

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

**MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF EDENDERRY TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8TH FEBRUARY, 2012,
IN THE TOWN HALL, EDENDERRY AT 7.30 P.M.**

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

Cllr Murrin thanked Town Clerk for organising GAA civic reception last Friday. It was a tremendous success. GAA were delighted with gift and certificates received.

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF LAST MONTHLY MEETING

On the proposal of Cllr Hogan and seconded by Cllr Breen the minutes of the Edenderry Town Council meeting held in January, 2012 were confirmed and signed.

2. R402 – EDENDERRY TO ENFIELD ROAD

All members agreed that R402 should stay on agenda. Members acknowledged their own efforts in highlighting this issue over the years. It was proposed by Cllr Foley and seconded by Cllr Cribbin to write to IDA and enquire what their proposals are for North Offaly now that R402 project is up and running.

3. HSE ISSUES

Cllr Murrin stressed the importance of agenda planning for meeting with ambulance service tomorrow and that the focus is now on HSE to provide the appropriate facilities for thier staff.

It was proposed by Cllr O'Neill and seconded by Cllr Murrin to take Midoc off the agenda.

Ofalia House – nothing to report.

4. TOWN COUNCIL REPORTING TO AREA

Cllr O'Neill asked that new speed limits be advised, Town Clerk will forward them to Cllr O'Neill. Cllr McDonnell asked that enquiries could be made at area meeting re contractor for public lighting, is OCC happy with service being provided. Declan Conlon said he would investigate this further and explained that the Roads section administrates this service. Town Clerk asked that general public report lights which are not working to area office with pole number. Cllr Cribbin also noted that sometimes it could be a technical issue not just a simple bulb out and this can take longer for mending. Cllr Murrin adviced members if they have any other issues for the area meeting to please contact him before 7th March.

5. MOTIONS / NOTICE OF MOTIONS

It was proposed by Cllr McDonnell and seconded by Cllr Cribbin to support notice of motion from Monaghan TC re cuts in insulation grants. It was proposed by Cllr McDonnell and seconded by Cllr O'Neill to support notice of motion from Ardee TC re €100 household charge. Cllr Cribbin asked could the household charge be accepted in area office Declan said no only Tullamore but forms were available in areas offices. It was then proposed by Cllr Murrin and seconded by Cllr McDonnell to write to Minister Hogan re making payment of household charge more convenient to people. Cllr Cribbin also asked in relation to unfinished estates and how this was assessed could this be included in the letter also.

6. CORRESPONDANCE

It was proposed by Cllr O'Neill and seconded by Cllr Cribbin to donate €1,000 to St Patrick's day parade committee. Cllr Foley noted the correspondence from Department of Justice and was concerned about the possibility that local court in Edenderry was not safe. All members agreed that local TDs need to be lobbied in relation to this matter. Letter of thanks for Kevin Farrell noted. It was proposed by Cllr O'Neill and seconded by Cllr McDonnell to write up a joint submission on recent document circulated "Reform of Water Sector in Ireland" Jan 2012 by Environment, Community and Local Government.

7. CONFERENCES

None

Date of next meeting – 14th March 2012.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Cathaoirleach

Date