

## **LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL**

**Minutes of Infrastructure, European and Cross Border Affairs and Sustainable Energy Strategic Policy Committee meeting held in The Cooley Room, County Hall, Dundalk on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at 4.00pm.**

**Present:** Cllr O Tully (Chairman)  
Cllr D Minogue  
Cllr C Markey  
Cllr E Coffey  
Mr M Fealy, Community/Voluntary Rep  
Mr P Malone, Business/Commercial Rep  
Mr M Mc Greehan, Agricultural/ Farming Rep

**Officials:** Ms E O Gorman, Director of Services  
Mr P Finn, Senior Engineer  
Ms T Mc Ardle, Administrative Officer  
Mr Pat O Rourke, Executive Technician  
Ms M O Callaghan, Staff Officer

**Apologies:** Cllr K Flood  
Ms J Byrne, Environment/Conservation Rep

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### **1. Minutes**

On the proposal of Cllr D Minogue seconded by Mr P Malone the minutes of the meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2016 were noted and approved.

### **2. Matters Arising**

P Malone: Requested that the MOU with NMDDC be discussed.  
Cllr D Minogue: Requested that the condition of tertiary roads be discussed.

### **3. Introductions**

Cllr O Tully on behalf of the members congratulated the former chair Cllr D Breathnach on his General Election success, Cllr O Tully is the new chairperson of this SPC.

The staff introduced themselves to the new members of the SPC namely Cllr E Coffey and Mr M Fealy. The Chairperson welcomed both new members to the meeting. Mr Fealy is the new Community/Voluntary Rep.

relating to tourism and economic development, the environment and social inclusion for the combined council areas. A new action plan is being formulated with the assistance of the East Border Region Ltd.

Cllr E Corrigan is the chair of the joint committee she informed the members of a meeting she attended with Euro Cities where they talked of establishing areas as a region with shared citizenship and shared buildings. Cllr Corrigan explained how cross community events and businesses benefited from areas already set up in areas of Spain and Portugal and that this could happen in local area. All the members expressed a great interest in the success that could be achieved. Cllr Corrigan welcomed the interest and stated for members to become involved and attend the meetings, the next meeting will be held in May.

**7. Work Programme 2016**

It was agreed to revisit the proposals for the 2015 Work Programme of this SPC. It was agreed to circulate the All Island Report to members.

It was agreed that E O Gorman would arrange a joint meeting of this SPC with Economic Development and Enterprise Support.

**8. AOB**

The Chairperson thanked both Ms T Mc Ardle and Mr P ORourke for their presentations on behalf of the members.

**Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting is 16<sup>th</sup> June 2016 at 4.00pm in Cooley Room, County Hall, Dundalk.

**Confirmed at Meeting held on:** 16 June 2016

Signed:   
**Chairperson**