

Minutes of the May Monthly Meeting of Clare County Council held in the Council Chamber, Áras Contae an Chláir, New Road, Ennis, Co. Clare on Monday, 9th May, 2016 at 3:45 p.m.

Present:

Councillors J. Breen, J. Flynn, P. Daly, M. Howard, P. Murphy, C. Colleran Molloy, J. Cooney, P. Hayes, M. Begley, T. O'Brien, P. Burke, A. O'Callaghan, C. Crowe, J. Crowe, G. Flynn, P.J. Ryan, P. McMahon, M. McKee, C. Curtin, R. Nagle, B. Slattery, I. Lynch, M. Hillery, P.J. Kelly, B. Chambers, G. Keating.

- Mr. Ger Dollard, Chief Executive.
- Ms. Carmel Greene, Meetings Administrator.
- Ms. Siobhán Garvey, Staff Officer.
- Ms. Anne Haugh, Director of Service.
- Mr. Leonard Cleary, A/Director of Service.
- Mr. Niall Barrett, Head of Finance.

The Cathaoirleach, Cllr. James Breen presided.

The Cathaoirleach opened the meeting by congratulating Cllr. J. Cooney, Chairman of the Clare County Board on the recent success of the both the Clare Senior Hurling and Football teams on receiving silverware on their respective league campaigns.

Vote of sympathy.

At the outset, a vote of sympathy was extended to the following:

- Cllr. J. Flynn and family on the death of Tom Giblin, R.I.P. ex An Garda Síochana
- The family of Pat Gleeson, R.I.P. (former County Engineer).
- The Clancy families, Ennistymon on the passing of brothers P.J. and J.J. (former Council employee) R.I.P.
- The McMahon, Ennis family on the death of Ann McMahon R.I.P. (father of Council employee, Sean McMahon).

A minutes silence was observed in memory of those who had passed away.

Invitation to China.

Carmel Greene, Meetings Administrator referred to an invitation received from the Governor of Yunnan Province, People's Republic of China inviting the Cathaoirleach to attend the 4th China South Asia Exposition and the 24th China Kunming Import and Export Commodities Fair. It was proposed by Cllr. J. Cooney, seconded by Cllr. G. Keating and agreed by all members present to accept this invitation.

Item 1: Minutes of Council Meetings.

a. Ar moladh Cllr. B. Chambers
Cuidithe ag Cllr. R. Nagle agus glacadh leis

“That the Minutes of the April Meeting of Clare County Council held on 18th April, 2016 be adopted and signed.”

Item 2: Minutes of Municipal District Meetings.

a. Ar moladh Cllr. C. Colleran Molloy
Cuidithe ag Cllr. J. Breen agus glacadh leis

“That the Minutes of the Ennis Municipal District Meeting held on the 5th April, 2016 be noted.”

Item 3: Minutes of S.P.C. Meetings.

a. Ar moladh Cllr. P. Burke
Cuidithe ag Cllr. P. Murphy agus glacadh leis

“That the minutes of the Planning and Housing S.P.C. meeting held on 3rd February, 2016 be noted”.

Item 4: Minutes of the Corporate Policy Group Meetings.

The members noted the minutes of the meetings held on 11th and 18th April, 2016 as presented.

At the request of Cllr. G. Flynn it was agreed by all members present that Item No. 18 would be dealt with under this item.

Item 18: Funding allocations.

Ar moladh Cllr. G. Flynn
Cuidithe ag Cllr. agus glacadh leis

“That Clare County Council having regard to the high level of requirement for funding, and the diversity of needs in each municipal district, the council, when considering the allocation of any additional discretionary funding that becomes available over budgeted levels to municipal districts, should allocate such funding to each municipal district equally as a general fund, with each municipal district then deciding its own allocation of the funding to particular services/needs thereafter.”

Cllr. G. Flynn raised the decision of the Corporate Policy Group to allocate the €400,000 funding to be used for roads as follows:

West Clare Municipal District	-	€140,000
Killaloe Municipal District	-	€120,000
Shannon Municipal District	-	€70,000
Ennis Municipal District	-	€70,000

Cllr. G. Flynn asked that the decision of the C.P.G. be re-visited to ensure a fairer distribution of the additional allocation. He advised that his motion as submitted is intended to ensure that all future allocations be divided equally between each Municipal District. A number of members expressed a view that the allocation should have been equally divided between each Municipal District.

There was a discussion on the most equitable method of allocation of such funds.

The Chief Executive, G. Dollard in response to a number of queries raised reported that this additional allocation had come from the 2015 Annual Financial Statement as advised to and agreed by members at the March monthly meeting and that each Municipal District is represented on the Corporate Policy Group. This additional allocation should be seen as a positive investment boost for our roads in the entire county. The Chief Executive outlined his concern at adopting Item No. 18 as proposed, as not all funding can be equally divided between each Municipal District, some funding allocations are specific to certain Districts for example, the funding received through recently through the Limerick Hinterland Scheme. He reminded members that the minutes of the C.P.G. held on the 18th April whereby the allocations were listed also recorded the following; “This was agreed to by the members for the purposes of this funding but was not to be seen as a principle governing future funding allocations”.

It was agreed that the proposal would be amended to the following, this was agreed by all present.

Ar moladh Cllr. G. Flynn
Cuidithe ag Cllr. J. Flynn agus glacadh leis

“That Clare County Council having regard to the high level of requirement for funding, and the diversity of needs in each municipal district, when considering the allocation of any additional discretionary funding that becomes available over budgeted levels to municipal districts it be subject to consideration by the full Council.”

Item 5: Monthly Management Report.

The monthly management report attached to the agenda included key activities in the principal service areas and was noted by the members.

In response to a query raised by Cllr. C. Curtin, A. Haugh, Director of Service advised the meeting that a staff restructuring exercise is currently underway within the Water Services department, and assured members that staff had been consulted on this over a period of months. The changes did not represent a reduction of numbers in the staff compliment but changes were being made in terms of service delivery and these changes had been communicated to all staff and would be effective from the 20th May.

T. Tiernan, Senior Engineer advised the meeting that consultants had now been appointed for the Doolin Master Plan and would begin their assessment of the area and a draft master plan could be expected to be presented to the Council within 5 months.

Item 6: Fix date of June monthly meeting.

Upon an invitation issued by the President of the University of Limerick, Professor Don Barry, it was proposed by Cllr. C. Curtin, seconded by Cllr. G. Flynn and agreed by all members present that the June monthly meeting will take place on Friday, 17th, June at 3:45 p.m. at the Clare Campus, University of Limerick.

Item 7: Fix date of A.G.M.

It was proposed by Cllr. J. Breen, seconded by Cllr. P. Burke and agreed by all members present that the Annual General Meeting will take place on Monday, 27th June at 3:00 p.m.

Item 8: Report in accordance with Part XI, Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and Part VIII, Article 80 and 81 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001-2013 for the proposed works on laneway between Sycamore Drive and Willow Grove, John Paul Estate, Kilrush, Co. Clare.

Report dated 3rd May, 2016 from Leonard Cleary, A/Director of Service was circulated with the agenda together with the Senior Planner's report. The proposed development comprises of the construction of a wall at the centre point of the laneway, which serves 4 properties as a rear entrance. In future the laneway will be accessed by either end by the properties concerned. This will improve management of the estate.

Ar moladh Cllr. I. Lynch
Cuidithe ag Cllr. B. Chambers agus glacadh leis

“That pursuant to Part XI, Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) and Part VIII, Article 80 and 81 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 – 2010, Clare County Council proceed with the proposed works on laneway between Sycamore Drive and Willow Grove, John Paul Estate, Kilrush, Co. Clare.”

Item 9: Proposed extinguishment of an existing right of way on a pathway at Tullyvarraga, Shannon pursuant to Section 73 of the Roads Act 1993.

Report dated 3rd May, 2016 from Carmel Greene, Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Services was circulated with the agenda together with the Senior Planners report. The report states that the proposal to extinguish the right of way on the pathway at Tullyvarraga, Shannon is to facilitate the allocation of the site edged in red to Gaelscoil Donncha Rua for the purposes of providing a permanent site for the school.

It is intended that a new pathway with a right of way will be put in place adjacent to the site.

Chief Executive, G. Dollard, in response to a query raised advised that a pathway could be developed in the vicinity of this location and that the creation of a new right of way will involve another process.

Ar moladh Cllr. G. Flynn

Cuidithe ag Cllr. M. McKee agus glacadh leis

“That pursuant to the provisions of Section 73 of the Roads Act 1993 the public Right of Way in the townland of Tullyvarraga, Shannon, Co. Clare described as section of pathway leading from Inis Rí in the direction of Illaunmanagh for a distance of 189 metres be extinguished.”

Item 10: Bids by Limerick and Galway for European City of Culture.

Report dated 29th April, 2016 from Siobhán Mulcahy, County Arts Officer was circulated with the agenda. The report states that the European Capital of Culture is an initiative of the European Union and has been running since 1985. Dublin and Cork have held the title in 1991 and 2005 respectively. The 2020 winning cities, one from Ireland and one from Croatia, will take the title for a year and receive a prize fund of €1.5 million.

The report continues that in the short term, the proposed Clare approach is to provide input to the regional aspect of both the Galway and Limerick bids. The following programme proposals are based on the assumption that either of our neighbouring cities, Galway or Limerick will be successful.

- Artist in School Schemes.
- Embrace Arts and Disability Programme
- Clare Youth Theatre
- Public Art Programmes
- Festival Development
- Creative Industries
- Water based projects
- Regional Resource Development
- Clare County of Culture.

All members were in agreement that the Council be fully supportive of both city’s bids and acknowledged the benefit to Clare if either locations were successful.

Item 11: Report on Public Consultation on Draft Doolin Harbour Bye Laws 2016.

Report dated 3rd May, 2016 from John Corry, Administrative Officer, Transportation was circulated with the agenda. The report states that the Draft Doolin Harbour Bye Laws 2016 went on public display from 19th February to the 1st April, 2016. A total of eight submissions were received and a summary of the main issues raised are outlined together with the Councils response. Following receipt of the submissions it is now proposed to revise the proposed charges such that there would be a charge per vessel per entry to the harbour and pier subject to a maximum annual charge. These proposed charges were considered by the West Clare Municipal District.

The Draft Doolin Harbour Bye Laws as presented were welcomed by all members and having been proposed by Cllr. R. Nagle and seconded by Cllrs. C. Curtin and M. Hillery, they were approved. It was agreed that these would be implemented as soon as possible and a review would take place at the end of the tourist season.

Item 12: Presentation by Pat Stephens, Energy Awareness Manager, Limerick Clare Energy Agency on Solar Energy at 3:00 p.m.

Pat Stevens, was invited to the meeting upon a proposal by Cllr. G. Keating at the April monthly meeting. He provided a presentation to members outlining the benefits of solar energy and its potential use within Clare in particular in the West Clare area and outlined the requirements in order to develop such generation of power. In response to a number of queries raised, Pat Stevens advised the meeting that there is no known health risk associated with this method of energy generation. Farmers who allow panels on their land are eligible to receive funding of approx. €1,000 per panel for site maintenance etc.

The members thanked Mr. Stephens for his presentation.

Item 13: Illegal dumping.

Ar moladh Cllr. C. Colleran Molloy
Cuidithe ag Cllr. C. Crowe agus A. O’Callaghan agus glacadh leis

“That Clare County Council erect posters at illegal dumping blackspots that show the images taken from CCTV footage as a deterrent to this illegal behaviour. This practice is in place in Dublin City Council.”

Anne Haugh, Director of Service replied as follows:

“Clare County Council do utilise CCTV cameras in various areas where there have been incidents of illegal waste activity. Due to the rural nature of the county it is much more difficult to obtain quality footage of illegal activity, with most prosecutions coming from car registration recordings or evidence obtained from the waste.

There are many much more difficult problems in gathering photographic evidence in a large, open, rural area like County Clare compared to the urban area overseen by Dublin City Council. Environments such as in Dublin City have the advantage of having readily available power supplies, buildings to store CCTV hardware and premises to mount cameras on in comparison to rural locations.

Clare County Council will continue its endeavours to overcome illegal dumping through education, regular patrolling and prosecution when possible.”

In response to a number of queries raised, A. Haugh, Director of Service advised of the difficulties in dealing with illegal dumping in rural areas and reported that local authorities throughout the country are looking at various initiatives to combat this problem.

At this stage in the meeting the Cathaoirleach referred to a proposal submitted to the Cathaoirleach by Cllr. C. Crowe relating to item no. 4 on the agenda and signed by a number of Councillors,

The Cathaoirleach ruled this out of order as Item 4 on the agenda had already been dealt with. This was disputed by Cllr. C. Crowe, who then left the meeting.

Item 14: Beach improvements.

Ar moladh Cllr. M. Hillery

Cuidithe ag Cllr. J. Breen agus glacadh leis

“What plans have Clare County Council to provide new facilities at the following beaches and the time scale involved,

- 1.Lahinch
- 2.Spanish Point
- 3.Kilkee.”

Anne Haugh, Director of Service replied as follows:

“Clare County Council is currently engaging with a number of stakeholders to develop new amenity facilities at Lahinch, Spanish Point and Kilkee.

Following a tendering process, Consultants are due to be appointed to develop proposals for the provision of improved public toilet facilities at Lahinch. A Part VIII planning application will be required and it is expected that construction work for the facilities are likely to take place in the closed season at the end of the year with the facilities being in place for the 2017 season.

A technical team from Clare County Council is currently preparing preliminary plans for consultation with relevant stakeholders; the main option currently being progressed is in consultation with Clare Water Safety in preparing plans to aid funding application. Again these works will be subject to a planning application with construction works likely to take place over the closed season, ready for usage in 2017.

The works planned for Kilkee are more substantial and so a design team is currently being procured to progress developing design options. A planning application for this development is expected to be lodged by the end of the year.”

Item 15: L.I.S. and C.I.S.

Ar moladh Cllr. C. Curtin

Cuidithe ag Cllrs. P.J. Kelly agus J. Breen agus glacadh leis

“Following the withdrawal of a separate funding allocation from the Department of Transport for the Local Road Improvement Scheme (L.I.S.) in 2012, and the suspension of the Community Involvement Scheme (C.I.S.) in 2015, that the Senior Engineer update the Council on

- (i) No. of applications awaiting approval under L.I.S.

- (ii) Estimated costings for same (excluding local contributions)
- (iii) At pre-2012 funding support levels a possible time-frame for completion of these applications

and that this Council consider further its support for its March meeting resolution to request the Department to reactivate these specific local road grant allocations.”

Tom Tiernan, Senior Engineer replied as follows:

“The last time a specific allocation was incorporated with road grants in respect of Local Improvement Schemes was 2011. On that occasion the allocation was €302,000. In 2010 the allocation was also €302,000 – having come down from €06,000 per annum in 2009 and 2010.

At the time ring-fenced funding was withdrawn in relation to Local Improvement Schemes at the beginning of 2012 there were in the region of 90 applications on a priority list – with a total estimated present day construction value of in the region of €3.5m. – implying an estimated cost to the public purse of €2.8m. when the local contributions component (20%) is deducted.

Based on the Local Improvement Scheme allocations provided in 2010 and 2011 the timeframe required for completion of works pertaining to the applications on file at the end of 2011 would be more than 9 years. If funding were to be allocated based on 2009 and 2010 grant levels the equivalent timescale involved would be just over 3 years.

In the event that specific funding is to be allocated again in future in respect of Local Improvement Schemes, I would be of the view that the priority list as it pertained at the end of 2011 should be discontinued and that decision making in relation to approval of schemes should be based on new applications only. Recent experience has shown that circumstances pertaining in relation to many of the old applications have changed and it would be very difficult to manage fair allocation of funding based on out-of-date information applications in respect of which applicants are no longer interested etc. Ultimately the likelihood is that many of the applications on file are no longer interested or need to be re-assessed from a prioritisation point of view and perhaps some of the current more urgent situations may not have had an opportunity to apply at all previously.”

Item 16: Corporate Governance.

Ar moladh Cllr. P.J. Kelly
Cuidithe ag Cllr. J. Flynn

“That, within the period of three months, a draft document for good governance of Council system be drawn up and that the said document would clearly define the functions, duties, responsibility, accountability, etc. of both executive and membership of the Council.”

Carmel Greene, Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Services replied as follows:

“The legislation governing the Local Government Sector sets out the duties and responsibilities of both the Elected Members and the Executive of Local Authorities. Much of local authority activity is conducted within defined statutory frameworks, and most functions are performed according to legislative and departmental guidelines. The Council has adopted the Corporate Plan and the Annual Service Delivery Plan and monthly reports from Management are published for each meeting of Council.

In addition, key parts of the Local Government Act of 2001 (as amended) such as Part 12 of the Act which deals with Audit and Part 15 of the Act which deals with the Ethical Framework for the Local Government Service give priority to the objective of good governance. Good corporate governance involves better-informed decision-making; accountability for the stewardship and control of resources; and the efficient use of these resources to deliver quality public services and better outcomes for citizens. The existence of an independent audit committee is recognised internationally as an important feature of good corporate governance.

In addition, the National Oversight and Audit Commission (N.O.A.C.) has a key role in monitoring the performance of all local authorities.

The document “Governance principles and Governance Framework for the Local Government Sector” was published in December 2015 by the Institute of Public Administration in conjunction with the C.C.M.A. and the A.I.L.G. A copy of this publication can be obtained for Members if they require same.”

Cllr. P.J. Kelly stated, in proposing his motion, that it is a challenging time for Local Government and a time for the Council to ensure that as a body of the state, it is protected, accountable and responsible.

He proposed that “matters arising from the minutes” be a headed item on the agenda for the monthly meeting and asked that the Standing Orders Sub-Committee consider this.

The Chief Executive advised the meeting that the “Governance principles and Governance Framework for the Local Government Sector” was not a statutory code and that it is in the interest of all parties to commit to good governance and to manage resources efficiently and effectively. He outlined the number of committees in existence and legislative requirements which both employees and elected members must adhere to on a day to day basis in order to comply.

The following proposal was made by Cllr. P. Burke and seconded by Cllrs. R. Nagle, P. McMahon, P. Hayes, M. Howard, J. Crowe and J. Cooney.

“As good governance is a legislative requirement of every Council for both staff and elected members, we see no requirement for the preparation of any document.”

A vote was then called on Cllr. P.J. Kelly’s notice of motion which resulted as follows:

In favour: Cllrs. J. Flynn, M. Howard, C. Colleran Molloy, A. O’Callaghan, G. Flynn, P.J. Ryan, C. Curtin, I. Lynch, P.J. Kelly. (9)

Against: Cllrs. J. Breen, P. Hayes, P. Burke, P. McMahon, R. Nagle, B. Chambers. (6)

Abstentions: Cllr. B. Slattery. (1)

The Cathaoirleach declared the resolution carried.

Item 17: Oireachtas Members.

Ar moladh Cllr. G. Flynn

Cuidithe ag Cllr. J. Breen, I. Lynch, A. Norton, C. Curtin, M. McKee agus P.J. Ryan agus glacadh leis

“That the newly elected members of both houses of the Oireachtas be invited to the June 2016 meeting of Clare County Council.”

As the June meeting of the Council is being held in University of Limerick, the members agreed that this would be done at the July 2016 meeting.

Item 19: Kidney Dialysis Unit.

Ar moladh Cllr. P.J. Ryan

Cuidithe ag Cllr. J. Flynn agus glacadh leis

“That this council requests the H.S.E. to install a Kidney Dialysis Unit at Mid Western Regional Hospital Ennis to facilitate Clare patients as the nearest units are only available in Limerick Regional Hospital and Merlin Park Galway.”

Item 20: Historic Heritage Park in Bunratty.

Ar moladh Cllr. P. McMahon

Cuidithe ag Cllr. P.J. Ryan agus glacadh leis

“Ask the Shannon Group to explore the possibility of providing a historic heritage park on their lands in Bunratty as it would be a huge bonus for the group and for the whole area.”

Item 21: Civic Reception.

Ar moladh Cllr. J. Cooney

Cuidithe ag Cllrs. P. Burke agus M. Begley agus glacadh leis

“That Clare County Council hold a reception to honour the St Patrick pipe band, Tulla who celebrate 80 years in existence in 2016 for their contribution to all organisations and events over that time.”

Item 22. Comhfhreagras.

Correspondence.

The following correspondence was circulated with the agenda:

1. Correspondence dated 29th April, 2016 from the Revenue Commissioners in relation to customer service issues.
2. Correspondence dated 29th April, 2016 from the Office of the Taoiseach concerning housing in Co. Clare.
3. Correspondence dated 28th April, 2016 from the Department of Finance in relation to Revenue Section.
4. Correspondence dated 25th April, 2016 from the Department of Health in relation to the relocation of the National Children’s Hospital.
5. Correspondence dated 20th April, 2016 from the Department of Justice and Equality in relation to legislation to address the problem of boy racers.
6. Correspondence dated 7th April, 2016 from the Ambassador of Belgium acknowledging receipt of Book of Condolences signed by the people of Co. Clare in the wake of the tragic incidents that took place in Brussels on 22nd March.
7. E-mail from Sean Kelly, M.E.P., in relation to T.T.I.P.
8. Official invitation to Cathaoirleach James Breen to the 4th China South Asia Exposition and the 24th China Kunming Import and Export Commodities Fair.
9. Resolution adopted by Offaly County Council with regard to eligibility to qualify for local authority housing or rent assistance.
10. Resolution adopted by Offaly County Council concerning cuts made to One Parent Family payments.
11. Resolution adopted by Donegal County Council in relation to the relocation of the National Children’s Hospital.
12. Resolution adopted by Donegal County Council in relation to the upcoming Brexit poll.
13. Resolution adopted by Meath County Council regarding sewerage issues affecting householders.
14. A.I.L.G. training dates for elected members 2016.
15. Southern Regional Assembly Project Open Days Visit to the Shannon Applied Biotechnology Centre (A.B.C.) Institute of Technology Tralee being held on 24th May, 2016.

16. Training Seminar entitled “A Programme for Government” being held in White’s Hotel, Wexford on 27th – 29th May, 2016.
17. Conference entitled “Auditing and Governance in Local Government” being held in the Clonakilty Hotel, Clonakilty, Co. Cork on 10th – 12th June, 2016.
18. Conference entitled “Housing Grants & Schemes” being held in the Clonakilty Hotel, Clonakilty, Co. Cork on 24th – 26th June, 2016.

Conferences.

Reports on Seminars/Conferences attended.

With regard to seminars/conferences attended, reports completed in accordance with Section 142 of the Local Government Act 2001 were made available at the meeting.

A.I.L.G. “In Service” Training taking place in the Tower Hotel, Waterford on 13th February, 2015.

The Meetings Administrator informed the Members that the estimated average cost per Councillor attending this Conference was €344.05 including conference fee of €50.

It was agreed that Cllr. R. Nagle attend this Conference.

A.I.L.G. Annual Conference 2016 taking place in Buncrana, Co. Donegal on 5th and 6th May, 2016.

The Meetings Administrator informed the Members that the estimated average cost per Councillor attending this Conference was €744.52 including conference fee of €125.

It was agreed that Cllrs. C. Colleran Molloy, P. McMahon, P. Daly, J. Cooney, J. Crowe, T. O’Brien, P.J. Kelly, P.J. Ryan, R. Nagle, M. Hillery and P. Burke attend this Conference.

Local Authority Members Association (L.A.M.A.) Spring Training Seminar entitled “Planning and Flood Plains Insurance and Finding Solutions” taking place in Sligo Park Hotel, Pearse Road, Sligo on 1st and 2nd April, 2016.

The Meetings Administrator informed the Members that the estimated average cost per Councillor attending this Conference was €622.82 including conference fee of €60.

It was agreed that Cllrs. J. Breen, M. Hillery, R. Nagle and J. Crowe attend this Conference.

Irish Public Bodies A.G.M. taking place in the Aisling Hotel, Dublin on 29th April, 2016.

The Meetings Administrator informed the Members that the estimated average cost per Councillor attending this Conference was €112.67.

It was agreed that Cllr. C. Colleran Molloy attend this Conference.

A.I.L.G. Training taking place in Station House Hotel, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal on 14th May, 2016.

The Meetings Administrator informed the Members that the estimated average cost per Councillor attending this Conference was €31.78 including conference fee of €50.

It was agreed that Cllr. M. Hillery attend this Conference.

A.I.L.G. Training taking place in Plaza Hotel, Killarney, Co. Kerry on 19th May, 2016.

The Meetings Administrator informed the Members that the estimated average cost per Councillor attending this Conference was €37.02 including conference fee of €50.

It was agreed that Cllrs. A. O'Callaghan, B. Chambers, A. Norton and C. Curtin attend this Conference.

A.I.L.G. Training taking place in Cavan on 23rd June, 2016.

The Meetings Administrator informed the Members that the estimated average cost per Councillor attending this Conference was €92.54 including conference fee of €50.

It was agreed that Cllr. C. Curtin attend this Conference.

Conference entitled "Law and the Environment 2016: Novel Challenges – Novel Solutions: Innovation in Environmental Law and Policy" taking place in U.C.C. on 21st April, 2016.

The Meetings Administrator informed the Members that the estimated average cost per Councillor attending this Conference was €16.11 including conference fee of €5.

It was agreed that Cllr. C. Curtin attend this Conference.

The meeting then concluded.

Signed: _____
Riarthóir Cruinnithe

Signed: _____
Cathaoirleach

Date: _____