#### **Ceantar Bardais Inis Eoghain**

Oifig Riarthóir na gCruinnithe Aras an Chontae Leifear 4ú Nollaig 2019

#### **FOGRA CRUINNITHE**

Beidh Cruinniú de Ceantar Bardais Inis Eoghain ar siúl Dé Máirt 10ú Nollaig 2019, <u>ag</u> 11.00 r.n. in ISP Carn Domhnach.

DO GACH BHALL DEN CEANTAR BARDAS INIS EOGHAIN

#### A Chara,

Iarrtar ort bheith i lathair ag an gcruinniú seo Ceantar Bardais Inis Eoghain. Tá Clar an Cruinnithe le seo.

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#### **Municipal District of Inishowen**

Office of Meetings Administrator County House Lifford 4<sup>th</sup> December 2019

#### **NOTICE OF MEETING**

A Meeting of the Municipal District of Inishowen will be held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019 at 1.00p.m. in the Public Services Centre, Carndonagh.

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF INISHOWEN

#### Dear Councillor

You are summoned to attend this meeting of the Municipal District of Inishowen. The Agenda is attached.

Yours sincerely

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#### AGENDA

- 1. Consideration of the Minutes of the Budget 2020 Meeting Inishowen Municipal District of Inishowen Meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2019
- 2. Consideration of the Minutes of the Municipal District of Inishowen Meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2019
- 3. Community & Enterprise
- 4. Environment
- 5. Roads & Transportation
- 6. Housing, Corporate & Cultural Services
- 7. Planning
- 8. Correspondence

MINUTES OF THE INISHOWEN MUNICIPAL DISTRICT MEETING HELD IN THE PUBLIC SERVICES CENTRE, CARNDONAGH ON THURSDAY 24TH OCTOBER 2019 AT 1.00pm

#### **Councillors Present:**

Councillors Paul Canning, Nicholas Crossan, Terry Crossan, Albert Doherty, Rena Donaghey, Martin McDermott, Bernard McGuinness and Jack Murray.

#### **Officials Present:**

John McLaughlin, Director of Roads and Transportation, Aideen Doherty, Area Manager Housing & Corporate, Seamus Hopkins, Area Manager, Roads and Transportation, Rosin Kelly, Executive Planner, Mathew Byrne, Waste Protection Officer, Javed Iqbal, Senior Executive Architect, Paddy Mullen, Senior Executive Engineer, Fiona Doherty, Development Officer, Community and Enterprise Una Cresswell, A/Senior Staff Officer

#### **Apologies**

Cllr Martin Farren

#### 19.49 Adjournment of Meeting -

Cathaoirleach, Cllr Martin McDermott welcomed everybody to the meeting. On the proposal of Cllr Terry Crossan and seconded by Cllr Jack Murray, it was agreed that the Municipal District meeting be adjourned for thirty minutes until 1.30pm.

#### 19.50 Carndonagh Community School Politics Studies Students

Five students from Carndonagh Community School, Daniel McCormack, Tony Meehan, Adam McGonigle, Luke Doherty and Conor Doherty met with the members to observe how local democracy works and how the Municipal District conducts their meetings. A brief discussion with the members on "How social media may be a threat to democracy?" ensued.

The meeting reconvened at 1.30pm

## 19.51. Consideration of the minutes of meeting of the Inishowen Municipal District meeting held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

On the proposal of ClIr Rena Donaghey and seconded by ClIr Albert Doherty, the minutes of the Inishowen Municipal District meeting held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2019 were agreed. It was noted that minute 19.44.09 should have read ClIr Rena Donaghey and not ClIr Rena Doherty.

Regarding, 19.45.06, Cllr Albert Doherty requested that a letter be sent to the Minister of Department of Agriculture and Marine regarding concerns around the shelving of the development of the Sea Survival Centre at the Greencastle Fisheries School and regarding the status of the unfunded breakwater scheme in Greencastle.

#### **19.52 PLANNING**

#### 19.52.01 Buncrana Local Area Plans – Appointment of External Consultants

Roisin Kelly, Executive Planner advised the members that she would update the members on the appointment of consultants to assist with Buncrana Local Area Plans. She added that the Strategic Study is an eight week process and that the members would be updated on its progression.

#### 19.52.02 Planning Enforcement

Cllr Paul Canning stated that he believed that the level of enforcement as detailed in the planning report seemed high. Roisin Kelly confirmed that the figure did relate to Inishowen only.

#### 19.52.03 Planning Enforcement Issues

Cllr Paul Canning referred to a particular enforcement case whereby a complaint was received relating to heavy goods vehicle being parked late at night in a residential area and a letter being subsequently sent out by the enforcement department of Donegal County Council to the driver of the vehicle. He said that this had caused distress to the driver who was merely parking up after work and changing over with another driver. He suggested that the protocol for sending out such letters should be considered and reviewed.

Cllr Terry Crossan referred to an enforcement case whereby an enforcement letter was sent to an individual who had been facilitating the council by allowing vehicles to park when a road scheme was being progressed in the area. Without the use of the yard the progression of works would be very difficult he added,

#### **19.52.04 Planning Statistics**

Clrr Albert Doherty referred to the planning statistics for Inishowen and suggested that eighty five invalid, one hundred and twenty seven deferred and thirty two refused applications was a worrying trend in Inishowen. He added that he believed that the workshops for the agents and planners need to continue as proposed in the new County Development Plan. Cllr Nicholas Crossan stated that Inishowen had one less application than Letterkenny yet it had the most invalid, deferred and refused applications.

#### 19.52.05 Planning Letters of Support by Members

Cllr Rena Donaghey stated that support letters she submitted to planning had been refused even though she had been submitting the same letters for many years. She was advised that she did not identify in her letters that there was a need, however she resubmitted a letter and it was accepted. Cllr Bernard McGuinness stated that similarly, his letters of support had been refused and returned to him. He added that there had been no Planning SPC since the June election and sought clarification on where these changes came from.

#### 19.52.06 Availability of Planners

Cllr Bernard McGuinness stated that three planning clinics for Inishowen in November was insufficient. He said that he recognised there was a huge work load in the planning service and that there was always pressure to get the planning decision out. However, he requested that there should be additional availability of planners.

On the proposal of ClIr Paul Canning, seconded by ClIr Nicholas Crossan it was requested that a planning workshop with the members be held as soon as possible with a senior planner as there were many issues that had to be clarified and addressed in the Inishowen Municpal District area. It was requested that John McLaughlin, Director of Roads and Services and Inishowen Municpal District request this meeting with Liam Ward, Director of Planning and Director Community Development Planning Services.

Rosin Kelly advised that she would take all the matters discussed to the senior planners and would revert back to the members with their response.

19.52.07 Takeover of Estates Planning & Development Act (2000-2018) – Section 207 Roads Act, 1993 – Section 11 Planning and Development Act, 2000-2018) – Section 180

Paddy Mullen, Senior Executive Planner outlined in his report the how the Planning Authority for the Inishowen Municipal District was seeking a resolution for the making of an order, in accordance with Section 207 of the Planning & Development Act 2000-2017, for the creation of a public rights of way

over the estate roads within the housing estates listed in Schedule A, to enable it to proceed with the taking in charge of these estates. This followed on from previous discussions in relation to the takeover of estates in the Inishowen Municipal District.

Paddy Mullen also outlined how the Planning Authority for the Inishowen Municipal District is seeking a resolution for the making of an order, in accordance with Section 11(1) of the Roads Act 1993, that the roads within the housing estates listed in Schedule B over which a public right-of-way now exists are declared to be public roads. He explained how that consequent on the making of the Order the Council is required to take in charge any sewers, watermains or service connections, and the public open spaces within the attendant grounds of the housing developments in accordance with Section 180(4)(a) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 - 2018 and to request Irish Water as the Water Services Authority to take in charge the water services comprising the sewers, watermains and service connections within the estates in accordance with Section 180 (4)(c). Section 11 of the Roads Act requires that the financial implications of the declaration as a public road be considered. The financial implications are not significant with no specific issues within these estates being raised by the Area Roads Engineers.

Accordingly, on the proposal of Councillor Bernard McGuinness, seconded by Councillor Albert Doherty, it was resolved that the Council make an order in accordance with Section 207 of the Planning & Development Act 2000-2018 for the creation of public rights of way over the estate roads within the housing estates listed in Schedule A, to enable it to proceed with the taking in charge of these estates.

On the proposal of Councillor Albert Doherty, seconded by Councillor Bernard McGuinness it was resolved that the Council make an order in accordance with Section 11 (1) of the Roads Act, 1993 to declare the estate roads within the housing estates listed in Schedule B to be public roads and note the consequential provisions contained in Section 180(4)(a) and (c) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) whereby this Council will also take in charge the water services, infrastructure and the public open spaces within the attendant grounds of the housing estates and will subsequently transfer the water services within the estates comprising sewers, watermains and service connections to Irish Water.

#### Schedule A

1	Donagh Park, Churchtown Upper, Carndonagh, Co. Donegal.	Service roads (not including individual private driveways) within the above housing estate commencing at the junction with the existing public road in the townland of Churchtown Upper
2	Drumcarbit Mews, Drumcarbit, Malin, Co. Donegal.	Service Roads (not including individual private driveways) within the above housing estate commencing at the junction with the public road in the townland of Drumcarbit
3	Drumard, Drumcarbit, Malin, Co. Donegal	Service roads (not including individual private driveways) within the housing development in the townland of Drumcarbit

#### **Schedule B**

1	Donagh Park, Churchtown Upper, Carndonagh, Co. Donegal.	Service roads (not including individual private driveways) within the above housing estate commencing at the junction with the existing public road in the townland of Churchtown Upper
2	Drumcarbit Mews, Drumcarbit, Malin, Co. Donegal.	Service Roads (not including individual private driveways) within the above housing estate commencing at the junction with the public road in the townland of Drumcarbit
3	Drumard, Drumcarbit, Malin, Co. Donegal	Service roads (not including individual private driveways) within the housing development in the townland of Drumcarbit

#### **19.53 ENVIRONMENT**

Mathew Byrne, Waste Protection Officer presented the Environment report to the members.

#### 19.53.01 Tidy Towns

Mathew Byrne congratulated all the community groups and Tidy Towns committees on the great results received in the Tidy Towns Awards 2019. The tremendous work was acknowledged and there was a consensus that Tidy Towns and community groups were playing s huge role in tidying up the peninsula in general. Cllr Rena Donaghey stated that every town had increased their points with Buncrana achieving its fifth gold medal with seven extra points. Cllr Albert Doherty congratulated Buncrana on its pollinator plan. He added that he understood that many groups were now interested in developing pollinator plans throughout the country. Buncrana won the National Large Town Pollinator Award at the Tidy Towns awards on Monday September 30th, at the Helix in Dublin. This award recognised all that had been done by the town to help pollinating insects.

Some discussion took place on how extra points could be achieved in the Tidy Towns Competition and it was suggested by Cllr Jack Murray that extra funding should be provided to Tidy Towns committees and community groups so that they are incentivised to keep up the good work. Cllr Paul Canning also congratulated the success of the Tidy Towns committee and suggested that the process of funding should be made easier with less red tape. Cllr Martin McDermott also congratulated everybody involved and suggested that the Environment Section should assist the smaller towns as they were losing out to larger towns who were gaining extra points with pollinator plans and environmental aspects in the competition. Cllr Nicholas Crossan added that he also wished to congratulate all involved and added that he wish to particularly congratulate the Men's Shed in Moville and Carndonagh who exhibited excellent reproduced items in the competition.

Mathew Byrne suggested that it may be useful to have a workshop with the Tidy Towns groups to discuss the various items and suggestions put forward. Cllr Martin McDermott requested that the meetings be held at Municpal District level and that the council gardeners should be invited to the workshop.

#### 19.53.02 Donegal Airport

It was acknowledged that Donegal Airport had been recognised as a green airport and certified as such for the next three years. It was awarded the EcoMerit Environmental Certification.

#### 19.53.03 Clean Coasts' Big Beach Clean

Mathew Byrne referred to the Clean Coasts' Big Beach Clean took place from 20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> September all over Ireland. In Donegal, eighteen clean-up events were organised, where approximately three hundred volunteers and community groups got involved, removing 1.7 tonnes of litter from the region.

#### 19.53.04 Bonfire night

Mathew Byrne advised the members that the public should not off load waste for burning on Bonfire night to avoid toxic pollutants being omitted in the area.

#### 19.53.05 School Bikes 4 Africa

Mathew Byrne advised as outlined in his report, that in conjunction with Letterkenny Rotary & Bryson Recycling, Donegal County Council are once again appealing to public to donate teenage / adult bicycles in decent condition through any of the six recycling centres during the month of October. Bicycles are repaired at Loughlan House in Cavan and sent to the Gambia for use by secondary school Students.

#### 19.53.06 Refurbishment of Buncrana Leisure Centre.

Cllr Jack Murray requested that an update be provided on the refurbishment of Buncrana Leisure Centre. He added that this was a very important issue and needed to be addressed. Mathew Byrne advised that he would seek an updated report on the status of the refurbishment project for the members.

#### 19.53.07 Foul Odour in Slab Road area at Burt

Cllr Jack Murray requested an update on the investigation and controls on the site where the foul smell radiates from in Burt as discussed at previous meetings. It was suggested that the spreading on the lands required monitoring. It was noted that the action group that had been set up locally were working strenuously to have the environmental problem addressed and that maybe Donegal County Council could work in conjunction with them to protect the environment, maybe supporting them financially. Cllr Terry Crossan agreed that the matter had to be addressed and dealt with.

#### 19.53.08 Environmental Issues at Lough Foyle

Cllr Terry Crossan expressed his concerns around aquaculture along Lough Foyle and the potential environmental issues around the activity. He referred to residue, rubbish and plastic being deposited there and its impact on wildlife. He asked that the Environment Section review the activity around the Foyle Estuary coastline. He stated that there had been a significant increase in aquaculture licenses issued and this was concerning. Mathew Byrne said he would get in touch with the Litter Warden to investigate the matter.

#### 19.53.09 Lagg Beach - Slodden to Binbane Head Study

Cllr Martin McDermott suggested that the council engage with landowners and stakeholders who are interested in the outcome of the recent report and update on the Lagg Slodden to Binbane Head study.

#### **19.54 ROADS**

Seamus Hopkins, Area Manager, Roads updated the members in his report on the status of the Road's Work Programme to date.

#### 19.54.01 Low Cost Safety Works

Seamus Hopkins advised that Low Cost Safety Works were all now completed.

#### 19.54.02 Agreed Restoration Improvement Works

Seamus Hopkins advised that Agreed Restoration Improvement Works were complete.

#### 19.54.03 Footpath Provision Programme 2018/2020

Seamus Hopkins advised that the Footpath provision was progressing. It was noted that Roads service would focus on the drainage channels at Main Street, Buncrana in order to prevent damage and upgrade the footpath there. Cllr Nicholas Crossan emphasised that completing the drainage aspect of the footpath in the main Street in Buncrana was very important .Cllr Jack Murray expressed his appreciation for the completion of footpath provision at Sappagh, Muff.

#### 19.54.04 Signage at Redcastle

Seamus Hopkins advised that mobile solar powered signage at Redcastle was going to be installed as a traffic calming measure to assist in trying to address excessive speed in the area. Traffic will be monitored and usually this has significant impact on reducing speed, he added. The units can then be moved elsewhere.

#### 18.54.05 Roads at Culdaff

Cllr Bernard McGuinness stated that there is dangerous subsidence on the road between Culdaff and Malin and Templemoyle to Carndonagh and despite numerous promises to do so, the council still hasn't addressed the problem. He said the most dangerous spots had been marked with purple paint. John Mc Laughlin, Director of Roads and Transportation advised that he was aware and had been in the area recently. He stated that contractors have agreed to do the work, but there are substantial costs which the council must try to finance as this work had not been budgeted for However, he added that he hoped to get the work completed. Cllr Mc Guinness suggested that the council's own staff could do a temporary repair.

#### **18.54.06 Winter Maintenance Programme**

Seamus Hopkins advised that the first winter maintenance call of the season was tonight.

#### 18.54.07 Meena Mulligan Bridge, Illies

The news that Meena Mulligan Bridge in Illies was expected to be in operation this time next year was welcomed by the members. Cllr Rena Donaghey said that she was delighted with this news

#### 19.54.08 Point Rd, Fahan

Cllr Rena Donaghey referred to Point Road in Fahan that was in a bad state of repairs. She said it was a country road but some services such as the HSE were reluctant to use it. She added that several people had brought the state of the road to her attention. She said she was aware that the road was not on the list for repairs but requested that it would be reviewed and considered for improvement works. Seamus Hopkins agreed to look into the matter.

#### 19.54.09 Railway Road at Farren's Garage

Cllr Jack Murray reiterated his suggestion from the last Inishowen Municipal Meeting that the installation of an island at Railway Road would be very beneficial as a safety measure to prevent potential accidents. He added that many school children and pedestrians cross the road there.

#### 19.54.10 Street Lights at Ferris Lane, Main St Buncrana and Marian Park

Cllr Jack Murray stated that street lights are not working at Ferris Lane, Main St Buncrana and Marian Park for three days. Cllr Nicholas Crossan stressed that the street lights being out should be addressed immediately as limited lighting and anti social behaviour in the town was not a good mix and he was receiving complaints all the time about the situation.

#### 19.54.11 Road at Rock Bar, Muff

Cllr Jack Murray mentioned that the white line on the road at Rock Bar, Muff was very faded and required attention.

#### 19.54.12 L6681 Road, Dumfries

Cllr Jack Murray requested that the L6881 be looked at as it is in bad condition with pot holes.

#### 19.54.13 Crash Barrier at Rock Head, Burnfoot

Cllr Paul Canning stated that the junction corner at Rock Head coming out of Burnfoot to Inch is dangerous and requires attention. He asked if anything could be done in light of the Greenway likely to pass that direction.

#### 19.54.14 Greenway Muff to Derry

Cllr Paul Canning asked if the hard shoulder on the wide road to Moville to Derry could be widened to feed into the Greenway. Seamus advised that he hoped the Greenway would be developed as far as possible. Cllr Terry Crossan agreed that widening of the hard shoulder between Muff and Ture would be beneficial for cyclists.

#### 19.54.15 Grove Cottages to Former Red Cross Building Muff

Cllr Terry Crossan referred to the area of uncompleted footpath between the former Red Cross building to Grove Cottages which currently has very poor lighting. He mentioned that there were many elderly people living in the area and asked that this be addressed.

#### 18.54.16 Flooding at Ard Ban, Muff

Cllr Terry Crossan asked if the council could look at gullies at Ard Ban Muff as there had been flooding there after rain fall in the area.

#### 19.52.17 Ramps at Bridgend School and Newtowncunningham

In response to a query from Cllr Paul Canning regarding ramps at Bridgend School and Newtowncunningham, Seamus Hopkins advised that ramps are generally an easy solution but not a long term solution.

#### 19.54.18 Noisy Man Hole Covers, Railway Road Buncrana

Cllr Nicholas Crossan mentioned that there were noisy man hole covers on Railway Road, Buncrana that needed to be looked at.

#### 19.54.19 Miscellaneous Issues

Cllr Nicholas Crossan referred to many small maintenance and improvement issues that were being overlooked but none the less were as important as the major issues in Inishowen. Seamus Hopkins agreed to discuss the matter with Nicholas at a later date,

#### 19.54.18 Lights at Greencastle Community Centre

Cllr Albert Doherty reiterated his request from the last Inishowen Municipal District Meeting whether lights at Greencastle Community Centre could be installed.

#### 19.54.19 Castle Park, Buncrana

Cllr Crossan asked that the ramps at Castle Park, Buncrana be replaced as Castle Park was being used as a traffic short cut.

#### 19.54.20 Francistown Junction

Cllr Martin McDermott referred to Francistown Junction as discussed at previous meetings. He stated that there had been near misses at the junction there and that he remained concerned and that he hoped a solution would have to be found .

#### 19.54.21 Craignahorna Bridge

Cllr Albert Doherty stated that Craignahorna bridge was in a terrible state and that the approach to it desperately requires lighting.

#### 18.54.22 Carndonagh to Quigley's Point -The Planting

Cllr Albert Doherty requested an update on works proposed on the Carndonagh to Quigley's Point Road at The Planting

#### 18.54.23 Foot Bridge Provision at Bridge St

Cllr Albert Doherty requested an update on footbridge provision at Bridge St Carndonagh as it has been on the agenda since the 1960s Seamus Hopkins advised that there are ongoing discussions and it is at the point of proposals being finalised

#### 18.54.24 Accidents involving Wild Deer

Concerns were raised regarding wild deer on roads between Malin and Ballyliffen causing accidents. Cllr Bernard McGuinness suggested contacting the Parks and Wildlife Service for guidance. Seamus Hopkins advised that he may be in conjunction with the Environment Section, a solution could be found to deal with the problem. He mentioned that in Dungloe, signage had been erected to warn road users of the wild deer.

Seamus Hopkins agreed to update members individually on matters raised.

The meeting went into committee at 3.12pm

The meeting reconvened at 3.37pm

#### 19.55 COMMUNITY AND ENTERPRISE

Fiona Doherty, Development Officer, presented the Community and Enterprise report to the members.

#### 19.55.01 An Grianan of Aileach Fort

Cllr Jack Murray welcomed the news that the draft Conservation and Management Plan for An Grianan of Aileach Fort was almost complete and would be presented to members at year end. He also welcomed the opportunity to meet with the OPW in a Workshop and looked forward to their presentation. The consensus of the members was that it was a positive step towards the development of An Grianan and its future.

#### 19.55.02 Visitor Management Plan for Malin Head Signature Discovery Point

Cllr Albert Doherty thanked Fiona for her report and sought clarification on a few matters in relation to Visitor Management Plan for Malin Head Signature Discovery Point. He asked who was on the steering committee and would there be a building? Fiona stated that work was ongoing and that the

design team plan to hold a workshop with the members before the end of the year. Cll Cllr Martin McDermott praised the work that was going on to promote Malin Head and its development and acknowledged the role of Failte Ireland who have been very positive, he added,

#### 19.55.03 Barrack Hill Park

Cllr Albert Doherty again referred to the ongoing issues regarding the management and access to the outdoor gym and climbing wall at Barrack Hill. He requested that measures are taken to resolve the issues to re-open this facility and requested that access be reviewed. Concerns were raised about insurance implications for those wishing to use the facilities.

#### 19.55.04 Walks and Trails

Cllr Albert Doherty sought clarification on who was now responsible for walks and trails as Frances Conaghan has now moved on

#### 19.55.05 Playground Maintenance

Cllr Bernard McGuinness expressed his concern over the lack of playground maintenance particularly in Culdaff which was the first playground in Inishowen. He requested an update. Fiona Doherty advised that engineer who was previously in charge of playgrounds has now been replaced

#### 19.55.06 Buncrana Playpark

Cllr Rena Donaghey requested that repairs take place at Buncrana Play Park as previously requested as a matter of urgency

#### 19.55.07 Carndonagh Riverside Walk

Cllr Albert Doherty requested that the Carndonagh Riverside walk is kept on the agenda and engagement takes place with all sections of the Council and land owners to progress the matter particularly now that Donagh Park has been taken in charge by the council

#### 19.55.08 LEADER Funding.

The announcement of €500,000 in funding to Donegal Local Action Group was welcomed by Cllr Martin McDermott. He congratulated Inishowen Development Partnership, Donegal Local Development Company and Udaras na Gaeltachta on keeping Donegal on the Agenda for LEADER funding. However he pointed out that smaller groups found it difficult to access funds due to the complicated application process.

#### **19.56 HOUSING & CORPORATE SERVICES**

Aideen Doherty, Area Manager, Housing and Corporate Services presented the Housing report to the members and updated them on matters

#### 19.56.01 Deputations for December 2019 Meeting

It was agreed by the members that two deputations would take place on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December, Hoist Away, Culdaff and Lifeline, Carndonagh

#### 19.56.02 Workshops Proposed

It was agreed the following workshops, would take place on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November commencing at 9.30am.

- Housing Workshop
- Planning workshop
- Rural Water Workshop
- Malin Head Development
- An Grainan an Aileach

#### 19.56.03 Irish Water

It was proposed by Cllr Martin McDermott and seconded by Cllr Paul Canning that a senior official from Irish Water is asked to attend the next Inishowen MD meeting. The areas for discussion were regarding recent water bursts in Inishowen and pricing.

#### 19.56.04 One Person Dwellings

In response to a query from Cllr Albert Doherty, Aideen Doherty confirmed that one bedroom dwellings would be included in future housing developments as there was always a requirement for this type of property.

Date of next meeting  It was agreed the date of the next meeting is Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December at 1.00pm	
Certified:Cathaoirleach	Date:
 Area Manager	Date:

MINUTES OF THE INISHOWEN MUNICIPAL DISTRICT BUDGET 2020 MEETING HELD IN THE PUBLIC SERVICES CENTRE, CARNDONAGH ON THURSDAY 24TH OCTOBER 2019 AT 2.30pm

#### **Councillors Present:**

Councillors Paul Canning, Nicholas Crossan, Albert Doherty, Terry Crossan, Rena Donaghey, Martin McDermott, Bernard McGuinness and Jack Murray.

#### **Officials Present:**

John McLaughlin, Director of Roads and Transportation, Aideen Doherty, Area Manager Housing & Corporate, Seamus Hopkins, Area Manager, Roads and Transportation, Rosin Kelly, Executive Planner, Mathew Byrne, Waste Protection Officer, Javed Iqbal, Senior Executive Architect, Paddy Mullen, Senior Executive Engineer, Fiona Doherty, Development Officer, Community and Enterprise Una Cresswell, A/Senior Staff Officer

#### **Apologies**

Cllr Martin Farren

Cathaoirleach of Inishowen Municipal District, Cllr. Martin McDermott, welcomed everybody to the meeting and handed over to Richard Gibson, Acting Head of Finance to brief the members. Richard Gibson acknowledged that comprehensive discussions had taken place previously in the Budget Workshops and that matters were considered and clarified to the members there. The purpose of the meeting today is to consider the Draft Budgetary Plan for the Municipal District of Inishowen for 2020. Accordingly Richard Gibson reiterated to the members the purpose of the meeting and outlined the general Municipal allocation background in summary as follows;

- The draft budgetary plan sets out how any General Municipal Allocation allocated to the Municipal District will be spent.
- The definition of the GMA is "discretionary funding which is made available to municipal district members for allocation in the draft budgetary plan".
- The Local Government Reform Act 2014 and associated regulations require the allocation of a General Municipal Allocation to each Municipal District as part of the annual revenue budget process.
- The purpose of a draft budgetary plan is to provide each municipal district with an opportunity to allocate its portion of the General Municipal Allocation according to its priorities.
- This does not replace the main, strategic, non-discretionary expenditure of the local authority, the spending of which will be prioritised by the members as part of the development of a schedule of municipal district works after the budget has been adopted.
- Regulations require that the draft budgetary plan shall set out the General Municipal Allocation and its proposed application for the forthcoming financial year.
- It is not practicable, in the context of the sequencing of budget processes, to allocate a global and final figure as part of the GMA, prior to the final plenary budget being adopted.
- It is only when the plenary budget is adopted that it can be known for certain what capacity exists within the Council's resources to allocate such funding.
- For 2020, an allocation equivalent to €20,000 per elected member has been allocated as part of the GMA with its application specified as "Development Management – Strategic Development Fund"

- This is equivalent to the Strategic Development Fund allocation that has been made for the last number of years as part of the statutory plenary budget (Development Fund Initiative – DFI)
- Section 102 (4A) (c) and (d) provide that it is a reserved function of the members of a municipal district to adopt the draft budgetary plan with or without amendment.
- The regulations specifically state that there is no provision for the adjournment of the municipal district budget meeting.

There was a consensus from all the members to agree on the proposal of the Draft Budgetary Plan for the Municipal District of Inishowen for 2020.

#### Recommendation

It was therefore recommended that in line with the requirements of the Local Government Reform Act 2014 and associated regulations that the Inishowen Municipal District adopts a provisional general municipal allocation in the amount of €180,000 at this time.

On the proposal of Cllr Nicholas Crossan, seconded by Cllr Rena Donaghey, it was agreed that the Inishowen Municipal District adopts a provisional general municipal allocation in the amount of €180,000.

Certified:	Date:
Cathaoirleach	
Area Manager	Date:

## Community, Enterprise & Planning Directorate Community & Development Division



## Municipal District of Inishowen Tuesday 10th December, 2019

- 1. Chambers Ireland Excellence in Local Government Awards
- 2. Malin Head
- 3. Rural Development Programme/LEADER
- 4. An Grianán of Aileach Fort
- 5. 2017 Newtoncunningham Town and Village Renewal Scheme
- 6. 2018 Muff Town and Village Renewal Scheme
- 7. 2018 Buncrana Town and Village Renewal Scheme
- 8. 2018 Moville Town and Village Renewal Scheme
- 9. Playground Maintenance
- 10. Donegal Walks and Trails
- 11. Buncrana School Campus

#### CHAMBERS IRELAND EXCELLENCE IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AWARDS

Donegal County Council win the prestigious **Chambers Ireland Excellence in Local Government Awards**. The award was won within the category *Outstanding Initiative through the Municipal Districts Awards.* 

### The application submitted was entitled Hosting the Dubai Duty Free Irish Open in Inishowen Municipal District — A place mobilised

Donegal County Council would like to thank and acknowledge the amazing work carried out by the community within the various towns and villages in the peninsula. The application entitled A Place Mobilised described the extensive work which contributed to the amazing success of the 2018 Dubai Duty Free Irish Open in Ballyliffin. It was a real collaborative project lead by Donegal County Council in collaboration with the local community, Tidy Town Committees, Community Groups, Schools, Businesses, Fáilte Ireland, An Garda Siochánna and Ballyliffin Golf Club.



Pictured at the presentation left to right are Ian Talbot, Chief Executive, Chambers Ireland, Paddy McLaughlin, Donegal County Council, Liam Ward, Director of Service, Community Development and Planning, Fiona Doherty, Donegal County Council, Clir Martin McDermott, Caoitherleach of Inishowen Municipal District, Andy Johnston, Director, LGiU Ireland, Minister of State, John Paul Phelan, with special responsibility for Local Government and Electoral Reform.



Municipal District: Inishowen Activity / Project Update: December 2019

Activity / Project Title	wen Activity / Project Update: December 2019  Malin Head
Activity / Project Description	Malin Head Access & Amenity Improvement Project.
Progress to date within the last two months/quarter* - inclusive of current status	Access & Amenity Improvement Project The Access and Amenity Improvement project is completed and the facility is opened.  Visitor Management Plan for Malin Head Signature Discovery Point Project  1. Donegal County Council following consultation with Failte Ireland has completed the tendering competition for the procurement of multidisciplinary services for the delivery of a visitor management plan for Malin Head Signatory point.
* Delete irrelevant reporting period	<ul> <li>Keys and Monaghan Architects together with Cooney Architects have been appointed to Design the Malin Head Visitor Management Plan and Concept design.</li> <li>Keys and Monaghan Architects together with Cooney Architects, a multi-disciplinary team have been appointed to provide a Visitor</li> </ul>
Project Targets for the next bi-monthly/quarterly* reporting period	Management Plan and concept design for Malin Head.  Current status  There were four successful Stakeholder Engagement workshops held on the 8 <sup>th</sup> May in Malin Head Community Centre, 9 <sup>th</sup> May McGrorys Hotel Culdaff, Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May in the Colgan Hall, Carndonagh and Malin Village hall on the 15 <sup>th</sup> May with over 310 people in attendance over the four evenings.
* Delete irrelevant reporting priod	<ul> <li>Following a period of extensive public and stakeholder consultations, design concepts have been developed from the wealth of ideas and variety of contributions from the period of public and stakeholder consultations led by Donegal County Council, Failte Ireland and Keys and Monaghan Architects together with Cooney Architects.</li> <li>A workshop presentation by Keys and Monaghan Architects together with Cooney Architects on the concept ideas for the Malin Head Visitor Management Plan will take place at the Inishowen Municipal District on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 11am.</li> <li>Public Information Events on the design concepts will take place on the following dates:</li> <li>1. 6.00pm-7.30pm on Tuesday the 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019 at St. Mary's Community Hall, Carnmalin, Malin Head</li> <li>2. 8.30pm-10.00pm on Tuesday the 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019 at St. Patrick's Parochial Hall, Malin Village</li> <li>3. 6.00pm-7.30pm on Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup> December at Colgan Hall, Chapel Street, Carndonagh</li> <li>4. 8.30pm-10.00pm on Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup> December at Mc Grory's Hotel, Culdaff</li> </ul>
Contact Person (to include telephone number & e-mail address)	Fiona Doherty, 087 367 8954, or 074 9373743



#### **Municipal District: Countywide**

Activity / Project Title	Rural Development Programme/LEADER
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Activity / Project	Donegal Local Community and Development Committee are the
Description	Local Action Group for County Donegal, with responsibility for
	the LEADER/Rural Development Programme 2014-2020
Budget	€12,913,873
	Note: Project costs €9,685,406, administration and animation
	costs €3,228,467
Progress to date	There are 4 Implementing Partners within the county; Donegal
within the last two	Local Development Company (DLDC), Inishowen Development
months-inclusive of	Partnership (IDP), Údarás Na Gaeltachta and Comhar na
current status	nOileán, who are rolling out the LEADER programme on behalf
	of the LAG (Local Action Group). 102 projects in Donegal are
	now approved by Pobal and Letters of Offer have issued/are
	pending granting LEADER funding to a value of just over
	€4.5m. Donegal has the highest approved project spend
	nationally for the LEADER programme to date.
Project Targets for the	The next LCDC/LAG meeting is taken place on Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>
next bi-monthly	December, 2019 with further projects coming forward for
reporting period	approval. Monthly Evaluation Committee meetings are also
	being held in order to progress projects to LCDC/LAG stage and
	the development companies continue to engage with promoters
	on the ground to develop and assess potential applications and
	to promote the LEADER programme.
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Activity / Project Update Activity / Project Title	An Grianán of Aileach Fort
Project Description/Activity Budget (if applicable)	Development /Improvement of Visitor facilities
Progress to date within the last quarter - inclusive of current status * Delete irrelevant reporting period	<ul> <li>A meeting took place on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2017 with Mr. Frank Shalvey and Mr. Eoghan Moyla, senior OPW officials, Failte Ireland, Council Officials and various stakeholders. Mr. Shalvey agreed to initiate the process for a Conservation and Management Plan of the entire site. The timeframe for completion of the plan is early 2018. The Council will work in collaboration with the OPW, Failite Ireland and the stakeholders in relation to the development of the site.</li> <li>The Office of Public Works have given a commitment to commission a Conservation and Management Plan . This is on the way to being achieved currently and this will set out the options for the future management of the Grianán an Aileach site.</li> <li>In June 2019, the OPW officially appointed Blackwood Associates Architects to provide a Conservation and Management plan. The consultants will be in contact with Donegal County Council as part of this process over the next few months. The Members will be kept updated on the progress.</li> </ul>
Project Targets for the next bi-monthly/quarterly* reporting period * Delete irrelevant reporting period	<ul> <li>Alice Bentley of Blackwood Associate Architects, Claire Cotter, Archaeologist, Jackie Hunt, Ecologist and Michele O' Dea from the Office of Public Works attended a workshop meeting regarding the Conservation and Management report with the Members on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2019. Contributions from the Councillors was documented by the consultations and will be addressed in the plan.</li> <li>Alice Bentley confirmed that the Conservation and Management plan will be completed at the end of December 2019.</li> <li>A copy of the report will be emailed to the Council and all parties will return to the February 2020 Municipal District meeting to present the final report.</li> </ul>
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Activity / Project Title	2017 Town & Village Renewal Scheme – Newtoncunningham		
Project Description/Activity	Tourist Information Kiosk		
Budget (if applicable)	€100,000 – Department of Arts, Heritage & Gaeltacht Affairs € 25,000 – Own Resources		
Progress to date within the last quarter -inclusive of current status	Works consists of:		
* Delete irrelevant reporting period	<ul> <li>The Installation of a Tourist Information Kiosk and associated works.</li> <li>Current Status:         <ul> <li>Various meetings have taken place regarding the project elements and a letter of offer should issue shortly to the group.</li> <li>Planning permission has been agreed.</li> <li>The Tendering process will be initiated within the next few weeks.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Procurement of the fit out of the Kiosk is currently been progressed.         <ul> <li>The tendering process for a contractor has been completed. Capital works have begun on site.</li> <li>All works to be completed by December, 2019.</li> </ul> </li> <li>The tender is been finalised for the software/app development and operating system for the Interactive Tourist and local Business information point.</li> </ul>		
Project Targets for the next Bi-monthly / quarterly reporting period	The group have appointed a company for the software/app development and operating system for the Interactive Tourist and local Business information point and this work is progressing		
Contact Person (to include telephone	Fiona Doherty 087 367 8954		
number & e-mail address)	E-mail: fdoherty@donegalcoco.ie		



Activity / Project Title	2018 Town & Village Renewal Scheme - Muff
File 622/P&ED/422 (8)	
Project Description/Activity	Village Health Check and Improvement Works to the village.
Budget (if applicable)	€100,000 – Department of Arts, Heritage & Gaeltacht Affairs € 25,000 – Own Resources
Progress to date within the last quarter -inclusive of current status  * Delete irrelevant reporting period	<ol> <li>Works to be agreed consist of:         <ol> <li>Village Health Check.</li> <li>Streetscape and Environmental enhancements</li> <li>Information panels, signage, print.</li> <li>Visitor information point</li> <li>Works to Muff Community Park.</li> <li>Footpath</li> <li>Off street Car Parking</li> <li>Development of a village renewal plan</li> </ol> </li> <li>A letter of Offer has issued to the Muff Community Development Forum.         <ol> <li>Work is progressing on the plans for the village</li> </ol> </li> <li>The group are in the process of appointing a consultant for the Village Health Check</li> <li>Tenders have been received for a site manager of the works .</li> </ol>
Project Targets for the next Bi-monthly / quarterly reporting period	<ul> <li>Current Status</li> <li>The group have appointed a consultant for the Village Health Check and plan, a public engagement evening took place and feedback from this meeting is taking place on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2019 in Muff Community Hall.</li> <li>The group have appointed a consultant to manage the overall project and this work</li> </ul>
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Activity / Project Title	2018 Town & Village Renewal Scheme – Buncrana
File 622/P&ED/422 (8)	
Project Description/Activity	<ul> <li>Refurbishment of the tourist office</li> <li>Information signage, enhancement of the area around the pier.</li> </ul>
Budget (if applicable)	€100,000 – Department of Arts, Heritage & Gaeltacht Affairs € 25,000 – Own Resources
Progress to date within the last quarter -inclusive of current status	Works consists of:  ➤ Web site development promotion and Branding  ➤ Office refurbishment  ➤ Finger Post Signage  ➤ Enhancement of the area around the pier
* Delete irrelevant reporting period	<ul> <li>Current Status:</li> <li>Preliminary Meetings have taken place with the group regarding the proposed works.</li> <li>Procurement for a website developer has commenced.</li> <li>Tenders were received, assessed. Website developer has been appointed</li> <li>The tender documents are been finalised for the procurement of an architect for the refurbishment of the tourist office and outside space.</li> </ul>
Project Targets for the next Bi-monthly / quarterly reporting period	Current status  • An architect has been appointed for the refurbishment works associated with the project.  • The website design is ongoing.
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Activity / Project Title	2018 Town & Village Renewal Scheme - Moville
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File 622/P&ED/422 (8)	Ceolan School of Music
Project Description/Activity	<ul> <li>Refurbishment of the former AIB 3 storey building to a Traditional Irish Music centre of excellence/hub</li> <li>Tourist information</li> </ul>
Budget (if applicable)	€100,000 – Department of Arts, Heritage & Gaeltacht Affairs € 25,000 – Own Resources
Progress to date within the last quarter –inclusive of current status	Works consists of:
	<ul> <li>The renovation of the 3 storey building</li> <li>Various surveys required to effect the project</li> </ul>
* Delete irrelevant reporting period	<ul> <li>Current Status:</li> <li>Various meetings have taken place regarding the project with the aim of issuing a letter of offer to the group.</li> <li>The group are obtaining quotations for a feasibility study to effect the project which includes a structural assessment of the existing building, concept design, construction costings and all associated works with the project.</li> <li>Ceolan School of Music are working with Donegal County Council in relation to appointing a consultant to carry out a a feasibility study and structural survey of the building.</li> <li>Finalise the Appointment of a consultant for a feasibility study.</li> <li>The feasibility study on the building has been completed. This information is been assessed and evaluated and the way forward to be agreed.</li> </ul>
Project Targets for the next Bi-monthly / quarterly reporting period	<ul> <li><u>Current Status</u></li> <li>A recent meeting took place between Donegal County         Council Engineers, the group and their architect in relation to             the feasibility study and the way forward with the project.     </li> </ul>
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Activity / Project Title	PLAYGROUNDS MAINTENANCE
Project Description/Activity	List of Playgrounds  1. Barrackhill, Carndonagh 2. Carndonagh Fitness Trail 3. Carndonagh Outdoor Gym 4. Chlos Phadraig, Carndonagh 5. Chlos Phadraig MUGA 6. Culdaff Beach 7. Festival Buncrana 8. Manorcunningham 9. Moville
Budget (if applicable)	€9,823.58 incl. VAT
Progress to date within the last quarter -inclusive of current status	<ol> <li>Works consists of:         <ul> <li>Replacement of broken and damaged equipment</li> <li>Replace worn safety tiles and remove trip hazards</li> <li>Grease all equipment that contains bushes, bearings , shackles, etc.</li> <li>Carry out repairs along edges of safety surfaces</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
* Delete irrelevant reporting period	<ul> <li>Current Status:         <ul> <li>Annual Rospa Inspection Reports have been completed with necessary repairs identified.</li> <li>Tender requests issued on 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2018 with a closing date of 4.30pm on 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2018.</li> <li>Tenders assessed December 2018.</li> <li>Annual Maintenance Tender awarded to Murphy Playground Services Ltd.</li> <li>Contractor due on site mid February 2019.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Project Targets for the next bi-monthly/quarterly* reporting period  * Delete irrelevant reporting period	<ul> <li>All works on the maintenance programme has been completed for 2019.</li> <li>Annual Inspections will be carried out in the coming months.</li> </ul>
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Activity / Dyoicat Title	ember , 2019  Denogal Walks and Trails
Activity / Project Title Project Description/Activity	Donegal Walks and Trails  Maintenance, development and promotion of walks & trails in Donegal including cycle routes and Greenways.
Budget (if applicable)	- '
Progress to date within the last two months/quarter 2	An initial survey has been carried out on the old route of the Carndonagh River Walk and costings are currently being prepared for the possible re development of the walk. Initial results show that additional land will be required to progress this project. Contact will be made with the local schools regarding land required.  Following a meeting with the Roads Directorate regarding the take- over of Donagh park Donegal County Council will discuss with the HSE about the access over the foot bridge which the Council propose to also take in charge. If access through HSE grounds is not forthcoming then an alternative exit for the river walk may need to be explored.
	A measure two application under the Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme 2019 for Ballyliffin Mass Rock Walk for €124,000 was submitted on 31 <sup>st</sup> May 2019.
	New trail head map boards have been erected for Inishowen Head Loop and Buncrana Shore Path and the contractor has been appointed to complete way marking on both these walks in conjunction with the production of new promotion leaflets for these walks.
	An on-line presence for walks and trails will form part of the new go visit Donegal web site in conjunction with Donegal County Council's site.
	Funding in town & village renewal for St. Johnston to prepare a report on the Carrigans to St. Johnston link part of the cross-border walk/cycleway from Derry to Porthall is now committed and the report is complete.
	Agreement has also been reached under funding from the NW Strategic Development partnership to recruit a cross-border greenway development resource to follow up on the results of this study and the Inishowen Greenway study.
	This person has been appointed at Assistant Engineer level and will look at progressing this project along with the extension of the Buncrana Greenway through the town of Buncrana.
	An application was made to the Dept Transport Tourism & Sport for funding to progress a Greenway project between Buncrana and Carndonagh. This is a high level engagement which will allow feed-back from the department and indicate next steps to progress such a project through Buncrana and on out via Drumfries.  A draft Outdoor Recreation Development Strategy is to be finalised in 2019. This will inform how we progress projects of scale going forward. A new counter has been fitted at Fort Dunree and Cassie bridge Buncrana
	<u>Carndonagh Riverside walk</u> – Following on from a meeting on the 5 <sup>th</sup> July. A meeting is to be arranged shortly with Carndonagh Community School to discuss the schools interest in any final solution to realigning the proposed route of the Carndonagh riverside walk and agree the way forward.
	Completion of the works at the funded sites mentioned earlier in the report. Collection of data from Inch, Malin Head, Fort Dunree and Buncrana Shore Path Further exploration of new proposed walks at Culdaff.
Project Targets for the next bi-monthly/quarter 3 reporting perio	Carndonagh Riverside walk  1. Route of river walk to be surveyed and levels taken to determine a safe new route and access points  2. Land identified for required new route  3 Project costed and funding identified  4. Land-owner negotiation (including the school)
Contact Person (to include telephone number & e-mail address)	Francis Conaghan (Paths & trails Development Officer) 087 2371219 fconaghan@donegalcoco.ie



Activity / Project Update	<u>Municipal District: Inishowen</u> te: December 2019					
Activity / Project Title	Buncrana School Campus					
Project Description/Activity	Assisting the Department of Education & Skills in identifying a suitable site in the Buncrana Environs to accommodate a three school campus ideally measuring between 15 – 20					
Budget (if applicable)	As per Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Education & Skills and CCMA.					
Progress to date within the last quarter - inclusive of current status	<ul> <li>Current Status:         <ul> <li>Six sites have been identified for assessment and site visits have taken place with Personnel from the Department of Education &amp; Skills on the 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2015.</li> <li>Further information request received from Department of Education &amp; Skills in relation to sites.</li> <li>Donegal County Council has completed site assessments on identified sites and information has been furnished to the Department.</li> <li>Donegal County Council has compiled additional information and sent it to Department of Education &amp; Skills on 9/11/2015.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>					
*Delete irrelevant reporting period	<ul> <li>Further information request received from Department of Education &amp; Skills on 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2016 – information requested assessed and forwarded to the Department.</li> <li>Liaisons have taken place with a number of landowners seeking approval prior to seeking current market valuations on sites identified by Department of Education &amp; Skills.</li> <li>Valuer appointed to provide current market value.</li> <li>Valuation Certificate received and sent to Department of Education &amp; Skills.</li> <li>Negotiations are ongoing with landowners of identified site with a view to securing same as soon as possible.</li> </ul>					
Project Targets for the next bi- monthly/quarterly* reporting period	Donegal County Council are currently reviewing additional sites in Buncrana environs on behalf of the Department of Education and skills.					
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#### **ENVIRONMENT REPORT – December 2019**

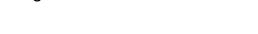
#### WASTE AND LITTER MANAGEMENT

**Municipal District: All** 

#### Project Title Project

Activity /

## Project Description /Activity



**Donegal Men's Sheds Showcase 2019** 



Men's Sheds groups from all over Donegal gathered in the CPI in Castlefinn on Wednesday 23 October to showcase the wonderful upcycled pieces created by their groups. The showcase was part of 'Reuse Month' which runs for the month of October each year.

Men's Sheds have been to the fore over the last number of years in reusing materials and upcycling products and Donegal County Council were delighted to join forces with the Men's Sheds again this year to help raise awareness during Reuse Month on how everyone can do a bit more for the environment by reusing products and materials.

The showcase was a great opportunity for anyone interested in learning more about how you can reuse products and what we can all do at home, at work and at play to manage our waste better. Donating, refurbishing and repairing items are all forms of reuse and offer people a chance to save or make money, get creative, learn a new skill and be environmentally conscious.

The Men's Sheds Upcycling challenge was won by Raymond McBride from the Kilmacrennan Men's Shed Group for the candy cart that he made.



This event was supported by the Irish Men's Shed Association and Barry Sheridan CEO of the Irish Men's Shed Association was in attendance. Highland Radio broadcast the "Around the Northwest" Show with John Breslin, live from the event. The event was also covered by Nuacht and featured that evening and RTE's Eileen Magnier also carried a piece on the Showcase.

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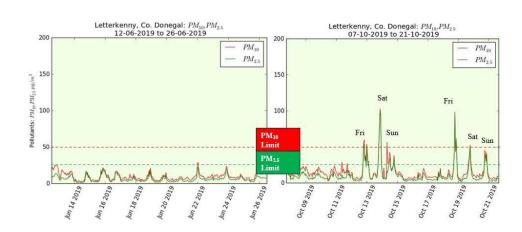
Activity / Project Title	National Reuse Month - October
Project Description/ Activity	School Bikes Africa: - Campaign now closed.
	Once again the results of this campaign show that the people of Donegal have really embraced the appeal for unwanted bicycles to be donated to the School Bikes Africa campaign. This is a campaign organised by Letterkenny Rotary Club in partnership with Donegal County Council, Bryson Recycling and this year the Donegal Mens' Sheds. Donated bicycles are sent to Loughlan House in Cavan to be repaired and then shipped to The Gambia for use by Secondary School Students to travel to school.
	Letterkenny University Hospital - Sustainability Day 21st October  The Letterkenny University Hospital organised a sustainability day for staff and members of the public, there were information stands on energy, recycling, composting & waste prevention, the Northwest Greenways Project and much more.
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Activity / Project Title	2019 WEEE Collections - Tonnages
Project	Free collections of electronic and electrical waste took place at the following locations and
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Description/	dates. WEEE Ireland carried out a comprehensive advertising campaign in the lead up to each
Activity	collection.
	Falcarragh 5 <sup>th</sup> October 8,000kg
	Carrigart 12 <sup>th</sup> October 10,900kgs
	Buncrana 19 <sup>th</sup> October 7,760kgs
	Killybegs 26 <sup>th</sup> October 13,850kgs
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## Activity / Project Title

#### Impact of burning smoky coal on air quality in Letterkenny highlighted

## Project Description/ Activity



The particulate matter, PM<sub>10</sub> daily limit of 50 ug m<sup>3</sup> is deemed breached if more than 35 exceedances occur in a calendar year The particulate matter, PM<sub>2.5</sub> annual limit value is 25 ug m<sup>3</sup>. There is no hourly or daily limit value for PM<sub>2.5</sub>.

Now that we have entered the heating season, Donegal County Council is reminding householders in the Letterkenny and environs area that there is a ban on the burning of Smoky Coal.

With real time air quality information at our fingertips on <a href="www.donegalcoco.ie">www.donegalcoco.ie</a> the public can see the impacts that burning smoky coal is having on the air quality in Letterkenny.

The Environmental Protection Agency manages the national ambient air quality monitoring network and, in association with Donegal County Council, installed and commissioned the air quality station in Letterkenny in May 2019. This station now provides automated, provisional results for Particulate matter (PM <sub>10</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>) and Sulphur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>).

In Donegal, Particulate matter (PM  $_{10}$ , PM $_{2.5}$ ) coming from the burning of solid fuel for home heating is the main cause of poor air quality and it impacts on health through disorders of the heart and lungs.

**Dr Laura Heavey, Specialist Registrar in Public Health Medicine**, says, "the smoky coal ban is a really positive initiative to improve the health of people in Donegal. We know that air pollution increases symptoms and hospital admissions for those with asthma, COPD and other lung diseases. It can also trigger heart attacks and strokes, through damage to the blood vessel walls.

"New reports from the World Health Organisation are now linking long term exposure to air pollution to other health issues, like dementia, Parkinson's disease and neuro-developmental disorders in children. Air pollution has also been linked to poor pregnancy outcomes, such as low birth weight babies" explains Dr. Heavey.

She adds "Dublin city imposed a smoky coal ban back in 1990. Dr Luke Clancy, a respiratory physician in Dublin, has calculated that the ban saved 369 lives per year in Dublin, based on rates of heart and lung disease before and after the ban. If everyone in Letterkenny complies with the ban, we could see a similar impact here on the health of people in Donegal."

Graphs taken from the Letterkenny Air Quality station, show a two week period in June and a two week period in mid-October and it is clear to see that there were no breaches of either limit during the two weeks in June, (left hand side), while the change to colder autumn weather around mid October has seen 7 breaches of the PM10 limit and 12 breaches of the PM2.5 limit over two weekends. These breaches are linked to the burning of fossil fuels because the influence of traffic is expected to be much reduced at weekends.

Suzanne Bogan, Waste Awareness Officer with Donegal County Council is urging householders to use longer lasting low smoke fuels over the winter months saying "you can make a difference over the winter burning season by using longer lasting low smoke fuels, such as low smoke coal or wood, kindling, fire logs, fire starter logs; or turf or turf products.

"If using low smoke coal make sure that the bags are clearly labelled low smoke coal, smokeless fuel or approved fuel." Householders are obliged to comply with the smoky coal ban when burning fuel and should discuss the many different types of low smoke fuels that are available with their local coal merchant.

The other key part of this legislation is that coal retailers and coal merchants are not permitted to market, sell or distribute smoky coal inside the ban area. Donegal County Council will be working with the Revenue Commissioners, in a multi-agency enforcement initiative, focusing on the coal retail / merchant sector. This will involve the inspection of delivery lorries and new legislation has also made provision for fixed penalty notices for breaches of the legislation within the coal sector ranging from €250 - €1,000.

"It is important to remember that the sole purpose of this law is to deliver cleaner air" says Suzanne Bogan and "it is only through the continued support of householders, coal retailers and merchants that improvements in air quality will continue".

For more information or to report a breach of the law contact Donegal County Council on 074 9153900 or visit <a href="https://www.donegalcoco.ie">www.donegalcoco.ie</a> or visit <a href="https://www.donegalcoco.ie">www.doccae.gov.ie</a> .

Contact Person **Suzanne Bogan,** Waste Awareness Officer suzannebogan@donegalcoco.ie

Activity / Project Title	"It's Not in Our Nature" Awareness Campaign
Project Description/ Activity	It's not in our natureis it in Yours?  """is it in Yours?  The final part of the 2019 "It's not in our Nature" anti-dumping awareness campaign took place during the week of the 18th November. This campaign featured radio, newspaper and social media advertising in particular highlighting the issue with "The Man in The Van" - bogus waste collectors.
	Availing of an unlicensed waste service to dispose of waste is a criminal offence. Customers should request to see service provider documentation to ensure compliance and permit number details should be visible on all collection vehicles. Members of the public and householders need to be aware that each individual or business is responsible for their waste. The Connacht Ulster Waste Enforcement Regional Lead Authority also commissioned a video to raise awareness around the issue of bogus unauthorised waste collectors.  Under the 2019 Anti- Dumping Initiative the Council has targeted dumping black-spots to remove illegally dumped material. To date we have removed 51.95tonnes of material from locations in Ray, Falcarragh , Glassagh, Carndonagh, Magherabeg, Fahan and Desertegney, Buncrana .  Suzanne Bogan, Waste Awareness Officer, said further support have been given to community groups to assist in combating in illegal dumping and by supporting a number of men's shed to facilitate the upcycling of Bulky Goods.
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# ROADS & TRANSPORTATION UPDATE

## 2019 Work programme



### **Inishowen Municipal District**

10th December 2019

### **Agreed Maintenance Programme 2019**

RSS	Engineer	Job Code	Road Name	Budget		Ехр	enditure	Bala	nce	Notes
Moville	Inish North	1B304001	Own Resources Regional Roads	€	109,543.47	€	107,762.67	€	1,780.80	
Moville	Inish North	1B404002	Own Resources Local Roads	€	360,774.16	€	352,827.46	€	7,946.70	
Moville	Inish North	1B404009	Works Overheads	€	86,444.23	€	93,787.59	-€	7,343.36	
Moville Total				€	556,761.85		€554,377.72		€2,384.13	
Carndonagh	Inish North	1B303001	Own Resources Regional Roads	€	130,196.51	€	241,670.66	-€	111,474.15	
Carndonagh	Inish North	1B403002	Own Resources Local Roads	€	431,934.51	€	326,370.31	€	105,564.20	
Carndonagh	Inish North	1B303010	Works Overheads	€	96,049.14	€	115,192.95	-€	19,143.81	
Carndonagh To	otal			€	658,180.16		€683,233.92		-€25,053.76	
Buncrana	Inish South	1B306001	Own Resources Regional Roads	€	123,537.04	€	118,248.50	€	5,288.54	
Buncrana	Inish South	1B406002	Own Resources Local Roads	€	406,854.79	€	393,469.84	€	13,384.95	
Buncrana	Inish South	1B306012	Works Overheads	€	96,049.14	€	117,039.46	-€	20,990.32	
Buncrana Rura	l Total			€	626,440.97		€628,757.80		-€2,316.83	
Buncrana	Inish South	1B402004	Own Resources Non-National Roads Buncrana Urban	€	233,446.00	€	166,154.05	€	67,291.95	
Buncrana Urba	an Total			€	233,446.00		€166,154.05		€67,291.95	
Newtown	Inish South	1B305001	Own Resources Regional Roads	€	93,408.25	€	95,157.01	-€	1,748.76	
Newtown	Inish South	1B405002	Own Resources Local Roads	€	307,633.95	€	276,808.02	€	30,825.93	
Newtown	Inish South	1B305013	Works Overheads	€	86,444.23	€	99,257.12	-€	12,812.89	
Newtown Tota				€	487,486.42		€471,222.15		€16,264.27	
<b>Grand Total</b>				€	2,562,315.41			€	58,569.77	

## **Agreed Restoration Improvement Programme 2019**

RSS	Engineer	Road Class	Road Number	Road Name	Works Type	Length or work (m)	Start	Finish	Notes
Moville	Inish North	L	LT18211	Glenside	SR	300	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	L	LS6461-1	Carnagarve (B Mc D Rd)	SR	1,200	·		
Moville	Inish North	L	LT13611	McGettigans Rd Carrowmenagh	SR	2,080			
Moville	Inish North	R	R238-47&48	Greenbank	RR	1,000			Changed to Bredagh Glen
Moville	Inish North	L	LT7731	Coolberry Lane	SR	800			ž ž
Moville	Inish North	L	No Number	Crawford Square, Moville	RR	200	Complete		
Moville	Inish North	L	LS1451-1	Ballynally Lane, Moville	RR	462	Complete		
Moville	Inish North	L	LS6341-1	Ballylawn/Cooley	RR	1,800			
Moville Total	2019								
Carn	Inish North	L	R244-8,-9	Foden Clorney Rd	RR	1,000	Complete	Complete	
Carn	Inish North	ī	LP1031-3	Urbelreagh Bree X Rds	RR	1,500	•	·	
Carn	Inish North	ī	LS5241-1	Stables Rd Ph 1	SR	1,500	•	·	
Carn	Inish North	R	LP1321-1,-2	Falmore Rd	SR	4,200			
Carn	Inish North	li.	L1081-2, L5301-1, R242-		RR	300			
Carri		-	2	a sa cets		300	Complete	Complete	
Carn	Inish North	1	R242-7	Bree X MH Chapel	RR	500	Complete	Complete	
Carn	Inish North	<u> </u>	L1271-1	Pound Street Carn	RR	260	•		
Carn	Inish North	1		Lish Rd	SR	1,800			
Carn Total 201		_	1555711	Listina	310	1,000	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana U	Inish South	U/L	L-5236-1	Rockfield Terr / St Columbas Ave Buncrana	RR				Requires lining
bulleralia o	iiiisii 30utii	0/1	1-3230-1	Nockileid Terr / St Columbas Ave Bulleralia	IXIX	360	Complete	Complete	nequires ininig
Buncrana U	Inish South	U/L	L-5266-0	Castle Ave Main Road Buncrana	RR	300	Complete	Complete	Requires lining
Buncrana U	Inish South	U/L	L-5216-0	Crana Road	SR	240	Complete	Complete	Ralumac used allowed Millfield Est to be included
Buncrana R To	tal 2019								
Buncrana R	Inish South	R		R238 North Pole to Inishowen Eng (Connect to Inish Eng works)	RR	950	Complete	Complete	200m entrance to Inish Eng to complete
Buncrana R	Inish South	1	L-16112	Bocharrney Clonmany (Phase 1)	RR	1,000	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana R	Inish South	<del> -</del>	L-15111-1	Branch to sea to the west - Rockstown Bay	SR	550			
Buncrana R	Inish South	<u> -</u>		Isle of Doagh (Phase 1)	SR	1,200			
Buncrana R	Inish South	L	L-1721/1 2	Crana Eng to Cleenagh Ballymagan (Phase 1)	RR	1,000			
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Buncrana R	Inish South	L I	L-16611-1	Friels Road	RR	650			Awaiting Irish Water
Buncrana R Buncrana R	Inish South Inish South	R	L-7081-1 R238 - 18 / 19	Hilltown Cockhill Phase 2 Mindoran Clonmany	SR RR	1,000			Main Regional road - very poor driving quality
Buncrana R	Inish South	R	R239 -10	Cullens shop reconstruct road	RR	110	Complete	Complete	Awaiting Irish Water - project diverted to Friels
Dumarana D.T.	 								Rd/Claggan Bridge road Project
Buncrana R To	·	Б	D 227 2	D227 Killer terrend New terre	DD.				Continuation of 2040 weeks Willer Viller Viller
Newtown	Inish South	R	R 237-2	R237 Killea toward Newtown	RR	1,200	Complete	Complete	Continuation of 2018 works Killea Village towards R237 / R265 junction
Newtown	Inish South	R	R239-5	Drumhaggart to Sappog main regional road	RR	1,000	Complete	Complete	Continuation on Muff road towards Rock Bar
Newtown	Inish South	L	L-5114- 1 /2	Sharon Road to junction with Slatehill Rd	SR	1,400	Complete	Complete	Local access to Newtown / agriculture entrances - in very poor state
Newtown	Inish South	L	L-2091-1	Longlane (Tullyannon)	SR	1,400	Complete	Complete	Continuation of 2017 Programme
Newtown Tota							J. J	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	

## **Agreed Restoration Maintenance Programme 2019**

RSS	Engineer		Road Number	Road Name		Length or	Start	Finish	Notes
		Class			Type	work (m)			
Moville	Inish North	L	L1891-2	Keady Bridge	SD	600	Complete		On Bitmac
Moville	Inish North	L	L1911-1	Iskaheen Mackeys	SD	1,400	Complete		On Bitmac
Moville	Inish North	R	R241-3	LowerRd Greencastle	SD	1,371	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	L	L7461-1	Bolin Rd	SD	2,000	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	L	L7161-1	Crockglass	SD	500	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	L	L7181-2	Steels Rd	SD	900	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	L	L1411-2&3	Cruckanoian	SD	1,022	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	L	L6431-1L644-1	Ballynally Carnagarve	SD	1,350	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	L	L1361-4 L1371-1	Glenagivney	SD	1,000	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	L	L1391-6&7	Drung X Rds	SD	1,300	Complete	Complete	On Bitmac
Moville Total						11,443			
Carndonagh	Inish North	R	L-1121-1/L1111-2	Bunagee	SD	900	Complete	Complete	On Bitmac
Carndonagh	Inish North	R	L-1041-2	Black Mountain	SD	2,000	Complete	Complete	On Bitmac
Carndonagh	Inish North	R	L-5511-2	Dunnings Brae	SD	600	Complete	Complete	On Bitmac
Carndonagh	Inish North	R	R-242-7	Bree X Roads to Chapel	SD	900	Complete	Complete	On Bitmac
Carndonagh	Inish North	R	R-243-1	Malin Culdaff Road	SD	400	Complete	Complete	On Bitmac
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L-1241-2	Gortnacool	SD	2,100	Complete	Complete	On Bitmac
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L-1001-3	Killourt to Kennagh	SD	2,400	Complete	Complete	On old SD
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	LS6041-1	George Vincy Rd	SD	1,300	Complete	Complete	On old SD
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L-5781-1/L-57811-1	Craigtown to the Shees	SD	1,150	Complete		On old SD
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L-5261-2	Drumcarbit	SD	1,100	Complete	Complete	On old SD
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L-12819-0	Farrens Road	SD	232	Complete		On old SD
Carndonagh Total						13,082			
Buncrana Rural	Inish South	L	L-6961-2	Watery Brae Linsford	SD	1,700	Complete	Complete	Watery Brae Linsford - needs resealed
Buncrana Rural	Inish South	L	L-1601-1	Sharagore Dunree Rd to Roddens Brae	SD	1,950	Complete	Complete	Sharagore on the Dunree Rd to Roddens Brae
Buncrana Rural	Inish South	L	L-1661-1	Claggan Bridge to Buncrana Dunree Rd (Link Road)	SD	460	Complete	Complete	Neil Dohertry Link Road
Buncrana Rural	Inish South	L	L-7081-1	Hilltown Cockhill Phase 1+2 (surface Dressing)	SD	1,700	Complete	Complete	Hilltown Cockhill Phase 1+2 (surface Dressing)
Buncrana Rural	Inish South	L	L-7041-1	Fallask R238 to Mc Kinneys	SD	1800	Complete	Complete	Fallask R238 to Mc Kinneys
Carn	Inish South	L	L-1831-1	Craigtown to Carrick (Fahan)	SD	1,900	Complete	Complete	Bosom Fahan - Fairs to Carrick
Buncrana Rural	Inish South	L	L-1871-3	Monreagh junction to Green Rd	SD	1,550	Complete	Complete	Scalp Rd Old Shed to Green Rd
Buncrana Rural	Inish South	L	L-1641-1/2	Old Mountain Rd	SD	1,700	Complete	Complete	Old Mountain (Bottom of Gap towards Roddens Brae)
Buncrana Rural Total						12,760			
Newtown	Inish South	L	L-6004-2/3	Ray (Carrickballydooey)	SD	800	Complete	Complete	Old Wet Mix road - From Judge Larkings to N14 Past Ray Graveyard
Newtown	Inish South	L	L-76111/2	Elaghbeg Burnfoot	SD	600	Complete		Old Wet Mix road needs resealed
Newtown	Inish South	L	L-8171-1	Gortree (OLD TARMAC)	SD	1560	Complete	Complete	Road needs resealed Gortree T-Junction towards Tober
Newtown	Inish South	L	L-5431-1	Dunduffsdort (Forthill)	SD	1850	Complete	Complete	Wet Mix road needs resealed (2016 work)
Newtown	Inish South	L	L-20611-0	Monfad Rd (Milltown)	SD	600	Complete		Bitmac rd needs SD - Duffy Express Rd
Newtown	Inish South	L	L-7491-3	Middle Rd Inch (Phase 2)	SD	1200	Complete		Old Wet Mix road needs resealed continuation of 2019 work
Newtown	Inish South	L	L-2021-1	Carrowreagh (Behind Granian)	SD	1,260			Needs surfaced (Turn of for Grainian to Carrowreagh crossroads)
Newtown Total						7,870			
Inishowen MD Total						45,155			

Inishower	nishowen Municipal District Proposed Bridge Strengthening Priorty List 2019															
Proposed List 2019	Bridge	Municipal	Inspectab	Bridge name	Inspection	Inspector	Date revised	road	AADT	Туре	Material	No	Total	height of	height to	General comments
	number	District	le		undertaken							spans	span	abutment	centre arch	
1	2127	Inishowen M.D.	1	Meenamulligan	1	GD	28 December 2016	LT17214		Combined	posite (Steel/Conc	2	17	3.5	3.5	Exposed and corroded steel, subsequent collapse in flood
2	2204	Inishowen M.D.	1	Tullynavin	1	KL	09 December 2009	LS-6311-1		Arch	Masonry	1	1.8	0.3	1.2	Soffit repair require
3	2086	Inishowen M.D.	1	Aghaweel	1	smc	28 June 2016	LS-6981		Arch	Masonry					Hole in wing wall and deformation
4	2398	Inishowen M.D.	1	Knockergranna	2	db	15 October 2010	LS-5931		Arch	Masonry	1	2	0.6	1.2	strengthening required

# **Agreed Low Cost Safety Programme 2019**

Overseer	Engineer Road Road Number Location Description of Works		Description of Works	Budget	Start	Finish	Notes		
		Class				(€)			
Moville	Inish North	R	R-238-44	Redcastle	Staggered junction improvements	€30,000.00	Complete	Complete	Vehicle feedback signs to be erected
			L6251-1/2				Complete	Complete	
<b>Carndonagh T</b>	otal					30,000			
Newtown	Inish South	R	R-236-	Carrigans	Traffic Calming in village	€30,000.00	Complete	Complete	Signage to be erected
<b>Newtown Tot</b>	al					30,000			
<b>Grand Total</b>						€60,000			

## **Footpath Provision Programme 2018/20**

Overseer	Engineer	Road Class	Road Number	Location	Description of Works	Start	Finish	Notes
Moville	Inish North	R	Various	Ard Foyle/Bath Tce/Ballynally	Footpath repair	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	R	R-238-42	Community College Phase II	Provision of 150m of footpath	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	R	R-241-1	Main street Moville/Rd to Greencastle	Footpath repair	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	R	R-238-50	Muff Main street	New footpath at St Mary's Hall	Complete	Complete	
<b>Moville Total</b>								
Carndonagh	Inish North	R	R-238-35	Gleneely Main street Ph I	New footpath from Crossroads to school	2018	2018	ESB erected 5 No steel poles but have to remove old infrastructure - old poles have been removed
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L-1041-2	Carpender's Corner Phase II	Extension of footpath	2018	2020	Specific Development Charge
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L-12713	Bridge St	Provision of 50m of footpath	2018	2020	Transfer of land agreed with landowner - contractor procured to undertake works.
Carndonagh	Inish North	R	R-240-1	Malin St Carndonagh	Repair of 100m of footpath & drainage	Complete	Complete	Works commenced
Carndonagh T	otal							
Buncrana	Inish South	R	R-238-4	Rockhead Burnfoot - Phase I	Provision of 750m of Hard Shoulder including rock armour retention - land aquisation	2018	2020	Land aquisation negotiations concluded awaiting a response
Buncrana	Inish South	R	R238	Westbrooke / Cockhill Road	100m of New Surfacing to footpath	2018	2020	Location of Public Liability Claims (x2) from Westbrooke along Cockhill Road
Buncrana	Inish South	R	R238 / Main St	Main St Buncrana	Replacement of circa old drainage channels and upgrade of footpaths	Oct-19	Mar-20	Cast channel successfully installed - Wor from Lower main street towards Market Square to commence after Christmas
Buncrana	Inish South	L	L-1036-0	Millfield Heights	Replacement of surface on concrete Footpaths on Millfield brae	2018	2020	Ralumac surface with Concrete pathing beforehand
Buncrana	Inish South	R	R238	Fahan Village	Replacement of surface on Bitmac Footpaths through Village	2018	2020	Bitmac replacement to footpaths
<b>Buncrana Tot</b>	al							
Newtown	Inish South	R	R-239-5	Sappagh Phase II	Provision of 400m of hard shoulder	Complete	Complete	100m to complete 2018 - Contiunue with Hard shoulder works - works commenced
Newtown	Inish South	L	Various	Colehill Housing estate Newtown	Removal of old Concrete foopaths and	Sep-19	Dec-19	1000m works commenced- Remove old and replace new Bitmac
					placement of new Bitmac foopaths with kerbing			footpaths
Newtown Tot	al							
<b>Grand Total</b>								

# **Lighting Provision Programme 2018/20**

Overseer	Engineer	Location	Description of Works	Start	Finish	Notes
Moville	Inish North	Battery Brae Greencastle	Connection of existing lights and provision of 2 additional	2018	2020	Airtricity to install - Need to be connected
			lights			
Moville	Inish North	Moville	Repair to decorative lighting	Complete	Complete	Complete but under review
<b>Moville Total</b>						
Carndonagh	Inish North	Bridge, Culdaff	Provision of 4 additional lights & civils	2018	2020	
Carndonagh	Inish North	Gleneely	Provision of 6 additional lights	2018	2018	ESB erected 5 No steel poles but have to remove old
						infrastructure - old poles have been removed
Carndonagh 1	Гotal					
Buncrana	Inish South	Buncrana Ludden Junction	Provision of 4 additional lights	2018	2020	Airtricity design for 300m requested
Buncrana	Inish South	Ballyliffen to Clonmany	Assistance for Clonmany TT and Ballyliffen TT with Provision of 15 lights	Complete	Complete	TT assisting with costs
Buncrana	Inish South	Buncrana Car Park Shore Front	Replacement of 4 x 10m lights	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana	Inish South	Buncrana Pier Car Park	Replacement of 2 x 10m lights (columns x 2)	2018	2020	
<b>Buncrana Tot</b>	al					
Newtown	Inish South	19th Hole footpath	Provision of 2 additional lights on existing wooden poles	2018	2020	Property currently for sale
Newtown	Inish South	Burt Graveyard - along side N13	Provision of 2 - 6M additional lights	Complete	Complete	Airtricity to install
Newtown	Inish South	Carrigans Low Cost Safety	Provision of 3 - 8M additional lights	2018	2020	Civils complete - Airtricity to install
<b>Newtown Tot</b>	tal					
<b>Grand Total</b>						

## **Agreed Drainage Provision Programme 2019**

Overseer	Engineer	Location	Description of Works	Cost	Budget	Start	Finish	Notes
Moville	Inish North	Greencastle C Browne Cottage	100m of drainage to prevent road flooding	<b>(€)</b> € 10,000.00	<b>(€)</b> € 10,000.00	Complete	Complete	450mm Twinwall
Moville	Inish North	Ballynally Lane	50m of drainage and manhole construction	€ 20,000.00	€ 30,000.00	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	Summerhill R238 Jn.	Replace deep stone culvert. Construct manhole and head walls	€ 20,000.00	€ 50,000.00	Complete	Complete	450 7 11
Moville	Inish North	Moneydarragh L-6141-2	Repair culvert, construct headwall	€ 6,000.00	€ 56,000.00	Complete	Complete	450mm Twinwall
Moville	Inish North	Logues Brae	Construct Passing Bays. Break out Rock	€ 6,000.00	€ 62,000.00	Complete	Complete	450mm Twinwall and stone
Moville	Inish North	Carnagarve	Construct Passing Bays. Break out Rock	€ 6,000.00	€ 68,000.00	Complete	Complete	450mm Twinwall and stone
Moville	Inish North	Three Trees Road	Pipe shough. Break out Rock	€ 7,218.77	€ 75,218.77	Complete	Complete	200
Moville	Inish North	Ture Road at Ruddys	100m of drainage to be renewed.	€ 6,000.00	€ 81,218.77	Complete	Complete	200 : /=::
Moville Total				€ 81,218.77	€ 81,218.77	Complete	Complete	ppt pythological control
Carndonagh	Inish North	Foden Drimdoo	200m of drainage to shoughs, road verge collapsing	€ 15,000.00		Complete	Complete	450mm Twinwall
Carndonagh	Inish North	R244 at Tulnaree Foden	200m of drainage to manholes	€ 20,000.00	€ 35,000.00	Complete	Complete	200
Carndonagh	Inish North	Laffertys Portaleen	80m of drainage and repair ditch/retaining wall	€ 20,000.00	€ 55,000.00	Complete	Complete	200
Carndonagh	Inish North	Liss Rd.	200m of drainage to river.	€ 10,000.00	€ 65,000.00	Complete	Complete	200
Carndonagh	Inish North	Black Mtn. Carramore	50m of drainage and repair ditch	€ 10,000.00	€ 75,000.00	Complete	Complete	275
Carndonagh	Inish North	Urbelreagh Ballykenny	150m of drainage	€ 10,000.00	€ 85,000.00	Complete	Complete	200
Carndonagh	Inish North	Tully Monagles Road	General drainage and a number of road crossings	€ 12,238.89	€ 97,238.89		Complete	200 : 1075 ( 010
		Tally Worldgies Road	Scheral dramage and a manifer of road crossings	€ 97.238.89	€ 97,238.89	Complete	Complete	Soonini pipe and 375mm for Na. cross.
Carndonagh To Buncrana	Inish South	Shandrum - R238 Roadside drainage	New 375mm pipe For 100m to prevent road flooding	€ 97,238.89 € 8,000.00	€ 97,238.89 € 8,000.00			Road side draiange / Pipe blocked- same needs replaced - ponding
Dunciana	iiiisii soutii	Shahurum - K236 Koauside dramage	New 373mm pipe For 100m to prevent road mooding	€ 8,000.00	8,000.00	Complete	Complete	on regional road
Buncrana	Inish South	Fahan Village - Gollan Heights	300mm pipe to be replaced for 200m with 2 manhole and 6 gullies - to prevent flooding in the village	€ 18,000.00	€ 26,000.00	Complete	Complete	Works on the road / Traffic Management - to prevent flooding in the village
Buncrana	Inish South	Anna Ballyliffin - Vinny Grant Culvert replacement	Culvert replacement with 1.2m dia pipe	€ 10,000.00	€ 36,000.00	Complete	Complete	1.2m pipe required for a small culvert replacement
Buncrana	Inish South	Kinnego Mc Clays	200m of new 450mm road side drainage with crossing and 1 manhole	€ 18,000.00	€ 54,000.00	Complete	Complete	12" pipe - 150m with 4 road gullies flooding from private houses onto public road
Buncrana	Inish South	Cleanagh Ballymagan	100m of Road side drainage(300mm) to be replaced with road crossing	€ 7,500.00	€ 61,500.00	Complete	Complete	Road side draiange / Pipe blocked- same needs replaced
Buncrana	Inish South	Druminor Lower Buncrana	Replace road side drainage 50 of 450mm pipe	€ 7,000.00		Complete		Road side draiange / Pipe blocked- same needs replaced
Buncrana	Inish South	·	300mm road crossing for 15m with 1 manole and 2 gullies	€ 2,000.00		Complete	Complete	Spring in the road and water running onto main Leophine Rd
Buncrana Buncrana	Inish South Inish South	Kinnego Road to Mike Duke Garage Isle of Doagh - Road Crossing and	100mm of road side draiange 225mm with 1 manhole and 3 gullie: 45m of 450mm road side drainage and 1 crossings	€ 6,500.00 € 4,592.87	€ 77,000.00 € 81,592.87	Complete Sep-19	Complete 2020	Excessive water running on road  Road crossing not working private lands flooding - materials
Builcialia	iiiisii 30utii	isle of Doagn - Road Crossing and	4311 Of 43011111 Toda Side drainage and 1 crossings	€ 4,332.87	€ 61,392.67	3ep-19	2020	purchased (Delayed to 2020
Buncrana	Inish South	Ballyliffin Main Road R238	900mm pipe to road side	€ 10,000.00		Complete	Complete	
Buncrana Tota				€ 91,592.87	,			
Newtown	Inish South	Willie Gallagher's rd L7471-1	40m of 300mm perforated drainage pipe to extension of existing drainage	€ 5,000.00		Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South	Bunnamayne L2031-3	150m of 300mm perforated drainage pipe from existing manhole to open shough.	€ 13,000.00	€ 18,000.00	Complete	Complete	
Carn	Inish South	Newtowncunnigham L-2051	100m of 900mm pipe to sheugh for footpath	€ 14,000.00	€ 32,000.00	Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South	Moress Inch L1841-2 10	10 metres of 450mm drainage pipe to replace an old 150mm road crossing	€ 7,000.00	€ 39,000.00	Complete	Complete	Grates for pipes required
Newtown	Inish South	Ramsey's Burnfoot Ballyderowan R239	85 metres of 150mm drainage pipe with 2 additional gullies to the Burnfoot river.	€ 6,255.59	€ 45,255.59	Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South	namsey s burniout banyuerowan K239	180 metres of 300mm drainage with 6 gullies. Complete new drainage in this area as	€ 14,000.00	€ 59,255.59	6 1	C 1	
		Mc Combs Road L7981-2	no drainage exist and water running along road.			Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South	Legnaduff L8461-1	80 metres of 450 drainage pipe. Replace existing 6" pipe and also extend	€ 10,000.00		Complete	Complete	
Newtown Tota	al				€ 69,255.59			
<b>Grand Total</b>				€ 339,306.12	€ 339,306.12			

# HOUSING & CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT Municipal District of Inishowen Meeting 10th December 2019

### **Corporate Services**

• DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Hoist Away Deputation
Lifeline Deputation
Consider Nominations for members of Inishowen Digital Hub Advisory Board
Consider Schedule of Meetings for Inishowen Municipal District in 2020

## **Housing Services**

- Progress Reports
- MICA Redress Scheme Update

Summary of Casual Vacancies Inishowen MD as at 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2019					
Properties Refurbished and at Offer Stage 4					
Properties to be/being refurbished	27				

## **Summary of housing offers and Tenancies**

Total Housing Stock Inishowen MD	Offers issued from 01/01/19	Offers refused from 01/01/19	Tenancies created from 01/01/19	Tenancies Terminated from 01/01/19
1173	75	23	58	21

# Casual Vacancies/Allocations at 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019

Inishowen MD Housing Waiting List as at 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2019							
Gross Number of Approved Applicants on							
Social Housing Waiting List	634						
Applicants currently accommodated with HAP assistance							
but who have remained on the Council Social Housing list	414						
Tenants currently accommodated in Council Social Housing							
and who are approved for a Transfer	46						
Net Social Housing Waiting List	220						

# Inishowen Municipal District Approved Bedrooms Numbers and Location 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019

Muncipal District	1	2	3	4	5	Total	
Inishowen	Ballyliffin	0	2	1	0	0	3
	Bridgend	1	10	4	2	0	17
	Buncrana	10	151	81	11	2	255
	Burnfoot	0	9	4	0	0	13
	Burt	0	2	3	0	0	5
	Carndonagh	9	64	29	3	0	105
	Carrigans	2	8	1	0	0	11
	Clonmany	2	16	7	1	1	27
	Culdaff	0	4	1	0	0	5
	Fahan	1	4	0	0	0	5
	Gleneely	0	3	3	0	0	6
	Glengad	0	3	3	0	0	6
	Greencastle	0	10	3	1	0	14
	Inch	0	1	0	0	1	2
	Killea	1	3	2	0	0	6
	Malin	0	3	6	0	0	9
	Malin Head	0	1	0	0	0	1
	Manorcunningham	1	9	5	3	1	19
	Moville	2	27	12	1	0	42
	Muff	0	19	8	2	1	30
	Newtowncunningham	1	25	15	3	1	45
	Quigleys Point	1	1	2	0	0	4
	Redcastle	0	2	1	0	0	3
	Tooban	0	1	0	0	0	1
Total		31	378	191	27	7	634

Houses Allocated 25/10/2019 - 10/12/2019

Houses Allocate	110d3e3 Allocated 25/10/2013 10/12/2013											
Area	Properties Ready to Let	Offered	Allocated	Refused/ Reoffered								
Gleneely	1	1	1	0								
Malin	1	7	1	6								
Moville	1	1	1	0								
Manorcunningham	1	2	1	1								
Buncrana	3	3	3	0								
Carndonagh	1	4	1	3								
Total	8	18	8	10								

# **Housing Grants Report at 2nd December 2019**

# **Housing Adaptation Grant for People with a Disability**

YEAR	TOTAL RECEIVED	APPROVED	REFUSED	WITHDRAWN /CANCELLED/ INVALID	FURTHER INFO.	PENDING
2017	34	21	1	7	3	2
2018	52	33	4	4	9	2
2019	51	20	2	3	17	9

# **Mobility Aids Grant**

YEAR	TOTAL RECEIVED	APPROVED	REFUSED	WITHDRAWN /CANCELLED/ INVALID	FURTHER INFO.	PENDING
2017	18	12	0	3	3	0
2018	18	10	0	4	4	0
2019	48	15	1	1	26	5

# **Housing Aid for Older People Grant**

YEAR	TOTAL RECEIVED	APPROVED	REFUSED	WITHDRAWN /CANCELLED/ INVALID	FURTHER INFO.	PENDING
2017	29	22	2	4	0	1
2018	30	27	1	1	1	0
2019	34	30	1	1	2	0

# Housing Capital Update Report Inishowen Municipal District Meeting 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019

#### 1. Social Housing Developments – Construction Schemes

Donegal County Council is currently progressing the following Social Housing developments within the Inishowen Municipal District:

Location	Status	No. of Units					
	Construction Stage						
Malin Commenced on-site June 2019, proposed completion date Q4 2019.							
	Design / Tender Stage						
Buncrana- Phase 1	Tender Award Stage	21					
Preliminary Design Stage ( No of units subject to change)							
Buncrana (Phase 2)	Preliminary Design Stage	30					
Crana Crescent, Buncrana	Preliminary Design Stage	14					
TOTAL							

In tandem with the above construction programme, the Council is actively pursuing the acquisition of lands suitable for housing purposes in towns and villages where there is currently not a social housing solution available.

#### 2. House Acquisition Programme

Donegal County Council has acquired, or is in the process of acquiring, properties under the House Acquisition Programme. In the Inishowen Municipal District during 2018-2019 a total of 27 properties have been purchased under this programme. Additionally there are 5 property acquisitions currently in progress, with further acquisitions planned.

Improvement works are carried out to previously owned acquired properties to provide high quality, sustainable homes to individuals and families throughout the county.

#### 3. Social Housing through Turnkey Acquisition

Donegal County Council initiated a turnkey acquisition public procurement process in early 2018 seeking to acquire social housing through turnkey acquisition developments. A competitive dialogue procurement process is continuing to be progressed to enable the Council to accelerate the delivery of social housing throughout the county. This process requested submissions for a total of 17 towns across the county from Developers in a position to deliver (i) completed units, (ii) units under construction and (iii) units to be constructed on suitable sites, within a reasonable timescale

The Council has received a significant response to this process. Submitted proposals have been assessed at appropriate stages and remaining valid proposals are being worked through for the following towns in the Inishowen Municipal District:

Carndonagh Newtowncunningham

Moville Buncrana

It should be noted that multiple submissions have been received from some towns. The Council has sought approval from the Department of Housing, Planning & Local Government for a no. of schemes under this process and to date, approval in principle has been received for a turnkey development of 19 no. social housing units in Newtowncunningham, subject to contract. Works have recently commenced onsite and are expected to complete in Quarter 2, 2020. The Council will continue to seek approval for additional projects over the term of the current Social Housing Investment Programme (SHIP) as projects reach the required stage in the process.

#### 4. Approved Housing Bodies Developments - Inishowen Municipal District

Funding Programme	Scheme/Project Name	No. of Units	Approved Housing Body	Current Status
CAS Construction	Dunshinney House, Millbrae, Carndonagh	5	APEX Housing Assoc (Ire) Ltd.	Complete

### 4<sup>th</sup> December 2019

## TO EACH MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

## Proposed Schedule of Inishowen MD Meetings for 2020

14<sup>th</sup> January 2020

11<sup>th</sup> February 2020

10<sup>th</sup> March 2020

14<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> April 2020 (Easter Sunday is 12<sup>th</sup>)

12<sup>th</sup> May 2020

9<sup>th</sup> June 2020

14<sup>th</sup> July 2020

8<sup>th</sup> September 2020

13<sup>th</sup>/20th October 2020 (gap between meetings)

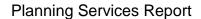
8<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Yours sincerely,

Aideen Doherty

Area Manager

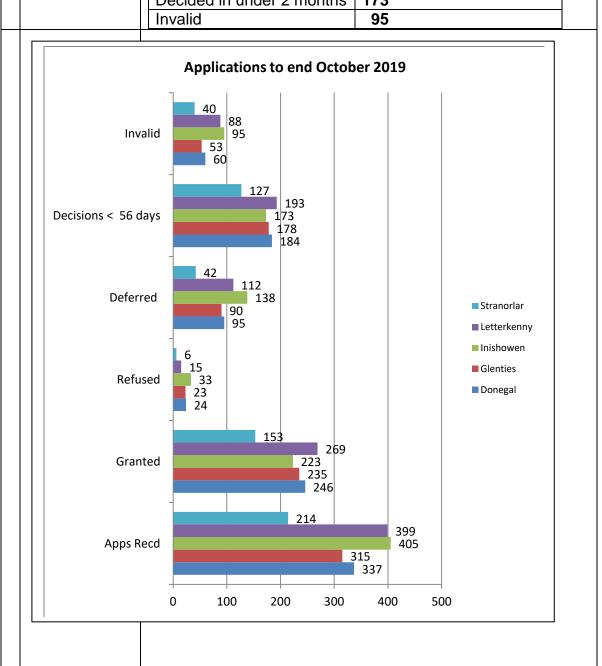
**Housing & Corporate Services** 





## Inishowen MD Meeting 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019

Item	Update	
Development		
Applications		
(1) Statistics	County Totals Year to End	October 2019:
	Applications received	405
	Granted	223
	Refused	33
	Deferred	138
	Decided in under 2 months	173
	Invalid	95
	Development Applications	Development Applications  (1) Statistics  County Totals Year to End  Applications received Granted Refused Deferred Decided in under 2 months



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2	Enforcement					
		Inishowen MD	October			
		New Cases	5			
		Closed Cases	1			
		Outstanding cases on record since 2012	232			
		Since 2012				
3	Notes & Monthly Schedule	Planning Clinics:  11th December  8th January  22nd January  Please see website for further dates.				
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4	Central	http://www.donegalcoco.ie/servic	veo/piarining/piariningClinics/			
-	Planning Unit					
	(1) Letterkenny	At the workshop on 11th November 2019, Members were briefed in relation to the ongoing complementary workstreams of the Central Planning Unit and the Regeneration and Development Team, specifically in relation to town centre development and derelict sites. Members will note that the proposed project timeline for the Letterkenny Plan aims to have a Draft Plan published in March 2020.  In parallel with ongoing land-use mapping and policy development work, Members are advised that Atkins Consulting Engineers are due to be appointed to carry out a review and update of the traffic modelling that was undertaken as part of the Letterkenny Integrated Land Use and Transportation Study (ILUTS) in 2009, with a view to informing an updated Local Transport Plan for Letterkenny.				
		With regard to the assessment of potential flood risk in Letterkenny, RPS Consulting Engineers are continuing to work on a Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA) for the town and have been requested to provide more information on detailed flood modelling that is likely to be required for certain locations.  At the next workshop on 3rd December 2019 (10am, Letterkenny PSC) it is proposed to provide Members with an				
	(2) Buncrana	update on the Economic Develop Letterkenny Plan. In the meantim Plan as detailed above and in pre With the agreement of the Inisho	oment sections of the ne, work is continuing on the evious MD update reports.			
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	Local Area Plan	meeting, the Central Planning Unit issued an invitation to specialist consultants to quote for work on the preparation of a high level report to look at the strategic future direction of Buncrana.  Two consultants returned an expression of interest and lodged a quotation with the Central Planning Unit on 14th August 2019.  An appointment has been made and the Consultants will commence the project timeline in early January 2020.  The Brief shall include one presentation to the Inishowen Members towards the completion of the 10 week process. This report will assist in informing both the Local Area Plan and decisions around the future strategic positioning and direction(s) of Buncrana, in addition to potential future
	(3) Bundoran	strategic regeneration funding applications.  Preliminary work has begun in relation to the targeted intervention measures previously discussed and agreed in principle with Members. Further details will be provided in due
	(4)Town & Village Renewal Programme (2016) projects	Specialist Conservation Architect, Duncan McLaren of Dedalus Architecture is continuing the work to prepare the Ramelton Action Plan for Renewal and Regeneration including identification of proposals for enhancement of civic and public space. An updated timeline for the Action Plan is being currently prepared for delivery.
	5) Town Centre Health Checks for South Donegal	Queens University Belfast and the Heritage Council officially launched a report presenting Collaborative Town Centre Health Checks for Donegal Town, Ballyshannon and Bundoran on Friday 25th October.
	Towns	The report included the findings of detailed research carried out by QUB Post-Graduate students that analysed how town centres can adapt to challenges faced by the decline of traditional 'Main Streets', and potential for addressing this in accordance with a National programme and set of guidelines being rolled out by the Heritage Council.
5	Conservation	Report on Proposed Additions to the Record of Protected Structures (Appendix A).
6	Further Information Click on web links to access information.	<ul> <li>Weekly List of applications and decisions:         <a href="http://www.donegalcoco.ie/services/planning/weeklyplanninglists/">http://www.donegalcoco.ie/services/planning/weeklyplanninglists/</a></li> <li>Planning service email (to be used in correspondence with the planning service): <a href="planning@donegalcoco.ie/">planning@donegalcoco.ie/</a></li> <li>Planning Webpage:         <a href="https://www.donegalcoco.ie/services/planning/">https://www.donegalcoco.ie/services/planning/</a></li> <li>Planning Application Online Query – planning reference</li> </ul>

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# **APPENDIX A**

#### **Proposed Additions to the Record of Protected Structures**

#### 1.0 Introduction

At the Inishowen Municipal District meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2019 Members resolved that one addition to the Record of Protected Structures (RPS), namely a former lighthouse located in Dunmore, should be published for the purposes of consultation under Section 55 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (As amended).

The necessary notification procedures and period of statutory public consultation were initiated immediately. The consultation period commenced on the  $25^{th}$  July 2019 in accordance with the Planning Act and notice was served on the owner of the property with the consultation period running for 10 weeks from  $25^{th}$  July to  $3^{rd}$  October 2019 inclusive.

#### 2.0 Background

This is a small work programme following on from the substantial Additions work programme in 2017. It consists of a total number of 3 structures which have been proposed by either a Member of the Public or the owner of the structure, to be added to the Record of Protected Structures (RPS), over the past year.

There was 1 proposed structure in the Inishowen Municipal District which was published for consultation and is set out in the table below:

No	NIAH Ref	Туре	Name	Location	
1	4090183	Lighthouse keeper's house	Dunree lighthous e	Dunree, Inishowen	

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#### 3.0 Assessment Considerations

Members are referred to Section 55(3) of the Planning Act that provides that:

'Before making the proposed addition (or deletion), the Planning Authority shall:

- (a) consider any written submissions or observations received under the (public consultation process); and
- (b) have regard to any observations received from the Minister concerning submissions or observations.. (received).'

Members are advised that a submission from the Commissioners of Irish Lights was received on 14<sup>th</sup> October was made under the public consultation process raising no objections subject to an area in the garden being excluded which houses an Aid to Navigation and access to this area which is laid out in appendix A.1. Donegal County Council acknowledges the need for this Aid to navigation to be excluded from the curtilage of the protected structures and will work closely with the Commissioners of Irish lights to ensure that any development of this area does not visually impact of the setting of the lighthouse. Subsequently no observations were received from the Minister.

#### 4.0 Next Steps

Members are requested to consider the recommendation at Section 5.0 below to proceed with the addition of the following property onto the Record of Protected Structures:

No.	NIAH Ref	Туре	Name	Location
1	40901830	Lighthouse keeper's house	Dunree lighthouse	Dunree, Inishowen

Within 2 weeks after deciding on the proposed addition to the Record of Protected Structures, Donegal County Council must serve on the Owner/Occupier of the Structure, notice of the addition, including the particulars of the same, as required by Section 54 of the Planning Act.

#### 5.0 Recommendation

It is recommended that Inishowen Municipal District Committee of Donegal County Council, having considered this Report on an addition to the Record of Protected Structures, adopt the following resolution:

On the proposal of Cllr....., seconded by Cllr....., Inishowen Municipal District Council resolved in Accordance with the Planning & Development Act 2000 (As amended) to add the structure included in the table immediately above to the Record of Protected Structures.

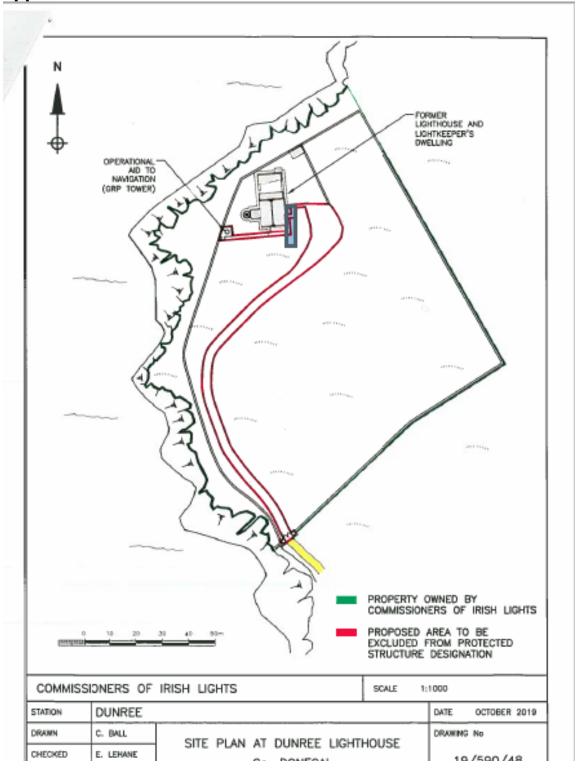
Eunan Quinn Senior Planner, Community, Enterprise and Planning Services.

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## Appendix A.1





Donegal County Council Public Services Centre Malin Road Carndonagh

22 November 2019

#### Dear Aideen:

As Chairman of Donegal Digital Innovation Company, I wish to invite the Council to nominate two Inishowen MD Councillors to become members of the Inishowen Digital Hub Advisory Board for 2019-20.

The nominated Councillors will be an integral part of the development of the Inishowen Digital Hub and would be very much valued and welcomed by the Board of Directors.

#### **About us:**

Donegal Digital is an important strand in the County Donegal's development strategy under the Government's Local Economic and Community Planning (LECP) process. One of the key actions is to establish digital innovation hubs in key locations across the County. The Inishowen peninsula is one of the priority locations identified by the Donegal Digital Project.

The digital hub will be a focus for connecting Inishowen to the wider regional tech ecosystem to provide a range of innovation, technology transfer and enterprise support services from LYIT/Colab, IDA, EI and LEO to potential start-ups and to existing small businesses in more traditional sectors to improve their digital online capabilities. It aims to be a focus for increasing the level of digital innovation, education and training in Inishowen as a basis for further employment and job creation.

#### **Advisory Board Purpose:**

- To provide strategic advice and guidance to deliver upon the development of the Inishowen Digital Hub.
- As an expert in your own field; to provide advice, support, scrutiny to the Innovation Manager, so as to secure the effective development and delivery of the Inishowen Digital Hub.

- Each stakeholder will effectively contribute to the Capacity Building Programme by agreeing on how each element within the Capacity Building Programme will be delivered in cooperation with project partners.
- To develop greater collaboration between the stakeholders to strengthen the economic ecosystem on a local and regional level.
- To promote the work of the Inishowen Digital Hub.

#### **Commitment**

The Advisory Board will meet 3 times per annum. Dates will be published a year in advance and will only be changed in an exceptional circumstance. Board members are expected to attend a minimum of 2 and a maximum of 3 meetings per annum and be available between meetings via email or telephone, on a limited basis and only as strictly required.

I would be grateful if you can consider this request to join the Inishowen Digital Hub Advisory Board and being part of this exciting strategic development for the Inishowen peninsula and the wider Donegal area.

If you have any queries and to confirm your acceptance onto the advisory board, please email Kevin McShane, Innovation Manager at <a href="mailto:kevin.mcshane@inishowendigitalhub.com">kevin.mcshane@inishowendigitalhub.com</a> or call 087 714 4033 by Friday 13 December 2019.

Yours Sincerely,

John McLaughlin

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Mr John McLaughlin

Chair of Donegal Digital Innovation Company.



## Office of the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine, Dublin 2.

Oifig an Aire Talmhaíochta, Bia agus Mara, Baile Átha Cliath 2.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2019

Ms. Aideen Doherty Area Manager Donegal County Council Public Service Centre Malin Road Carndonagh Donegal F93 YV1N



PLEASE QUOTE REF NUMBER ON ALL CORRESPONDENCE.

Our Ref: 2019/62724N /DC

Dear Ms. Doherty

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your recent correspondence addressed to the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine, Michael Creed, TD concerning the Sea Survival Centre at Greencastle Fisheries School.

I will bring your correspondence to the Minister's attention as soon as possible. In the interim I have forwarded your correspondence for the attention of relevant Department officials.

Yours sincerely,

Graham Lennox

Private Secretary

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