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Ordinary Meeting

2nd November 2015, Council Chamber

1 Confirmation of Minutes

1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary meeting held on 5th October 2015.

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 Corporate Services & Fire and Emergency Services

5.1.1 To enter into a Fire Service Agreement with Louth County Council under Section 10 of the Fire Service Acts 1981 and 2003.

5.2 Planning

5.2.1 To receive an update on the preparation of Variation No. 3 of the Meath County Development Plan 2013-2019. This variation will align the County Development Plan with the key tenets of the Meath Economic Strategy.

5.2.2 To receive the Chief Executive's report on submissions received following publication of the Draft Meath Development Contribution Scheme 2016-2021.

5.3 Transportation

5.3.1 To consider the making of submissions and observations regarding the Draft Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area 2016-2035.



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6 Reports

- 6.1 Chief Executive's Report
- 6.2 Report from the Corporate Policy Group
- 6.3 Report from the Protocol Committee

7 Correspondence

- 7.1 To note the proposed Winter Maintenance Plan 2015/2016.
- 7.2 Association of Irish Local Government re. Consultation regarding technical changes to AILG Constitution.
- 7.3 National Transport Authority re. Draft Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area 2016-2035.
- 7.4 Circular WP 14/15 – Department of Environment, Community and Local Government re. Establishment of Waste Enforcement Regional Lead Authorities.

8 Notice of Question

8.1 Submitted by Councillor Francis Deane

“As the problem of overgrown trees is a big issue may I please ask for clarification in relation to tree planting with respect to new housing developments. What are the planning conditions pertaining to the variety of trees which are to be planted and the planting distances from houses?”

8.2 Submitted by Councillor Nick Killian

“Can the CEO give assurances that all of our Traveller Accommodation in charge of Meath County Council fully meets all fire regulations as laid down by statute?”



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8.3 Submitted by Councillor Damien O' Reilly

"Can Meath County Council add Kilmessan and Dunsany to the winter gritting route linking to the N3 gritting route?"

8.4 Submitted by Councillor Noel French

"What projects and measures were undertaken this year by Meath County Council which would not have gone ahead had the LPT been reduced by 15 percent for 2015?"

9 Notice of Motion

9.1 Submitted by Councillor Noel French

"That Meath County Council dim lights on outskirts of towns from midnight to 6.00a.m. to save on electricity consumption as is done on the Navan Road in Trim."

9.2 Submitted by Councillor Wayne Forde

"Can I call on my fellow Councillors, to lead by my example, and not accept the €12,000 discretionary spending for 2016, as this €480,000 in 2016 could go towards the housing crisis, we have at present in County Meath."

9.3 Submitted by Councillor Damien O' Reilly

"To call on Meath County Council to request Transport Infrastructure Ireland (formerly the National Roads Authority) to begin the public consultation process for a new Dublin bound ramp onto the M3 from Fairyhouse / Blackbull roundabout (R154/R155). This ramp would dramatically decrease the time on the morning Dublin City centre bound commute from Ratoath, Dunshaughlin and Dunboyne."

9.4 Submitted by Councillor Damien O' Reilly

"To call on Meath County Council to request Fingal County Council to clearly identify the Fingal County border with extra signage when leaving Dublin 15, Fingal County and entering Clonee, County Meath."



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9.5 Submitted by Councillor Michael Gallagher

“That Meath County Council notes the importance of promoting social inclusion through job creation and training. Meath County Council will ensure that any future procurement contracts will, in line with EU law, include particular conditions to promote opportunities for local employment, employment for young people and the long term unemployed as well as vocational training and education. Further the Council will write to the Minister for Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation requesting that social clauses be included on all major public contracts. / Go dtugann Comhairle Chontae na Mí faoi deara an tabhacht a bhaineann le cuimsiú sóisialta a chur chun chinn trí postchruthúcháin agus oiliúint a chur ar fáil. Cinnteoidh Comhairle Chontae na Mí go mbainfidh coinníollacha speisialta le aon chonarthaí soláthair todhchaíoch chun deiseanna fostaíochta áitiúla, fostaíocht do dhaoine óga agus dóibh siúd atá difhosaithe le fada mar aon le gairmoiliúint agus oideachas a chur chun chinn. Ina theannta sin scríobhfaidh an Chomhairle chuig an Aire Post, Fiontar agus Nuálaíochta ag iarraidh air go mbeadh clásal sóisialta san áireamh le gach mórchonradh poiblí.”

9.6 Submitted by Councillor Darren O’ Rourke

“That Meath County Council recognises the level to which the county has been underfunded over a period of many years; calls for the immediate established of a temporary Crisis Funding Committee consisting of the Chief Executive, Director of Finance, Co. Meath TDs, County Council Chairperson, party whips and representatives of all groupings on the Council, as well as other stakeholders as deemed necessary, with the sole purpose of devising and implementing a strategy to increase the level of funding received by Meath County Council./ Go n-aithníonn Comhairle Chontae na Mí an méid go raibh an contae tearc-chistithe thar tréimhse neart blianta, go n-éilíonn sí go mbunfar Coiste Géarchistiúcháin sealadach leis an bPríomhfheidmeannach, An Oifigeach Airgeadais, TD na Mí, Cathaoirleach Chomhairle Chontae na Mí, cinnpháirtí agus ionadaithe de gach grúpa ar an gcomhairle mar aon le páirtithe leasmhara má cheaptar go bhfuil sé riachtanach, leis an t-aon aidhm amháin acu ná stráitéis a chur le chéile agus a chur i bhfeidhm chun an méid cistiúcháin a fhaigheann Comhairle Chontae na Mí a mhéadú.”

9.7 Submitted by Councillor Johnny Guirke

“That Meath County Council recognises the extreme frustration of residents living in unfinished housing estates and the often dangerous conditions that can exist due to this; calls on Meath County Council to work with residents to ensure that lights are taken in charge at the very earliest opportunity even when other parts of the development are not complete. /Go n-aithníonn Comhairle Chontae na Mí an frustrachas thar cuimse atá



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orthu siúd ina gcónaí in éastáit chónaithe nár chríochnaíodh agus go n-aithníonn sí na coinníollacha dáinsearacha a bhaineann leis: éilítear ar Chomhairle Chontae na Mí comhoibriú a dhéanamh leis na cónaitheoirí lena chinntiú go dtógfár na soilsí i gcúram na Comhairle ba luaithe agus is féidir cé nach bhfuil na codanna eile den fhorbraíocht críochnaithe.”

9.8 Submitted by Sinn Féin Councillors

“That Meath County Council would complete an audit before the end of 2015, using easy to access local knowledge, to identify all vacant properties and houses in the county with a view to making sure that the maximum number of units are occupied at any given time; that plans to return vacant properties and houses to use could then be developed with the relevant stakeholders; and that the possibility of establishing a County Meath Housing Trust be considered. / Go ndéanfaidh Comhairle Chontae na Mí iniúchadh roimh dheireadh 2015, ag baint úsáide as eolas áitiúil, le gach réadmhaoin agus teach folamh sa chontae a aithint ar mhaithe lena chinntiú go bhfuil cónaitheoirí sa mhéid is mó aonaid ag aon am ar bith; go ndéanfar beartaithe leis na páirtithe leasmhara an réadmhaoin agus na tithe folmha a shaorú agus go ndéanfar imscrúdú ar an bhféidearthacht lontaobhas Tithíochta na Mí a bhunú.”

9.9 Submitted by Councillor Claire O’Driscoll

“Due to the number of properties on the derelict Site register appearing low at eight in 2015, I call on the environment section of Meath county council to evaluate their assessment method giving cognisance to both the definition of a derelict site based on the derelicts site act 1990 and the new vacant site levy cited in the urban housing and regeneration act 2015 and as necessary to review and update outcomes on all sites reported as ones of concern in 2015.”

9.10 Submitted by Councillor Wayne Forde

"Can I call on the support of my fellow Councillors to support my motion of no confidence in the HSE and I am calling on the HSE to be abolished as soon as possible, and a letter to this effect be sent to the Minister for Health Leo Varadkar, and all Oireachtas Members."



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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 Construction

10.4 Schedule of Chief Executive's Orders – Community & Enterprise

11 Presentations by other Bodies/Statutory Agencies

12 Any Other Business

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