

**COMHAIRLE CHONTAE UÍBH FHAILÍ**

**MINUTES OF JUNE MONTHLY MEETING  
OF OFFALY COUNTY COUNCIL**

**HELD IN ÁRAS AN CHONTAE, CHARLEVILLE ROAD, TULLAMORE  
ON MONDAY, 15TH JUNE 2015 AT 2.00 P.M.**

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Cllr. S. Dooley, Cathaoirleach (Presiding), Cllrs. N. Bourke, J. Carroll, J. Clendennen, N. Cribbin, D. Dolan, E. Dooley, E. Fitzpatrick, J. Foley, D. Harvey, B. Killeavy, J. Leahy, T. McKeigue, F. Moran, C. Nolan, M. O'Reilly, P. Ormond, D. Owens and L. Quinn.
<b>IN ATTENDANCE:</b>	Ms. C. Byrne, Chief Executive, Mr. T. Mawe, A/H.O.F, Mr. F. Heslin, D.O.S., Mr. M. Daly, A/D.O.S, Mr. T. Shanahan, A/D.O.S, Ms. M. Cleary, Meetings Administrator, Ms. F. Flaherty C.O.
<b>VOTES OF SYMPATHY:</b>	<p>Votes of sympathy were unanimously extended to the following:-</p> <p>Mr. &amp; Mrs. John &amp; Agnes Carroll &amp; Family, Kilcoursey, Clara on the death of their daughter, Catriona;</p> <p>Mr. Sean Sheridan, Raheen, Clara on the death of his mother, Imelda;</p> <p>Ms. Mary Dunne, Frederick Street, Clara on the death of her mother, Annie Kerrigan;</p> <p>Ms. Martina Hanbury &amp; Family, Ballyfore, Edenderry on the death of her mother, Nan;</p> <p>Mrs. Pauline McGarry, High Street, Birr on the death of her husband, Michael (Mickey);</p> <p>Mrs. Maura Byrne, Cogan, Lusmagh, Birr on the death of her husband, Brendan;</p> <p>Mr. Kevin Wrafter &amp; Family, The Beeches, Loughaun, Tullamore on the death of his mother, Elizabeth (Lizzy);</p> <p>The Tyrrell Family, Clonmore, Tullamore on the death of their brother, Andy.</p> <p>The Chief Executive, on her own behalf and on behalf of the staff of the Council joined with the members in these votes of sympathy.</p>
<b>CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:</b>	On the proposal of Cllr. L. Quinn, seconded by Cllr. J. Clendennen, the members resolved to adopt the minutes of the May Monthly Meeting held in Ballinamere Community Centre, Tullamore on 18 <sup>th</sup> May 2015.
<b>MINUTES FOR</b>	The minutes of the Corporate Policy Group Meeting held in

<b>NOTING:</b>	Áras an Chontae, Tullamore on 11 <sup>th</sup> May 2015 were noted.
<b>S. 183 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2001, AS AMENDED – DISPOSAL OF FREEHOLD INTEREST IN LANDS AT CLONCOLLOG, TULLAMORE, CO. OFFALY:</b>	On the proposal of Cllr. D. Harvey, seconded by Cllr. T. McKeigue, the members resolved to the disposal of freehold interest in lands at Cloncollog, Tullamore in accordance with the terms of the S.183 notice dated 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2015.
<b>S. 183 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2001, AS AMENDED – SURRENDER OF 99 YEAR LEASE OF TULLAMORE HERITAGE CENTRE AT TULLAMORE, CO. OFFALY:</b>	On the proposal of Cllr. T. McKeigue, seconded by Cllr. D. Owens, the members resolved to the surrender of 99 year lease of Tullamore Heritage Centre in accordance with the terms of the S.183 notice dated 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2015.
<b>LOCAL ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATE:</b>	<p>Mr. M. Daly, A/D.O.S gave the members a comprehensive update on the Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP) and outlined the public consultation process that was undertaken. He advised that the plan will be placed on public display in September.</p> <p>The Cathaoirleach thanked all the staff involved in the development of the LECP and proposed that all members encourage their local community groups to engage in the process.</p>
<b>MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORT:</b>	The contents of the comprehensive management report that had circulated with the Agenda were noted by the members.
<b>CORPORATE POLICY GROUP REPORT:</b>	<p>Cllr. S. Dooley, Cathaoirleach advised that the Corporate Policy Group met on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2015 to consider the June Monthly Council Agenda and to approve the list of conferences and training courses for circulation.</p> <p>The Cathaoirleach advised that the CPG had approved the holding of a Civic Reception, proposed by the Municipal District of Edenderry, to recognise the contribution of Seán Norman in Céilé music over the past fifty years.</p>
<b>NOTICES OF MOTION:</b>	<p>(i) The following motion was proposed by Cllr. C. Nolan, seconded by Cllr. B. Killeavy and agreed:</p> <p><i>“Offaly County Council calls on the minister for Education, Jan O’Sullivan to implement all parts of The Education for Persons with Special Needs Act (EPSEN, 2004) without further delay.”</i></p> <p>It was agreed to write to the Minister for Education, Jan O’ Sullivan on behalf of the members.</p>
<b>COMHDHÁLACHA:</b>	On the proposal of Cllr. L. Quinn, seconded by Cllr. F. Moran, conferences and training seminars were approved as follows:

	<p><b><u>CONFERENCES:</u></b></p> <p>Sean MacDiarmada Summer School 2015 Kiltyclogher, Co. Leitrim The Relevance of the 1916 Proclamation in the Ireland of Today Friday 12<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2015 <i>It was agreed no member would attend.</i></p> <p>The Irish Institute of Professional Training The Councillors’ Development Plan – ‘A Reserved Function?’ White’s Hotel, Wexford 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> June 2015 <i>It was agreed no member would attend.</i></p> <p>Celtic Conferences Local Economic &amp; Community Plans The Clonakilty Hotel, Co. Cork 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> July 2015 <i>It was agreed no member would attend.</i></p> <p>Esperanza Enterprises Planning &amp; Building Regulationns The Connacht Hotel, Dublin Road, Galway 27<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> July 2015 <i>It was agreed no member would attend.</i></p> <p>Esperanza Enterprises Changes to Community Development The Connacht Hotel, Dublin Road, Galway 31<sup>st</sup> July – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2015 <i>It was agreed no member would attend.</i></p> <p><b><u>TRAINING:</u></b></p> <p>Planning Seminar “The Housing Debate: What Role for Local Government in Rebuilding our Communities?” Maynooth University Campus Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2015 <i>It was agreed no member would attend.</i></p>
<p><b>COMHFHREAGRAS:</b></p>	<p>The correspondences that issued with the Agenda were noted.</p> <p>Noting the response received from the Minister for Justice and Equality, it was agreed to redirect Cllr. T. McKeigue’s Notice of Motion to the Minister for Finance.</p>
<p><b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS:</b></p>	<p><b><u>Clara Fire Station</u></b> The members welcomed the announcement that the Ferbane Fire Station was included in the Fire Service Capital Programme for 2015. It was agreed to seek an update from the Department on the status of the Clara Fire Station application.</p> <p><b><u>Water Supply</u></b> Cllr. D. Harvey asked the executive if water currently being supplied in Tullamore from a source in Arden could revert to the Clonaslee source. The members acknowledged that this is an issue for Irish Water. Mr. T. Shanahan, A/D.O.S in responding assured the meeting that the water being supplied</p>

	<p>met all the required safety standards.</p> <p>Cllr. L. Quinn informed the meeting that Irish Water's consultation phase on providing a new source of water for Dublin and the eastern and midlands region is open until 4<sup>th</sup> August 2015. He suggested that all members should support the Garryhinch proposal. Ms. C. Byrne, Chief Executive, advised that Irish Water will meet with the members during the next period of consultation.</p>
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This concluded the business of the meeting.

**MINUTES CONFIRMED:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**20<sup>th</sup> July 2015**