



Miontuairiscí / Meeting Minutes

Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise SPC

19th December, 2018, Buvinda House, Dublin Road, Navan

Attendees - Cllrs. Alan Tobin (presided), Joe Fox, Noel French, Tom Kelly, Brian Fitzgerald,

Councillors: Damien O'Reilly

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

Attendees - Alan Watson,

Sectoral

Representatives: Apologies: Alan Byrne, John V Farrelly, Kieran Cummins, Frank Harrington,

Seamus Miggin

Officials: Jackie Maguire, Kevin Stewart, Seán Clarke, Wendy Bagnall, Alan Rogers,

Padraig Maguire, Ciara O'hAodha

Meath County

Cllrs. Jim Holloway, Tommy Reilly, Maria Murphy, Sarah Reilly, Conor Tormey

Councillors Gillian Toole, Sharon Keoghan, Joe Bonner

| Item | Discussion / Action |
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| | The meeting opened with the Chair offering his condolences to SPC member Cllr. Brian |
| | Fitzgerald on the death of his sister, Elizabeth Carroll. |
| 1. | Minutes of Previous Meeting |
| | The minutes of the previous meeting held on 17 th October, 2018 were approved on the proposal of Cllr. Noel French and seconded by Cllr. Joe Fox. |
| 2 | To agree a protocol with respect to the 'Linguistic Impact Study' required before any |
| | application for housing (for single and multiple housing developments) is considered |
| | within the Gaeltacht Area, as per Meath County Development Plan RD OBJ 6. And to |
| | receive a short briefing with respect to objective proposals for the Meath County |
| | Development Plan 2019-2025. |
| | The Members received a presentation from Seán Clarke, Senior Executive Officer, with |
| | regards to RD OBJ 6 of the Meath County Development Plan which requires a linguistic |
| | assessment to be carried out before any application can be made housing within the |
| | Gaeltacht Area. It was acknowledged that heretofore this objective had not been |
| | implemented but the Council now intended to procure two Irish Language speakers who |
| | could carry out the appropriate assessment. |





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3. To agree a protocol in relation to Circular Letter PL11/2018 - Waiving of fee for the making of observations or submissions on planning applications by elected members

The Members received a presentation from Seán Clarke, Senior Executive Officer_on Circular Letter PL11/2018 and the provisions of same. Members were reminded that submissions/observations made should be on their own personal behalf and not on behalf of constituents.

Members were also briefed on the difference between a submission/observation and a representation. They were advised that a representation was merely a statement of support or opposition and did not entitle them to appeal a decision.

4. <u>To receive a joint presentation from Wendy Bagnall, Senior Executive Planner and Dr. Pat McCloughan, PMCA Economic Consulting, on Meath County Council's proposed submission to the RSES. Closing date for submissions – 23rd January, 2019.</u>

The Members received a joint presentation from Wendy Bagnall, Senior Executive Planner, and Dr. Pat McCloughan, PMCA, on the Council's proposed submission to the RSES. The Members discussed at length matters relating;

- Outer Orbital Route
- Bypass of Duleek and Julianstown
- Beamore Port
- Urban Area Joint Plan
- Fingal Employment Lands
- Climate Change and Sustainability
- Connectivity and working with agencies such as the NTA
- Later Life Policies
- N2 Extension

5. Any Other Business

- The Members of Meath County Council agreed to a Special Meeting of the Council to be held on 21st January from 2pm to 4pm, to allow Members to agree the final submission prior to it being submitted to the Regional Assembly ahead of the closing date of 23rd January, 2018.
- Cllr. D. O'Reilly raised the issue of log cabin applications being accepted and fast-tracked. Seán Clarke advised that the Planning Department is open to receiving any application and these would be determined in accordance with the legislation and through proper planning and sustainable development. He advised that it would not be appropriate to fast track such applications.





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 Cllr. T. Kelly asked for an update on the Variation to the East Meath LAP with respect to the Economic Strategy and was advised that it was being assessed by our Environmental Consultants for SEA/AA but was proposed to bring the Plan to the January Municipal District meeting of Laytown/Bettystown.

The meeting concluded at 4.30pm

| Recommendations to the Corporate Policy Group (CPG) | |
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