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Ordinary Meeting

2nd March 2015, Council Chamber

1 Confirmation of Minutes

1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary meeting held on 2nd February, 2015.

2 Matters arising from the Minutes

3 Expressions of Sympathy and Congratulations

4 Statutory Business

4.1 Corporate Services

4.1.1 To receive the Audit Committee's Annual Report, 2014.

4.2 Community

4.2.1 To receive presentation from Meath Tourism on 2015 Work Programme.

4.3 Planning

4.3.1 Having considered the proposal to amend the Local Area Plans for Ashbourne, Dunboyne / Clonee / Pace, Dunshaughlin, Ratoath and the Southern Environs of Drogheda which cover the period 2009-2015 and the Chief Executive's report on submissions and observations received with respect to the proposed amendments, to resolve to make the amendments in accordance with the recommendation of the Chief Executive as set out in her report or not to make the proposed amendments or to alter the proposed amendments other than as recommended by the Chief Executive in her report in accordance with the requirements of Section 20 (3)(d) of the Planning & Development Act 2000-2014 .

4.3.2 Having considered the proposal to revoke the attached list of Local Area Plans and the Chief Executive's report on submissions and observations received with



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respect to the proposal to revoke said Local Area Plans, to resolve to revoke or not revoke these Local Area Plans as recommended by the Chief Executive in her report in accordance with the requirements of Section 20 (3)(d) of the Planning & Development Act 2000-2014

1. Navan LAP 1 2011-2017 (Lands at Johnstown / Athlumney)	2. Navan LAP 3 2006-2012 (Lands between Trim Road and Commons Road)	3. Navan LAP 4 2007-2013 (Lands at Athlumney, Bailis, Alexander Reid and Ferganstown & Ballymacon)
4. East Meath LAP 2005- 2011	5. Athboy LAP 2009-2015	6. Ballivor LAP 2009-2015
7. Baile Ghib (Gibbstown) LAP 2009-2015	8. Carlanstown LAP 2009-2015	9. Carnaross LAP 2009-2015
10. Clonard LAP 2009-2015	11. Crossakiel Local Area Plan 2009-2015	12. Donore LAP 2009-2015
13. Drumconrath LAP 2009- 2015	14. Duleek LAP 2009-2015	15. Enfield LAP 2009-2015
16. Kentstown LAP 2009- 2015	17. Kilbride LAP 2009-2015	18. Kilcock Environs LAP 2009- 2015
19. Kildalkey LAP 2009- 2015	20. Kilmainhamwood LAP 2009-2015	21. Kilmessan Local Area Plan 2009-2015
22. Longwood LAP 2009- 2015	23. Maynooth LAP 2009-2015	24. Moynalty LAP 2009-2015
25. Nobber LAP 2009-2015	26. Oldcastle LAP 2009-2015	27. Rathcairn LAP 2009-2015
28. Rathmolyon LAP 2009- 2015	29. Slane LAP 2009-2015	30. Summerhill LAP 2009- 2015

5 Reports

5.1 Report from the Corporate Policy Group

5.2 Report from the from Protocol Committee



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6 Correspondence

- 6.1 Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government re. Framework Policy for Local and Community Development – Public Consultation.
- 6.2 National Transport Authority re. Sustainable Transport Measures Programme 2015.
- 6.3 Circular Letter WP 01/15 – Department of Environment, Community and Local Government re. Introduction of new household waste legislation.
- 6.4 Correspondence from the Minister for Diaspora Affairs, Department of the Taoiseach – re immigration reform measures in the United States.
- 6.5 Eastern Catchment Flood Risk Assessment & Management Public Consultation Days (CFRAM).
- 6.6 Circular Letter PL 1/2015 – Department of Environment, Community and Local Government re. Planning Policy Statement 2015.
- 6.7 LG 3/2015 – Department of Environment, Community and Local Government re. Revised arrangements for allowances for expenses incurred by elected members of local authorities.

7 Notice of Question

7.1 Submitted by Councillor Wayne Forde

‘Can I ask the Executive of Meath County Council, for a breakdown of the main expenditure on the maintenance and upkeep of both the Council's housing and private estates?’

7.2 Submitted by Councillor Noel French

“What is the reason for the low payment of fines issued for litter in comparison to fines paid in 2014, and how many fines were issued for dog fouling in 2014?”

7.3 Submitted by Councillor Francis Deane

“As the Minister for Transport is allocating funds in relation to the 30km. speed by-laws in densely populated housing developments, I am asking the Chief Executive if a



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pilot scheme of speed monitoring in the county could be arranged, which would assist us in researching our needs prior to applying for this funding?"

7.4 Submitted by Nick Killian

"To ask the chief Executive to outline the level of community levies secured from all housing planning applications for the years 2012,2013,2014 broken down by the former electoral areas. How will these monies be allocated to the various Municipal Districts and will these monies be open to local community groups to make application for local community projects."

7.5 Submitted by Councillor Joe Reilly

"To ask the Executive the expected additional cost to be borne by the Local Authority and/or consumer as a result of the system of self-certification as the means of building regulation enforcement introduced under SI.9 of 2014 / Ceist a chur ar an bPríomhfheidhmeannach an costas breise don Rialtas Áitiúil agus/nó don tomhaltóir mar thoradh den chóras fhéin-deimhniúcháin mar modh forfheidhmithe an rialachán tógála a thugadh isteach faoi SI.9 2014 ?"

7.6 Submitted by Councillor Darren O'Rourke

"To ask the Executive the number of development levy demand letters sent out since 1st January 2015 and for a breakdown of same based on outstanding balances / Ceist a chur ar an bPríomhfheidhmeannach an méid litreacha éileamh ar thobhaigh forbartha a sheoladh ón 1 Eanáir 2015 agus miondealú ar an méid seo bunaithe ar iarmhéideanna nár íoc ?"

7.7 Submitted by Councillor Gerry O'Connor

"Can the executive provide the following information in tabular form:

The value of the roads budget for Meath County Council for the years 1996 to 2011 inclusive. The value of the water budget for Meath County Council for the years 1996 to 2011 inclusive?"



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8 Notice of Motion

8.1 Submitted by Councillor Sarah Reilly (deferred from February meeting)

“That Meath County Council undertakes a Playground Facility Survey to determine the age, condition and health and safety compliance of play facilities, that no new County Council playground is erected until all existing playgrounds are brought up to an appropriate standard, and that the foregoing inform the new Meath County Council Play Policy.”

8.2 Submitted by Councillor Tom Kelly (deferred from February meeting)

“That Meath County Council amends the current County Development Plan to ban the cultivation of GMO crops in Co. Meath.”

8.3 Submitted by Councillor Paddy Meade

“In the interest of road safety I am calling on Meath County Council to carry out a study into the differential of road conditions with neighbouring County Councils and come up with proposals for delivering a safer transition for drivers who travel across county boundaries.”

8.4 Submitted by Councillor Darren O’Rourke

“That Meath County Council recognises the problem of fly-tipping, littering and illegal dumping in the county and, understanding the range of contributory factors, resolves to expedite the development of a comprehensive waste/litter management plan, same to include policing and enforcement measures and to explore the possible provision of a public recycling facility in each Municipal District / Go n-aithníonn Comhairle Chontae na Mí an fhadhb atá ann le diúscairt mhídhleatach, bruscar agus dumpáil mhídhleatach sa Chontae, agus tuiscint ann don réimse toasca rannpháirteacha, go socrófar ar bhrostú ar plean bainistíochta cuimsitheach a fhorbairt, bearta fhorfheidhmithe agus póilíneachta san áireamh agus imscrúdú a dhéanamh ar an bhféidearthacht áis athchúrsála phoiblí a chur ar fáil i ngach Ceantar Bardasach.”

8.5 Submitted by Councillor Alan Tobin

“I ask that Meath Co. Council and Meath Tourism with the help of all Councillors declare County Meath as Ireland's first "Cycle Friendly County". This would include putting together a group to coordinate a plan which would include links between all principal



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municipal towns, heritage sites, Boyne Valley and Navan-Kingscourt greenway. I also call on the Council to install proper signage to increase safety of cyclists so as to attract cycle tourism into the county from all of our surrounding counties. "

8.6 Submitted by Councillor Wayne Forde

"That this Council records its opposition to the current policy of water fluoridation in Ireland, and calls on the government to organise a national referendum on water fluoridation in the next 18 months, and that a letter recording this resolution shall be forwarded directly to the Taoiseach and the Minister for the Environment and cc'd to all cabinet ministers requesting this matter to be discussed at cabinet level."

8.7 Submitted by Councillor Shane Cassells

"That Meath County Council requests Irish Water, as an act of goodwill, to waive the outstanding water rates monies, which were owed by sporting / community organisations to MCC prior to the establishment of IW and are being transferred as historical debt to IW, in order to allow them to regularise their accounts with IW and focus their resources on funding their clubs."

8.8 Submitted by Councillor Shane Cassells

"That Meath County Council calls on the Minister for Transport to finance the deficit of €691,409 in this year's roads programme in order to avoid a further deterioration in the road network and in order to complete on time the roads identified under the three year programme of works."

8.9 Submitted by Sinn Féin Councillors

"Sinn Féin calls on Meath County Council to write to Minister Alan Kelly to request that our housing programme funding allocation for 2015 is drawn down without further delay. In addition, we ask that our budget for homeless services is reviewed and increased as appropriate, as the County has already had over 100 presentations to this service since January and the level of crisis in the county warrants additional funding / Éilíonn Sinn Féin ar Chomhairle Chontae na Mí scríobh chuig an Aire Alan Kelly agus iarr air an cionroinnt cistiúcháin don chlár tithíochta 2015 a tarraingt anuas gan mhoill. Ina theannta leis, iarraimid go ndéanfar athbhreithniú ar an mbuiséad do sheirbhísí easpa dídine sa chontae agus go méadófar é mar is cuí toisc go raibh níos mó ná 100 cuairt os cómhair na seirbhíse seo ó Eanáir ar aghaidh agus toisc go mbarántaíonn leibhéal na géarchéime sa chontae a thuilleadh infheistíochta."



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8.10 Submitted by Councillor Maria O’Kane

“That Meath County Council notes that Seachtain na Gaeilge 2015 runs from 2nd March to 17th March; recognises the importance of the Irish language and the Gaeltacht as integral parts of Irish culture, heritage and identity; acknowledges the Council’s role in promoting the language and facilitating its active use and commits to work with stakeholders to strive towards the full implementation of the Official Languages Act in the time ahead / Go dtugann Comhairle Chontae na Mí suntas go bhfuil Seachtain na Gaeilge 2015 ar siúl ón 2-17 Márta; go n-aithníonn sí tabhacht an teanga gaeilge agus an Ghaeltacht mar cuid lárnach de chultúr, oidhreacht agus ionannas na Gaeilge, go n-admhaíonn sí ról an Chomhairle i gcur chun tosaí na teanga agus in éascú an teanga a úsáid go gníomhach agus go tiomnaíonn sí ar obair a dhéanamh le páirtithe leasmhara dul i dtreo cur i bhfeidhm iomlán Acht na dTeangacha Oifigiúla san am atá romhainn.”

8.11 Submitted by Councillor Alan Tobin

“This Council calls on Minister Alex White TD and the Department of Communications Energy & Natural Resources to scrap the controversial and dangerous Eircode postcode design. Furthermore it asks that a free and open tender be held for the design of a modern smart postcode with integrated geolocation data, that is simple & inexpensive to adopt & maintain and that offers emergency services a single code format for both dwelling and non-dwelling incidents.”

9 Chief Executive’s Report and 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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