

**MINUTES OF MAYO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 12th
JUNE, 2006, AT 4.00 p.m.**

The Leas Chathaoirleach, Cllr. J. Cribbin, was in the Chair.

The other Councillors present were:-

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

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. sP. Hynes, Dir. of Services, Mr. S. Granahan, Dir. of Services, Mr. R. Norton, Dir. of Services, Mr. J. Coll, Dir., Community & Enterprise, Mr. P. Duggan, Head of Finance, Mr. E. McCormack, Financial Accountant, Ms. T. McGee, Management Accountant, Ms. D. Cunningham, Heritage Officer, Ms. C. Kenny, Asst. Staff Officer.

ITEM NO. 1.

**MIONTUAIRISCI DE CRUINNIU COMHAIRLE CHONTAE MHAIGH EO A BHI
AR SIUL AR AN 8^u BEALTAINÉ, 2006, A DEIMHNIU.
TO CONFIRM MINUTES OF MAYO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
8th MAY, 2006.**

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

“Go n-aontaíomar le Miontuairisci Cruinniu Comhairle Chontae Mhaigh Eo a bhi ar siul ar an 8^u Bealtaine, 2006”.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Mayo County Council Meeting held on 8th May, 2006, be taken as read, approved and signed as a correct record”.

ITEM NO. 2.

TO ADOPT THE 2005 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL.

Mr. J. Loftus, Dir. of Services, gave a Presentation on the 2005 Annual Report of the Council.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt the 2005 Annual Report of the Council, as circulated”.

ITEM NO. 3.

TO ADOPT HERITAGE PLAN FOR COUNTY MAYO.

Ms. D. Cunningham, Heritage Officer and Mr. J. Loftus, Dir. of Services, gave a Presentation on the Heritage Plan for County Mayo.

Proposed by Cllr. A. McDonnell

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

“That Section 3.17 be deleted from Heritage Plan for County Mayo”.

Following discussion, it was resolved that under Objective 3 – Promotion of Best Practice in Heritage Management and Conservation – Section 3.17 should be amended to read as follows:-

“Secure the long-term future of the lesser horseshoe bat sites in the county”

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. F. Chambers

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt Heritage Plan for County Mayo, as amended”.

ITEM NO. 4.

TO CONSIDER REPORT DATED 16th MAY, 2006, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 8 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT) REGULATIONS, 2001, AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001, IN RESPECT OF ACHILL SOUND BRIDGE.

Proposed by Cllr. G. Coyle

Seconded by Cllr. M. McNamara

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt Report dated 16th May, 2006, in accordance with Part 8 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Regulations, 2001, and the Local Government Act, 2001, in respect of Achill Sound Bridge”.

The time being 5.45 p.m., the Cathaoirleach, Cllr. H. Kenny, took the Chair.

ITEM NO. 5.

TO CONSIDER REPORT DATED 29th MAY, 2006, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 8 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT) REGULATIONS, 2001, AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001, IN RESPECT OF PROPOSED HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CONSISTING OF CONSTRUCTION OF 10 NO. DWELLINGS AT CLARE, BALLYHAUNIS ROAD, CLAREMORRIS.

Proposed by Cllr. T. Connolly

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt Report dated 29th May, 2006, in accordance with Part 8 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Regulations, 2001, and the Local Government Act, 2001, in respect of proposed Housing Development consisting of construction of 10 No. dwellings at Clare, Ballyhaunis Road, Claremorris”.

ITEM NO. 6.

TO APPROVE OF THE DISPOSAL OF PLOT ‘06’ COMPRISING OF 0.074 ACRES OR 0.03 HECTARES OF LAND AT RELIEF ROAD, FOXFORD, CO. MAYO, TO KIERAN McCORMACK, CARROWBRINOGUE, SNUGBORO, CASTLEBAR, CO. MAYO & MICHAEL CUSACK, 2, JAPAN CRESCENT, LONDON, N44BB, ENGLAND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH NOTICE DATED 15th MAY, 2006, ALREADY CIRCULATED.

Proposed by Cllr. J. Maloney

Seconded by Cllr. J. Mellett

Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve of the disposal of Plot ‘06’ comprising of 0.074 acres or 0.03 hectares of land at Relief Road, Foxford, Co. Mayo, to Kieran McCormack, Carrowbrinogue, Snugboro, Castlebar, Co. Mayo & Michael Cusack, 2, Japan Crescent, London N44BB, England, for €136,000, in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, and Notice dated 15th May, 2006, already circulated”.

ITEM NO. 7.

TO APPROVE OF THE DISPOSAL OF 3 BEDROOMED HOUSE AT NO. 1, LOUGH MASK ROAD, BALLINROBE, CO. MAYO, TO MAYO MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION LTD., c/o ST. MARY’S HOSPITAL, CASTLEBAR, CO. MAYO, IN ACCORDANCE WITH NOTICE DATED 26th MAY, 2006, ALREADY CIRCULATED.

Proposed by Cllr. D. Ryan

Seconded by Cllr. P. O’Brien

Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve of the disposal of 3 Bedroomed House at No. 1, Lough Mask Road, Ballinrobe, Co. Mayo, to Mayo Mental Health Association Ltd., c/o St. Mary’s Hospital, Castlebar, Co. Mayo, for €123,375, in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, and Notice dated 26th May, 2006, already circulated”.

ITEM NO. 8.

TO CONSIDER ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH BALLINA TOWN COUNCIL IN RESPECT OF PROPOSED ARTS CENTRE AT BARRETT STREET, BALLINA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 85 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001.

Proposed by Cllr. M. Mulherin

Seconded by Cllr. A.M. Reape

Resolved:-

“That we hereby enter into an Agreement with Ballina Town Council in respect of proposed Arts Centre at Barrett Street, Ballina, in accordance with Section 85 of the Local Government Act, 2001”.

ITEM NO. 9.

TO APPROVE OF OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION OF €30m. FOR HALF-YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 2006.

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, 2006, subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government”.

ITEM NO. 10.

TO NOTE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUDITOR’S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 2004.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That Local Government Auditor’s Report for Year ending 31st December, 2004, as circulated, be noted”.

The County Manager stated that a six months update of the Council’s financial position would be placed on the Agenda for the July Meeting.

ITEM NO. 11.
TO NOTE MINUTES OF HOUSING STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON 23rd MARCH, 2006.

Proposed by Cllr. E. Staunton

Seconded by Cllr. T. Quinn

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Housing Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 23rd March, 2006, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 12.
TO NOTE MINUTES OF SWINFORD ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON 14th MARCH, 2006.

Proposed by Cllr. E. Lavin

Seconded by Cllr. J. Maloney

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Swinford Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on 14th March, 2006, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 13.
TO NOTE MINUTES OF CASTLEBAR ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE
MEETINGS HELD ON 27th MARCH, 2006 AND 24th APRIL, 2006.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. P. O’Brien

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Castlebar Electoral Area Committee Meetings held on 27th March, 2006 and 24th April, 2006, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 14.
TO NOTE MINUTES OF CLAREMORRIS ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON 11th APRIL, 2006.

Proposed by Cllr. T. Connolly

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Claremorris Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on 11th April, 2006, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 15.
TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND SEMINAR –
“LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND THE PLANNING SYSTEM, NORTH AND
SOUTH” – TO BE HELD IN THE FERRYCARRIG HOTEL, WEXFORD, CO.
WEXFORD, ON 23rd JUNE, 2006.

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

ITEM NO. 16.

**TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND
CONFERENCE – “A WAKE UP CALL FOR REGIONAL POLICY – CHANGES
& CHALLENGES POST 2006” – TO BE HELD IN THE MULLINGAR PARK
HOTEL, MULLINGAR, CO. WESTMEATH, ON 23rd JUNE, 2006.**

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

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. J. Cribbin

Resolved:-

“That Cllr. John O’Malley be nominated to attend Conference – “A Wake Up Call for Regional Policy – Changes & Challenges Post 2006” – to be held in the Mullingar Park Hotel, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath, on 23rd June, 2006”.

ITEM NO. 17.

**TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND
BYRNE/PERRY SUMMER SCHOOL – “EASTER 1916” – TO BE HELD IN
THE CHRISTIAN BROTHERS SCHOOL, GOREY, CO. WEXFORD, FROM 23rd
TO 25th JUNE, 2006.**

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

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That the Cathaoirleach, Cllrs. G. Coyle, J. Maloney, P. McHugh, Johnnie O’Malley, D. Ryan, E. Staunton and S. Weir be nominated to attend Byrne/Perry Summer School – “Easter 1916” – to be held in the Christian Brothers School, Gorey, Co. Wexford, from 23rd to 25th June, 2006”.

Seminar – Baltimore, West Cork – 6th to 8th July, 2006.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. J. Cribbin

Resolved:-

“That Cllrs. M. Carty and G. Coyle be nominated to attend Seminar – “The Local Government Planning Service as an instrument for Rural/Urban Development” – to be held in the Baltimore Harbour Hotel, Baltimore, West Cork, from 6th to 8th July, 2006”.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

- (a) **Proposed by Cllr. J. Mee**
Seconded by Cllr. P. McGuinness
Resolved:-
“That Mayo County Council marks, in an appropriate manner, the major role played by James Daly, Editor, Connaught Telegraph, in the founding of the Land League”.
- (b) **Proposed by Cllr. J. Munnelly**
Seconded by Cllr. G. Coyle
Resolved:-
“That Mayo County Council will give an up-date on the recycling subsidy that has been offered to refuse customers in the county, including:
 - The current status of the subsidy;**
 - Future plans to continue this service;**
 - The numbers of people who availed of this service for the years 2005 and 2004”.**
- (c) **“That Mayo County Council will give a detailed up-date report on the proposed “Speed Limit Review” for Non-National Roads in Co. Mayo”.**

It was agreed that an Item would be placed on the Agenda for the September Meetings of each Electoral Area Committee in the County to deal with this matter.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY.

Proposed by Cllr. J. Munnelly
Seconded by Cllr. E. Staunton
Resolved:-
“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Aidan & Geraldine McDonnell & family, Kincon, Ballina, on the death of their Son, Aidan Jnr.”.

Proposed by Cllr. T. Connolly
Seconded by Cllr. P. O’Brien
Resolved:-
“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Crowe family, Pulbawn, Hollymount, on the death of Joe Crowe”.

Proposed by Cllr. A.M. Reape

Seconded by Cllr. H. Walsh

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mrs. J. Ruane, Carrentreila, Ballina, on the death of her Husband, Joe”.

Proposed by Cllr. A.M. Reape

Seconded by Cllr. H. Walsh

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mrs. F. Walsh, Kilmoremoy, Ballina, on the death of her Husband, Francis”.

Proposed by Cllr. H. Walsh

Seconded by Cllr. A.M. Reape

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Sean & Eileen Joyce, Ballinacarra, Kilmaine, on the death of Michael Joyce”.

Proposed by Cllr. D. Ryan

Seconded by Cllr. J. Maloney

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Toher family, Ballinalty, Glencorrib, on the death of Michael Toher”.

Proposed by Cllr. D. Ryan

Seconded by Cllr. J. Maloney

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the McHugh family, Ballyglass, The Neale, on the death of Molly McHugh”.

Proposed by Cllr. M. Adams

Seconded by Cllr. S. Bourke

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mr. Jim Egan & family, Killeen, Louisburgh, on the death of Mrs. Egan”.

Proposed by Cllr. E. Lavin

Seconded by Cllr. T. Connolly

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mr. Jimmy Langan, Laragan, Balla and Mr. Alo Langan, Derrykinlough, Kiltimagh, on the death of Michael Langan, Leeds, England”.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. M. Carty

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mrs. Breege Crowe & family, Curraghadooey, Claremorris, on the death of her Husband, Joe”.

Proposed by Cllr. M. Carty

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Rochford family, Ballyhaunis, on the death of William Rochford”.

The Meeting concluded at 6.50 p.m.