

**MINUTES OF MAYO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 13th
JUNE, 2005, AT 4.00 p.m.**

The Cathaoirleach, Cllr. E. Staunton, was in the Chair.

The other Councillors present were:-

Cllrs. M. Mulherin, J. Munnelly, Johnnie O'Malley, A.M. Reape, S. Weir, P. O'Brien, D. Ryan, H. Walsh, G. Coyle, M. Holmes, M. McNamara, T. Quinn, C. Burke, H. Kenny, A. McDonnell, P. McGuinness, J. Mee, M. Carty, T. Connolly, J. Cribbin, P. McHugh, E. Lavin, J. Maloney, G. Murray, M. Adams, F. Chambers, A.F. O'Malley, John O'Malley.

Apology received from Cllr. J. Mellett for inability to attend the Meeting.

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. P. Hynes, Dir. of Services, Mr. S. Granahan, Dir. of Services, Mr. P. Flanagan, A/Dir. of Services, Mr. P. Duggan, Head of Finance, Mr. B. O'Reilly, Sen. Engineer, Mr. S. Murphy, Chief Fire Officer, Mr. J. Egan, Technician, Mr. G. Costello, Staff Officer, Ms. C. Kenny, Asst. Staff Officer, Ms. J. Ryan, Clerical Officer.

ITEM NO. 1.

**MIONTUAIRISCI DE CRUINNIU COMHAIRLE CHONTAE MHAIGH EO A BHI
AR SIUL AR AN 9^u BEALTAINE, 2005, A DEIMHNIU.
TO CONFIRM MINUTES OF MAYO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
9th MAY, 2005.**

Mhol Comhairleoir P. McGuinness
Chuid Comhairleoir Johnnie O'Malley leis
Ghlacu leis an tairiscint:-

“Go n-aontaíomar le Miontuairisci Cruinniu Comhairle Chontae Mhaigh Eo a bhi ar siul ar an 9^u Bealtaine, 2005”.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness
Seconded by Cllr. Johnnie O'Malley
Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Mayo County Council Meeting held on 9th May, 2005, be taken as read, approved and signed as a correct record”.

ITEM NO. 2.

**PRESENTATION BY MR. BRIAN QUINN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, MAYO
NATURALLY LIMITED.**

Mr. Brian Quinn, Executive Director, Mayo Naturally Limited, gave a Presentation on Tourism in the West of Ireland.

Following his Presentation, queries raised by the Members were replied to by Mr. Quinn.

The Cathaoirleach thanked Mr. Quinn for his Presentation.

ITEM NO. 3.
TO ADOPT THE 2004 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL.

Ms. Julie Ryan, Clerical Officer, gave a Presentation on the 2004 Annual Report of the Council.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt the 2004 Annual Report of the Council, as circulated”.

ITEM NO. 4.
TO APPROVE OF OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION OF €30m. FOR HALF-YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 2005.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve of Overdraft Accommodation of €30m. for Half-Year ending 31st December, 2005, subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government”.

ITEM NO. 5.
TO CONSIDER REPORT DATED 6th APRIL, 2005, 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 ISLAND MORE ACCESS DEVELOPMENT, CLEW BAY, WESTPORT.

Proposed by Cllr. John O'Malley

Seconded by Cllr. M. Adams

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt Report dated 6th April, 2005, 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 Island More Access Development, Clew Bay, Westport”.

ITEM NO. 6.

TO CONSIDER REPORT DATED 3rd MAY, 2005, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 8 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT) REGULATIONS, 2001, AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001, IN RESPECT OF PROPOSED PLAYGROUND DEVELOPMENT AT McMAHON PARK, CLAREMORRIS.

Proposed by Cllr. J. Cribbin
Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt Report dated 3rd May, 2005, in accordance with Part 8 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Regulations, 2001, and the Local Government Act, 2001, in respect of proposed Playground Development at McMahon Park, Claremorris”.

ITEM NO. 7.

TO CONSIDER REPORT DATED 11th MAY, 2005, 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 4 APARTMENTS AT THOMAS STREET, KILTIMAGH.

Proposed by Cllr. E. Lavin
Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt Report dated 11th May, 2005, 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 4 Apartments at Thomas Street, Kiltimagh”.

ITEM NO. 8.

TO APPROVE OF THE DISPOSAL OF 0.1495 ACRES OF LAND AT BALLYHAUNIS ROAD, CLAREMORRIS, TO GEORGE McNABB, BALLYHAUNIS RD., CLAREMORRIS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH NOTICE DATED 4TH MAY, 2005, ALREADY CIRCULATED.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh
Seconded by Cllr. T. Connolly

Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve of the disposal of 0.1495 acres of Land at Ballyhaunis Road, Claremorris, to George McNabb, Ballyhaunis Rd., Claremorris, for €5,503, in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, and Notice dated 4th May, 2005, already circulated”.

ITEM NO. 9.

TO APPROVE OF THE DISPOSAL OF 3 BEDROOMED SEMI-DETACHED 2 STOREY DWELLINGHOUSE AT NO. 18, ABBEYVIEW, CROSSMOLINA, TO MICHAEL & BRIDIE CONWAY, 18, ABBEYVIEW, CROSSMOLINA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH NOTICE DATED 20th MAY, 2005, ALREADY CIRCULATED.

Proposed by Cllr. S. Weir

Seconded by Cllr. A.M. Reape

Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve of the disposal of 3 Bedroomed semi-detached 2 storey dwellinghouse at No. 18, Abbeyview, Crossmolina, to Michael & Bridie Conway, 18, Abbeyview, Crossmolina, for €70,060, in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, and Notice dated 20th May, 2005, already circulated”.

ITEM NO. 10.

TO APPROVE OF THE DISPOSAL OF 0.133 ACRES OF LAND AT MARKET STREET, FOXFORD, TO GARY SMITH, c/o HENEGHAN'S PHARMACY, KILTIMAGH, CO. MAYO, IN ACCORDANCE WITH NOTICE DATED 26th MAY, 2005, ALREADY CIRCULATED.

Proposed by Cllr. E. Lavin

Seconded by Cllr. A.M. Reape

Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve of the disposal of 0.133 acres of Land at Market Street, Foxford, to Gary Smith, c/o Heneghan's Pharmacy, Kiltimagh, Co. Mayo, for €25,000, in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, and Notice dated 26th May, 2005, already circulated”.

ITEM NO. 11.

TO CONSIDER REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION FROM THE CULTURAL, EDUCATION, HERITAGE AND CORPORATE AFFAIRS STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE REGARDING WALKING ROUTES IN COUNTY MAYO.

Mr. J. Loftus, Dir. of Services, outlined the background details of this Item.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That we hereby accept Report and Recommendation dated 25th May, 2005, from the Cultural, Education, Heritage and Corporate Affairs Strategic Policy Committee regarding Walking Routes in County Mayo”.

ITEM NO. 12.

TO CONSIDER ENTERING AGREEMENT BETWEEN MAYO COUNTY COUNCIL AND THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES OF ROSCOMMON, LEITRIM, DONEGAL, SLIGO AND GALWAY IN RESPECT OF THE FUNCTIONS RELATING TO CAMP WEST IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 85 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001.

Mr. J. Loftus, Dir. of Services, outlined the details of this Item.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. J. Mee

Resolved:-

“That we hereby enter Agreement between Mayo County Council and the Local Authorities of Roscommon, Leitrim, Donegal, Sligo and Galway in respect of the Functions relating to CAMP West in accordance with Section 85 of the Local Government Act, 2001”.

ITEM NO. 13.

SPEED LIMITS REVIEW.

Mr. J. Beirne, Dir. of Services / Co. Engineer, gave details of Guidelines which have been issued by the Department of Transport in relation to Speed Limits Review.

Mr. Beirne advised the Members of the Council to carefully study the Document which, he informed them, would be coming before them at the individual Area Committee Meetings.

ITEM NO. 14.

TO NOTE MINUTES OF LOCAL COUNTY RURAL WATER COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 23rd FEBRUARY, 2005.

Proposed by Cllr. A.F. O'Malley

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Local County Rural Water Committee Meeting held on 23rd February, 2005, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 15.

TO NOTE MINUTES OF ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 10th JANUARY, 2005.

Proposed by Cllr. M. Mulherin

Seconded by Cllr. M. McNamara

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Roads and Transportation Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 10th January, 2005, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 16.

TO NOTE MINUTES OF ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 22nd MARCH, 2005.

Proposed by Cllr. E. Lavin

Seconded by Cllr. M. Adams

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Environmental Policy and Emergency Services Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 22nd March, 2005, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 17.

TO NOTE MINUTES OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 7th APRIL, 2005.

Proposed by Cllr. J. Mee

Seconded by Cllr. J. Munnelly

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Planning and Economic Development Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 7th April, 2005, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 18.

TO NOTE MINUTES OF CULTURAL, EDUCATION, HERITAGE AND CORPORATE AFFAIRS STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 13th APRIL, 2005.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Cultural, Education, Heritage and Corporate Affairs Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 13th April, 2005, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 19.

TO NOTE MINUTES OF WESTPORT ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD ON 24th JANUARY, 2005, AND 21st MARCH, 2005.

Proposed by Cllr. M. Adams

Seconded by Cllr. A.F. O'Malley

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Westport Electoral Area Committee Meetings held on 24th January, 2005, and 21st March, 2005, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 20.

**TO NOTE MINUTES OF SWINFORD ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON 9th MARCH, 2005.**

Proposed by Cllr. E. Lavin

Seconded by Cllr. G. Murray

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Swinford Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on 9th March, 2005, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 21.

**TO NOTE MINUTES OF BALLINA ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON 14th MARCH, 2005.**

Proposed by Cllr. M. Mulherin

Seconded by Cllr. A.M. Reape

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Ballina Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on 14th March, 2005, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 22.

**TO NOTE MINUTES OF BELMULLET ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON 24th MARCH, 2005.**

Proposed by Cllr. G. Coyle

Seconded by Cllr. T. Quinn

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Belmullet Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on 24th March, 2005, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 23.

**TO NOTE MINUTES OF CLAREMORRIS ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON 5th APRIL, 2005.**

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. T. Connolly

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Claremorris Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on 5th April, 2005, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 24.
TO NOTE MINUTES OF BALLINROBE ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON 11th APRIL, 2005.

Proposed by Cllr. P. O'Brien

Seconded by Cllr. D. Ryan

Resolved:-

"That Minutes of Ballinrobe Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on 11th April, 2005, be noted".

ITEM NO. 25.
TO NOTE MINUTES OF CASTLEBAR ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON 25th APRIL, 2005.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. A. McDonnell

Resolved:-

"That Minutes of Castlebar Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on 25th April, 2005, be noted".

ITEM NO. 26.
TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND
CONFERENCE – "INVESTMENT THROUGH PEOPLE – PEOPLE THROUGH
INVESTMENT" – TO BE HELD IN THE BUSH HOTEL, CARRICK-ON-
SHANNON, CO. LEITRIM, ON 16th JUNE, 2005.

The Council were informed of the estimated cost of sending a Delegate to this Conference.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

"That Cllrs. E. Lavin and D. Ryan be nominated to attend Conference – "Investment Through People – People Through Investment" – to be held in the Bush Hotel, Carrick-on-Shannon, Co. Leitrim, on 16th June, 2005".

ITEM NO. 27.
TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND
CONFERENCE – "FOLK AND FARM" – TO BE HELD IN THE NATIONAL
MUSEUM OF IRELAND – COUNTRY LIFE, TURLOUGH PARK, CASTLEBAR,
FROM 17th TO 19th JUNE, 2005.

The Council were informed of the estimated cost of sending a Delegate to this Conference.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

"That Cllrs. E. Lavin and M. McNamara be nominated to attend Conference - "Folk and Farm" – to be held in the National Museum of Ireland – Country Life, Turlough Park, Castlebar, from 17th to 19th June, 2005".

ITEM NO. 28.

TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND DR. DOUGLAS HYDE CONFERENCE 2005 – "THE LAND OF IRELAND" – TO BE HELD IN ST. NATHY'S COLLEGE, BALLAGHADERREEN, CO. ROSCOMMON, FROM 15th TO 17th JULY, 2005.

The Council were informed of the estimated cost of sending a Delegate to this Conference.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

"That the July Meeting of the Council be held on Monday, 18th July, 2005, at 2.00 p.m."

NOTICES OF MOTION.

- (a) "That Mayo County Council resolves that "Human life takes precedence over all other forms of terrestrial life".

It was agreed to defer this Notice of Motion to the July Meeting of the Council.

- (b) "This Council requests the County Manager to make a statement on the status of negotiations with DOE on the Water Services Pricing Policy Framework in so far as it affects planned schemes in Mayo".

It was agreed that this Notice of Motion would be listed as an Item on the Agenda for the July Meeting of the Council.

VOTE OF CONGRATULATIONS.

Proposed by Cllr. G. Coyle

Seconded by Cllr. T. Quinn

Resolved:-

“That a Vote of Congratulations be extended to Mr. Eamonn O’Boyle, Photographer, American Street, Belmullet, on winning the I.P.P.A. Masterpiece Collection Award”.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the Members of the Council, Staff and Press for their co-operation and courtesy during his term of Office.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY.

Proposed by Cllr. J. Mee

Seconded by Cllr. John O’Malley

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Malone family, Dublin, on the death of Liam Malone”.

Proposed by Cllr. J. Mee

Seconded by Cllr. John O’Malley

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Pat and Angela Leydon & family, Ballynew, Castlebar, on the death of their Daughter, Eimear”.

Proposed by Cllr. M. McNamara

Seconded by Cllr. F. Chambers

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the English family, Bunnacurry, Achill, on the death of Eamon English”.

Proposed by Cllr. M. McNamara

Seconded by Cllr. F. Chambers

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Ginnelly family, Dooega West, Achill, on the death of Michael Ginnelly”.

Proposed by Cllr. E. Lavin

Seconded by Cllr. J. Mee

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Dempsey family, Aiden St., Kiltimagh, on the death of Dan Dempsey”.

Proposed by Cllr. E. Lavin

Seconded by Cllr. G. Murray

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Power family, Greenfields, Kiltimagh, on the death of Evelyn Power”.

Proposed by Cllr. T. Connolly

Seconded by Cllr. P. O'Brien

Resolved:-

"That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Nevin family, Clar Aoibhinn, Claremorris and Bushfield, Hollymount, on the death of John Nevin".

Proposed by Cllr. P. O'Brien

Seconded by Cllr. J. Cribbin

Resolved:-

"That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Fox family, Brownstown, Hollymount, on the death of Peg Fox".

Proposed by Cllr. P. O'Brien

Seconded by Cllr. J. Cribbin

Resolved:-

"That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Heaney family, Hollymount, Farrahger family, Partry, Claremorris, Tighe family, Hollymount and the Tully family, Tulrahan, Claremorris, on the death of Martin Tighe".

Proposed by Cllr. P. O'Brien

Seconded by Cllr. J. Cribbin

Resolved:-

"That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Casey family, Cahermaculick, Shrule, on the death of Christy Flanagan".

Proposed by Cllr. John O'Malley

Seconded by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Resolved:-

"That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Fitzgerald family, Buckfield, Kilmeena, Westport, on the death of Madeline Fitzgerald".

Proposed by Cllr. G. Murray

Seconded by Cllr. J. Mee

Resolved:-

"That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Molloy family, Cloonmeen, Bohola, Claremorris, on the death of Willie Molloy".

Proposed by Cllr. Johnnie O'Malley

Seconded by Cllr. A.M. Reape

Resolved:-

"That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mrs. Maeve Doherty & family, Cootehill, Co. Roscommon, on the death of her Husband, Sean, a former Government Minister".

**Proposed by Cllr. A.M. Reape
Seconded by Cllr. Johnnie O'Malley
Resolved:-**

**"That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mr. Val Brogan,
Barnfield, Knockmore, Ballina, on the death of his Mother".**

**Proposed by Cllr. A.M. Reape
Seconded by Cllr. Johnnie O'Malley
Resolved:-**

**"That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mr. John McDonnell &
family, Pier Rd., Enniscrone, Co. Sligo, on the death of his Wife, Aggie".**

The Meeting concluded at 6.45 p.m.