Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly

Tionól Reigiúnach Oirthir agus Lár-Tíre

MINUTES for MEETING

OF THE EASTERN AND MIDLAND REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

HELD ON

Friday, 10th February 2023

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EASTERN AND MIDLAND REGIONAL ASSEMBLY HELD ON 10th FEBRUARY 2023.

Cllr Alison Gilliland	
Cllr Lyn Hagin Meade	
Cllr Deirdre Heney	
Cllr Janet Horner	
Cllr Vincent Jackson	
Cllr Brigid Mahon	
Cllr Paddy Meade	
Cllr Padraig McEvoy	
Cllr Aisling Moran	
Cllr Damien O'Reilly	
Cllr Danny Owens	
Cllr Una Power	
Cllr Gerry Walsh	

Apologies received:

Clir T Fortune, Clir D Healy, Clir R Power, Clir A O Rourke, Clir C Keelan, Clir M Hanafin, Clir P Kearns and Clir D Lacey.

In Attendance:

Ms. Joan Martin, CEO, Louth County Council

Mr. Jim Conway, EMRA

Ms. Clare Bannon, EMRA

Ms. Bernie Roe, EMRA

Ms. Laure Antoniotti, EMRA

Ms. Helena Stromberg, EMRA

Dr. Owen Douglas, EMRA

Mr. Simon Musial, EMRA

Ms. Geraldine Kenny, EMRA

Ms. Sarah Campbell, EMRA

Dr. Karl Murphy, EMRA

Ms. Anne-Marie Wood Wolfe, EMRA

Mr. Padraig O'Shea, EMRA

Ms. Eugenia Thompson, EMRA

Ms. Teresa Lennon, IREO

Mr. Tadhg Browne, IREO

Cllr E Dooley assumed the role of An Cathaoirleach for the meeting.

ITEM 1

Adoption of Minutes of meeting held on 13th January 2023

Minutes of the meeting of the Eastern and Midland Regional Assembly held on the 13th January 2023 were proposed by Cllr P Mc Evoy and seconded by Cllr J Gildea.

The minutes were APPROVED.

ITEM 2

Presentation on the Sustainable Mobility Policy

The Director Mr J Conway gave the members an overview on the Sustainable Mobility Policy.

The Assistant Director, Ms C Bannon gave an insight into the Sustainable Mobility Policy and introduced Senior Executive Planner Ms A Wood Wolfe.

Ms A Wood Wolfe gave the members a presentation on the Sustainable Mobility Action Plan that covered such topics as: The National of the Sustainable Mobility Policy, the Aim, Sustainable Mobility Policy Action Plan 2022-2025, Key Achievements to Date, the Pathfinder Programme, the Pathfinder 30 Project(Smart and Sustainable Mobility Training Workshops) – What it is, its Objectives, Target groups, Workshop Content, Phase 1(2023) Phase 2(2024) and Phase 3(2025), Final Report, Aims Achieved, Next steps and Project Timeline (Quarter 1 2023 to Quarter 4 2025).

A discussion followed with contributions from Cllr M Freehill, Cllr P Mc Evoy, Cllr J Gildea, Cllr J Horner, Ms C Bannon, Mr J Conway, Ms A Wood Wolfe, Cllr B Manton, Cllr E Fitzpatrick, Cllr D Heney, Cllr G Walsh, Cllr A Gilliland and Cllr F Brett.

This was **NOTED**.

ITEM 3

Adoption of the Programme of Works 2023 and a presentation on Subsidiarity

The Director Mr J Conway presented the Programme of Works 2023 to the members and introduced the presentation on Subsidiarity that was prepared in response to a request made by Members at the January meeting.

Ms T Lennon, IREO, gave a presentation on Subsidiarity in the EU, that covered topics such as: What is Subsidiarity, Subsidiarity in the EU Treaty, Subsidiarity in the EU Treaty - How it works, Subsidiarity in the EU Treaty - How it works in Ireland, Subsidiarity in the EU Treaty - How local government can be involved, Summary, Local Government in Ireland, Local Government across the World.

A discussion followed with contributions from Cllr M Freehill, Cllr P McEvoy, Cllr D Heney, Cllr B. Fitzgerald, Mr J Conway, and Ms T Lennon.

The Programme of Works 2023 was proposed by Cllr P. Mc Evoy and seconded by Cllr M Freehill.

The Programme of Works 2023 was APPROVED.

ITEM 4

Correspondence

None.

ITEM 5

AOB

The Director J Conway advised members that there is increased costs in relation to insurance. The Allocated Budget has increased by €4,000, from €7,000 to €11,000. This will be reported in full in the 2023 Annual Financial Statement.

This was NOTED.

ITEM 6

Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly is to be held on, **Friday 10th March 2023.**

Signed:

Cllr. Robert Power Cathaoirleach

Mr. Jim Conway

EMRA

Date: 10th March 2023