

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

MINUTES for MEETING

**OF THE EASTERN AND MIDLAND
REGIONAL ASSEMBLY**

HELD ON

Friday, 13th May 2022

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EASTERN AND MIDLAND REGIONAL ASSEMBLY HELD ON 13th MAY 2022.

Cllr Emma Blain	Cllr Deirdre Heney
Cllr Aoife Breslin	Cllr Janet Horner
Cllr Fintan Brett	Cllr Vincent Jackson
Cllr John Browne	Cllr Pamela Kearns
Cllr Avril Cronin	Cllr Dermot Lacey
Cllr Laura Donaghy	Cllr Brigid Manton
Cllr Eamon Dooley	Cllr Tony McCormack
Cllr Caroline Dwane Stanley	Cllr Lyn Hagin Meade
Cllr Kate Feeney	Cllr Padraig McEvoy
Cllr Brian Fitzgerald	Cllr Aisling Moran
Cllr Catherine Fitzgerald	Cllr Colm Murray
Cllr Eddie Fitzpatrick	Cllr Peter O'Brien
Cllr Tom Fortune	Cllr Robert O'Donoghue
Cllr Mary Freehill	Cllr Damien O'Reilly
Cllr Jim Gildea	Cllr Robert Power
Cllr Mary Hanafin	Cllr Gerry Walsh
Cllr David Healy	

Apologies received: Cllr Alison Gilliland

In Attendance:

Ms. Joan Martin, CEO, Louth County Council

Mr. Jim Conway, EMRA

Ms. Laure Antoniotti, EMRA

Ms. Clare Bannon, EMRA

Mr. Simon Musial, EMRA

Mr. Ross Higgins, EMRA

Mr. Alan Lambe, EMRA

Ms. Geraldine Kenny, EMRA

Ms. Helena Stormberg, EMRA

Mr. Tadhg Browne, IREO

Ms. Siobhán Kelly, Department of Transport

Mr. Darren McCormack, Department of Transport

ITEM 1

Adoption of Minutes of meeting held on 08th April 2022

Minutes of the meeting of the Eastern and Midland Regional Assembly held on the 08th April 2022 were proposed by Cllr D Lacey and seconded by Cllr P McEvoy.

The minutes were **APPROVED**.

ITEM 2

Planning Items

i) Draft Kildare County Development Plan 2023-2029

The Assistant Director, Ms. C Bannon, presented the submission for the Draft Kildare County Development Plan 2023-2029.

A discussion followed with contributions from Cllr P McEvoy, Cllr R Power, Cllr F Brett, Cllr A Breslin, Cllr B Manton, Cllr A Cronin and Cllr G Walsh.

Additional and amended wording to the submission was proposed by Cllr. P McEvoy and agreed.

The submission to the Draft Kildare County Development Plan 2023-2029 was approved by Cllr P McEvoy and seconded by Cllr R Power.

This was **APPROVED**.

ITEM 3

Presentation on TEN -T and CEF (Connecting Europe Facility)

Ms Siobhán Kelly and Mr Darren McCormack from the Department of Transport gave the members a presentation on the TEN-T and CEF covering topics such as: What is TEN-T?, The TEN-T Regulation, TEN-T - Eastern and Midlands Region, Revision of the TEN-T Regulation, Changes proposed to the TEN-T Regulation, What is CEF transport?, 2022 CEF Transport Call, 2022 CEF Transport Call – topics, Alternative Fuels Infrastructure Facility, and AFIF –deadlines.

A discussion followed with contributions from Cllr D Lacey, Cllr T Fortune, Cllr C Murray, Cllr B Manton, Cllr G Walsh, Cllr M Freehill, Cllr D Healy and Cllr P McEvoy.

This was **NOTED**.

ITEM 4

Update on the last EU subcommittee meeting

Ms L Antoniotti from the EMRA gave the members an update on the last EU subcommittee meeting.

A discussion followed with contributions from Cllr M Freehill, Cllr P McEvoy and Cllr D Lacey.

This was **NOTED**.

ITEM 5

Correspondence

None

ITEM 6

Any other business

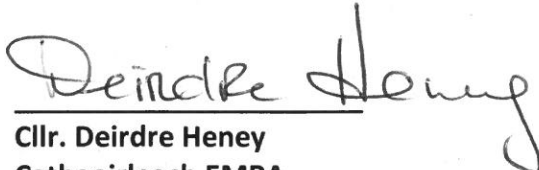
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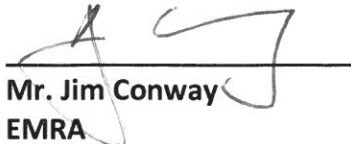
Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly is to be held on, **Friday 10th June 2022**.

Signed:


Cllr. Deirdre Heney
Cathaoirleach EMRA




Mr. Jim Conway
EMRA

Date: 10th June 2022