

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Report of Oranmore Area Committee Meeting held at Áras an Chontae on the 27th July, 2009

I LATHAIR:-

Baill: Cllr. J. McDonagh (Chairperson)
Cllr. J. Cuddy
Cllr. L. Carroll
Cllr. M. Noone

Oifigigh:- Mr. P. Ridge, Director of Service, Planning & Sustainable
Development
Mr. M. Dolly, Senior Engineer, Roads & Transportation
Mr. D. Croghan, Senior Executive Engineer, Roads &
Transportation
Mr. Frank Hennigan, Staff Officer, Planning & Sustainable
Development

1. Election of Chair & Vice-Chairperson

This was the first meeting of the Oranmore Area Committee post the Annual meeting of the County Council 2009. Cllr. Cuddy was proposed by Cllr. McDonagh and seconded by Cllr. Carroll he was elected unanimously as Chairperson.

Cllr. Carroll was proposed by Cllr. McDonagh and seconded by Cllr. Cuddy and he was elected unanimously as Vice-Chairperson.

Cllr. Cuddy took the chair and welcomed and thanked all for their support.

2. Speed Limit Review 2009

Draft By-Laws for Speed Limits

Mr. Dolly outlined the history of the Speed Limits and reiterated that there was a limited amount of funding and the 1st phase was limited to Towns and Villages. Mr. Dolly stated that Critical Agreement relating to the Speed Limits had to be achieved at this meeting so as to be brought to the full council on 28th September 2009 in order that a report can be compiled for the October 2009 Council meeting and subsequent ratification in November 2009.

The meeting was informed that any changes in relation to the Headford area was no longer under the jurisdiction of the Oranmore Area and the meeting had no objection to any of the proposed changes in relation to Headford.

As per 2004 schedule 2nd 64(f) of the “Draft” Proposed Speed Limit Review Map 4, Location Maree Road, Oranmore (L4101) the meeting agreed to the change as outlined.

As per 2004 schedule New of the “Draft” Proposed Speed Limit Review, Map 3, Location Clarinbridge, New Estate Road, pitches (no number), the meeting agreed to the changes outlined.

As per 2004 schedule 2nd 52(a) of the “Draft” Proposed Speed Limit Review, Map 2, Location Lackagh, Roscommon-Laghtgeorge Road (N63), the meeting agreed to the changes outlined.

As per 2004 schedule 3rd 64(c) of the “Draft” Proposed Speed Limit Review Map 1, Location Claregalway, Claregalway-Oranmore Road N18, the meeting agreed to the changes outlined.

As per 2004 schedule 2nd 30(a) of the “Draft” Proposed Speed Limit Review Map 5, Location Cloonboo, Headford Road (N84), the meeting agreed to the changes outlined.

As per 2004 schedule New of the “Draft” Proposed Speed Limit Review Map 6, Location Ballindooly/Kilrogther, Ballindooly-Menlough Road (L6207) the meeting agreed to the changes outlined.

A discussion took place regarding Coldwood School and periodic speed limits. The meeting was informed that the NRA would only approve periodic speed limits. The Councillors requested a definition of periodic speed limits this is to be provided by the Roads Engineers, Michael Dolly & Diarmuid Croghan.

A discussion took place regarding the County Roads and speed limits and meeting was informed that this can only take place in the 2nd phase of the review which would have to be agreed at full council level.

On the proposal of Cllr. McDonagh and seconded by Cllr. Noone it was agreed to proceed with the Draft Bye-laws.

3. Any other Business

A discussion took place regarding secondary roads, hedge trimming and the effect of the Industrial Dispute/Work to Rule. The meeting was informed that regarding the Industrial Dispute the Council is awaiting a Labour Court decision. It was stated that hedge trimming would be carried out on a priority basis where funds allowed at junctions and bends.

The serious problem with road funding was reiterated.

A discussion took place regarding the N6 Construction Company and Galway County Council. It is the responsibility of the N6 to maintain roads to the proper standard. The council are prepared to carry out this works if funded and there is an agreement for such funding between the NRA and the N6 Construction Company.

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