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19th February 2025 @ 2.30p.m.

Buvinda House, Navan (and online via zoom)

Presiding: An Cathaoirleach, Councillor Sharon Tolan

Councillors Present:

Councillors, Fionnan Blake, Joe Bonner, Francis Deane, Brian Fitzgerald, Joe Fox, Suzanne Jamal, Nick Killian, Gerry O'Connor, Caroline O'Reilly, Dave Boyne, Yvonne Everard, Wayne Harding, Paddy Meade, Maria Murphy.

Councillors Present via Zoom:

Councillors, Mike Bray, Sean Drew, Noel French, Stephen McKee, Alan Tobin, Emer Tóibín, Conor Tormey, David Gilroy, Carol Lennon, Helen Meyer, Yemi Adenuga, Geraldine Keogan, Pdraig Fitzsimons, Amanda Smith.

Apologies:

Councillors Pdraig Coffey, Peter Caffrey, Eugene Cassidy, Sarah Reilly, Maria White. Edward Fennessy, Michael Gallagher, Alan Lawes, Ronan Moore, Paul O'Rourke.

Officials in attendance:

Chief Executive: Kieran Kehoe

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

Meetings Administrator: Francis Regan

A/Senior Planner: Alan Russell

1.0 To consider the proposed material alterations and the report of the Chief Executive on the Draft Maynooth & Environs Joint Local Area Plan 2025 – 2031

An Cathaoirleach, Councillor Sharon Tolan thanked the Elected Members for their attendance.

Mr Alan Russell, A/Senior Planner, provided a presentation and overview of the LAP process and proposed material alterations and the report of the Chief Executive on the Draft Maynooth & Environs Joint Local Area Plan 2025 – 2031. Mr Russell also informed the members that at a meeting of the Clane Maynooth Municipal District on 17th February 2025, their members made the Joint LAP, and in doing so, did not accept the Chief Executive's recommendation in relation to a number of material alterations relating to permeability measures and a zoning objective that related solely to the administrative area of Clane Maynooth Municipal District.

Mr Russell then read the following resolution:

"Having considered the Proposed Material Alterations to the Draft Maynooth and Environs Joint Local Area Plan 2025 – 2031 and the Chief Executive's Report on submissions and observations dated 10th January 2025 in relation to the Draft Maynooth and Environs Joint Local Area Plan 2025 – 2031 and

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pursuant to Section 20 of the Planning & Development Acts 2000 (as amended) the Elected Members of Meath County Council resolved, at a meeting on 19th February 2025, that the Maynooth and Environs Joint Local Area Plan 2025 – 2031 be made”

There were interventions of support from **Councillors Brian Fitzgerald, Caroline O’Reilly and Maria Murphy**. The potential for the future development of the County was noted. The importance of the provision of critical infrastructure was also noted including lands for economic development and housing, as well as the inclusion of a road to facilitate cycling and walking initiatives into Maynooth. **Councillor Caroline O’Reilly** noted the importance of providing critical infrastructure such as housing and lands for economic development, however, she expressed concern on the impact of the zoning on the rural community and the lack of schools and social infrastructure to cater for the increased demand.

Councillor Brian Fitzgerald proposed to make the material alterations of the Maynooth & Environs Joint Local Area Plan 2025- 2031. The proposal was seconded by **Councillor Nick Killian**.

The Cathaoirleach called a roll call vote, results as follows:

	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
ADENUGA, Yemi	✓			
BLAKE, Fionnan	✓			
BONNER, Joseph	✓			
BOYNE, Dave	✓			
BRAY, Mike	✓			
CAFFREY, Peter				✓
CASSIDY, Eugene				✓
COFFEY, Padraig				✓
DEANE, Francis	✓			
DREW, Sean	✓			
Everard, Yvonne			✓	
FENNESSY, Eddie				✓
FITZGERALD, Brian	✓			
FITZSIMONS, Padraig	✓			
FOX, Joe	✓			
FRENCH, Noel	✓			
GALLAGHER, Michael				✓
GILROY, David	✓			
HARDING, Wayne	✓			
JAMAL, Suzanne	✓			
KEOGAN, Geraldine	✓			
KILLIAN, Nick	✓			
LAWES, Alan				✓
LENNON, Carol	✓			
MC KEE, Stephen	✓			



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MEADE, Paddy			√	
MEYER, Helen				√
MOORE, Ronan				√
MURPHY, Maria	√			
O'CONNOR, Gerry	√			
O'REILLY, Caroline		√		
O'ROURKE, Paul				√
REILLY, Sarah				√
SMITH, Amanda	√			
TOBIN, Alan	√			
TÓIBÍN, Emer	√			
TOLAN, Sharon	√			
TORMEY, Conor	√			
WHITE, Maria				√

Result: For – 25, Against - 1, Abstain – 2, Absent – 11.

On the basis of the results above, the Elected Members made the Maynooth & Environs Joint Local Area Plan 2025- 2031.

The meeting concluded at 2.55pm.