

Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly
Tionól Reigiúnach Oirthir agus Lár-Tíre

MINUTES for MEETING

**OF THE EASTERN AND MIDLAND
REGIONAL ASSEMBLY**

HELD ON

Friday, 14th September 2018

IN

**COUNCIL CHAMBER,
CITY HALL,
DUBLIN 2**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EASTERN AND MIDLAND REGIONAL ASSEMBLY HELD ON 14th SEPTEMBER 2018, COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, DUBLIN 2.

Cllr Paddy Bracken	Cllr Pamela Kearns
Cllr Christy Burke	Cllr Ivan Keatley
Cllr Thomas Cullen	Cllr Dermot Lacey
Cllr Kieran Dennison	Cllr Colm Markey
Cllr Francis Duffy	Cllr Lettie McCarthy
Cllr Kate Feeney	Cllr Brian McDonagh
Cllr Catherine Fitzgerald	Cllr Padraig McEvoy
Cllr Brian Fitzgerald	Cllr Martin Miley
Cllr Eddie Fitzpatrick	Cllr Derek Mitchell
Cllr Mary Freehill	Cllr Maria Murphy
Cllr Mary Hanafin	Cllr PJ Reilly
Cllr Pat Hand	Cllr Tommy Reilly
Cllr David Healy	Cllr Pat Vance
Cllr Paddy Hill	

In Attendance:

Ms. Joan Martin, Designated Chief Executive, Louth County Council

Mr. Jim Conway, EMRA

Mr. Malachy Bradley, EMRA

Ms. Laure Antoniotti, EMRA

Mr. Ross Higgins, EMRA

Ms. Heather Cooke, EMRA

Apologies received from; Cllr Mick Cahill, Cllr Eamon Dooley and Cllr Gaye Fagan.

ITEM 1

Adoption of Minutes of meeting held on 13th July 2018

Minutes of the meeting of the Eastern and Midland Regional Assembly held on the 13th July 2018 were proposed by Cllr D Lacey and seconded by Cllr K Dennison.

The minutes were **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED**.

ITEM 2

RSES Update

The Assistant Director Mr Malachy Bradley gave the Assembly an update on the progress in preparing the draft RSES with a presentation covering the following topics; Progress Update, Structure of Draft RSES and the Next Steps.

A discussion followed with contributions from Cllr P Kearns, Cllr B Fitzgerald, Cllr P Vance, Cllr K Dennison, Cllr M Miley, Cllr P McEvoy, Cllr D Healy, Cllr D Lacey, Cllr K Feeney, Cllr T Cullen, Cllr C Marky, Cllr B McDonagh, Cllr I Keatley, Cllr L McCarthy, Cllr T Reilly, Cllr PJ Reilly, Cathaoirleach Cllr. E Fitzpatrick and Cllr M Freehill.

The Members AGREED to invite a representative from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government to the next assembly meeting to give a presentation on the methodology and evidence-based approach used to reach the population projections in the National Planning Framework and the subsequent circular Ref FPS04/2018.

This was **AGREED**

ITEM 3

Report on the launch of the Urban and Rural Regeneration and Development Funds

The Assistant Director Mr Malachy Bradley gave a presentation on the Urban and Rural Regeneration and Development Funds with topics covering: overview of the four approved Funds under Project Ireland 2040, detailed presentation of the Rural Regeneration and Development Fund and the Urban Regeneration and Development Fund, who can apply, what type of activity – capital, Evaluation and Assessment and Timelines

A discussion followed with contributions from Cllr P McEvoy, Cllr PJ Reilly, Cllr L McCarthy, Cllr B McDonagh, Cllr K Dennison, Cllr P Vance, Cllr P Kearns, Cllr I Keatley, Cllr D Healy and Ms Joan Martin.

ITEM 4

Correspondence

None

ITEM 5

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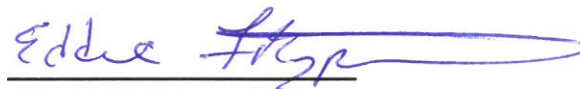
The Director introduced Heather Cooke who joined the corporate team and Laure Antoniotti who will be taking up the post of EU and Corporate Affairs Manager.

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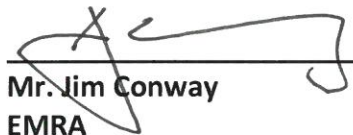
Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly is to be held on, Friday 5th October 2018 at 11am in City Hall, Dublin 2.

Signed:



Cllr. Eddie Fitzpatrick
Cathaoirleach EMRA



Mr. Jim Conway
EMRA

Date: 28/10/18.