



Miontuairiscí/Meeting Minutes

Special Planning Meeting 12th April 2012, Council Chamber

An Cathaoirleach, Councillor Eoin Holmes presided.

Members Present:

Councillors William Carey, Shane Cassells, Eugene Cassidy, Jimmy Cudden, Francis Deane, Ann-Dillon Gallagher, John V Farrelly, Brian Fitzgerald, Joe Fox, Jim Holloway, Nick Killian, Noel Leonard, Tracy McElhinney, Maria Murphy, Gerry O'Connor, Seamus O'Neill, Joe Reilly.

Apologies: Joseph Bonner, Sirena Campbell, Jimmy Fegan, Oliver Fox, Wayne Harding, Suzanne Jamal, Niamh McGowan, Jenny McHugh, Bryan Reilly, Tommy Reilly, Catherine Yore.

Officials in Attendance:

County Manager: Tom Dowling

Directors of Service: Brendan McGrath, Kevin Stewart, Tadhg McDonnell, Des Foley

Meetings Administrator Caroline Power

Senior Executive Officer: Michael Griffin

Senior Planner: Pat Gallagher

Senior Engineer: Nicholas Whyatt

Planning Staff: Fiona Redmond, Orla O'Brien & Aoife Kennedy.

Consultants in Attendance:

John Spain & Associates: John Spain & Erika Casey

JBA Consulting: Ross Byrant & Elizabeth Russell

CAAS Limited: Conor Skehan

1. Introduction

Brendan McGrath, Director of Services, Planning & Transportation Department confirmed that Councillors will formally receive a Draft County Development Plan 2013-2019 under Section 11 of the Planning & Development Acts 2000-2011 at a Special Planning meeting on Wednesday, 18th April, 2012.

2. To receive a presentation from John Spain & Associates, Planning Consultants. Re: Retail Strategy an Appendix of the Draft County Development Plan 2013-2019.

John Spain made a presentation on the Retail Strategy appendix to the County Development Plan 2013-2019.

3. Economic Strategy

Brendan McGrath, Director of Services, Planning & Transportation Department outlined the Economic Strategy proposed in the Plan.

4. Transportation

Nicholas Whyatt, Senior Engineer, Planning & Transportation outlined the main policies within the chapter on Transport.

5. To receive a presentation from JBA Consulting, Strategic Flood Risk Consultants. Re: Strategic Flood Risk Assessment an Appendix of the Draft Development Plan 2013-2019.

Ross Byrant presented the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment study, Appendix 6 to the County Development Plan 2013-2019.



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6. **Water Services & Environment/Energy & Telecommunications/Social Strategy**
Brendan McGrath, Director of Services, Planning & Transportation Department outlined the key policies in relation to water, wastewater services, energy resources and social strategy contained in the Plan.
7. **To receive a presentation from CAAS Limited, Consultants Re: Protected View & Prospects an Appendix of the Draft County Development Plan 2013-2019**
Conor Skehan presented on overview of the Protected View & Prospects.
8. **Cultural & Heritage Chapter**
Nicholas Whyatt outlined the main policies contained in Chapter 9. (Landscape; Cultural Heritage and Natural Heritage).
9. **Development Plan – Next Steps**
Michael Griffin outlined the next steps.
 - 17th & 18th April - Informal Planning Workshops on each of the chapters.
 - 18th April - Special Planning Meeting to receive the Draft County Development Plan 2013-2019 and procedural matters dealing with notices of motion during the development plan process.
 - 18th April – 30th April submission of motions.
 - 8th, 10th & 11th May Special Planning Meetings (further meetings if required).
 - 14th May 2012 Council Meeting to formally resolve to place the Draft County Development Plan 2013 - 2019 on public display.
 - 28th May 2012 - Public Display for a period of 10 weeks.
10. **Questions & Answers**
Discussion took place on Retail Strategy and leakage out of the county.

Brendan McGrath, Director of Services Planning & Transportation thanked all of the staff within the Forward Planning Team for their dedicated work in achieving a Draft County Development Plan 2013-2019.

The Cathaoirleach thanked all present and closed the meeting.