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Ordinary Meeting

4th March 2024 @ 1.30p.m.

Buvinda House, Navan (and online via zoom)

Presiding

An Cathaoirleach, Councillor Tommy Reilly

Councillors Present:

Councillors, Joseph Bonner, Mike Bray, Eugene Cassidy, Francis Deane, Sean Drew, Edward Fennessy, Brian Fitzgerald, Joe Fox, Michael Gallagher, David Gilroy, Trevor Golden, Wayne Harding, Geraldine Keogan, Nick Killian, Alan Lawes, Paul McCabe, Paddy Meade, Helen Meyer, Ronan Moore, Gerry O'Connor, Caroline O'Reilly, Amanda Smith, Emer Tóibín, Gillian Toole.

Councillors Present via Zoom:

Councillors Yemi Adenuga, Aisling Dempsey, Padraig Fitzsimons, Noel French, Suzanne Jamal, Elaine McGinty, Stephen McKee, Maria Murphy, Sarah Reilly, Niamh Souhan, Alan Tobin, Sharon Tolan, Conor Tormey.

Apologies: Councillors Tom Behan, Deirdre Geraghty-Smith.

Officials in attendance:

Chief Executive: Kieran Kehoe

Directors of Service: Des Foley, Fiona Lawless, Barry Lynch, Dara McGowan, Martin Murray, Fiona Fallon

Meetings Administrator: Elaine Daly

1 Confirmation of Minutes

1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary meeting held on 29th January 2024.

The minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 29th January 2024 were confirmed on the proposal of **Councillor Gerry O'Connor** and seconded by **Councillor Michael Gallagher**.

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2 Matters arising from the Minutes

Councillors Gillian Toole and Joe Bonner raised the following matters:

- Flight paths from Dublin Airport and noise monitors
- Uisce Eireann water outages
- Road Safety matters at schools
- Part V housing

3 Expressions of Sympathy and Congratulations

On behalf of the Elected Members, Management and Staff of the Council, **An Cathaoirleach, Councillor Tommy Reilly** extended sympathy to the family of former Taoiseach and Meath TD, the late John Bruton. He noted that Mr. Bruton had served Ireland and Europe with great honour and distinction, and he leaves behind a huge political legacy.

Expressions of Sympathy were also extended to:

Carmel Goggins, Finance on the death of her sister, Elizabeth (Betty) Mahon.

Edita Asaciova, Corporate Affairs & Governance on the death of her father, Sergejus Zolotuchina.

Deirdre MacDermott, Corporate Affairs & Governance on the death of her father, Colm (James) MacDermott

Stephen Quinn, Water Services on the death of his mother, Valerie Quinn.

Councillor Alan Lawes on the death of his mother, Christina Lawes.

Conor Collins, Transportation on the death of his brother, Brendan (Brownie) Collins.

To the family and friends of the late Geraldine Costelloe, Claremont Estate, Navan.

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

- 4.1 Disposal of Plot A, 0.1990Ha of land, at Eamonn Duggan Industrial Park, Athboy Road, Trim, Co. Meath and Plot B, 0.2307Ha of land, at Eamonn Duggan Industrial Park, Athboy Road, Trim, Co Meath in accordance with Section 211 of Planning & Development Act 2000 and subject to the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001. The lands are not affected by the provisions of the Land

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Development Agency Act 2021.

The disposal, in accordance with the statutory notice issued on January 30, 2024, under Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001, was approved on the proposal of **Councillor Trevor Golden** and seconded by **Councillor Michael Gallagher**.

- 4.2 Disposal of 0.0039Ha of land at Manorland (1st Division), Trim, Co. Meath, in accordance with Section 211 of Planning & Development Act 2000 and subject to the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001. The lands are not affected by the provisions of the Land Development Agency Act 2021.

The disposal, in accordance with the statutory notice issued on December 15, 2023, under Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001, was approved on the proposal of **Councillor Joe Fox** and seconded by **Councillor Ronan Moore**.

An Cathaoirleach Councillor Tommy Reilly left the meeting at 13.50pm and the **Leas-Chathaoirleach, Councillor Paul McCabe** presided in his absence.

5 Statutory Business

5.1 Community

- 5.1.1 To receive a presentation from Meath Comhairle na nÓg.

The Leas-Chathaoirleach welcomed Ms. Emily Moore and Mr. Noah Crawley to the meeting.

Ms. Moore and Mr. Crawley gave an overview of the activities of Meath Comhairle na nÓg for the past year. They outlined details of their workplan which centred around Mental Health and Substance Misuse, with an emphasis on vaping and underage vaping. Details were provided of the partnership arrangement with Prosper Meath, the development of a mental health positive message and the creation of an online video. Details were also provided in relation to the work the Comhairle had undertaken to limit promotion of vaping at sporting and entertainment venues, as well as the 'Think 21' Campaign around the sales of vaping products.

There were interventions and queries from **Councillors Ronan Moore; Gillian Toole; Nick Killian; Mike Bray; Michael Gallagher and Joe Bonner**. The Elected Members congratulated the members of Comhairle na nÓg on the work undertaken in relation to mental health and awareness around the health implications and environmental impacts of vaping. They also reiterated their continued support for the Comhairle na nÓg.

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- 5.1.2 To receive details and approve the allocation under the Swainstown Grants Scheme as recommended by the Skane Valley Community Council at their meetings in September 2023 and endorsed by the Ratoath Municipal District Councillors on 7th February 2024.

The Swainstown Grants Scheme was approved on the proposal of **Councillor Gillian Toole** and seconded by **Councillor Brian Fitzgerald**.

- 5.1.3 To receive and note the Local Community Development Committee Annual Report 2023.

The report was noted.

- 5.1.4 To receive and note the Joint Policing Committee Annual Report 2023.

There were interventions and queries from **Councillors Francis Deane; Gillian Toole; Sean Drew; Nick Killian; Paddy Meade; Maria Murphy; Trevor Golden; Elaine McGinty** and **David Gilroy**. Expressions of thanks were offered to Mr. Barry Lynch and Ms. Fiona Fallon for their support of the Committee over the last four years. A special word of thanks was expressed for Mr. Mick Finnegan former Road Safety Officer with Meath County Council. The format and functions of the JPC were discussed and it was perceived that the role of Councillors was diminished in the new Community Safety Partnerships.

The report was noted.

- 5.1.5 To approve replacement members of the Meath LCDC & LAG from the Community & Voluntary Pillar of the Public Participation Network:

- 5.1.5.1 Garret O'Brien (nominated by North East Sand Sculptures)

Mr. Garret O'Brien was approved as a member of the LCDC and LAG on the proposal of **Councillor Alan Lawes** and seconded by **Councillor Mike Bray**.

- 5.1.5.2 Nicky Bowman (nominated by Athboy Development Forum)

Mr. Nicky Bowman was approved as a member of the LCDC and LAG on the proposal of **Councillor Mike Bray** and seconded by **Councillor Brian Fitzgerald**.

5.2 Corporate Affairs and Governance

- 5.2.1 Update on Activities of Meath Women's Caucus, Chair of Meath Women's Caucus, Councillor Maria Murphy.

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Councillor Maria Murphy provided an update on the recent activities of Meath Women's Caucus including details of a series of events hosted by Meath County Council and supported by Women for Election which aimed to encourage and support women with an interest in politics to get involved. Details were also provided of support provided to Meath Women's Refuge and Support Services.

5.2.2 To nominate and approve new member of the Louth Meath Education and Training Board (LMETB), following the resignation of Councillor Amanda Smith.

On the proposal of **Councillor Nick Killian** and seconded by **Councillor Francis Deane, Councillor David Gilroy** was approved as a member of the Louth Meath Education and Training Board.

An Cathaoirleach Councillor Tommy Reilly returned to the meeting at 14.35pm and presided over the meeting.

5.3 Housing

5.3.1 To adopt the Mid-East Region Homelessness Action Plan.

Mr. Barry Lynch introduced the Action Plan noting that it was a collaborative plan between three local authorities including Meath County Council, Kildare County Council and Wicklow County Council.

Ms. Joan Carroll, Acting Senior Executive Officer, outlined the salient details of the plan, including the key findings and objectives, which are based on evidence-based research. The following priority objectives were noted:

- Prevention
- Provision of additional Emergency Accommodation as required
 - Models of Provision – to investigate provision of Long Term Supported Accommodation and Shared Housing
 - Quality Provision
 - Exit Strategies
- Health & Welfare Supports
- Multi Agency Approach
- Youth Homelessness
- Rough Sleeper Count

There were interventions and queries from **Councillors Gillian Toole; Sean Drew; Alan Lawes; Brian Fitzgerald; Nick Killian; Trevor Golden; Michael Gallagher; Elaine McGinty; Helen Meyer; Emer**

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Tóibín and An Cathaoirleach. It was noted that prevention of homelessness was critical to the plan. The success of the Tenant-in-Situ scheme was further noted. There were calls for increased supports for addiction services as well as further opportunities to facilitate direct construction of houses by the Council. Responses to queries raised were provided by Ms. Joan Carroll.

On the proposal of **Councillor Nick Killian** and seconded by **Councillor Joe Fox** the Mid-East Region Homelessness Action Plan 2024 – 2026 was adopted.

6 Reports

6.1 Chief Executive's Report

There were interventions from the following Elected Members: **Councillors Nick Killian; Gillian Toole; Joe Bonner; Ronan Moore; Alan Tobin; Sharon Tolan; Emer Toibin; Sean Drew; Mike Bray; Elaine McGinty; Helen Meyer; Michael Gallagher** and **Maria Murphy**. Matters raised included:

Environment: National Tree Week; Flooding in Ashbourne; OPW flood alleviation works; numbers of dog wardens; dog fouling; Septic tank grants.

Transport: 'Think before you Park' Campaign; Ratoath pedestrian and cycling scheme; N2 Rath to Kilmoon Cross; R135 cycleway; Shared bike scheme; Julianstown By-Pass; Road opening licences; Traffic calming in housing estates; National roads funding allocation; Active Travel works.

Housing: Volume of social housing applications; HAP; Uisce Eireann connections in social housing developments; homeless hostel; Choice Based Letting; Inspection HAP properties; Carrick Street, Kells housing development; Age-Friendly housing development Athboy; AHB housing development Oldcastle.

Finance: Rebuilding Ireland Home Loan.

Community: Library initiatives; Integration Team.

Corporate: Notices of Motion; Communications Strategy; Mother and Baby Homes local support measures.

Econ. Development: Numbers of jobs created.

6.2 Report from the Corporate Policy Group

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The Meetings Administrator reported that the CPG met on Friday, March 1, 2024, and reviewed the agenda for the March Council Meeting. She further noted that the members had been updated on the recent activities of the Economic Development Forum and that plans are progressing for a marketing plan to promote and market the county both nationally and internationally.

Ms. Daly further noted that the Chief Executive had advised the CPG that the Council had purchased the Riverside Building and that it is the intention that the building will house a one stop shop for LEO, Economic Development and Tourism.

Ms. Daly further noted that the CPG had been advised that Election Expenses could not be funded through the Local Representation Allowance 2024.

Finally, Ms. Daly advised that the reports from the Transportation SPC of 14th December, 2023, the Housing, Community and Cultural Development SPC of 24th January, 2024 and the Planning, Economic Development, Enterprise and European Affairs SPC of 9th February, 2024 were noted.

6.3 Report from the Protocol Committee

The Meetings Administrator reported that the Protocol Committee met on Friday, March 1, 2024 and discussed the Notice of Motion that had previously been referred to them. It was noted that the report from the Joint Oireachtas Committee on gender equality had been published previously and would be reviewed in advance of the next Protocol Committee.

Ms. Daly further advised that the members of the Protocol Committee had been advised that Election Expenses could not be funded through the Local Representation Allowance 2024.

Finally, Ms. Daly noted that the Conference and Training Schedules were approved, however, a conference in relation to personal taxation was not included in the conference schedule in accordance with the Training and Development Programme for Councillors.

7 Correspondence

There were interventions on particular items of correspondence from **Councillors Edward Fennessy; Sharon Tolan; Alan Tobin and Gillian Toole.**

The correspondence was noted by the Elected Members.

8 Notice of Question

8.1 Submitted by Councillor Paul McCabe

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"To ask Meath County Council what plans do they have to install CCTV cameras, and use other technology to combat illegal dumping and flytipping now that the regulations governing their use have been signed?"

Response

The Circular Economy and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2022 provided for the GDPR compliant use of CCTV and other mobile recording devices such as body cams and drones in order to deter environmental pollution and to facilitate the prevention, detection and prosecution of both littering and illegal dumping offences.

The Act provides for the establishment of CCTV schemes under the Litter Pollution Act and the Waste Management Acts however the lawful use of the mobile recording devices is only provided for under the Waste Management Acts.

The Act also provides that the use of such technology be subject to the preparation by the LGMA, of codes of practice setting standards for its operation and for same to be approved by the Minister and following consultation with specified persons/bodies.

Minister Ossian Smith approved the Codes of Practice on the 15th December and signed commencement orders that came into effect on the 15th February to allow for the lawful use of CCTV in accordance with the Litter and Waste Management Acts.

The Waste Enforcement Regional Lead Authorities (WEARLAs) are currently preparing guidelines to assist Local Authorities in the implementation of the Codes of Practice as well as template documents for the establishment of Oversight Boards as required by the said codes. The role of the Oversight Boards will be to consider Business Cases and Data Protection Impact assessments (DPIA) prepared by staff proposing to implement the CCTV schemes.

The use of CCTV/MRD for law enforcement purposes pursuant to the Codes of Practice, shall be such that it is strictly necessary and proportionate in both its scope and its time of operation and that its use is, ultimately, balanced as fairly and as equitably as possible with the data privacy rights of data subjects whose data may be collected and processed arising from surveillance operations and/ or activities involving CCTV/MRD.

Subject to compliance with the above the Council will use CCTV and other mobile recording devices and particularly at locations which are subject to continuous dumping.

Noted by the Elected Members.

8.2 Submitted by Councillor Ronan Moore



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"In the full council meeting of February 2021, in response to the 'Report of the Commission of Investigation into Mother and Baby Homes', Meath County Council agreed to support 'local measures that form part of the suite of follow-up actions, for example, in relation to memorialisation and access to archives and records'. Could the Executive give an update as to whether any actions in relation to this have been undertaken since then or are currently planned?"

Response

Meath County Council will liaise with the working group established by the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to assist local authorities to support local memorialisation initiatives as they are proposed.

Noted by the Elected Members.

8.3 Submitted by Councillor Helen Meyer

"Does the Meath Regional and Local Road Grant Allocations 2024 include increased funding for CIS projects? If not, why is it not included?"

Response

Meath County Council received €459,450 from the Department of Transport for CIS schemes in 2024. This is the same amount that was received in 2023.

Noted by the Elected Members.

8.4 Submitted by Councillor Trevor Golden

"Can we have a progress report on the upgrade of public lighting to LED?"

Response

Meath County Council is part of the Eastern Regional Contract with eight other counties that is being lead by Kilkenny County Council. Project management and programme delivery are currently under review. The actual installation is not in line with initial planned timelines; the lead authority is in detailed discussions with the contractor in respect of accelerating the programme and endeavouring to make up the delays.

Noted by the Elected Members.

9 Notice of Motion

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9.1 Submitted by Councillor Edward Fennessy

"To ask the Executive to authorise a review of the Commemoration Policy with a view to revising section 4 (b), for the purpose of changing the time period permissible that allows for a commemoration to take place, from 20 years to 10 years."

Supporting Information subject to the motion being proposed, seconded and considered.

A review of the Commemorative Policy will commence in May 2024 with a view to bringing the revised policy to the Protocol Committee in July 2024.

Councillor Edward Fennessy introduced the motion and he asked that the Commemorative Committee review the policy to take note of the motion above. **Councillor Brian Fitzgerald** noted that the Members of Ratoath MD had expressed a wish to commemorate the late Councillor Damien O'Reilly RIP.

The motion proposed by **Councillor Edward Fennessy** and seconded by **Councillor Alan Lawes** was agreed.

<p>An Cathaoirleach Councillor Tommy Reilly left the meeting at 16.20pm and the Leas-Chathaoirleach, Councillor Paul McCabe presided in his absence.</p>
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9.2 Submitted by Councillor Mike Bray

"That Meath County Council establishes a 'Walk of Fame' to commemorate the Meath stars on the Hollywood Walk of Fame and other celebrated Meath people from the performing and creative arts."

Supporting Information subject to the motion being proposed, seconded and considered.

If the motion is approved the matter will be referred to the Commemorative Committee for consideration. It will then be referred to the Protocol Committee for recommendation to the Council.

Councillor Mike Bray introduced the motion and he noted that there were 5 people with links to Co. Meath included on the Hollywood Walk of Fame and he outlined the tourism potential for such a scheme. There was an intervention of support from **Councillor Paddy Meade**.

The motion proposed by **Councillor Mike Bray** and seconded by **Councillor Paddy Meade** was agreed.

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9.3 Submitted by Councillor Trevor Golden

“I call on Meath County Council to increase the number of ‘free day’ initiatives for residential customers using Recycling Centres which are very successful, to facilitate a greater use of the Recycling Centres.”

Supporting Information subject to the motion being proposed, seconded and considered.

Meath County Council provides a number of ‘Free Drop Off Days’ each year to encourage the use of the Recycling Centres for the management of specific waste streams and prevent the use of illegal ‘Man in a Van’ operators. Each year 500 tonnes of bulky waste and 1,500 mattresses are collected through these free events. The 2024 schedule of ‘Free Drop Off Days’ is prepared utilising the available allocation as agreed as part of the 2024 revenue budget. When preparing the 2025 budget and developing the 2025 schedule, the number and type of these initiatives will be reviewed.

Councillor Trevor Golden introduced the motion and welcomed the response.

The motion proposed by **Councillor Trevor Golden** and seconded by Councillor **Nick Killian** was agreed.

10 General Interest Motions

10.1 Submitted by Councillor Joe Fox

“That Meath County Council supports the Government's extension of the Help to Buy Scheme to the end of 2025 and calls for the Scheme to be extended to the end of 2026 to introduce certainty for prospective buyers or those seeking to build their first home.”

Councillor Joe Fox introduced the motion. He acknowledged the success of the scheme to date and called for it to be extended to the end of 2026.

The motion proposed by **Councillor Joe Fox** and seconded by **Councillor Gerry O’Connor** was agreed.

10.2 Submitted by Councillor Noel French

“That Meath County Council calls on the Minister for Education to release the findings of the School Transport Scheme review immediately.”

Councillor Noel French withdrew the motion, noting that the report had been published.

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10.3 Submitted by Councillor Michael Gallagher

“That Meath County Council call on the Minister for Equality, Children, Disability Integration and Youth to refrain from using the D Hotel in Drogheda as an accommodation centre for asylum seekers.”

Councillor Michael Gallagher introduced the motion noting the affect the closure of the hotel would have on tourism in the Boyne Valley. There were interventions from **Councillors Elaine McGinty** and **Sharon Tolan**.

Councillor Sharon Tolan proposed an amendment that was seconded by **Councillor Aisling Dempsey** as follows:

“That Meath County Council call on the Minister for Equality, Children, Disability Integration and Youth to refrain from using 100% of the D Hotel in Drogheda as an accommodation centre for asylum seekers.”

The amended motion was put to a roll call vote.

	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
ADENUGA, Yemi	√			
BEHAN, Tom				√
BONNER, Joseph			√	
BRAY, Mike	√			
CASSIDY, Eugene				√
DEANE, Francis				√
DEMPSEY, Aisling	√			
DREW, Sean	√			
FENNESSY, Edward		√		
FITZGERALD, Brian	√			
FITZSIMONS, Pdraig	√			
FOX, Joe	√			
FRENCH, Noel				√
GALLAGHER, Michael		√		
GERAGHTY-SMITH, Deirdre				√
GILROY, David	√			
GOLDEN, Trevor			√	
HARDING, Wayne			√	
JAMAL, Suzanne	√			
KEOGAN, Geraldine	√			
KILLIAN, Nick	√			
LAWES, Alan		√		
MC CABE, Paul	√			
MC GINTY, Elaine	√			
MC KEE, Stephen	√			



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MEADE, Paddy		√		
Meyer, Helen		√		
MOORE, Ronan			√	
MURPHY, Maria	√			
O'CONNOR, Gerry	√			
O'REILLY, Caroline	√			
REILLY, Sarah				√
REILLY, Tommy	√			
SMITH, Amanda				√
SOUHAN, Niamh				√
TOBIN, Alan			√	
TÓIBÍN, Emer				√
TOLAN, Sharon	√			
TOOLE, Gillian	√			
TORMEY, Conor				√

Result: For = 20 votes; Against = 5 votes; Abstain = 5; Not Present = 10

The motion, as amended, proposed by **Councillor Michael Gallagher** and seconded by **Councillor Alan Lawes** was agreed.

An Cathaoirleach Councillor Tommy Reilly returned to the meeting at 16.55pm and presided over the meeting.

10.4 Submitted by Councillor Helen Meyer

“That Meath County Council calls on the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to amend the Control of Dogs Act 1986, to state that all dogs must be on a leash when out in public, unless the dog is at an official off-leash dog park.”

Councillor Helen Meyer introduced the motion noting that the legislation only provided for ‘effective control’ of dogs and that enforcement would be made easier if dogs were required to be on a leash. There were interventions from **Councillors Paddy Meade; Sharon Tolan; Maria Murphy** and **Alan Tobin** which included calls for a review of bye-laws on the proper control of dogs.

Councillor Paddy Meade proposed an amendment that was seconded by **Councillor Joe Fox** as follows:

“That Meath County Council calls on the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to amend the Control of Dogs Act 1986, to state that all dogs must be on a leash when out in public, unless the dog is at an official off-leash dog park, excluding working dogs.”

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The amended motion was put to a roll call vote.

	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
ADENUGA, Yemi			√	
BEHAN, Tom				√
BONNER, Joseph			√	
BRAY, Mike				√
CASSIDY, Eugene				√
DEANE, Francis				√
DEMPSEY, Aisling		√		
DREW, Sean		√		
FENNESSY, Edward	√			
FITZGERALD, Brian	√			
FITZSIMONS, Pdraig		√		
FOX, Joe	√			
FRENCH, Noel				√
GALLAGHER, Michael				√
GERAGHTY-SMITH, Deirdre				√
GILROY, David	√			
GOLDEN, Trevor	√			
HARDING, Wayne		√		
JAMAL, Suzanne	√			
KEOGAN, Geraldine				√
KILLIAN, Nick	√			
LAWES, Alan	√			
MC CABE, Paul		√		
MC GINTY, Elaine				√
MC KEE, Stephen	√			
MEADE, Paddy	√			
Meyer, Helen	√			
MOORE, Ronan		√		
MURPHY, Maria		√		
O'CONNOR, Gerry		√		
O'REILLY, Caroline		√		
REILLY, Sarah				√
REILLY, Tommy	√			
SMITH, Amanda				√
SOUHAN, Niamh				√
TOBIN, Alan	√			
TÓIBÍN, Emer				√
TOLAN, Sharon		√		
TOOLE, Gillian	√			
TORMEY, Conor				√

Result: For = 14 votes; Against = 10 votes; Abstain = 2; Not Present = 14

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The motion, as amended, proposed by **Councillor Helen Meyer** and seconded by **Councillor Edward Fennessy** was agreed.

10.5 Submitted by Councillor Helen Meyer

“That Meath County Council calls on the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to implement legislation that requires building owners/management companies to maintain and paint the outside and common areas of their building, after a set period of time, such as ten years, including fines for not complying with said legislation.”

Councillor Helen Meyer introduced the motion noting that some building owners are not maintaining their properties and allowing them to go into disrepair. **Councillor Gerry O’Connor** raised a point of clarification with response provided by Mr. Des Foley.

The motion proposed by **Councillor Helen Meyer** and seconded by **Councillor Alan Lawes** was agreed.

11 Schedule of Chief Executive & Approved Orders (For Information Only)

11.1 Schedule of Chief Executive’s Orders – Transportation

Noted by the Elected Members.

11.2 Schedule of Chief Executive’s Orders – Environment

Noted by the Elected Members.

11.3 Schedule of Chief Executive’s Orders – Housing

Noted by the Elected Members.

11.4 Schedule of Chief Executive’s Orders – Community & Enterprise

Noted by the Elected Members.

12 Any Other Business

There were interventions from **Councillors Trevor Golden; Nick Killian; Paddy Meade and Gillian Toole**. Matters raised included processes in Council meetings; recent flooding incidents;



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celebrations of 125 years of Local Government; IFA protest; water outages and fully serviced development land.

Responses to queries raised were provided by the Chief Executive, Mr. Dara McGowan and Mr. Des Foley.