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Ordinary Meeting

7th December 2015, Council Chamber

1 Confirmation of Minutes

- 1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary meeting held on 2nd November 2015.
- 1.2 Confirmation of minutes of Preliminary Budget meeting held on 23rd November 2015.
- 1.3 Confirmation of minutes of Statutory Budget meeting held on 23rd November 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 Planning

- 5.1.1 To consider the Draft Meath County Development Contribution Scheme and the Chief Executive's report on submissions and if thought fit, to resolve to adopt the draft scheme in accordance with the recommendations of the Chief Executive, pursuant to Section 48 of The Planning and Development Acts 2000-2015.

5.2 Corporate Services

- 5.2.1 To receive a presentation on the Municipal District Members Discretionary Fund.
- 5.2.2 To consider, and if thought fit to adopt, the list of qualified Electors for the purpose of a plebiscite in accordance with Section 78(1) of the Local



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Government Act 1946, to change the name of Broadmeadow Street (otherwise known as Broadmeadow Castle) Ashbourne to Thomas Ashe Street.

5.3 Finance

- 5.3.1 To receive a report on the Management Accounts of Meath County Council in respect of Q3 2015.

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 Correspondence from An Garda Síochána in response to Notice of Motion 9.7 adopted at the July meeting of the Full Council re. seeking a meeting to discuss recruiting more Gardaí for County Meath.
- 7.2 Correspondence from Department of Communications, Energy & Natural Resources in response to Notice of Motion 9.8 adopted at the October meeting of the Full Council re. new wind energy guidelines.
- 7.3 Publication of Draft Flood Maps for Public Consultation.
- 7.4 Circular: Housing 34/2015 – Department of Environment, Community and Local Government re. Social Housing Current Expenditure Programme – Mortgage to Rent Scheme.
- 7.5 TII Circular No. 12/2015 – Transport Infrastructure Ireland re. National Speed Limit Review – National Roads.
- 7.6 Circular: Housing 42/2015 – Department of Environment, Community and Local Government re. New tenant purchase scheme for existing local authority houses and changes to existing purchase schemes.



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8 Notice of Question

8.1 Submitted by Councillor Damien O'Reilly

"How many tenants has Meath County Council evicted in the last 10 years for anti-social behaviour, drug dealing and other criminality?"

8.2 Submitted by Councillor Wayne Forde

"Can I ask the Executive what will be the projected final costings when all the County Council staff are redeployed out to Buvinda House in Johnstown? How many staff will be working there? and is the building fit for purpose?"

8.3 Submitted by Councillor Claire O'Driscoll

"How many

(a) group water schemes

(b) private commercial water schemes

(c) domestic water supplies

(d) domestic waste water schemes are there in County Meath?

How many in group a-d are currently in compliance with regulations specifically with respect to microbiological and chemical compliance and how many supplies in each group a-c are deemed at risk?

What is the potential to increase the number of inspections carried out in each of these categories and what are the limiting factors to doing this?"

8.4 Submitted by Councillor Maria O'Kane

"To ask the Chief Executive the exact protocol which exists regarding the naming of new housing estates and if it is the case, as it is in many other counties that an advisory Coiste Logainmeacha is in place to support in this function / Ceist a chur ar an bPríomhfheidmeannach an prótocal atá ann maidir le heastáit tithíochta nua a ainmniú agus an é an cás, mar atá i neart contaethe eile, go bhfuil Coiste Logainmeacha comhairleach ann chun tacú leis an bhfeidhm?"



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8.5 Submitted by Councillor Alan Tobin

“Can I ask Meath Co. Council if Eircode or company working on behalf of Eircode (Autoaddress) has asked to access or is accessing the Electoral Register in order to obtain information to assign an Eircode and if so what implications will this have on citizens data protection rights?”

9 Notice of Motion

9.1 Submitted by Councillor Damien O’Reilly

“I call on Meath County Council to immediately reinstate the 'Low Cost Private Sites for Sale' Scheme in the Ratoath and Ashbourne Municipal districts. This is intended to ease the pressure from the housing crisis currently faced by long standing local residents from these districts, who are priced out of their home districts due to market forces arising from the proximity of these municipal districts to Dublin.”

9.2 Submitted by Councillor Ronan McKenna

“That Meath County Council engages with the Department of Transport and the T.I.I. (formerly NRA) with the aim of moving the Toll Bridge on The N4 between Kilcock and Enfield further west to best position Enfield for economic development in line with our Economic Strategy.”

9.3 Submitted by Councillor Wayne Forde

“Can I call on the Executive that at least 5 children's playgrounds be constructed in rural areas and parts of Meath every year starting from 2016 to 2019.”

9.4 Submitted by Councillor Sarah Reilly

“To ask the Chief Executive, on foot of the presentation made on the National Broadband Plan and the recommendations made by Fergal Mulligan, to lodge a formal submission to the Department of Communications, Energy and Natural Resources detailing why it is imperative for the strategic development of Meath that the County is prioritised under the Plan.”



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9.5 Submitted by Sinn Féin Councillors

“That the Members Discretionary Fund would be dismantled; that all those elements of the current protocol which intrinsically link the fund to individual councillors be scrapped; that the funding per Municipal District be maintained and directed instead to a new Community Development Fund which would be administered at Municipal District level with invitation for application and collective decision making regarding funding allocation made by Municipal District elected members / Go scriosfar Ciste Lánroghnach na gComhairleoirí agus go scriosfar gach eilimint den phrótacal reatha a dhéanann nasc idir an gciste agus comhairleoirí aonáracha; go gcoiméadfar an maoiniú sna bardais go fóill ach é a bheith mar Ciste Fhorbart Phobail anois ar a ndéanfar riarachán ag leibhéal an Bhardais agus lena nglacfar le iarratais agus comhchinnteoireacht maidir le leithdháileadh an mhaoiniú ag baill tofa an Bhardais.”

9.6 Submitted by Councillor Michael Gallagher

“The Elected Members of Meath County Council note with concern the very high number of mortgage distress cases presenting at Trim Court and abhors the aggressive approach taken by individual banks; calls for the Settlement Office of Meath County Council to offer support to people threatened with economic eviction at the earliest possible juncture / Tugann na Baill Tofa Chomhairle Chontae na Mí dona n-Aire go himníoch an ráta ard do chásanna anacair mhortgáiste a chuirtear faoi bhráid Cúirt Bhaile Átha Troim agus cuireann sé déistin orthu an chur chuige ionsaitheach glactha ag bainc aonáracha; glaonn siad ar an Oifig Socraíochta Chomhairle Chontae na Mí tacaíocht a thabhairt do dhaoine a bhfuil bagairt díshealbhú eacnamaíoch orthu ag an pointe is luaithe.”

9.7 Submitted by Councillor Claire O’Driscoll

“That Meath County Council work with their representatives on the Knockharley Liaison Committee and other interested parties to adopt a representative stance on the proposed expansion of operations at the Knockharley landfill site in Kentstown, identifying particular potential effects on residents and the environment and make this case to the deciding regulatory body.”

9.8 Submitted by Councillor Wayne Forde

“Can I ask the executive to review all slipways on all rivers and waterways in County Meath and to prepare a report on their present conditions, suitability, ease of access and to consider the need for more slipways in higher populated areas for public safety.”



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9.9 Submitted by Fianna Fáil Councillors

"That this Council calls on the Government to fundamentally reform the commercial rates system and, as a temporary measure to alleviate the unexpected pressure of the Global Valuation of Utility Companies, establish a Commercial Rates assistance fund similar to the Government's decision last year to fund Irish Water's commercial rates bill."

9.10 Submitted by Councillor Sharon Keogan

"To call on the Minister for Finance Michael Noonan and the Minister for Social Protection, Joan Burton, to immediately reinstate the telephone allowance for all our people over the age of 66. We would encourage the Ministers to start seeking partners in the provision of this service from all network providers to ensure best value on network charges, rental charges & best design product suitable for the use by our aged communities."

9.11 Submitted by Councillor Caroline Lynch

"That this Council calls on the Minister to immediately reverse the cuts to drug counselling services for under 18 year olds in Co. Meath. These services are essential to provide prevention of increased adult addiction in the future / Go nglaofaidh an Chomhairle seo ar an Aire na ciorruithe do sheirbhísí comhairleoireachta um andúil i ndrugaí do dhaoine faoi 18 bliain d'aois i gContae na Mí a mhalartú. Tá na seirbhísí seo fíor-riachtanach chun chur i gcoinne méadú andúile i ndaoine fásta sa todhcaí."

9.12 Submitted by Councillor Joe Reilly

"This Council calls on the Minister Alan Kelly, Minister for the Environment, Community and Local Government to introduce regulations to make the wearing of high visibility vests a legal requirement after dark, outside of well-lit areas and that the Council would work with the County Road Safety Officer, local community, voluntary, business and sporting organisations and other relevant stakeholders, particularly in rural areas, to raise awareness of the importance of wearing high visibility vests/clothing when out walking at night / Go nglaofaidh an Chomhairle ar an Aire Alan Kelly, An tAire Comhshaoil, Pobail agus Rialtais rialacháin a thabhairt isteach chun go mbeadh sé neamhdhleathach gan veist shofheicthe a chaitheamh sa dorchadas, lasmuigh de cheantair dhea-soilsithe agus go n-oibreoidh an Chomhairle leis an Oifigeach



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Shábháilteacht Bóithre, an Pobail áitiúil, eagraíochtaí deonacha agus spóirt, comhlachtaí agus páirtithe leasmhara ábhartha eile, go háirithe i gceantair tuatha, chun aird a tharraingt ar thábhacht caitheamh na veist/éadaí s(h)ofheicthe go háirithe amuigh ag siúl san oíche.”

9.13 Submitted by Councillor Maria O’Kane

“Following a recent human rights delegation to Brussels, led by Lynn Boylan MEP, I ask that this council write to the Department of Foreign Affairs asking them to publicly demand the release of Dublin teenager Ibrahim Halawa. This strong approach has resulted in the release of American Mohammed Soltan, Canadian Mohammed Fahmy and Australian Peter Greste / Tar éis don dealagáideacht go dtí an mBriséil, arna raibh Lynn Boylan FPE i gceannas, iarraim ar an gcomhairle litir a scríobh chuig an Roinn Gnóthaí Eachtracha ag impiú orthu scaoileadh an déagóir Ibrahim Halawa as Baile Átha Cliath, a éiliú go poiblí. D'éirigh le scaoiltí an Meiriceánach Mohammed Soltan, an Ceanadach Mohammed Fahmy agus an tAstrálach Peter Greste leis an gcur chuige láidir seo.”

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 Any Other Business

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