

<p style="text-align: center;">Edenderry Town Council Comhairle Bhaile Edan Doire</p>

**MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF EDENDERRY TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 13TH APRIL, 2011,
IN THE TOWN HALL, EDENDERRY AT 7.30 P.M.**

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

EASA & Eden Hope representatives made a presentation to the members of work they are doing in relation to substance abuse. The members thanked the presenters for an excellent insight into the work they do.

1. OFFALY HERITAGE PLAN 2012-2016

Amanda Pedlow gave a small presentation for members re Offaly's new Heritage plan. She gave a brief explanation of heritage recap of events and achievements of the last 10 years. She asked members for their input re heritage for their own town and area and to contact her with any ideas so they can be incorporated into the plan.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MARCH MEETING MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 9th MARCH, 2011

On the proposal of Cllr Hogan and seconded by Cllr Breen the minutes of the Edenderry Town Council meeting held on the 9th March, 2011 were confirmed and signed. The map of Killane requested by the members was noted and instigated the following discussions. Cllr Cribbin highlighted the amount of schools and traffic congestion created at St. Mary's Road and School lane already and the problems more schools will create in this area. He also viewed concerns that if this land is sold to Department of Education that it is the only council landbank in Edenderry town for future housing and the housing list is increasing yearly. All members viewed their concerns and Cllr McDonnell suggested that a submission be formally submitted from town council collectively in relation to this. All members agreed. Declan Conlon advised members that between 7th April and 6th May submissions were welcome on proposed material alterations to Draft Edenderry Local Area Plan only that is on public display at the moment. He continued to say that the area committee were briefed by housing Dept at area meeting on all proposals. Cllr O'Neill proposed to write to Department of Education to enquire what their proposals are and if there are any other lands suitable in the town for future schools, this was seconded by Cllr Murrin. Members agreed to call a meeting next Wednesday night to discuss this issue and asked that Town clerk invite area councillors to join them.

3. AUDIT REPORT 2010

The audit report was proposed by Cllr O'Neill and seconded by Cllr Leddin.

4. ETHICS REGISTER

The Town Clerk asked that any councillor who has not returned his/her ethics register to do so immediately.

5. R402 – EDENDERRY TO ENFIELD ROAD

It was proposed by Cllr McDonnell and seconded by Cllr O'Neill to wish Des O'Connor well in his retirement. Town Clerk was asked to find out who his replacement will be.

6. EMERGENCY DISPATCH UNIT

Cllr Murrin asked was there any feedback re discussions with OCC and HSE re another temporary site for ambulance in Edenderry. Declan Conlon said no further update as yet. Cllr Cribbin aired his view that OCC and the managers response at the meeting held recently was just not acceptable and he fears for the future of service for the town. Cllr Murrin suggested that this topic be discussed with area councillors next Wednesday also. All members agreed.

7. EXTENSION OF MIDOC SERVICES TO EDENDERRY

Nothing to report.

8. MOTIONS / NOTICE OF MOTIONS

All noted as read.

9. CONFERENCES

Cllr McDonnell said his trip to New York was extremely positive and that he made a number of contacts with people proposing projects for Edenderry area. Cllr Foley proposed that Town councillors receive an invite to function in Moneygall for President Obama, this was seconded by Cllr Cribbin. Declan Conlan explained there are no plans or date set as yet and OCC may have no input.

Cllr Cribbin thanked the guards for their assistance with moving on the travellers from Downshire. He also complimented the fact that Leonard McGill will secure the site. He also informed members that a big clean up is taking place this Saturday for anyone that wants to join in to assist.

Date of next meeting – 11th May, 2011.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Cathaoirleach

Date