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Ordinary Meeting

1st October 2018, Council Chamber

1 Confirmation of Minutes

1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary meeting held on 3rd September 2018.

2 Matters arising from the Minutes

3 Expressions of Sympathy and Congratulations

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

5 Statutory Business

5.1 Finance

5.1.1 To amend resolution adopted on 2nd July 2018 to now read:

To approve the raising of a loan of €2,300,000 from the Housing Finance Agency to provide finance for approved house purchase applications, loan restructuring and other housing loan related activities, as authorised by the Housing Acts 1966-1992.

To amend resolution adopted on 3rd September 2018 to now read:

To approve the raising of a loan of €2,500,000 from the Housing Finance Agency to provide finance for approved house purchase applications, loan restructuring and other housing loan related activities, as authorised by the Housing Acts 1966-1992.

5.2 Planning

5.2.1 To consider the Chief Executive's Report on submissions received in respect of proposed amendments to the Meath County Development Contribution Scheme 2016-2021 and if thought fit, to resolve to make the amendments, or to vary or modify the amendments to the Scheme otherwise than as



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recommended in the Chief Executive's Report, or otherwise decide not to make amendments to the Meath County Development Contribution Scheme 2016-2021, in accordance with Section 48 of the Planning & Development Acts 2000-2018.

5.3 Economic

- 5.3.1 To receive a presentation from Dr. Pat McCloughan, PMCA Economic Consulting, on the Mid-Term Review of the Economic Development Strategy for County Meath 2014 – 2022.

5.4 Environment

- 5.4.1 To receive a report on the preparation of the draft County of Meath (Segregation, Storage and Presentation of Household and Commercial Waste) Bye-laws, 2018 and to resolve if thought fit to adopt same.

5.5 Community

- 5.5.1 To approve a replacement member of the Meath LCDC, Noel Maguire, representing SIPTU Meath.

6 Reports

- 6.1 Chief Executive's Report

- 6.2 Report from the Corporate Policy Group

- 6.2.1 To approve, as agreed by the CPG, on the recommendation of the Transportation SPC, the development of a policy and procedure document covering the appointment of School Wardens at new locations and the process for dealing with communication with schools and parents.

- 6.3 Report from the Protocol Committee

7 Correspondence

- 7.1 Correspondence from the Office of the Minister for Justice and Equality in response to Notice of Motion 9.4 adopted at the May 2018 meeting of the full Council re. Domestic Violence Disclosure Scheme.



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- 7.2 Correspondence from the Office of the Tánaiste in response to Notice of Motion 9.9 adopted at the April 2018 meeting of the full Council re. Passport Services.
- 7.3 Circular WP08/18 – Department of Communications, Climate Action & Environment re. Enforcement of National Waste Priority Household & Commercial Waste Management Compliance.

8 Notice of Question

8.1 Submitted by Councillor Francis Deane

“In relation to planning laws for take away businesses, how many outlets are permitted to operate within a street, for example, how many metres apart should the businesses be from each other and, if permission is granted, are there restrictions regarding opening hours?”

8.2 Submitted by Councillor Damien O’Reilly

“Can Meath County Council provide in tabular format how many new graveyard sites / fields have active Part 8 planning processes complete in Meath?”

8.3 Submitted by Councillor Trevor Golden

“What percentage of total street lighting has been upgraded to LED and what are the targets for the remaining upgrades?”

9 Notice of Motion

9.1 Submitted by Councillor Padraig Fitzsimons

“I propose the motion that Meath County Council seeks to acquire town centre properties, in order to provide 1 & 2 bed housing units, which are the most sought after by those on the housing list, thereby reducing numbers on the housing list and helping to regenerate town centre locations.”

9.2 Submitted by Councillor David Gilroy

“As the negative effects of derelict and vacant commercial properties on towns and villages across our county continue to hinder business and community growth, I call on



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Meath County Council to begin the process of reducing the rates rebate currently offered to owners of these properties.”

9.3 Submitted by Councillor Sinéad Burke

“In light of recent and hopefully future planned works on the water supply to County Meath, Meath County Council will compile a list of critical establishments in the county which will be notified directly and in advance of any water stoppages. This list should include and not exclusively schools, nursing homes etc. this notification will allow centres to make necessary arrangements and negate the need to constantly monitor council social media and press / Súil caite ar oibriúcháin a rinneadh le déanaí agus a dhéanfar sa todhchaí, le cúnamh Dé, go gcuirfeadh Comhairle Chontae na Mí liosta fhoirgnimh éigeandála sa chontae le chéile a gcuirfear ar an eolas go díreach agus roimh gearruithe uisce ar bith. Ba chóir do scoileanna, tithe altanais srl a bheith san áireamh ar an liosta. Leis an réamheolas seo ní bheadh orthu socrúcháin a dhéanamh agus a bheith ag braith ar mheáin sóisialta na Comhairle agus na nuachtáin.”

9.4 Submitted by Councillor Gillian Toole (deferred from September meeting)

“Meath County Council calls upon Minister Shane Ross to take responsibility for the immediate improvement in fare structure, customer service & service reliability of Bus Éireann to its customers in Meath.”

9.5 Submitted by Councillor Gillian Toole (deferred from September meeting)

“Meath County Council calls on the National Vetting Bureau of An Garda Síochána to introduce a system of uniform Garda vetting i.e. that one Garda vetting applies to all activities undertaken by a person in an organisation/ group/ club etc.”

9.6 Submitted by Councillor Caroline Lynch (deferred from September meeting)

“This Council calls on Minister Halligan to intervene to resolve the annual difficulties occurring with the school transport scheme because the criteria about concessionary ticket allocation is not fit for purpose / Éilíonn an Chomhairle ar an Aire Halligan gníomh a dhéanamh chun na deacrachtaí bliantúla a bhaineann leis an gcóras iompar scoile, toisc nach bhfuil na critéir a bhaineann le ticéidí lamháltais a chur ar fáil cuí, a réitiú.”

9.7 Submitted by Sinn Féin Councillors (deferred from September meeting)



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“This Council is deeply concerned about the imminent threat of closure of up to 390 Post Offices throughout the country and the threat to the long-term future of the remaining 690 Post Offices, and calls on Government to:

- 1. Enact ‘Private Members Dáil Motion of the 11th November, 2016.’*
- 2. Postpone the closure of Post Offices while the Kiwi Post Bank model for the Irish Post Office network is developed./ Éilíonn an Chomhairle seo ar an Rialtas*
- 1. An Rún Príobháideach na mBall Dála den 11 Samhain 2016 a chur chun feidhme*
- 2. Dúnadh na hOifigí Poist a chur ar athló go dtí go bhforbrófar an múnla Kiwi Post Bank do ghréasán na nOifigí Poist Éireannach.”*

9.8 Submitted by Councillor Michael Gallagher (deferred from September meeting)

“That Meath Co. Council calls on the Dept. of Justice and the Minister for Justice to reform the Irish Legal system as was suggested by the Troika when they arrived in Ireland / Éilíonn Comhairle Contae na Mí ar an Roinn agus an Aire Cirt athchóiriú a dhéanamh ar chóras dlíthúil na hÉireann de réir mar a dúirt an Troikea nuair a tháinig siad go hÉirinn.”

9.9 Submitted by Councillor Damien O’Reilly

“I call on Meath County Council, to write to the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government requesting the Minister to ensure that Local Authorities can continue to include local needs policies in County Development Plans, and that any guidelines on rural housing, issued as a consequence of the National Planning Framework, do not prevent the granting of rural planning permission in cases of genuine local need.”

9.10 Submitted by Councillor Trevor Golden

“To call on the Minister of Finance to abolish VAT on safety equipment for cyclists.”

9.11 Submitted by the Independent Technical Group

“To facilitate community lead CCTV schemes, the Council calls on the Minister for Justice and Equality to assign the role of Data Controller from the Chief Executives of the local authorities to an appropriate member of An Garda Síochána in each area.”

9.12 Submitted by Councillor Caroline Lynch



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“In view of the shortage of rented accommodation for HAP scheme can the Minister review the criteria for repair and rent scheme to change it from a loan scheme to a grant, to encourage more landlords to improve the quality of their properties and make them HAP compliant / Súil caite ar an easpa lóistín ar cíos don scéim HAP, ar mhiste leis an Aire athbhreithniú a dhéanamh ar an scéim athchóiriú agus cur ar cíos chun é a athrú ó scéim iasachta go deontas ar mhaithe lena thuilleadh tiarnaí talún a mhealladh chun caighdeán a maoine a fheabhsú agus iad a bheith oiriúnach don scéim HAP.”

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

11 Any Other Business

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