

Edenderry Town Council
Comhairle Bhaile Edan Doire

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF EDENDERRY TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8th SEPTEMBER, 2010,
IN THE TOWN HALL, EDENDERRY AT 7.30 P.M.

Present *Cathaoirleach Cllr. Fergus McDonnell;*
 Cllr Mary Breen; Cllr. Noel Cribbin; Cllr. John Foley;
 Cllr. Liam Hogan; Cllr Declan Leddin; Cllr. Patricia Brady;
 Cllr. Finian O'Neill;
 Mr Damien Grennan – Area Engineer;
 Ms Olwen Cooney – Town Clerk.

Apologies *Cllr. Jim Murrin;*
 Mr. Declan Conlon – Area Manager;

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETINGS HELD ON 14th JULY 2010

On the proposal of Cllr Liam Hogan and seconded by Cllr Patricia Brady the minutes of the Edenderry Town Council July monthly meeting were confirmed and signed.

2. AUDIT 2009

Town Clerk stated that the Annual Financial Statement for 2009 had been sent to the Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government. An audit had been carried out on the accounts by the auditor. It was proposed by Cllr O'Neill and seconded by Cllr Foley to accept the annual financial statement for 2009.

3. R402 – EDENDERRY TO ENFIELD ROAD

Town Clerk updated members that a joint meeting with area and town council members would take place shortly with Kildare County Council engineer for an update on R402. A date of confirmation would follow.

4. AMBULANCE EMERGENCY DISPATCH POINT

It was proposed by Cllr O'Neill and seconded by Cllr Breen to write to Liam O Callaghan of the HSE to arrange a meeting for an update on both Emergency dispatch point and the extension of the MIDOC services to Edenderry. This letter to be cc to Robert Morton.

5. EXTENSION OF MIDOC SERVICES TO EDENDERRY

As above.

It was proposed by Cllr McDonnell and seconded by Cllr O'Neill to go in committee for 10 minutes. The press and public left chamber.

6. EDENDERRY TOWN COUNCIL AWARDS/COMMUNITY FORUM

Cllr McDonnell informed members that the closing date for entry forms for awards had been extended to 24th September. All members were encouraged to remind community groups to enter for awards. Cllr McDonnell also informed members that a budget of €6,000 would be needed to cover cost of awards as opposed to previous estimate of €5,000. This was seconded by Cllr Foley.

Cllr Cribbin asked town clerk how much money was left in special project. Town clerk informed members that there was approximately €17,000 left a

build up from 2000-2010. Cllr Cribbin proposed that €5,000 of this special project be donated to playground committee who have been diligently collecting money to make €35,000 needed to claim funds from Offaly Integrated Company for playground for Edenderry, this proposal was seconded by Cllr McDonnell. All members agreed that this was an excellent idea and Cllr Foley suggested that this cheque be presented to committee on the night of the awards.

7. EDENDERRY AREA PLAN 2011-2017 SUBMISSION

Town Clerk advised members that final date for submission for Edenderry area plan was 12th October. It was agreed that five members Cllr Leddin, Cllr Foley, Cllr Cribbin, Cllr McDonnell and Cllr Brady would meet to put together a joint submission and all members could sign it. Cllr McDonnell also informed members that they are free to submit individual submissions also.

Cllr Cribbin raised the issue of the Downshire where travellers had recently pulled in and although they had moved on the terrible dangerous state the area was left in. He proposed to write to the Roads section in Offaly County Council to urge them to take this road in charge as soon as possible with due regard for the taking in charge policy of the council. Cllr McDonnell called on Damien Grennan to comment. Damien said that the owner should write to Offaly County Council to ask them to take this road in charge and once this letter is received Offaly County Council policy would be followed as with all cases. All members then discussed the site in Downshire especially the hotel construction site and its potential dangers. Cllr O'Neill proposed not to send any letter but to put it on the agenda for next month. Damien suggested that an update of the situation be sought from Offaly County Council for the next meeting. Cllr Leddin proposed that that Cllr Foley bring a notice of motion to the next main council meeting from all the town council. It was finally agreed and proposed by Cllr McDonnell to write to Offaly County Council for an update on the situation for the next meeting this was seconded by Cllr Leddin.

8. MOTIONS / NOTICE OF MOTIONS

It was proposed by Cllr O'Neill and seconded by Cllr McDonnell to adopt the notice of motion from Ballina Town Council.

9. CORRESPONDANCE

With regard to letter from Ofalia house matron it was agreed by members that once a date was set for meeting that all members be contacted and whoever was available would attend meeting.

10. CONFERENCES

Both Cllr McDonnell and Cllr Hogan to attend AMAI conference tomorrow.

Cllr Cribbin proposed and Cllr Brady seconded to send a letter of best wishes to Deputy Olwyn Enright from her recent announcement that she will be not running for next general election. All members praised Olwyn's contribution to politics and her excellent work for her constituency Loais/Offaly over the years. Cllr Cribbin congratulated U14 girls football team who defeated Rhode recently.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Date of next meeting – 13th October, 2010.

Cathaoirleach

Date