

MINUTES OF ATHLONE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT SPECIAL MEETING HELD IN THE LOUGHNANEANE SUITE, ÁRAS AN CHONTAE, ROSCOMMON, ON MONDAY THE 27TH JUNE 2016 AT 11.00A.M.

PRESENT: Councillor Ivan Connaughton, Cathaoirleach **PRESIDED**

MEMBERS: Cllr L. Fallon, Cllr J. Keogh, Cllr J. Naughten, Cllr T. Ward

OFFICIALS: Ms. Majella Hunt, Director of Services
Mr. Martin Lydon, A/Director of Services
Mr. Conor Fallon, T/Executive Engineer, Athlone Municipal District
Ms. Mary Grier, Senior Planner
Ms. Tracy Davis, Senior Executive Planner

27.16. The Chief Executive's Report on submissions received on the Draft Monksland/Bellanamullia (Athlone West) Local Area Plan 2015 – 2021

A copy of the Chief Executive's Report on the Submissions received on the Draft Monksland/Bellanamullia Local Area Plan 2015 – 2021 was previously circulated to the members.

Mr. Martin Lydon, A/Director of Services outlined that we are at Stage 7 of the consultation process with today being the last chance to make amendments. He summarised each submission received for the Monksland/Bellanamullia Local Area Plan from the following:

Submission No. 1: Department of Environment, Community and Local Government

On the **PROPOSAL** of Councillor Ward

SECONDED by Councillor Naughten

It was **AGREED** to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation as presented.

Submission No. 2: Office of the Minister for jobs, Enterprise and Innovation

On the **PROPOSAL** of Councillor Fallon

SECONDED by Councillor Ward

It was **AGREED** to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation as presented.

Submission No. 3: Longford County Council

On the **PROPOSAL** of Councillor Naughten

SECONDED by Councillor Fallon

It was **AGREED** to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation as presented.

Submission No. 4: An Bord Pleanála

On the **PROPOSAL** of Councillor Ward

SECONDED by Councillor Naughten

It was **AGREED** to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation as presented.

Submission No. 5: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

On the **PROPOSAL** of Councillor Fallon

SECONDED by Councillor Naughten

It was **AGREED** to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation as presented.

Submission No. 6 & 9: Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) & Westward Group respectively

On the **PROPOSAL** of Councillor Naughten

SECONDED by Councillor Ward

It was **AGREED** to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation as presented.

On the **PROPOSAL** of Councillor Naughten
SECONDED by Councillor Ward

It was **AGREED** that Roscommon County Council seek a meeting with Transport Infrastructure Ireland to discuss the strategic importance of these sites.

Submissions No. 7: Northern and Western Regional Assembly (NWRA)

On the **PROPOSAL** of Councillor Fallon
SECONDED by Councillor Keogh

It was **AGREED** to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation as presented.

Submissions No. 8: Department of Education and Skills

On the **PROPOSAL** of Councillor Ward
SECONDED by Councillor Naughten

It was **AGREED** to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation as presented.

Submission No. 10, 11, 12: Westmeath County Council, River Village Traders & RGDATA

On the **PROPOSAL** of Councillor Ward
SECONDED by Councillor Keogh

It was **AGREED** to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation as presented.

Submission No. 13 & 14: Pat Donohue and Donal Kenny respectively

Martin Lydon, A/Director of Services outlined that legally we cannot deal with these submissions under Section 20(3)(j)-(i) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) as they relate to lands which are not the subject of the Proposed Material Alteration of the Draft Monksland/Bellanamullia (Athlone West) LAP 2016-2022.

Martin Lydon, A/Director of Services explained to members that the plan is made and adopted here today and will come into force in four weeks, subject to acceptance by the DECLG.

On the **PROPOSAL** of Councillor Naughten
SECONDED by Councillor Ward

It was **AGREED** to arrange an in-house pre-meeting in preparation for the proposed meeting with Transport Infrastructure Ireland.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

The foregoing Minutes are
Confirmed and Signed:



Meetings Administrator

Cathaoirleach

Countersigned