

**AGENDA / CLÁR OIBRE**

1. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

(Enclosed/Iniata)

Monthly Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2014

2. **CONFERENCES / EVENTS**

To approve members' attendance at the enclosed conferences.

To be dealt with by Mr. P. Donnelly, Senior Executive Officer

3. **NOTICES OF MOTION**

**(i) Cllr. F. Godfrey**

"That Drogheda South Louth Municipal Council reinstate the Office of Mayor which has been in existence for over 800 years, as a priority to re-establish Drogheda's Status".

**(ii) Cllr. P. smith**

"Can this Council outline in tabular form information relating to the Local Property Tax, specifically, the number of houses in the county that are liable for the tax, the expected revenue to be collected from the tax, and the effect on LPT/Louth County Council revenue streams if there was a 5%, 10% or 15% reduction in the current rate of LPT."

**Reply**

***This information is not available to us yet – we are currently seeking confirmation of actual figures relating to 2014 as the figures we have include arrears and penalties relating to 2013 and well as what is collected to date for 2014.***

***This is a national issue and we are hoping to have it resolved before the July meeting but I cannot guarantee that at present.***

**(iii) Cllr. J. Loughran**

That Louth County Council install 5 grids and proper signage on the approach roads to the Long Woman's Grave to give proper warning to motorists that they are entering a commonage and to take due care."

**Reply**

**We have received various representations in recent months in relation to the possibility of providing and installing cattle grids on public roads approaching the Long Woman's Grave area of the Cooley Mountains.**

**The Council has already put in place the required statutory road signage for sheep commonages on the approach roads to the Long Woman's grave and we do not feel that any additional measures are justified at the current time**

**(iv) Cllr. O. Tully**

'That Louth County Council installs traffic calming / road safety measures in the vicinity of the entrance to Orchard Villas Termonfeckin'.

**Reply**

***The Council will carry out a survey to determine if traffic calming measures are warranted at this location.***

**(v) Cllr. O. Tully**

'That Louth County Council constructs a footpath from Drogheda to Baltray'.

**Reply**

***The distance from Baltray Bridge to the outskirts of Drogheda is approximately 3.8 km. Land acquisition would be required as the existing road is not sufficiently wide to install a footpath and maintain two way traffic. Additionally up to 95 lighting columns would be required to upgrade public lighting. Currently there is no funding available to embark on project of this magnitude.***

**(vi) Cllr. E. Corrigan**

"That Louth County Council marks the centenary of the foundation of Cumann na mBan in a manner that is educational, inclusive and encapsulates the historical significance of the women involved down through the century.

Also, that this council notes and commends local historian Ailbhe Rogers who delivered a lecture on this topic in the County Museum in late 2013"

**Reply**

***This matter will be examined by our Archives, Library and Museum Service to evaluate if an appropriate medium can be found to mark this occasion.***

**(vii) Cllr. T. Sharkey**

"That Louth County Council instructs the Director of Services with responsibility for Transportation to initiate a review of safety at the Milltown and Phillipstown junctions on the N53 and design right turning boxes, turning lanes and improved fore notice of these junctions."

**Reply**

***As part of the consideration of this motion it should be noted that as part of the design and construction of this section of the N 53 a three stage road safety audit was carried out and all recommendations were taken on board in the competition of this scheme. The scheme is constructed to DMRB standard.***

***Resulting from a recent accident on the new stretch of road an internal review has commenced to try and identify the cause of the accident, following which, a review of safety measures will be undertaken.***

**4. NOTICES OF QUESTION**

**(i) Cllr. F. Godfrey**

What is the estimated cost of flooding and damage following the recent storms in the County?

What is the overall cost of damage caused to roads by recent flooding?

Erosion – what is the current state of our Coastline following the recent storms?

**Reply**

**As indicated in the Severe Weather Report presented to Council at the January meeting, the cost of damage is estimated at €225,000**

**The damage caused to roads is estimated at €15,000, required for repairs to roads at Whitestown/Ballagan. All other disruption caused by stones, seaweed and debris being washed onto the coastal roads has been cleared without any permanent damage.**

**Erosion of the coast line is an ongoing issue. The principal impacts resulting from the recent storms are as indicated in the Severe Weather Report.**

**(ii) Cllr. P. Smith**

Can Louth County Council define the word 'maintenance' as used in planning conditions laid down by the council that apply to construction companies in the building of housing estates?

**Reply**

**There is no specific definition of the term "maintenance". The term can only be determined in the context of the particular condition to which it may refer.**

**(iii) Cllr. P. McGeough**

- (a) What is the up to date status of taking in charge of Glyde View, Tallanstown
- (b) What efforts have Louth County Council made to force the developer to provide proper fencing at Phase 2 of this development in order to prevent this very dangerous abandoned site being used as a play area for children and for Anti-Social activities.

**Reply**

- (a) **No application has been received from the developers by Louth Co Council for taking in charge of Glyde View, Tallanstown. Louth Co Council is proceeding under the provisions of Section 34 (4)(g) of the Planning Development Act 2000 (as amended) and in that regard is currently preparing tender documents to procure the services of a contractor to carry out the necessary works for the satisfactory completion of the development.**
- (b) **Statutory Notices under the provisions of the Sections 2 & 3 of the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Act 1964 and Section 8 (2) of the Derelict Sites Act 1990 have been served on the owners of lands situated adjacent to Glyde View, Tallanstown requiring the carrying out of remedial works to unsafe structures and to clean up and secure the lands against public access.**

**5. NOTICES OF MOTION FROM OTHER COUNCILS**

- Edenderry Town Council

March Agenda

6. **CORRESPONDENCE**

- Gradam An Phiarsaigh / Padraig Pearse Awards March Agenda
- Department of Health March Agenda
- Dept. of Health x 4 letters March Agenda
- Department of Transport, Tourism & Sport 28/05/2011