## **Ceantar Bardais Inis Eoghain**

Oifig Riarthóir na **q**Cruinnithe Aras an Chontae Leifear 04ú Iúil 2018

### **FOGRA CRUINNITHE**

Beidh Cruinniú de Ceantar Bardais Inis Eoghain siúl Dé Mháirt 10ú Iúil 2018, ag 1.00 r.n. in ISP Carn Domhnach.

DO GACH BHALL DEN CEANTAR BARDAS INIS EOGHAIN

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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> July 2018

#### **NOTICE OF MEETING**

A Meeting of the Municipal District of Inishowen will be held on Tuesday 10th July 2018 at 1.00p.m. in the Public Services Centre, Carndonagh.

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF INISHOWEN

<b>Dear Councillor</b>							
You are summoned to a Agenda is attached.	attend this	meeting o	of the	Municipal	District	of Inishowen.	Th
Yours sincerely							
for Joe Peoples Meetings Administrator							

# **AGENDA**

- 1. Consideration of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Inishowen Municipal District held on  $12^{\text{th}}$  June 2018
- 2. Consideration of the Minutes of the Municipal District of Inishowen Meeting held on  $12^{\rm th}$  June 2018
- 3. Planning Services (Green)
- 4. Environment Services (Blue)
- 5. Housing, Corporate & Cultural Services (Yellow)
- 6. Community and Enterprise (Orange)
- 7. Roads & Transportation
- 8. Correspondence

# MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE INISHOWEN MUNICIPAL DISTRICT HELD IN THE CARNDONAGH PSC ON THE 12<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2018 at 1.00pm

#### **Councillors Present:**

Cllrs Rena Donaghey, Paul Canning, Albert Doherty, Nicholas Crossan, Martin McDermott, Martin Farren, Jack Murray, Bernard McGuinness.

#### **Officials Present:**

John G McLaughlin, Director of Services Roads and Transportation, Aideen Doherty, Area Manager Housing & Corporate Services, Una Cresswell, A/Senior Staff Officer, Seamus Hopkins, Area Manager Roads & Transportation, Ruth Diver Executive Planner, Paddy Doherty, Divisional Manager, Community & Enterprise, Fiona Doherty, Development Officer, Community & Enterprise and Brian Mc Brearty Litter Warden Supervisor, Environment.

Cllr Jack Murray, the outgoing Cathaoirleach addressed the members prior to the election of the new Cathaoirleach. He stated that he would like to express his gratitude to the staff who assisted him throughout the last year and his fellow councillors particularly the Leas-Chathaoirleach, Cllr Albert Doherty for their cooperation and patience. He also thanked the media for their reporting and coverage of items at the Municipal District meetings particularly the Inish Times where there was a weekly Cathaoirleach's diary. He expressed his gratitude for the support of the public over the last year.

Cllr Murray went on to summarise his year as Cathaoirleach. He said there were significant occurrences throughout the year such as the flooding in August to which the Council responded to extremely well, particularly the Housing and Roads sections.

#### Other events included:

- Opening of Cockhill Bridge
- The premier of Star Wars movie by in Letterkenny, thanks to the efforts of Aideen Doherty, DCC Film Office
- The North West Greenway Initiative
- The Dubai Irish Open Golf Tournament due to take place this month in Ballyliffen
- Tullough Og and Mid Ulster Twinning, Grianan of Aileach
- 10 Year anniversary of Buncrana Frehel Twinning
- Meeting re Mica with Minister Damien English
- Meeting in Brussels EU Parliament Regional Assembly with border councils regarding opposition to Brexit.

Cllr Murray also referred to many other meetings and events that he had attended and represented the Inishowen Municipal District throughout the year.

The members collectively expressed their gratitude to ClIr Murray and commended him for representing the Municipal District so well over the past year in promoting Inishowen and getting things done. It was acknowledged that ClIr Murray had worked extremely hard. There was also acknowledgement for ClIr Albert Doherty for his efforts as Leas Chathaoirleach.

#### 1. Election of the Cathaoirleach

Cllr Murray invited nominations for the position of Cathaoirleach. Cllr Martin Farren was proposed by Cllr Rena Donaghey and seconded by Cllr Martin McDermott. As there were no other nominations, Cllr Farren was duly elected as Cathaoirleach of the Inishowen Municipal District for 2018 – 2019

Cllr Farren took the chair for the remainder of the meeting. Cllr Farren thanked Cllr Donaghey and Cllr McDermott for proposing him for the position. He also thanked the outgoing Cathaoirleach for representing the peninsula so well and other members for their support. He said he was the first Labour party councillor to be elected Cathaoirleach in Inishowen. Cllr Farren stated that it was a great honour to elected Cathaoirleach and that he had been Leas-Chathaoirleach in 2013. He said he looked forward to being Cathaoirleach with all the significant events happening in July in Inishowen such as Dubai Irish Open Golf Tournament happening from 4<sup>th</sup> to 8th July and the Clipper Challenge on from 12th to 22<sup>nd</sup> July.

Cllr Farren invited everybody to Simpson's for refreshments after the meeting to celebrate his election as Cathaoirleach

Cllr Farren said he was his aim to work hard in securing a future in Inishowen, particularly for farmers and fishermen and generally make Inishowen a better place. He stated that he would be keen to encourage tourism and investment in the area.

The members congratulated ClIr Farren and offered their support for the year ahead. The members agreed that the Inishowen members were a good team who get things done in the peninsula for the good of all. They welcomed ClIr Farren's enthusiasm for the role and wished him well.

#### 2. Election of the Leas-Chathaoirleach

The Cathaoirleach invited nominations for the office of the Leas-Chathaoirleach. Cllr Martin McDermott was proposed by Cllr Paul Canning and seconded by Cllr Martin Farren, There were no further proposals. Accordingly, Cllr McDermott was declared Leas-Chathaoirleach of the Inishowen Municipal District for 2018-2019. Cllr McDermott expressed his gratitude to the members and stated that he looked forward to the year ahead assisting Cllr Farren. The members wished Cllr Mc Dermott well.

John McLaughlin, Municipal District Manager, on behalf of the staff expressed his gratitude to the outgoing Cathaoirleach and Leas Chathaoirleach for their efforts and cooperation over the last year. He welcomed the new Cathaoirleach and Leas Chathaoirleach and wished them well.

This concluded the business of the meeting.		
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Cathaoirleach		

# MINUTES OF THE INISHOWEN MUNICIPAL DISTRICT MEETING HELD IN THE PUBLIC SERVICES CENTRE, CARNDONAGH ON TUESDAY 12<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2018 AT 1.30pm

#### **Councillors Present:**

Cllrs Paul Canning, Albert Doherty, Nicholas Crossan, Martin McDermott, Martin Farren, Bernard McGuinness and Rena Donaghey.

#### **Officials Present:**

John McLaughlin, Director of Service, Roads & Transportation, Paddy Doherty, Divisional Manager, Community and Enterprise, Seamus Hopkins, Area Manager, Roads and Transportation, Aideen Doherty, Area Manager Housing & Corporate, Ruth Diver, Executive Planner, Brian McBrearty, Environment, Fiona Doherty, Development Officer, Community and Enterprise and Una Cresswell, A/Senior Staff Officer.

#### **Reports Presented:**

Roads & Transportation Community & Enterprise Housing, Corporate & Cultural Service Planning Services Environment Services

#### 18.40 Adjournment of the Municipal District Meeting

Cllr Martin Farren, Cathaoirleach opened the meeting. It was proposed by Cllr Martin McDermott and seconded by Cllr Paul Canning that the meeting be adjourned to 2.00pm.

#### **18.41 Minutes Silence**

Cllr Martin Farren, Cathaoirleach requested a minutes silence in memory of the late Jamie Doherty aged fourteen years who tragically died in a traffic accident last week. He added that Jamie was a very popular young man and will be sorely missed. Cllr Rena Donaghey as Chairperson of the ETB said she wished to extend her sympathy to the family. All of the councillors wished to be associated with the comments and expressed sympathy,

# 18.42 Consideration of the Minutes of the Meeting of Inishowen Municipal District held on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

On the proposal of Cllr Rena Donaghey and seconded by Cllr Nicholas Crossan, the minutes of the May meeting of the Inishowen Municipal District meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2018 were agreed.

**18.43** Amendment to Minutes of Municipal District Meeting held on the **10**<sup>th</sup> April **2018** It was noted in the Community and Enterprise May minutes at **18.35.05** that Eamon Boyle was referred to as Eamon Brown in error.

#### **18.44. ENVIRONMENT**

#### 18.44.01 Buncrana, Lisfannon Beach

Cllr Jack Murray stated that the excellent weather had brought huge crowds to Buncrana and Lisfannon beach but unfortunately this resulted in very large volumes of litter being deposited in the areas. He suggested that CCTV should be installed if necessary. He added that Council staff have been working from 6.00am to try and keep on top of the litter but it was a huge problem. He acknowledged the huge efforts of the Tidy Town's Committee and local community. Cllr Nicholas

Crossan suggested that it was all ages of visitors to the beach that were littering the area and not just teenagers and it is a huge task to keep it litter free at these busy times.

It was acknowledged that Buncrana was looking really well with the new bins, seating, flower beds and hanging baskets and the efforts of all involved was much appreciated.

#### 18.44.02 Trash n Fashion

Cllr Albert Doherty commended Carndonagh Community School and all the students and staff involved in the Trash 'n' Fashion competition in the Mount Errigal Hotel on Thursday, 18th May. He congratulated them for their success at the event.

#### 18.44.03 Local Agenda 21

Cllr Albert Doherty referred to the Local Agenda 21 (LA21) Environmental Partnership Fund 2018 that promotes sustainable development by assisting small scale non profit environmental projects at local level and advised that the closing date for applications was 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2018.

#### 18.44.04 Enforcement - Litter

Cllr Albert Doherty noted the Environment Report and requested more information and guidance on enforcement methods regarding litter and illegal dumping of waste in general. Brian McBrearty advised that vacancies for four Waste Enforcement Officers for the county were being advertised.

#### 18.44.05 Litter Wardens

Cllr Rena Donaghey commended the litter warden on his efforts in clearing up. She suggested that the message needed to get across that people should take their litter home with them or dispose of it properly. Broken glass was also a problem at the beach. Cllr McGuinness requested that additional litter wardens should be employed.

#### 18.44.06 Portaloos at Buncrana Pier

Cllr Donaghey requested that portaloos should be provided at Buncrana Pier. She advised that it was a popular meeting place particularly for elderly people watching the boats come in. Cllr Bernard McGuinness suggested that portaloos should be provided at all piers including Bonagee Pier in Culdaff. He further suggested that should be sourced for facilities at all piers to ensure that the increasing number of tourists and visitors are accommodated.

#### 18.44.07 Request for Coastal Manager to attend Workshop.

Cllr Bernard McGuinness proposed and Cllr Albert Doherty seconded that David Friel, Coastal Manager should be invited to attend the workshop on 10<sup>th</sup> July prior to the next MD meeting. Cllr McGuinness said it was his view that the Coastal manager should attend all Inishowen MD meetings. John McLaughlin, Director of Service for Roads and Transportation said that this was not a problem and a request can be made for David to attend either at the meeting or in a workshop capacity. He suggested that the coastal manager could attend periodically.

#### 18.44.08 Knotweed

Cllr Paul Canning requested and update on Knotweed Treatment Programme and asked how far on the four year programme was. Brian McBrearty, Environment advised that we were currently two years into the programme and that spraying need to continue for four to five years,. Cllr Rena Donaghey said she understood treatment was effective on top of the ground. Cllr Paul Canning asked if knotweed was taken into consideration at planning application level.

#### 18.44.09 Polytunnels

Cllr Canning asked was there a budget to repair Polytunnels?

#### 19.44.10 Lagg Beach, Malin

Cllr Mc Dermott expressed his frustration that the members found out by social media (Facebook) that Lagg beach had reopened and he believed that members should have been advised appropriately. He also requested update on the study of Lagg beach and stated that it had been two years since the study was announced. John McLaughlin, Director of Service advised that the completion of works at Lagg Beach came together very quickly in the end and that a note should have been forwarded to members. He said he will issue a reminder to staff to this effect. He added that there is still work to be completed at Lagg and that members maybe should correspond directly with staff working on projects.

#### 18.44.11 Ballyliffen Clean Up Prior to Irish Open Golf Tournament

Cllr McDermott requested details on when the clean up prior to the golf tournament was going to take place.

#### 18.44.12 Bottle Banks

Cllr McDermott requested an update on when additional bottle banks being placed in Carndonagh.

#### 18.44.13 Dog Fouling Campaign

It was noted that the Dog Fouling Campaign had already commenced in Letterkenny and had media coverage on 3e television channel.

#### **18.45 HOUSING & CORPORATE SERVICES**

#### 18.45.01 Housing Report

The Housing Report was taken as read. Aideen Doherty, Area Manager for Housing & Corporate, advised that the Housing Needs Assessment was almost complete. There were still houses allocated being refused, some being considered reasonable and some unreasonable.

#### 18.45.02 Civic Receptions

In response to a query regarding Civic Receptions being held at a local level to recognise achievements, Aideen Doherty advised that there currently was no budget available and a consistent approach had to exist in order to decide on civic receptions taking place at a local level. A discussion took place whereby it was noted that the Putting People First policy which was the basis of Local Government Reform, allowed for receptions at Municipal District level and that some other Municipal Districts had had receptions.

#### 17.45.03 Vacant Housed in Buncrana

Cllr Nicholas Crossan stated that turnaround times for allocating houses in Buncrana was too long and that he believe there were people who were waiting to take these properties. He wanted to know how many vacant properties there were in Buncrana. Aideen Doherty advised that there is a process involved in progressing vacant houses to ready to let. A tenant vacating a property has to give four weeks notice. The property is then inspected and a survey is carried out which determines the works required. This may include a new kitchen being fitted for example or plumbing or bathroom works etc. Often substantial works are required. The works then have to be tendered for and a contractor appointed to carry out the necessary works.

#### 17.45.04 Houses for Purchase

Cllr Jack Murray referred to two houses that were for sale that the Council had agreed to purchase but had not followed up on. Aideen Doherty advised that conveyance can take a considerable period of time. Cllr Bernard McGuinness suggested that there were plenty of houses suitable for purchase. Aideen agreed and advised that the council continues to purchase houses.

#### 17.45.05 Schemes to Purchase SI Houses

Cllr McGuinness sought information on schemes to buy out SI houses. Aideen Doherty advised that the houses could be purchased under the TPS in the same way non SI council houses are purchased.

#### 17.45.06 Funding Allocated for Flood Defences at Burnfoot

The funding for Burnfoot was welcomed but Cllr Rena Donaghey expressed her disappointment that Buncrana had been overlooked when so much flood damage had occurred there. Cllr Paul Canning asked if there was a management plan regarding Burnfoot and Bridgend? The consensus of the members was that a timeframe was required for a plan to commence works.

#### 17.45.07 Mobility Aids Grants

Cllr Rena Donaghey sought clarification on funding for mobility grants. Aideen Doherty advised that she would update the members with this information.

#### 17.45.08 Housing Aid for Older People

Cllr Albert Doherty sought clarification on Housing Aid for Older People grants.

#### 18.45.09 MICA

Cllr Doherty advised that he welcomed the slight progress on the MICA issue and that the six week period of engagement was a step forward. He proposed that a letter be sent to the Taoiseach Leo Varadker, Minister of Housing & Planning and Local Government, Eoghan Murphy and Minister of State for Housing Damien English to urge a government commitment in principle to the introduction of a redress scheme for MICA affected householders and to include provision for the redress Scheme in Budget 2019. This was seconded by Cllr Martin McDermott.

#### 18.45.10 Tenant Purchase Scheme

Cllr Rena Donaghey expressed her concern that the banks were not putting the amount tenants were refused on their refusal letters and that this was causing problems with their Tenant Purchase applications.

#### 18.45.11 Casual Vacancies and Refusals of Council Properties

Clarification was sought on what "in progress" meant on the Casual Vacancy List and were the reasons for refusals legitimate or not.

#### **18.46 COMMUNITY AND ENTERPRISE**

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

#### 18.46.01 Malin Head Development

The opening of the toilets at Malin Head was welcomed by all. It was considered an essential development in making Malin Head more attractive to visitors. It was noted that there were 180,000 visitors to Malin Head which was very encouraging and that this figure was increasing all the time. It was suggested that the footfall counter should be moved to the lower car park. Cllr Bernard

McGuinness asked if anyone had been appointed to care take the toilets and also to look after litter.

#### 18.46.02 Visitor Management Plan

It was noted that tenders are due to be assessed and there was a view that it was vital to have a consultant in place for the summer period to address and over see car parking issues and visitor management.

#### 18.46.03 Dubai Irish Open Golf Tournament

Cllr Jack Murray commended the Council on its preparatory work for the Dubai Irish Open Golf Tournament particularly the Shop Front Competition that was rolled out. It was acknowledged that Inishowen was looking was looking exceptionally well and it was a credit to those involved in all the ongoing and completed works. Gratitude was expressed to Seamus Hopkins, Liam Ward and John McLaughlin for their combined efforts.

#### 18.46.04 Tour Guides at An Ghriannan Aileach

Cllr Jack Murray stated that there were 104,000 visitors to An Grianan Aileach yet the Office of Public Works did not employ tour guides there. He referred to other tourist attractions with far less visitors who had tour guides in place. He proposed that a letter be sent to the Office of Public Works requesting tour guides be employed as soon as possible. This was seconded by Cllr Albert Doherty. Fiona Doherty, Development Officer, Community and Enterprise agreed to follow up on this.

#### 18.46.05 Walks and Trails

Cllr Bernard McGuinness requested that Frances Conaghan, Walks and Trails Officer be invited to the next Inishowen Municipal District Meeting.

#### 18.46.06 Fencing at Culdaff Beach

Clr McGuinness referred to the wooden fence which was erected at Culdaff beach. He said that some has been used for fire wood and it should be reviewed.

#### **18.46.07 Foyle Ferry**

It was acknowledged that Foyle Ferry was running very well and hugely important for the increased number of visitors at this time.

#### 18.46.08 Bridge St

The work at Bridge St Carndonagh was welcomed. Cllr McGuinness suggested that the walls should be faced with stone rather than plaster. It was suggested that Eamon Boyle, Executive Engineer should look at costs for this. Fiona Doherty agreed to follow up on this.

#### 18.46.09 Conservation & Management An Grianan Aileach

It was noted that The OPW plan to advertise the Tender document for the Conservation and Management plan in April. It is anticipated that the Conservation and Management Plan will be available in September 2018.

#### 18.46.10 Cross Border Tourism Initiatives

Cllr Albert Doherty stated that cross border tourism initiatives were very important. The recent cross border brochure was welcomed and he also stated that continued cooperation with the Causeway Coasts and Glens Borough Council was essential and that maybe they should be invited to meetings.

#### 18.46.11 EU Unit

Cllr McGuinness reiterated his request for Clare Mc Callan, EU and Strategic Policy Manager to attend the next meeting.

#### 18.46.12 Pride of Place Awards 2018 Amazing Grace Initiative

Cllr Nicholas Crossan requested an update on Pride of Place Awards 2018. Fiona Doherty advised that assessments take place nationally at the end of June where five towns are shortlisted.

#### 18.46.13 Playgrounds

Cllr Mc Guinness stated that the funding for playground maintenance is totally inadequate and it's imperative to bring it to a higher level.

#### **18.47 PLANNING**

Ruth Diver, Executive Planner presented the Planning Report to the members.

#### 18.47.01 Buncrana and Environs Development Plan, 2014-2020

Cllr Nicholas Crossan requested clarification on Item 4 of the Planning Report in relation to. Buncrana and Environs Development Plan. Ruth Diver, Executive Planner, advised that the Buncrana and Environs Development been incorporated into the County Development Plan and that there will be a new Buncrana plan commencing later in the year. The County Development Plan is the overriding plan.

#### 18.47.02 National Inventory of Architectural Heritage (NIAH)

Cllr Paul Canning sought clarification on the National Inventory of Architectural Heritage and the Local Authority's role. Ruth Diver advised that members can add to the Protected Structures list but not NIAM.

#### 18.47.03 Ecologist Planning Service

Cllr Paul Canning suggested that Donegal County should employ an ecologist in light of all the Special Protected Areas and Special Areas of Conservation in the county alongside requirements of EU legislation. He suggested that this be proposed through the Corporate Policy Group. Cllr Donaghey agreed stating that ecologist reports were expensive and it would make sense to have one employed in house.

#### 18.47.04 Treatment Plants

Cllr Doherty stated that rural communities are suffering as they cannot get planning permission due to lack of availability of public sewer/ treatment plants.

#### 18.47.05 Local Area Plans

Cllr Doherty expressed his concern that areas outside of Carndonagh Town Boundary where even some properties are connected to the public sewer are not included in the Carndonagh Local Area Plan at this time and it is too late to have them included. He suggested that maybe a material alteration would have to happen. It was noted that the report stated that "The Chief Executive's Report on the submissions in relation to the proposed Material Alterations is being prepared and it is anticipated that it will be submitted to Members no later than 5<sup>th</sup> July, 2018 for consideration. Arrangements are being made for MD workshops to facilitate discussion on the Chief Executive's Report followed by consideration at the Plenary Council meeting of 23rd July, 2018 with a view to adopting the Plan. Once adopted, the Plan will become operative 4 weeks later."

#### 18.47.06 Planning Applications Inishowen

Cllr Mc Guinness reiterated how there were a large number of planning applications from the Inishowen and he believed that they should be dealt with in the Inishowen office.

#### **18.47.07 Enforcement Cases**

It was requested an update be provide on when the 205 outstanding enforcement cases will be assessed.

#### 18.48 ROADS & TRANSPORTATION

#### 18.48.01 Signage for Carndonagh

Cllr Albert Doherty referred to a meeting with Derry and Strabane District Council which was taking place on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June to discuss the possibility of signage being placed in Derry for Carndonagh. He emphasised the importance of signage for tourists wishing to visit Inishowen particularly for the Irish Open Golf Tournament.

#### 18.48.02 Walkway Bridge at Carndonagh Hospital

Cllr Doherty expressed his concerns about the barricades at the walkway at the bridge at Carndonagh hospital.

#### 18.48.03 Vandalism to Trees in Carndonagh

Cllr Doherty expressed his disgust at the recent vandalism in Carndonagh whereby trees planted were cut down. The members collectively condemned the destruction.

#### 18.48.04 Town & Village Renewal - Bridge St - Footpath Programme

Items were discussed at the Roads Workshop prior to the meeting. It was proposed by Cllr Bernard McGuinness and seconded by Cllr Martin McDermott that Seamus Hopkins could have the discretion to part fund works though the Footpath Programme at Bridge St. Seamus Hopkins advised that it was hoped that the transfer land at the bottom of Bridge St be finalised by year end.

#### 18.48.05 Bus Stop, Buncrana Main St

Cllr Murray expressed concerns about the bus stop on Main St, Buncrana holding up traffic and asked if a solution could be found. Cllr Nicholas Crossan suggested moving the bus stop to the other side.

#### 18. 48.06 Inch Island

Cllr Murray commended the works at Inch where drains were cleared and weeds removed but said there was a problem with the road being higher than the verge and a danger of slipping.

#### 18.48.07 Glentogher, Carndonagh

Cllr McDermott said he was delighted that realignment works were starting at Glentogher.

#### 18.48.08 Clonmany to Dumfries Road

Cllr McDermott said that Road Design should review this Clonmany to Drumfires road as there were dangerous junctions particularly at Coyle's.

#### 18 48.09- Whitehill Rd, Muff

Cllr Murray stated there was a problem with parking in Whitehill road and residents were complaining that there was poor vision and it needed to be addressed.

#### 18 48.10 Signage for Lios na Gra Woods

Cllr Murray made a requested that signs be erected for Lios na Gra woods.

#### 18.48.11 Piers

Cllr McDermott stated that the piers at Urris, Bunagee, Glengad and Malin Head were used more than any other piers in the county. It was proposed by Cllr McDermott and seconded by Cllr McGuinness that Aidan Smith, Senior Executive Engineer and Cathal Sweeney, Executive Engineer be asked to attend the next meeting

#### 18 48.12 Wall at Ferris Lane

Cllr Murray asked when the wall proposed for Ferris Lane going to be built.

#### 18.48.13 Rivers

Cllr McDermott queried the status on works at rivers and reiterated the view that there was no clear ownership of rivers as there were so many parties involved such as the OPW, Department of Agriculture National Parks and Wildlife etc,. He believed the council should come together to try and find a solution. Potential blockages where debris gathers up in the future were discussed Cllr Crossan said he spoke to Minister Boxer Moran last Friday in Lifford who stated the OPW were not responsible for rivers. John McLaughlin said he could meet to discuss the with the issue member on 14<sup>th</sup> June after the council meeting.

#### 18.48.14 Signage requested adjacent to Cinema, Buncrana

Cllr Murray requested signage near the cinema in Buncrana as drivers were sometimes driving in the wrong direction and it was dangerous.

#### 18.48 14 Barrack Hill

Cllr Doherty requested that lights and lines be provided at Barrack Hill and also that the vision lines required review.

#### 18.48.15 Cherry Avenue

Cllr Doherty requested that vision lines and a yield sign between the Moss Road and Cherry Avenue are provided.

#### 18.48.16 Realignment at Mindoran

Cllr Doherty stated that there may be land be available for aligning the road at Mindoran, Clonmany which would assist greatly in removing dangerous bends.

#### 18.48.17 Yellow Box at the two Banks in Carndonagh

It was suggested By Cllr Doherty that two yellow boxes be provided at the two banks to ease traffic congestion in the area between Bank of Ireland and the Allied Irish Bank.

#### 18.48.18 Road at Owenboy

Cllr Donaghey referred to a letter she had received from a family at Owenboy regarding servicing the road adjacent to their land. The road services seven families she advised, and was never repaired through the LIS Scheme. She said it was damaged by the flooding and requires patching.

#### 18.48.19 Westbrook Bridge

Cllr Donaghey stated that that Westbrook Bridge needs to be next on the list for refurbishment and design as the new bridge at Cockhill has resulted in traffic going faster making it more difficult to get out at Westbrook. Cllr Crossan suggested that the alignment was incorrect and that the left had lane commenced too near the junction.

#### 18.48.20 Shore Path Buncrana

Cllr Crossan reiterated his requested that funding should be sourced for drainage at the Shore path, Castle Bridge and Ned's Point in Buncrana

#### 18.48.21 Slab Road, Burnfoot

Cllr Murray suggested local access only signage at Slab road was necessary.

#### 18.48.22 Bollard at Killea Chapel

Cllr Paul Canning requested that the bollard at Killea Chapel be removed.

#### 18.48.23 Magherabeg

Cllr Canning requested that the white line be centred at Magherabeg as residents were having difficulty getting onto the road from their properties.

#### 18.48.24 Pedestrian Crossing at Newtowncunningham

Cllr Canning requested that the pedestrian crossing at Newtowncunningham be kept on the Agenda,

#### 18.48.25 Hedge and Grass Cutting at Ferry Terminal, Greencastle

Cllr Farren requested that grass and hedge cutting take place at the Ferry Terminal in Greencastle

#### 18.48.26 Grass Cutting Derry Road, Muff

Cllr Farren requested that grass cutting take place at Ture, Muff on the Derry Road.

#### 18.48.27 Signage for Moville

Cllr Farren suggested that signage be provided at the 19<sup>th</sup> Hole for Moville as often visitors went on to Buncrana to get to Moville.

#### 18.48.28 Date of Next Meeting and Workshops

- 1. 11.00am Environment Workshop
- 2. 12.00am C&E Workshop
- 3. 1.00pm July Municipal District
- 4. 3.00pm Roads Workshop

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# Inishowen MD Meeting 10<sup>th</sup> July 2018

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Item	Update
Development Applications	
(1) Statistics	County Totals Year to End May 2018:  Applications received 862 Granted 453 Refused 81 Deferred 238 Decided in under 2 months 296 Invalid 139
	Applications to end May 2018
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Gran	88 83
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Enforcement	

		Inishowen MD	June	
		New Cases	215	
		Closed Cases	12	
		Outstanding cases on record	5	
		since 2012		
3	Notes &	Planning Clinics:		
	Monthly	• 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2018		
	Schedule	No August Clinic		
4	Central			
4	Planning Unit			
	(1) County Development Plan Review Update	<ol> <li>At their Special Plenary Coundembers resolved to make Development Plan, 2018-20 Strategic Environmental As Assessment respectively.</li> <li>The new County Donegal Decame operative on Tuesdary and Strategic Environmental As Assessment respectively.</li> <li>The new County Donegal Decame operative on Tuesdary and Environment Town Council (and Environment Plan, 2014-2020; the Bundora Plan, 2014-2020; the Bundora Plan, 2009-2015 [As Varied Environs Development Plan each town is provided for with Development Plan 2018-2024</li> </ol>	(adopt) the County Done (adopt) the County Done (a) (24, having completed the seessment and Appropriate evelopment Plan, 2018-2028 ay 5th June, 2018. The Development Plans of the Invirons are as are no long and Environs Development Plans of the Invirons Development and Environs Development (a); and the Letterkenny are, 2009-2015 (As Varied) at thin the new County Done (a)	gal eir ate 24 he ger ent ent nd as
	(2) Local Area Plans	Seven Strategic Towns Local Liath (Dungloe); Ballybofey Bridgend; Carndonagh; Doneg  1. The Draft Plan was published with the public consultation January, 2018. 2. The Chief Executive's Reconsultation period outcomes on 23rd February, 2018. 3. Following a round of MD work MD) the CE's Report was Council meeting on 26th Ma was agreed to proceed to the being the publication of 118 February and the Proposed Material Alterion mental Report Addenced.	ed on 24th November, 20th period running until 24th system (CE Report) on the was submitted to Member considered at the Plenaurch, 2018. At the meeting, next stage of the process the Proposed Material Alteration that Report Addendum and the stage of the process the proc	on; 17 14th he ers ny nis ns, nd he

- Report Addendum arrangements were published for public consultation on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2018 with the consultation period running until 7<sup>th</sup> June 2018.
- 5. The Chief Executive's Report on the submissions in relation to the proposed Material Alterations is being prepared and it is anticipated that it will be submitted to Members no later than 5<sup>th</sup> July, 2018 for consideration. Arrangements are being made for MD workshops to facilitate discussion on the Chief Executive's Report followed by consideration at the Plenary Council meeting of 23rd July, 2018 with a view to adopting the Plan. Once adopted, the Plan will become operative 4 weeks later.

## (3) Letterkenny Local Area Plan

The initial period of open consultation to inform the Plan has now been closed out (on 29th June).

The consultation exercises included the following:

- 2 business community workshops (approximately 60 attendees).
- 1 community, social and cultural sector workshop (approximately 30 attendees).
- Queens University student presentation on Letterkenny local planning and urban design.
- Local Enterprise Office gathering.
- Local consultation meeting with group of Main Street businesses.
- Local consultation meeting with LYIT Executive Board.
- Local consultation meeting with grouping of the larger employers.
- A number of one-to-ones meetings as requested.
- Promotion of an online town centre related questionnaire, thus far resulting in 150 completions (at 28th June) and open until 4th July.
- Receipt of individual written submissions.

Although the connections made thus far are widespread, there are a number of other groups/ sectors that either have yet to be engaged or have come forward during the initial consultation period as groups who wish to participate further. Arrangements are therefore being made to set workshop/ meeting dates for September to facilitate this further consultation. This includes:

- The Youth Council and Age Friendly Forum
- LYIT students.
- Health sector
- Education sector (primary and secondary level)
- Irish water

 Office of Public Works IDA and Enterprise Ireland Lower Main Street grouping. Employees within the larger employers. In tandem with making arrangements for the above noted additional consultations, the next steps are that a report is being prepared to collate the outputs of the range of consultation exercises. The report will identify the key emerging themes and recommend the strategic direction of the Plan. Members are therefore requested to agree a workshop date for September in order to consider this report. (4) Hericoast **Project** Work is continuing on the Hericoast project towards the finalization of an Action Plan in September 2018. The Actions it is proposed to include are: The development of Guidelines for the re-use of vacant and dilapidated historic buildings in the context of a policy framework for the sustainable development of heritage structures with particular reference to the historic defensive architecture of Lough Swilly: (ii) Systematic collation of heritage information to provide an objective evidence-based approach to heritage using Lough Swilly as a pilot area. (iii) Alana Green, Executive Planner/Project Lead made a presentation at the Marinescape Forum in Burgas, Bulgaria in June detailing the Action Plan. This was well with Good Practices from informing the Action Plans of several of the European partner countries. The Public Participation Network Good Practice from Hericoast has been validated by the Interreg Policy Learning Platform and uploaded to the Interreg platform for dissemination at a European level. Expert opinion noted "The practice represents an interesting example of a way to structure and facilitate community involvement from interest groups and individuals...It could serve as inspiration to other regions". The project will conclude with a high level political dissemination event in November 2019.

5	Conservation	
3	Officer	
	(1) Record of Protected Structures	At the April 2018 Inishowen Municipal District meeting Members approved 1 structure to go out to public consultation. The consultation process ends Friday 6th July, 2018. At the time of writing this report (27 <sup>th</sup> June 2018) no submissions have been received.  A final report will be compiled for Members detailing any submissions/observations received during the consultation period as well as any Ministerial comments. The final decision on whether to add the proposed addition onto the Record of Protected Structures will be made by Inishowen Municipal District at the September 2018 meeting.
	(2) Conservation Grant Scheme	The Minister has allocated €109,000 funding to Donegal County Council under two different grant schemes for investment in the built heritage of Donegal. In total 10 projects (amounting to €50,000) under the Built Heritage Investment Scheme 2018 and 3 projects (amounting to €59,000) under the Structures at Risk Fund 2018 have been approved.  All projects are progressing and are due to commence in the coming weeks.
6	Further Information Click on web links to access information.	<ul> <li>Weekly List of applications and decisions:         http://www.donegalcoco.ie/services/planning/weeklyplanninglists/     </li> <li>Planning service email (to be used in correspondence with the planning service): planning@donegalcoco.ie</li> <li>Planning Webpage:         www.donegalcoco.ie/services/planning/     </li> <li>Planning Application Online Query – planning reference number required:         www.donegalcdb.ie/eplan/internetenquiry/rpt_querybysurfor recloc.asp     </li> <li>File Retrieval Form – to be used for file retrieval and when requesting planning searches:         www.donegalcoco.ie/media/donegalcountyc/planning/pdfs/fileretrieval/File%20Retrieval.pdf     </li> </ul>



# **ENVIRONMENT MD REPORT – July 2018**

# WASTE AND LITTER MANAGEMENT

Municipal District: All

Activity /	WEEE Collection Days 2018	
Project Title		
Project	A promotion of Household Electrical Appliance Recycling is scheduled during the	
Description/	month of August to increase take back of electrical and electronic goods at Recycling	
Activity	Centres and at retail outlets.	
	The following Free Electrical Recycling Days have also been scheduled at the	
	following locations:	
	11 <sup>th</sup> August Falcarragh, Fawnmore (Opposite Cassidys Quarry)	
	18 <sup>th</sup> August Carrigart, Chapel Car Park	
	25 <sup>th</sup> August Buncrana, Nailors Row	
	1 <sup>st</sup> September Killybegs, Shore Road Car Park	
Contact	Suzanne Bogan, Waste Awareness Officer	
Person	suzannebogan@donegalcoco.ie	
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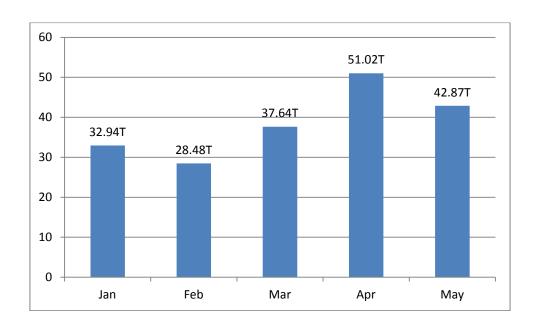
Activity / Project Title	Regional Illegal Dumping Awareness Campaign (Appendix I & II)
Project Description/	
Activity	A Regional Illegal Dumping Awareness Campaign has been produced to support the Anti Dumping Initiative campaign currently being undertaken by local authorities across the region.
	The awareness campaign will run over the summer and consists of radio and press ads, press releases, social media imagery, print ready material and a display.
Contact	Suzanne Bogan - Waste Awareness Officer suzannebogan@donegalcoco.ie

Activity /	Recycling Bring Banks
<b>Project Title</b>	
Project Description/ Activity	<ul> <li>Inishowen - Bottle Banks prioritised for re-branding ahead of Irish Open.</li> <li>Castlefin - Site identified for Banks, engaging with Community group.</li> <li>Leitirmacaward – working with community group to retain banks at current location.</li> <li>Newtowncunningham – new site secured at Airsoft. To install fencing and plinth in due course.</li> <li>Derrybeg – engaging with owner to agree future of bottle banks site.</li> <li>Donegal Town – contacting owner of new development in front of Donegal PSC to discuss locating bottle banks at the site long term. Need to secure a second location in the town. CCTV in place.</li> <li>Ballyshannon - reviewing the location of the banks. CCTV in place to monitor illegal waste disposal.</li> <li>Leitirmacaward – textile bank relocated to Gallaghers XL Shop</li> </ul>
Contact	Éadaoin Healy eadaoin.healy@donegalcoco.ie

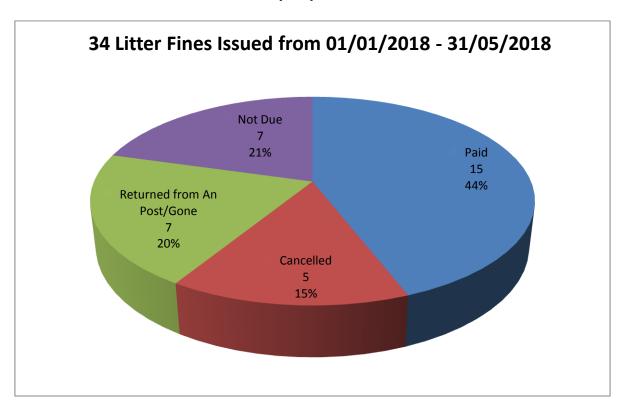
Activity / Project Title	Recycling Centres
Project Description/ Activity	<ul> <li>Signage – replacement of existing road signage with compliant signage underway in agreement with Roads engineers in Letterkenny, Dungloe and Milford.</li> <li>Opening hours extended at Letterkenny Recycling Centre.</li> <li>Dungloe Recycling Centre open for an additional day (Tuesday) for June, July and August.</li> </ul>
Contact	Éadaoin Healy eadaoin.healy@donegalcoco.ie

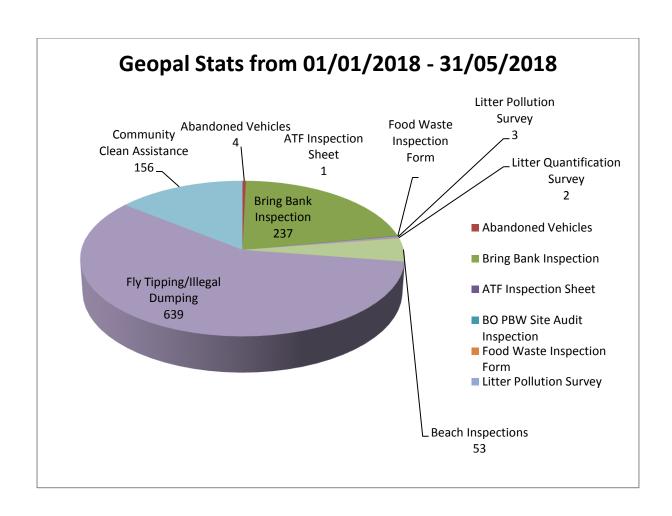
Activity /	Climate Change
<b>Project Title</b>	
Project	Draft Climate Change Adaptation Strategy under development.
<b>Description/</b>	Regional Climate Action Office Team being recruited by Mayo County
Activity	Council. This office will guide and provide assistance to DCC in the further
	development of the strategy.
Contact	Éadaoin Healy
	eadaoin.healy@donegalcoco.ie

# Stats for the Environment on Litter and Waste from the 01/01/2018 – 31/05/2018



Tonnages of Waste collected by 3 MLUs from 01/01/2018 – 31/05/2018.





2018 Enforcement Actions and Complaints - End of May 2018

Local Authority	Total Waste and Litter Complaints	Total Waste Enforcement Actions , includes Warning Letters, Section 14 and 55 Notices, Section 56 and 57 Actions, FPN's	Total Litter FPN s	Total Prosecutions currently before the Courts
Donegal				
County				
Council	432	49	34	0
TOTAL	432	49	34	0

270 open CRM complaints.

# COASTAL MANAGMENT

Activity / Project Title	Public Conveniences					
Project Description/ Activity	Further improvement works at the public conveniences in Dungloe are progressing. It is planned to address this work with approved contractors in collaboration with our Housing Directorate.					
	The Ballyshannon Regeneration Group has forwarded a submission for consideration under the Town and Village Renewal Scheme, 2018. This comprehensive proposal for renovation of the Ballshannon Public Conveniences will now be assessed for eligibility under the scheme.					
	is now in pla	I provision of portaloo to ace. The service is prima $0^{th}$ ) at beach and coastal ude;	rily required for the	e summer season (N	May 31 <sup>st</sup> to	
	_	Location	Portaloos	Disabled portaloos		
		Surf club Rossnowlagh	3	- -		
		Downings Pier	2	-		
		Port na Blagh Pier	1	-		
		Fintra Beach	2	1		
		Magheragallon Pier	2	-		
		Teelin Pier	2	-		
		Fanad Head	1	1		
		Lisfannon Beach	2	-		
		Main Car Park Rossnowlagh	3	1		
		Muckross Head	2	_		
		Killahooey Beach car Park	2	-		
	Dooey Beach Car Park		2	-		
		Carrickfinn Beach Car Park	2	-		
		Murvagh Beach Car Park	2	-		
		Portathur Beach Car Park	1	-		
	Shrove Beach Car Park		2	-		
	Malin Beg Beach Car Park		2	-		
	Tramore Beach, 1 -					

	Downings				
	Culdaff Beach Car	2	-		
	Park			]	
	The new permanent public conveniences of the season resulting in the portaloo ser facilities are very welcome.				
Contact	David Friel, Coastal Manager				
Person	david.friel@donegalcoco.ie				



New Public Conveniences in Malin Head.



New Public Conveniences, Changing Rooms and Information Hub, Rathmullan.

Activity / Project Title	Community Toilet Scheme
Project Description/ Activity	A Community Toilet scheme is being advanced to increase the number of toilet facilities available to members of the public by working in partnership with local businesses across the county. These toilets would provide additional facilities to those council facilities already available.
	The initiative ensures that clean, safe and easily accessible toilets are available to the public at no cost. Participating businesses are paid an annual fee by Donegal County Council based on the facilities they have available.
	Businesses providing separate facilities for male, female, disabled and baby changing would receive a higher rate of payment than a business which provides just one unisex toilet. Whilst businesses must make their toilet facilities available to members of the public, they retain the right to refuse entry to any person(s) who would normally be refused entry to the premises.
	Businesses in the Community Toilet Scheme are required to display a window sticker, provided by Donegal County Council, indicating that they are participating in the scheme and the level of facilities available. They must also have Public Liability Insurance.



Activity / Project Title	Coastal/Water Safety				
Project Description/ Activity	As per Irish Water Safety directions, 41 Beach Lifeguards are now appointed to patrol 14 beaches, as shown in Table 1 below. To meet the requirements of the specified full time Lifeguard cover, over 40 full time working Lifeguards are employed to provide the service, including cover.				
			Beach	Full Time Lifeguard Service	Dates of Cover During Bathing Season
	<u> </u>	1	Bundoran	3 Lifeguards, 7 days/week	June 1st to end of August. W/e cover in Sept until Sept 9th.
	1	2	Carrickfinn	2 Lifeguards, 7 days/week	June 30th to August 31st
	]	3	Culdaff	2 Lifeguards, 7 days/week	June 30th to August 31st
	4	4	Downings	3 Lifeguards, 7 days/week	June 30th to August 31st
	į	5	Fintra	2 Lifeguards, 7 days/week	June 30th to August 31st
	(	6	Killahoey	2 Lifeguards, 7 days/week	June 30th to August 31st
	-	7	Lisfannon	2 Lifeguards, 7 days/week	June 30th to August 31st
	8	8	Marble Hill	2 Lifeguards, 7 days/week	June 30th to August 31st
	9	9	Murvagh	2 Lifeguards, 7 days/week	June 30th to August 31st
	-	10	Narin/Portnoo	2 Lifeguards, 7 days/week	June 30th to August 31st
	-	11	Portsalon	2 Lifeguards, 7 days/week	June 30th to August 31st
	-	12	Rathmullan	2 Lifeguards, 7 days/week	June 30th to August 31st
	[	13	Rossnowlagh	6 Lifeguards, 7 days/week	w/e cover in June (starting June 1st). Full cover July & Aug. W/e cover in Sept until Sept 9th.
		14	Stroove	2 Lifeguards, 7 days/week	June 30th to August 31st
	Tal	ble	<b>1</b> . Beach Lifeguar	d service allocation per require	ed beach.
<b>Contact Person</b>	David Friel, Coastal Manager				
	david.friel@donegalcoco.ie				

Project Description/ Activity	A new beach wheelchair was unveiled at Marble Hill thanks to the generosity of the Órla Memorial fund. This Marble Hill wheelchair, in association with the Shandon Hotel, brings the total number of beach wheelchairs in the county to four, including Rathmullan, Carrickfinn and Downings.
Contact Person	David Friel, Coastal Manager david.friel@donegalcoco.ie

Activity / Project Title	Beach Maintenance
Project Description/ Activity	Beach maintenance works is now in full flow for the Bathing Season. Waste bins, signage, flags, portaloos, Lifeguard Stations, etc, are all now, once again, in place across our beaches. Mobile Litter Units, Litter Wardens, Lifeguard Supervisor and Coastal Officer are servicing and maintaining all the required services, 7 days a week.  Beach Lifeguard Induction takes place over two days (June 28 <sup>th</sup> and 29 <sup>th</sup> ) in the Training Centre Stranorlar. Again this event will see the participation of the Coastguard helicopter crew, landing in the athletics grounds, Stranorlar.  This year Rossnowlagh Beach will again have a dedicated team member collecting litter, monitoring traffic and assisting the Lifeguards with land based responsibilities. This student placement is a welcome addition to this beach which can enjoy very high visitor numbers.
<b>Contact Person</b>	David Friel, Coastal Manager
	david.friel@donegalcoco.ie

Activity /	Clean Coasts Week					
Project Title						
Project Description/ Activity	Clean Coasts Week took place from 1 <sup>st</sup> to 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2018 with 20 groups participating around the Donegal coastline. Once again exceptional work has been carried out by communities in Donegal to protect our beaches, seas and marine life during the event.					
	who collected nearly 2 tonnes of mapart of their global cleanup efforts. Blue Flag beach, Rossnowlagh which	Among the groups that took part in cleanups around the coast was Marine Harvest who collected nearly 2 tonnes of marine litter from 7 locations around the county as part of their global cleanup efforts. Other events included free Yoga on the Beach at Blue Flag beach, Rossnowlagh which saw participants not only enjoy a yoga session in a beautiful beach setting but give back with a #2minutebeachclean.				
	The list of Cleanups is as follows;					
	Group Name	Location of Beach Clean				
	Marine Harvest	Kindrum				
	Marine Harvest	Rinmore				
	Marine Harvest	Inver				
	Marine Harvest	Lough Derg, Pettigo				
	Marine Harvest	Millstone				
	Marine Harvest	Glinsk				
	Marine Harvest	Scraggy Bay				
	Northwest Coastal Clean Ups	Tullaghan				
	Cli-mates	Ladys bay Buncrana				
	Rossnowlagh Ramblers	Rossnowlagh Beach Co. Donegal				
	lace no Mara co	Thrunonny nool Dundoron				
	lasc na Mara sc	Thrupenny pool Bundoran Killahoey				
	24th donegal scout group  Learning Pool	Lisfannon / Faun				
	Dunfanaghy Tidy Towns	Dunfanaghy				
	Duffiallagily fluy fowns	Dumanagny				
	11nth Donegal Beaver scouts	Ladies Bay Buncrana				
	Killybegs Tidy Towns	Fintra, Killybegs and Benroe shoreline				
	Arranmore	Arranmore Island				
	Kilcar tidy town	Muckross				
	scoil Cholmcille Green					
	Schools Committee	Marble Hill , Donegal				
	Friends of Rossnowlagh Rossnowlagh Beach					
Contact Person	David Friel, Coastal Manager david.friel@donegalcoco.ie					
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#### **APPENDIX I**

Press Release

Issued: 27th June 2018

#### It's Not In our Nature – Is it in Yours? Let's tackle illegal dumping!

A new anti-dumping awareness campaign *It's Not in Our Nature – Is it in Yours* for the Connacht Ulster Waste Region was launched last Friday by the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment Denis Naughten TD. The aim of the campaign is to further create awareness on the issues around illegal dumping, as significant funding has been made available this year to tackle the issue by the Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment. This year a total of €600,000 will be spent by local authorities across the Connacht Ulster Waste Region to clean up sites containing illegally dumped material.

The new regional awareness campaign will support extensive clean-ups undertaken by local authorities throughout the nine local authority areas in the region— Cavan, Donegal, Galway City and County, Leitrim, Mayo, Monaghan, Roscommon and Sligo.

Donegal County Council has been allocated €69,119.00 and a schedule of clean ups will take place over the summer months in areas which have been highlighted as black-spots including Single Street Bundoran, sections of the River Finn, Atlashane, Brinlack, Bloodyforeland and Raws Upper, Castlefin. This campaign is a proactive step to further support the work being undertaken by Donegal County Council and is being delivered in partnership with the Regional Waste Authorities. Last Friday at the campaign launch Minister Naughten said 'I very much welcome the regional campaign which will further support this year's Anti-Dumping Initiative framework. Not only will a wide range of clean-up projects led by local authorities take place, in addition, some Local Authorities have also sought funding for overt and covert surveillance equipment and drone technology to target dumpers. The aim is to reduce illegal dumping by providing funding for projects tackling the problem and to develop an integrated and effective combined approach with local authorities, communities and other state agencies'. 'I am also delighted to announce that my Department has provided €61,500 for 22 mattress amnesty events which will take place across the region during the summer months', said Minister Naughten.

The importance of a clean green environment is critical in terms of making our region a better place in which to live, work and do business.

'Our overall aim is to eliminate unsightly illegal dumps and further protect our environment both in rural and urban settings as well as engaging with the public to ensure that areas remain clean once clean-ups have taken place', said Sean Scott, Regional Waste Enforcement Co-ordinator. 'Significant costs are associated with cleaning up illegally dumped waste and there is an onus on all citizens to dispose of waste in the correct manner. I also welcome the Minister's support for a mattress amnesty. Householders should contact their Local Authority for details of mattress amnesty events that are taking place' said Mr. Scott.

Members of the public are being called upon to continue to play their part by ensuring to dispose of waste responsibly using a permitted service and to take the time to report sightings of illegal dumping to the local authority or through the Environmental Protection Agencies reporting app SEE IT, SAY IT at www.epa.ie/enforcement/report/seeit/. 'We're very grateful to all the very responsible householders and community minded people who do the right thing – who dispose of their waste correctly using authorised waste

collectors, the extensive network of bring banks and the Recycling Centres located throughout the region. However, there is still a cohort of people who are irresponsible in disposing of their waste which ultimately results in small and large scale illegal dumps and to those individuals we appeal to cease this activity" said Michael McGarvey Director of Service, Water and Environment, Donegal County Council.

'Householders are being alerted to the fact that they are obliged to provide evidence of where they dispose of their waste and can be held responsible and fined for illegal dumping. Householders should retain receipts as proof,' said Matthew Byrne Waste Regulations Officer with the Environment Section of Donegal County Council.

For further information please contact the Environment Section, Donegal County Council on 0749153900 or info@donegalcoco.ie





APPENDIX II

### HOUSING & CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT Municipal District of Inishowen Meeting 15<sup>th</sup> July 2018

### **Corporate Services**

### **Housing Services**

• Progress Reports

## Inishowen Municipal District

# Housing Grants Report at 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2018

### Housing Adaptation Grant for People with a Disability

YEAR	TOTAL RECEIVED	APPROVED	REFUSED	WITHDRAWN /CANCELLED/ INVALID	FURTHER INFO.	PENDING
2016	42	22	5	14	1	0
2017	34	21	1	5	4	3
2018	25	6	2	1	7	9

### **Mobility Aids Grant**

YEAR	TOTAL RECEIVED	APPROVED	REFUSED	WITHDRAWN /CANCELLED/ INVALID	FURTHER INFO.	PENDING
2016	6	3	1	0	2	0
2017	18	12	0	3	3	0
2018	7	1	0	0	4	2

### **Housing Aid for Older People Grant**

YEAR	TOTAL RECEIVED	APPROVED	REFUSED	WITHDRAWN /CANCELLED/ INVALID	FURTHER INFO.	PENDING
2016	32	19	6	5	2	0
2017	29	22	2	4	0	1
2018	8	3	0	1	2	2

# Casual Vacancies at 5<sup>th</sup> July 2018

45 Clos Phadraig	2	Offered and refused
17A Cornmill Ave Buncrana	2	Offered and accepted
1777 COMMINITATE BUTTOTIAN	_	onered and decepted
17 Radharc na Tra breige, Malin	2	Offered and refused – new offer in progress
34 Abbey Park	2	Offered and accepted
Manorcunningham		
18 Pairc an Mhuilinn Carrigans	3	Offered and accepted
28 Pairc na hAluine, Buncrana	2	Offered and refused
10 Riverside, Buncrana	3	Offered and accepted
37 Allendale, Buncrana	3	Offered and accepted
35 The Links, Greencastle	4	In Progress
13 Gaddyduff, Clonmany	3	In Progress
Cloontagh, Clonmany	3	In Progress
29 Abbey Park, Manor	2	In Progress
25 Abbey Park Manor	3	In Progress
5 O'Gara Villas, Moville	1	Offered and Accepted
4 Dun an Ghrianain Buncrana	2	Offered and Accepted
Mill Cottage, Mill Brae, Buncrana	3	Offered and Accepted
33 Dun na nIarlai, Buncrana	2	Offered and Accepted
16 The Hawthorns, Buncrana	3	In Progress
16 Pairc na hAluine Buncrana	3	In Progress

### **Housing Needs Assessment**

The Housing Needs Assessment is now complete.

# Community, Enterprise & Planning Directorate Community & Development Division



# Municipal District of Inishowen Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2018

### **REPORT**

- 1. Malin Head
- 2. Lough Swilly & Lough Foyle Ferries
- 3. Rural Development Programme/LEADER
- 4. Buncrana School Campus
- 5. An Grianán of Aileach
- 6. Playground Maintenance
- 7. 2016 Carndonagh Town & Village Renewal Scheme
- 8. 2017 Ballyliffin Town and Village Renewal Scheme
- 9. Donegal Walks and Trails



Municipal District: Inishowen Activity / Project Update: July 2018

Activity / Project Title	Malin Head
Activity / Project Description  Budget (if applicable) Progress to date within the last two months/quarter* - inclusive of current status	Malin Head Access & Amenity Improvement Project.  Provision of new toilet block, road widening to accommodate passing bays and provision of services and utilities to address visitor management at Malin Head.  Access & Amenity Improvement Project  1. Work on the Malin Head Access & Amenity Improvement Project is nearing completion. The car park element of the project is complete and is currently open to the public while the toilet block will be complete in February 2018 and opened to the public soon thereafter to coincide with the commencement of the 2018 tourist season.
* Delete irrelevant reporting period	<ul> <li>Visitor Management Plan for Malin Head Signature Discovery Point Project</li> <li>Donegal County Council following consultation with Failte Ireland will be initiating a tendering competition for the procurement of multi-displinary services for the delivery of a visitor management plan for Malin Head Signatory point.</li> <li>It is expected that the tender will be uploaded on e-tenders in May 2018.</li> </ul>
Project Targets for the next bi-monthly/quarterly* reporting period  * Delete irrelevant reporting	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. Tenders will be assessed on Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 2018.
contact Person (to include telephone number & e-mail address)	Paddy Doherty/James Kelly 074 9153900

Activity / Project Title	Lough Swilly and Lough Foyle Ferries
Activity / Froject Title	Lough Swilly and Lough Foyle Femiles
Activity / Project	
Activity / Project Description	Swilly and Foyle Ferries for 2018
Budget (if applicable)	
Progress to date within	Swilly Ferry
the last two	Cara na nOilean Teo delivered the Swilly ferry service for a
months/quarter* -	13 week period between June and September 2016.
inclusive of current	The contract term for the Swilly service is 4 years (see below)
status	2016: (June-September: 13 weeks).
	2017: (June-September: 13 weeks).
	2018: (June-September: 13 weeks).
	2019: (June-September: 13 weeks).
	Foyle Ferry.
	Following a procurement the Council have secured an operator
	for the Foyle Ferry service for 3 year period as follows
	2017:
	Service to operate from 1 <sup>st</sup> July – 17 <sup>th</sup> September (inclusive).
	<b>2018:</b> Service to operate as follows:
	(i) Easter 2018 from Holy Thursday to the Sunday after Easter
* Delete irrelevant	(11 days).
reporting period	(ii) May Bank Holiday weekend from the Friday to the Tuesday
	inclusive (5 days).
	(iii) June Bank Holiday weekend from the Friday through to the
	16 <sup>th</sup> September.
	<b>2019:</b> Service to operate as follows:
	(i) Easter 2019 from Holy Thursday to the Sunday after Easter
	(11 days). (ii) May Bank Holiday weekend from the Friday to the Tuesday
	inclusive (5 days).
	(iii) June Bank Holiday weekend from the Friday through to the
	15 <sup>th</sup> September.
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Project Targets for the	Swilly Ferry
next bi-	Cara na nOilean Teo will operate the third year of the four year
monthly/quarterly*	contract for a period of 13 weeks from June 2018 to September
reporting period	2018.
	Greencastle-Magilligan (Foyle) Ferry service
	The Ferry will operate for the May bank holiday and resume
* Delete irrelevant	service from June as contracted.
reporting period	
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All Municipal Districts

Activity / Project Title	Rural Development Programme/LEADER
Activity / Project	Donegal Local Community and Development Committee are
Description	the 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 within the	There are 4 Implementing Partners within the county; Donegal
last two months-inclusive of current status	Local Development Company (DLDC), Inishowen Development
current status	Partnership (IDP), Údarás Na Gaeltachta and Comhar na
	nOileán, who are rolling out the LEADER programme on behalf
	of the LAG (Local Action Group). 76 projects in Donegal are now
	approved by Pobal and Letters of Offer have issued/are
	pending granting LEADER funding to a value of €2.9m. Donegal
	has the one of the highest approved project spend nationally
	for the LEADER programme to date.
Project Targets for the next	The next LCDC/LAG meeting will be held on 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2018, with
bi-monthly reporting period	further projects coming forward for 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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Municipal District: Inishowen

Activity / Project Update: 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 acres.		
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  *Delete irrelevant reporting period	<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> <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> </ul> </li> </ul> <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> <ul> <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	Complete landowner discussions and finalise details/agreed price of preferred site.		
Contact Person (to include telephone number & e-mail address)			

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 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> </ul>
Project Targets for the next bi- monthly/quarterly* reporting period * Delete irrelevant reporting period	The OPW plan to advertise the Tender document for the Conservation and Management plan in April. It is anticipated that the Conservation and Management Plan will be available in September 2018.
Contact Person (to include telephone number & e-mail address)	Paddy Doherty/Fiona Doherty 074 9153900



Municipal District: Inishowen

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> <li>Current Status:         <ul> <li>Annual Rospa Inspection Reports have been completed with necessary repairs identified.</li> <li>Tender requests issued on 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 with a closing date of 4.30pm on 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2017.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	
* Delete irrelevant reporting period	<ul> <li>Tenders assessed December 2017.</li> <li>Annual Maintenance Tender awarded to Murphy Playground Services Ltd.</li> <li>Contractor currently on site.</li> </ul>	
Project Targets for the next bi-monthly/quarterly* reporting period  * Delete irrelevant reporting period	All works to be completed by July 2018.	
Contact Person (to include telephone number & e-mail address)	Eamon Boyle Executive Engineer Three Rivers Centre Lifford Tel: 087-1788623 eamonb@donegalcoco.ie	

## Municipal District: Inishowen

Activity / Project Title	Carndonagh Town & Village Renewal Scheme	
Project Description/Activity	Carndonagh Bridge Street Refurbishment The project involves the refurbishment of the old historical steps on Bridge Street in conjunction with the local Tidy Town Committee.	
Budget (if applicable)	€76,000 – Department of Arts, Heritage & Gaeltacht Affairs €13,410 – Own Resources	
Progress to date within the last quarter -inclusive of current status	<ol> <li>Carndonagh works consists of:         <ul> <li>Removal of concrete footpath</li> <li>Repairs to stone wall and stone steps</li> <li>Refurbishment / Replacement of Railing</li> <li>Paving – Cut Stone</li> <li>Ducting/ Drainage</li> <li>Surfacing</li> <li>Undergrounding of Services</li> </ul> </li> <li>Current Status:         <ul> <li>A contractor has commenced works on site with a view to having all works completed by the end June 2018.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	
* Delete irrelevant reporting period		
Project Targets for the next Bi-monthly / quarterly reporting period	Current Status:  A contractor has commenced works on site. Works will be completed within next few weeks.	
Contact Person (to include telephone number & e-mail address)	Eamon Boyle Executive Engineer Three Rivers Centre Tel: 087 1788623 E-mail: eamonb@donegalcoco.ie	

Activity / Project Title	2017 Town & Village Renewal Scheme - Ballyliffin	
File 622/P&ED/422 (8)		
Project Description/Activity	Village Improvements Works	
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	Works consists of:  → Interpretative Panels  → Finger Posts Signage  → Decorative Bin/ Benches  → Signage  → Painting & Tree Planters   Current Status:  • Approval / funding obtained from Department.  • Letter of Offer has been issued to Ballyliffen Tidy Towns Committee.  • Discussions currently ongoing with Committee to progress works.  • Advance payment has issued to Ballyliffin Tidy Towns	
	Committee.	
Project Targets for the next Bi-monthly / quarterly reporting period		
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Activity / Project Title	Donegal Walks and Trails
Project Description/Activity	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 1	We have applied for three further projects under the <b>2017 Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme</b> for:
	Measure 2 of the Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme 2017 has approved the application for the extension of the pump house car park at Inch Wildfowl Reserve totalling €30,000 comprising of €24,000 grant assistance and €6,000 match funding shared between Donegal County Council and National Parks & Wildlife Services. This work is to be carried out by the local area roads team before Summer 2018.  Projects funded under the 2016 Rural Recreation project are nearing completion including the <b>Carndonagh Heritage Walk.</b> We are currently exploring funding options to re-open the footbridge behind the Carndonagh Hospital as a local walk and thus solve the problem of people attempting to cross the bridge as it currently exists as it remains closed. Negotiations with the HSE are at an advanced stage. HSE are to give a
	response from their insurers.  At a recent workshop held in Lifford on Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> June it was agreed to submit applications to the Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme 2018 which has a closing date of 6th July for Measure 1 projects Two applications under Measure 1 have been made to upgrade the Urris Loops walks for €25,000 and also for a local trail at Gortfad River for €25,000.
	A measure two application for Ballyliffin Mass Rock Walk for €124,000 is being prepared under Measure 2
	The closing date for measure 2 and measure 3 projects is Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> July 2018.

	We are also scoping out a new proposed walk from <b>Drumfries to Clonmany</b> and a <b>woodland walk at Bree Malin.</b> Funding available 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.  Buncrana shore path We are proposing to extend the mapping of this walk from the Shore Front to Stragill beach.  New map boards will be erected in July at Shore front, Ned's Point for the shore walk and at Shroove Beach car park and <b>Inishowen Head loop</b> car park.
Project Targets for the next bi-monthly/quarter 3 reporting period	Completion of the works at the funded sites mentioned earlier in the report. Finalise agreement with HSE regarding Carndonagh footb ridge at Hospital Grounds Further investigation of proposed walk at Carrigans Village. Collection of data from Inch, Malin Head and Buncrana Shore Path Further exploration of new proposed walk between Drumfries and Clonmany and also proposed woodland walk at Malin.
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20th June 2018

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Dear Ms. Doherty,

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