

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF MUINEBHEAG HELD  
IN MCGRATH HALL, BAGENALSTOWN, CO. CARLOW ON WEDNESDAY, 21<sup>ST</sup>  
OCTOBER, 2015 AT 3.00PM**

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**PRESENT**

Cllrs. Denis Foley (Chairperson), Willie Quinn, Arthur McDonald, Andy Gladney, Michael Doran, Tommy Kinsella, Charlie Murphy and John Murphy.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Seamus O'Connor: Director of Services, Tim Butler: Senior Executive Officer and Ray Wickham: Area Engineer.

**ITEM NO. 1: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF MUINEBHEAG OF 8<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 2015.**

*Proposed by Cllr. Michael Doran*

*Secoded by Cllr. Andy Gladney*

**AND RESOLVED**

“That the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2015, as circulated, are hereby confirmed as to accuracy and, accordingly, signed by the Cathaoirleach.”

**ITEM NO. 2: VOTE OF CONGRATULATIONS**

- Mount Leinster Rangers on winning the Minor, U21's and Intermediate titles.
- Mr. Tommy Caulfield on becoming joint winner of the World Strongman event held in Limerick.
- St. Mullins GAA on winning the County Senior Hurling Final.
- Members expressed a vote of congratulations to Kathleen Holohan on her appointment to the post of Chief Executive with Carlow County Council.

**ITEM NO. 3: VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

- Kennedy family on the death of Patrick (Pat) Kennedy, Oak Grove, Royal Oak Road, Bagenalstown, Co. Carlow.
- Wife, family, colleagues an An Garda Siobhana on the tragic death of Garda Anthony Golden in Co. Louth.
- The families and the Travelling Community on the tragic death of 10 people in a fire at a Halting Site in Carrickmines, Dublin.

**ITEM NO. 4: CORRESPONDENCE**

An email was received from the Planning Department, stating that a workshop would be facilitated for Members on any Local Area Plans, prior to year end.

**ITEM NO. 5: CORPORATE**

None.

**ITEM NO. 6: HOUSING**

The following matters were discussed:

- Delays in the issue of approval to proceed to tender for the 24 houses in Bagenalstown.
- The apartments in Bagenalstown should be available to the Council on the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of November, 2015. Also approval has been extended from 13 to 15 apartments.

- It was proposed by Cllr. Quinn that the Council seek approval from the Department to run a pilot scheme to provide financial assistance to property owners, to renovate properties which could be leased back to local authorities for social housing purposes.

**ITEM NO. 7: TRANSPORTATION**

A general discussion took place in relation to the matter of Bye-Laws for special speed limits in Housing Estates. This is the first phase in an effort to reduce speed limits within housing estates. Other measures may be followed in an effort to curb attitudes to speeding within estates – signs will follow the Byelaws. In relation to the proposed Bye-laws, ratification of Bye Laws on Special Speed Limits in Housing Estates following Public Consultation was adopted following:

*Proposal by Cllr. Denis Foley  
Seconded by Cllr. Willie Quinn*

**ITEM NO. 8: ENVIRONMENT/WATER SERVICES**

- Members were informed that a waste water sump opposite the butcher shop in Leighlinbridge needs to be cleaned approximately twice per annum, to prevent grit clogging the lines.
- Members were informed that it is expected that the upgrading of the water system in Borris will commence by year end.
- Various queries were raised in relation to the operation of repair requests for water/waste water.
- Members enquired with regard to additional bottle bank facilities in the Muinebheag municipal area

**ITEM NO. 9: PLANNING**

Members requested to be kept up-to-date on the proposed planning application for lithium mining in Borris.

**ITEM NO. 10: COMMUNITY**

None

**ITEM NO. 11: STATUTORY BUSINESS**

None

**ITEM NO. 12: ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

None

**This concluded the meeting**

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Cathaoirleach** **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Meetings Administrator** **Date** \_\_\_\_\_