



## **Ordinary Meeting**

# 9<sup>th</sup> May 2016, Council Chamber

- 1 Confirmation of Minutes
  - 1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2016.
- 2 Matters arising from the Minutes
- 3 Expressions of Sympathy and Congratulations
- 4 Statutory Business
  - 4.1 Corporate Services
    - 4.1.1 To adopt the proposal to name the bridge over the M1 motorway bridge MH-M01-012-00 the "James McCormack Bridge" (as agreed by the Laytown/Bettystown MD Councillors).
    - 4.1.2 To receive a report on the Local Authority Performance Indicators 2014.

#### 4.2 Planning

4.2.1 To consider the proposed variation and the Chief Executive's report on submissions received in respect of material alterations to variation No 3 of the Meath County Development Plan 2013-2019 and if thought fit to resolve to make the variation with or without further modification or refuse to make the variation, pursuant to Section 13 of the Planning & Development Acts 2000-2015.

## 4.3 Social, Community & Cultural

- 4.3.1 To consider Arts Act Funding Awards and Bursaries 2016 recommendations.
- 5 Reports





- 5.1 Chief Executive's Report
- 5.2 Report from the Corporate Policy Group
- 5.3 Report from the Protocol Committee

#### 6 Correspondence

- 6.1 Correspondence from Transport Infrastructure Ireland in response to Notice of Motion 8.4 adopted at the February meeting of the Full Council re. toll charges within County Meath.
- 6.2 Correspondence from the Department of Health in response to Notice of Motion 9.11 adopted at the March meeting of the Full Council re. reintroduction of the Motorised Transport Grant Scheme.
- 6.3 Correspondence from larnród Éireann in response to Notice of Motion 9.12 adopted at the March meeting of the Full Council re. scrapping of car park charges for commuters.
- 6.4 Correspondence from the Department of Health in response to Notice of Motion 9.10 adopted at the March meeting of the Full Council re. location of new children's hospital.

#### 7 Notice of Question

#### 7.1 Submitted by Councillor Francis Deane

"In recent months, have there been any prosecutions or criminal charges brought against those who spray graffiti on local authority signage?"

#### 7.2 Submitted by Councillor Wayne Forde

"Can I ask the Executive how many new houses will be built by Meath Co. Council in Meath for 2016?"

## 7.3 Submitted by Councillor Sharon Tolan

"To ask the Executive if a pre-planning meeting was held with Aldi in relation to their application for development on Strand Road, Laytown. Who met them and what advice was given?"





### 7.4 Submitted by Councillor Eimear Ferguson

"Is the tow-path at Roughgrange now under the responsibility of Meath County Council / An bhfuil an cosán tarraingthe sa Ghráinseach Gharbh faoi chúram Comhairle Chontae na Mí faoi láthair?"

#### 7.5 Submitted by Councillor Wayne Harding

"Is the Chief Executive yet in a position to say what additional rates income will be generated by the recent major job announcements in the county and can it be confirmed that the benefits accruing from these developments will enable the Council to provide additional funding for the provision of services to our communities in the future?"

### 7.6 Submitted by Councillor Alan Tobin

"How many housing units under the Part V obligation are 1) lying idle throughout the county and have not been delivered or transferred 2) why have they not been transferred 3) when do the Council expect them to be delivered?"

#### 8 Notice of Motion

### 8.1 Submitted by Councillor Wayne Forde

"Can I call on the support of my fellow Councillors to support my motion with immediate effect for Meath Co. Council to maintain and cut the green areas in housing estates that have been taken in charge by Meath County Council."

#### 8.2 Submitted by Councillor Sarah Reilly

"That Meath County Council, when renewing its contract with Oxigen, seeks to extend the opening hours of our recycle centres."

#### 8.3 Submitted by Councillor Noel French

"That Meath County Council buildings including libraries and all public offices adopt the "breast feeding welcome here" initiative and that all premises in the county be encouraged to support the initiative."





### 8.4 Submitted by Councillor Gillian Toole

"That Meath County Council will review the SUGAR customer service system on a quarterly basis against the Mission & vision statements of the various Council strategy documents, inviting feedback of the system from staff members, Executive members, public representatives & members of the public."

## 8.5 Submitted by Councillor Wayne Harding

"That Meath County Council initiates a review of planning practices in Brú na Bóinne to ensure that local people with a housing need can continue to live in their locality while at the same time ensuring that World Heritage status is maintained".

#### 8.6 Submitted by Councillor Noel French

"That all new and renovated buildings completed in the county and used by the public are assessed by the Council with regard to meeting the needs of those with limited mobility, including wheelchair users, in accordance with the standards new buildings have to reach regarding accessibility."

#### 8.7 Submitted by Councillor Eugene Cassidy

"I'm calling on Meath County Council to request the Minister and the Department of Transport to prioritise in the Capital Program the upgrade of the N2 road network, with particular emphasis on Kilmoon Cross, Slane bridge and the town of Ardee. Safety is compromised as these areas have now reached critical levels of traffic congestion."

#### 8.8 Submitted by Councillor Eugene Cassidy

"I'm calling on Meath County Council to request the Minister and TII to retrofit, where necessary, footpaths on national road structures, particularly where these schemes form by-passes of towns and villages that have become recreational walking routes e.g. Kells, Dunshaughlin and Dunboyne."

#### 8.9 Submitted by Councillor Gerry O'Connor

"That Meath County Council requests the Government to consider separating the need for Social Housing from the need for Rent allowance to enable (a) to quantify the actual





need for Social Housing and (b) to quantify the actual need for private rental accommodation support."

### 8.10 Submitted by Councillor Wayne Forde

"Can I call on the support of my fellow Councillors to fully support my motion of total opposition to the proposed downgrading of our Acute Psychiatric unit 24/7 in Navan, and for a letter of this effect be sent to the Minister for Health and Minister for mental health and our 6 recently elected Meath Oireachtas members."

## 8.11 Submitted by Councillor Sharon Keogan

"We call on the Minister for the Environment, Community & Local Government to carefully consider a regional EPA office to be placed in Duleek, Co. Meath.

We ask this because of a number of ongoing concerns relating to the 4 large scale commercial operations and a significant number of bio solid storage facilities in the Duleek & District Area.

We also ask that a national environmental & health unit should be formed to assess alleged risks to public health from these local environment stressors.

This motion we ask in the best interest of the health & safety of the residents in the Duleek & District Area."

#### 8.12 Submitted by Councillors Damien O'Reilly, Tommy Reilly & Ronan McKenna

"We call for the abolishment of Irish Water and the return of all staff and assets to the local authorities across Ireland."

## 8.13 Submitted by Sinn Féin Councillors

"Meath County Councillors calls on Tesco Ireland to withdraw their threat to unilaterally cut pay and conditions of employment for Tesco workers and urges them to meaningfully engage with the Mandate Trade Union and to utilise the state's industrial machinery, the Labour Court, if necessary and to fully implement its recommendations / Éilíonn na Comhairleoirí Comhairle Chontae na Mí ar Tesco Ireland an bagairt ar pá agus coinníollacha fostaíochta d'oibrithe Tesco a ghearradh go haontaobhach a aisghaireadh agus impíonn siad orthu plé go fóinteach leis an gCeardchumann Mandate agus leas a bhaint as córas tionsclaíoch an Stáit; é sin ná an Chúirt Oibreachais, más gá, agus a moltaí a fhorfheidhmiú san iomlán."





- 9 Schedule of Chief Executive & Approved Orders (For Information Only)
  - 9.1 Schedule of Chief Executive's Orders Transportation
  - 9.2 Schedule of Chief Executive's Orders Environment
  - 9.3 Schedule of Chief Executive's Orders Housing Construction
  - 9.4 Schedule of Chief Executive's Orders Community & Enterprise
- 10 Any Other Business

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