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Ordinary Meeting

14th May 2018, Council Chamber

Presiding

Cathaoirleach, Councillor Gerry O' Connor

Councillors Present:

Councillors Joe Bonner, Sinead Burke, Eugene Cassidy, Francis Deane, Seán Drew, Eimear Ferguson, Brian Fitzgerald, Padraig Fitzsimons, Enda Flynn, Wayne Forde, Joe Fox, Noel French, Michael Gallagher, David Gilroy, Trevor Golden, Johnny Guirke, Wayne Harding, Jim Holloway, Suzanne Jamal, Sharon Keogan, Nick Killian, Caroline Lynch, Stephen McKee, Ronan McKenna, Paddy Meade, Maria Murphy, Maria O' Kane, Damien O' Reilly, Darren O'Rourke, Bryan Reilly, Joe Reilly, Sarah Reilly, Tommy Reilly, Seán Smith, Alan Tobin, Gillian Toole.

Apologies: Cllrs. Tom Kelly, Claire O'Driscoll, Sharon Tolan,

Officials in attendance:

Chief Executive: Jackie Maguire

Directors of Service: Des Foley, Fiona Lawless, Barry Lynch, Kevin Stewart

Meetings' Administrator: Olive Falsey

Senior Executive Officers: Larry Whelan, Dara McGowan, Fiona Fallon, David Jones

Finance Staff: Paul Timoney, Financial Accountant, Sheila Harkin, Management Accountant

1 Confirmation of Minutes

1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary meeting held on 9th April 2018.

The minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 9th April 2018 were confirmed on the proposal of **Councillor Francis Deane** and seconded by **Councillor Michael Gallagher**.

2 Matters arising from the Minutes

No matters arising



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3 Expressions of Sympathy and Congratulations

Sympathy was extended to:

- Kathleen Kelly, School Warden, Ashbourne Municipal District on the death of her husband Hugh Kelly.
- Pat McCabe, Foreman, Kells Municipal District and Teresa Carr, Housing Department, on the death of their father/uncle Paddy McCabe.
- The family of the late Joe Bray, former employee in the Corporate Services Department.
- Emma Smyth, Water Services, on the death of her sister Mary Maguire.
- Angela Fahy, Human Resources, on the death of her brother-in-law Michael Healy.
- Deirdre MacDermott, Corporate Services, on the death of her aunt Monica Barnes, former T.D.
- The family of the late Fergus O'Rourke former employee and Head of Information Systems.

The Chief Executive extended deepest sympathy to the wife and family of the late Fergus O' Rourke and acknowledged his critical role in the development of the IT infrastructure in Buvinda House. The Whips reiterated their condolences and acknowledged his dedication and commitment as a public official.

Following the remarks, the Cathaoirleach proposed a recess of five minutes as a mark of respect. This was duly agreed by the Councillors.

Congratulations were extended to:

- All involved in the Darkness into Light walks that took place on 12th May.
- The Slane spinners on organising the recent SOSAD cycle.
- Daragh Hynes, Ratoath, winner of the Aldi All Ireland youth volunteer of the year and Meghan and Lucy Kelly, Polly Fagan and Sophie McLoughlin on their silver medal achievement.
- Sam Pidgeon, Ratoath, Kata martial arts athlete, individual 3rd place in European Championship in Budapest.
- Rathbeggan National School & Una Curran- 2nd overall primary school in Ireland, in the 'Mission Possible' mental health project.
- Stephen Daly, Powderlough, winner U.K. Formula 3 motor racing.
- Meath County Council Choir & Credo Vocal Ensemble on their 'Orbis Terrarum' recital in St. Anne's Chapel, Navan on 11th May.
- Vicky Phelan for her courage in relation to Cervical Smear issue.
- Councillor Noel French on his recent publication on the Boyne Valley.

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

No disposals



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5 Statutory Business

5.1 Finance

- 5.1.1 To receive and note the 3 Year Capital Programme 2018, under S.135 of the Local Government Act 2001.

The Chief Executive provided an overview of the 3 year Capital Programme and advised that it was a multi-annual programme, reviewed every year, and based on the mechanism of funding through capital grants, levies or borrowings. It was noted that strategic roads were now fully funded, which would allow for the release of additional road levies into the budget. It was also noted that the Capital programme included a Community Grant Scheme with €600,000 being provided each year, and that a draft scheme was currently being prepared and would be circulated to Councillors.

Fiona Lawless, Head of Finance, made the presentation which included detailed information on:

Sources of funding for all Capital spend in respect of the following sub-divisions:

- Service Division A – Housing & Building
- Service Division B – Transportation & Safety
- Service Division D – Development Incentives & Controls
- Service Division E – Environmental Services
- Service Division F – Recreation & Amenity
- Service Division H – Miscellaneous Services

It was noted that the actual Capital spend between 2015 – 2017 was €111m., and the proposed Capital spend between 2018-2020 would be €302m.

Following the presentation, Councillors raised a number of issues and sought clarification on some particulars of the presentation. The Councillors welcomed many elements of the Capital Plan and the main matters raised included:

- Ratoath outer relief road and works at Dunboyne and Pace.
- The Ashbourne Park and the Ashbourne Housing project.
- Progression of the Hill of Tara project.
- 2nd phase of distribution road at Farganstown.
- Railway line to Navan should be prioritised.



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- Variation of Trim Local Area Plan.
- Improvements needed to road to Loughcrew.
- Fire Service for East Meath should be examined.
- Bridge across the Blackwater river, Navan, and if it can be included in LIHAF.

- 5.1.2 To receive an update on Meath County Council's local government funding submission.

Fiona Lawless, Head of Finance, provided the update and advised that the preparation of the funding submission was at an advanced stage. It was noted that a progress report, based on the last census figures, was being prepared and would be presented to Councillors at the June meeting.

5.2 Planning and Economic Development

- 5.2.1 To receive an update on the draft County Development Plan

Kevin Stewart, Director of Services, provided the update and noted the decision to pause the process and not to issue the draft plan in accordance with S11(5), based on the advice and guidance from the Department, the legal advice obtained and the knowledge and experience of the C.D.P. and R.S.E.S. process.

It was also noted that the legislation provides that the timeline will recommence following adoption of the R.S.E.S. for the region. A draft plan, consistent with the provisions and policies in the adopted R.S.E.S., will then be presented to the Councillors for consideration and the process will recommence from the point at which it was paused. Councillors were also advised of the possibility that a number of Variations to the current plan may be needed to deal with specific issues and details will be brought to the SPC and to the full Council as they arise.

Following the update, a lengthy debate took place, with Councillors highlighting the various issues affecting the development of the county. Responses and clarifications were provided by Kevin Stewart on the matters raised.

- 5.2.2 To receive a presentation on the work programme of the Local Enterprise Office.

Joe English, Head of Meath LEO, made a presentation which included information on the following activities:



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- Mentoring and Business Advisory services
- Financial Supports
- Promoting an Enterprise Culture
- Training
- Student Enterprise
- Integration with Economic Development

Following the presentation, Councillors had an opportunity for comment and questions. Responses were provided on any matters raised.

5.3 Community

- 5.3.1 To receive details of and approve the allocations under the Community Grants Scheme 2018, as recommended by the Housing, Community & Cultural Development SPC on 10th April 2017.

Approved on the proposal of **Councillor Damien O' Reilly** and seconded by **Councillor Jim Holloway**.

- 5.3.2 To receive details of, and approve, the allocations under the Regional Festivals and Participative Events – Small Grants Scheme in Co. Meath 2018 as recommended by the Housing, Community & Cultural Development SPC on 4th May 2018.

Approved on the proposal of **Councillor Noel French** and seconded by **Councillor Wayne Harding**.

5.4 Housing

- 5.4.1 To approve the raising of loan finance of €2.3 million from the Housing Finance Agency for the purpose of acquiring lands at Ashbourne from the Department of Education & Skills.

Barry Lynch, Director of Service, provided the background information in relation to the raising of the loan and the processes involved. Following a lengthy debate on the matter and further clarification from Barry Lynch, the raising of the loan finance was approved on the proposal of **Councillor Sarah Reilly** and seconded by **Councillor Darren O' Rourke**.

6 Reports

- 6.1 Chief Executive's Report



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The Chief Executive advised the CPG in relation to the item of correspondence (7.1). The targets received by Meath County Council for the delivery of houses for the period 2017 – 2021 were outlined. It was noted that the target for 2018 given to Meath County Council was 225, but that the Council indicated that it was in a position to deliver 316 in 2018. However, following a redistribution of the target figures Meath County Council's target for 2018 is now 326.

The Chief Executive also clarified that, in relation to media reports on the categorisation of homelessness and the breakdown process used in Meath, the Council was never asked, and did not refuse, to change its figures or the process.

Councillors sought clarification on a number of matters in the Chief Executive's report. The main issues raised and discussed included:

Housing:

- The plan for houses in Oldcastle was welcomed.
- Further clarity requested on affordable sites in Donore.
- Update requested re works in Ashbourne.
- Update requested re purchase of land in Ratoath/Ashbourne.
- Information requested on location of Part V discussions.

Environment:

- Schemes and campaigns in relation to illegal dumping and anti litter were welcomed.

Finance:

- Home loans –discretion should be used in assessment of applications in certain cases.

Community:

- Update requested re contract on management of Comhairle na nÓg.
- Broadband delivery in south Meath is critical for businesses.

Responses were provided by the Chief Executive and management team on the issues raised.

6.2 Report from the Corporate Policy Group

The Meetings Administrator advised that the Corporate Policy Group reviewed the agenda for the full Council meeting and received information on the particulars of some items. The CPG also noted the following reports from SPC meetings:

- Housing Community and Cultural SPC meetings held on the 10th April and the 4th May.
- Transportation SPC meeting held on the 26th April.
 - It was noted that the CPG considered two items as recommended by



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the Transportation SPC i.e. Winter Maintenance Programme and the criteria for the appointment of School Wardens.

6.3 Report from the Protocol Committee

The Meetings Administrator advised that the reports on conferences submitted by Councillors were noted, and a list of conferences relevant to the business of the Council was approved.

7 Correspondence

7.1 Correspondence from Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government re. social housing provision.

Noted by the Councillors.

7.2 Correspondence from the Department of Finance in response to Notice of Motion 9.5 adopted at the March 2018 meeting of the full Council re. criteria for eligibility for the Primary Medical Certificate.

Noted by the Councillors.

7.3 Correspondence re launch of Catchment Flood Risk Assessment and Management Plans (CFRAM) programme.

Noted by the Councillors.

7.4 Correspondence re Town and Village Renewal Scheme 2018.

Noted by the Councillors.

8 Notice of Question

8.1 Submitted by Councillor Sharon Keogan

“Can the Chief Executive please confirm that Buvinda House has been completed to the satisfaction of the management and compliant with all building regulations?”

Response



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Before a building can be occupied, the building has to meet certain safety standards. In the case of Buvinda House, substantial completion was reached in late 2017 and, as the building has received the relevant certification, it is now fully occupied. The project is currently in the period where unfinished works, or any issues identified, are in the process of being rectified.

Noted by the Councillors.

8.2 Submitted by Councillor Noel French

“How much is Meath County Council owed in unpaid house loans and how much in rent, how many tenants are in arrears for more than 3 months in rent or loans?”

Response

The figures in the table below outline the arrears for the period ending 31st March 2018. It should be noted that in regard to Housing Rents, Meath County Council has a collection rate of 89%, an increase of 2% on the previous year. There are approximately 3,000 live accounts and 200 of these are in payment plans. With regard to Housing Loans, there is a collection rate of 67%, an increase of 1% on the previous year. There are approximately 280 active loans. 34 of these are in the Mortgage Arrears Resolution Process (MARP) in an effort to find a sustainable solution, and a further 25 in payment plans. It is noted that in regard to both Housing Rents and Loans, Meath County Council engages with all customers in arrears with a view to reaching sustainable solutions to ensure that families can remain in their homes.

March 2018	Arrears	Customers in Arrears greater than 3 Months
Loans	610,952	63
Rents	1,270,110	472

Noted by the Councillors.

8.3 Submitted by Councillor Francis Deane



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“Has Meath County Council received any correspondence from the Department of Rural and Community Development in relation to the proposed greenway from Navan to Wilkinstown?”

Response

Under the Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme 2017, Meath County Council submitted an application for funding for phase 1 of the greenway from Navan to Wilkinstown. Unfortunately, the application was not successful.

The Rural Recreation Scheme 2018 has yet to be launched. When details of the scheme are known, and if the scheme criteria allows, an application for funding will again be submitted for the proposed greenway from Navan to Wilkinstown.

Noted by the Councillors.

8.4 Submitted by Councillor Maria O’Kane

With regards to Meath County Development Plan Ráth Cairn written statement (<https://meathcountydevelopmentplan.files.wordpress.com/2011/01/rathcairn-written-statement.pdf>) under Objectives/ Gaeltacht identity/ Gael Obj 1 please advise who will be carrying out the "Language Impact study" and how the impact will be assessed for multi-housing unit developments? In the case of these will the Irish language ability of each new prospective tenant be assessed as is the case with one-off housing? Can we expect conditions to be upheld and enforced with no Irish language officer in the county / Maidir le Plean Forbartha an Chontae na Mí, ráiteas scríofa Ráth Cairn, faoi Chuspóirí/Féiniúlacht Gaeltachta/Gael Obj 1 an féidir a insint cé a dhéanfaidh an t-imscrúdú tionchar teanga agus conas a dhéanfaí an tionchar a mheas i bhforbriúcháin ilaonad tithíochta? Sna cásanna seo an ndéanfar an cumas teanga sa Ghaeilge a mheas do gach tionónta ionchoisne mar a dhéantar i dtithíocht aonarach? An féidir linn tnúth le go gcuirfead na coinníollacha i bhfeidhm gan Oifigeach na Gaeilge sa Chontae?”

Response

The Meath County Development Plan 2013-2019 (RD OBJ 6) requires that a ‘Linguistic Impact Study be carried out before any application for housing (for single and multiple housing developments) is considered within the Gaeltacht Area.’ The current process involves the applicant liaising with the local Cumann with regards to satisfying this requirement. The Planning Department acknowledges the need to formalise a system to assess the Irish language proficiency of applicants. We are currently examining best practice in other counties that have similar policies in their Gaeltacht areas. It is intended to bring a proposal to the Planning SPC for its consideration shortly.



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In addition 10.13.1 of the CDP states ‘to assist in assessing the impact of the new residential development upon the use of Irish in the Gaeltachts, all planning applications for residential development, both single and multiple house developments, will be referred to the Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht and Údarás na Gaeltachta Management for comment.’

Noted by the Councillors.

8.5 Submitted by Councillor Darren O’Rourke

“To ask the Chief Executive in the experience of Meath County Council, what is the average time to take a major road upgrade eg. M1/M2/M3 from funding approval to design to completion? What is the shortest time, what is the longest time, and how long did the M2 take / Ceist a chur ar an bhPríomhfheidhmeannach, i dtaithí Comhairle Chontae na Mí, cad é an mhéanam ar uasghrádú mórbhóthar m.sh: M1/M2/M3 ó dheimhniú cistiúcháin go dearradh go críoch? Cad é an méid ama is lú agus is mó agus cén fhad a bhí i gceist i gcás an M2?”

Response

Following a review of a number of major schemes, and as each scheme differs in scale and complexity, the periods taken to complete the works vary. In most cases the projects took over 8 years to complete which tallies with recent confirmation from the TII, that national road schemes, as a rule, are taking between 8 and 12 years to complete. The M2 scheme (which was a 17 km motorway) took 8 years from the appointment of Consultants to the Official Opening.

Noted by the Councillors.

9 Notice of Motion

9.1 Submitted by Councillor Johnny Guirke

“Taking into account the underfunding and subsequent lack of infrastructure and amenities in parts of Meath, Meath County Council will make separate applications in respect of Oldcastle and Athboy under the €20m Action Plan for Rural Development funding announced by the Government recently /Aird tógtha ar an bhfóchistiúchán agus an easpa bonneagair agus áiseanna a lean as i gcodanna den Mhí, go ndéanfadh Comhairle Chontae na Mí iarratais ar leith i dtaobh an tSeanchaisleáin agus Baile Átha



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Buí faoin gcistiúchán B €20m de chuid an Phlean Gnímh d'Fhorbairt Tuaithe a d'fhógraigh an rialtas le déanaí.

Supporting Information subject to the motion being proposed, seconded and considered.

Since the launch of the Action Plan for Rural Development in January 2017, substantial funding has been made available to rural communities through the Local Authorities. Both the CLÁR and Town & Village Renewal Schemes are identified as funding mechanisms to deliver actions identified under the Action Plan for Rural Development. Under the 2018 Action Plan, €5 million has been allocated to the CLÁR programme with €15 million allocated to the Town & Village Renewal Scheme.

Within County Meath applications under the CLÁR and Town & Village Renewal Schemes have been made since 2016. The area designated in Co. Meath which qualifies under the CLÁR scheme is limited, and the funding is targeted at a specific number of electoral districts based on the deprivation index.

Since 2016, several towns and villages have benefited from CLÁR funding including: Ballinacree, Schools in Ballinlough, Ughtyneill, Kilsyre National School, Ballinacree & Maio, Tierworker, Moylagh National School and communities in Kilsyre and Killallon. In total, €232,000 has been allocated to the CLÁR areas of Co. Meath since 2016. A further 9 applications from Co. Meath have been submitted under the 2018 CLÁR Scheme and a decision is awaited on these.

Since the introduction of the Town & Village Renewal Scheme in 2016, numerous towns & villages throughout the county have benefitted from funding to the value of €1.3 million. The 2017 programme was based on a bidding process which required Meath County Council to submit a maximum of 15 projects in accordance with the scheme criteria. Meath County Council was successful in securing funding for the 15 projects with total grants of €905,000 which included €100,000 allocation to Athboy and €79,000 allocated to Oldcastle.

Meath County Council is now seeking expressions of interest from community groups for the 2018 Town & Village Renewal Scheme with further details available at www.meath.ie/community/communitygrants/townandvillagerenewal2018

The motion was proposed by **Councillor Johnny Guirke** and seconded by **Councillor Eimear Ferguson**.

Following a lengthy debate on the matter and based on the information provided, the motion was noted.

9.2 Submitted by Councillor Maria Murphy



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“We call on Meath County Council to employ a horticulturist/arborist who will develop and manage a policy for our trees & hedgerows.”

Supporting Information subject to the motion being proposed, seconded and considered.

Meath County Council’s staffing complement is informed by a workforce planning process. The aim of this process is to ensure that the Council is appropriately staffed so as to deliver required services.

The appointment of a horticulturist/arborist has not been included the workforce planning process to date. This is in part due to the availability of trained and skilled staff in the Council’s Transportation Department. The Council also utilises a framework of contractors in relation to the hedge-cutting programme.

The Meath County Development Plan 2013-2019 sets out a number of policies and objectives in relation to hedgerows and trees (NH POL 13, NH POL 14, NH POL 15, NH POL 16, NH POL 17, NH POL 18, NH POL 19, NH OBJ 5, NH OBJ 6, and NH OBJ 7). The *County Meath Biodiversity Action Plan 2015-2020* sets out a number of objectives and actions in relation to promoting awareness and understanding of county’s biodiversity (including hedgerows). Meath County Council organises educational/training events to promote best practice in biodiversity management (e.g. Boyne Valley Natural History Field Club and Community Biodiversity Plans).

It is noted that the national staffing approval requirements remain in place across the local government sector in terms of the creation of new positions. The Council must adhere to this as well as overall budgetary implications.

The motion was proposed by **Councillor Maria Murphy** and seconded by **Councillor Enda Flynn**. A lengthy debate took place on the motion, and it was agreed that the matter would be included in the 2019 budgetary discussions. The motion was adopted on that basis, and it was also agreed that it would be brought to the Transportation SPC for discussion.

9.3 Submitted by Councillor Alan Tobin

“To ask the Environment SPC to look at the feasibility of introducing a litter control bye law in Meath which forces all domestic and commercial waste collection companies to introduce a simple locking mechanism for the lids for all 1100, 660,240, 190 & 140 litre wheelie bins.”

Supporting Information subject to the motion being proposed, seconded and considered.

The National Waste Management Offices are, in accordance with objectives contained in the Regional Waste Management Plan 2015-2021 currently finalising draft Waste



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Presentation Bye Laws for Household & Commercial Waste. While waste presentation Bye Laws already exist in many Counties including Meath, it is considered that updating is needed as there have been a number of changes in national law since their adoption, including amendments to legislation affecting the activities of collectors of household waste and on the presentation of food waste by householders.

One of the provisions emerging in the preliminary draft document circulated to all Local Authorities is a requirement that the lids of bins shall be securely closed but does not provide for the introduction of a universal lock. It is considered that a lock would involve significant expense to the operators which would be passed on to the customer. It could also interfere significantly with route collection time schedules and result in further costs to customers. While it is known that some Collectors do offer locks which secure bins at all times, this is on an exceptional basis rather than the rule, and addressing situations which prevent access to bins by parties other than the household or commercial premises.

The introduction of the revised Bye-Laws will assist with giving additional powers to Local Authorities to target persistent offenders, who do not have appropriate arrangements in place for waste disposal. The draft Bye Laws, when finalised, will be the subject of discussion at SPC and full Council level and, thereafter, a public consultation phase and then back to the full Council for approval.

The motion proposed by **Councillor Alan Tobin** and seconded by **Councillor Noel French** was unanimously adopted.

9.4 Submitted by Councillor Noel French

“That Meath County Council asks the Department of Justice to introduce a Domestic Violence Disclosure Scheme.”

The motion, proposed by **Councillor Noel French** and seconded by **Councillor Maria Murphy**, was unanimously adopted.

9.5 Submitted by Councillor Alan Tobin

“That Meath County Council writes to Denis Naughten, Minister for Communications, Climate Action & Environment, asking his department to ban plastics which cannot be recycled and where there are alternative recyclable materials readily available to replace these plastics, namely polystyrene, PET & Polystyrene (PS). Currently, manufacturers of these hazardous materials take no action to ensure the plastics are returned or reused.”



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The motion, proposed by **Councillor Alan Tobin** and seconded by **Councillor Noel French**, was unanimously adopted.

9.6 Submitted by Councillor Maria Murphy

"We call on the Minister for Environment, Community & Local Government to commence a consultation with a view to tightening legislation on posterage during Referenda and Elections. The review should include such matters as the content and location of posters and also the period during which posters are displayed."

The motion, proposed by **Councillor Maria Murphy** and seconded by **Councillor Enda Flynn**, was unanimously adopted.

9.7 Submitted by Councillor Wayne Forde

"Can I call on Minister For Health Simon Harris to request the HSE to review the decision to restrict the use of Versatis pain relief patches to patients in chronic pain outside those experiencing post herpetic neuralgia , and to revert back to the pre December status while this review is been undertaken"

The motion was proposed by **Councillor Wayne Forde** and seconded by **Councillor Seán Smith**.

It was agreed to consider motion **9.8**, proposed by **Councillor Darren O' Rourke** and seconded by **Eimear Ferguson**.

Councillor Gillian Toole proposed an amendment to the motions i.e. to delete the wording *'and to revert back to the pre December status while this review is been undertaken'*

This was agreed and both motions were duly adopted.

An extension of time (10 minutes) was agreed on the proposal of the **Cathaoirleach** and seconded by **Councillor Wayne Harding**.

9.8 Submitted by Councillor Darren O'Rourke

"Meath County Council calls on the Minister for Health Deputy Simon Harris to request the HSE to review the decision to restrict the use of Versatis pain relief patches to patients in chronic pain outside those experiencing post herpetic neuralgia, and to revert to the Pre December status while this review is being undertaken / /Éalaíonn Comhairle Chontae na Mí ar an Aire Sláinte Simon Harris TD ceist a chur ar FSS athbhreithniú a



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dhéanamh ar an gcinneadh úsáid phaistí fhaoiseamh péine Versatis a shrianadh d'othair i bpian ainsealach lasmuigh d'iad sin ag fulaingt le neuralgia iar-herpatic agus dul ar ais chuig an stádas roimh-Nollaig fad is atá an t-athbhreithniú seo ar siúl."

See Item 9.7

9.9 Submitted by Councillor Caroline Lynch

"This Council requests that the Minister for Health immediately extend the availability on the long term illness scheme of the freestyle libra sensor to all Type 1 diabetics who request this life changing product and not restrict availability to those under 21 /Éalaíonn an Chomhairle seo ar an Aire Sláinte an freestyle libra sensor a chur ar fáil faoin scéim tinneas fadtéarmach láithreach do gach diaibéiteach cinéal 1 a iarraíonn an tairge seo, le cumas an saol a athrú, agus gan é a shrianadh do dhaoine faoi 21 amháin."

The motion, proposed by **Councillor Caroline Lynch** and seconded by **Councillor Noel French**, was unanimously adopted.

9.10 Submitted by Councillor Maria O'Kane

"Meath County Council calls on Senators to support the Control of Economic Activity (Occupied Territories) Bill, 2018, introduced by Senator Frances Black, which would prevent such goods and services being sold in Ireland / Éalaíonn Comhairle Chontae na Mí ar na Seanadóirí tacú leis an mBille Srian ar Gníomhaíocht Eacnamaíocht (Críocha faoi Fhorghabháil), 2018, curtha ag an Seanadóir Frances Black lena gcuirfí cosc ar dhíol na sheirbhísí agus tairgí seo in Éirinn"

The motion, proposed by **Councillor Maria O' Kane** and seconded by **Councillor Darren O'Rourke** was unanimously adopted.

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

10.1 Schedule of Chief Executive's Orders – Transportation

10.2 Schedule of Chief Executive's Orders – Environment

10.3 Schedule of Chief Executive's Orders – Housing

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



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Noted by the Councillors.

11 Presentations by other Bodies/Statutory Agencies

- 11.1 To receive a presentation from the Organisation of National Ex-Service Men and Women of the Defence Forces/Óglaigh Náisiúnta na hÉireann (O.N.E.)

Ollie O' Connor, O.N.E. made a presentation to the meeting on the work of Óglaigh Náisiúnta na hÉireann, which was noted by the Councillors.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the representatives for attending the meeting and it was agreed to fly their flag during the month of July to raise awareness of their fuschia appeal.

12 Any Other Business

- Councillor David Gilroy raised the issue of a recent incident at the home of **Councillor Paddy Meade**. The incident was unanimously condemned by the Councillors.
- **Councillors Brian Fitzgerald and Noel French** raised the matter of the removal of the structure at St. John's Well, Warrenstown, and noted that this was unacceptable given its place in the historical tradition of the community.