

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

MINUTES for MEETING

**OF THE EASTERN AND MIDLAND
REGIONAL ASSEMBLY**

HELD ON

Friday, 11th December 2020

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EASTERN AND MIDLAND REGIONAL ASSEMBLY HELD ON 11th December 2020.

Cllr Emma Blain	Cllr Janet Horner
Cllr Fintan Brett	Cllr David Healy
Cllr Avril Cronin	Cllr Pamela Kearns
Cllr Eamon Dooley	Cllr Conor Keelan
Cllr Laura Donaghy	Cllr Dermot Lacey
Cllr Caroline Dwane Stanley	Cllr Brigid Manton
Cllr Kate Feeney	Cllr Pádraig McEvoy
Cllr Brian Fitzgerald	Cllr Paddy Meade
Cllr Eddie Fitzpatrick	Cllr Aisling Moran
Cllr Mary Freehill	Cllr Damien O'Reilly
Cllr Jim Gildea	Cllr Una Power
Cllr Alison Gilliland	Cllr Gerry Walsh
Cllr Mary Hanafin	

Apologies received from Cllr V Jackson and Cllr A O'Rourke.

In Attendance:

Ms. Joan Martin, Louth County Council, Designated Chief Executive of the EMRA

Mr. Jim Conway, EMRA

Mr. Malachy Bradley, EMRA

Ms. Laure Antoniotti, EMRA

Ms. Clare Bannon, EMRA

Ms. Pauline Riordan, EMRA

Ms. Nicci Nolan, EMRA

Mr. Simon Musial, EMRA

Mr. Ross Higgins, EMRA

Mr. Alan Lambe, EMRA

Ms. Geraldine Kenny, EMRA

Mr. Owen Douglas, EMRA

Ms. Agata Kolodynska, IREO

ITEM 1

Adoption of Minutes of meeting held on 13th November 2020

Minutes of the meeting of the Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly held on the 13th July 2020 were proposed by Cllr D Lacey and seconded by Cllr M Freehill.

This was **APPROVED**

ITEM 2

Planning Items

i) Draft Louth County Development Plan 2021-2027

The Assistant Director Mr M Bradley presented **Draft Louth County Development Plan 2021-2027**

A discussion took place with contributions from Cllr C Keelan.

This was proposed by Cllr D Lacey and seconded by Cllr D Healy.

This was **APPROVED**.

ii) NDP review

The Assistant Director Mr M Bradley presented the NDP review.

A discussion took place with contributions from Cllr D Healy, Cllr P McEvoy, Cllr M Freehill and Cllr D O'Reilly.

This was NOTED

iii) NTA Review of the Greater Dublin Area Transport Strategy.

The Assistant Director Mr M Bradley presented the NTA Review of the Greater Dublin Area Transport Strategy.

A discussion took place with contributions from Cllr M Freehill, Cllr J Gildea, Cllr B Manton, Cllr B Fitzgerald, Cllr D Healy, Cllr L Donaghy, Cllr P Kearns, Cllr J Horner, Cllr G Walsh, Cllr C Keelan, Cllr P McEvoy, Cllr D Lacey and CE J Martin.

This was NOTED

ITEM 3

Adoption of the 2021 programme of works

The director Mr J Conway presented the EMRA programme of works for 2021 to the members.

A discussion took place with contributions from Cllr M Freehill, Cllr D Healy, Cllr G Walsh and Cllr E Fitzpatrick.

This was proposed by Cllr G Walsh and seconded by Cllr E Fitzpatrick.

This was **AGREED**.

ITEM 4
AFS 2019

The Director presented the Assembly with the Audited Annual Financial Statement for 2019.

The AFS for 2019 was proposed by Cllr C Keelan and seconded by Cllr J Gildea.

This was **ADOPTED**.

ITEM 5
Update on the QGasP project

Ms Nicci Nolan gave a presentation to the members regarding the QGasP project and its future roll out.

A discussion followed with contributions from Cllr D Healy, Cllr D O'Reilly, Cllr P McEvoy and Cllr E Fitzpatrick.

ITEM 6
Meetings schedule 2021

The Director Mr J Conway gave a draft schedule of meetings of the EMRA for 2021.

A discussion took place with contributions from Cllr C Dwane Stanley.

This was **AGREED**.

ITEM 7
Correspondence

None

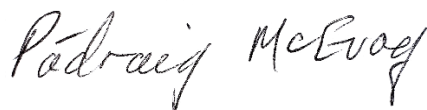
ITEM 8
AOB

The Director informed the members that the EU subcommittee met for the first time on December 8th.

An Cathaoirleach wished to thank the EMRA staff for the work that was done throughout 2020.

Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly is due to be held on **Friday 15th January 2021** at **11:00am**.



Signed:

**Cllr. Pádraig McEvoy
Cathaoirleach EMRA**



**Mr. Jim Conway
EMRA**

Date: 15 January 2021