

**MINUTES OF MAYO COUNTY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY, 23rd FEBRUARY, 2004, AT 5.00 p.m.**

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, D. Ryan, P. Kilbane, F. Leneghan, T. Quinn, C. Burke, B.C. Flynn, T.D., H. Kenny, A. McDonnell, J. Mee, 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. Loftus, Dir. of Services, Mr. J. Condon, Meetings Administrator, Mr. P. Hynes, Dir. of Services, Mr. S. Granahan, Dir. of Services, Mr. R. Norton, Dir of Services, Mr. I. Douglas, Sen. Planner, Ms. K. O'Malley-Harlow, Sen. Ex. Planner, Mr. J. McMyler, Sen. Ex. Planner, Mr. J. Moran, Sen. Staff Officer, Ms. C. Lynch, T/Cler. Officer.

Mr. M. Browne, Solicitor, was in attendance.

ITEM NO. 1.

**TO CONSIDER DRAFT DEVELOPMENT CONTRIBUTION SCHEME AND
COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT THEREON.**

ITEM NO. 2.

TO MAKE DEVELOPMENT CONTRIBUTION SCHEME.

Mr. I. Douglas, Sen. Planner, outlined details of the Draft Development Contribution Scheme and County Manager's Report thereon. He stated that the following options are available to the Elected Members at this time:-

1. The Council may, by Resolution, accept the Draft Development Contribution Scheme and make the Development Contribution Scheme accordingly;
2. The Council may, by Resolution, vary or modify the Draft Development Contribution Scheme and make the Development Contribution Scheme accordingly;
3. The Council may, by Resolution, decide not to make the Scheme.

Mr. D. Mahon, Co. Manager, referred to the background which necessitated the Scheme and stated that monies collected would be "ring fenced" and therefore could not be used for any purposes other than those allowed for under the Scheme.

The Members discussed the Draft Development Contribution Scheme and Manager's Report thereon and requested details of current charges being attached to grants of Planning Permission before making a decision to adopt any Development Contribution Scheme. The Councillors stated that they were concerned that the charges proposed were excessive, particularly in relation to first time buyers and extractive industry in the County.

The time being 7.50 p.m., it was -

Proposed by Cllr. A. McDonnell

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

"That the Meeting be adjourned until Monday, 1st March, 2004, at 5.00 p.m."

VOTE OF CONGRATULATIONS.

Proposed by Cllr. M. Adams

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

"That a Vote of Congratulations be extended to Mr. James Kilbane, Achill, on his success in progressing to the final stages of the "You're a Star" Competition".

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

"That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Mellett family, Castlebar, on the death of Mr. Joe Mellett, former Assistant County Engineer with Mayo County Council".

Proposed by Cllr. A. McDonnell

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

"That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the family of the late Fr. Micky Lally, Ballintubber, Claremorris".

The County Manager, on his own behalf and on behalf of the Staff, associated himself with the Votes of Sympathy and Congratulations passed.

The Meeting adjourned at 8.00 p.m.