



Miontuairiscí / Meeting Minutes

Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise SPC

14 November, 2017, Council Chamber, Co. Hall, Railway Street, Navan

Attendees - Councillors: Cllrs. Alan Tobin (presided), Noel French, Brian Fitzgerald, Tom Kelly, Damien O'Reilly

Apologies: Cllrs. Darren O'Rourke, Joe Reilly, Ronan McKenna, Joe Fox, Trevor Golden

Attendees - Sectoral Representatives: Kieran Cummins, Seamus Miggins, Alan Watson, John V Farrelly

Apologies: Frank Harrington, Alan Byrne,

Officials: Kevin Stewart, Seán Clarke, Wendy Bagnall, Pat Gallagher, Mark Harrington, Pdraig Maguire, Mary Loughran, Irene Lynch, Alison Lynch, Fergal O'Bric, Turloch King, Sarah Lynch, Jennifer Murtagh, Orla O'Brien, Deirdre Healy, Ciara O'hAodha, Joe English

Meath County Councillors: Cllrs. Jim Holloway, Gerry O'Connor, Tommy Reilly, Paddy Meade

Item	Discussion / Action
1.	<p><u>Minutes of Previous Meeting</u></p> <p>The minutes of the previous meeting held on 25th October, 2017 were approved on the proposal of Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald and seconded as amended by Cllr. Tom Kelly.</p> <p>The amendment referred to a discussion that took place whereby Kieran Cummins advised that his submission relating to the NPF was not attached to the minutes. The Committee was advised that the NPF was a high level strategic document and as such the submission made by Meath County Council needed to be of a high level strategic nature and represent the policies as agreed by the Council. It was agreed to attach Mr. Cummins' submission as an addendum to the minute of the SPC.</p>
2	<p><u>To receive a presentation from Conor Simpson, Regional Manager for Mid-East and Dublin, IDA Ireland, on the IDA Strategy for the region of Meath, Kildare, Wicklow and Dublin.</u></p> <p>The Members received a presentation from Conor Simpson, Regional Manager for Mid-East and Dublin IDA Ireland, on the IDA Strategy for the region of Meath, Kildare, Wicklow and Dublin. The Members thanked Mr. Simpson for a very informative presentation and detailed discussion held thereafter.</p>



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	<p>Some of the points raised in the discussion included;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Need to promote the old NEC site in Ballivor• Preference of businesses to locate in large urban centres and a track record with companies in the area• Importance of a good public transport system• Property solutions and skills are critical• The benefits of providing hot-desking facilities• National Planning Framework will also be critical to the IDA
3.	<p><u>To receive a presentation from Mr. Gerard Kiely, Head of Representation, European Commission Representation in Ireland on 'The Future of Europe'.</u></p> <p>The Members received a presentation from Mr. Gerard Kiely, Head of Representation, European Commission Representation in Ireland on 'The Future of Europe'. The presentation included discussion on the possible effects Brexit will have on the Irish economy and a discussion followed.</p>
4.	<p><u>Any other Business</u></p> <p>No other business was raised</p>
5.	<p><u>To agree a date for the next meeting</u></p> <p>It was agreed that the next meeting would be scheduled some time in the first quarter of 2018.</p>

The meeting concluded at 1.30pm

Recommendations to the Corporate Policy Group (CPG)

None