

**Minutes of Meeting of Monaghan County Council held in Mtek Building,
Knockaconny, Armagh Road, Monaghan on Monday 3rd April 2006, at 10 a.m.**

Chair: Cllr P Treanor, Mayor

Present: *Cllrs Bannigan, Carthy, Carville, Conlon, Coyle, Crowe, Gallagher, Humphreys, Keenan, Kieran, Maxwell, McAnespie, McElvaney, P. McKenna, B. McKenna and McNally and O'Brien*

Mr. D. Nelson, Co. Manager Mr. M. Fitzpatrick, P. Clifford, D. Fallon, Directors of Service, Mr Drew Hurley, Senior Executive Planner, Jenny McLoughlin, Youth Development Officer, Ms C. Thornton, Meetings Administrator, Ms A. Mackle, A/Staff Officer.

Apology: Cllrs Keelan and Martin.

1. Confirmation of Minutes:

On the proposal of Cllr Crowe, seconded by Cllr McNally it was agreed that the Minutes of Council meeting held on Monday, 6th March 2006, be confirmed.

Cllr McElvaney referred to the accuracy of the minutes in relation to the road grants allocation. He stated that there was not general agreement and that he had stated at the March meeting that he was not happy with the level of allocation for road grants for 2006 particularly in view of the waiting list for road works in the Clones Electoral Area. He requested that the minutes be amended to reflect this. This was agreed.

2. Correspondence

The following correspondence was circulated to Members:

- Letter from Theresa Laverty, Secretary for Fort Augustus Irish descendants Group inviting members of Monaghan County Council to attend the annual Irish Settlers day to be held in Prince Edward Island from Friday May 26th until Monday May 29th, 2006.
- Letter from the Department of Health and Children in relation to medication in the event of Avian Flu.
- Letter from the Danielle Mulligan thanking Monaghan County Council for their letter of congratulations.
- Letter from the Irish Postmasters Union, Monaghan Branch requesting an opportunity for a representative of the above branch to address the council chamber at the next monthly meeting.
- Letter from the Health Services Executive regarding the provision of CT Services in the North East Region.
- Letter from Comhairle Bhaile na h-Inse, Ennis Town Council asking each Local Authority to contact the relevant Authorities in the United States requesting their support in relation to the Undocumented Irish in the US.

- Letter from Finian Lynch from the Student Support Unit, the Department of Education and Science regarding Higher Education Grant Scheme.

Letter from the HSE regarding CT Scanner

On the proposal of Cllr Maxwell, seconded by Cllr McElvaney, it was agreed to accept the offer of a deputation to meet with Mr. Chris Lyons, Network Manager HSE North East regarding the situation in relation to the need for a CT scanner at Monaghan hospital.

A number of Members expressed surprise at the response from Mr. Lyons regarding funding for a scanner when the HSE originally said that they had not received an application for funding for a CT Scanner for Monaghan Hospital.

On the proposal of Cllr Humphreys, seconded by Cllr Keenan it was agreed to write to Mary Harney, Minister for Health to ask her what exactly her role and function is.

Letter from the Irish Postmasters Union

On the proposal of Cllr Kierans, seconded by Cllr McElvaney it was agreed to invite a delegation from the Irish Postmasters Union, Monaghan Branch to the May Council Meeting.

Prince Edward Island – Annual Settlers Day

On the proposal of Cllr B. McKenna, seconded by Cllr McElvaney it was agreed to accept the invitation from Prince Edward Island to attend the Annual Settlers Day celebrations in May 2006.

It was agreed that the Council would be represented by the Mayor, one from each political grouping and an official.

Ennis Town Councils Proposal

On the proposal of Cllr P. McNally, seconded by Cllr Conlon, it was agreed to support Ennis Town Councils proposal to contact the relevant Authorities in the United States requesting their support in relation to the Undocumented Irish in the US.

On the proposal of Cllr Conlon, seconded by Cllr Crowe, it was agreed to write to the relevant Ambassador and to Senator Arlene Specter regarding the McCain, Kennedy Bill.

Avian Flu

Cllr McElvaney said that Monaghan County Council should have a more hands on approach to the Avian Flu. He was in favour of sending a delegation to the Department of Health to ask what plans should be put in place. The vaccinations are not going to be available until September.

On the proposal of Cllr McElvaney, seconded by Cllr Carville it was agreed to write to the Department of Health & Children seeking a meeting with officials from the Department and the Interdepartmental Committee to discuss this matter in view of the high intensity of poultry production units in Co. Monaghan.

3. To consider proposed variation to County Development Plan 1999 to deal with re-zoning at Drummond Otra, Carrickmacross

On the proposal of Cllr Carville, seconded by Cllr Maxwell the variation to the County Development Plan 1999 to deal with re-zoning at Drummond Otra, Carrickmacross was accepted

4. Approval of Roads Programme for the County

On the proposal of Cllr Maxwell, seconded by Cllr O'Brien the Roads Programme for the County (which had been agreed at Area level) be adopted for 2006.

Castleblayney bypass:

In response to queries from Cllr Bannigan Mr. D. Fallon, Director of Services stated that whilst the deadline of 20th March had passed for the acceptance of offers by landowners, the Council were giving every leeway possible to reach agreement with landowners.

N54 – Clones/Cavan:

Regarding the closure of the Clones – Cavan road, Mr. Fallon stated that due to Health & Safety requirements it was necessary to close this road to carry out roadworks. The Council would endeavour to keep the closure as short as possible but it was expected that the road would remain closed until late May.

5. Draft Anti-social Behaviour Policy document as recommended by CPG and Housing & Corporate Services SPC

Mr. Ciaran Trant, Housing Estate Liaison Officer stated that this is a policy document – the purpose of which is to clarify the policy of the local authority in relation to anti-social behaviour and to provide guidance and procedures for local authority employees in housing departments dealing with this problem. This document has gone through both the SPC and the CPG groups. He went on to say that anti social behaviour only occurs on a small scale but when it does occur it has an adverse affect on the other residents. The Council are

required under the Housing Miscellaneous Provisions Act of 1997 to have such a policy in place.

Cllr Conlon, as Chair of the Housing SPC, thanked Mr Trant for his presentation. He proposed that the Council would invite a representative from Restorative Justice Ireland to make a presentation to the Council to outline their role in relation to the provision of mediation services. Cllr Carthy seconded the proposal.

Cllr Bannigan stated that he was not happy inviting a group such as Restorative Justice Ireland to a Council when they had no prior information about this group. He proposed an amendment

“That the Council, through the Housing SPC, investigate the Restorative Justice Ireland group to ascertain the service they provide in relation to mediation”

Cllr Conlon accepted the amendment. The Mayor put the amended motion to the meeting and it was agreed.

Cllr McElvaney stated that he was not happy with the Council getting involved in this area as he felt this was a role for the An Garda Siochana.

Mr. Michael Fitzpatrick, Director responded to queries raised by the Members. He stated that the Council needs a mechanism to deal with anti social behaviour and this is why it is necessary to have a policy in place to address these issues.

In response to a query Mr. Trant explained that a person evicted on grounds of anti social behaviour is deemed to have made themselves homeless so there is no obligation on the Council to re-house them.

On the proposal of Cllr Maxwell and seconded by Cllr P McKenna the Draft Anti Social Behavior Policy be adopted.

The motion was put to the meeting and agreed. Cllr McElvaney stated that he was opposed to the adoption of the policy document.

6. To Consider recommendations from the Corporate Policy Group

Arts Acts Recommendations:

Cllr Carthy said that he was disappointed that no bands had been allocated funding. For example Donaghmoynne Band had submitted an application which he felt warranted funding. Bands are the only social outing for young people in rural areas and he proposed that a decision be deferred and that the matter be referred back to the CPG review their recommendation. Cllr McElvaney seconded the proposal. .

A debate followed during which a number of Members expressed support for Cllr Carthy's proposal. Cllr B McKenna said that there was only €14,630 allocated. If they wanted to support all the applications the Council had received then they would need to provide additional funding in the budget to cover this. If the Members wished to review the recommendations of the CPG then they would have to cut the amount of grants being proposed.

A number Members asked for the details relating to the unsuccessful applicants to be circulated along with the criteria for the Scheme.

The County Manager said that a large number of organisations applied to Monaghan County Council for funding annually. If they were to allocate funding to every organization they would need well in excess of €100,000 a year. This fund is not a general fund and where a group or organisation operates under the aegis of a government department or agency (eg health/education) they should get funding from those departments/agencies.

The Mayor indicated that he was putting Cllr Carthy's proposal to a vote.

A vote by show of hands resulted in 6 for 8 against. The Mayor declared the proposal lost

Special Olympics:

On the proposal of Cllr McNally and seconded by Cllr Maxwell it was agreed to approve the recommendation of the Corporate Policy Group regarding the payment of a grant of €1,000 to Special Olympics athletes from Co. Monaghan.

Environment & Recreation Improvement Fund 2006:

On the proposal of Cllr O'Brien seconded by Cllr Kieran it was agreed to approve the recommendations of the Corporate Policy Group in relation to the award of grants totaling €43,865 under the Environmental & Recreation Improvement Fund 2006.

Rape Crisis Centre:

On the proposal of Cllr Maxwell, seconded by Cllr McNally it was agreed to approve the recommendation of the Corporate Policy Group regarding the payment of a grant of €2,000 to the Dundalk Rape Crisis Centre.

7. Comhairle na nOg

The Mayor welcomed Ms. Jenny McLoughlin, Youth Development Officer for Cavan & Monaghan and members of Comhairle na nOg. He invited them to make a presentation to the Council. They explained that Comhairle na nOg is an organisation, which helps young people to help young people. The organisation is involved with a youth council and it allows young people to have their voices and opinions heard. The organization gives young people a sense of civic responsibility and makes them aware of the effects of politics at

a local and national level. They have received training in various areas and have been consulted in relation to the Play Policy for County Monaghan, the Heritage Plan and also in relation to the Review of the County Development Board Strategy. They would like to make the general public aware of their role and what they represent and this is why they gave the presentation to the Council here today.

The Mayor thanked them for their presentation and he also thanked the Community and Enterprise Office for supporting their work. A number of Members also expressed their thanks to Comhairle na nOg for their presentation and congratulated them on their activities.

The Members of Comhairle na nOg thanked the Council for allowing them to attend the meeting. In response to queries from the Council Members they expressed the view that a lot of political discussions were complicated and the language was difficult to understand at times and that this should be simplified for young people. They felt there is still a generation gap but an organization like this gives them the opportunity to take down some of the barriers.

8. Nitrates Directive

The Mayor suggested that a debate on this item be deferred until they received the documents from Teagasc.

David Fallon, Director of Services stated that Teagasc had met with the EU Commission and had made a submission to the Commission. The submission did not have the backing of the Department of the Environment and it was unlikely to get it.

Cllr McNally proposed Cllr Bannigan seconded that the Council write to the Departments of Agriculture and Environment to enquire the up to date position in relation to the implementation of the Nitrates Directive. This was agreed.

9. Adoption of the Draft Annual Report.

On the proposal of Cllr B. McKenna, seconded by Cllr Conlon it was agreed to adopt the draft Annual Report for the year 2005, as presented.

In response to a query from Cllr Maxwell in relation to the disposal of household waste, the County Manager advised that the Council could serve a notice under the Waste Management Act, seeking information on how members of the public dispose of their waste. The Council will have to consider issuing such requests in various languages to take account of the numbers of non English speaking people now resident in the county.

In response to a query from Cllr Humphreys, the County Manager stated that there are serious delays in switching on new public lighting schemes and that the Council were in contact with the ESB in the matter.

10. To Fix a date for a meeting for the Working Group on the New Council Offices

The County Manager advised that he had been in discussion with the Health Services Executive in relation to a site for new offices on lands at St. Davnet's Hospital. He suggested that a meeting of the Working Group, set up to discuss the New Council Offices project, be convened.

A meeting of the working group was arranged for Monday the 10th April 2006 at 11.00 a.m. in the Conference room, The Glen, Monaghan.

Urgent Business:

The Mayor stated that he had received a notice in the names of the Fine Gael Members to discuss urgent business, as follows –

“That the Council call on Minister for Agriculture Mary Coughlan, T.D., to withdraw her proposal to remove ring fencing from the Milk Quota System, as announced without consultation with the farming bodies”

The Mayor asked that this item along with all other items on the agenda be discussed at an adjourned council meeting to be held on Tuesday the 18th April at 10.00. This was agreed.

15. Presentation by Housing on the Rental Accommodation Scheme – Eugene McManus and Ms. Anne Murray.

The Mayor welcomed Eugene McManus, Assistant Programme Manager for Louth, Meath and Monaghan, Anne Murray, A/Administrative Officer Housing Section and the various Town Councillors who were in attendance for this presentation - Cllr Hughes, Cllr Carolan, Cllr Kelly and Cllr Toal

The Mayor then invited Eugene and Anne to address the Council.

Eugene made a presentation to the Members during which he outlined that the Rental Subsidy scheme was a short-term income support system. The Health Service Executive on behalf of the Department of Social and Family Affairs administrated it. €352 million was spent on this scheme in 2004. In County Monaghan there are 178 people on rental subsidies for over eighteen months. The Rental Accommodation Scheme (RAS) is a Government initiative to provide a structured approach to meet the long term housing needs of people who are in receipt of this payment for over eighteen months.

The RAS programme means that the Local Authority will source the accommodation instead of the tenant and the local authority will pay the payment on behalf of the tenant to the landlord, instead of the Community Welfare Officer. The Local Authority will also collect the tenant's contribution to the rent instead of the tenant paying the difference directly to the landlord.

This project is to initially run for three years from 2005 –2008 and Programme Managers have been appointed to over see it. The transfer from Rental Subsidy to Rental Accommodation Assistance will need the agreement of the tenant, landlord and the accommodation will need to be of a certain standard. The money is recouped from central government, under the DOEHLG.

Anne Murray said that she had been appointed to draw up the implementation plan for the Rental Accommodation Scheme on behalf of Monaghan County Council and the Four Town Councils.

The County Councils role is to

- Review rental subsidy recipients who are on rent supplement for over 18 months.
- Carry out inspection of their existing accommodation
- Find suitable accommodation, if their current accommodation is not up to standard
- Enter into contracts with private landlords to provide accommodation on a medium to long term basis
- Pay full rent to landlords
- Collect tenants contributions
- Recoup from the DOEHLG

In County Monaghan there are in total 336 people in receipt of the rent supplement and of that 178 are over the eighteen-month threshold. Housing Association tenants will be the first to be transferred from rent supplement to the Rental Accommodation Scheme. These are tenants who are provided housing under the Voluntary Housing Capital Assistance Scheme.

Aims for 2006

To transfer all eligible rent supplement recipients to the RAS programme by the end of December 2006.

To commence inspection of properties

To transfer five % of rental supplement recipients in to private rented accommodation.

Following the presentations, Eugene and Anne responded to the queries raised by the Members.

Mr. Michael Fitzpatrick, Director of Housing stated that those on rent supplement for eighteen months were the target group. There will be staffing implications and it will be a learning process. They need to ensure that people are in adequate rental accommodation, and if they have to upgrade people to better accommodation then that could have implications for funding.

The housing program will run hand in hand with the rental accommodation scheme program.

The County Manager said that this was a pilot scheme and it is anticipated that there will be teething problems. He stated that the scheme should be welcomed as it brings responsibility for this area of housing provision under the local government remit.

16. Presentation by the Monaghan Immigrants Support Group

The Mayor welcomed Ms. Maureen O'Sullivan and Sr. Dalton and a number of the St. Patrick's Centre residents.

Maureen O'Sullivan gave a presentation of this organization. Their organization had been in existence for a year; however both she and Sr. Dalton had been working with the residences of St. Patrick's Centre for over five years. There are nine voluntary members of these organizations. They do not receive a lot of funding and worked mainly with Asylum seekers. They assist with language difficulties in filling out application forms, etc. They were here to day to help dispel some of the myths concerning refugees.

They seek regulations for the Asylum seekers. They had issued a copy of a letter they sent to the local newspapers and the national newspapers that as yet has not been printed. It asks for understanding for Asylum Seekers. There is a difference between Asylum Seeker, Refugees and Immigrant workers. Immigrant workers are people who work here, some with work permits others without. Asylum Seekers cannot live in their country of origin for various reasons. When they arrive in Ireland they are dispatched around to difference Centers around the Country. When they first come they are considered Asylum Seekers, if they are granted asylum then they are considered Refugees. About 95% of Asylum seekers are turned down. They can appeal to an appeals tribunal, if refused they are not told why. The Minister of Justice has asked that certain cases be published but the number of cases published is still limited. Therefore they are going to the High Court to have all cases published.

Some asylum seekers are here as long as four to five years. Their children have become integrated and it's very unfair to deport them after five years. It totally goes the Rights of the Children. Once people have been refused asylum they have three choices, go voluntary, and face deportation or appeal on humanitarian grounds.

The Mayor thanked the group for attending the meeting and highlighting their issues to the Council.

Cllr Kieran also welcomed them and that he too supported their cause especially those who had been here a long time. He called on all local authorities to support shortening the process. Cllr O'Brien seconded this proposal

Cllr Conlon said that preventing people from working was a civil rights abuse. He did not know what the Local Authority could do for these people but believed that they should send a letter of endorsement from the members for the letter the Immigrants group forwarded to the Minister at the Department of Justice. He also thought that it would be a good idea to invite a representative from the Ministers office to go join them in a visit to St. Patrick's centre.

17. Questions

Cllr John O'Brien asked:

(1) When will safety measures be put in place by Monaghan County Council at the highly dangerous junction at Creeve Cross on the Ballybay to Shercock Road?

An application for funding under the Low Cost Accident Reduction Measure was submitted for this junction. No funding has been allocated to date.

(2) When will work commence on the Ballybay to Cootehill Road, €500,000 has been recently allocated?

A survey and design of the extent of the works is to be prepared within the next month. It is envisaged that work will commence soon after this has been prepared

(3) (a) Has Monaghan County Council received funding to update the very dangerous junction at Scotch Corner?
(b) If funding has been received when will work start?

An application for funding under the Low Cost Accident Reduction Measure was submitted for this junction. No funding has been allocated to date.

(4) Will Monaghan County Council consider putting a bus shelter in place in the villages of Annyalla and Doohamlet for use by school children?

The county council will discuss the possibility of providing these bus shelters with CIE.

(2) Cllr Gary Carville asked:

(1) When will safety measures be put in place to improve the extremely dangerous junction at the Scotch Corner and what measures are envisaged?

An application for funding under the Low Cost Accident Reduction Measure was submitted for this junction. No funding has been allocated to date.

(2) What plans do Monaghan Co Council have for the creation of further Bottle Banks in Castleblayney Town as the existing one in the Town Council Car Park is not able to cope with the level of usage, what improvements are envisaged to ensure that such Bottle Banks are kept in a tidy state?

In December 2005 the bring centre at the rear of the Top filling station at Drumillard was removed due to major problems with illegal dumping on site. Since then we have been trying to secure an alternative site in the town. A potential site at the Iontas Centre has failed to materialize, however, an alternative site is being progressed.

The Council would welcome any assistance the elected members could provide in identifying potential sites for bringbanks anywhere in the county. Monaghan County Council has purchased a new CCTV system which will be used to tackle the problem of illegal dumping at bring bank sites. This is one of a series of measures being taken to bring this problem under control.

(3) Cllr McNally asked:

(1) What is the present position regarding the parcel of land at Lisanisk, Carrickmacross which this Council agreed unanimously to sell back to the original owner?

This matter has not been finalised yet and it is hoped to be progressed soon.

(2) When does this Council expect to have work carried out at the interchange on the northern end of the Carrickmacross by-pass, which is presently very dangerous?

The Contractor was requested to submit a revised junction design and cost estimate to undertake the work. Monaghan County Council are waiting on their response.

(3) What is the present status of the sewage network extension in Carrickmacross?

*Carrickmacross Main Drainage - Advance Works
Ward & Burke Construction Limited, Galway will commence construction of the advance works in May 2006. Construction work will be completed in 20 weeks.*

*Carrickmacross Main Drainage
Contract Documents are currently with DEHLG. Planning requirements must be completed prior to approval by DEHLG to advance to 'tender stage'.*

In total there are six new wastewater pumping stations proposed. Part 8 Planning Permission was granted for two and a further three are currently

in the planning process. Monaghan Co. Co. will commence CPO proceedings in relation to one site.

Monaghan County Council will commence the acquisition of wayleaves within the next number of weeks.

(4) Cllr Crowe asked:

(1) In relation to the railing around Clontibret Church of Ireland National School, Clontibret Development Association would like Monaghan County Council to repair the railing around the car park urgently. What is the position?

This work has been completed

(5) Cllr Coyle asked:

- (1) (a) What plans have Monaghan County Council for a meeting with Fermanagh District Council to discuss and advance the adopted, preferred route of Monaghan County Council for this route through mid-Monaghan?

Progress on the development of the Dundalk Sligo East West Route is dependent on consensus being achieved with all the partner county councils on the route. There is no forum for partner county councils to progress the proposal. Monaghan County Council are writing to the Road Authorities on all the lines of the Dundalk Sligo East West Route to inform them of the Monaghan County Council motion.

- (b) Since the adoption by Monaghan County Council Members of their preferred route for the East-West link through mid-Monaghan, what actions have the County Council taken to advance this route?

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- (2) What immediate plans have Monaghan County Council to deal with the on-going health and safety and environmental risks caused by the local authority sewerage plant at Latton as evident by recent seepages onto the footpath in the estate, which is of great concern to local residents and the local community?

This sewage treatment plant is and will be pumped out on a continuous basis to prevent any risk of overflow. Recently surface water has egressed

from the site. Bord Na Mona has serviced the plant and all is working satisfactory. It is understood, however, that some surface water is entering the treatment plant and it is planned to lay storm water drains to remove this water. In addition, investigative works will be required on the percolation area to ascertain how this element of the system is working.

19. Votes of Sympathy / Congratulations

The Members agreed to extend a vote of sympathy to

- Cllr Vincent P. Martin on the death of his aunt
- John Murray & Carmel O'Hare, Monaghan County Council staff on the death of their father Philip Murray, 16, Cathedral View, (a former member of the Council's staff)
- Ann Murray and Martina McKearney, members of Council staff, on the death of their Aunt, May Murphy, Derrynoose.

All members wished to be associated with the votes of sympathy as did the County Manager on behalf of the Council officials.

The Members agreed to extend a vote of congratulations to

- St Louis Secondary School, Monaghan, on reaching the U-16 & U-19 All-Ireland "A" schools football final.
- Inver College, Carrickmacross, on reaching the final of the U-16 schools All-Ireland "B" final.
- Scotstown Instrumental Group who won the All-Ireland Junior Scór Finals.
- Glaslough Harriers U-12 relay team on winning gold at the National Juvenile Indoor Athletic Championships.
- James Treanor, Monaghan Phoenix, gold in the Walk.
- Aoibheann Gissane, Monaghan Phoenix, silver in Walk.
- Patrick McCarron, Glaslough Harriers, silver in 200m & bronze in 60m U-17.
- Cillian McCarron, Glaslough Harriers, silver in boys U-15 60m.
- Nicola Hackett, Glaslough Harriers, silver in 800m.
- Stephen McSorley, Glaslough Harriers, silver in boy's U-14 shot putt.
- James Clarke, Monaghan Phoenix, bronze in 800m.
- Michelle Murphy, Monaghan Phoenix, bronze in U-13 long jump.
- Brianna McPhillips, Monaghan Phoenix, bronze in U-13 60m hurdles.
- Kevin Loughran, Monaghan Phoenix, silver in boy's U-12 600m.
- Sarah McGinn, Gerard Graham, Shannon Hughes, Adam Macklin & Natasha Nolan, Killeevan Gymnastics Club on winning gold and silver medals in the All-Ireland Tumbling Championships.

- Daisy Monaghan & Jessica McFadden, silver medal winners in the All-Ireland Tumbling Championships.
- Monaghan Collegiate School U-15 table tennis team who won All-Ireland silver medals.
- Monaghan Collegiate School Show Jumping team who won bronze in the secondary schools competition.
- John Lynch, Liseraw, Monaghan who won the overall Product award at Furniture & Home Show.
- Kevin McBride, Clones on winning a recent boxing match in the U.S.A. recently

20. Conferences

On the proposal of Cllr McElvaney, seconded by Cllr McNally it was agreed that the Council be represented at the following conferences by those listed.

Promoting Authority	Subject/Theme	Venue	Dates	Approx. cost per member	Members Selected
TJK Conferences Company Ltd	“The Law of Defamation (Libel & Slander) as it Affects Councillors”	Earl of Desmond Hotel, Tralee, Co Kerry	8 th April 2006	€845	H. Humphreys Owen Bannigan Hugh Mc Elvaney Seamus Coyle Padraig Mc Nally
Kilkenny County Council LAMA	Local Government – Delivering the Future Now Conference	Newpark Hotel, Kilkenny	20 th & 21 st April 2006	€770	John Keenan David Maxwell Owen Bannigan John O Brien Seamus Coyle Robbie Gallagher Sean Conlon
The Kerry Literary & Cultural Centre	Listowel Arts Conference 2006 - The Importance of the Arts in Urban Regeneration	The Listowel Arms Hotel, Listowel, Co Kerry	20 th & 21 st April 2006	€858	Pat Mc Kenna Hugh Mc Elvaney
Coláiste Uladh	Celebrating its Centenary	Irish College, Gortahork, Donegal	20 th –23 rd April 2006	€1,000	Benny Kieran Pat Treanor
Coláiste An Phiarsaigh	Waste Management Conference – “Dealing with Waste”	Downings Bay Hotel & Conference Centre, Downings, Co. Donegal	24 th – 26 th April 2006	€720	Pat Mc Kenna Owen Bannigan Vincent P.Martin Benny Kieran Robbie Gallagher Matt Carthy
Rattoo Heritage Centre	The 15 th Annual Kerry Environmental Recognition Conference	Golf Hotel, Ballybunion, Co Kerry	26 th - 29 th April 2006	€1, 085	David Maxwell Owen Bannigan Hugh Mc Elvaney Vincent P Martin Padraig Mc Nally John O Brien

Kadenza Consultancies	“Housing Services Local Government”	Shannon Key West Hotel, Rooskey, Co Leitrim	28 th & 29 th April, 2006	€160	Brian Mc Kenna
Sherkin Island Marine Station	22 nd Annual Environmental Conference – “The Cost of Waste Disposal”	Carrigaline Court Hotel, Carrigaline, Co Cork	4 th & 5 th May 2006	€745	Pat Mc Kenna John Keenan Owen Bannigan Hugh Mc Elvaney Padraig Mc Nally Jackie Crowe
Confederation of European Councillors	“The Potential for Local and Regional Tourism, North & South	Mount Errigal Hotel, Letterkenny, Co Donegal	12 th May 2006	€325	Owen Bannigan H. Humphreys Sean Conlon

Adjourned meeting:

The Mayor asked that the order of business for the adjourned meeting would be to complete the agenda and then deal with the notice of urgent business. This was agreed.

The meeting then concluded.

Signed: _____
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Meetings Administrator

Date: _____
