

**MINUTES OF MAYO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 9<sup>th</sup>  
OCTOBER, 2006, AT 4.00 p.m.**

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The Cathaoirleach, Cllr. G. Coyle, 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. M. Holmes, M. McNamara, S. Bourke, C. Burke, H. Kenny, A. McDonnell, J. Mee, M. Carty, T. Connolly, J. Cribbin, P. McHugh, E. Lavin, J. Maloney, J. Mellett, G. Murray, F. Chambers, A.F. O'Malley, John O'Malley.

Apology received from Cllr. M. Adams 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. R. Norton, Dir. of Services, Mr. P. Duggan, Head of Finance, Mr. I. Douglas, Senior Planner, Mr. B. O'Reilly, Sen. Engineer, Mr. S. Murphy, Chief Fire Officer, Mr. N. Sheridan, Comm. & Enterprise, 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 11<sup>ú</sup> MEAN FOMHAIR, 2006, A DEIMHNIU.  
TO CONFIRM MINUTES OF MAYO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON  
11<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2006.**

Mhol Comhairleoir H. Kenny  
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 11<sup>ú</sup> Mean Fomhair, 2006”.

Proposed by Cllr. H. Kenny  
Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Mayo County Council Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2006, be taken as read, approved and signed as a correct record”.

**ITEM NO. 2.**

**TO APPROVE OF THE DISPOSAL OF 0.9 ACRES OF LAND AT MAYO  
ABBEY, CLAREMORRIS, TO MAYO ABBEY PARISH COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT COMPANY LIMITED, IN ACCORDANCE WITH NOTICE  
DATED 14<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2006, ALREADY CIRCULATED.**

Proposed by Cllr. T. Connolly  
Seconded by Cllr. A. McDonnell  
Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve of the disposal of 0.9 acres of Land at Mayo Abbey, Claremorris, to Mayo Abbey Parish Community Development Company Limited, for €1 per annum, in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, and Notice dated 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2006, already circulated”.

**ITEM NO. 3.**

**TO APPROVE OF THE DISPOSAL OF 0.0020 HECTARES OF LAND AT D’ALTON STREET, CLAREMORRIS, CO. MAYO, TO GERARD & EILISH HENRY, D’ALTON STREET, CLAREMORRIS, CO. MAYO, IN ACCORDANCE WITH NOTICE DATED 26<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2006, ALREADY CIRCULATED.**

Proposed by Cllr. T. Connolly

Seconded by Cllr. F. Chambers

Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve of the disposal of 0.0020 hectares of Land at D’Alton Street, Claremorris, Co. Mayo, to Gerard & Eilish Henry, D’Alton Street, Claremorris, Co. Mayo, for €10,000 and Land exchange, in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, and Notice dated 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2006, already circulated”.

**ITEM NO. 4.**

**TO APPROVE OF THE DISPOSAL OF 0.0012 HECTARES OF LAND AT UPPER MAIN STREET, BALLYHAUNIS, CO. MAYO, TO NUALA (JULIA) FLATLEY, UPPER MAIN STREET, BALLYHAUNIS, CO. MAYO, IN ACCORDANCE WITH NOTICE DATED 26<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2006, ALREADY CIRCULATED.**

Proposed by Cllr. J. Cribbin

Seconded by Cllr. M. Carty

Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve of the disposal of 0.0012 hectares of Land at Upper Main Street, Ballyhaunis, Co. Mayo, to Nuala (Julia) Flatley, Upper Main Street, Ballyhaunis, Co. Mayo, for Title Rectification Purposes, in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, and Notice dated 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2006, already circulated”.

**ITEM NO. 5.**

- (a) **TO ESTABLISH A STEERLING COMMITTEE TO OVERSEE THE MANAGEMENT OF THE JACKIE CLARKE LIBRARY, BALLINA;**
- (b) **TO APPOINT FIVE MEMBERS OF MAYO COUNTY COUNCIL TO THE STEERLING COMMITTEE OF THE JACKIE CLARKE LIBRARY, BALLINA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH REPORT DATED 3<sup>rd</sup> OCTOBER, 2006.**

- (a) Proposed by Cllr. H. Kenny

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

**“That we hereby approve of the establishment of a Steering Committee to oversee the management of the Jackie Clarke Library, Ballina, as set out in Report dated 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2006”.**

- (b) Proposed by Cllr. H. Kenny  
Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh  
Resolved:-  
“That Cllrs. M. Mulherin, Johnnie O’Malley, J. Mee, G. Murray and M. Holmes be nominated to the Steering Committee of the Jackie Clarke Library, Ballina, in accordance with Report dated 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2006”.**

**Proposed by Cllr. A. McDonnell  
Seconded by Cllr. J. Mee  
Resolved:-  
“That a Meeting of Mayo County Council be held in the Jackie Clarke Library, Ballina”.**

**ITEM NO. 6.  
TO CONSIDER COUNTY MANAGER’S REPORT ON SUBMISSIONS AND OBSERVATIONS RECEIVED ON REVIEW OF EXISTING COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND PREPARATION OF NEW COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND REPORT ON STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT.**

**Following discussion, it was agreed to hold a Special Meeting of the Council on Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2006, to deal with this Item.**

**It was also agreed that Workshops for Councillors would take place before the Special Meeting – the first to be held on Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2006.**

**It was agreed to invite Cmdr. Mark A. Mellett of the Irish Naval Service, to address the Council on maritime policy matters relating to the proposed County Development Plan.**

**ITEM NO. 7.  
TO APPROVE PRELIMINARY REPORT DATED 21<sup>st</sup> AUGUST, 2006, IN RESPECT OF THE NEALE, BALLYHEANE, CROSS AND CROSSBOYNE SEWERAGE SCHEMES.**

**Proposed by Cllr. P. O’Brien  
Seconded by Cllr. D. Ryan  
Resolved:-  
“That we hereby approve Preliminary Report dated 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2006, in respect of The Neale, Ballyheane, Cross and Crossboyne Sewerage Schemes, as circulated”.**

**ITEM NO. 8.**

**TO CONSIDER REPORT DATED 18<sup>th</sup> AUGUST, 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 CONSTRUCTION OF TWO NO. TOWNHOUSES TOGETHER WITH ALL ASSOCIATED SITE WORKS, SERVICES, LANDSCAPING AND IMPROVEMENT WORKS AT THE FAIR GREEN, BALLA.**

Proposed by Cllr. C. Burke

Seconded by Cllr. H. Kenny

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt Report dated 18<sup>th</sup> August, 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 construction of Two No. Townhouses together with all associated site works, services, landscaping and improvement works at the Fair Green, Balla”.

**ITEM NO. 9.**

**TO CONSIDER REPORT DATED 18<sup>th</sup> AUGUST, 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 CONSTRUCTION OF TWENTY-NINE NO. DWELLINGS TOGETHER WITH ALL ASSOCIATED SITE WORKS, SERVICES, TREATMENT PLANT, LANDSCAPING AND IMPROVEMENT WORKS AT MAYO ABBEY, CLAREMORRIS.**

Proposed by Cllr. P. O'Brien

Seconded by Cllr. H. Walsh

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt Report dated 18<sup>th</sup> August, 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 construction of Twenty-Nine No. Dwellings together with all associated site works, services, treatment plant, landscaping and improvement works at Mayo Abbey, Claremorris”.

**ITEM NO. 10.**

**TO NOTE MINUTES OF WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 3<sup>rd</sup> MAY, 2006.**

Proposed by Cllr. A.F. O'Malley

Seconded by Cllr. A.M. Reape

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Water Supply and Sewerage Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2006, be noted”.

**ITEM NO. 11.**

**TO NOTE MINUTES OF HOUSING STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 4<sup>th</sup> MAY, 2006.**

Proposed by Cllr. J. Cribbin  
Seconded by Cllr. E. Staunton

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Housing Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2006, be noted”.

**ITEM NO. 12.**

**TO NOTE MINUTES OF LOCAL COUNTY RURAL WATER MONITORING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 1<sup>st</sup> JUNE, 2006.**

Proposed by Cllr. A.F. O'Malley  
Seconded by Cllr. A. McDonnell

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Local County Rural Water Monitoring Committee Meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2006, be noted”.

**ITEM NO. 13.**

**TO NOTE MINUTES OF CASTLEBAR ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD ON 22<sup>nd</sup> MAY, 2006, 26<sup>th</sup> JUNE, 2006 AND 24<sup>th</sup> JULY, 2006.**

Proposed by Cllr. C. Burke  
Seconded by Cllr. H. Kenny

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Castlebar Electoral Area Committee Meetings held on 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2006, 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2006 and 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2006, be noted”.

**ITEM NO. 14.**

**TO NOTE MINUTES OF SWINFORD ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD ON 4<sup>th</sup> JULY, 2006.**

Proposed by Cllr. J. Mellett  
Seconded by Cllr. J. Maloney

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Swinford Electoral Area Committee Meetings held on 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2006, be noted”.

**ITEM NO. 15.**  
**TO NOTE MINUTES OF CLAREMORRIS ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING HELD ON 4<sup>th</sup> JULY, 2006.**

Proposed by Cllr. T. Connolly

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Claremorris Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2006, be noted”.

**ITEM NO. 16.**  
**NASC EU BRIEFING PROGRAMME – BRUSSELS – 22<sup>nd</sup> AND 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
**NOVEMBER, 2006.**

Proposed by Cllr. H. Kenny

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That the Cathaoirleach, Cllr. G. Coyle, Cllrs. P. McGuinness and D. Ryan be nominated to attend NASC EU Briefing Programme to be held in Brussels on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2006”.

**ITEM NO. 17.**  
**TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND**  
**CONFERENCE – “SPIKE ISLAND HIDDEN HISTORY – AN OPPORTUNITY IN**  
**TOURISM” – TO BE HELD IN THE COMMODORE HOTEL, COBH, CO.**  
**CORK, ON 12<sup>th</sup> AND 13<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 2006.**

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

**ITEM NO. 18.**  
**TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND DR.**  
**DOUGLAS HYDE CONFERENCE – “MANY STREAMS – ONE BROAD**  
**RIVER” – TO BE HELD IN ST. NATHY’S COLLEGE, BALLAGHADERREEN,**  
**CO. ROSCOMMON, FROM 20<sup>th</sup> TO 22<sup>nd</sup> OCTOBER, 2006.**

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

Proposed by Cllr. F. Chambers

Seconded by Cllr. D. Ryan

Resolved:-

“That Cllr. M. McNamara be nominated to attend Dr. Douglas Hyde Conference – “Many Streams – One Broad River” – to be held in St. Nathy’s College, Ballaghaderreen, Co. Roscommon, from 20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2006”.

**ITEM NO. 19.**

**TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND CEIFIN CONFERENCE 2006 – “FREEDOM – LICENCE OR LIBERTY? ENGAGING WITH A TRANSFORMING IRELAND” – TO BE HELD IN THE WEST COUNTY HOTEL, ENNIS, CO. CLARE, ON 7<sup>th</sup> AND 8<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER, 2006.**

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

Proposed by Cllr, H. Kenny

Seconded by Cllr. M. Holmes

Resolved:-

“That the Cathaoirleach, Cllrs. A. McDonnell and G. Murray be nominated to attend Ceifin Conference 2006 – “Freedom – Licence or Liberty? Engaging with a transforming Ireland” – to be held in the West County Hotel, Ennis, Co. Clare, on 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2006”.

**ITEM NO. 20.**

**TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERS ASSOCIATION WINTER SEMINAR TO BE HELD IN THE ARKLOW BAY HOTEL, ARKLOW, CO. WICKLOW, ON 10<sup>th</sup> AND 11<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER, 2006.**

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

Proposed by Cllr. H. Kenny

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:

“That the Cathaoirleach, Cllrs. M. Carty, P. McHugh, M. McNamara, J. Mellett, G. Murray, John O’Malley, Johnnie O’Malley, T. Quinn, E. Staunton and H. Walsh be nominated to attend Local Authority Members Association Winter Seminar to be held in the Arklow Bay Hotel, Arklow, Co. Wicklow, on 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2006”.

**VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS.**

Proposed by Cllr. J. Mellett

Seconded by Cllr. J. Maloney

Resolved:-

“That a Vote of Congratulations be extended to Ms. Pauline Gallagher, Swinford, on winning the Under-17 Singles All-Ireland Handball Championship”.

**Proposed by Cllr. E. Staunton**

**Seconded by Cllr. A.M. Reape**

**Resolved:-**

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

**Proposed by Cllr. T. Connolly**

**Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh**

**Resolved:-**

**“That a Vote of Congratulations be extended to Mr. Michael Hanley, Claremorris, on his success in the World Association of Kickboxing Cadet and Junior World Championship”.**

**Proposed by Cllr. H. Kenny**

**Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh**

**Resolved:-**

**“That a Vote of Congratulations be extended to Roscommon on winning the All-Ireland Minor Football Championship”.**

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION.**

**(a) Proposed by Cllr. F. Chambers**

**Seconded by Cllr. P. O’Brien**

**Resolved:-**

**“That Mayo County Council in their review of the County Development Plan ensure that housing developments of substantial size incorporate sufficient Playground area and recreational facilities in the interest of providing a good healthy environment for young children”.**

**(b) “Calling on Mayo County Council to provide adequate fire fighting equipment and training for the off shore islands of Mayo”.**

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

**(c) “Go nglacfadh Comhairle Mhaigh Eo tús áite id dtogra iniúchta iomlán a thionscnamh ar chomharthaíocht bhóithre ar fud an Chontae”.**

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



- (d) **“Mayo County Council resolves to designate elimination of illegal dumping as the Council’s top propriety for 2007”.**

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

- (e) **Proposed by Cllr. M. Holmes  
Seconded by Cllr. G. Coyle  
Resolved:-  
“To ak the Council, what agreement they have with Coilte, in relation to damage caused to County and local Roads by Forestry Trucks”.**
- (f) **Proposed by Cllr. J. Munnelly  
Seconded by Cllr. F. Chambers  
Resolved:-  
“That this Council supports the efforts of the Humbert Summer School to have the victory of the Franco-Irish forces, led by General Jean Joseph Amable Humbert, over the British Army at Castlebar in August 1798 recorded as a French military victory on d’Arc de Triomphe in Paris. Furthermore, that this authority will lobby both the Irish Department of Foreign Affairs, and the French Government to rectify this historical anomaly”.**
- (g) **Proposed by Cllr. G. Coyle  
Seconded by Cllr. M. Holmes  
Resolved:-  
“Calling on Mayo County Council to seek a Meeting with Minister Dick Roche with a view to having special funding put in place for a total upgrade of the R312 road between Bellacorick and Castlebar”.**
- (h) **Proposed by Cllr. M. Mulherin  
Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh  
Resolved:-  
“That this Council calls on the Minister for Transport to intervene with the National Roads Authority to ensure that all National Primary Road projects in the County are constructed to a 2 plus 1 design”.**

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

**Proposed by Cllr. G. Coyle  
Seconded by Cllr. A. McDonnell  
Resolved:-**

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Mulvey family, Louisburgh, on the death of Johnny Mulvey, The Curragh, Castlebar”.**

**Proposed by Cllr. J. Mee**

**Seconded by Cllr. F. Chambers**

**Resolved:-**

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mrs. Virginia Hegarty & family, 3, St. Bridget’s Crescent, Castlebar, on the death of her Husband, John”.**

**Proposed by Cllr. C. Burke**

**Seconded by Cllr. E. Lavin**

**Resolved:-**

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Pat Durkan & family, Carramore, Manulla, Castlebar, on the death of Mary Jo Durkan”.**

**Proposed by Cllr. D. Ryan**

**Seconded by Cllr. F. Chambers**

**Resolved:-**

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Flynn family, Cong, Co. Mayo, on the death of Eugene Flynn”.**

**Proposed by Cllr. D. Ryan**

**Seconded by Cllr. F. Chambers**

**Resolved:-**

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the O’Connor family, Rostaff, Headford, on the death of Michael O’Connor”.**

**Proposed by Cllr. M. McNamara**

**Seconded by Cllr. F. Chambers**

**Resolved:-**

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Lavelle family, Pub, Dooega, Achill, on the death of Mickie Lavelle”.**

**Proposed by Cllr. M. McNamara**

**Seconded by Cllr. F. Chambers**

**Resolved:-**

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Ruddy family, Currane, Achill, on the death of Celia Ruddy”.**

**Proposed by Cllr. M. McNamara**

**Seconded by Cllr. F. Chambers**

**Resolved:-**

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Cleary family, Achill Sound and Saula, Achill, on the death of Áine Cleary”.**

**Proposed by Cllr. M. McNamara**

**Seconded by Cllr. F. Chambers**

**Resolved:-**

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the English family, 7, Radharc na Mara, Achill Sound, on the death of Michael Martin English”.**

**Proposed by Cllr. M. McNamara**

**Seconded by Cllr. S. Bourke**

**Resolved:-**

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Grealis family, Ballygaravan, Ballycroy, Westport, on the death of Maureen Grealis”.**

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

**Seconded by Cllr. H. Walsh**

**Resolved:-**

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Bourke family, Ballymacredmond, Corroy, Ballina, on the death of Christy Bourke”.**

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

**Seconded by Cllr. H. Walsh**

**Resolved:-**

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mrs. K. Tolan, Curradrish, Foxford, on the death of her Husband, Anthony”.**

**Proposed by Cllr. P. O’Brien**

**Seconded by Cllr. T. Connolly**

**Resolved:-**

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Prendergast family, Freeheen, Mayo Abbey, Claremorris, on the death of Bridget Prendergast”.**

**Proposed by Cllr. P. O’Brien**

**Seconded by Cllr. T. Connolly**

**Resolved:-**

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mrs. Mary O’Neill, Creagh Road, Ballinrobe, on the death of her Husband, Art”.**

**Proposed by Cllr. F. Chambers**

**Seconded by Cllr. S. Bourke**

**Resolved:-**

**“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Langan family, Balla, Co. Mayo, on the death of Michael Langan”.**

**The Meeting concluded at 6.55 p.m.**