

**MINUTES OF MAYO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 14th
OCTOBER, 2002, AT 4.00 p.m.**

The Cathaoirleach, Cllr. T. Quinn, was in the Chair.

The other Councillors present were:-

Cllrs. E. Caffrey, B. Golden, S. Molloy, A.M. Reape, S. Weir, M. Burke, J. Mannion, D. Ryan, G. Coyle, P. Kilbane, F. Leneghan, S. Bourke, Patk. Burke, B. Cooper-Flynn, T.D., H. Kenny, A. McDonnell, J. Mee, J. Carty, T.D., J. Cribbin, R. Finn, P. McHugh, J. Flannery, J. Maloney, J. Mellett, G. Murray, M. Adams, F. Chambers, M. Ring, T.D., P. Sweeney.

The Officers in attendance were:-

Mr. D. Mahon, Co. Manager, Mr. J. Beirne, Dir. of Services / Co. Engineer, Mr. J. Loftus, Dir. of Services, Mr. J. Condon, Meetings Administrator, Mr. S. Granahan, Dir. of Services, Mr. P. Hynes, Dir. of Services, Mr. I. Douglas, Sen. Planner, Mr. M. Mongan, Sen. Engineer, Mr. P. Mahon, Sen. Engineer, Mr. P. Benson, Sen. Ex. Officer, Mr. J. Moran, Sen. Staff Officer, Ms. C. Kenny, A/Staff Officer.

ITEM NO. 1.

**MIONTUAIRISCI DE CRUINNITHE COMHAIRLE CHONTAE MHAIGH EO A
BHI AR SIUL AR AN 9^u MEAN FOMHAIR AGUS 23^u MEAN FOMHAIR, 2002,
A DEIMHNIU.**

**TO CONFIRM MINUTES OF MAYO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETINGS HELD ON
9th SEPTEMBER AND 23rd SEPTEMBER, 2002.**

Mhol Comhairleoir P. McHugh
Chuid Comhairleoir P. Kilbane leis
Ghlacu leis an tairiscint:-

“Go n-aontaíomar le Miontuairisci Cruinnithe Comhairle Chontae Mhaigh
Eo a bhí ar siúl ar an 9^u Mean Fomhair agus 23^u Mean Fomhair, 2002”.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Mayo County Council Meetings held on 9th September and
23rd September, 2002, be taken as read, approved and signed as a correct
record”.

ITEM NO. 2.

COUNCIL'S AWARD SCHEME.

The Cathaoirleach suggested that the County Council should honour
individuals in the County who have reached 100 years of age and couples
who have celebrated 50th Wedding Anniversaries.

It was agreed to set up a Committee consisting of the two Whips and other
Members of the Council to examine this proposal.

Proposed by Cllr. T. Quinn

Seconded by Cllr. D. Ryan

Resolved:-

“That a Vote of Congratulations be extended to the Ladies All-Ireland Senior Champion Football Team on winning the All-Ireland Title and that an appropriate Function be held to honour the Team and that the necessary expenditure is hereby approved”.

ITEM NO. 3.

TO ARRANGE A DATE FOR THE ESTIMATES MEETING FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 2003.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That the Estimates Meeting for the Financial Year ending 31st December, 2003, be held on Monday, 25th November, 2002”.

ITEM NO. 4.

CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN.

Mr. I. Douglas, Senior Planner, made a Presentation to the Council on the proposed Draft Development Plan.

During his Presentation, Mr. Douglas informed the Members that consideration of the proposed Draft Development Plan had to be finalised by 8th November, 2002, after which it would go on public display.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That a Special Meeting of the Council be held on Monday, 21st October, 2002, to consider the proposed Draft Development Plan and that Council Meeting scheduled to take place on Monday, 28th October, 2002, take place on Monday, 4th November, 2002”.

In reply to queries, the County Manager set out the legal position regarding the provision of professional advice in respect of the Draft Development Plan. He stated that the Local Government Act, 2001, allowed the Manager to obtain a second legal opinion for the Elected Members where a legal opinion had already been obtained. This provision did not apply to professional advice obtained by Members and the Council had no authority to pay for such separate professional advice. If such advice was obtained by Members, they would have to pay for it themselves.

ITEM NO. 5.
TO CONSIDER REQUEST FROM THE SAMARITANS TO ADDRESS A
MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

Proposed by Cllr. F. Chambers

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That the Council receive a Deputation from The Samaritans at Council Meeting to be held on Monday, 11th November, 2002”.

ITEM NO. 6.
TO CONSIDER REPORT DATED 24th SEPTEMBER, 2002, IN ACCORDANCE
WITH PART 8 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING AND
DEVELOPMENT) REGULATIONS, 2001, AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT
ACT, 2001, IN RESPECT OF PROPOSED EXTENSION TO CROSSMOLINA
BURIAL GROUND.

Proposed by Cllr. E. Staunton

Seconded by Cllr. S. Weir

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt Report dated 24th September, 2002, in accordance with Part 8 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Regulations, 2001, and the Local Government Act, 2001, in respect of proposed Extension to Crossmolina Burial Ground”.

ITEM NO. 7.
TO CONSIDER REPORT DATED 2nd OCTOBER, 2002, IN ACCORDANCE
WITH PART 8 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING AND
DEVELOPMENT) REGULATIONS, 2001, AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT
ACT, 2001, IN RESPECT OF PROPOSAL FOR REFURBISHMENT OF OLD
TOWN HALL, CHARLESTOWN, FOR USE AS A LIBRARY AND ARTS
CENTRE.

Proposed by Cllr. J. Flannery

Seconded by Cllr. G. Murray

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt Report dated 2nd October, 2002, in accordance with Part 8 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Regulations, 2001, and the Local Government Act, 2001, in respect of proposal for Refurbishment of Old Town Hall, Charlestown, for use as a Library and Arts Centre”.

ITEM NO. 8

TO CONSIDER REPORT DATED 2nd OCTOBER, 2002, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 8 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT) REGULATIONS, 2001, AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001, IN RESPECT OF PROPOSAL FOR A 6 HOUSE DEVELOPMENT AT LAVEYBEG, CHARLESTOWN.

Proposed by Cllr. J. Flannery

Seconded by Cllr. G. Murray

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt Report dated 2nd October, 2002, in accordance with Part 8 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Regulations, 2001, and the Local Government Act, 2001, in respect of proposal for a 6 House Development at Laveybeg, Charlestown”.

ITEM NO. 9.

TO CONSIDER REPORT DATED 3rd OCTOBER, 2002, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 8 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT) REGULATIONS, 2001, AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001, IN RESPECT OF PROPOSAL FOR INNISHBIGGLE SLIPWAY.

Proposed by Cllr. F. Leneghan

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt Report dated 3rd October, 2002, in accordance with Part 8 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Regulations, 2001, and the Local Government Act, 2001, in respect of proposal for Innishbiggle Slipway”.

ITEM NO. 10.

TO CONSIDER REPORT DATED 3rd OCTOBER, 2002, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 8 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT) REGULATIONS, 2001, AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001, IN RESPECT OF PROPOSAL FOR BALLYCROY SLIPWAY.

Proposed by Cllr. F. Leneghan

Seconded by Cllr. G. Coyle

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt Report dated 3rd October, 2002, in accordance with Part 8 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Regulations, 2001, and the Local Government Act, 2001, in respect of proposal for Ballycroy Slipway”.

ITEM NO. 11.

TO NOTE THE UP TO DATE POSITION REGARDING GLANCRE TEORANTA PLANT.

The County Manager informed the Members that a Meeting had taken place with Mayo County Council and Glancre Teoranta on 11th September, 2002, during which the Council were informed that -

- All production on site had ceased;
- Quantities of material (lime stabilised) were still on site and would be removed;
- Glancre would be notified in writing of Mayo County Council requirements.

ITEM NO. 12.

FINANCE POLICY SEMINARS FOR ELECTED MEMBERS.

Mr. J. Condon, Meetings Administrator, informed the Meeting that any Councillor wishing to attend Finance Policy Seminars for Elected Members, organised by the Institute of Public Administration on behalf of the Department of the Environment and Local Government in association with A.M.A.I., G.C.C.C. and L.A.M.A., should submit their names in writing to him as soon as possible.

ITEM NO. 13.

TO ACCEPT TERMS OF LETTER DATED 2nd SEPTEMBER, 2002, RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS, MARINE AND NATURAL RESOURCES IN RESPECT OF GRANT AID TOWARDS AN ASSESSMENT OF PIERS, HARBOURS AND LANDING PLACES IN COUNTY MAYO.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That we hereby accept terms of Letter dated 2nd September, 2002, received from the Department of Communications, Marine and Natural Resources in respect of Grant Aid towards an assessment of Piers, Harbours and Landing Places in County Mayo and that the appropriate contribution for this Project be paid by the Council”.

ITEM NO. 14.

TO NOTE MINUTES OF WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD ON 9th APRIL, 17th APRIL AND 2nd JULY, 2002.

Proposed by Cllr. M. Burke

Seconded by Cllr.D. Ryan

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Water Supply and Sewerage Strategic Policy Committee Meetings held on 9th April, 17th April and 2nd July, 2002, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 15.

**TO NOTE MINUTES OF SWINFORD ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON 18th JUNE, 2002.**

Proposed by Cllr. J. Maloney

Seconded by Cllr. J. Mellett

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Swinford Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on 18th June, 2002, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 16.

**TO NOTE MINUTES OF BALLINA ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON 18th JUNE, 2002.**

Proposed by Cllr. S. Weir

Seconded by Cllr. A.M. Reape

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Ballina Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on 18th June, 2002, be noted”.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Proposed by Cllr. M. Ring

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“Calling on the Minister for the Environment to instruct Mayo County Council to increase their income threshold to applications for housing to commence at €30,000 due to the cost of housing”.

Conference – Ballinlough, Co. Roscommon – 31st October, 2002.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That Cllrs. M. Adams, B. Golden, A.M. Reape and R. Finn be nominated to attend Conference – “Better Local Government – Is It Working?” – to be held in The White House Hotel, Ballinlough, Co. Roscommon, on 31st October, 2002”.

VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS.

Proposed by Cllr. D. Ryan

Seconded by Cllr. J. Mannion

Resolved:-

“That a Vote of Congratulations be extended to Ms. Linda Duffy, Glencorrib, on being crowned “Miss Ireland” for 2002”.

Proposed by Cllr. D. Ryan

Seconded by Cllr. J. Mannion

Resolved:-

“That a Vote of Congratulations be extended to Ballinrobe on winning the County Intermediate Final”.

Proposed by Cllr. S. Molloy

Seconded by Cllr. E. Staunton

Resolved:-

“That a Vote of Congratulations be extended to Deel Rovers, Crossmolina, on winning the County Club Senior Football Championship”.

Proposed by Cllr. B. Golden

Seconded by Cllr. A.M. Reape

Resolved:-

“That a Vote of Congratulations be extended to Killala Handballers on winning the All-Ireland Handball Championship”.

Proposed by Cllr. J. Mee

Seconded by Cllr. Patk. Burke

Resolved:-

“That a Vote of Congratulations be extended to Ms. Claire Corley, Belcarra, Castlebar, on winning a National Handball Title”.

Proposed by Cllr. J. Mee

Seconded by Cllr. H. Kenny

Resolved:-

“That a Vote of Congratulations be extended to Ms. Sharon Heveran, Shanvalleycahill, Tourmakeady, on winning a number of National Titles for High Jumping”.

Proposed by Cllr. J. Mellett

Seconded by Cllr. J. Maloney

Resolved:-

“That a Vote of Congratulations be extended to Swinford on winning the Bank of Ireland Minor “B” Championship Final”.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY.

Proposed by Cllr. A.M. Reape

Seconded by Cllr. B. Golden

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mr. Aidan Mulvihill, Asst. Staff Officer, Mayo County Council, on the death of his Brother, P.J.”.

Proposed by Cllr. Patk. Burke

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mr. Frank Walsh,
Ex. Engineer, Mayo County Council, on the death of his Brother, Colm”.**

The Meeting concluded at 6.00 p.m.