

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF SLIGO COUNTY COUNCIL HELD
ON MONDAY, 8TH MAY, 2017 AT 11.00AM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
COUNTY HALL, RIVERSIDE, SLIGO**

COUNCILLORS PRESENT:

- Councillor Baker,
- Councillor Bree,
- Councillor Casserly,
- Councillor Gormley,
- Councillor Keaney,
- Councillor Kilgannon,
- Councillor Maguire,
- Councillor MacManus,
- Councillor MacSharry,
- Councillor Mulvey,
- Councillor O'Boyle,
- Councillor O'Grady,
- Councillor Queenan,
- Councillor Taylor.

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

- Mr. Ciarán Hayes, Chief Executive
- Mr. Tom Kilfeather, Director of Services
- Ms. Marie Whelan, Head of Finance
- Mr. Bartley Gavin, A/Director of Services
- Mr. Frank Moylan, Senior Planner
- Mr. Joe Murphy, Senior Executive Officer
- Ms. Siobhan Ryan, Heritage Officer
- Mr. Enda Killoran, Assistant Scientist
- Mr. Nigel Carter, IS Project Leader
- Mr. Noel Ballantyne, A/ Executive Technician
- Mr. Kevin Colreavy, Meetings Administrator
- Ms. Karen Gallagher, I.S. Technical Support Officer
- Ms. Nuala Fowley, Clerical Officer
- Ms. Lorraine Fitzgerald, A/Staff Officer

CATHAOIRLEACH:

Cathaoirleach, Councillor H. Keaney, presided.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Councillor M. Clarke, Councillor K. Henry and Councillor J. Lundy.

SYMPATHY TO THE BREE FAMILY:

At the outset sympathies were extended to Councillor Declan Bree and the family of Albert Bree (R.I.P.). It was proposed by Councillor Healy, seconded by Councillor MacSharry, and agreed, to suspend Standing Orders for 15 minutes as a mark of respect.

The meeting resumed at 11.20 a.m.

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1. MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING TO CONSIDER THE DRAFT COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2017-2023 (SECOND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT ON SUBMISSIONS AND OBSERVATIONS):

**Proposed by Councillor S. Kilgannon
Seconded by Councillor P. Taylor**

AND AGREED

"To confirm Minutes of Special Meeting to consider the draft Sligo County Development Plan 2017–2023 and the Second Chief Executive's Report on submissions and observations relating to the Draft CDP 2017-2023 held on 27th March, 2017".

2. MINUTES OF MEETING OF SLIGO MUNICIPAL DISTRICT HELD ON 20TH FEBRUARY, 2017:

**Proposed by Councillor G. O'Boyle
Seconded by Councillor S. Kilgannon**

AND AGREED

"To confirm Minutes of Meeting of Sligo Municipal District held on 20th February, 2017".

3. MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 3RD APRIL, 2017:

**Proposed by Councillor P. Taylor
Seconded by Councillor S. Kilgannon**

AND AGREED

"To confirm Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of Sligo County Council held on 3rd April, 2017."

4. MINUTES OF ADJOURNED ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 10TH APRIL, 2017:

**Proposed by Councillor M. Gormley
Seconded by Councillor G. O'Boyle**

AND AGREED

"To confirm Minutes of Adjourned Ordinary Meeting of Sligo County Council held on 10th April, 2017".

5. MINUTES OF SLIGO COUNTY COUNCIL'S CORPORATE POLICY GROUP MEETING HELD ON 13TH FEBRUARY, 2017:

**Proposed by Councillor D. Bree
Seconded by Councillor H. Keane**

AND AGREED

"To confirm Minutes of Sligo County Council's Corporate Policy Group Meeting held on 13th February, 2017".

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6. DISPOSAL OF DWELLING AND ADJOINING PLOT OF LAND AT 1A CRANMORE ROAD, SLIGO PURSUANT TO SECTION 183 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001:

**Proposed by Councillor C. MacManus
Seconded by Councillor G. O'Boyle**

AND AGREED

"To approve, pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, the disposal of a dwelling at 1A Cranmore Road, Sligo and adjoining plot of land to the Abbeyquarter Men's group by way of a 3 year lease".

7. DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY AT 10 CIRCULAR ROAD, SLIGO PURSUANT TO SECTION 183 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001:

**Proposed by Councillor C. MacManus
Seconded by Councillor G. O'Boyle**

AND AGREED

"To approve, pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, the disposal of property at 10 Circular Road, Sligo to Christopher B. Higgins".

8. DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY AT 2 ST. MARY'S TERRACE, SLIGO PURSUANT TO SECTION 183 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001:

**Proposed by Councillor D. Bree
Seconded by Councillor G. O'Boyle**

AND AGREED

"To approve, pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001, the disposal of a dwelling house at 2 St. Mary's Terrace, Upper John Street, Sligo to Mr. Room Shah".
In response to a query from Councillor Bree, Mr. Gavin, A/D.O.S. informed the meeting that he would revert with details of the cost of acquisition to the N.R.A.

9. DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY AT HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL, TUBBERCURRY PURSUANT TO SECTION 183 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001:

**Proposed by Councillor M. Gormley
Seconded by Councillor P. Taylor**

AND AGREED

"To approve, pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001, the disposal of property to St. Nathy's Diocesan Trust (Holy Family School, Tubbercurry)".

10. DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY AT STRANDHILL TO CELTIC SEABATHS LTD. PURSUANT TO SECTION 183 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001:

**Proposed by Councillor S. Maguire
Seconded by Councillor R. O'Grady**

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AND AGREED

To approve, pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001, the disposal of land at Strandhill to Celtic Seabaths Limited.

11. DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY AT BALLAST QUAY, SLIGO PURSUANT TO SECTION 183 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001:

**Proposed by Councillor R. O'Grady
Seconded by Councillor S. Kilgannon**

AND AGREED

To approve, pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001, the proposed lease of land at Ballast Quay to Sligo Carpet Centre Ltd.

12. DISPOSAL OF LAND AT TUBBERCURRY TO THE HEALTH SERVICE EXECUTIVE PURSUANT TO SECTION 183 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001:

**Proposed by Councillor M. Gormley
Seconded by Councillor P. Taylor**

AND AGREED

"To approve, pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001, the disposal of land at Tobercurry to the Health Service Executive".

13. PRESENTATION BY DR. CIARAN BYRNE, C.E.O. INLAND FISHERIES IRELAND:

Dr. Byrne thanked the Members for the opportunity to address the Council and delivered his presentation which outlined the various projects being undertaken and the objectives of Inland Fisheries Ireland.

Members thanked Dr. Byrne for the informative presentation. There was a discussion in relation to various queries the Members had in relation to the work being done. Dr. Byrne commented that he felt the queries addressed the important themes and desired outcomes of Inland Fisheries Ireland.

14. DRAFT COUNTY SLIGO DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2017-2023 – SECOND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT ON ISSUE 18 OF SUBMISSION 42 AND R.P.S. SUBMISSION 41:

Mr. F. Moylan, Senior Planner outlined the detail of two issues for consideration by the Members, issue 18 (of submission 42) and RPS Submission 41 and confirmed that these changes would be made to the documentation before it would go on public display before being brought back before the Members. This was agreed.

**Proposed by Councillor D. Bree
Seconded by Councillor G. O'Boyle**

AND AGREED

"Having considered the Draft Sligo County Development Plan 2017-2023 and the Second Chief Executive's Report on Issue 18 of Submission 42 & RPS Submission 41, and taking account of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area, the statutory obligations of the local

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authority and any relevant policies or objectives for the time being of the Government or of any Minister of the Government, it is hereby agreed to amend the Draft Plan in accordance with the Second Chief Executive's Report, subject to any further amendments to the Chief Executive's recommendations on the above submissions, as proposed and adopted at the Meeting of Sligo County Council held on 8 May 2017. It is further considered that the proposed amendments, if made, will be a material alteration of the Draft Plan and it is hereby resolved in accordance with the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), that the proposed amendments be put on public display for a period of not less than 4 weeks."

Councillor J Queenan abstained from this motion.

15. PRESENTATION ON DRAFT RIVER BASIN MANAGEMENT PLAN:

Mr. Enda Killoran gave a presentation to the Members on the Draft River Basin Management Plan.

Members thanked Mr. Killoran for outlining the plan and a discussion ensued in relation to some issues, e.g. the Zebra Mussel and seasonal Algae problems and the difficulties regarding their containment.

There was further discussion in relation to the ongoing problem with the treatment plant at Lough Talt. Comment was made in relation to efforts being made at E.U. level to overcome difficulties. Members noted the importance of ensuring that the health and well being of the citizens will be taken into account.

The Chief Executive emphasised that this alien species is an invasive contaminant and he wished to take this opportunity to further appeal to all boat owners to be vigilant in ensuring that the Zebra Mussel is not carried from one body of water to another.

16. MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORT – MARCH 2017:

The Members agreed to note the Monthly Management Report for March 2017.

In response to a query from Councillor Bree, Mr. Kilfeather, D.O.S. advised that an application for funding for the Fairgreen has been made under the Sports Capital Programme.

17. DATES FOR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS OF COUNTY COUNCIL AND MUNICIPAL DISTRICTS:

The dates for Annual General Meetings were agreed as follows:

Ballymote-Tobercurry Municipal District 11am 19th June
Sligo Municipal District 1.00pm 19th June
Sligo County Council 3.00pm 19th June

18. 2017 STUDENT GRANTS SCHEME:

**Proposed by Councillor R. O'Grady
Seconded by Councillor S. Kilgannon**

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"To approve the 2017 Student Grants Scheme".

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19. PROGRESS REPORT ON CORPORATE PLAN:

**Proposed by Councillor R. O'Grady
Seconded by Councillor S. Kilgannon**

AND AGREED

"To note Progress Report on Corporate Plan".

20. SLIGO COUNTY COUNCIL'S ANNUAL REPORT 2016:

**Proposed by Councillor R. O'Grady
Seconded by Councillor S. Kilgannon**

AND AGREED

"To adopt Sligo County Council's Annual Report 2016".

21. COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTARY GRANTS SCHEME ALLOCATIONS 2017:

**Proposed by Councillor S. Kilgannon
Seconded by Councillor J. Queenan**

AND AGREED

"To adopt Community and Voluntary Grants Scheme allocations for 2017".

There was a brief discussion in relation the allocations. Ms. Clarke confirmed that feedback would be being provided to the unsuccessful applicants. Details of the Community Facilities Scheme are to be circulated to the Members by Ms. Clarke as requested.

22. REPORT FROM PLACE NAMES COMMITTEE:

As Items 34 also related to this matter, the Cathaoirleach indicated that he would deal with both at this time.

**Proposed by Councillor D. Bree
Seconded by Councillor C. MacManus**

AND AGREED

"To note Report from Placenames Committee".

34) The following Motion was unanimously agreed:

"That the recreational park located on Forthill, Sligo, be named the O'Boyle Park, in memory of the late Councillor Seamie O'Boyle".

23. REPAIR AND LEASING SCHEME FOR VACANT HOUSES:

With the agreement of the Members this item, as submitted by Councillor J. Lundy, was deferred to the Agenda of the June Ordinary Meeting

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24. TRAFFIC CALMING SIGNAGE ON ROAD NO. 414 (BANADA TO BELLAGHY ROAD):

With the agreement of the Members this item, as submitted by Councillor J. Lundy, was deferred to the Agenda of the June Ordinary Meeting

25. SURVEY OF ROUNDABOUT AT STRANDHILL AND CROSSING SYSTEM FOR PEDESTRIANS:

**Proposed by Councillor S. Maguire
Seconded by Councillor C MacManus**

AND AGREED

“That Sligo County Council will conduct a survey of the roundabout at Strandhill to establish a safer crossing system for pedestrians.”

26. KEEPING PEOPLE IN THEIR HOMES BILL, 2017:

**Proposed by Councillor M. Casserly
Seconded by Councillor S. Kilgannon**

AND AGREED

“That Sligo County Council supports the Independent Alliance’s, ‘Keeping People in their Homes Bill 2017’ which has been introduced to the Dáil and aims to provide protection to home owners facing repossession and gives clarity to Irish courts on examining the proportionality of granting or executing repossession orders on people’s homes.”

The following amendment to the motion was proposed by Councillor Bree seconded by Councillor O’Boyle, and agreed:

That Sligo County Council supports the Independent Alliance’s, ‘Keeping People in their Homes Bill 2017’ which has been introduced to the Dáil and aims to provide protection to home owners facing repossession and gives clarity to Irish courts on examining the proportionality of granting or executing repossession orders on people’s homes and furthermore so as to ensure that the Bill is passed, this Council calls on the Independent Alliance to submit the Bill as part of Government business”

27. UPGRADING OF ROAD SURFACE ON L3202 AND L3203 AT STREEDAGH:

**Proposed by Councillor R. O’Grady
Seconded by Councillor S. Kilgannon**

“That Sligo County Council upgrade the road surface along the L3202 at the junction where it meets the L3203 at Streedagh.”

Mr. Kilfeather gave his report and Members noted the contents.

28. PROVISION OF FOOTPATH AND LIGHTING FROM LISSADELL PARK TO OXFIELD G.A.A. AND COMMUNITY CENTRE:

**Proposed by Councillor R. O’Grady
Seconded by Councillor S. Kilgannon**

“That Sligo County Council commences the process of providing footpath and lighting from Lissadell Park to Oxfeld GAA and Community Centre.”

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Councillor O'Grady also queried whether this could be dealt with under Village Renewal for 2017 and Ms. Clarke confirmed that those works would not be prohibited so could be examined under that remit.

29. REVIEW OF SPEED LIMIT ON GRANGE TO STREEDAGH ROAD:

**Proposed by Councillor R. O'Grady
Seconded by Councillor S. Kilgannon**

AND AGREED

"That Sligo County Council review the speed limit on the Grange to Streedagh Road."

Mr. Kilfeather informed the meeting as the process is slowed due to engagement with TII, he advised that it was proposed to bring this issue to the July meeting and this was agreed.

30. MANAGEMENT PLAN AND REQUEST FOR DEPUTATION TO MINISTER CANNEY RE. THE OWENMORE RIVER:

As Items 30 and 35 both related to this matter, the Cathaoirleach indicated that he would deal with both at this time.

30) The following motion as submitted by Councillor T. Healy:

"To call on Sligo County Council to convene a special meeting regarding implementing a management plan for the Owenmore river with the Minister of the OPW and other stakeholders to meet with members of Sligo County Council".

35) The following motion as submitted by Councillor M. Gormley:

"As funding was provided by the Office of Public Works in 1996 for works on the Owenmore River I am requesting that we the members of Sligo Co. Council call on the Minister with responsibility for the O.P.W., Sean Canney, T.D., to meet a deputation from this council together with representatives from the Owenmore drainage committee and TD's from this area to highlight the need for funding to alleviate the serious problems this river is causing to householders and landowners".

Members discussed the importance of continued maintenance of the Owenmore and Mr. Kilfeather confirmed that it is the intention to put together a submission to the OPW for funding and to arrange a meeting with them to discuss.

31. UPDATE ON WESTERN DISTRIBUTOR ROAD:

**Proposed by Councillor R. O'Grady
Seconded by Councillor S. Kilgannon**

AND AGREED

"To seek an update on the Western Distributor Road".

It was agreed by all the importance to Sligo of keeping this project to the forefront.

32. CLOSURE OF ULSTER BANK BRANCH IN BALLYMOTE:

After a short discussion, it was agreed by the Members that this item, as submitted by Councillor T. Healy, be deferred until a response is received from Ulster Bank.

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33. OWNERSHIP OF NATIONAL MATERNITY HOSPITAL:

**Proposed by Councillor C. MacManus
Seconded by Councillor T. Healy**

“That Sligo County Council calls on the Minister of Health to rescind his decision to pass ownership of the State-funded National Maternity Hospital to the religious order, the Sisters of Charity.”

The motion was agreed with 3 abstentions: Councillor Maguire, Councillor Mulvey and Councillor Queenan.

34. NAMING OF RECREATIONAL PARK ON FORTHILL, SLIGO:

This Motion was dealt with along Item 22.

35. REQUEST FOR DEPUTATION TO MEET WITH DEPUTY SEAN CANNEY:

This motion was dealt with along with Motion 30.

36. FLYING OF PALESTINIAN FLAG AT COUNTY HALL:

Proposed by Councillor D. Bree, Councillor C. MacManus & Councillor G. O’Boyle, and agreed:
“Noting recent reports of diplomatic developments by the Irish state toward full recognition of the state of Palestine, aware also that the Irish Government accorded the Palestinian delegation in Ireland diplomatic status in 2014, the same year that witnessed both Houses of the Oireachtas pass motions in support of Palestinian statehood, this Council will fly the flag of Palestine at County Hall from the 15th of May until the 31st of May 2017 in support of the above diplomatic moves and as a gesture of our solidarity with the people of Palestine living under occupation in the West Bank and Gaza, with the Palestinian citizens of Israel denied basic democratic rights and with the over 7 million displaced Palestinians denied the right of return to their homeland.”

37. PULL IN BAYS ALONG THE ROAD LEADING TO DUNMORAN STRAND:

**Proposed by Councillor D. Mulvey
Seconded by Councillor J. Queenan**

“To call on Sligo County Council to put safe pull in bays along the road leading to Dunmorán strand before the busy summer season due to the soft verge on both sides of this road.”

Mr. Kilfeather advised the Members that two no. hardcore surface bays can be provided in the road verges at suitable locations.

38. INCLUSION OF CLASS 2 AND 3 ROADS IN CLAR FUNDING:

With the agreement of the Members this item, as submitted by Councillor K. Henry, was deferred to the Agenda of the June Ordinary Meeting

39. ADDITIONAL EDUCATIONAL SUPPORTS FOR CHILDREN IN NEED:

With the agreement of the Members this item, as submitted by Councillor K. Henry, was deferred to the Agenda of the June Ordinary Meeting

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40. HOUSING GRANT APPLICATIONS:

**Proposed by Councillor M. Gormley
Seconded by Councillor D Bree**

AND AGREED

“To ask the Director of Services for a report on the Housing grant applications.

The numbers received under the different headings Mobility, Disability and Housing Aid for older People in 2016 & 2017.

How many were approved? What is the position on applications submitted in 2017 will they be approved and funded?”

Mr. Murphy, S.E.O. presented a report to Members.

There was a discussion in relation to the number of applications and the monies available to carry out the work. It was noted that a Motion may be submitted seeking a lesser percentage of the required match funding.

**Proposed by Councillor P. Taylor
Seconded by Councillor M. Baker**

AND AGREED

“To request the Government to reduce from 20% to 10% the matching funding to be paid by Sligo Local Authority to the Mobility, Disability and Housing aid for older people”.

41. FIRE IN RENTED ACCOMMODATION IN MARKET STREET, SLIGO:

**Proposed by Councillor D. Bree
Seconded by Councillor G. O’Boyle**

AND AGREED

“Noting with deep regret the deaths of two citizens in a serious fire which occurred in rented accommodation in Market Street, Sligo, on Saturday 22nd April 2017; this meeting resolves that a comprehensive report be provided by the Chief Executive indicating: (a) if and when inspections were carried out on the said premises by Council staff under Section 18 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1992, as amended by the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009, Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) Regulations 2008, Statutory Instrument No. 534 of 2008 and Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) (Amendment) Regulations 2009, Statutory Instrument No. 462 of 2009; (b) the outcome of the inspections and whether notices were served on the landlord; (c) if any legal action was initiated; (d) if inspections were carried out on the said premises under the Fire Services Acts, 1981 and the outcome of same; and to ask the Chief Executive if he is satisfied that the local authority carried out its obligations as required by legislation.”

The Chief Executive informed the Members that he would revert once the investigations currently underway in this matter have been completed and stated that it would not be appropriate to comment in advance of that.

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42. REQUEST FOR DEPUTATION TO MEET DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT RE. LOCAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES:

**Proposed by Councillor S. Kilgannon
Seconded by Councillor R. O'Grady**

AND AGREED

"To request Sligo County Council to contact the Department of Transport and insist that they meet a delegation from this Council regarding the provision of funds to deal with the backlog of Local Improvements schemes which is now entering its 7th year since any works was undertaken under that scheme .

Rural dwellers whose homes are served by roads eligible under L.I.S. are just as entitled to a safe access to their home as any other section of the community."

43. INTRODUCTION OF HOME IMPROVEMENT/RECONSTRUCTION GRANT SCHEME:

**Proposed by Councillor S. Kilgannon
Seconded by Councillor R. O'Grady**

AND AGREED

"I propose that Sligo County Council call on the Minister for Housing, Planning Community and Local Government Mr. Simon Coveney, T.D. to introduce a Home Improvement /Reconstruction grant scheme as soon as possible."

44. PROVISION OF NEW GARDA STATION IN TUBBERCURRY:

With the agreement of the Members this item, as submitted by Councillor J. Lundy, was deferred to the Agenda of the June Ordinary Meeting

45. UPGRADING AND PROVISION OF DISABLED PARKING SPACES:

With the agreement of the Members this item, as submitted by Councillor J. Lundy, was deferred to the Agenda of the June Ordinary Meeting.

. NATIONAL BROADBAND PLAN:

As Items 46 and 49 both related to this matter, the Cathaoirleach indicated that he would deal with both at this time.

46) The following motion as submitted by Councillor P. Taylor:

"To ask what is the current state/situation with the National Broadband Plan on a county by county basis and have we in Sligo County Council received the Working Plan for County Sligo".

49) The following motion as submitted by Councillor S. Maguire:

"This council write to Minister for Communications, Denis Naughton seeking confirmation that the necessary resources to ensure that the planned implementation of the national broadband plan for county Sligo is achieved. Further that Sligo County Council will liaise with the local Educational

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Training Board to ensure that there are training courses available locally to meet the requirements of staffing to complete the broadband rollout.”

Ms. M. Whelan, Head of Finance confirmed that the procurement process is underway at present. Mr. N. Carter, I.S. Project Leader, outlined details of the National Broadband Plan. A discussion ensued in relation to the rollout and the training that will be required to implement the Plan, and Mr. Carter confirmed that further information will be given to Members as soon as it is available.

47. QUERIES TO SLIGO CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT AND SLIGO JPC:

With the agreement of the Members this item, as submitted by Councillor M. Clarke, was deferred to the Agenda of the June Ordinary Meeting

48. OCCUPANCY CLAUSE ON PLANNING CONDITIONS:

With the agreement of the Members this item, as submitted by Councillor M. Clarke, was deferred to the Agenda of the June Ordinary Meeting

50. FUNDING FOR PROTECTED STRUCTURES IN COUNTY SLIGO:

**Proposed by Councillor S. Maguire
Seconded by Councillor T Healy**

AND AGREED

“This council write to Minister Simon Coveney seeking an increase in the funding available to protected structures in County Sligo.”

51. TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES AT KEASH COMMUNITY PARK:

**Proposed by Councillor D. Mulvey
Seconded by Councillor P. Taylor**

AND AGREED

“To call on Sligo County Council to examine what traffic calming measures can be put in place at Keash Community Park as the existing Clubhouse is due to be demolished soon to make way for modern facilities and there will be less car parking spaces available. Concerned parents that have contacted me state it can be quite dangerous at present for children who are crossing the main Keash to Culfadda road from the training pitch to the main car park”.

The Meeting was advised by Mr. Kilfeather that the Area Engineer will investigate this matter to assess and determine the best solution to this problem.

52. VOTES OF SYMPATHY:

**Proposed by Councillor S Kilgannon,
Seconded by Councillor R O’Grady**

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“That a vote of sympathy be extended to Annie Killoran, Tubbercurry, on the death of her brother, Tommy Regan.

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53. VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS:

**Proposed by Councillor H. Keaney
Seconded by Councillor M. Gormley**

AND AGREED

“That Sligo County Council offer a Vote of Congratulations to the Fire-fighters who carried out tremendous work in very dangerous conditions in controlling the fires that broke out during the past week.”

Councillor Gormley, Councillor Healy and Councillor Bree also wished to be associated with this and thanked the various other Council staff involved in this work.

54. CONFERENCES AND TRAINING:

**Proposed by Councillor R. O’Grady
Seconded by Councillor T. Healy**

AND AGREED

“That the list of Training/Conferences be noted”.

55. PROCEEDINGS OF CONFERENCES AND TRAINING:

The Members agreed to note the summary of proceedings of conferences attended in accordance with Section 142(5) (f) of the Local Government Act, 2001.

56. CORRESPONDENCE:

**Proposed by Councillor S. Kilgannon
Seconded by Councillor H. Keaney**

AND AGREED

“To note the correspondence circulated with the agenda.”

57. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

No matter was raised under this heading.

58. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Councillor Baker raised the matter of traffic at the junction at Sean Canavan’s and asked if the Council could highlight the speed limit with extra signage, etc.

Mr. Kilfeather DOS informed Councillor Baker that the Council would look into this matter

END OF MEETING:

The meeting concluded at 4.05 p.m.