

CARLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

**Minutes of the April Monthly Meeting of Carlow County Council,
held in The Council Chamber, County Offices, Athy Road,
Carlow, on Monday 14th April 2014 at 2.00 p.m**

Present: Councillor D Hurley, Cathaoirleach
Councillor A. Ahern (Nee Long)
Councillor F. Browne
Councillor M. Doran
Councillor W. Fennell,
Councillor D. Foley
Councillor F. Hunter
Councillor T. Kinsella
Councillor W. Lacey
Councillor A. McDonald,
Councillor J. Murnane-O'Connor,
Councillor C. Murphy
Councillor J. Murphy
Councillor T. O'Neill
Councillor W. Paton
Councillor J. Pender,
Councillor W. Quinn.
Councillor J. Townsend.
Councillor C. Townsend,

Apologies: Councillor E. Brophy
Councillor P. O'Toole

In attendance: Mr. T. Barry, County Manager
Mr. J. Carley, Director of Service - Environment, Water
Services & Health and Safety.
Ms. B. O'Brien, Director of Service - Community and
Enterprise, Economic Development & Corporate Services.
Mr. S. O'Connor, Director of Services, Housing, Recreation
& Amenity & Special Projects.
Mr. T. Butler, Housing Officer
Mr. D. Walsh, Senior Planner
Ms. F. O'Neill, Senior Executive Officer, Planning
Mr. D. Mulligan, Museum Curator

Mr. E. Brophy, Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Services.

Ms. B. Whelan, Assistant Staff Officer, Corporate Services.

OPENING PRAYER

The opening prayer was recited in Irish by the Members.

VOTES OF SYMPATHY

The Members expressed votes of sympathy to:-

- The Family of the late Joseph Walsh, Raheendoran, Carlow former employee of Carlow Town Council.
- The Family of the late Abbin Nolan, 2 Burrin Street, Carlow former employee of Carlow Town Council.
- The Family of the late Reverend Dermot McKenna, Sherwood, Pollerton, Carlow
- Mikey Lawlor and Family 2, Station Road, Borris on the death of his wife Anne Lawlor.
- The Lawlor Family, Kilcoltrim, Borris on the death of Tony Lawlor.
- Councillor W. Quinn on the death of his uncle William Joyce
- Connie Doyle and Family, Tomnalossett, Enniscorthy on the death of her husband Jim
- The Family of the late Denis Lawler, Barrett Street, Bagenalstown.

VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS

The Members expressed votes of congratulations to:-

- President Michael D. Higgins and his wife Sabina on their historic visit to the United Kingdom strengthening the political, economic and cultural link between the two countries.
- John Nolan, Carlow London Association for his participation in the state visit by President Higgins to the U.K. and to the Cathaoirleach for his support of the Carlow London Association.
- Author Aubrey Fennell on a copy of his book 'Heritage Trees of Ireland' being presented to Prince Philip by President Higgins during the state visit to the U.K.
- Mary McDonnell on her retirement from 'Oscail' the magazine programme which featured on KCLR for people with disabilities.

- Arboretum Garden Centre on being awarded Large Garden Centre of the Year at the National Amenity Horticulture Quality Awards 2013/2014.
- Michael Keating, gardener Carlow Town Council and staff on the wonderful floral displays throughout the town.
- To everyone who supported Mount Leinster Rangers Senior Hurling on the road to the All Ireland Club Final.
- Olivia O’Leary, Broadcaster and Journalist on her reflection given at the ‘Ceiliuradh’ in the Royal Albert Hall, London in honour of President Higgins’s state visit to the U.K .

Councillor J. Townsend complimented the County Manager and J. McLoughlin Group on reaching agreement in relation to outstanding issues at Pembroke and Water Lane. This agreement enabled Carlow Main Drainage works to be completed.

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Proposed by Councillor J. Murnane O’Connor

Seconded by Councillor M. Doran

AND

Following a showing of hands it was unanimously resolved:-

“That the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Carlow County Council held in the Council Chamber, County Offices, Athy Road, Carlow, on Monday 10th March 2014, at 2.00p.m having been circulated to each Member, be taken as read, confirmed as to accuracy and accordingly signed.

2. BUSINESS PRESCRIBED BY STATUE, STANDING ORDERS OR RESOLUTIONS OF THE COUNCIL

(a) Approval of Draft Annual Report 2013

The Members had for their consideration 2013 Draft Annual Report of the Carlow Local Authorities, in accordance with Section 221 (1) (a) of the Local Government Act, 2001. E. Brophy advised in his report that observations or comments relating thereto must be submitted to him by 30th April, 2014.

Proposed by Councillor M. Doran
Seconded by Councillor A. Ahern Nee Long
AND

Following a showing of hands it was unanimously resolved:-

“that we, the Members of Carlow County Council hereby approve the adoption of the Draft Annual Report 2013 in accordance with Section 221 (1) (a) of the Local Government Act 2001.”

(b) Polling Cards – European/Local Elections 23rd May 2014.

Members noted report from E. Brophy, Local Returning Officer advising that polling information cards may issue to local government electors and not to electors who are also European electors. The reason for this exclusion is that European electors will be sent a polling card by the European Local Returning Officer.

Members’ approval was sought to issue polling cards to electors who can vote at local elections only (i.e. those with the letter ‘L’ opposite their names on the register.

Following discussion it was agreed that this Council write to the Minister in relation to the following issues pertaining to the Register of Electors:-

- The requirement to go to garda station to have application for inclusion in supplementary register certified by the Gardai. This is having a negative effect as some people are unwilling to go to the Garda Station resulting in large numbers of people being excluded from the register and not exercising their vote. Members suggested that a Peace Commissioner may be more suitable for this role.
- Polling cards not being issued until after closing date for supplementary register leaving it too late for people to have their name added to the supplementary register.
- People going abroad for reasons other than occupation e.g holidays not being allowed exercise their vote as they will be out of the country.

Other issues raised by Members included:-

- Postal vote for people working at Polling Stations outside their own municipal district. Mr. Brophy advised that this issue should be addressed by the County Registrar.
People being taken off the Register on the word of a third party that may not be correct information.

All issues raised by Members were addressed by Mr. Brophy.

Proposed by Councillor T. O'Neill
Seconded by Councillor F. Browne
AND

Following a showing of hands it was unanimously resolved:-

“that we, the Members of Carlow County Council hereby approve to the issuing of polling cards to electors who can vote at local elections only (i.e those with the letter ‘L’ opposite their names on the register.

(c) Construction of 6 No. 3 bedroom dwellings at Woodlawn Park, Main Street, Borris, Co. Carlow

Members welcomed County Manager’s report for the proposed construction of 6 no. 3 bedroom dwellings at Woodlawn Park, Borris, County Carlow. S. O’Connor, Director of Services advised in his report that following a six week public consultation process for receipt of submissions no submissions were received. The proposed development is consistent with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area and is in compliance with the County Development Plan.

Members approval was sought to the proposed works.

Proposed by Councillor W. Quinn
Seconded by Councillor T. Kinsella
AND

Following a showing of hands it was unanimously resolved:-

“that we, the Members of Carlow County Council hereby approve construction of 6 no. 3 bedroom dwellings at Woodlawn Park, Borris, Co. Carlow in accordance with the Planning & Development Acts, 2000 – 2010 Planning & Development Regulations, 2001 (Part V111) as amended.”

(d) Proposed Material Contravention of Carlow County Development Plan 2009-2015 and Tullow Local Area Plan 2010-2016 PL13/60 for change of use of units 38, 42, 43, 44, 45, 47, 49, 50, 51 and 55 from holiday home use to permanent residential use at Wolseley Park, Mount Wolseley, Tullow, Co. Carlow.

Members had for their consideration report from County Manager on the proposed Material Contravention in relation to planning reference 13/060

at Wolseley Park, Mount Wolseley, Tullow. Members noted that the proposed development for change of use of units 38, 42, 43, 44, 45, 47, 49, 50, 51 and 55 from holiday homes to permanent residential use materially contravenes the 'Resort' zoning objective of the Tullow Local Area Plan 2010-2016 – "to provide for leisure and recreational facilities and associated infrastructure' and the Carlow County Development Plan 2009-2015.

A public notice advising of the material contravention was published inviting submissions. No submissions were received during this period.

Members were advised that in accordance with the Planning & Development Act 2000-2010 it is necessary for three quarters of the membership of the Council to vote in favour of the proposal. In Carlow County Council's case this is fifteen Members.

The County Manager recommended a schedule of conditions be attached should consent be given to the material contravention.

In response to Members concerns the County Manager advised that the material contravention being proposed is as a result of a planning application coming before the Planning Authority for ten properties available for letting. These properties are part of a cluster of 50 houses. The County Manager advised that the proposed material contravention will have no legal implications for the Local authority.

Councillor Paton proposed that a special development contribution of €5,000 be included in schedule of conditions towards provision of public footpath and public lighting.

Issues raised by Members were addressed by the County Manager.
A vote was taken as follows:-

In favour of Proposed Material Contravention PL13/60

Proposed: W.Paton Seconded: J. Pender Date 14th April 2014

<i>Member of Carlow County Council</i>	<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Ann Ahern nee Long	✓			
Eileen Brophy				✓
Fergal Browne	✓			
Michael Doran	✓			

Wayne Fennell	✓			
Denis Foley				✓
Fred Hunter	✓			
Des Hurley	✓			
Thomas Kinsella	✓			
Walter Lacey	✓			
Arthur McDonald	✓			
Jennifer Murnane -O'Connor	✓			
Charlie Murphy	✓			
John Murphy	✓			
Tom O'Neill	✓			
Pat O'Toole				✓
William Paton	✓			
John Pender	✓			
William Quinn	✓			
Caroline Townsend	✓			
Jim Townsend	✓			

The vote resulted as follows: 18 for, 3 absent

The motion was carried

And Resolved:

“That we, the Members of Carlow County Council, hereby approve, in accordance with the Planning and Development Acts 2000-2014 Section 34 (6) as amended, the proposed material contravention of planning development (PL 13/060) at units 38, 42, 43, 44, 45, 47, 49, 50, 51, and 55 Wolseley Park, Mount Wolseley, Tullow, Co. Carlow with schedule of conditions as set out and a further condition of €5,000 as a special development contribution towards provision of a public footpath and public lighting.

(e) To consider the adoption of the proposed Variation No. 1.1 of Carlow County Development Plan 2009-2015 to incorporate a Core Strategy and associated Environmental Reports.

Members had for their consideration Manager’s Report on submissions received to Variation 1.1 of the Carlow County Development Plan 2009-2015 The Draft Core Strategy.

The Draft Core Strategy and associated Environmental Reports were placed on public display from 26th February, 2014 to 19th March, 2014.

A total of ten submissions were received during this period. The report set out summary of submissions and the Manager’s response.

The County Manager’s report referred to the Minister’s recommendation to provide additional details on the Core Strategy Map relating to wider infrastructure and public services available at settlements which can be carried out following the adoption of the Variation. The recommendation from the National Roads Authority for additional policy references can also be included in the text following adoption of the Variation.

In response to Members concerns the County Manager advised that in light of population targets and housing land requirement identified for the County of Carlow this variation will involve modification to residential zoning but said the population targets will not restrict population growth in the County up to 2016.

The County Manager advised that adoption of the Draft Variation will bring the County Development Plan into line with the Regional Planning Guidelines for the South East Region.

The County Manager recommended that the Planning Authority adopt Variation 1.1 – A Core Strategy for the period 2011-2016 as a Variation of the Carlow County Development Plan 2009-2015.

Proposed: F. Browne Seconded: T. O’Neill Date 14th April 2014

A vote was taken as follows:-

<i>Member of Carlow County Council</i>	<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Ann Ahern nee Long	✓			
Eileen Brophy				✓
Fergal Browne	✓			

Michael Doran	✓			
Wayne Fennell	✓			
Denis Foley	✓			
Fred Hunter	✓			
Des Hurley	✓			
Thomas Kinsella				✓
Walter Lacey	✓			
Arthur McDonald		✓		
Jennifer Murnane -O'Connor		✓		
Charlie Murphy	✓			
John Murphy	✓			
Tom O'Neill	✓			
Pat O'Toole				✓
William Paton	✓			
John Pender		✓		
William Quinn		✓		
Caroline Townsend		✓		
Jim Townsend		✓		

The vote resulted as follows: 12 for, 6 against, 3 absent

The motion was carried

And Resolved:

“That we, the Members of Carlow County Council hereby approve the adoption of the Variation 1.1 of the Carlow County Development Plan 2009-2015 The Draft Core Strategy in accordance with Section 13 (4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000-2014.

(f) Carlow County Museum - Transfer of ownership of Museum Artifacts from Carlow Town Council to Carlow County Council.

Members welcomed report from Dermot Mulligan, Museum Curator and thanked Mr. Mulligan and staff for the excellent progress Carlow County Museum has achieved since it opened in College Street.

Mr. Mulligan advised of the Museum Standards Programme for Ireland application with First Assessment having taken place in October 2013. The report submitted to the Heritage Council and to the Museum following the First Assessment was very positive stating there should be no difficulty for the museum in progressing rapidly through the accreditation process. Mr. Mulligan advised that there are thirty four standards to be met with twenty five to be completed by September 2015 for Interim Accreditation and a further nine for Full Accreditation.

Mr. Mulligan advised of necessity to transfer responsibility for the ownership and management of the Museum to Carlow County Council following the abolition of Carlow Town Council. Carlow Town Council has passed a resolution transferring responsibility for the ownership and management to Carlow County Council.

Members' approval was sought to the acceptance by Carlow County Council of the transfer of responsibility for the ownership and management of the Museum post the Town Council's abolition in June 2014.

Members' approval was also sought to the re-establishment of the Carlow County Museum Board after the 2014 Local Elections.

Proposed by Councillor W. Lacey

Seconded by Councillor A. Ahern nee Long

AND

Following a showing of hands it was unanimously resolved:-

“that we, the Members of Carlow County Council hereby approve the acceptance by Carlow County Council of the transfer of responsibility for the ownership and management of the Museum following the Town Council's abolition in June 2014.

We, the Members of Carlow County Council hereby approve the re-establishment of the Carlow County Museum Board after the 2014 Local Elections.

(g) Litter Management Plan

Members welcomed the proposal to review Litter Management Plan.

The process will include public consultation and the publishing of a Draft Plan for consideration by the Members.

Members expressed serious concerns in relation to illegal dumping throughout the town and county and called for immediate action with court action, naming and shaming and additional Litter Wardens.

Dog fouling is another major issue and Members expressed the view that education was the key forward in tackling both problems. Members suggested that a letter should issue to primary schools and perhaps a children's poster competition creating awareness. Members also requested that the Council write to the Minister for Education to have litter awareness incorporated into the school curriculum at junior infants' level. Members also requested dog fouling signs near school gates.

(8) NOTICE OF MOTION.

Standing in the name of Cllrs. Fergal Browne and Tom O'Neill

“That Carlow County Council call on the owners of the Braun site and the IDA / Department of Enterprise and Employment to enter negotiations about the possible purchase of the site with a view to securing further industries to replace the jobs lost in recent years.”

This motion was also brought to Carlow Town Council meeting and was also unanimously agreed.

4 (d) Tourism in County Carlow – Economic Value to the Local Economy

Members welcomed Ms. Eileen O'Rourke CEO of Carlow Tourism to the Chamber.

Members complimented Ms. O'Rourke and staff of Carlow Tourism for their work promoting County Carlow at every opportunity.

Ms O'Rourke presented 2012 statistics to Members showing an increase in tourists to the County on previous years and praised the success of 'The Gathering' 2013 initiative.

The County Manager also praised Ms. O'Rourke's marketing skills and her dedication to Carlow Tourism.

Queries raised by Members were addressed by Ms. O'Rourke.

4. HOUSING, RECREATION & AMENITY& SPECIAL PROJECTS

(a)Housing Progress Report

Members welcomed Housing Progress Report to 31st March, 2014 from Mr. S. O'Connor, Director of Services.

The report highlights activities in the following areas:-

Social Housing Supply
Part V
Housing Needs Assessment
Housing Grants
Housing Assistance Payment
National Differential Rents Scheme
Housing Loans
Tenant Purchase
RAS (Rental Accommodation Scheme)
Traveller Accommodation
Casual Vacancies
Housing Maintenance
Strategic Policy Committee

Members raised the following issues:-

- Members welcomed leasing proposal for Manor House Bagenalstown.
- Reduced numbers of available properties for leasing as landlords are reluctant to engage with RAS. Mr O'Connor said it was Government Policy to lease but stressed that the construction of housing units will provide a boost to the construction industry and assist in the stabilisation of rents.
- Requirement for 2 bedroom bungalows for people with special needs
- Importance of access to Boys National School, Tullow from Health Centre Primary Care facility, Tullow. Mr O'Connor advised that as this land is owned by Respond a meeting with Respond can be arranged in relation to the issue.
- Heating issue for elderly person refused under Housing Aid for Older People and an elderly person in need being refused Housing Adaptation Grant. Mr. O'Connor outlined the reasons for the refusals and advised that these issues will be looked at again and be dealt with sensitively.

- Transfer of Rent Supplement from the Department of Social Protection to Local Authorities with effect from 1st January 2015.
- Introduction of a National Differential Rents Scheme to be implemented with Budget 2015.
- Ballyknockan, Leighlinbridge. The County Manager advised of meeting with residents where some progress has been made.
- Repairs to Windows and Doors. Mr. O'Connor advised he will bring list of applications for repairs to windows and doors to Council.
- In relation to Housing Mobility and Housing Adaptation Grants Mr. O'Connor advised Members that the message should go out that the Council is accepting applications under these schemes and each application will be looked at on its merits.
- Tenant Purchase Scheme. Mr. O'Connor advised that a proposed new Tenant Purchase Scheme would be welcome and may be presented in December 2014 with implementation date mid 2015.
- Issue at Woodglade, Fenagh. The County Manager advised that at the end of the process a decision will be made.
- Issue of radiation in housing estate Gleann na Bearú. Mr O'Connor advised that radiation found in the house was a 'geo gas' which has no technical standing in terms of legislation or requirements by the Council but that the Council was sympathetic to the family. Councillor McDonald requested the County Manager to put the family on the Housing list. The Manager said he would review their application.
- Slate Road, Hacketstown – overgrown hedge.
- Insulation of Council houses and linking to Better Energy and Warmer Homes Scheme.
- Members welcomed increased grant for Group Sewerage Schemes.

All Issues raised by Members were addressed by Mr. O'Connor and Mr. Butler.

(b) Recreation and Amenity Progress Report

Members had Recreation and Amenity Progress Report to April 2014.

The following issues were raised by Members.

- Playground Ducketts Grove.
- Oakpark Lake as a leisure facility and Bird Watching Oak Park
- Enhancement of wall at Browneshill Dolmen
- Walking and cycling lanes along River Barrow
- Safety Fence Viaduct Borris
- Proposed mooring charges on River Barrow

All issues raised by Members were addressed by Mr. O'Connor

(c) Public Area Enhancement Scheme

Members welcomed report from Mr S. O'Connor on a once –off Scheme allocation of €70,000 from the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government to support community efforts to enhance public areas before and during the summer tourist season. The Local Authority must provide 25% matching funding making a total of €88,000 available.

Members had for their consideration Draft Scheme outlining the proposed allocations. This funding provides a boost to the funding available in County Carlow for amenity works. Under the Community Environmental Grants Carlow County Council is also allocating funding enabling up to one hundred improvement groups upgrade their local environs. The Community Environmental Grants Scheme to be adopted in conjunction with Public Area Enhancement Scheme.

5. COMMUNITY & ENTERPRISE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & CORPORATE SERVICES

(a) Carlow County Council – Local Elections 2014

Mr. E. Brophy advised Members in relation to election spending which requires that election spending between 25/03/2014 and 23/05/2014 be included on a declaration made by candidates and political parties within 90 days of polling days. The spending limits have been reduced to €11,500.

Mr. Brophy also advised that election posters may only be erected from 23/04/2014 (30 days before polling day). All election posters must be removed within seven days of the poll.

(b) Community Environmental Grants Scheme 2014

Members welcomed Community Environmental Grant Scheme 2014. A total of 96 applications were received from Community Groups/Residents Associations and 14 applications from schools throughout the county.

Ms O'Brien advised in her report that the applications have been considered based on size of area and the cost of work involved. Members' approval was sought to the schedule of grants as set out.

Proposed by Councillor M. Doran

Seconded by Councillor J. Murnane-O'Connor

AND

Following a showing of hands it was unanimously resolved:-

"that we, the Members of Carlow County Council hereby approve the Community Environmental Grants Scheme 2014 as set out in conjunction with the Public Area Enhancement Scheme.

(c) Arts Act Grant Scheme 2014

Members had for their consideration and approval Arts Act Grant Scheme 2014.

Ms O'Brien advised in her report that following the public advertisement inviting applications independent recommendations were sought in relation to these awards.

Proposed by Councillor J. Murnane O'Connor

Seconded by Councillor W. Quinn

AND

Following a showing of hands it was unanimously resolved:-

"that we, the Members of Carlow County Council hereby approve Arts Act Grant Scheme 2014 as per schedule as set out".

(e) Agriculture

There were no matters arising.

(f) Health

In response to Councillor McDonald's request that the Council write to the HSE, in relation to issue of geo gas in housing estate Gleann

na Bearú, the County Manager advised that as it is 'Respond' house it would be more appropriate for Councillor McDonald to raise the issue with the HSE as a Member of the HSE South Forum.

(g) Tenders for opening, if any

Members noted tenders opened since last Council meeting.

6. TRANSPORTATION & EMERGENCY SERVICES

(a) Community Involvement Scheme

Members had for their consideration Circular RW 10/2014 from the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport in relation to Community Involvement Scheme 2014. An allocation of €4.5million has been made to Local Authorities for 2014. The Scheme facilitates the carrying out of improvement works on Class 3 local roads. Application for funding under the 2014 Scheme must be with the Department no later than 2nd May 2014.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Members noted correspondence from the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government in response to Members letter regarding motor tax rate for combine harvesters.

Members noted correspondence from Chris Monahan, Operations Manager, PCCC Services, HSE, Kilkenny in relation to meeting with Council to discuss HSE Policy Document 'Time to move on from Congregated Settings' – A Strategy for Social Inclusion.

Members noted correspondence from the Department of Health in response to Members correspondence in relation to home dialysis.

Members supported resolution from Limerick City & County Council

'That, Limerick County Council would call on the Government to introduce the necessary legislation that will ensure the retention of the post office network throughout Ireland and further that support for the Motion would be requested from all local authorities.'

Members noted correspondence from the Department of Health in response to Members correspondence in relation to X-Ray Department at St. Dymphna's Hospital, Carlow.

Members noted resolution from Drogheda Borough Council
That Drogheda Borough Council extends its support and congratulations to the group Former Local Authority Members Éire (Flame) which has held its first press conference aimed at highlighting the group's bid to successfully obtain a Judicial Review of aspects of the Local Government Reform Act 2014. The group is attempting to mobilize momentum among former local authority members and indeed sitting members at a state wide level. All of this is occurring with a view to overturning the abolition of Town and Borough Councils as laid out in provisions of the Local Government Reform Act 2014.

(9) Any other business with the consent of the Cathaoirleach.

Members raised the following issues:-

- Irish Water Standing Charge not acceptable
- Lighting not connected unfinished estates.
- Time frame for taking-in-charge of estates.

Issues raised by Members were addressed by the County Manager.

Member's attendance at the following conferences were approved:-

Tourism in Local Communities
Talbot Hotel,
Wexford.
11th and 12th April, 2014.

Cllr. D. Foley

Chambers of Commerce: Building Business,
Celtic Ross Hotel,
Rosscarbery, Co. Cork.
18th to 20th April 2014

Cllrs. J. Townsend,
W. Quinn. W. Fennell

<p>Cross Border Tourism, Ballymascanlon Hotel, Dundalk, Co. Louth. 9th April 2014</p>	<p>Cllr. A. McDonald</p>
<p>Judicial Review: Decision Making, Manor West Hotel, Tralee, Co. Kerry. 28th to 29th March 2014</p>	<p>Cllr. A. McDonald</p>
<p>Valuation Process for Rating,</p>	<p>Cllr. A. Aherne</p>
<p>Scotts Limerick Hotel, Ashbourne Ave., South Circular Road, Limerick, 17th to 19th January 2014</p>	
<p>Developing/Supporting Enterprise Locally, Connacht Hotel, Dublin Road, Galway. 10th to 11th January 2014</p>	<p>Cllr. A. Aherne</p>
<p>Seanad Reform & The Councillor, The Millrace Hotel, Bunclody, Co. Wexford. 20th to 22nd February 2014</p>	<p>Cllr. D. Foley</p>
<p>Tracing Your Ancestors & Family Tree, W. Quinn Scotts Limerick Hotel, Ashbourne Ave., South Circular Road, Limerick, 21st, 22nd & 23rd February 2014</p>	<p>Cllrs. F. Browne,</p>
<p>Environmental/Cost Effective Water Treatment, Ramada Viking Hotel, Waterford. 11th to 13th April 2014</p>	<p>Cllr. W. Lacey</p>

Crime & its Impact on Quality of Life,
Quality Hotel,
Killarney, Co. Kerry.
18th to 19th April 2014

Cllr. W. Lacey

National Register of Health Service Providers,
Connacht Hotel,
Dublin Road, Galway.
11th to 12th April 2014

Cllrs. J. Murnane
O'Connor &
P. O'Toole

Data Protection,
Áras an Mhuilinn, Jail Hill,
Mount St., Mullingar.
4th to 5th April 2014

Cllr. J. Murnane
O'Connor

This concluded the business of the meeting.