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SLIGO COUNTY COUNCIL

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31st January, 2017

TO: THE CATHAOIRLEACH AND EACH MEMBER OF SLIGO COUNTY COUNCIL

The Ordinary Meeting of Sligo County Council will be held:

ON: Monday, 6th February, 2017

AT: 10.00 a.m.

IN: Council Chamber, County Hall, Riverside, Sligo

You are requested to attend.

Kevin Colreavy

K. Colreavy Administrative Officer

CLÁR

- **1.** To confirm Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of Sligo County Council held on 9th January, 2017 (*Copy attached and posted on Extranet*).
- 2. To confirm Minutes of the Budget Meeting of the Municipal District of Ballymote-Tobercurry held on 9th November, 2016 (*Copy attached and posted on Extranet*).
- **3.** To confirm Minutes of Meeting of the Municipal District of Ballymote-Tobercurry held on 28th November, 2016 (*Copy attached and posted on Extranet*).
- **4.** To approve, pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, the disposal of property at 14 Rusheen Crescent, Caltragh, Sligo to Ms. Fiona Couch (*Posted on extranet*).
- 5. To approve, pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, the disposal of property at 6 Green Road, Coolaney, Co. Sligo to Ms. Christine McGlinchey (*Posted on extranet*).

- 6. To approve in accordance with Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992, and Regulations thereunder, provision of assistance to Sophia Housing Association Ltd, in the form of Capital Assistance Scheme in the value of €291,211 for the purchase of a dwelling at Cullaghbeg, Drumcliffe, Co. Sligo (*Posted on extranet*).
- **7.** Presentation by "Metal Mariners".
- **8.** Briefing on Regional Assembly and National Planning Framework by Mr. David Minton, Director of the Northern and Western Regional Assembly.
- **9.** To note the Monthly Management Report for December 2016 (*Report previously circulated and posted on Extranet*).
- **10.** To seek approval to borrowing a sum not exceeding €13.5m by way of temporary overdraft for the 12 months from 1st April 2017 to 31st March 2018 (*Report attached and posted on Extranet*).
- 11. To consider the budget of Sligo Business Improvement District Ltd. for its second year of operation and to set the annual BID multiplier (*Report attached and posted on Extranet*).
- **12.** That Sligo County Council, being satisfied of their general public utility, declares the Roads named below to be Public Roads in accordance with Section 11(1) of the Roads Act, 1993."

Road number	Location and terminal points
L-11026-0	Road situate in the housing development known as "Meadowbank" in the townland of Straduff, Geevagh.
L-7314-0	Road situate in the housing development of "Bayview" in Rosses Point.

(Posted on Extranet)

- **13.** Report on the new National Library Management System (*Copy attached and posted on Extranet*).
- **14.** To consider report in relation to commencing the process of taking in charge the estate known as "Beechwood Court", Ballytivnan, Co. Sligo (*Report previously circulated*).
- **15.** To consider report in relation to commencing the process of taking in charge the estate known as "Lar Easa Cove", Strandhill, Co. Sligo (*Report previously circulated*).

DEFERRED MOTIONS

16. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor M. Clarke:

"To call on Sligo County Council to immediately develop the Council's site at Knocknacullen, Dromore West, to provide houses for people on the Council's housing waiting list".

17. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor J. Queenan:

"Ask County Librarian to confirm that the Enniscrone library services will be maintained after August 17 when the present staff retires."

18. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor M. Clarke:

"Following a Presentation by Sean O'Connor - Northwest Regional Drug & Alcohol Task Force (NWRDATF) Co-ordinator, made to the Meeting of County Sligo Joint Policing Committee on 16th December 2016, in An Chroí South Sligo Enterprise Centre, Tubbercurry. I call on Sligo county council to discuss the issue of alcohol abuse, lobby the Government, to have all alcohol addictive drug product removed from Shops and supermarkets, to train and provide qualifications for people to safely retail alcohol. and to revitalise the traditional Irish Pub industry."

19. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor S. Kilgannon:

"To request Sligo County Council to call on the Minister for Health Simon Harris TD and the HSE to urgently review the current home care package for older persons. The current scheme is totally inadequate and is causing serious hardship for families."

20. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor S. Kilgannon:

"I propose that Sligo County Council write to the Minister for Jobs, Enterprise and Employment, Mary Mitchell O'Connor, seeking assurances that County Sligo will be high on the list for new jobs in 2017 as Sligo is the key centre of economic growth in the North West."

21. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor S. Kilgannon:

"I propose that Sligo County Council calls on the Minister for the Environment to provide adequate funding for the maintenance of our County Roads network and, as a matter of urgency, a ring fenced allocation for the re-introduction of local improvement schemes."

MOTIONS

22. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor K. Henry:

"To ask Sligo County Council for the most recent figures on the number of mortgage

applications received and granted by the Council."

23. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor M. Clarke:

"To call on Sligo County Council to write to the E.N.T. Consultant in Sligo General Hospital and the Minister for Health, Simon Harris T.D., for an explanation on the reasons why Patients have to wait more than two years for the procedure to have tonsils removed."

24. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor M. Clarke:

"To call on Sligo County Council, to seek and provide funds for the purchase of covert cameras to clamp down on illegal dumping which is now at unacceptable level in the county."

25. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor M. Clarke:

"To call on Sligo County Council to consider the difficulties that rural communities are experiencing with regard to developing of housing in rural areas as has been outlined in a letter to Director of Services and to ensure that the County Development Plan addresses those issues."

26. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor T. MacSharry:

"That Sligo County Council Engineering and Heritage staff, in conjunction with the Department of Arts and Heritage, assess the possibility of moving the wreck of the Malbeck from the slipway at Quay Street to another part of the estuary to allow use for mooring small boats at the slipway at Quay wall".

27. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor T. MacSharry:

"That Sligo County Council assess the need for traffic calming measures including signage at the Lungy, Sligo".

28. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor T. MacSharry:

"Following notification of funding allocations for 2017 from Transport Infrastructure Ireland I call on the Director of Services of Sligo County Council to prepare a Report for members setting out the planned work programme for 2017 for the N4 Scheme and to set out the remaining steps to allow this Scheme proceed to construction ".

29. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor S. Kilgannon:

"Sligo County Council noting the important Statement of Principle in the Programme for Partnership Government relating to Credit Unions now calls on the Taoiseach and Finance Minister to make a statement setting out a work programme on how it will implement its commitments for Credit Unions

No.1 - To secure Credit Union funding for Social Housing.

No. 2 - A full Review of Credit Union Lending Limits.

No. 3 - provision of Mortgages by Credit Unions."

30. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor S. Kilgannon:

"Sligo County Council calls on Government to move to implement a series of recommendations to tackle spiralling motor insurance premiums that have risen by a minimum of 51% since January 2011."

31. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor T. Healy:

"To Call on the CEO of Sligo County Council to write to the Minister of the Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government to sanction the recruitment of Staff to replace the retired Staff in the libraries to ensure that all the Council libraries in the county remain open during normal opening hours".

32. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor D. Mulvey:

"To seek an-update on behalf of {GLAD} Geevagh Local Area Development Committee on a notice of motion I submitted in November 2015 asking Sligo County Council to put traffic calming measures in place along R284 Geevagh Village".

33. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor D. Mulvey:

"To ask Sligo County Council to seek funding for a pedestrian crossing in Wine Street Sligo town as I have been contacted by business people in Sligo in relation to the adding of a safe crossing location in Wine Street. Businesses in this area feel its absence is impacting negatively on trading in this location.

There also appears to be a lack of clear road markings at the main junction to Tesco car-park and this is a safety issue also for pedestrians."

34. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor D. Mulvey:

"To ask Sligo County Council to write to the Minister for Health, Simon Harris, T.D. to seek the addition of freestyle libre sensors for glucose testing to be put on to the Long Term Illness Scheme.

This unit consists of a sensor which automatically measures and continuously stores glucose readings day and night via a painless 1 second scan even through clothing. Children with type 1 diabetes have to check their blood sugars numerous times a day and if they are unwell they could have to check hourly including during the night so this involves waking a sleeping child to prick their finger and draw blood. The sensor eliminates this as blood sugars can be checked with a simple scan. The sensor lasts for 2 weeks at a cost of €0.

This price can makes this invaluable product unaffordable for some families and this is why I am seeking to have it to be put on to the Long Term Illness Scheme."

35. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor M. Gormley:

"That this Council calls on the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine Michael Creed and this Government for their commitment that the Regional Veterinary Laboratory at Dunally will be retained".

36. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor K. Henry:

"That Sligo County Council monitors the illegal dumping in the Ballinacarrow area due to continuous occurrences."

37. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor D. Bree:

"That Sligo County Council supports the proposal to construct a light railway network linking Northern Ireland with Sligo and Donegal; and further the Council agrees to host a meeting of representatives of the relevant local authorities to consider ways to advance the project."

38. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor M. Gormley:

"Due to the ongoing dumping that is taking place on the Lay-Bye at Ballinacarrow that the council erect a camera at this location".

39. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor T. Healy:

"To call on Sligo County Council to put traffic calming measures in place on the Barrack road and the Knockbeg road to address the concerns of residents in Collooney regarding speeding."

40. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor M. Casserly:

"That the vacant position of Litter Warden for County Sligo be filled as soon as possible."

41. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor M. Casserly:

"Sligo County Council calls on the state Legal Aid Board to end the unjust system whereby victims of domestic violence are subjected to financial obligations when seeking justice."

42. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor T. Healy:

"That Sligo County Council writes to the Minister of State for Education and Skills outlining the concerns of members in relation to the operation of the nearest school rule for the purposes of school transport and the effect on children here in Sligo."

43. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor S. Kilgannon:

"To request Sligo County Council Roads Department, in the interest of Health and Safety, to

construct traffic calming on the N59 Road on the approach to the roundabout on the old N4 road at Ballysadare bridge."

44. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor J. Lundy:

"I will ask for a report on when Knoxville Manor Estate, Bellaghy, Charlestown, Co. Sligo will be taken in charge by Sligo County Council".

45. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor J. Lundy:

"In the interest of business and economic development in County Sligo, I will ask what is the Council's/National Roads Authority (T.I.I.) Policy on business advertising signs already erected along the National Primary road, the N17".

46. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor D. Bree:

"That the Council be provided with a comprehensive report on the 111 properties offered to the Council by NAMA, including details as to when the properties were offered, the location of the properties, details of correspondence between the Council and NAMA and an explanation as to why only 4 of the properties have been leased by the Council."

47. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor S. Maguire:

"That this Council write to the Minister for Health advocating that we adopt an organ opt out system similar to that recently introduced in France."

48. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor S. Maguire:

"That Sligo County Council will conduct a survey of the roundabout at Strandhill to establish a safer crossing system for pedestrians."

49. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor H. Keaney:

"Call on Sligo County Council to proceed with taking in charge housing development at Drum Road, Rathcormac, Sligo (Ref. Ann Collins)."

50. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor D. Bree:

"That the Council be provided with a progress report on the proposed Rosses Point Pier and Pontoon project particularly with regard to the application for grant aid to the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine."

51. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor M. Gormley:

"That the Director of Services contacts the Council's Solicitor requesting that he give priority to the transfer of the lands to Holy Family N.S Tubbercurry to allow progress be made on the much needed set down area and parking facilities".

52. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor P. Taylor:

"To ask the Director of Services can consideration be given to extending the contracts of the outdoor staff given that our 2017 Road allocations are now in place".

53. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor J. Lundy:

"To ask for a report on (a) the Town and Village Renewal Scheme 2017 and (b) the Revitalising Rural Ireland Scheme".

54. To consider the following motion as submitted by Councillor M. Baker:

"Calling on the H.S.E. to instigate an immediate review of the Community Occupational Therapy services in the north west region. The current inexcusable delays being experienced by frail elderly patients in the community setting is truly shocking and leading to an extra burden on the hospital sector due to unnecessary admissions and attendances at Emergency Rooms".

- **55.** Votes of Sympathy.
- **56.** Votes of Congratulations.
- **57.** Conferences/Training (*Copy attached and posted on Extranet*).
- **58.** To note the summary of proceedings of conferences attended in accordance with Section 142(5) (f) of the Local Government Act, 2001.

59. Correspondence:

- a) E-mail dated 4th January, 2017 from the Office of the Minister for Health reresolution in relation to bed shortages at Sligo University Hospital,
- b) E-mail dated 4th January, 2017 from the Office of the Minister for Health in relation to provision of "Orkambi" medication to Cystic Fibrosis Patients in Ireland,
- c) Copy of resolution adopted by Waterford City and County Council in relation to recommendations of the Post Office Business Development Group,
- d) Acknowledgement dated 4th January, 2017 from the Office of the Tánaiste and Minister for Justice and Equality re. direct provision system,
- e) Acknowledgement dated 3rd January, 2017 from the Office of the Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government re. rent increases for Tenants,
- f) Acknowledgement dated 5th January, 2017 from the Office of the Minister for Finance re. annual loss of rates income resulting from the global revaluations,
- g) Letter dated 10th January, 2017 from Cavan County Council in relation to the East-

West Link road,

- h) Acknowledgement dated 11th January, 2017 from Marc MacSharry, T.D. in relation to resolution re. catheterisation laboratory at Sligo University Hospital,
- i) Acknowledgement dated 11th January, 2017 from the Office of the Taoiseach reresolution concerning appointment of a Minister to deal exclusively with the ramifications of Brexit on Ireland,
- j) Letter dated 12th January, 2017 from the N.D.L.S. (National Driver Licence Service),
- k) Letter dated 11th January, 2017 from Cavan County Council re. taxation of self employed cross border workers,
- 1) Copy of correspondence from Longford County Council to Minister Harris concerning Orkambi medication,
- m) E-mail from Irish Water re. upgrading of sewage plant in Strandhill,
- n) Letter dated 13th January, 2017 from the Office of the Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government re. volunteering,
- o) Copy of resolutions passed by Tipperary County Council:
 - i) NOM 870 re. Dyspraxia and Dyslexia,
 - ii) NOM 871 re. representation on All Island Civic Forum and
 - iii) NOM 889 re. domestic mortgage arrears accounts,
- p) Copy of resolution passed by Donegal County Council re. H.S.E.,
- q) Letter dated 16th January, 2017 from Simon Harris, T.D., Minister for Health in relation to resolution re. "Orkambi" medication,
- r) E-mail dated 18th January, 2017 from Marc MacSharry T.D. together with reply to Dáil Question (1316) re. cardiac catheterisation laboratory at Sligo University Hospital,
- s) Reply received on 20th January, 2017 from the Head of Driver Testing Operations in the R.S.A..
- t) Acknowledgement dated 20th January, 2017 from the Office of the Minister for Health re. provision of a cardiac catheterisation laboratory Sligo University Hospital,
- Letter dated 24th January, 2017 from County Sligo Social & Benevolent Association, New York, inviting Cathaoirleach Keaney to attend their annual St. Patrick's Day Celebrations.
- v) Copy of resolution from Tipperary County Council in relation to planning exemptions for solar photovoltaic energy production,
- w) Copy of resolution from South Dublin County Council re. use of bus lanes by vehicles displaying "Disability Parking Permits",

- x) Copy of resolution from South Dublin County Council re. Direct Provision Centres,
- y) Reply dated 23rd January, 2017 from Mr. David Franks, Chief Executive of Iarnród Éireann re. accomodating wheelchair users at Rail Stations,
- z) Letter dated 25th January, 2017 from the Office of Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government in relation to resolution re. rent,
- aa) Acknowledgement dated 27th January from the Office of the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform re. global revalutions.
- **60.** Matters Arising from Minutes.
- **61.** Any Other Business.