

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF MUINEBHEAG HELD
IN MCGRATH HALL, BAGENALSTOWN, CO. CARLOW ON THURSDAY, 12TH
FEBRUARY, 2015 AT 4.30PM**

PRESENT

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

IN ATTENDANCE

Tim Butler: Senior Executive Officer, Michael Brennan: Senior Executive Officer and Ray Wickham: Area Engineer.

ITEM NO. 1: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF MUINEBHEAG OF 22ND JANUARY, 2015.

Proposed by Cllr. Michael Doran

Seconded by Cllr. Tommy Kinsella

AND RESOLVED

“That the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 22nd January, 2015, as circulated, are hereby confirmed as to accuracy and, accordingly, signed by the Cathaoirleach.”

VOTES OF SYMPATHY

- Tom Kealy on the death of his sister Mary Hughes, Upper Rathmines, Dublin.
- Bolger family on the death of Nancy Bolger, Clonagoose, Borris, Co. Carlow.
- Daly family on the death of Martin Daly, Corries, Bagenalstown, Co. Carlow.
- Slye family on the death of Jack Slye, Myshall, Co. Carlow.
- Byrne family on the death of Eamon Byrne, Coolnashegan, Myshall, Co. Carlow.

ITEM NO. 2: CORRESPONDENCE

Members were advised of dates for public consultation days with respect to the draft Flood Maps by the OPW, RPS and National CFRAM. The dates are as follows;

Leighlinbridge	18 th February, 2015
Graiguenamanagh	2 nd March, 2015
Tullow	25 th March, 2015
Carlow	30 th March, 2015

Members welcomed the consultation process.

ITEM NO. 3: STATUTORY BUSINESS

Members considered and discussed the draft Road-Works Programme 2015 and on the proposal by Cllr. Charlie Murphy, Seconded by Cllr. Tommy Kinsella – all members voted to adopt the Programme as presented.

Members considered and discussed the Municipal District of Muinebheag Draft Annual Service Plan 2015 which was agreed and it was Proposed by Cllr. Michael Doran, Seconded by Cllr. Arthur McDonald that the Annual Service Plan for the Municipal District of Muinebheag 2015 be adopted subject to the transfer of €2,000 from Community Grants to Christmas lights.

ITEM NO. 4: HOUSING

Members welcomed the Part VIII proposals in Bagenalstown and Borris and requested that plans also be put on display in Borris Library. Questions raised in relation to disability housing, estate layout and zoning were answered.

ITEM NO. 5: TRANSPORTATION

Councillors remarked that they understood the planning application in relation to the cycle track on the River Barrow is expected in the coming weeks. Members expressed support for a sensitive proposal on the Barrow that may potentially be of great benefit to the County. Cllr. Tommy Kinsella stated that his understanding was that further consultation was required in South Carlow prior to any application being made.

The matter of design for by-pass at Bagenalstown was raised with the suggestion that a Part VIII should be prepared for same in advance of seeking funding.

ITEM NO. 6: ENVIRONMENT/WATER SERVICES

Cllr. Andy Gladney enquired about the Meat Factory site and was informed that the site had been visited by Environment, who will deal with the small amount of rubbish on site. The matter has further been referred to the Planning Section in relation to possible action under the Derelict Sites Act 1990.

In reply to queries raised the Area Engineer indicated that there are restrictions for hedge cutting from 1st March to 30th September annually

ITEM NO. 7: COMMUNITY - These matters were dealt with under Annual Service Plan.

ITEM NO. 8: RECREATION & AMENITY - These matters were dealt with under Annual Service Plan

ITEM NO. 9: PLANNING

It was requested in future that the Development Plan should be put on display in Borris Library at draft and adoption stage. It was suggested that South Carlow be promoted by Carlow County Council for industrial development and that consideration be given to the provision of industrial sites for future development.

ITEM NO. 9: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Members requested that the wall adjacent to Fr. Cummins be examined and repaired as necessary – Ray Wickham agreed to examine same.

Cllr Doran was advised to raise his query in relation to zoning at the upcoming Planning Workshop.

Cllr. Arthur McDonald queried if the Part VIII at Bagenalstown included homes for those with special needs – this can be examined at design stage as necessary.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed: _____
Cathaoirleach **Date** _____

Signed: _____
Meetings Administrator **Date** _____