

**MINUTES OF MAYO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 10<sup>th</sup> MAY, 2004, AT 3.00 p.m.**

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The Cathaoirleach, Cllr. F. Chambers, was in the Chair.

The other Councillors present were:-

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

The Council Staff 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. T. Mullen, Head of Finance, Mr. P. Hynes, Dir. of Services, Mr. S. Granahan, Dir. of Services, Mr. P. Burke, A/Dir. of Services, Mr. J. McMyler, Sen. Ex. Planner, Mr. K. Lynn, Sen. Ex. Engineer, Mr. J. Clark, Chief Technician, Mr. J. Moran, Senior Staff Officer, Ms. C. Kenny, Asst. Staff Officer.

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**ITEM NO. 1.**

**MIONTUAIRISCI DE CRUINNIU COMHAIRLE CHONTAE MHAIGH EO A BHI AR SIUL AR AN 19<sup>u</sup> AIBREAN, 2004, A DEIMHNIU.**  
**TO CONFIRM MINUTES OF MAYO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 19<sup>th</sup> APRIL, 2004.**

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

“Go n-aontaiomar le Miontuairisci Cruinniú Comhairle Chontae Mhaigh Eo a bhí ar siúl ar an 19<sup>u</sup> Aibreán, 2004”.

Proposed by Cllr. S. Molloy  
Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane  
Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Mayo County Council Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> April, 2004, be taken as read, approved and signed as a correct record”.

It was agreed to amend Minute No. 133/04 of 19<sup>th</sup> April, 2004, to read as follows:-

Proposed by Cllr. J. Flannery  
Seconded by Cllr. G. Murray  
Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve Preliminary Report dated 5<sup>th</sup> April, 2004, as circulated, in respect of Kilmovee Sewerage Scheme”.

Referring to Minute No. 132/04 of 19<sup>th</sup> April, 2004, Cllr. J. Mannion stated that he wished to be associated with the approval of this Item – Preliminary Report for Kilmaine Sewerage Scheme.

**ITEM NO. 2.**  
**TO LAUNCH BOOKLET ENTITLED – “AG AGHAIDH LINN LE CHEILE” (LET US GO FORWARD TOGETHER) – 1999 – 2004.**

The County Manager outlined details of this Item.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That Booklet entitled – “Ar Aghaidh Linn Le Cheile” (Let Us Go Forward Together) – 1999 – 2004” – be approved and launched by the Cathaoirleach”.

The Cathaoirleach then launched the Booklet.

**ITEM NO. 3.**  
**TO CONSIDER REPORT ON ASSESSMENT OF PIERS, HARBOURS AND LANDING PLACES IN COUNTY MAYO.**

Mr. K. Lynn, Sen. Ex. Engineer, gave a Presentation on this Item.

Proposed by Cllr. M. Adams

Seconded by Cllr. B. Golden

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt Report on Assessment of Piers, Harbours and Landing Places in County Mayo”.

The Members and County Manager thanked Mr. K. Lynn, Sen. Ex. Engineer, Mr. J. Clark, Chief Technician, Mr. P. Hynes, Dir. of Services and Mr. J. Beirne, Dir. of Services / Co. Engineer, for the work carried out in the preparation of this Report.

**ITEM NO. 4.**  
**POLLING INFORMATION CARDS.**

The Co. Secretary outlined the position regarding the issuing of Polling Information Cards for Local and European Elections.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That Polling Information Cards be issued to all persons on the Electoral Register with the Letter (L) beside their name”.

**ITEM NO. 5.**

**TO CONSIDER DECIDING TO GRANT PERMISSION FOR THE FOLLOWING DEVELOPMENT: CONSTRUCTION OF 5 NO. 1 BEDROOM APARTMENTS, 1 NO. 3 BEDROOM APARTMENT AND 2 NO. 2 BEDROOM APARTMENTS TOGETHER WITH ALL ANCILLARY SITE WORKS AND SERVICES AT CLARE, CLAREMORRIS, CO. MAYO, WHICH WOULD MATERIALLY CONTRAVENT THE CLAREMORRIS TOWN PLAN 1995.**

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. R. Finn

Resolved:-

“That the Council hereby decide to grant Permission for the following development: Construction of 5 No. 1 bedroom apartments, 1 No. 3 bedroom apartment and 2 No. 2 bedroom apartments together with all ancillary site works and services at Clare, Claremorris, Co. Mayo, which materially contravenes the Claremorris Town Plan 1995”.

**ITEM NO. 6.**

**TO APPROVE OF OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION OF €30m. FOR HALF-YEAR ENDING 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER, 2004.**

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve of Overdraft Accommodation of €30m. for Half-Year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2004, subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government”.

**ITEM NO. 7.**

**TO CONSIDER REPORT DATED 22<sup>nd</sup> DECEMBER, 2003, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 8 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT) REGULATIONS, 2001, AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001, IN RESPECT OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF NEW LIBRARY WITH 2 NO. ACCOMMODATION UNITS AT FIRST FLOOR LEVEL AND 1 NO. HOUSE UNIT AT CHAPEL STREET, LOUISBURGH.**

Proposed by Cllr. P. Sweeney

Seconded by Cllr. M. Adams

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt Report dated 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 2003, in accordance with Part 8 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Regulations, 2001, and the Local Government Act, 2001, in respect of the construction of new Library with 2 No. accommodation units at first floor level and 1 No. house unit at Chapel Street, Louisburgh”.

**ITEM NO. 8.**

**TO CONSIDER REPORT DATED 6<sup>th</sup> APRIL, 2004, 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 CONSTRUCTION OF 4 SINGLE RURAL HOUSES AT RAPPACASTLE, KNOCKANILLAUN, BALLINA; GLENEDAGH, BALLYCASTLE, BALLINA; ENAGHBEG, CROSSMOLINA AND CLOONTIA, BONNICONLON.**

Proposed by Cllr. A.M. Reape

Seconded by Cllr. S. Molloy

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt Report dated 6<sup>th</sup> April, 2004, 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 Construction of 4 Single Rural Houses at Rappacastle, Knockanillaun, Ballina; Glenedagh, Ballycastle, Ballina; Enaghbeg, Crossmolina and Cloontia, Bonniconlon”.

**ITEM NO. 9.**

**TO CONSIDER REPORT DATED 6<sup>th</sup> APRIL, 2004, 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 CONSTRUCTION OF A SINGLE RURAL HOUSE AT LARAGAN, BALLA.**

Proposed by Cllr. J. Maloney

Seconded by Cllr. H. Kenny

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt Report dated 6<sup>th</sup> April, 2004, 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 Construction of a Single Rural House at Laragan, Balla”.

**ITEM NO. 10.**

**TO NOTE 2004 GRANT ALLOCATIONS FOR LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS SCHEME.**

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That 2004 Grant Allocations for Local Improvements Scheme, in the sum of €1,438,736, be noted by the Council”.

**ITEM NO. 11.**

**TO APPROVE OF THE PAYMENT OF GRANT OF €20,000 FROM THE ENTERPRISE AND EMPLOYMENT FUND TO THE HEINRICH BOLL COTTAGE COMMITTEE, ACHILL.**

Proposed by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Seconded by Cllr. F. Leneghan

Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve of the payment of Grant of €20,000 from the Enterprise and Employment Fund to the Heinrich Boll Cottage Committee, Achill”.

**ITEM NO. 12.**

**TO APPROVE OF THE PAYMENT OF GRANT OF €10,000 TO CLAREMORRIS AGRICULTURAL SHOW COMMITTEE.**

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. R. Finn

Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve of the payment of Grant of €10,000 to Claremorris Agricultural Show Committee”.

**ITEM NO. 13.**

**TO APPROVE OF THE DISPOSAL OF 4 BEDROOMED TOWNHOUSE, WITH GARDEN, AT 21, HIGH STREET, WESTPORT, TO ANN KELLY, 21, HIGH STREET, WESTPORT, CO. MAYO, IN ACCORDANCE WITH NOTICE DATED 13<sup>th</sup> APRIL, 2004, ALREADY CIRCULATED.**

Proposed by Cllr. M. Ring

Seconded by Cllr. M. Adams

Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve of the disposal of 4 Bedroomed Townhouse, with garden, at 21, High Street, Westport, to Ann Kelly, 21, High Street, Westport, Co. Mayo, for €14,625.78, in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, and Notice dated 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2004, already circulated”.

**ITEM NO. 14.**

**TO APPROVE OF THE DISPOSAL OF 5.78 ACRES OF LAND AT TAWNAGHMORE UPPER, KILLALA, TO JOHN & SANDRA LANGAN, t/a LANGAN RECYCLING & WASTE DISPOSAL, BALLINA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH NOTICE DATED 19<sup>th</sup> APRIL, 2004, ALREADY CIRCULATED.**

Proposed by Cllr. A.M. Reape

Seconded by Cllr. S. Weir

Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve of the disposal of 5.78 acres of Land at Tawnaghmore Upper, Killala, to John & Sandra Langan, t/a Langan Recycling & Waste Disposal, Ballina, for €140,000, in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, and Notice dated 19<sup>th</sup> April, 2004, already circulated”.

**ITEM NO. 15.**

**TO APPROVE OF THE DISPOSAL OF SITE OF PROPERTY OF CIRCA 4.00 ACRES AT KEEL SANDYBANKS, ACHILL, CO. MAYO, TO THE WESTERN HEALTH BOARD, MERLIN PARK, GALWAY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH NOTICE DATED 28<sup>th</sup> APRIL, 2004, ALREADY CIRCULATED.**

The County Manager and County Secretary outlined the details of this Item to the Members.

A long and detailed discussion ensued during which the Members expressed their views on the disposal.

Following discussion, it was -

Proposed by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Seconded by Cllr. G. Coyle

Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve of the disposal of Site of property of circa 4.00 acres at Keel Sandybanks, Achill, Co. Mayo, to the Western Health Board, Merlin Park, Galway, for €100.00 per annum, in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, and Notice dated 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2004, already circulated and subject to Good Title”.

**ITEM NO. 16.**

**TO NOTE MINUTES OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 9<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY, 2004.**

Proposed by Cllr. F. Leneghan

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Planning and Economic Development Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2004, be noted”.

**NOTICES OF MOTION.**

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It was agreed to defer Notices of Motion (a) to (d) inclusive, as listed on the Agenda, to the July Meeting of the Council.

The Cathaoirleach, Cllr. F. Chambers, said it was a historic Meeting as it was the last Meeting of the present Council. He wished those who were retiring good health and happiness in the years to come and to those who were seeking re-election to the Council, he wished them the best of good luck in their quest. He thanked the County Manager and his Staff for the courtesy and co-operation shown to him during his term as Cathaoirleach. He also thanked the Members of the Press for their impartial coverage.

Members of the Council, who were not seeking re-election to the Council, expressed their appreciation to their fellow Councillors, County Manager and Staff. They thanked the County Manager and his Staff for the courtesy and co-operation which they had received over the years and they wished the retiring Councillors and those seeking re-election, every good wish for the future.

The County Manager thanked all the Councillors for their loyalty to Local Government and the people of Mayo. He wished the Members, both retiring and otherwise, good luck, good health and happiness in the future.

#### **RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY.**

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**Proposed by Cllr. A.M. Reape**

**Seconded by Cllr. B. Golden**

**Resolved:-**

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mr. Paddy Jordan, Saltfield, Bonniclon, Ballina, on the death of his Wife”.**

**Proposed by Cllr. A.M. Reape**

**Seconded by Cllr. B. Golden**

**Resolved:-**

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mrs. Loretta Tuffy, Frankford, Enniscrone, Co. Sligo, on the death of her Mother, Mrs. B. Morrison”.**

**Proposed by Cllr. P. Sweeney**

**Seconded by Cllr. T. Quinn**

**Resolved:-**

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mrs. Clare Keane, Furmoyle, Louisburgh, on the death of her Husband, Paddy”.**

**Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh**

**Seconded by Cllr. R. Finn**

**Resolved:-**

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mrs. Geraldine Farragher & family, Cartron, Claremorris, on the death of her Husband, T.J.”.**

**Proposed by Cllr. P. Kilbane**

**Seconded by Cllr. G. Coyle**

**Resolved:-**

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mrs. Nancy Fadian & family, Saula, Achill Sound, on the death of her Husband, Tommy”.**

**Proposed by Cllr. J. Cribbin**

**Seconded by Cllr. J. Mannion**

**Resolved:-**

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mrs. Geraldine Farragher & family, Ballynew, Claremorris, on the death of her Husband, T.J.”.**

**The Meeting concluded at 7.55 p.m.**