214 333,682 335,557 A0301 Debt Management & Rent Assessment 597,700 536,900 582,371 A0399 Service Support Costs 120,953 161,768 163,140 A03 **Housing Rent and Tenant Purchase Administration** 698,668 745.511 718,653 A0401 Housing Estate Management 50,605 49,800 A0402 Tenancy Management 103,700 128,500 52,839 29,828 A0403 Social and Community Housing Service 84,900 18,300 A0499 Service Support Costs 122,649 113,859 167,168 A04 **Housing Community Development Support** 311,249 310,459 300,440 A0501 Homeless Grants Other Bodies 93,000 93,000 68,961 A0502 Homeless Service 294,400 231,800 372,462 A0599 Service Support Costs 52,359 55,687 56,413 A05 **Administration of Homeless Service** 380,487 497,836 439,759 1,329,500 1,106,118 A0601 Technical and Administrative Support 1,168,900 A0602 Loan Charges 291,300 321,500 321,200 486,699 501,855 A0699 Service Support Costs 515,822 A06 Support to Housing Capital Prog. 1,992,255 1,943,140 2,107,499 A0701 RAS Operations 837,300 347,000 526,588 A0702 Long Term Leasing A0799 Service Support Costs 8,103 114,402 9,935 A07 **RAS Programme** 461.402 536,523 845,403

Table F - Expenditure **Division A - Housing and Building** 2010 2011 Adopted by **Estimated** Adopted by **Estimated** Council by Manager Council Outturn € € € **Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service** € A0801 Loan Interest and Other Charges 1,278,800 1,213,800 1,250,731 A0802 Debt Management Housing Loans 177,900 47,400 43,134 A0899 Service Support Costs 279,002 293,779 302,581 **A08 Housing Loans** 1,735,702 1,554,979 1,596,446 A0901 Disabled Persons Grants 114,600 A0902 Loan Charges DPG/ERG 93,000 114,600 A0903 Essential Repair Grants 52,600 52,217 A0904 Other Housing Grant Payments 900,000 907,300 906,783 A0905 Mobility Aids Housing Grants 166,600 106,800 121,466 A0999 Service Support Costs 27,624 92,287 91,736 A09 **Housing Grants** 1,187,224 1,273,587 1,286,802 A1101 Agency & Recoupable Service A1199 Service Support Costs 600 733 736 A11 **Agency & Recoupable Services** 733 736 600 Α **Division Total** 10,510,593 10,915,515 11,052,021

Table F - Inco	Table F - Income				
Division A - Housing and Building					
	20	11	20	2010	
	Adopted by Council	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council	Estimated Outturn	
Income by Source	€	€	€	€	
Government Grants Environment, Heritage & Local Government		2,588,500	1,804,100	1,933,967	
Other Grants & Subsidies		-	-	-	
Total Government Grants		2,588,500	1,804,100	1,933,967	
Goods & Services					
Rents from houses		5,625,000	5,915,800	5,913,808	
Housing Loans Interest & Charges		1,118,800	1,229,600	892,675	
Agency Services & Repayable Works		-	-	-	
Superannuation		121,477	126,186	124,409	
Local Authority Contributions		291,300	321,500	402,923	
Other income		438,800	556,900	452,863	
Total Goods & Services		7,595,377	8,149,986	7,786,678	
Division 'A' Total		10,183,877	9,954,086	9,720,645	

Table F - Expenditure				
Division B - Road Transport & Safety				
	20	11	20	10
	Adopted by Council	Estimated by Manager		Estimated Outturn
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	€	€	€	€
B0101 NP - Surface Dressing		-	104,400	-
B0102 NP - Pavement Overlay/Reconstruction		-	-	-
B0103 NP - Winter Maintenance		255,000	202,700	224,799
B0104 NP - Bridge Maintenance (Eirspan)		-	15,000	-
B0105 NP - General Maintenance		240,100	573,300	240,100
B0106 NP - General Improvements Works		-	-	-
B0199 Service Support Costs		280,451	334,956	335,249
B01 NP Road - Maintenance and Improvement		775,551	1,230,356	800,148
B0201 NS - Surface Dressing		192,800	91,700	192,800
B0202 NS - Overlay/Reconstruction		-	-	-
B0203 NS - Overlay/Reconstruction – Urban		-	-	-
B0204 NS - Winter Maintenance		110,000	93,200	111,199
B0205 NS - Bridge Maintenance (Eirspan)		-	6,000	-
B0206 NS - General Maintenance		158,800	198,600	158,800
B0207 NS - General Improvement Works		-	-	-
B0299 Service Support Costs		115,965	61,152	101,167
B02 NS Road - Maintenance and Improvement		577,565	450,652	563,966
B0301 Regional Roads Surface Dressing		394,400	547,900	394,400
B0302 Reg Rd Surface Rest/Road Reconstruction/Overlay		3,548,700	2,998,600	4,985,542
B0303 Regional Road Winter Maintenance		-	-	479,593
B0304 Regional Road Bridge Maintenance		-	-	-
B0305 Regional Road General Maintenance Works		938,500	938,500	1,196,407
B0306 Regional Road General Improvement Works		180,000	586,800	180,000
B0399 Service Support Costs		892,902	869,471	899,421
B03 Regional Road - Maintenance and Improvement		5,954,502	5,941,271	8,135,363
B0401 Local Road Surface Dressing		1,961,900	2,180,600	2,016,940
B0402 Local Rd Surface Rest/Road Reconstruction/Overlay		380,900	4,403,000	435,900
B0403 Local Roads Winter Maintenance		-	-	-
B0404 Local Roads Bridge Maintenance		-	-	-
B0405 Local Roads General Maintenance Works		1,557,700	1,997,000	3,718,240
B0406 Local Roads General Improvement Works		4,740,400	310,200	5,198,078
B0499 Service Support Costs		2,589,932	3,006,152	2,767,778
B04 Local Road - Maintenance and Improvement		11,230,832	11,896,952	14,136,936

Table F - Expenditure						
	Division B - Road Tra	nsport & Safet	у			
		20	11	20	010	
ı	Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	Adopted by Council	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	
B0501	Public Lighting Operating Costs		1,823,400	1,823,400	1,823,400	
B0502	Public Lighting Improvement		-	_	-	
B0599	Service Support Costs		187,557	200,994	201,011	
B05	Public Lighting		2,010,957	2,024,394	2,024,411	
B0601	Traffic Management		_	_	-	
	Traffic Maintenance		_	_	-	
	Traffic Improvement Measures		175,000	115,700	115,700	
	Service Support Costs		18,795	18,802	19,013	
B06	Traffic Management Improvement		193,795	134,502	134,713	
B0701	Low Cost Remedial Measures		281,000	213,000	201,000	
	Other Engineering Improvements				-	
	Service Support Costs		83,358	85,071	93,049	
B07	Road Safety Engineering Improvement		364,358	298,071	294,049	
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D0001	School Wardens		141,100	141 100	141 100	
	Publicity and Promotion Road Safety		62,000	141,100 64,100	141,100 64,037	
	Service Support Costs		83,966	86,652	87,489	
B08	Road Safety Promotion & Education		287,066	291,852	292,626	
	Thouse during I remotion a Laudanen		207,000	201,002		
	Maintenance and Management of Car Parks		-	-	-	
	Operation of Street Parking		-	-	-	
	Parking Enforcement		-	-	-	
B0999	Service Support Costs		-	-	-	
509	Car Parking		-	-	-	
	Administration of Roads Capital Programme		-	-	-	
	Service Support Costs		1,489,916	1,419,635	1,461,138	
B10	Support to Roads Capital Prog		1,489,916	1,419,635	1,461,138	
B1101	Agency & Recoupable Service		853,200	815,600	930,189	
B1199	Service Support Costs		47,059	53,030	53,111	
B11	Agency & Recoupable Services		900,259	868,630	983,300	
В	Division Total		23,784,801	24,556,315	28,826,650	

Table F - Inc	come						
Division B - Road Transport & Safety							
	20)11	2010				
						Adopted by Council	Estimated Outturn
Income by Source	€	€	€	€			
Government Grants							
Environment, Heritage & Local Government		_	-	_			
Arts,Sports & Tourism		-	-	-			
NRA & DoT		12,603,900	12,817,400	17,636,840			
DTO		-	-	-			
Other Grants & Subsidies		-	-	-			
Total Government Grants		12,603,900	12,817,400	17,636,840			
Goods & Services							
Parking Fines &Charges		-	-	-			
Agency Services & Repayable Works		-	450,000	-			
Superannuation		376,316	390,898	385,391			
Local Authority Contributions		-	141,600	-			
Other income		962,200	463,500	1,068,682			
Total Goods & Services		1,338,516	1,445,998	1,454,073			
Division 'B' Total		13,942,416	14,263,398	19,090,913			

Table F - Expenditure **Division C - Water Services** 2010 2011 Adopted by **Estimated** Adopted by **Estimated** Council by Manager Outturn Council € € € **Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service** € C0101 Water Plants & Networks 7,034,800 8,386,200 7,505,687 C0199 Service Support Costs 2,729,827 2,442,732 2,740,526 C01 **Water Supply** 10,828,932 10,246,213 9,764,627 C0201 Waste Plants and Networks 8,933,200 9,492,500 9,061,313 C0299 Service Support Costs 1,134,984 1,139,527 1,118,825 10,632,027 10,180,138 C02 **Waste Water Treatment** 10,068,184 C0301 Debt Management Water and Waste Water 427,000 376,200 1,190,002 C0399 Service Support Costs 299.439 271.279 271.245 C03 **Collection of Water and Waste Water Charges** 647,479 1,461,247 726,439 C0401 Operation and Maintenance of Public Conveniences 63,000 80,600 83,503 C0499 Service Support Costs 5,394 5,514 5,506 C04 **Public Conveniences** 86,114 89.009 68,394 C0501 Grants for Individual Installations 8,500 7,900 8,318 C0502 Grants for Water Group Schemes 115,000 109,500 129,724 C0503 Grants for Waste Water Group Schemes C0504 Group Water Scheme Subsidies 157,500 159,782 181,400 C0599 Service Support Costs 56,691 75,197 75,864 C05 **Admin of Group and Private Installations** 361,591 350,097 373,688 C0601 Technical Design and Supervision C0699 Service Support Costs 568.304 596.311 651.463 C06 **Support to Water Capital Programme** 568,304 596,311 651,463 C0701 Agency & Recoupable Service 217,500 492,000 183,943 C0799 Service Support Costs 5,930 7,053 7,071 C07 Agency & Recoupable Services 499,053 191.014 223,430 С **Division Total** 23,612,006 23,137,620 21,864,128

Table F - Iı	ncome			
Division C - Water Services				
	20)11	2010	
	Adopted by Council	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council	Estimated Outturn
Income by Source	€	€	€	€
Government Grants				
Environment, Heritage & Local Government		715,200	209,700	879,709
Other Grants & Subsidies		-	-	-
Total Government Grants		715,200	209,700	879,709
Goods & Services				
Commercial Water		3,088,400	2,759,000	2,817,686
Domestic Waste Water		-	-	-
Commercial Waste Water		1,580,400	1,109,200	1,178,746
Agency Services & Repayable Works		-	-	-
Superannuation		290,518	301,775	297,523
Local Authority Contributions		65,000	80,000	21,576
Other income		1,145,500	1,409,000	1,156,944
Total Goods & Services		6,169,818	5,658,975	5,472,475
Division 'C' Total		6,885,018	5,868,675	6,352,184

Table F - Expenditure **Division D - Development Management** 2010 2011 Adopted by **Estimated** Adopted by **Estimated** Outturn Council by Manager Council € € € **Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service** € D0101 Statutory Plans and Policy 333,700 562,300 574,002 D0199 Service Support Costs 2,228 2,554 2,559 D01 **Forward Planning** 564,854 576,561 335,928 D0201 Planning Control 2,862,100 2,923,800 3,077,842 D0299 Service Support Costs 1,240,983 1,251,266 1,276,666 4,175,066 4,354,508 D02 **Development Management** 4,103,083 D0301 Enforcement Costs 536,700 548,100 516,734 D0399 Service Support Costs D03 **Enforcement** 548,100 516,734 536,700 **D0401 Industrial Sites Operations** 40,000 D0403 Management of & Contribs to Other Commercial Facs 39,000 60,700 D0404 General Development Promotion Work 501,200 500,092 671,600 29,502 30,297 D0499 Service Support Costs 29,916 **Industrial and Commercial Facilities** 591,816 570,389 D04 740,102 D0501 Tourism Promotion 211,400 214,900 209,567 D0502 Tourist Facilities Operations D0599 Service Support Costs 18,132 18,219 18,399 D05 **Tourism Development and Promotion** 229,532 233,119 227,966 D0601 General Community & Enterprise Expenses 587,000 546,000 543,582 D0602 RAPID Costs 61,700 92,900 65,339 D0603 Social Inclusion 89,600 15,000 111,329 280,750 278,027 D0699 Service Support Costs 288,549 **D06** 931,927 1,008,799 **Community and Enterprise Function** 1,019,050 D0701 Unfinished Housing Estates 58,100 121,300 58,392 D0799 Service Support Costs D07 **Unfinished Housing Estates** 121,300 58,392 58,100

Table F - Expenditure **Division D - Development Management** 2010 2011 Adopted by **Estimated** Adopted by **Estimated** Council by Manager Outturn Council € € € **Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service** € 2,000 5,000 236 D0801 Building Control Inspection Costs D0802 Building Control Enforcement Costs 106,107 D0899 Service Support Costs 106,729 106,857 106,343 D08 **Building Control** 108,729 111,857 D0901 Urban and Village Renewal D0902 EU Projects D0903 Town Twinning 15,000 D0904 European Office D0905 Economic Development & Promotion D0999 Service Support Costs 28,460 28,232 32,607 D09 **Economic Development and Promotion** 43,460 28,232 32,607 D1001 Property Management Costs D1099 Service Support Costs D10 **Property Management** D1101 Heritage Services 145,000 164,800 164,566 D1102 Conservation Services 73,500 73,500 72,549 **D1103 Conservation Grants** 130,000 130,000 130,000 D1199 Service Support Costs 50,283 51,592 52,171 419,286 D11 **Heritage and Conservation Services** 398,783 419,892 D1201 Agency & Recoupable Service 55,000 55,000 55,000 D1299 Service Support Costs 40,357 40,183 40,526 D12 Agency & Recoupable Services 95,183 95,526 95,357 D **Division Total** 7,821,346 7,967,111 7,668,824

Table F - Income				
Division D - Development Management				
	20	11	2010	
	Adopted by Council	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council	Estimated Outturn
Income by Source	€	€	€	€
Government Grants				
Environment, Heritage & Local Government		35,000	34,200	92,097
Arts,Sports & Tourism		-	-	-
Other Grants & Subsidies		172,900	330,100	282,263
Total Government Grants		207,900	364,300	374,360
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Goods & Services				
Planning Fees		793,300	1,487,400	651,288
Agency Services & Repayable Works		-	-	-
Superannuation		139,955	145,379	143,331
Sale/leasing of other property/Industrial Sites		-	-	-
Local Authority Contributions		107,500	154,700	142,297
Other income		31,800	37,500	31,706
Total Goods & Services		1,072,555	1,824,979	968,622
Division 'D' Total		1,280,455	2,189,279	1,342,982

Table F - Expenditure **Division E - Environmental Services** 2010 2011 Adopted by **Estimated** Adopted by Estimated Council Outturn Council by Manager € € € **Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service** € **E0101 Landfill Operations** E0102 Contribution to other LAs - Landfill Facilities E0103 Landfill Aftercare Costs. 200,000 201,200 200,000 22,188 E0199 Service Support Costs 20,960 22,152 E01 **Landfill Operation and Aftercare** 222,152 222,188 222,160 **E0201 Recycling Facilities Operations** 552,100 576,900 576,148 E0202 Bring Centres Operations 112,000 110,000 111,677 E0204 Other Recycling Services 9.000 11.000 11.000 103,117 107,960 109,719 **E0299 Service Support Costs** E02 **Recovery & Recycling Facilities Operations** 776,217 805,860 808,544 E0301 Waste to Energy Facilities Operations E0399 Service Support Costs E03 **Waste to Energy Facilities Operations** E0401 Recycling Waste Collection Services 2.000 2.000 2,000 E0402 Organic Waste Collection Services E0403 Residual Waste Collection Services E0404 Commercial Waste Collection Services E0406 Contribution to Waste Collection Services E0407 Other Costs Waste Collection 127,500 192,300 200,444 E0499 Service Support Costs 146,588 124,152 128,715 E04 **Provision of Waste to Collection Services** 276,088 318,452 331,159 E0501 Litter Warden Service 128.614 125.200 133.100 E0502 Litter Control Initiatives 107,000 87,000 106,035 E0503 Environmental Awareness Services E0599 Service Support Costs 125,873 52,334 56,053 E05 Litter Management 272,434 290,702 358.073 793,037 E0601 Operation of Street Cleaning Service 718,400 826,500 E0602 Provision and Improvement of Litter Bins

E0699 Service Support Costs

Street Cleaning

E06

135,200

928,237

134,414

960,914

129,406

847,806

Table F - Expenditure				
Division E - Environmental Services				
	20	11	20	10
	Adopted by Council	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council	Estimated Outturn
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	€	€	€	€
E0701 Monitoring of Waste Regs (incl Private Landfills)		2,830,800	2,867,200	4,016,523
E0702 Enforcement of Waste Regulations		267,400	271,800	281,627
E0799 Service Support Costs		1,291,577	1,366,110	1,365,694
E07 Waste Regulations, Monitoring and Enforcement		4,389,777	4,505,110	5,663,844
E0801 Waste Management Plan		50,000	_	_
E0802 Contrib to Other Bodies Waste Management Planning		-	_	_
E0899 Service Support Costs		_	_	_
E08 Waste Management Planning		50,000	-	-
E0901 Maintenance of Burial Grounds		92 600	114,600	222 277
E0999 Service Support Costs		82,600	211,660	322,377 186,507
E099 Maintenance of Burial Grounds		305,378 387,978	326,260	508,884
Los mantenance of Buriar Grounds		307,970	320,200	300,004
E1001 Operation Costs Civil Defence		236,500	233,700	200,867
E1002 Dangerous Buildings		-	-	-
E1003 Emergency Planning		-	-	-
E1004 Derelict Sites		101,800	100,500	92,534
E1005 Water Safety Operation		97,100	101,800	127,686
E1099 Service Support Costs		60,278	62,872	63,749
E10 Safety of Structures and Places		495,678	498,872	484,836
E1101 Operation of Fire Brigade Service		3,750,800	3,608,000	3,772,548
E1103 Fire Services Training		190,000	175,400	176,500
E1104 Operation of Ambulance Service		-	-	-
E1199 Service Support Costs		147,562	155,543	152,741
E11 Operation of Fire Service		4,088,362	3,938,943	4,101,789
E1201 Fire Safety Control Cert Costs		39,900	46,900	49,831
E1202 Fire Prevention and Education		154,900	147,500	155,425
E1203 Inspection & Monitoring of Commercial Facilities		-	-	-
E1299 Service Support Costs		42,273	42,423	43,222
E12 Fire Prevention		237,073	236,823	248,478

	Table F - Expenditure				
Division E - Environmental Services					
		2011 2010			
		Adopted by Council	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council	Estimated Outturn
E	Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	€	€	€	€
E1301	Water Quality Management		127,700	178,400	169,828
E1302	Licensing and Monitoring of Air and Noise Quality		-	-	-
E1399	Service Support Costs		839,404	842,344	823,546
E13	Water Quality, Air and Noise Pollution		967,104	1,020,744	993,374
E1401	Agency & Recoupable Service		19,800	19,800	19,800
E1499	Service Support Costs		180	220	221
E14	Agency & Recoupable Services		19,980	20,020	20,021
E	Division Total		13,116,296	13,126,584	14,602,056

Table F - Income				
Division E - Environmental Services				
	20	2011		10
	Adopted by Council	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council	Estimated Outturn
Income by Source	€	€	€	€
Government Grants				
Environment, Heritage & Local Government		705,600	799,300	685,979
Social & Family Affairs		-	-	-
Defence		-	-	-
Other Grants & Subsidies		12,000	32,000	20,000
Total Government Grants		717,600	831,300	705,979
Goods & Services				
Domestic Refuse Charges		-	_	-
Commercial Refuse Charges		-	-	-
Agency Services & Repayable Works		-	-	-
Superannuation		135,195	140,435	138,457
Landfill Charges		50,000	50,000	50,000
Fire Charges		260,000	260,000	384,881
Local Authority Contributions		3,000	8,000	-
Other income		3,304,500	3,306,700	4,864,651
Total Goods & Services		3,752,695	3,765,135	5,437,989
Division 'E' Total		4,470,295	4,596,435	6,143,968

Table F - Expenditure					
Division F - Recreation and Amenity					
	2011 2010			10	
	Adopted by Council	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council	Estimated Outturn	
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	€	€	€	€	
F0101 Leisure Facilities Operations		691,000	652,200	703,005	
F0103 Contribution to External Bodies Leisure Facilities		72,100	82,300	92,292	
F0199 Service Support Costs		191,462	198,720	199,880	
F01 Leisure Facilities Operations		954,562	933,220	995,177	
F0201 Library Service Operations		2,266,900	2,235,300	2,240,838	
F0202 Archive Service		-	-	-	
F0204 Purchase of Books, CD's etc.		145,800	187,700	234,223	
F0205 Contributions to Library Organisations		38,000	55,000	56,947	
F0299 Service Support Costs		815,585	816,487	849,981	
F02 Operation of Library and Archival Service		3,266,285	3,294,487	3,381,989	
F0301 Parks, Pitches & Open Spaces		54,100	58,700	63,937	
F0302 Playgrounds		-	, -	-	
F0303 Beaches		49,000	57,400	46,702	
F0399 Service Support Costs		28,661	29,217	29,353	
F03 Outdoor Leisure Areas Operations		131,761	145,317	139,992	
F0401 Community Grants		33,000	33,000	30,000	
F0402 Operation of Sports Hall/Stadium		-	_	-	
F0403 Community Facilities		236,800	265,300	258,309	
F0404 Recreational Development		108,100	108,500	114,799	
F0499 Service Support Costs		96,050	98,948	101,480	
F04 Community Sport and Recreational Development		473,950	505,748	504,588	
F0501 Administration of the Arts Programme		177,100	197,500	195,268	
F0502 Contributions to other Bodies Arts Programme		290,000	290,900	298,707	
F0503 Museums Operations		-	-	-	
F0504 Heritage/Interpretive Facilities Operations		_	-	-	
F0505 Festivals & Concerts		_	-	-	
F0599 Service Support Costs		68,796	70,174	72,191	
F05 Operation of Arts Programme		535,896	558,574	566,166	

	Table F - Expenditure				
Division F - Recreation and Amenity					
		Adopted by Council Estimated by Manager		2010	
				Adopted by Council	Estimated Outturn
ı	Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	€	€	€	€
F0601	Agency & Recoupable Service		-	10,000	-
F0699	Service Support Costs		2,119	2,104	2,099
F06	Agency & Recoupable Services		2,119	12,104	2,099
F	Division Total		5,364,573	5,449,450	5,590,011

Table F - Income					
Division F - Recreation and Amenity					
	20	2011		10	
	Adopted by Council	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council	Estimated Outturn	
Income by Source	€	€	€	€	
Government Grants					
Environment, Heritage & Local Government		-	-	-	
Education and Science		-	-	-	
Arts,Sports and Tourism		-	-	-	
Social & Family Affairs		-	-	-	
Library Council		-	-	-	
Arts Council		30,000	69,000	50,747	
Other Grants & Subsidies		-	-	-	
Total Government Grants		30,000	69,000	50,747	
Goods & Services					
Recreation/Amenity/Culture		215,000	220,000	217,313	
Library Fees/Fines		55,000	55,000	53,598	
Agency Services & Repayable Works		-	-	-	
Superannuation		106,802	110,943	109,379	
Local Authority Contributions		45,400	138,000	105,499	
Other income		83,300	95,800	102,097	
Total Goods & Services		505,502	619,743	587,886	
Division 'F' Total		535,502	688,743	638,633	

Table F - Expenditure				
Division G - Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare				
	20	11	2010	
	Adopted by Council	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council	Estimated Outturn
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	€	€	€	€
G0101 Maintenance of Land Drainage Areas		-	-	-
G0102 Contributions to Joint Drainage Bodies		-	-	-
G0103 Payment of Agricultural Pensions		26,700	26,700	27,218
G0199 Service Support Costs		348	361	360
G01 Land Drainage Costs		27,048	27,061	27,578
G0201 Operation of Piers		-	-	-
G0203 Operation of Harbours		_	-	-
G0299 Service Support Costs		_	-	-
G02 Operation and Maintenance of Piers and Harbours		-	-	-
G0301 General Maintenance - Costal Regions		_	-	-
G0302 Planned Protection of Coastal Regions		_	-	-
G0399 Service Support Costs		_	-	-
G03 Coastal Protection		-	-	-
G0401 Provision of Veterinary Service		1,600	1,600	1,669
G0402 Inspection of Abattoirs etc		299,800	310,700	305,152
G0403 Food Safety		12,100	11,500	12,308
G0404 Operation of Dog Warden Service		158,500	169,700	146,139
G0405 Other Animal Welfare Services (incl Horse Control)		-	· -	· -
G0499 Service Support Costs		84,581	85,037	86,095
G04 Veterinary Service		556,581	578,537	551,363
G0501 Payment of Higher Education Grants		3,500,000	3,500,000	4,457,079
G0502 Administration Higher Education Grants		83,900	31,100	31,414
G0503 Payment of VEC Pensions		904,300	904,300	904,300
G0504 Administration VEC Pension			-	- ,3
G0505 Contribution to VEC		31,000	31,000	31,000
G0506 Other Educational Services		- ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	-	- ,3
G0507 School Meals		_	-	_
G0599 Service Support Costs		67,379	82,342	82,613
G05 Educational Support Services		4,586,579	4,548,742	5,506,406

Table F - Expenditure					
Division G - Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare					
	20	11	2010		
	Adopted by Council	1 1		Estimated Outturn	
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	€	€	€	€	
G0601 Agency & Recoupable Service		3,002,400	2,937,000	2,986,531	
G0699 Service Support Costs		1,802	2,202	2,209	
G06 Agency & Recoupable Services		3,004,202	2,939,202	2,988,740	
G Division Total		8,174,410	8,093,542	9,074,087	

Table F - Income					
Division G - Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare					
	20	2011		2010	
	Adopted by Council	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council	Estimated Outturn	
Income by Source	€	€	€	€	
Government Grants					
Environment, Heritage & Local Government		-	-	-	
Education and Science		3,480,000	3,480,000	4,437,605	
Arts,Sports & Tourism		-	-	-	
Transport and Marine		-	-	-	
Other Grants & Subsidies		4,091,700	4,076,300	4,115,831	
Total Government Grants		7,571,700	7,556,300	8,553,436	
Goods & Services					
Agency Services & Repayable Works		-	-	-	
Superannuation		7,602	7,896	7,785	
Contributions by other local authorities		-	-	-	
Other income		121,600	124,600	103,284	
Total Goods & Services		129,202	132,496	111,069	
Division 'G' Total		7,700,902	7,688,796	8,664,505	

Table F - Expenditure **Division H - Miscellaneous Services** 2010 2011 Adopted by **Estimated** Adopted by **Estimated** Council Outturn by Manager Council € € € **Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service** € H0101 Maintenance of Machinery Service H0102 Plant and Machinery Operations H0199 Service Support Costs H01 **Profit & Loss Machinery Account** H0201 Purchase of Materials, Stores H0202 Administrative Costs Stores H0203 Upkeep of Buildings, stores H0299 Service Support Costs H02 **Profit & Loss Stores Account** H0301 Administration of Rates Office 108,000 104,000 118,516 H0302 Debt Management Service Rates 172,100 168,700 153,432 302,500 302.500 352,500 H0303 Refunds and Irrecoverable Rates 67,264 68,078 68,974 H0399 Service Support Costs H03 **Adminstration of Rates** 643,278 693,422 649,864 155,800 132,200 166,027 H0401 Register of Elector Costs H0402 Local Election Costs 60,000 60,000 2,060 H0499 Service Support Costs 82,450 86,941 93,633 H04 **Franchise Costs** 279,141 261,720 298,250 H0501 Coroner Fees and Expenses 203,800 203,800 169,542 H0502 Operation of Morgue H0599 Service Support Costs 3,906 3,906 3,646 H05 **Operation of Morgue and Coroner Expenses** 207,706 173,448 207.446 H0601 Weighbridge Operations 10,000 10,000 1,911 H0699 Service Support Costs 798 975 978 H06 Weighbridges 10,975 2,889 10,798 H0701 Operation of Markets H0702 Casual Trading Areas H0799 Service Support Costs H07 **Operation of Markets and Casual Trading**

Table F - Expenditure **Division H - Miscellaneous Services** 2010 2011 Adopted by **Estimated** Adopted by **Estimated** Council Council by Manager Outturn € € € € **Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service** H0801 Malicious Damage H0899 Service Support Costs H08 **Malicious Damage** H0901 Representational Payments 485,000 524,000 483,925 40,000 H0902 Chair/Vice Chair Allowances 39,000 32,193 185,000 175,000 185,101 H0903 Annual Allowances LA Members H0904 Expenses LA Members 90,100 105,000 100,098 H0905 Other Expenses 24.000 24.000 24.000 H0906 Conferences Abroad 10,000 10,000 18,059 H0907 Retirement Gratuities 96,000 50,000 100,000 H0908 Contribution to Members Associations 17,900 18,300 18,615 H0999 Service Support Costs 594,650 567,798 579,691 1,541,682 H09 Local Representation & Civic Leadership 1,514,098 1,541,650 1,096,800 1,056,200 H1001 Motor Taxation Operation 1,052,358 H1099 Service Support Costs 565,734 566,789 574,776 H10 **Motor Taxation** 1,622,989 1,627,134 1,662,534 H1101 Agency & Recoupable Service 2,471,800 2,293,600 3,327,683 H1102 NPPR 2,958 3,000 H1199 Service Support Costs 402,902 446,578 433,110 H11 3,763,751 **Agency & Recoupable Services** 2,877,702 2,740,178 Н **Division Total** 7,248,244 7,018,365 8,064,046 **Overall Total** 98,273,297 100,188,201 108,177,096

Table F - Income					
Division H - Miscellaneous Services					
	20	2011		2010	
la como las Occasion	Adopted by Council	Estimated by Manager		Estimated Outturn	
Income by Source	€	€	€	€	
Government Grants					
Environment, Heritage & Local Government		55,000	55,000	38,662	
Agriculture Fisheries and Food		-	-	-	
Social & Family Affairs		-	-	-	
Justice Equality and Law Reform		27,000	44,000	6,705	
Non Dept HFA and BMW		-	-	-	
Other Grants & Subsidies		5,000	36,400	11,931	
Total Government Grants		87,000	135,400	57,298	
Goods & Services					
Agency Services & Repayable Works		_	_	_	
Superannuation		102,132	106,089	104,594	
NPPR		850,000	676,900	804,098	
Contributions by other local authorities		758,700	852,100	1,119,953	
Other income		1,708,600	1,635,500	2,604,481	
Total Goods & Services		3,419,432	3,270,589	4,633,126	
Division 'H' Total		3,506,432	3,405,989	4,690,424	
Overall Total		48,504,897	48,655,401	56,644,254	

Appendix 1				
SUMMARY OF CENTRAL MANAGEMENT CHARGE FOR YEAR 2011				
	2011	2010		
Description	€	€		
Area Office Overhead	-	-		
Corporate Affairs Overhead	1,225,800	1,011,800		
Corporate Buildings Overhead	1,643,600	1,649,000		
Finance Function Overhead	879,500	1,227,200		
Human Resource Function Overhead	2,005,400	2,151,400		
IT Services Overhead	2,232,600	2,373,600		
Print & Post Room Service Overhead	230,000	190,300		
Pension & Lump Sum Overhead	4,233,300	4,166,400		
Total Expenditure Allocated to Services	12,450,200	12,769,700		

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I hereby certify that at the budget meeting of Meath County Council held this 9th day of December, 2010 the Council by Resolution adopted for the financial year ending on the 31st day of December, 2011 the budget set out in Tables A -F and by Resolution determined in accordance with the said budget the Rates set out in Tables A and C to be the annual rate on valuation to be levied for that year for the purposes set out in those Tables.

Signed	Cathaoirleach
Countersigned	Head of Finance
Dated this d	ay of, 2.