

**Ceantar Bardais Inis Eoghain**

Oifig Riarthóir na  
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Aras an Chontae  
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4 Márta 2015

**FOGRA CRUINNITHE**

Beidh Cruinniú de Ceantar Bardais Inis Eoghain siúl Dé Mháirt 10 Márta 2015,  
**ag 1.00 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.

**Mise, le meas**

*Lynda McGavigan*

*p.p. Riarthóir Cruinnithe*

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**Municipal District of Inishowen**

Office of Meetings Administrator  
County House  
Lifford  
4<sup>th</sup> March 2015

**NOTICE OF MEETING**

A Meeting of the Municipal District of Inishowen will be held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2015 **at 1.00 p.m. in the Public Services Centre, Carndonagh.**

**TO EACH MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF INISHOWEN**

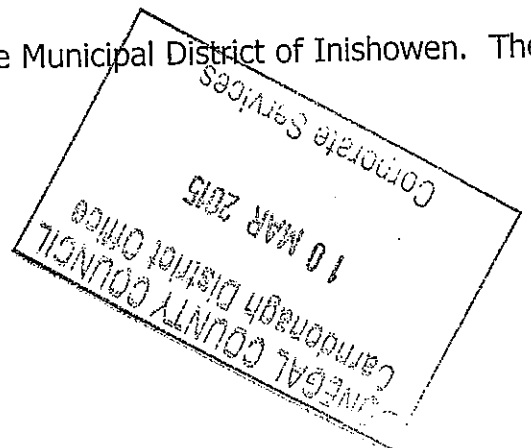
**Dear Councillor**

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

**Yours sincerely**

*Lynda McGavigan*

**for Liam Ward  
Meetings Administrator**



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## **AGENDA**

1. Consideration of the Minutes of the Municipal District of Inishowen Meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2015
2. Adoption of the Schedule of Municipal District Works 2015
3. Planning & Economic Development
4. Community, Enterprise & Cultural Services
5. Housing & Corporate Services
6. Roads & Transportation

1.15 p.m. Deputation from Inish Adventures

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**MINUTES OF THE INISHOWEN MUNICIPAL DISTRICT MEETING  
HELD IN THE CHAMBER, CARNDONAGH PSC  
ON THE 17<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2015**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Cllrs Paul Canning, Nicholas Crossan, Albert Doherty, Rena Donaghey, Martin Farren, Martin Mc Dermott, Bernard Mc Guinness, Jack Murray and John Ryan.

**OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE**

Mr John G. Mc Laughlin, Ms Lynda Mc Gavigan, Mr Seamus Hopkins, Ms Aideen Doherty, Fran Horkan and Ms Marie Mulhern.

Cllr Crossan opened and adjourned the meeting for 30 minutes, this was proposed by Cllr Farren and seconded by Cllr Murray.

Cllr Crossan proposed a minutes silence in respect of the recent passing of former Inishowen Councillor Denis Doherty. The members extended their condolences to Denis's wife Mary Joe and to the family. The members concurred that Denis was a true gentleman, hardworking and dedicated to the town and the area. John G. Mc Laughlin extended his condolences and that of the staff.

**15/06 CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES OF THE INISHOWEN  
ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON  
20<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2015**

On the proposal of Cllr Rena Donaghey, seconded by Cllr Martin Farren, the minutes of the meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> January 2015 were agreed.

**15/07 COMMUNITY & DEVELOPMENT**

**07.01 Update Report**

Aideen Doherty presented the update report and in particular referred to the following.

**07.02 Barrack Hill Town Park**

The official opening of the Town Park is now scheduled for the 20<sup>th</sup> March 2015. Cllr Doherty enquired if the lands at Barrack Hill could be made available to attract jobs and investment. Cllr Mc Guinness suggested that the land be made available for housing and industry.

### **07.03 Donegal Diaspora Project**

The breakdown of the website visits show an increase in the numbers visiting the site, with hits as far away as Brazil.

### **07.04 Public Area Enhancement Scheme**

Cllr Farren welcomed the funding of the Colgan Hall, Carndonagh and St Eugene's Hall, Moville.

### **07.05 IPB Pride of Place Competition 2015**

This year there are four population categories, three single issue categories with designated themes, a housing estate category, an island and coastal communities category and an urban neighbourhood category making 10 categories in total. The closing date for receipt of entries is the 20<sup>th</sup> March 2015. Cllr Ryan agreed to make communities aware of the competition, Donegal has been quite successful in the competition.

### **07.06 Donegal Youth Council**

Eamon Conaghan, Deelee College has been elected the Mayor of the Youth Council for the year ahead and Emma Rose Callaghan, Scoil Mhuire as Deputy Mayor. Cllr Canning & Cllr Ryan congratulated Emma Rose Callaghan on her position and wished her well in the post.

Cllr Crossan made a proposal to invite the Mayor or Deputy Mayor to the next Municipal District meeting.

### **07.07 Donegal County Council Scheme of Arts Grants 2015**

Under the Donegal County Council Arts Grants Scheme 2015, limited financial assistance will be available for the promotion of Arts Activities in the County. The closing date for receipt of application is 20<sup>th</sup> March 2015.

Cllr Murray was advised that the level of funding awarded would be small.

### **07.08 Donegal Film Office**

An editorial piece on the Donegal Film office was in the Sunday Business Post on the 08<sup>th</sup> February 2015.

### **07.09 Inishowen Carnival Group**

The Malin based Inishowen Carnival Group will make their 20<sup>th</sup> appearance at the annual St Patrick's day parade in Dublin on the 17<sup>th</sup> March 2015. The company first performed at the St Patrick's Day parade in 1996.

### **07.10 Visual Arts Café Event**

Visual Artists Ireland in association with Artlink and Donegal County Council Arts Service will host one of its Visual Artist café events at Artlink at Fort Dunree on Saturday afternoon February 21<sup>st</sup> 2015.

### **07.11 Greencastle Pontoon**

Cllr Farren welcomed the commencement of the works at the pontoon, yachts are coming from Northern Ireland and Scotland.

### **07.12 Clos Phadraig Playground, Carndonagh**

Cllr Doherty acknowledged the works carried out at the playground.

### **07.13 Salt Barn**

Cllr Mc Guinness requested that the members be kept informed about the Salt Barn at Barrack Hill.

### **07.14 INTERREG 5**

On request from Cllr Canning, Aideen Doherty agreed to request an update on the INTERREG 5 Programme from Maria Ferguson.

Other funding options for tourism would be Failte Ireland and EU funding. Cllr Mc Dermott enquired if there was a funding source to support the Ballyliffen coastal Challenge. Aideen Doherty suggested that they apply for the Strategic Development Fund.

### **07.15 International Sheep Shearing Competition**

Cllr Ryan advised that the international sheep shearing competition will be held again this year in Burt on the 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> May 2015.

### **07.16 Malin Head**

Cllr Mc Guinness requested an update on the development at Malin Head. The members requested a meeting with Paddy Doherty, Divisional Manager, to discuss the project.

## **15/08 HOUSING**

### **08.01 Update report on Housing**

Lynda Mc Gavigan presented the Housing report.

### **08.02 Casual Vacancy Report**

Cllr Doherty requested an update on the casual vacancy at No. 37 Convent Road, Carndonagh.

### **08.03 Voluntary Housing**

Cllr Mc Guinness enquired about the acquisition of properties through the voluntary housing bodies. The amount of funding from the housing strategy has not yet been received by the Council. Meetings are ongoing with voluntary bodies. An update will be provided at the workshop in March 2015.

### **08.04 SEAI**

Cllr Canning was advised that no decision had been made on a further application and it is currently being looked at.

Cllr Canning also enquired about the Public buildings aspect.

Cllr Mc Dermott requested an update on the Commercial units aspect of the scheme.

Feedback is being acquired through the provision of monitors and a report can be drawn up from this data.

Cllr Canning enquired if the public could be made aware of the scheme.

#### **08.05 Tenant Purchase Scheme**

Cllr Doherty was advised that there has been no further development in relation to the introduction of the new tenant purchase scheme.

#### **08.06 Anti Social Behaviour**

Cllr Doherty enquired about the anti social behaviour policy in relation to Council tenant living in private estates. All reports of anti social behaviour are investigated on an individual basis.

#### **08.07 Housing Application Report**

Cllr Mc Guinness requested a report on the number of applications received in each area with their areas of preference and stressed the need to establish what land is currently available. He also stressed that the Council should support the non closure of schools by keeping families in rural communities and in return keeping the pupil numbers up to ensure that the rural schools remain open.

#### **08.08 Muscovite Mica**

Cllr Mc Guinness enquired if an assessment of the housing stock has been carried out to test for Mica.

#### **15.09 CORPORATE**

It was agreed that a deputation from Inish Adventures make a presentation to the March 2015 Municipal District Meeting.

#### **15/10 ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION**

##### **10.01 Update Report**

Seamus Hopkins presented the update report and in particular referred to the following.

##### **10.02 Road Marking at Malin Head School**

The road was overlaid with asphaltic concrete in 2014 and is due for surface dressing at the beginning of the 2015 surface dressing season. Permanent road markings will be put in place once the surface dressing is complete. The Council Safety Engineer has visited the location and a solid line centreline has been laid. It is proposed that an advisory speed limit of 45km/hr be implemented.

##### **10.03 Footpath at Gleneely**

Area Roads staff have arranged to meet with the Cllr Mc Guinness on site to discuss this issue.



**10.04 Speeding issue at the corner coming from Ballyarnett, Muff**  
"Slow" and "Slower" road markings have been placed on road at this location to deter speeding on the road.

**10.05 Hatched box at the Custom post, Muff**  
Area Roads staff propose to review this issue with Cllr Murray at this location.

**10.06 Pedestrian crossing at the tank road, Ludden**  
The location will be investigated with Cllr Murray and the Area roads staff.

**10.07 Footpath at Sappagh**  
Area roads staff propose to review the issue on site with Cllr Murray, Cllr Ryan and Cllr Donaghey.

**10.08 Glencrow Junction**  
The junction has been discussed with Road Design and a request to re-examine the location will be forwarded to road design, taking into account the new footbridge.

**10.09 Rooskey road at Whitecastle**  
It is intended to include this road on the 2015 restoration maintenance programme.

**10.10 Irishtown at three trees**  
It is intended to include this road on the 2015 restoration maintenance programme.

**10.11 Street lighting at Carnaff and Carnagarve**  
Area roads staff propose to meet with Cllr Farren on site to discuss this issue.

**10.12 Condition of the road leading to Forward Emphasis**  
As a priority 3 route, winter service staff have endeavoured to keep this route serviceable once priority 1 and 2 routes have been treated. Area Roads staff are proposing to meet with Forward Emphasis to discuss their concerns.

**10.13 Street lighting from Clonmany to Ballyliffin**  
Ducting for the provision of 12 lights has been installed. Area roads are investigating the funding options for providing the lights.

**10.14 Health & Safety issue at Malin Town**  
The area roads staff have instructed Airtricity to replace the street lighting in Malin Town as a matter of urgency.

**10.15 Pier damage**  
The matter has been passed onto the Council's Marine section.

**10.16 Provision of bus shelter**  
Bus shelters are normally provided through the community and development programmes. The provision of bus shelters was investigated in the Inishowen

area a number of years ago. The intention was to use sponsorship/advertising as a means of assisting with the funding of the shelters. Area roads intend to look into the potential of using sponsorship monies as a means of funding shelters. Cllr Ryan proposed funding 8 or 9 bus shelters in the areas and to submit an application for funding for the Strategic Development Fund.

#### **10.17 Height restrictions at Manor Picnic area**

The height restriction barriers are to be installed at this site under Fáilte Ireland funding, due later in the year.

#### **10.18 Galdonagh Junction**

Road Design has investigated this location and has agreed that area roads can redesign locally. However funding options will need to be investigated in order to complete the work.

#### **10.19 Road at Gortaran, Clonmany**

It has been established that this is a public road. It will be allocated a road number and included in the roads schedule.

#### **10.20 Station road junction**

Area roads are proposing to place interlocking water filled plastic barriers at this location.

#### **10.21 Roadside at Glentogher**

The works to the roadside subsidence on the riverside of the Glentogher are due to commence shortly.

#### **10.22 Bridge leading to Sleabh Sneacht**

The parapet wall on the bridge has been damaged and is due for repair in 2015.

#### **10.23 Footpath to the Gaelic Pitch**

Footpath provision is currently being examined in the context of the 2015 work programme.

#### **10.24 Provision of a right turning lane at Whinhill**

Area roads to review this option in conjunction with road design. In the interim area roads intend to undertake improvements to the hard shoulder at this location as part of the 2015 works programme.

#### **10.25 Junction at Harry's Café Bridgend**

A sign is to be erected at this junction, on approach from Bonemaine, instructing traffic from Derry to turn left to the roundabout.

#### **10.26 Flashing speed sign at Drumfries**

The contractor has been requested to service the sign.

### **10.27 Drains on Main Street, Buncrana**

The drains have been investigated on the main street and work is to commence on 4 channels. The impact of this work will be reviewed prior to addressing the other channels.

### **10.28 Shore Path, Buncrana**

Area roads are to discuss this issue with the landowner.

### **10.29 Cockhill Bridge**

The Minister has agreed to meet with the members to discuss the Cockhill Bridge. Cllr Crossan suggested that perhaps a cross party deputation would be sufficient.

### **10.30 Community Improvement Schemes**

Cllr Mc Guinness proposed that 7.5% be top sliced off the roads budget to fund community improvement schemes. This was seconded by Cllr Ryan. The members then discussed the funding of the community improvement schemes.

Cllr Murray proposed to wait to the workshop to discuss the funding of the CIS in the context of the total funding available for restoration improvements and maintenance. The two proposals were then put to a vote.

On the proposal to top slice the budget to include community improvement schemes, Cllr Mc Guinness and Cllr Ryan were in favour and the other 7 were against.

On the proposal of discussing the funding of CIS in the context of the overall budget, those in favour were, Cllrs Donaghey, Mc Dermott, Canning, Murray, Doherty, Crossan and Farren. Those against were Cllr Mc Guinness and Ryan.

### **10.31 Spring Community Clean Up**

The Annual Spring Community Clean up is scheduled for 11<sup>th</sup> April 2015.

#### **Issues for follow up:**

Cllr Doherty enquired as follows

- If Road near the old Glentogher School could be checked for subsidence

Cllr Ryan enquired as follows

- If the road to the meat factory in Carrigans could be investigated

Cllr Donaghey enquired as follows

- Extending the footpath works at Main street, Buncrana
- Bus shelter at Cashel na Cor

Cllr Canning enquired as follows

- Magherabeg School
- Gritting of the Galdonagh road

- Provision of an embankment at the Argony Pipe
- If a representative from Roads could attend the Draft Flood map meetings

Cllr Mc Dermott

- Crossings on the Main Street, Carndonagh are subsiding
- Alternate funding source for Community Improvement Schemes

Cllr Mc Guinness

- Funding for the culvert at the Millbrae, near Kelly's service station.
- John G. Mc Laughlin agreed to follow up.

Cllr Farren enquired as follows

- Chevrons for the Carrickarory Pier
- Footpath from the Carrickarory Pier to the Community College
- Cats eyes on the Foyleside, the road from Muff to Quigley's Point.

Cllr Ryan enquired as follows

- Including the Galdonagh road on the winter maintenance route
- Provision of a right turning lane on the N13 close to Dillon's garage
- Investigation of the hard shoulder areas on the N13

Cllr Doherty enquired as follows

- Bridge Street, Carndonagh residents are concerned about the safety of pedestrians on the road between the boutique and the Café
- Insufficient span of the bridge at Binnion
- Junction at Ballyloskey, few low set areas near the junction and the water is not getting away
- Entrance to the Barrack Hill
- Footpath at Foden
- Directional sign on the exit from Derry giving direction to Carndonagh

## **15.11 PLANNING**

### **11.01 Mining & Prospecting Licence**

Cllr Doherty expressed his concern in relation to the protection of the environment in relation to the proposed mining. Fran Horkan advised that planning have no further information available other than what is currently on display at the PSC.

### **11.02 Illegal Dumping**

Cllr Doherty highlighted the illegal dumping in border areas. It was agreed to pass this issue on to the Environment section.

### **11.03 Transient site at Lisfannon**

Cllr Canning enquired if the transient site has planning permission. The members then discussed the situation at the site.

### **11.04 Part 8 at Malin Head**

Fran Horkan advised that the application is on hold, further information is required for National Parks and Wildlife Service. Nothing further has been submitted to Planning. The current application can proceed as long as there is no significant difference to the application.

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19<sup>th</sup> February 2015

**To: Each Elected Member**

**Re: Schedule of Municipal District Works**

Please find attached material for the Schedule of Municipal District Works workshop that will take place on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2015 for review and consideration.

I also attach the Development Fund details in respect of 2015 for information only as they do not form part of the Schedule of Municipal District Works.

Yours sincerely,

Lynda McGavigan  
Area Manager  
Housing & Corporate Services

## Schedule of Municipal District Works (SMDW)

### **1.0 Background**

- 1.1 Section 58 of the Local Government Reform Act 2014 amends Section 103 of the Local Government Act 2001, inserting a new section (Section 103A), (extract attached) regarding the preparation of a Schedule of Municipal District Works in respect of maintenance and repair for each Municipal District.
- 1.2 Circular LG27/2014/Fin/21/2014 dated 31<sup>st</sup> December 2014, (copy attached) provides further detail in relation to the operational application of this new principle within the Municipal District.

### **2.0 Primary Issues of Consideration**

- 2.1 The Schedule of Municipal District Works is a new concept that details a plan of repair and maintenance work in each of the respective Municipal Districts and in respect of a number of local service areas.
- 2.2 The preparation and adoption of the Schedule of Municipal District Work is mandatory, is required to be prepared under the direction of the Chief Executive and requires consideration by the Municipal District and adoption by resolution, with or without amendment, by the members of each Municipal District.
- 2.3 Whilst ordinarily the Schedule of Municipal District Works is to be prepared and completed broadly in parallel or very soon after the adoption of the Annual Revenue Budget, given the nature of the first year of it's application, (2015), an extension to the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015 has been allowed for the adoption of this resolution in respect of this year. A formal wording of resolution is required in this regard.
- 2.4 The members must have due consideration to the adopted revenue budget (essentially requiring that the schedule as adopted and the expenditure associated with that must be within the parameters of adopted Revenue budget for the County as a whole).
- 2.5 Should the Schedule not be adopted by the members, the Schedule of Municipal District Work reverts to the full council for the elected members consideration and adoption with or without amendment but in line with subsection 4 of Section 103A.

### **3.0 Rationale**

- 3.1 The principle of the SMDW is in line with stated objectives incorporated in various government policy documents associated with Local Government Reform.
- 3.2 It is expected that as the concept embeds that the prospect of additional and wider ranges of activities may be considered for incorporation into the overall schedule.



#### **4.0 Practical Applications - 2015**

- 4.1 Given that this is the first year of the application of this new concept, an approach has been taken to apply a limited number of works areas and to include areas of strategic importance at Municipal District level in the Schedule of Municipal District Works, for its first year. In this context various aspects of housing maintenance and repair, road maintenance and repair, beach management and maintenance have been incorporated.
- 4.2 The schedule as presented to the Municipal District members does not report or represent all aspects of local expenditure and as such it is expected that as the principle of the SMDW matures over subsequent years that further areas can be incorporated as required. It is proposed that this matter be kept under review by the Corporate Policy Group of the Council and their advice and direction be sought in relation to same.
- 4.3 It should be noted that in certain instances budgets are held locally e.g. roads maintenance areas whilst others are held centrally e.g. beach management. The rationale and logic for same will be presented at each workshop / meeting where the schedule will be considered but considerations relating to value for money, efficiency, synergies and contingency capacity are all areas that are reflected in instances where budgets may be held centrally for the provision of services locally.

#### **5.0 Further Information**

- 5.1 Also included for your information is a schedule of the discretionary development funds that are available to you through the strategic development fund (monies which were allocated as part of the budget 2015 allocation process and, furthermore, a schedule of available monies per electoral area in respect of the members development funds, a sum in the amount of €6,350 which is available for allocation by each individual elected member.

#### **6.0 Required**

- 6.1 In line with section 103A of the Local Government Act 2001 (as amended) that the members consider the Schedule of Municipal District Works as presented.
- 6.2 That the members resolve with or without amendment but within the parameters of available adopted budget the schedule as presented, be adopted in line with the suggested resolution wording as presented.

**Extract from Local Government Act 2001 (as amended)**

**Schedule of Municipal District Works 103A**

- (1) As soon as may be following the adoption of the local authority budget, a schedule of proposed works of maintenance and repair to be carried out during the financial year in each municipal district shall be prepared under the direction of the chief executive, having regard to the availability of resources, in the manner, format and within the timescale that may be prescribed by regulations made by the Minister.
- (2) A schedule prepared for the purposes of subsection (1) shall be considered by the municipal district members concerned and be adopted by resolution, with or without amendment by it, within such time limit and in accordance with such conditions and requirements as may be prescribed by the regulations made by the Minister.
- (3) In making an amendment under subsection (2) the municipal district members shall have due regard to the local authority budget adopted in accordance with section 103(9).
- (4) If the schedule prepared for the purpose of subsection (1) is not adopted by the municipal district members in accordance with subsection (2) and any regulations made under that subsection, then the local authority concerned shall consider that schedule and by resolution adopt it with or without amendment (having due regard to the local authority budget adopted in accordance with section 103(9)) within such time limit as may be prescribed by the regulations made by the Minister.



Comhshaol, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil  
Environment, Community and Local Government



LG 27/2014  
FIN 21/2014

31 December 2014

Dear Chief Executive,

**Schedule of Municipal District Works  
(SMDW)**

**Legislative provisions**

1. Section 58 of the Local Government Reform Act 2014 inserts a new section 103A in the Local Government Act 2001 providing that, following the adoption of the annual budget, a schedule of proposed works of maintenance and repair to be carried out during the financial year in each municipal district shall be prepared, for adoption by the municipal district<sup>1</sup> members. The SMDW is, in effect, a plan of works that prioritises and apportions the use, within each municipal district, of funding provided in the overall local authority revenue budget for particular purposes. In the case of local authority areas which do not have municipal districts, while the requirements in this circular relating to the SMDW *per se* do not apply, it is considered that it would be good practice to prepare a schedule of works in any event to identify where works will be prioritised in the local authority area during the year.
2. The relevant extract from the 2001 Act is attached in the Appendix to this circular. The main elements of this provision are as follows: -
  - Preparation and adoption of the SMDW is a mandatory requirement.
  - The SMDW must be prepared under the direction of the Chief Executive.
  - The SMDW is to be prepared as soon as may be following the adoption of the annual budget, for consideration and adoption by resolution, with or without amendment, by the municipal district members.
  - If not adopted by the municipal district members, the SMDW reverts to the full council for the elected members consideration and adoption, with or without amendment.

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<sup>1</sup> The term municipal district should be taken to include metropolitan districts and borough districts.

### Policy Context

3. By virtue of being adopted at district level, the SMDW represents an important enhancement of subsidiarity in local government. The provision is fundamentally important to the new system of governance at sub-county level, giving effect to measures set out in the *Government's Action Programme for Effective Local Government, Putting People First*, which indicated, in particular, that: -
- matters to be decided at municipal district level would include decisions in relation to local facilities and amenities and determination of priorities and programmes of works or services in the area, within global funding allocations decided by the overall county council /city and county council or the use of locally generated revenue (paragraph 6.5.2);
  - provision would be made for the adoption by members at municipal district level of programmes/plans setting out priorities for works, services or activities within their functional remit that are contained within, or specific to, the district and expenditure in respect of matters that are appropriate for decision locally, within the overall budgetary and policy framework (paragraph 6.5.9); and
  - wide discretion would be given to members at municipal district level insofar as priorities in matters decided at that level are concerned (paragraph 6.7.1).

The scope for widening the extent of reserved functions of elected members would be pursued fully and a number of new measures set out in the programme would add important new functions to the range of powers of elected members (paragraph 11.5.2); to this end, the adoption of the SMDW is among the most important new reserved functions introduced by the Reform Act 2014.

### Guidance on preparation and adoption of SMDW

4. The legislation provides that the Minister may make regulations outlining the manner, format, conditions, requirements and timescale for the preparation, consideration and adoption of the SMDW. Further consideration will be given to the possible need for regulations under section 103A of the 2001 Act. Pending the possible making of regulations, interim guidelines are being provided on the preparation, amendment and adoption of the SMDW for the year 2015, as follows: -
- (a) While the legislation provides that the SMDW be prepared as soon as may be following the adoption of the annual budget, it is considered reasonable, in the first year of its operation, to allow adoption of the SMDW by 31 March 2015, in order to allow for appropriate arrangements to be made and to afford members adequate time to familiarise themselves with this important new function. This will also enable account to be taken of more definitive details of Government maintenance grants for roads, housing, etc.
  - (b) The SMDW in respect of each municipal district should be formulated on the basis of the amount of funding provided for maintenance and repair in the annual budget of the local authority in respect of each relevant service division (e.g. housing, roads,

amenities, street cleaning, drainage work, burial ground maintenance, etc.), subject to any variations arising subsequent to adoption of the budget, for example, in relation to funding levels from State grants. Classification of items in the budget should largely determine what works and related expenditure are included in the SMDW but insofar as it may be necessary to make judgments in particular instances, it is considered that the term "maintenance" can include not only maintenance of the physical condition or fabric of items, but also more operational type matters such as grass cutting or tree pruning.

- (c) Within the level of funding available, details of the SMDW should be prepared on the basis of identified needs (taking account of relevant factors, for example, in the case of housing, age profile of stock) and priorities throughout the local authority area and taking due account of requirements in relation to standards and frequency of maintenance work. This should be informed by details of relevant requirements which were considered in the formulation of the overall local authority budget. It will also be relevant to have regard to the pattern of works and expenditure in previous years. It is emphasised that adoption of the SMDW *per se* cannot involve revision of the adopted budget.
- (d) It is essential to maximise return on investment by avoiding dilution of expenditure which could result from spreading allocations too thinly across the local authority and the constituent municipal districts each year. This could be minimised by taking a multi-annual approach where possible in the preparation of the SMDW.
- (e) Maximising value for money, overall effectiveness, and return from investment should also be a key objective in prioritising works and allocating available funding within each municipal district, along with the need to ensure appropriate balance in the allocation of resources as between urban and rural areas in the district. Apportionment of funding on a thematic basis within the district over the life of the council could help to this end. For example, specific housing estate(s) in one location could be prioritised for refurbishment in year one, with a commitment to undertake works in another area in subsequent years. Similarly, where an overall local authority maintenance programme is drawn up for a particular purpose (say windows and doors in local authority dwellings) which might need to extend over a number of years, the required works would be reflected in relevant annual SMDWs.
- (f) Any maintenance type functions, for example, grass cutting, planting or other maintenance of open spaces, that are carried out by means of specific purpose grants for such purposes to community groups such as tidy towns committees can be provided for, as appropriate, through the SMDW.
- (g) The GMA, which is a budgetary element providing funding for discretionary expenditure at municipal district level to be decided by the elected members in respect of each municipal district, is separate from the "strategic" budgetary funding for maintenance and repair, the utilisation of which is to be determined in the SMDW. However, it is open to the municipal district members to apply GMA funding to supplement maintenance and repair funding otherwise available in the overall budget.

- (h) It is suggested that the resolution for adoption of the SMDW be worded so as to be flexible enough to allow for possible emergencies or reallocation of funding from scheduled works that cannot, for some reason, proceed. Any such re-allocation of funding should, as always, be within the overall budgetary framework and could be notified to the members as part of the Monthly Management Report. Account should be taken of any such changes in the preparation of the following year's SMDW.
- (i) Section 134A of the 2001 Act provides that, in preparing the Service Delivery Plan, account shall be taken of any local authority plan, statement, strategy or any other document. Accordingly, the SMDW should, ideally, be prepared and adopted in advance of the annual Service Delivery Plan. If this is not feasible in the context of the time frame allowed for 2015, the preparation of the annual Service Delivery Plan should, at least, be informed by proposals for the SMDW.
5. The following conditions and requirements shall apply in relation to any amendments to the SMDW, as prepared under the direction of the chief executive, being considered by the municipal district members under section 103A (2) and (3) of the 2001 Act: -
- (a) Any proposed amendments to the SMDW must take account of
- the need to confine overall expenditure on works of maintenance within the total amount provided in the adopted local authority budget for such purposes;
  - actual requirements and priorities for relevant works within the district and prioritisation of the use of funding available to the district for particular purposes having regard to such requirements and priorities;
  - the most effective use of available resources;
  - requirements and priorities for funding in respect of works to which the SMDW relates during the entire term of office of the council so as to prevent dilution and ineffective use of funding by spreading it too thinly across the local authority/district each year;
  - other factors/criteria set out in these guidelines;
  - compliance with the regulations and guidelines regarding the performance of functions by municipal district members as provided in S.I. 231 of 2014 and circular LG10/2014, including the need for consistency with overall local authority policy and avoidance of duplication;
  - any views in relation to proposed amendments provided by the chief executive.
- (b) If the municipal district members decide not to adopt the SMDW or propose to make an amendment to the SMDW which would result in the total expenditure in respect of works included in the schedule in respect of a particular service division exceeding that envisaged in the schedule as prepared by the chief executive, the latter shall submit a report to the local authority indicating that the SMDW has not

been adopted in accordance with subsection (2) of section 103A and the local authority shall adopt the SMDW in accordance with subsection (4) of section 103A.

- (c) Pending a decision on the adoption of the SMDW by the municipal district members or the local authority, as the case may be, works or services may be undertaken in accordance with the schedule as prepared by the chief executive. Failure to adopt, or delay in adoption of, the SMDW in respect of a particular district by the municipal district members or the local authority, as the case may be, will not affect the validity of the SMDW adopted by the municipal district or the local authority, as the case may be, in respect of another district in the local authority area. Accordingly, where the SMDW has been adopted by the members for a particular municipal district, it cannot be revisited by the plenary Council even in the event that the SMDW for another district is referred back to it because of failure of the members for that district to adopt.
  - (d) In the event of a decision by the municipal district members or the local authority, as the case may be, not to adopt the SMDW or to make an amendment to the SMDW which would result in the total expenditure in respect of works included in the schedule exceeding that envisaged in the schedule as prepared by the chief executive, only such works or services to which the SMDW relates as are considered by the chief executive to be essential shall be undertaken pending the adoption of the SMDW within the level of expenditure envisaged in the schedule as prepared by the chief executive.
6. Specific procedures (beyond the requirements in the legislation) or a definitive format for the SMDW, are not being prescribed at this time. The procedures and structures already applied by most authorities for non-statutory agreement of annual road works programmes at area committee level should provide a relevant analogy and a template that can be adapted for the statutory SMDW process. It is understood that some authorities intend to have non-statutory consultations with the municipal district members on the SMDW early in 2015, which could be helpful in advance of formal adoption. It should also be noted that it is a matter for the executive to determine the most appropriate and effective operational and organisational arrangements to implement the measures decided by the municipal district members in the adoption of the SMDW.
7. A copy of this circular, which is available on the SharePoint system, should be given to each elected member. In view of its importance to their role at municipal district level, all necessary support should be provided to the members in the performance of their functions in relation to the schedule of municipal district works.

Any queries on this matter relating to finance aspects can be made to Emma.Reeves@environ.ie, or relating to municipal district functions generally to Brendan Buggy or Michael Murphy at 01-8882826 or 01-8882162, respectively or, by e-mail at Brendan.buggy@environ.ie or Michael.murphy@environ.ie.

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Quinn

Denis Conlan

Local Government Finance Section

Local Government Policy Section

To each local authority Chief Executive



Extract from Part 12, Chapter 1 (Financial Procedures)  
of the Local Government Act 2001

**Schedule of municipal district works**

103A.— (1) As soon as may be following the adoption of the local authority budget, a schedule of proposed works of maintenance and repair to be carried out during the financial year in each municipal district shall be prepared under the direction of the chief executive, having regard to the availability of resources, in the manner, format and within the timescale that may be prescribed by regulations made by the Minister.

(2) A schedule prepared for the purposes of subsection (1) shall be considered by the municipal district members concerned and be adopted by resolution, with or without amendment by it, within such time limit and in accordance with such conditions and requirements as may be prescribed by the regulations made by the Minister.

(3) In making an amendment under subsection (2) the municipal district members shall have due regard to the local authority budget adopted in accordance with section 103(9).

(4) If the schedule prepared for the purpose of subsection (1) is not adopted by the municipal district members in accordance with subsection (2) and any regulations made under that subsection, then the local authority concerned shall consider that schedule and by resolution adopt it with or without amendment (having due regard to the local authority budget adopted in accordance with section 103(9)) within such time limit as may be prescribed by the regulations made by the Minister.

Appendix 1

	2015 Overall Adopted	Non Discretionary Payroll / Overheads	Discretionary
Hsg Maint - Inishowen EA	329,264.99	112,146.23	217,118.76
Hsg Maint - Donegal EA	235,895.99	119,251.58	116,644.41
Hsg Maint - Glenties EA	247,540.01	74,589.62	172,950.39
Hsg Maint - Letterkenny EA	428,450.01	122,701.62	305,748.39
Hsg Maint - Stranorlar EA	273,049.99	57,366.95	215,683.04
<b>Sub-total for Area Maintenance:</b>	<b>1,514,200.99</b>	<b>486,056.00</b>	<b>1,028,144.99</b>
<b>HQ Maintenance</b>	<b>1,311,567.99</b>		
<b>Total Maintenance</b>	<b>2,825,768.98</b>	As per Budget Book (Division A 1.2)	
Insurance	342,000.00		
Loan Charges	21,004.00		
Write Down of Capital Balances	66,000.00		
<b>Sub Total Other</b>	<b>429,004.00</b>		
<b>Overall Total</b>	<b>3,254,772.98</b>	As per Budget Book (Division A 1.2)	

Routine Maintenance Budget allocated on a per house basis equally across all areas.

HSG ESTATE MANAGEMENT - INISHOWEN EA	10,752.00		10,752.00
HSG ESTATE MANAGEMENT - DONEGAL EA	10,758.00		10,758.00
HSG ESTATE MANAGEMENT - GLENTIES EA	5,758.00		5,758.00
HSG ESTATE MANAGEMENT - LETTERKENNY EA	16,516.00		16,516.00
HSG ESTATE MANAGEMENT - STRANORLAR EA	5,758.00		5,758.00
<b>Sub-total for Estate Management:</b>	<b>€49,542.00</b>		
<b>HQ Estate Management</b>	<b>€17,458.00</b>		
<b>Total Estate Management</b>	<b>€67,000.00</b>	As per Budget Book (Division A 1.5)	
Estate management budget previously allocated equally across all areas with an additional €5,000 added in 2015 for areas taking on the former town councils.			
Letterkenny also benefited from the amalgamation of Milford into Letterkenny			

Appendix 2

Description	Adopted Budget 2015	Budget Adjustments	Revised Budget 2015	Payroll	Loan Charges	Others	Total	Balance	Inishowen	Donegal	Glenties	Letterkenny	Stranorlar	Total
<b>Water &amp; Environment</b>														
Litter Control - Clean Up Campaign	126,000		126,000				0	126,000	29,000	16,000	33,000	25,000	23,000	126,000
Maintenance of Beaches	208,700		208,700				0	208,700	38,700	87,000	31,000	40,000	0	196,700
	334,700	0	334,700	0	0	0	0	334,700	67,700	103,000	64,000	65,000	23,000	322,700

Background

The table above details clean-ups and beach maintenance with the various distributions per each MD.

In both cases it is proposed that these will be centrally managed to give maximum flexibility to respond to priorities in a county wide context. An example would be instances of large scale dumping being more prevalent in one area than another and similarly with unexpected maintenance/repair work at beaches. As a consequence it is difficult to suggest that an MD has discretion for the spend. However, we do clearly provide for indicative expenditure on an area by area basis as set out in the schedule circulated.

The basis of allocation will be kept under review.

## Roads Areas Division Budget Distribution 2015

	Totals	Non-Roads Areas Controlled Funding	Roads Areas Centrally Controlled Funding	Donegal MD	Glenties MD	Inishowen MD	Letterkenny MD	Stranorlar MD
	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
<b>National Roads Authority (NRA)</b>								
NP Ordinary Maintenance	€408,226			€143,696		€60,009	€51,028	€153,493
NP Route Lighting	€106,365	€106,365						
NP Winter Maintenance	€265,000		€265,000					
<b>National Primary Total =</b>	<b>€779,591</b>	<b>€106,365</b>	<b>€265,000</b>	<b>€143,696</b>	<b>€0</b>	<b>€60,009</b>	<b>€51,028</b>	<b>€153,493</b>
NS Ordinary Maintenance	€767,377			€52,580	€185,414		€38,743	
NS Route Lighting	€99,000	€99,000						
NS Winter Maintenance	€165,000		€165,000					
<b>National Secondary Total =</b>	<b>€1,031,377</b>	<b>€99,000</b>	<b>€165,000</b>	<b>€52,580</b>	<b>€185,414</b>	<b>€0</b>	<b>€38,743</b>	<b>€0</b>
LA Support (Maintenance) 2015	€51,000		€51,000					
LA Support (Winter Maintenance) 2015	€10,000	€10,000						
<b>National Secondary Total =</b>	<b>€61,000</b>	<b>€10,000</b>	<b>€51,000</b>	<b>€0</b>	<b>€0</b>	<b>€0</b>	<b>€0</b>	<b>€0</b>
<b>Total NRA Roads Areas Funding =</b>	<b>€1,881,968</b>	<b>€215,365</b>	<b>€481,000</b>	<b>€196,276</b>	<b>€185,414</b>	<b>€60,009</b>	<b>€89,771</b>	<b>€153,493</b>
<b>Department of Transport, Tourism &amp; Sport (DTTAS)</b>								
Winter Maintenance (Note 4)	€800,000		€800,000					
Bridge Refurbishment	€250,000	€250,000						
Regional & Local Roads Disc Maintenance	€3,483,633	€28,283		€718,758	€658,347	€874,682	€711,114	€490,250
<b>Discretionary Grant (DG) Total =</b>	<b>€4,531,433</b>	<b>€28,283</b>	<b>€800,000</b>	<b>€718,758</b>	<b>€658,347</b>	<b>€874,682</b>	<b>€711,114</b>	<b>€490,250</b>
Regional Roads Restoration Maintenance	€878,357	€147,277		€119,406	€180,508	€168,101	€186,385	€76,681
Local Roads Restoration Maintenance	€1,879,920			€403,807	€342,897	€482,575	€373,540	€277,100
<b>Restoration Maintenance (RM) Total =</b>	<b>€2,758,277</b>	<b>€147,277</b>	<b>€0</b>	<b>€523,213</b>	<b>€523,405</b>	<b>€650,676</b>	<b>€559,925</b>	<b>€353,781</b>
Materials Testing	€25,000		€25,000					
Restoration Improvement	€9,773,242	€332,242		€1,965,309	€1,800,127	€2,391,655	€1,944,410	€1,340,497
<b>Restoration Improvement (RI) Total =</b>	<b>€9,798,242</b>	<b>€332,242</b>	<b>€25,000</b>	<b>€1,965,309</b>	<b>€1,800,127</b>	<b>€2,391,655</b>	<b>€1,944,410</b>	<b>€1,340,497</b>
Bridge Rehabilitation	€225,000	€225,000						
Low Cost Safety Improvements	€237,000	€237,000						
Training	€85,000	€85,000						
Specific Grants	€75,059	€75,059						
<b>DTTAS Non-Roads Areas Total =</b>	<b>€622,059</b>	<b>€622,059</b>	<b>€0</b>	<b>€0</b>	<b>€0</b>	<b>€0</b>	<b>€0</b>	<b>€0</b>
<b>Total DTTAS Roads Areas Funding =</b>	<b>€17,711,011</b>	<b>€1,979,861</b>	<b>€825,000</b>	<b>€3,207,279</b>	<b>€2,981,879</b>	<b>€3,917,013</b>	<b>€3,215,449</b>	<b>€2,184,528</b>
<b>DCC Own Resources Roads Areas (OR) and Specific Funding for Roads Related items</b>								
Training	€30,000	€30,000						
Scrim Test	€30,000		€30,000					
Materials Testing	€20,000		€20,000					
Road Lining	€200,000		€200,000					
Depots & Health & Safety	€75,000		€75,000					
Crash Barriers	€80,000		€80,000					
Co-finance Capital	€50,000	€50,000						
Reflecting Road Studs	€50,000		€50,000					
Japanese Knotweed Pilot	€50,000		€50,000					
Contingency Reserve	€500,000		€500,000					
Former Town Councils Roads (Note 8)	€657,000			€195,786		€198,414	€262,800	
Former Town Council Street Sweeping (Note 9)	€365,003			€65,003		€76,000	€224,000	
MD Works Overheads	€1,400,000			€294,737	€294,737	€294,737	€294,737	€221,053
Regional Roads Own Resources	€618,440			€133,674	€202,078	€188,188	€208,657	€85,844
Regional Roads OR (Ineligible under Grants)	€534,650			€87,323	€132,008	€122,935	€136,306	€56,078
Local Roads Own Resources	€1,893,560			€299,337	€254,185	€357,727	€276,900	€205,411
Local Roads OR (Ineligible under Grants)	€910,380			€195,543	€166,048	€233,687	€180,887	€134,186
<b>Own Resources Roads Areas Total =</b>	<b>€7,164,003</b>	<b>€80,000</b>	<b>€1,005,000</b>	<b>€1,271,403</b>	<b>€1,049,056</b>	<b>€1,471,687</b>	<b>€1,584,287</b>	<b>€702,571</b>
Parks & Open Spaces (Note 10)	€940,781			€68,648	€5,399	€140,148	€725,348	€1,238
Moville Green (Note 11)	€40,000					€40,000		
Car Parking (Note 12)	€829,865			€349,865		€80,000	€250,000	€150,000
Public Lighting	€2,065,800	€2,065,800						
Rail Study	€17,000	€1,000						
Ballyshannon Casual Trading Support	€16,200			€16,200				
Burial Grounds	€40,000		€2,800	€7,200	€4,800	€9,600	€10,800	€4,800
<b>DCC Specific Funding Total =</b>	<b>€3,933,646</b>	<b>€2,066,800</b>	<b>€2,800</b>	<b>€441,913</b>	<b>€10,199</b>	<b>€269,748</b>	<b>€986,148</b>	<b>€156,038</b>
<b>Total DCC Funding =</b>	<b>€11,097,649</b>	<b>€2,146,800</b>	<b>€1,007,800</b>	<b>€1,713,316</b>	<b>€1,059,255</b>	<b>€1,741,435</b>	<b>€2,570,434</b>	<b>€858,609</b>
<b>TOTAL 2015 FUNDING =</b>	<b>€30,189,988</b>	<b>€3,742,026</b>	<b>€2,313,800</b>	<b>€5,116,871</b>	<b>€4,226,548</b>	<b>€5,718,458</b>	<b>€5,875,655</b>	<b>€3,196,630</b>

## Roads Areas Division

### Budget Distribution 2015 - Municipal Districts Summary

	Totals			Donegal MD	Glenties MD	Inishowen MD	Letterkenny MD	Stranorlar MD
	€			€	€	€	€	€
<b>National Roads</b>								
NP Ordinary Maintenance	€408,226			€143,696		€60,009	€51,028	€153,493
NS Ordinary Maintenance	€276,737			€52,580	€185,414		€38,743	
<b>Total National Roads Funding</b>	<b>€684,963</b>			<b>€196,276</b>	<b>€185,414</b>	<b>€60,009</b>	<b>€89,771</b>	<b>€153,493</b>
<b>Non-National Roads</b>								
Regional & Local Roads Disc Maintenance	€3,459,850			€718,758	€658,347	€874,682	€711,114	€490,250
Regional Roads Own Resources	€818,840			€133,674	€202,078	€188,188	€208,657	€85,844
Regional Roads OR (Ineligible under Grants)	€534,650			€87,323	€132,008	€122,935	€136,306	€56,078
Local Roads Own Resources	€1,393,560			€299,337	€254,185	€357,727	€276,900	€205,411
Local Roads OR (Ineligible under Grants)	€910,350			€195,543	€166,048	€233,687	€180,887	€134,186
MD Works Overheads	€1,400,000			€294,737	€294,737	€294,737	€294,737	€221,053
Former Town Councils Roads (Note 9)	€657,000			€195,786		€198,414	€262,800	
Former Town Council Street Sweeping (Note 10)	€369,003			€65,003		€76,000	€224,000	
Discretionary Road Maintenance Funding Total =	€9,532,153			€1,990,160	€1,707,402	€2,346,369	€2,295,401	€1,192,820
Regional Roads Restoration Maintenance	€731,080			€119,406	€180,508	€168,101	€186,385	€76,681
Local Roads Restoration Maintenance	€1,879,920			€403,807	€342,897	€482,575	€373,540	€277,100
Restoration Maintenance (RM) Total =	€2,611,000			€523,213	€523,405	€650,676	€559,925	€353,781
Reg & Loc Roads Restoration Improvement	€9,442,000			€1,965,309	€1,800,127	€2,391,655	€1,944,410	€1,340,497
Restoration Improvement (RI) Total =	€9,442,000			€1,965,309	€1,800,127	€2,391,655	€1,944,410	€1,340,497
<b>Total Non-National Roads Funding</b>	<b>€21,585,153</b>			<b>€4,478,682</b>	<b>€4,030,935</b>	<b>€5,388,701</b>	<b>€4,799,736</b>	<b>€2,887,099</b>
<b>Specific Funding for Roads Related items</b>								
Parks & Open Spaces (Note 11)	€940,781			€68,648	€5,399	€140,148	€725,348	€1,238
Moville Green (Note 12)	€40,000					€40,000		
Car Parking (Note 13)	€829,865			€349,865		€80,000	€250,000	€150,000
Ballyshannon Casual Trading Support	€16,200			€16,200				
Burial Grounds	€37,200			€7,200	€4,800	€9,600	€10,800	€4,800
Roads Related Items Total =	€1,864,046			€441,913	€10,199	€269,748	€986,148	€156,038
<b>Total Roads Related Items Funding</b>	<b>€1,864,046</b>			<b>€441,913</b>	<b>€10,199</b>	<b>€269,748</b>	<b>€986,148</b>	<b>€156,038</b>
<b>TOTAL 2015 FUNDING</b>	<b>€24,134,162</b>			<b>€5,116,871</b>	<b>€4,226,548</b>	<b>€5,718,458</b>	<b>€5,875,655</b>	<b>€3,196,630</b>

## Roads Areas Division

### Budget Distribution 2015

**Notes:**

- 1 NRA allocations must be spent in accordance with the NRA Memorandum on Road Grants.
- 2 NRA allocations announced to date do not contain any allocation for HD 28, High Collision Locations or Crash Barrier repairs. It is expected that funding under these headings will be announced by the NRA aimed at specific locations on the national road network in the coming months.
- 3 DTTAS allocations must be spent in compliance with DTTAS Circular RW2/2015 and the Memorandum on Non-national Road Grants.
- 4 Winter maintenance budget is weather dependent and will be supplemented as necessary from the OR Contingency Reserve.
- 5 The former Town Council Block Grants (€603,000 in 2014) have been discontinued by DTTAS leading to potential funding concerns for 2015. DTTAS have increased RI, RM and DG grants to DCC by €507,802 from the initial 2014 grants. This increase has been held back to allow for discussions with Elected Members on using some or all of this increase to bridge the funding shortfall.
- 6 DTTAS Circular RW2/2015 permits LAs to use up to 15% of their Discretionary Grant for Local Improvement Schemes (LIS). Elected Members at Municipal District level may provide for an LIS programme in their SMDW on this basis if they wish.
- 7 DTTAS Circular RW2/2015 permits LAs to use up to 7.5% of their Restoration Improvement (RI) and Restoration Maintenance (RM) funding for Community Involvement Schemes (CIS). Elected Members at Municipal District level may provide for a CIS programme in their SMDW on this basis however it is recommended that RM monies are not used for this purpose.
- 8 The Former Town Councils allocated €657,000 of their own resources to road maintenance in 2014 and the Council's Own Resources budget has been increased by €650,000 in 2015 to allow for this. €657,000 has been allocated to those MDs now incorporating former TC areas and has been distributed according to the amounts of OR allocated by the TCs in 2014.
- 9 Specific provision has been made for the first time in the Council's budget 2015 for Street Sweeping. In previous years street sweeping was funded from roads general maintenance monies and only the former Town Councils made specific allocation. As such Donegal, Inishowen & Letterkeny MDs have received a specific amount for street sweeping and the remainder has been included in Roads OR. MDs may provide for street sweeping from their Roads OR as normal in accordance with their individual preferences.
- 10 Parks and Open Spaces budget provision for 2015 was based on 2013 expenditure under this heading. The 2015 budget has been distributed to MDs on the basis of the relative spend in each MD 2013.
- 11 Merville Green has been separately budgeted as per historic commitments.
- 12 Discretionary income from Parking Charges are subject to some annual commitments by former Town Councils.
- 13 It is expected that Roads Own Resources funds will continue to be spent as normal as per the following breakdown:

Drainage Works on Roads	40% - 50%
Road Surface Repairs	35% - 45%
Verge Maintenance	0% - 10%
Sign Maintenance	0% - 5%
Bridge Inspections	0% - 5%
Emergency RTC and Flooding Response	0% - 5%
Street Cleaning	0% - 15%

**FORMAL RESOLUTION FOR SMDW ADOPTION**

**ADOPTION OF THE SCHEDULE OF MUNICIPAL DISTRICT WORKS 2015**

Proposed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

and resolved "that the \_\_\_\_\_ Municipal District hereby adopt for the financial year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015, the Schedule of Municipal District Works as set out in \_\_\_\_\_ as required by Section 103A of the Local Government Act 2001 (as amended) and in line with requirements of Circular LG27/2014/Fin21/2014.

## Development Fund Allocations 2015

Municipal District	Strategic Development Fund €	Members Development Fund <sup>*1</sup> €	Totals €
Letterkenny	200,000	63,500	263,500
Inishowen	180,000	57,150	237,150
Donegal	120,000	38,100	158,100
Glenties	120,000	38,100	158,100
Stranorlar	120,000	38,100	158,100
<b>Totals</b>	<b>740,000<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>234,950<sup>*2</sup></b>	<b>974,950</b>

\*<sup>1</sup> 6,350 per member

\*<sup>2</sup> Standard rounding rules apply / Revenue Budget allocation €236,000



**Housing Corporate & Planning Control Services**  
**Planning Control Report**

**Inishowen Municipal District Meeting – 10<sup>th</sup> March 2015**

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- 5. Response to questions requiring follow-up from MDI of 17/02/2015**

*\* Report to be presented on the day of MDI meeting*

**Summary of planning applications for each Municipal District**

	Period	Apps Recd	Granted	Refused	Deferred	< 2 months	Invalid
<b>Donegal</b>	01/01/14-31/03/14	92	51	19	18	47	18
	01/04/14-30/6/14	107	64	11	22	59	11
	01/07/14-30/09/14	93	69	13	21	66	20
	01/10/14-31/12/14	77	57	6	26	46	9
<b>Total</b>		<b>369</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>58</b>
<b>Glenties</b>	01/01/14-31/03/14	86	60	2	26	37	10
	01/04/14-30/6/14	81	68	3	21	46	9
	01/07/14-30/09/14	57	61	8	18	56	4
	01/10/14-31/12/14	68	54	3	15	37	5
<b>Total</b>		<b>292</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>Inishowen</b>	01/01/14-31/03/14	82	62	8	22	49	17
	01/04/14-30/6/14	69	48	8	21	38	15
	01/07/14-30/09/14	85	50	7	30	41	13
	01/10/14-31/12/14	78	51	9	31	46	14
<b>Total</b>		<b>314</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>59</b>
<b>Letterkenny</b>	01/01/14-31/03/14	117	60	7	17	49	22
	01/04/14-30/6/14	120	79	11	29	70	24
	01/07/14-30/09/14	93	68	11	36	55	20
	01/10/14-31/12/14	87	51	11	21	45	18
<b>Total</b>		<b>417</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>84</b>
<b>Stranorlar</b>	01/01/14-31/03/14	46	33	5	24	16	9
	01/04/14-30/6/14	43	36	2	15	29	7
	01/07/14-30/09/14	42	25	3	20	16	8
	01/10/14-31/12/14	45	35	2	19	20	6
<b>Total</b>		<b>176</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>County Totals*</b>		<b>1568</b>	<b>1082</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>868</b>	<b>259</b>

\*Includes Town Council stats for full year

**Appeal's Received (01/01/2015 – 30/01/2015)**

REF NO	APPLICANTS NAME	APP. TYPE	DECISION DATE	L.A. DECISION	DEVELOPMENT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION	BORD PLEANALA RECD DATE
14/90009	SHAUN PURCELL CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF BUNCRANA ADULT EDUCATION & TRAINING BOARD	P	04/12/2014	C	CONSTRUCTION OF AN EXTENSION TO BUNCRANA ADULT EDUCATION AND TRAINING CENTRE, COMPRISING OF A NEW STAIRWELL, LIFT, STAFF ROOM AND CLASSROOM, INCLUDING TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION ACCESS AND CONNECTION TO EXISTING ON-SITE SERVICES AT SHORE ROAD/AILEACH ROAD BUNCRANA	06/01/2015

Appeal's Decision Notified (01/01/2015-29/01/2015)

REF NO	APPLICANTS NAME	APP. TYPE	DECISION DATE	L.A. DECISION	DEVELOPMENT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION	BORD PLEANALA DEC. DATE	DECISION
12/50965	STEPHEN SWEENEY	P	22/8/2014	Granted	Permission - granted for refurbishment of and extension to existing former dwelling building, installation of an approved proprietary wastewater treatment system and polishing filter and construction of a new entrance and associated site works	07/01/2015	Refused
14/50792	AIDEN MCGROARY	P	21/8/2014	Granted	Retention permission granted for existing mobile home on site for the duration of the above works  Ardvalley Ardara	15/01/2015	Refused
					Construction of a storey and a half type dwelling house, domestic garage with treatment system/percolation area and all associated site works  Owenboy Donegal Town		

### Transboundary Applications

Ref.No:	N.I. Ref.No:	Date Rec'd	App./Contact	Type	Description/ Location	Case Officer	Status
TB 12/02	J/2011/0148/F	01/10/2012	D.O.E. N.I.	Environmental Impact Assessment Procedure	11 no. Wind turbines at Meenablugh Tullycar, Altamullan, Aghyaran, Castleberg	P Kelly	Case Closed
TB 12/03	J/2011/0082/F	08/10/2013	D.O.E. N.I.	Further Environmental Information and Revised Plans	Amendment to Windfarm at Crighshane & Crighdenis, Killeter, Castleberg.	P Kelly	Active
TB 13/02	A/2012/0146/Preapp	25/10/2013	D.O.E. N.I.	Preliminary Enquiry	Re-deployment of end of life vehicle (ELV) facility from Lenamore Road	P Kelly	Case Closed
TB 12/04	2012/A0070	29/10/2013	PAC N.I.	Transboundary Appeal - Further Environmental Information (FEI 111)	Amendment to Windfarm at Altgolan & Meenclogher, Killen, Castleberg	P Kelly	Case Closed.
TB 13/03	J/2013/0281/RM	30/10/2013	D.O.E. N.I.	Environmental Impact Assessment Procedure	Roads - Lifford Road & Strabane Road	P Kelly	Case Closed.
TBSR08/01	J2007/0700/F	01/11/2013	D.O.E. N.I.	Further Environmental Information and Revised Plans	Amendment to Windfarm at Whisker Hill, Tullywhisker, Sion Mills.	P Kelly	Case Closed
TB 13/04	C/2013/0248/F	08/11/2013	D.O.E. N.I.-	Environmental Impact Assessment Procedure	Windfarm at Windy Hill	P Kelly	Active
TB 14/01	J/2013/0287/F	07/01/2014	D.O.E. N.I.	Environmental Impact Assessment Procedure	Windfarm at Meenamullan near Killeter	P Kelly	Active

B 14/02	A/2014/0134/F	21/03/2014	D.O.E. N.I.	Environmental Impact Assessment Determination	Treatment Facility for End of Life Vehicles at Buncrana Road, Derry	P Kelly	Case Closed
B14/03	J/2014/0124/LCB	28/04/2014	D.O.E. N.I.	Consultation	Installation of Street Lighting ballards at Clady Bridge (Listed Building), Urney Road, Clady	P Kelly	Active
B14/04	J/2011/0433/0	17/04/2014	D.O.E. N.I.	Addendum to Environmental Statement & Information	Major mixed use cross border development	P Kelly	Active

**Part 8 (Active)**

<b>M.D.</b>	<b>Ref.No:</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Section</b>	<b>Received</b>	<b>Status</b>
Inishowen	PG14.08	Manorcunningham	Arch Office	03/11/2014	Finalised
Letterkenny	PG14.09	Glencar Scotch, Lky	Arch Office	03/11/2014	Active

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**Municipal District of Inishowen**

**10<sup>th</sup> March 2015**

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**Community, Development & Enterprise**

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**REPORT**

- 1. Barrack Hill Town Park Launch**
- 2. Marine Tourism Marketing & Development**
- 3. 'Sail West' project promoting the MalinWaters brand**

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**Municipal District of Inishowen Meeting**

**HOUSING & CORPORATE SERVICES**

**10<sup>th</sup> March 2015**

**Housing Report**

1. Progress Reports
  - a. Grants
  - b. Loans
  - c. Casual Vacancies

## Inishowen Electoral Area

### Housing Grants Report at 4<sup>th</sup> March 2015

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

YEAR	TOTAL RECEIVED	APPROVED	REFUSED \ WITHDRAWN	FURTHER INFO.	PENDING
2013	31	8	9	0	14
2014	36	16	5	0	15
2015	7	0	0	1	6

#### Mobility Aids Grant

YEAR	TOTAL RECEIVED	APPROVED	REFUSED \ WITHDRAWN	FURTHER INFO.	PENDING
2013	2	1	0	0	1
2014	4	2	1	0	1
2015	0	0	0	0	0

#### Housing Aid for Older People Grant

YEAR	TOTAL RECEIVED	APPROVED	REFUSED \ WITHDRAWN	FURTHER INFO.	PENDING
2013	18	12	3	0	3
2014	21	12	7	1	1
2015	5	1	0	0	4

# Inishowen Electoral Area

## Housing Loan Report at 4<sup>th</sup> March 2015

	YEAR	TOTAL RECEIVED	APPROVED	REFUSED / CANCELLED	UNDECIDED
<b>Standard Loans</b>	2013	0	0	0	1
	2014	5	0	4	1
	2015	0	0	0	0
<b>TP Loans</b>	2013	0	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0	0
	2015	0	0	0	0

## Casual Vacancy Report – 4<sup>th</sup> March 2015

DWELLING	BED	VACANT FROM	DETAILS
29 Abbey Park, Manor	2	May 2014	Reoffered & accepted
14 Dún na nIarlaí, Buncrana	3	Sept 2014	Reoffered & accepted
30 Dun na nIarlaí, Buncrana	2	November 2014	Offered & accepted
8 Páirc Mór, Buncrana	2	November 2014	Offered & accepted
3 An Teampall Maol, Greencastle	2	December 2014	Offered & accepted
11 Dun na nIarlaí, Buncrana	3	December 2014	Offered & refused (x2) - to be reoffered
13 Radharc na Trá, Bréige, Malin	2	December 2014	Offered & refused – to be reoffered
2 Crana View, Buncrana,	2	December 2014	Offered & refused, reoffered
14 The Cottages, Burnfoot	1	January 2015	Offered & refused – to be reoffered
37 Convent Road, Carndonagh	2	December 2014	To be repaired
15 Radharc na Trá, Bréige, Malin	2	December 2014	To be repaired
3 Westbrook, Buncrana	2	December 2014	To be repaired
26 Sliabh Sneachta, Buncrana	2	January 2015	To be repaired

## Stock Movement Report

Municipal District of Inishowen	Total Stock	Offers of accommodation made from 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan–4 <sup>th</sup> March 2015	Tenancies created from 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan–4 <sup>th</sup> March 2015	Tenancies terminated from 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan–4 <sup>th</sup> March 2015	Current Vacancies
	1048	17	9	2	8

**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF INISHOWEN**  
**MEETING**

**10<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2015**

**ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION**

**AGENDA**

- 1. SCHEDULE OF WORKS FOR INISHOWEN  
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT AREA ROADS**
- 2. FOLLOW UPS FROM MEETING HELD ON THE  
17<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2015**
- 3. MOVILLE BRIDGE – OPENING ARRANGEMENTS**

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MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF INISHOWEN

DATE AND VENUE FOR NEXT MEETING  
(14<sup>th</sup> April 2015)

CARNDONAGH PUBLIC SERVICE CENTRE