

**Ceantar Bardais Inis Eoghain**

Oifig Riarthóir na  
gCruinnithe  
Aras an Chontae  
Leifear  
29 Márta 2017

**FOGRA CRUINNITHE**

Beidh Cruinniú de Ceantar Bardais Inis Eoghain siúl Dé Máirt 4 Aibreán 2017, **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**

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*p.p.* **Riarthóir Cruinnithe**

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**Municipal District of Inishowen**

Office of Meetings Administrator  
County House  
Lifford  
29<sup>th</sup> March 2016

**NOTICE OF MEETING**

A Meeting of the Municipal District of Inishowen will be held on Tuesday 4th April 2017 **at 1.00p.m. in the Public Services Centre, Carndonagh.**

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

**Dear Councillor**

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

**Yours sincerely**

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**for Joe Peoples  
Meetings Administrator**

## **AGENDA**

1. Consideration of the Minutes of the Municipal District of Inishowen Meeting held on 14<sup>TH</sup> March 2017
2. Environment Services (Blue)
3. Planning Services (Green)
4. Roads & Transportation (Red)
5. Housing, Corporate & Cultural Services (Yellow)
6. Community & Enterprise
7. Correspondence

**MINUTES OF THE INISHOWEN MUNICIPAL DISTRICT MEETING HELD IN THE PUBLIC SERVICES CENTRE, CARNDONAGH ON TUESDAY 14<sup>th</sup> MARCH , 2017 AT 3PM**

**Councillors Present:**

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

**Officials Present:**

John McLaughlin, Director of Services Roads and Transportation, Aideen Doherty, Area Manager Housing & Corporate Services, Seamus Hopkins, Area Manager Roads & Transportation, Seamus Canning A/Administrative Officer, Una Cresswell A/Senior Staff Officer, Paddy Doherty, Divisional Manager, Community & Enterprise, Fiona Doherty, Staff Officer Community & Enterprise, Ruth Diver, Executive Planner. Frank Sweeney, A/Senior Executive Planner, Collette Beattie, Assistant Planner.

**Reports Presented:**

8. Community & Enterprise
9. Planning Services
10. Environment Services
11. Roads & Transportation
12. Housing, Corporate & Cultural Services

An Cathaoirleach, Cllr Bernard McGuinness welcomed everyone in attendance to the meeting. He stated that on behalf of the Inishowen elected members he would like to introduce and welcome Linda Melconian to Donegal. Linda is a former American legislator who served as Majority Leader of the Massachusetts Senate. She is member of the Democratic Party and represented the greater Springfield area as its State Senator from 1983-2005. Cllr McGuinness added that she was first woman Majority Leader in the history of the Massachusetts Senate.

Cllr McGuinness added that the Members were grateful to John McGee from Buncrana for inviting Linda to Donegal, following their first meeting at Speaker O'Neill's 100th birthday celebration in Cambridge, Massachusetts. The council had the pleasure of welcoming a number of her constituents to Donegal last year when the Economic Development Council of Western Massachusetts visited the county and it was hoped that the Council continue to work in cooperation with them in looking at opportunities to collaborate. The current Mayor of Donegal County Council, Terence Slowey hosted a meeting in Springfield last November with the development council and met a number of businesses interested in the NW region of Ireland.

Cllr McGuinness referred to Tip O'Neill whose maternal grandmother Eunice (Unity) Fullerton was born outside Buncrana. In 1977 he denounced violence in Northern Ireland and used his influential position as Speaker to play a key and pivotal role in bringing about peace in Ireland. An annual Tip O'Neill Donegal Diaspora Award has been established to acknowledge his many outstanding achievements, give credit to an illustrious grandson of a Donegal emigrant, and an eminent member of the Irish Diaspora. We look forward to welcoming his son Tommy and his wife Shelly back to Donegal later this year he added.

The members individually welcomed Linda to the meeting. Cllr Nicholas Crossan briefed her on how the Tip O'Neill Diaspora Award came about from an idea in 2011 to commemorate the centenary of Tip O'Neill's birth in 2012. The award has gone from strength to strength and this year the format of the award may be altered, he added.

Linda Melconian thanked the members for welcoming her to the meeting. She described the type of inspirational person that Tip O'Neill was and the way he operated to achieve goals and move things forward. There was a question and answer session. Topics such as the undocumented Irish in the USA and Brexit were discussed.

Aideen Doherty, Area Manager, Housing and Corporate Inishowen, briefed Linda on the connections between Massachusetts and Donegal County Council. She referred to the Golden Bridges Delegation from the North West area that had gone out to Massachusetts last year, forging lasting links.

#### **17.16 Consideration of the Minutes of the Municipal District Meeting of the Inishowen Municipal District held on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2017.**

On the proposal of Cllr Martin Farren, seconded by Cllr Paul Canning, the minutes of the February Meeting of the Inishowen Municipal District meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2017 were agreed.

There were no matters arising.

Cllr Martin McDermott expressed his condolences to Search and Rescue Services and their families for the tragic loss of life in Mayo. Also, Cllr Bernard McGuinness expressed his sympathy to the family of James McShane, former County Engineer for Donegal County Council.

A minutes silence took place for the deceased.

## 17.17 PLANNING

The Planning Services Report was taken as read.

### 17.17.01 Take –over of Housing Estates /Unfinished Estates

The planning authority made public notices in 2016 of its intention to take in charge residential estates with the Municipal District. A workshop and discussions were held with Senior Executive Planner, Frank Sweeney prior to the Municipal District meeting, in relation to taking charge of estates in the Inishowen District as listed in Schedule A.

#### Schedule A

1	<b>Abbotts Wood, Ballyloskey, Co. Donegal.</b>	Service Roads (not including individual private driveways) within the housing estate commencing at the junction with the public road in the townland of Ballyloskey
2	<b>Ard Ban/Churchwood, Muff, Co. Donegal.</b>	Service roads (not including individual private driveways) within the housing estate commencing at the junction with the existing public road in the townland of Muff
3	<b>Hawthorn Meadows, Malin Road, Carndonagh, Co. Donegal.</b>	Service Roads (not including individual private driveways) within the housing estate commencing at the junction with the public road in the townland of Churchland Quarters
4	<b>Woodlands, Churchland Quarters, Carndonagh, Co. Donegal.</b>	Service Roads (not including individual private driveways) within the housing estate commencing at the junction with the public road in the townland of Churchland Quarters
5	<b>Cranmer Grove, Ballymacarry, Buncrana, Co. Donegal.</b>	Service Roads (not including individual private driveways) within the housing estate commencing at the junction with the public road in the townland of Ballymacarry
6	<b>Millbrae Heights, Ballyloskey, Carndonagh Co. Donegal.</b>	Service Roads (not including individual private driveways) within the housing estate commencing at the junction with the public road in the townland of Ballyloskey

Accordingly after consideration, on the proposal of Paul Canning, seconded by Cllr Rena Donaghey it was resolved that the Council make an order in accordance with Section 207 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 – 2015 for the creation of public rights of way over the estate roads within those housing estates as listed in Schedule A.

In addition to this, on the proposal of Cllr Albert Doherty seconded by Cllr Martin McDermott, it was resolved that the council make an order, in accordance with Section 11(1) of the Roads Act 1993, that the roads within the housing estates listed in Schedule B over which a public right-of-way exists (where applicable) are declared to be public roads.

## Schedule B

1	<b>Abbotts Wood, Ballyloskey, Co. Donegal.</b>	Service Roads (not including individual private driveways) within the housing estate commencing at the junction with the public road in the townland of Ballyloskey
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6	<b>Lagan Court, Manorcunningham, Co. Donegal.</b>	Roadside footpath (not including individual private driveways) associated with the housing estate along public road in the townland of Manorcunningham. (Creation of public ROW not required for this development)
7	<b>Millbrae Heights, Ballyloskey, Carndonagh Co. Donegal.</b>	Service Roads (not including individual private driveways) within the housing estate commencing at the junction with the public road in the townland of Ballyloskey

### 17.17.02 Central Planning Unit - Record of Protected Structures

At the Plenary Council meeting of 31st January, 2017 a strategy for a three-phased approach to a programme of additions to the Record of Protected Structures was discussed arising largely as a result of recommendations received from the Minister for additions to be made to the Record. It was decided that decisions on additions to the Record of Protected Structures were to be taken at a Municipal District Level (as provided for under Section 131A of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Schedule 14A, Part 2). It was further agreed that workshops would be held in advance of Municipal District meetings to discuss in detail the proposed Phase 1 additions.

Accordingly, a list of proposed additions to the list of protective structures was presented by Collette Beattie, Assistant Planner to the members. The list was considered and discussed at a workshop prior to the Inishowen Municipal District meeting. It was noted that the additions are comprised of two sub-groups:

- a. Structures falling within Tier 2 Local Area Plan towns in each area- Carndonagh and Bridgend.
- b. A small number of other properties located outside the Tier 2 Local Area Plan Towns but the subject of longstanding requests to the Council to have them considered for addition.

On the proposal of Cllr Paul Canning, seconded by Cllr Albert Doherty it was resolved that the Phase 1 addition process commence and that the proposed recommended additions as detailed below, under the Planning and Development Act 2005 - 2015, Section 55 go out to public consultation.

## Carndonagh Proposed Additions

No.	NIAH Reference No.	Name	Location
1	40805001	Churchland Quarters	Carndonagh
2	40805003	Carrick Hall	Churchland Quarters
3	40805004	Donagh Church of Ireland Church	Churchland Quarters
4	40805005	Donagh Lodge B&B	Churchland Quarters
5	40805007	House	Carndonagh
6	40805008	House	Carndonagh
7	40805009	Former Railway Station and Station Masters House	Atlanfish Limited (Limited Liability Company) of Malin
8	40805012	Sportsman's Inn	Churchland Quarters
9	40805013	Donagh Stores	Churchland Quarters
10	40805014	Carndonagh Wesleyan Chapel	Churchland Quarters
11	40805015	House	Churchland Quarters
12	40805017	Millbrae House	Carndonagh
13	40805022	House	Carndonagh, County Donegal
14	40805023	Glennagannon Bridge	Carndonagh
15	40805024	Carndonagh Courthouse	Carndonagh
16	40805025	House	Milltown, Carndonagh
17	40805026	House	Mill Town, Carndonagh
18	40805028	McNeill's Pharmacy	Market Place, Carndonagh
19	40805029	McGonagle's Bar	Market Place, Carndonagh
20	40805030	Carndonagh District Hospital	Carndonagh
21	40805031	Tirnaleague House	Carndonagh
22	40805032	Tirnaleague House	Carndonagh
23	40901119	Mount Saint Mary Convent	Carndonagh
24	40901120	House	Carndonagh
25	40901121	Ballyloskey Bridge	Carndonagh

## Additions outside the Tier 2 Local Area Plan Towns

No.	NIAH Reference No.	Name	Location
26	40902945	Westbrook House	Tullyarvan, Buncrana

### **17.18 ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION**

Senior Executive Engineer, Seamus Hopkins distributed the Roads and Transportation, Schedule of Municipal District Works 2017 Report. This report had been discussed at workshops on 17<sup>th</sup> January, 14<sup>th</sup> February and 7<sup>th</sup> March, he added. It was to be noted that the Bridge Strengthening Programme and Lighting were additional items.

It was noted that under Road Lengths and Budget Allocation, Muff should be replaced by Merville on the fourth line of the report.

On the proposal of Cllr Martin Farren, seconded by Cllr Jack Murray, the Roads and Transportation Schedule of Municipal District Works for 2017 were agreed.

#### **17.18.01 Lighting Provision Programme 2017**

Seamus Hopkins advised the members that should additional funds become available that he would try and get some lighting issues resolved in some areas. The lighting being updated in Carndonagh was part of the REDZ programme, (**Rural Economic Development Zones Programme**)

Cllr Martin Farren expressed his gratitude for the provision of two additional lights installed at Battery Brae, Greencastle.

#### **17.18.02 St Columbas Church Group, Straid, Clonmany**

Cllr Albert Doherty queried whether the Council could consider looking at the wall at St Columbas which is protruding through the fence.

#### **17.18.03 Bonar's Corner, Merville**

Cllr Martin Farren requested that a pot hole at Bonar's Corner, Merville be repaired as it was causing problems. Seamus Hopkins suggested that it would require it to be filled hot rolled asphalt as a solution. He added that there was a possibility that this could be done as part of a contract when the restoration work is being carried out in the area.

#### **17.18.04 Broadband at Lisfannon**

Cllr Jack Murray referred to the lack of broadband provision at Lisfannon Industrial Estate. He stated that additional employment opportunities could be made available if broadband services were enhanced. He suggested that when carrying out road works, laying broadband should be carried out in conjunction with the works. It was noted that John G McLaughlin, Director of Roads and Services and Garry Martin, Director of Finance were going to have discussions in this regard.

Cllr Rena Donaghey stated that she agreed with Cllr Murray and that she too was disappointed with the lack of progress in improving broadband services at Lisfannon. She asked that clarification be sought on who actually owns the premises there. Five years ago, it was supposed to be transferred over to Donegal County Council, she added.



#### **17.18.05 Ramp and Bollards at Abbey Park, Manorcunningham**

Cllr Paul Canning requested that additional ramps and bollards are required at the local shop in Manorcunningham as there are ongoing safety issues in the area such as large vehicles blocking vision lines etc.

#### **17.18.06 Safety Plan for Carrigans**

Cllr Paul Canning queried when the safety measures including a pedestrian crossing will be put in place in Carrigans. He expressed his concern over the level of speeding in the area.

#### **17.18.07 Safety Measures for Killea**

Cllr Paul Canning requested that a pedestrian crossing be installed in Killea. He advised that a person had recently been knocked down by a car close to the chapel in Killea. It was noted that there was a high volume of heavy goods vehicle passing through Killea.

#### **17.18.08 Pedestrian Crossing at Magherabeg School, Newtowncunningham**

Cllr Paul Canning queried when a pedestrian crossing would be installed at the school in Newtowncunningham

#### **17.18.09 Lights a Shore Front, Bunrana**

Cllr Nicholas Crossan stated that the lights at the Shore Front in Bunrana were not working.

#### **17.18.10 Traffic Lights at West End Bunrana**

Cllr Nicholas Crossan requested that measures be put in place to deal with the frequent grid locks at the West End Bunrana.

#### **17.18.11 Road Signage**

Cllr Martin McDermott expressed his concerns over lack of road signage. He requested that road signage be considered for the Mountain Road Carndonagh and Mamore Gap.

#### **17.18.12 Junction at Mullins Shop, Malin Head**

Cllr McDermott requested an update on any proposed safety measures for the junction at Mullin's Shop Malin Head.

#### **17.18.13 Lights at Clonmany/Ballyliffen**

Cllr Martin Mc Dermott suggested that lights should be installed between Clonmany and Ballyliffen.

#### **17.18.14 Vision Lines at Barrack Hill**

Cllr Albert Doherty suggested that safety measures should be considered for the junction at Ballyloskey Road and the Carndonagh to Derry Road. Barrack Hill Garden and the Boxing Club generate increased traffic pressures, he added. He suggested lighting and improved vision lines.

#### **17.18.15 Piers and Harbours**

A discussion took place on what government department has authority over funding piers and harbours. A Council motion was made in January on this matter seeking clarification. John G McLaughlin Director of Service explained that there had been a change in 2016. Prior to that the Department of Agriculture, Food and Marine were the authority but currently, the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government are the parent authority for funding. Cllr Rena Donaghey referred to a Dail question to the then Minister Michael Creed, Department of Agriculture Food and Marine regarding Greencastle pier, in which he stated that the pier was owned by Donegal County Council whose responsibility for its development repair and maintenance, was the Local Authority in the first instance, and its parent Department. (Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government). The Dept of Agriculture, Food and Marine provides funding for development and repair of Local Authority owned piers, harbours and slipways under the Fishery Harbour Coastal Infrastructure Development Programme subject to the exchequer funding.

It was agreed that efforts to obtain clarity over funding and complete the unfinished works at Greencastle pier should be encouraged.

#### **17.18.17 Outer Relief Road, Buncrana – Kearney’s Pass**

Cllr Rena Donaghey suggested that the Outer Relief Road in Buncrana should be reviewed and all options considered. She added that as Cockhill Bridge was now in progress, it was time to encourage the Outer Relief Road to progress. It was proposed by Cllr John Ryan and seconded by Cllr Paul Canning that this should be moved forward.

#### **17.19 HOUSING & CORPORATE SERVICES**

Cllr John Ryan initially chaired the meeting briefly on behalf of An Cathaoirleach, Cllr Bernard McGuinness.

##### **17.19.01 Tenant Purchase Scheme**

Aideen Doherty, Area Manager, Housing and Corporate Services advised that applications for the Tenant Purchase Scheme were being processed. Valuations had been received for the properties. There were thirty three applications to date of which four were made in 2017.

##### **17.19.02 Resettlement Programme**

Aideen Doherty advised that the progress of the programme was satisfactory with the expectation that refugees would arrive in Donegal in late May or early June of this year.

##### **17.19.03 Mica Report**

Aideen Doherty advised the members that a report on Mica by the expert Mica panel was completed and due to be published soon as noted at the last meeting.

Cllr Albert Doherty, questioned whether a registry of mica affected properties was going to be established? Cllr Doherty stated that the Assistant Principle Officer, Paris Beausang who was working on the report has moved to a new post and that he had not been replaced. It was suggested that a letter should be sent to acknowledge his commitment and time.

##### **17.19.04 Newtowncunningham**

Cllr Paul Canning welcomed the commencement of works at Newtowncunningham. He expressed his concerns that Revenue Commissioners had entered the site and possibly did not adhere to Health and Safety.

#### **17.19.05 Turnkey Developments**

Aideen Doherty advised that in the near future, an advertisement seeking expressions of interest for Turnkey Developments will be publicized.

#### **17.20 COMMUNITY AND ENTERPRISE**

Paddy Doherty, Senior Executive Officer updated the members on the items on the Community and Enterprise Report.

##### **17.20.01 Swilly Ferry Service**

Paddy Doherty, Divisional Manager advised the members that a comprehensive meeting took place between officials of Donegal County Council and Causeway Coast and Glens Council regarding the options available. Cllr Bernard McGuinness expressed his dissatisfaction in relation to the timeframe in procuring the service and stated that the said meeting should have taken place on the 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2017.

Cllr Bernard McGuinness proposed and Cllr Martin Farren seconded a motion that the Council should re-advertise for a ferry service with sub-vention. A lengthy debate took place regarding the funding of both ferry services and the members were of the opinion that funding provision should be made in the Annual Budget, Cllr Martin Farren added that it was unfair that the monies had been top sliced and impacting of the Strategic Development Fund Initiative.

Mr. Paddy Doherty stated that he understood the frustration of the members and asked that the members allow another two weeks for the outcome of the positive meeting between both Councils. Mr. Doherty agreed to initiate the process of preparing documentation for a joint tender for the Foyle Ferry with subvention between Donegal County Council and Causeway Coast and Glens Council, pending confirmation from the Causeway Coast and Glens Council.

##### **17.20.02 Buncrana School Campus**

Cllr Rena Donaghey expressed her dissatisfaction in relation to the time taken to progress in securing a site for the Buncrana School Campus. She added that the same information was been presented at each monthly Municipal District Meeting regarding ongoing negotiations with the owner of the identified site. Cllr Donaghey suggested that the second and third identified, preferred site should be considered if there is continuous lack of progress on the preferred site.

##### **17.20.03 Pontoons at Culdaff**

Cllr Bernard McGuinness sought an update on the replacement of the Pontoons at Culdaff beach.

##### **17.20.04 BIM FLAG Programme**

Cllr Albert Doherty sought the names of the successful applicants under the BIM Flag Programme. It was agreed to follow up on same.

## **17.21 ENVIROMENT**

Cllr McGuinness expressed his view that a representative from the Environment section should have attended the meeting.

### **17.21.01 Illegal Dumping**

There was a consensus from the members that there has been an increase in illegal dumping particularly at Stroove Head, Glengad Hill. It was agreed that illegal dumping needed to be addressed and that those responsible should be named and shamed.

### **17.21.01 Launch of Spring Clean UP**

It was noted that the Spring Clean up was going to be launched shortly. Cllr Rena Donaghey said that there was a significant amount of work getting all the communities involved.

### **17.21.2 Steps at Beach at Porthall – Fr Hegarty’s Grave**

Cllr Nicholas Crossan requested that the steps at Fr Hegarty’s rock be looked at, also the provision of litter bins on the pathway under the bridge at the shorefront.

### **17.21.3 Marram Grass Transplanting -**

Cllr Albert Doherty requested an update on whether local intervention of Marram Grass Transplanting could take place at Lagg beach as it had been done at Carrickfinn. Also it was discussed if a survey could be completed to consider the level of erosion at Lagg.

## **17.22 SCHEDULE OF MUNICIPAL DISTRICT WORKS**

At a workshop prior to the meeting the members discussed the Schedule of Municipal Works for 2017.

A discussion took place on Clar funding. Cllr Albert Doherty suggested that perhaps more funding could be drawn down from Clar. Seamus Hopkins advised that less than half of Inishowen is in the Clar area whereas other parts in Donegal have whole areas in Clar. It was agreed efforts should be made to maximise funding where possible. Cllr McGuinness stated that the allocation of funding should be equal for the entire county.

It was proposed by Cllr Paul Canning , seconded by Cllr Albert Doherty resolved that the Inishowen Municipal District hereby adopts for the financial year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017, the Schedule of Municipal District Works 2017, as required by Section 103A of the Local Government Act 2001 (as amended) and in line with requirements of Circular LG27/2014/Fin21/2014.

Certified: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cathaoirleach

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



**Comhairle Contae  
Dhún na nGall**  
Donegal County Council

**ENVIRONMENT MD - MONTHLY REPORT  
APRIL 2017**

**Environment Awareness**

Municipal District: All MDs

Activity / Project Update:

<b>Activity / Project Title</b>	<b>Big Donegal Clean-up 2017</b>
<b>Project Description/Activity</b>	Volunteer community clean-ups supported by the Council taking place all over the County over the coming months.
<b>Progress to date within the last quarter -inclusive of current status</b>	<p>The Big Donegal Clean-up was officially launched by Cathaoirleach of Donegal County Council Cllr Terence Slowey and The Ryan's from Ireland Fittest Family on the 22nd March 2017.</p> <p>Clean-up forms for equipment are available at all PSCs and there is also an online application.</p> <p>National Spring Clean is also a National clean- up campaign organised by An Taisce each year, groups are also encouraged to register for this campaign to receive additional support and materials.</p> <p>We are also encouraging everyone to share their clean-up stories with the Council's social media pages.</p>
<b>Project Targets for the next bi-monthly/quarterly* reporting period</b>	Press release and launch photograph attached.
<b>Contact Person</b> <i>(to include telephone number &amp; e-mail address)</i>	Suzanne Bogan, Waste Awareness Officer T: 074 91 53900 E: <a href="mailto:suzannebogan@donegalcoco.ie">suzannebogan@donegalcoco.ie</a>

Activity / Project Update:

<b>Activity / Project Title</b>	<b>IFFPG Farm Plastic collections (Irish Farm Film Plastics Group) <a href="http://www.farmplastics.ie">www.farmplastics.ie</a></b>		
<b>Project Description/Activity</b>	<p>IFFPG have nearly completed their calendar of Bring Centres for the bring bank of Farm Plastics for Donegal in 2017. See below a list of confirmed dates and locations.</p> <p>Farmers are reminded to bring their labels with the code when returning farm plastics.</p> <p>Charges are €15 per half tonne with the code and €85 per half tonne without the code.</p> <p>Types of materials collected are silage wrap and sheeting, Large fertilisers bags (liners removed), small fertilisers and feed bags, Plastic drums (triple rinsed), netting and twine. Products manufactured from farm plastics are refuse sacks, Piping, Damp proofing, Garden Furniture.</p>		
<b>Budget (if applicable)</b>	Organised and advertised by IFFPG.		
<b>Progress to date within the last quarter -inclusive of current status</b>	<b>Donegal</b>	<b>Buncrana, Inishowen Co-op</b>	<b>23rd June</b>
		<b>Carndonagh, Inishowen Co-op</b>	<b>24th June</b>
		<b>Newtowncunningham, Clonleigh Co-op</b>	<b>27th June</b>
		<b>Letterkenny, Donegal Creameries</b>	<b>TBC</b>
		<b>Milford Mart</b>	<b>29th June</b>
		<b>Raphoe Mart</b>	<b>30th June</b>
		<b>Ballyshannon Mart</b>	<b>1st July</b>
		<b>Ardara GAA</b>	<b>3rd July</b>
		<b>Ballybofey &amp; Stranorlar Mart</b>	<b>4th July</b>
		<b>Donegal Mart</b>	<b>5th July</b>
<b>Contact Person</b> <i>(to include telephone number &amp; e-mail address)</i>	<a href="http://www.farmplastic.ie">www.farmplastic.ie</a> 01 4089966		

Activity / Project Update:

<b>Activity / Project Title</b>	<b>Dog Fouling awareness Campaign in Bundoran Sat 25th March</b>
<b>Project Description/Activity</b>	Awareness Campaign in conjunction with Bundoran Tidy Towns.
<b>Progress to date within the last quarter -inclusive of current status</b>	<p>Enforcement staff spent a number of hours on Sat 25th March along the popular Rougey Walk in Bundoran in conjunction with Bundoran Tidy Towns.</p> <p>Time was spent talking to dog owners reminding them of their responsibility in relation to cleaning up after their dogs and distributing poop scoops free of charge to dog owners.</p> <p>This day was a great success and it is hoped that it will have had an impact on dog owners in relation to cleaning up after their pets.</p>
<b>Project Targets for the next bi-monthly/quarterly* reporting period</b>	Planned to repeat this exercise at West End Walk in Bundoran in coming weeks.
<b>Contact Person</b> <i>(to include telephone number &amp; e-mail address)</i>	Suzanne Bogan Waste Awareness Officer T: 074 91 53900, E: <a href="mailto:suzannebogan@donegalcoco.ie">suzannebogan@donegalcoco.ie</a>

Activity / Project Update:

<b>Activity / Project Title</b>	<b>Waste Prevention Repair Directory</b>
<b>Project Description/Activity</b>	As part of the Council's waste prevention activities it is planning to compile a business listing of any businesses in the area of repairs. When complete the repair directory would be available in pdf format, housed online on the Council's website and possible Chamber of Commerce and Community chambers throughout the County.
<b>Progress to date within the last quarter -inclusive of current status</b>	It is intended in the coming month to place an advert in the local papers asking any business involved in the repairing of products to submit their details.  There will be a closing date for the submission of details.
<b>Contact Person</b> <i>(to include telephone number &amp; e-mail address)</i>	Suzanne Bogan, Waste Awareness Officer T: 074 9153900 E: <a href="mailto:suzannebogan@donegalcoco.ie">suzannebogan@donegalcoco.ie</a>

**Press release**

**22 March 2017**

**Ryan family going to great lengths to support the Big Donegal Clean-up**

The Ryan family are going to great lengths to support this year's Big Donegal Clean Up and to lend a hand to the hundreds of individuals and groups around the county who come together each year for their community clean ups.

Danny, Jordan, Keane and Alannah were on hand this week to help out the Donegal County Council Litter Management Team launch the 2017 Big Donegal Clean Up.

"We are delighted to have the Ryan family supporting the Big Donegal Clean Up this year" says Cathaoirleach Cllr. Terence Slowey

"They are great ambassadors for Donegal and their 'get up and go' attitude is a great tonic for all of us. The Ryan family are not just wonderful sports people but are also rooted in their community and this is what this initiative is all about. The Ryan family brought a great sense of pride to Donegal when they competed in Irelands Fittest Family last year and this initiative is about building on this sense of pride and making our county the cleanest in Ireland".



Last year's Big Donegal Clean Up was a great success with over 300 community groups from all over Donegal taking part and Suzanne Bogan Waste Awareness Officer with Donegal County Council believes that this year is shaping up to be another successful year.

"We already have in the region of 100 groups signed up for the An Taisce National Spring Clean campaign and the Donegal Clean-Up so we are confident that we will achieve similar numbers this year."

"The interest from communities is brilliant and it will all help in making Donegal litter free and allowing us to put our best foot forward for the forthcoming tourist season".

"Donegal relies heavily on the tourist industry and the beauty of the county's landscape and natural environment is without doubt our unique selling point. Rubbish and litter can be a major blight on our environment and portrays a very negative message for Donegal.

"So hat's off to all those individuals and groups across Donegal who take it upon themselves to clean up their area. Donegal is a large county and unfortunately the Council cannot keep the county litter free on its own. That's why the work of these individuals and groups is so important and vital to us".

This campaign sees the Council supporting individuals, groups and organisations in organising their own clean-ups. The Council provides bags, gloves and litter pickers and arranges for the collection of the rubbish once it has been bagged.

"We are seeing an increase in the number of individuals who are taking it upon themselves to clean up their local area when they are out walking. So we would be urging people when they are out walking to bring a bag with them and pick up litter as they find it along their walk. The Council is more than happy to help with gloves, litter pickers and bags and we will also collect the rubbish once it is bagged".

To sign up for this year's Big Donegal Clean Up call 074 91 53900 or visit [www.donegalcoco.ie](http://www.donegalcoco.ie) . You can also register with An Taisce's National Spring Clean campaign by calling (01) 4002219 or online at [www.nationalspringclean.org](http://www.nationalspringclean.org).



**Launch of the Big Donegal Clean-up 2017 with Cathaoirleach Cllr Terence Slowey, The Ryan's from Ireland's Fittest Family and Environment staff.**

## Coastal Management

Municipal District: Inishowen

### Activity / Project Update:

<b>Activity / Project Title</b>	<b>Sloddan to Binbane Erosion Study Tender</b>
<b>Project Description/Activity</b>	Appointment of consultant to conduct a review of coastal process affecting an area of coastline in Inishowen
<b>Progress to date within the last quarter -inclusive of current status</b>	A preferred bidder has been identified and contacted. The unsuccessful tenderers have been notified. The appointment now progresses as per protocol.
<i>* Delete irrelevant reporting period</i>	
<b>Contact Person</b> <i>(to include telephone number &amp; e-mail address)</i>	David Friel T: 0749176274 <a href="mailto:david.friel@donegalcoco.ie">david.friel@donegalcoco.ie</a>

<b>Activity / Project Title</b>	<b>Marram Grass Planting</b>
<b>Project Description/Activity</b>	Marram Grass Planting at Lisfannon
<b>Progress to date within the last quarter -inclusive of current status</b>	An Taisce and DCC are arranging a Marram Grass Planting initiative on Lisfannon Beach. This in conjunction with the Buncrana Tidy Towns Committee. This initiative is a soft approach to addressing the erosion issues currently affecting the dune system at Lisfannon.
<b>Contact Person</b> <i>(to include telephone number &amp; e-mail address)</i>	David Friel T: 0749176274 <a href="mailto:david.friel@donegalcoco.ie">david.friel@donegalcoco.ie</a>

## Litter Management

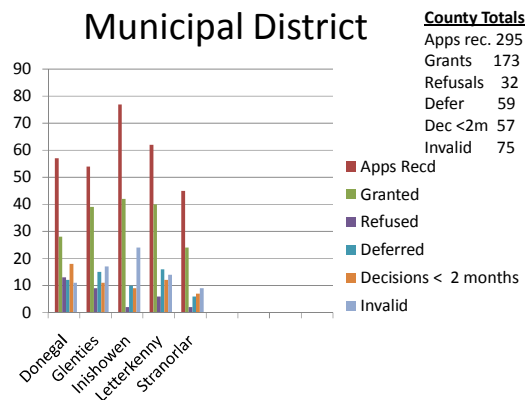
Environmental Complaints for 2017 – **296 (261 Waste & Litter 88%)**  
 Fixed Penalty Notices issued in 2017 - **22 issued and 9 paid** (40% collection rate)



# Community, Enterprise & Planning Service

Planning Services Report  
 Inishowen Municipal District Meeting  
 Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2017

## Summary of Planning Applications per Municipal District



## Upcoming Monthly Schedule

- Planning Clinics
  - 5<sup>th</sup> April 2017
  - 19<sup>th</sup> April 2017
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2017
  - 17<sup>th</sup> May 2017
  - 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017

## Further Information

- <http://www.donegalcoco.ie/services/planning/weeklyplanninglists/> Weekly List of applications and decisions
- [planning@donegalcoco.ie](mailto:planning@donegalcoco.ie) Planning service email (to be used in correspondence with the planning service)
- [www.donegalcoco.ie/services/planning/](http://www.donegalcoco.ie/services/planning/) Planning Webpage
- [www.donegalcdb.ie/eplan/internetenquiry/rpt\\_querybysurfloc.asp](http://www.donegalcdb.ie/eplan/internetenquiry/rpt_querybysurfloc.asp) Planning Application Online Query – planning reference number required
- [www.donegalcoco.ie/media/donegalcountyc/planning/pdfs/fileretrieval/File%20Retrieval.pdf](http://www.donegalcoco.ie/media/donegalcountyc/planning/pdfs/fileretrieval/File%20Retrieval.pdf) File Retrieval Form – to be used for file retrieval and when requesting planning searches

**Corporate Services**

**Housing Services**

**PROGRESS REPORTS**

## Inishowen Municipal District

### Housing Grants Report at 27th March 2017

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

YEAR	TOTAL RECEIVED	APPROVED	REFUSED \ WITHDRAWN	FURTHER INFO.	PENDING
2015	56	38	14	4	0
2016	44	21	12	8	3
2017	5	2	0	2	1

#### Mobility Aids Grant

YEAR	TOTAL RECEIVED	APPROVED	REFUSED \ WITHDRAWN	FURTHER INFO.	PENDING
2015	3	3	0	0	0
2016	6	2	1	2	1
2017	1	1	0	0	0

#### Housing Aid for Older People Grant

YEAR	TOTAL RECEIVED	APPROVED	REFUSED \ WITHDRAWN	FURTHER INFO.	PENDING
2015	21	17	4	0	0
2016	30	18	9	2	1
2017	3	2	1	0	0

#### Housing Loan Report at 27th March 2017

	YEAR	TOTAL RECEIVED	APPROVED	REFUSED / CANCELLED	UNDECIDED
<b>Standard Loans</b>	2015	0	0	0	0
	2016	3	0	3	0
	2017	0	0	0	0



## Casual Vacancies at 27<sup>th</sup> March 2017.

DWELLING	BED	DETAILS
14 Radharc na Trá Breige	2	Referred for Choice Based Letting
32 Dún na nIarlaí	2	Referred for Choice Based Letting
43 Abbey Park, Manorcunningham	3	Offer in progress
45 Clós Phadraig	2	Offer in progress
6 Castle Park, Newtown	2	Offer in progress
181 Ardfoyle, Moville	1	Offer in progress
28 St Boden's Tce, Culdaff	2	Offer in progress
27 St Boden's Tce, Culdaff	2	Offer in progress
24 Heather Park, Buncrana	3	Out to tender
4 Seaview Terrace, Glengad	3	Out to tender
3 An Teampall Maol, Greencastle	2	Out to tender
Ballybrack, Moville (SI)	3	Being assessed
124 Ard Clogan, Carndonagh	1	Being assessed
Tank Road, Ludden	4	Out to tender
10 Westfield, Newtown	4	Out to tender
1 Willowgrove, Buncrana	5	Out to tender
23 Lios na Greine, Burnfoot	4	Out to tender
8 St Finian's Park, Moville	3	Out to tender
2 Crawford Square, Moville	3	Out to tender
Urbreagh, Malin Head	5	Being assessed
19 Hawthorn Hill Newtown	3	Being assessed

### HAP Tenancies

Municipal District	Number
Donegal	159
Letterkenny	591
Glenties	126
Stranorlar	214
Inishowen	338
Sub Total	1,428
Tenancies Closed	254
Overall Total	1,682

### Tenant (Incremental) Purchase Scheme 2016

33 no. applications have been received to date for the Tenant Purchase Scheme. Four applications have been received in 2017.

# Inishowen Municipal District

## Follow up Issues Status Report

### Follow up issues from March 2017

#### Follow up

Seek clarification on who owns the IDA premises at Lisfannon. Cllr Rena Donaghey stated that over 5 years ago these premises were supposed to be transferred over to DCC

#### Response

Clarification has been sought with John G McLaughlin, Director of Services for Roads and Transportation

#### Follow up

Cllr Rena Donaghey suggested that the Outer Relief Road in Bunrana be reviewed and all options considered. It was proposed by Cllr John Ryan and seconded by Cllr Paul Canning that this should be moved forward.

#### Response

This matter has been referred to Seamus Hopkins, Senior Executive Engineer, Roads and Transportation.

#### Follow Up

Cllr Albert Doherty, questioned whether a registry of Mica affected properties was going to be established?

#### Response

Report is complete and has been sent for legal checking. It is expected to be available shortly. This may be addressed in the report.

#### Follow Up

Cllr Doherty suggested that a letter should be sent to acknowledge the commitment at time of the Assistant Principle Officer, Paris Beausang, Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government who had been working on the Mica Report. Mr. Beausang has moved to a new post.

#### Response

Letter issued to Paris Beausang

#### Follow Up

Cllr Paul Canning expressed his concerns that Revenue Commissioners had entered the site and possibly did not adhere to Health and Safety.

#### Response

This matter has been referred to Donal Walker, Senior Executive Engineer, Housing Construction.

#### Follow up

Cllr Bernard McGuinness sought an update on the replacement of the pontoons at Culdaff beach.

**Response**

Referred to Cathal Sweeney, Marine Engineer.

**Follow up**

Cllr Albert Doherty sought the names of the successful applicants under the BIM Flag Programme. It was agreed to follow up on same.

**Response**

Bord Iascaigh Mhona are responsible for the BIM Flag Programme.

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF INISHOWEN

***DATE AND VENUE FOR NEXT MEETING***

CARNDONAGH PUBLIC SERVICES CENTRE



**Comhairle Contae  
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Donegal County Council

Community, Enterprise & Planning Directorate  
Community & Development Division

Municipal District of Inishowen  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

REPORT

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2. Lough Swilly & Lough Foyle Ferries
3. Rural Development Programme/LEADER
4. Donegal Walks and Trails
5. Bunrana School Campus
6. An Grianán of Aileach
7. Playgrounds
8. Carndonagh Town & Village Renewal Scheme
9. Fort Dunree Military Museum



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Activity / Project Update: April 2017

<b>Activity / Project Title</b>	Malin Head
<b>Activity / Project Description</b>	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.
<b>Budget (if applicable)</b>	
<b>Progress to date within the last two months/quarter* - inclusive of current status</b>  <i>* Delete irrelevant reporting period</i>	The Council have now received the formal letter of offer from Fáilte Ireland comprising funding of almost €400k. The Council have also made an application to Fáilte Ireland for Technical Assistance support towards cost of a master plan proposal which will include detailed design, costing and related studies required for the development of a WAW signature Discovery point at Malin Head. Confirmation of the Technical Assistance grant is also expected.
<b>Project Targets for the next bi-monthly/quarterly* reporting period</b>  <i>* Delete irrelevant reporting period</i>	<u>Access &amp; Amenity Improvement Project</u> The project was uploaded onto the e-tenders website, <a href="http://www.etender.gov.ie">www.etender.gov.ie</a> , on 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2017. Seven tenders were returned by the deadline of 7 <sup>th</sup> February 2017. All seven tenders passed the suitability assessment process; however, 3 no. tenders were non-compliant from a quality viewpoint. This effectively meant that there were only 4 No. compliant tenders returned. Assessment of these tenders is currently ongoing and it is anticipated that Donegal County Council will be in a position to issue a 'Letter of Acceptance' and formally appoint a contractor before Easter 2017 with works to commence on site thereafter for a twelve week period.  <u>Visitor Management Plan for Malin Head Signature Discovery Point Project</u> The project, comprising the procurement of multi-disciplinary services for the preparation of a visitor management plan for Malin Head signature discovery point, was uploaded onto the e-tenders website, <a href="http://www.etender.gov.ie">www.etender.gov.ie</a> , on 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2017. Two tenders were returned by the deadline of 12 noon on Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> March, 2017. Donegal County Council in consultation with Fáilte Ireland are currently analysing the returned tenders.
<b>Contact Person</b> <i>(to include telephone number &amp; e-mail address)</i>	Paddy Doherty 074 9153900



Activity / Project Update: April 2017

<b>Activity / Project Title</b>	Swilly and Foyle Ferries
<b>Activity / Project Description</b>	Swilly and Foyle Ferries for 2017.
<b>Budget (if applicable)</b>	
<p><b>Progress to date within the last two months/quarter* - inclusive of current status</b></p> <p><i>* Delete irrelevant reporting period</i></p>	<p><b><u>Swilly Ferry</u></b> Cara na nOilean Teo delivered the Swilly ferry service for a 13 week period between June and September 2016.</p> <p>The contract term for the Swilly service is 4 years (see below)</p> <p>2016: (June-September: 13 weeks). 2017: (June-September: 13 weeks). 2018: (June-September: 13 weeks). 2019: (June-September: 13 weeks).</p> <p><b><u>Foyle Ferry.</u></b> Advertisements inviting applications for a licence to operate a roll on / roll off ferry service between Greencastle and Magilligan were placed in the following papers by Causeway Coast &amp; Glens Borough Council in the week beginning 12<sup>th</sup> December 2016: - Irish Times; - Belfast Telegraph; - Derry Journal; - Chronicle (Limavady, Coleraine &amp; Ballymoney).</p> <p>The closing date for receipt of applications was Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2017. No submissions received.</p>
<p><b>Project Targets for the next bi-monthly/quarterly* reporting period</b></p> <p><i>* Delete irrelevant reporting period</i></p>	<p><b><u>Swilly Ferry.</u></b> The ferry operator is continuing with his efforts to procure a 'front loading' ferry for the 2017 season which is due to commence on the 1<sup>st</sup> June and run until the 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2017. Funding for the 2017 service is to be agreed with the Members of the Inishowen Municipal District at the Development Fund Initiative workshop.</p> <p><b><u>Foyle Ferry</u></b> An update on the Foyle Ferry will be provided at the April Municipal District meeting.</p>
<p><b>Contact Person</b> (to include telephone number &amp; e-mail address)</p>	Colin McNulty 074 9153900



Activity / Project Update- April 2017

<b>Activity / Project Title</b>	Rural Development Programme/LEADER
<b>Activity / Project Description</b>	Donegal Local Community and Development Committee are the Local Action Group for County Donegal, with responsibility for the LEADER/Rural Development Programme 2014-2020
<b>Budget (if applicable)</b>	€12,913,873
<b>Progress to date within the last two months-inclusive of current status</b>	There are 4 Implementing Partners within the county; Donegal Local Development Company (DLDC), Inishowen Development Partnership (IDP), Údarás Na Gaeltachta and Comhar na nOileán. All 4 Implementing Partners are now accepting and registering Expressions of Interests (EOI's) under rolling and targeted funding calls. Application forms will issue were EOI's are deemed eligible in line with the Local Development Strategy (LDS), and formal applications will then be assessed and brought forward to the Evaluation Committee.
<b>Project Targets for the next bi-monthly reporting period</b>	Applications will firstly be assessed and scored by the relevant Project Officer in each Implementing Partner. These applications will then be brought before the Evaluation Committee for their recommendation, and onto the Local Community Development Committee for approval. It is expected that the earliest funding for projects should be awarded in May 2017.
<b>Contact Person</b> <i>(to include telephone number &amp; e-mail address)</i>	Paddy Doherty, Divisional Manager, 074 9153900 <a href="mailto:paddy.doherty@donegalcoco.ie">paddy.doherty@donegalcoco.ie</a>



Activity / Project Update April 2017

Activity / Project Title	Donegal Walks and Trails
<b>Project Description/Activity</b>	Maintenance, development and promotion of walks & trails in Donegal including cycle routes and Greenways.
<b>Budget (if applicable)</b>	
<b>Progress to date within the last two months/quarter 1</b>	<p><b>An update on the projects funded through the rural recreation grant as follows:</b></p> <p><b>Carndonagh Woodland walk : €8,070</b> The Tidy Towns Committee to work with local consultant on preparation of a strategic plan for the woodland with a view to doing some board walk works at the mass rock to allow visitors to view the area but not damage the sensitive flora and fauna in the woodland. This process will also allow for obtaining any necessary statutory permissions including an appropriate assessment and consultation with relevant statutory bodies e.g. NPWS. The report will also outline what future works could be developed in the area of the woodland.</p> <p><b>Urris Loops : €5,525</b> Local committee have got quotations for material delivery and digger costs to re surface part of the Urris Loop. Work to commence as soon as weather permits now in Spring.</p> <p><b>Inch Wildfowl Reserve : €2,800</b> Barrier has been constructed at end of boardwalk and surface works complete</p> <p><b>Inishowen Head Loop: €4,585:</b> Advance warning signs walkers on road to be erected and some amendments to trail head map board plus surface works. Scheduled to be complete by late Spring.</p> <p><b>Glenagivney Walk : €4,085</b> Consultation with local committee regarding the feasibility of the proposal. Decision to be made soon on any works that can develop the walk down to Kinnegoe Bay. A letter of offer for funding has been allocated for the North West Greenway Project under INTERREG VA (Sustainable Transport Measure). The allocation of €14,861,188 has been made to the project which has four main partners: Derry City Strabane District Council, Donegal County Council, SUSTRANS and Transport NI. The overall cost of the project was estimated at circa €18 million and both Councils have agreed to provide the match funds if required depending on final agreed costings and identified savings.</p> <p>The project will see three cross border routes developed from: Derry to Muff 10.5 km Derry to Buncrana via Bridgend (with a spur towards Newtowncunningham via Tooban Junction Inch Level) 32.5 km Strabane to Lifford 3.5 km The early stages will look at project design and route selection (including land owner discussions) and obtaining the necessary statutory permissions. The project will run for five years and is scheduled to be complete by December 2021 Malin Head is now insured and has been inspected by the NTO. Issues querying the erection of fence on private land beyond Hell's hole has been referred to Planning. Ongoing consultation with agencies including National Parks &amp; Wildlife Services, Inishowen Tourism and Inishowen Development Partnership.</p>
<b>Project Targets for the next bi-monthly/quarter 2 reporting period</b>	<p>Completion of the works at the five funded sites mentioned earlier in the report. Follow up with Inishowen Equestrian committee re proposed project on Coillte grounds. North West Greenway Project to commence with staff appointments and local consultation.</p>
<b>Contact Person</b> <i>(to include telephone number &amp; e-mail address)</i>	Francis Conaghan (Paths & trails Development Officer), 087 2371219 fconaghan@donegaltrailsoffice.com





Activity / Project Update: April 2017

<b>Activity / Project Title</b>	<b>Buncrana School Campus</b>
<b>Project Description/Activity</b>	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.
<b>Budget (if applicable)</b>	As per Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Education & Skills and CCMA.
<b>Progress to date within the last quarter - inclusive of current status</b>  <i>* Delete irrelevant reporting period</i>	<p><u>Current Status:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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> <li>• Liaisons have taken place with a number of landowners seeking approval prior to seeking current market valuations on sites identified by Department of Education &amp; Skills.</li> <li>• Valuer appointed to provide current market value.</li> <li>• Valuation Certificate received and sent to Department of Education &amp; Skills.</li> <li>• Negotiations are ongoing with landowners of identified site with a view to securing same as soon as possible.</li> </ul>
<b>Project Targets for the next bi-monthly/quarterly* reporting period</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete landowner discussions and finalise details/agreed price of preferred site.</li> </ul>
<b>Contact Person</b> <i>(to include telephone number &amp; e-mail address)</i>	



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<b>Activity / Project Title</b>	<b>An Grianán of Aileach</b>
<b>Project Description/Activity</b>	Development /Improvement of Visitor facilities
<b>Budget</b> (if applicable)	
<b>Progress to date within the last quarter - inclusive of current status</b> <i>* Delete irrelevant reporting period</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A meeting has taken place with senior officials from the OPW with regard to a number of OPW managed sites within the County and their potential to attract further visitors and improve the tourist offering in Donegal. An Grianán was discussed at this meeting.</li> </ul>
<b>Project Targets for the next bi-monthly/quarterly* reporting period</b> <i>* Delete irrelevant reporting period</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A successful 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 10/12 months. The Council will work in collaboration with the OPW, Failite Ireland and the stakeholders in relation to the development of the site.</li> <li>The Tender document for the Conservation &amp; Management Plan is being worked on currently by the OPW. A draft plan will be available in a few weeks and Donegal County Council may submit comments or observations in relation to same before it goes to tender.</li> </ul>
<b>Contact Person</b> <i>(to include telephone number &amp; e-mail address)</i>	Paddy Doherty 074 9153900



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<b>Activity / Project Title</b>	<b>PLAYGROUNDS</b>
<b>Project Description/Activity</b>	Annual maintenance of Playgrounds 1. Ballyliffin 2. Carndonagh 3. Carndonagh Fitness Trail 4. Carndonagh Muga 5. Chlos Phadraig 6. Chlos Phadraig Muga 7. Culdaff Beach 8. Festival Park, Bunrana 9. Manorcunningham SHS
<b>Budget (if applicable)</b>	€8,500.80 incl. VAT
<b>Progress to date within the last quarter -inclusive of current status</b>  <i>* Delete irrelevant reporting period</i>	1. Works consists of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Replacement of broken 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/wet pour</li> <li>• Replace missing clamps</li> </ul> <p><u>Current Status:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annual Rospa Inspection reports have been completed with necessary repairs identified.</li> <li>• Tender requests issued on 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2016 with a closing date of midday on 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2016.</li> <li>• Tenders assessed in December 2016.</li> <li>• Annual Maintenance Tender awarded to Murphy Playground Services Ltd.</li> </ul>
<b>Project Targets for the next bi-monthly/quarterly* reporting period</b> <i>* Delete irrelevant reporting period</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintenance works to commence mid April 2017.</li> </ul>
<b>Contact Person</b> (to include telephone number & email address)	Eamon Boyle Executive Engineer Three Rivers Centre Tel no. 087 1788623 eamonb@donegalcoco.ie



Activity / Project Update: April 2017

<b>Activity / Project Title</b>	<b>Carndonagh Town &amp; Village Renewal Scheme</b>
<b>Project Description/Activity</b>	<p><b>Carndonagh Bridge Street Refurbishment</b></p> <p>The project involves the refurbishment of the old historical steps on Bridge Street in conjunction with the local Tidy Town Committee.</p>
<b>Budget (if applicable)</b>	<p>€76,000 – Department of Arts, Heritage &amp; Gaeltacht Affairs €13,410 – Own Resources</p>
<p><b>Progress to date within the last quarter -inclusive of current status</b></p> <p><i>* Delete irrelevant reporting period</i></p>	<p>1. Carndonagh works consists of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Removal of concrete footpath</li> <li>2. Repairs to stone wall and stone steps</li> <li>3. Refurbishment / Replacement of Railing</li> <li>4. Paving – Cut Stone</li> <li>5. Ducting/ Drainage</li> <li>6. Surfacing</li> <li>7. Undergrounding fo Services</li> </ol> <p><u>Current Status:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approval/funding obtained from Department</li> <li>• Meetings / discussions taking place with local Tidy Towns Committee</li> <li>• Bridge Street due to be surveyed with a view to compiling tender documents by the second quarter in 2017.</li> <li>• Status update "Rural Schemes Expenditure" returned to Department on 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2017.</li> </ul>
<b>Project Targets for the next Bi-monthly / quarterly reporting period</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Formalise details of works to be carried out</li> <li>• Survey Bridge street</li> <li>• Seek Quotations</li> <li>• Appoint Contractor</li> <li>• Carry out works</li> </ul>
<b>Contact Person</b> <i>(to include telephone number &amp; e-mail address)</i>	<p>Eamon Boyle Executive Engineer Three Rivers Centre Tel: 087 1788623 <b>eamonb@donegalcoco.ie</b></p>



Activity / Project Update: April 2017

<b>Activity / Project Title</b>	<b>FORT DUNREE MILITARY MUSEUM</b>
<b>Project Description/Activity</b>	<p><b><u>(REDZ (RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ZONE) 2016 INITIATIVE</u></b></p> <p><b><u>FORT DUNREE</u></b> The proposed project will</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve facilities for visitors to Fort Dunree</li> <li>• Increase capacity for catering for visitors at the site</li> <li>• Ensure ongoing safety of visitors to the site</li> </ul> <p><b><u>The project will consist of:</u></b></p> <p><b>1. <u>Coffee Shop</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Refit of interior of Café</li> <li>• Extension to kitchen area</li> <li>• Extended seating capacity to exterior of current Café site</li> </ul> <p><b>2. <u>Dunree Pier Improvement Works:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pier path fencing</li> <li>• New Path from Pier</li> </ul>
<b>Budget (if applicable)</b>	<p>€50,000 – Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs €12,500 – Own Resources</p>
<b>Progress to date within the last quarter -inclusive of current status</b>  <i>* Delete irrelevant reporting period</i>	<p><b><u>Current Status:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approval obtained from Department on 29/11/2016</li> <li>• Details of work been formalised at present.</li> <li>• Letter of offer has issued to the Chairman, Fort Dunree Military Museum on 15/02/2017</li> <li>• Signed letter of offer returned and signed and sealed by Donegal County Council</li> </ul>
<b>Project Targets for the next Bi-monthly / quarterly reporting period</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Formalise details of works to be carried out</li> <li>• Manage the procurement and appointment of Contractors to carry out the works.</li> </ul>
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