



Ordinary Meeting 13th May 2013, Council Chamber

1.0 **Confirmation of Minutes**

- Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary meeting held on 8th April 2013. 1.1
- 2.0 Matters arising from the Minutes

3.0 **Expressions of Sympathy and Congratulations**

4.0 **Appointment of County Manager**

4.1 To consider the appointment of Ms Jackie Maguire to the office of Meath County Manager in accordance with Section 6 of the Local Authorities (Officers & Employees) Act, 1926, and Section 145 Local Government Act, 2001, as amended by Section 17 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 2012.

5.0 Disposal of Land in accordance with Statutory Notices circulated pursuant to the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001

6.0 **Statutory Business**

6.1 **Corporate Services**

6.1.1 To note the acquisition of an office building at the IDA Business Park, Navan for development as new civic offices.

6.2 Planning

- 6.2.1 To receive an update on Forward Planning work programme.
- 6.2.2 To receive a report on Taking-in-Charge of residential estates.
- 6.2.3 To resolve to direct the preparation of the Draft Trim Development plan 2014-2020 as recommended by the Trim Electoral area members at their workshop of 15th April 2013 pursuant to Section 11 of the Planning & Development Acts 2000-2012.
- 6.2.4 To receive the Manager's Report on submissions received following the publication of the Draft Kells Development Plan 2013-2019 in accordance with Section 12(4) of the Planning & Development Acts 2000-2012.





6.3 Finance

- 6.3.1 To receive Draft Annual Financial Statement 2012.
- 6.3.2 To approve (i) revised expenditure for the financial year ended 31st December 2012 as set out in Table A in accordance with S104 of the Local Government Act 2001 and (ii) transfers to and from Capital as set out in Table B.
- 6.3.3 To receive update on Revenue Position for Quarter 1 of 2013.
- 6.3.4 Presentation of the Annual Report (2012) of the Audit Committee.

6.4 Water Services

6.4.1 Update on Irish Water.

6.5 Transportation

6.5.1 Non-PPP Motorway Maintenance Contracts.

6.6 Social, Community & Cultural

6.6.1 To approve Bursaries and Awards 2013 recommendations as per the Arts Act 2003.

7.0 Report from Protocol Committee

7.1 To consider amendment(s) to Standing Orders in accordance with Schedule 10.16 Local Government Act 2001(as recommended by the Protocol Committee).

8.0 Correspondence

- 8.1 Non-Use of Motor Vehicles Bill 2013 Explanatory Memorandum.
- 8.2 The Blackfriary Community Archaeology Project makes world Top 10 list.
- 8.3 Eirgrid North-South 400kV Interconnection Development.
- 8.4 Mid-East Economic Development Action Plan April 2013.
- 8.5 Launch of CCMA Report on "Supporting Enterprise, Local Development and Economic Growth-Analysis of Local Authority Activities for 2012".
- 8.6 Launch of Forfás Report Making it in Ireland Manufacturing 2020 Overview.

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- 8.7 Update on Bremore Ireland Port.
- 8.8 Nitrates Action Programme – Public Consultation.
- 8.9 Regional Planning Guidelines Economic Update 2013.
- 8.10 Update on Inaugural meeting Meath Economic Forum and preparation of the Economic strategy.
- 8.11 Establishment of frontrunner Socio-Economic Committees in local authority areas (FAQ's).
- Department of Health Healthy Ireland A Framework for Improved Health and 8.12 Wellbeing 2013-2025.

Notice of Question 9.0

9.1 Submitted by Councillor Francis Deane:

> "To date what percentage of Meath householders have paid the household charge and is there a plan in place to issue reminder notices for outstanding payments before the deadline?"

9.2 Submitted by Councillor John V. Farrelly:

> "To ask the County Manager if he can give me an update on what discussions have taken place with the Department of Tourism and Transport in relation to our request for Further monies for County and class 3 roads especially those roads in North Meath and if he intends to have further discussions regarding the problem."

Notice of Motion 10.0

10.1 Submitted by Cllrs. Shane Cassells, Noel Leonard, Nick Killian, Wayne Harding, Oliver Fox, Jimmy Fegan, Bryan Reilly, Tommy Reilly (Fianna Fail Group):

"That Meath County Council request the Minister for Finance to instruct the Valuations Office to carry out a nationwide review of commercial rates with a view to assisting hard pressed business owners concurrent with the introduction of the Local Property Tax."

10.2 Submitted by Cllrs. Shane Cassells, Noel Leonard, Nick Killian, Wayne Harding, Oliver Fox, Jimmy Fegan, Bryan Reilly, Tommy Reilly (Fianna Fail Group):

"That Meath County Council calls on the Minister for Social Protection to reinstate the household benefits such as electricity, phone and fuel allowances to their original levels in order to assist people in financial difficulties."

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10.3 Submitted by Councillor John V. Farrelly:

> "Members of Meath County Council welcomes the introduction of the insolvency bill as the first step to helping people who are in difficulty with mortgage repayments. It it a way to have their situations resolved in a fair and equitable way and we call on the financial institutions to start treating people as normal individuals in dealing with this most sensitive issue and allow them to breath live and rear their family's without the constant threat of letters and phone calls from these institutions."

10.4 Submitted by Councillor Eugene Cassidy:

> "In the light of deteriorating road conditions throughout County Meath, particularly in North Meath, especially on lower category roads, I hereby call on Meath County Council, as a priority, to explore all options, in consultation with all stakeholders, to seek to bring about additional investment in the repair and maintenance of our roads. Allowing some roads to remain in their present, damaged and unusable condition for up to 12 months is not an option."

10.5 Submitted by Councillor Eugene Cassidy:

> "In welcoming the recent completion of the very positive Feasibility Study proving the Business case for the 'Boyne Valley to Lakelands County Greenway, along the disused Navan to Kingscourt Rail Line, I now call on Meath County Council to drive the delivery of this economic, tourism, amenity and recreation project though the heart of County Meath into County Cavan by engaging and co-operating with all stakeholders, pursuing all funding options / opportunities and undertaking an immediate Part 8 Planning Process to facilitate the early delivery of the project, in addition to any other necessary actions".

10.6 Submitted by Councillor Willie Carey:

> "That Meath County Council call on the Government to review the pension entitlements of former Taoisigh, Presidents, Attorney Generals, Ministers and Senior Civil and Public Servants."

11.0 Schedule of Manager's & Approved Orders (For Information Only)

- 11.1 Schedule of Manager's Orders - Infrastructure
- 11.2 Schedule of Manager's Orders - Environment
- Schedule of Manager's Orders Housing Construction 11.3
- 11.4 Schedule of Manager's Orders – Community & Enterprise

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12.0 Presentations by other Bodies/Statutory Agencies

- 12.1 To receive a presentation on feasibility study for the proposed Navan / Kingscourt Greenway.
- 13.0 **Any Other Business**

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