

**COMHAIRLE CATHRACH AGUS CONTAE PHORT LÁIRGE  
WATERFORD CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL**

**COUNCIL MEETING HELD 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2014**

**PRESENT:**

Cllr. James Tobin Cathaoirleach	Cllr. Joe Kelly
Cllr. Liam Brazil	Cllr. Eddie Mulligan
Cllr. Breda Brennan	Cllr. Jason Murphy
Cllr. Mary Butler	Cllr. Pat Nugent
Cllr. John Carey	Cllr. Seamus O'Donnell
Cllr. Declan Clune	Cllr. John O'Leary
Cllr. Joe Conway	Cllr. Cha O'Neill
Cllr. Tom Cronin	Cllr. Michael J O'Ryan
Cllr. John Cummins	Cllr. Lola O'Sullivan
Cllr. Davy Daniels	Cllr. Seanie Power
Cllr. Declan Doocey	Cllr. John Pratt
Cllr. Pat Fitzgerald	Cllr. Eamon Quinlan
Cllr. Damien Geoghegan	Cllr. Sean Reinhardt
Cllr. Jim Griffin	Cllr. Mary Roche
Cllr. Blaise Hannigan	Cllr. Siobhán Whelan
Cllr. John Hearne	Cllr. Adam Gary Wyse

**OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Mr. M. Walsh, Chief Executive  
 Mr. D. Murphy, Deputy Head of Finance  
 Mr. M. Quinn, Director of Service Housing, Community & Culture  
 Mr. P. Daly, A/Director of Service Roads HR & Emergency Services  
 Mr. L. Power, Director of Service Economic Development  
 Mr. B. White, Director of Service Planning & Corporate Affairs  
 Mr. R. Moloney, Deputy Director of Services Water and Environment  
 Mr. E. Ruane, Meetings Administrator  
 Ms. A. Jacob, Senior Staff Officer

**VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

A vote of sympathy was expressed to those bereaved by the deaths of:

Fr. Pat Moran  
 Niall Manahan  
 Tom Grace  
 Tony O'Neill  
 Paula Bergin  
 Pat Morrissey  
 John Crotty  
 Peggy Weldon  
 Michael Daniels

**1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Minutes of meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> June were proposed by Cllr Doocey, seconded by Cllr Geoghegan and agreed.

Minutes of meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2014 were proposed by Cllr Cronin seconded by Cllr Geoghegan and agreed.

## **2. MATTERS ARISING**

Cllr Daniels raised a question in relation to the Capital Plan in respect of Waterford Airport.

Cllr O'Neill proposed that the Chairman of Waterford Airport be invited to address the Council seconded by Cllr Daniels and agreed.

## **3. NOMINATIONS TO OTHER BODIES**

This matter formed part of unfinished business from the meeting of the 12th June.

### **Garter Lane – 2 members**

It was proposed by Cllr. Geoghegan seconded by Cllr Cronin that Cllr Mulligan be nominated to the board.

It was proposed by Cllr Butler seconded by Cllr O'Sullivan that Cllr Wyse be nominated to the board.

It was proposed by Cllr O'Neill seconded by Cllr Daniels that Cllr Roche be nominated to the board.

There being 3 nominations for 2 positions it was agreed by a show of hands that Cllr Mulligan and Cllr Wyse be elected to the board of Garter Lane.

### **Deise Link (Rural Transport) Ltd. – 4 members**

It was proposed by Cllr. Nugent seconded by Cllr O'Sullivan that Cllr Doocey be nominated to the board.

It was proposed by Cllr Geoghegan seconded by Cllr Nugent that Cllr Pratt be nominated to the board.

It was proposed by Cllr Carey seconded by Cllr O'Ryan that Cllr Tobin be nominated to the board.

It was proposed by Cllr Hannigan seconded by Cllr Daniels that Cllr O'Donnell be nominated to the board.

It was proposed by Cllr O'Sullivan seconded by Cllr Pratt that Cllr Butler be nominated to the board.

It was proposed by Cllr Brennan seconded by Cllr Whelan that Cllr Fitzgerald be nominated to the board.

There being 6 nominations for 4 positions it was agreed by a show of hands that Cllr Doocey, Cllr Pratt, Cllr Tobin and Cllr Butler be elected to the board of Deise Link (Rural Transport) Ltd.

### **Waterford and Wexford Education and Training Board – 5 members**

The group system applies here

A group consisting Councillors O'Neill, Daniels, Roche, Conway, O'Donnell, Hannigan and Reinhardt proposed Cllr Roche.

It was proposed by Cllr. Carey seconded by Cllr Cummins that Cllr O'Sullivan be nominated to the board.

It was proposed by Cllr Butler seconded by Cllr O'Leary that Cllr M. J. O'Ryan be nominated to the board.

It was proposed by Cllr Doocey seconded by Cllr Geoghegan that Cllr Nugent be nominated to the board.

It was proposed by Cllr Quinlan seconded by Cllr Murphy that Cllr Cronin be nominated to the board.

An attempt to form a second group by Cllr Fitzgerald was too late and ruled out of order.

There being no further nominations Cllr Roche, Cllr O'Sullivan, Cllr O'Ryan, Cllr Nugent and Cllr Cronin were deemed elected to the board.

### **Governing Body UCC – 1 member**

It was proposed by Cllr. Nugent seconded by Cllr Cronin and agreed that the Cathaoirleach of the day be the nominee for the Governing Body of UCC. Cllr Tobin was deemed elected to the Governing Body of UCC.

### **SE Regional Homeless Forum – 1 member**

It was proposed by Cllr Geoghegan seconded by Cllr O'Sullivan that Cllr Pratt be nominated to the forum.

There being no further nominations Cllr Pratt was deemed elected.

### **Local Traveller Accommodation Advisory Committee (LTAAC) – 3 members**

It was proposed by Cllr O'Sullivan seconded by Cllr Cummins that Cllr Carey be nominated to the committee.

It was proposed by Cllr Clune seconded by Cllr Hearne that Cllr Griffin be nominated to the committee.

It was proposed by Cllr Cronin seconded by Cllr Wyse that Cllr O'Leary be nominated to the committee.

There being no further nominations Cllrs Carey, Griffin and O'Leary were deemed elected.

### **Lismore Heritage Company – 1 member**

It was proposed by Cllr Geoghegan seconded by Cllr Cummins that Cllr Doocey be nominated to the board.

There being no further nominations Cllr Doocey was deemed elected to the board.

### **Local Community Development Committee**

Lar Power, DOS outlined the role of the committee and the proposal circulated in relation to the membership of the Committee were agreed. Membership of the Committee will be made up of the Chairperson of the Economic and Enterprise SPC Cllr O'Sullivan and Chairperson of the Housing, Community, Culture, Sport & Recreation SPC Cllr Carey.

It was agreed that the Cathaoirleach of the day be the third councillor representative, proposed by Cllr Cummins seconded by Cllr Geoghegan. Cllr Tobin was deemed elected to the Committee.

#### **4 .Finance**

Chief Executive's report already circulated, seeking to generate investment, to clear all legacy issues, managing budget and putting Council in a position to manage the service.

Questions were raised in relation to overdraft, deficits, District funding, landfill loan and exit from refuse collection, income to loan ratio, overdraft rate and outstanding development contributions. The Chief Executive explained the reason for the need for the loan approval. It was proposed by Cllr Cronin seconded by Cllr O'Ryan and unanimously agreed that "sanction be sought from the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government for a loan of €21,000,000 under S.11 of the Housing Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2009".

#### **5. Planning**

- (a) The taking in charge of housing estates contained in report of 25<sup>th</sup> June 2014 was proposed by Cllr Conway seconded by Cllr Doocey and agreed.
- (b) Planning lists as circulated were noted. It was agreed that the planning lists would be dealt with in future at the District meetings.

#### **6. Land Disposals**

It was proposed by Cllr Doocey seconded by Cllr Pratt and agreed that the disposal of former Area Office and Library Headquarters, Lismore, Waterford as per resolution

**"THAT having been advised by notice dated 27<sup>th</sup> June 2014 (Ref. No. 1177) (attached) in the manner prescribed by Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 of proposal to dispose by way of Transfer in fee simple, to Minister of Education and Skills, as more particularly described in said notice under the terms and conditions recited therein, the Council hereby consents to the proposal."**

The Cathaoirleach Cllr Tobin asked that his opposition to this disposal be noted.

#### **7. Section 85 Agreement**

It was proposed by Cllr Geoghegan seconded by Cllr Hannigan and agreed

“That Waterford City Council agrees to enter into a Section 85 agreement under the Local Government Act 2001 with Tipperary County Council and Waterford City and County Council, between Cork County Council and Waterford City and County Council and Cork City Council and Waterford City and County Council for the Munster Expansion Joint Contract 2014”.

## **8. Corporate Plan**

Chief Executive stated that a number of submissions have already been received, that a draft will be put on the website and a report will be submitted to the September meeting seeking approval. The Council agreed to this on the proposal of Cllr Cummins seconded by Cllr Reinhardt.

## **9. CPG Recommendations**

- (a) **Chairs of SPC's**
  - i. Economic Development and Enterprise – Chair Cllr Lola O’Sullivan
  - ii. Environmental Protection – Chair Cllr John Hearne
  - iii. Transportation Infrastructure and Fire – Chair Cllr Joe Kelly
  - iv. Housing, Community, Culture, Sport and Recreation – Chair Cllr John Carey
  - v. Planning and Corporate – Chair Cllr O’Ryan
- (b) Deferred.
- (c) A discussion on the protocols took place and it was agreed that the CPG should form the working group to further develop these and return to the Plenary meeting. It was proposed by Cllr O’Sullivan seconded by Cllr Carey that the allowances contained in the protocol be implemented.

## **10. Correspondence**

Deferred.

## **11. Notices of Motions**

As the Chief Executive had requested an opportunity to address the Council in Committee Cllr Daniels agreed to defer his first motion to the next meeting, he also agreed that his second motion be referred to the Metropolitan area.

## **12. AOB**

At this stage the Council agreed to go into Committee at which the Chief Executive addressed a number of issues, (i) development at Knockhouse, (ii) the appointment of Deputy Chief Executive and Managers of the Districts who, together with the relevant

primary seniors, will attend and be responsible for the District Meeting and (iii) terms of the Chief Executive's contract.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cathaoirleach

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_