



Ordinary Meeting

4th November 2013, Council Chamber

Confirmation of Minutes 1.0

Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary meeting held on 7th October, 2013. 1.1

2.0 Matters arising from the Minutes

- 3.0 **Expressions of Sympathy and Congratulations**
- 4.0 Disposal of Land in accordance with Statutory Notices circulated pursuant to the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001

5.0 **Statutory Business**

5.1 Corporate

- 5.1.1 To receive information on the recently published Local Government Bill
- 5.1.2 To agree date for Special Meeting of the Council in relation to the following:
 - Transportation (Roads)
 - Proposed sub county / Municipal re-organisation (proposed 18th November at 10am)

5.2 Planning

To consider the proposed variation and the Manager's Report received 5.2.1 (7th October 2013) on the submissions and observations received following the publication of the proposed Variation no. 1 to the Meath County Development Plan 2013 - 2019 and if thought fit to resolve to make the variation with or without further modification in accordance with Section 13 of the Planning & Development Acts 2000-2013. (Report circulated at the October Monthly Meeting)

5.3 Finance

- 5.3.1 To agree dates for the holding of 2014 Budget Meetings.
- 5.3.2 To receive an update on Draft Capital Programme in accordance with Section 135 of the Local Government Act 2001.

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5.4 Environment

5.4.1 To receive a presentation in respect of a draft Meath Local Authorities Energy Policy and if thought fit to approve same (As recommended by the Environment and Emergency Services SPC).

6.0 **Report from Protocol Committee**

7.0 Correspondence

- 7.1 Briefing Note from Dublin City Council re. Eastern & Midlands Regional Waste Management Planning.
- 7.2 IPB Insurance re. Members' Dividend Payment, 2013.
- Aarhus Convention: National Implementation Report. 7.3
- 7.4 Renewable Energy Export Policy and Development Framework – Public Consultation Stage 1 – Summary Document and Information Document. (Closing date 22nd November, 2013).
- 7.5 To note an update of the review of the County Meath Noise Action Plan following public consultation.
- 7.6 To note update on the Draft Register of Electors.
- 7.7 Circular Letter F. 10/13 - Amended legal requirements on political donations.
- 7.8 Communication from the Joint Committee on Transport and Communications (Wind Energy Guidelines).

Notice of Question 8.0

8.1 Submitted by Councillor Francis Deane

> "Who is the statutory authority with responsibility for providing emergency access for boats along our rivers (in particular the River Boyne and Blackwater) and can the appropriate Department in Meath County Council liaise with them to ensure that adequate slip ways are provided to facilitate Emergency Services?"

See response attached

8.2 Submitted by Councillor Tracy McElhinney

> "How much money is owed to Meath County Council in development levies from builders who are now in NAMA. Is it possible to identify suitable properties constructed by these builders that could be used for social housing purposes?"

See response attached

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8.3 Submitted by Councillor Maria Murphy

"What is the Council's position when a resident cuts down a tree which is situated on the public footpath outside their property, whether or not the road/footpath has been taken in charge? In one estate recently 3 healthy trees have been removed by the residents."

See response attached

8.4 Submitted by Councillor Shane Cassells

> "Following the Government's decision to reverse the plan of allocating 80% of the funds collected by the Local Property Tax to the Council of the county in which it was collected, can the Manager please inform us what percentage of the money collected in Meath will be received by Meath County Council in 2014?"

See response attached

Notice of Motion 9.0

9.1 Submitted by Councillor Tracy McElhinney

> "I request that Meath County Council and the Office of Public Works immediately carry out a survey of all bridges in the county so as to ensure that any danger areas are either sign posted, fenced off and/or that protection works are carried out so that any possibility of accidents is eliminated."

(See General Information attached)

9.2 Submitted by Councillor Brian Fitzgerald

> "That Meath County Council calls on the Government to introduce an identity card system that is transparent and fail safe, which may include finger printing and photographic information."

This is a matter for the Council

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

- 10.1 Schedule of Manager's Orders - Infrastructure
- 10.2 Schedule of Manager's Orders - Environment
- 10.3 Schedule of Manager's Orders – Housing Construction

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11.0 Presentations by other Bodies/Statutory Agencies

12.0 **Any Other Business**

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