



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE MAY MEETING OF NENAGH MUNICIPAL DISTRICT HELD IN NENAGH MUNICIPAL DISTRICT CHAMBER AND via ZOOM AT 10.00 AM ON 15th MAY 2025

Present in chamber	Cllr's Fiona Bonfield, Michael O Meara, John Carroll, Louise Morgan Walsh, J.P. O'Meara, Pamela Quirke O'Meara, Séamus Morris, Joe Hannigan and Phyll Bugler
Also Present	Ms. Rosemary Joyce, District Administrator; Liam Brett, Director of Services; Mr. Kieran Malone, Senior Engineer; Mr. Barry Murphy, Senior Executive Engineer and Ms. Sinead Moriarty, Staff Officer Environment & Climate Action: Mr. Michael Moroney, Senior Executive Officer & Mr. Rúairí Boland, Senior Executive Engineer LAWPRO: Ruth Hennessy, Executive Scientific Officer & Aoife Egan, Water EIP
	Cllr. F. Bonfield opened the meeting and adjourned it for 5 minutes as a mark of respect for his holiness Pope Francis. Sympathy was extended to the family of Garda Flatløy, who was killed in the line of duty.
Item 1. To note any Disclosures/ Conflicts of Interest	None
Item 2. To consider and adopt Minutes of the April Meeting held on 17th April 2025	It was proposed by Cllr. Carroll and seconded by Cllr. J.P. O'Meara and resolved that the minutes of the April Meeting held on 17 th April 2025 be adopted.
Item 3. To receive update from Environment & Climate Action	The update from Environment was circulated to members. Cllr. Bugler enquired about Boher burial ground, the number of septic tanks inspected and the results, details of round 2 of the Climate Action Fund, historic landfill sites and writing to the Minister about culling of deer. Cllr. Carroll asked what work farmers have to do as a result of the farm inspections and if this work is being done. It is important that court is a last resort. He stated that unauthorised parking by transient groups is a problem. He said if a house did not have a septic tank they would be contacted and asked could environment visit some of these locations. Some sites have a number of caravans and no proper sanitation, other sites have a large number of vehicles and these can lead to oil residue in the area.



	Cllr. M. O'Meara requested an update on the legal proceedings on Shannon Vermi Compost, procedure for the removal of dead deer, a notice to the public regarding the dry conditions increasing the possibility of forest fires. He also asked about the possibility of writing to Uisce Éireann regarding the issues with water supply in his area. The local staff are doing everything they can but the area has been neglected by UÉ for years. Cllr. Quirke O'Meara agreed that it is important to engage with the farmers in relation to inspections. She said there is an increase in personal rubbish being dumped in forest areas when work is being carried out along with an increase in speed in these areas. She has made contact with the Coillte manager but enquired if there was anything the Council could do. Cllr. Bonfield complimented the work of the dog/litter wardens. It is a difficult job and there is a lot of fly tipping despite this work. Cllr. Bonfield suggested that the members bring a motion to the full Council in relation to the issue of deer. She referred to the success of the Deposit Return Scheme and wondered if there was any potential for an initiative with fast food outlets. Cllr. Hannigan agreed that there is an issue with fly tipping and a big issue is rubbish from fast food outlets. People need to be responsible. He referred to concerns with the Ballinderry group water scheme. The pipes are going across private land. The infrastructure has been in place for more than 20 years and will need to be upgraded. Cllr. Morris stated that some businesses are responsible and clean up outside their premises but he referred to a fast-food outlet which is operating outside their planning conditions. It is the customers that throw out the rubbish. There is also an issue with dog walkers not cleaning up after their dogs. This causes issues for other walkers, buggies and wheelchair users. Dog bins are required at Tyone and along the Riverwalk. He requested an update on the Military Barracks and said the site needs to be cleaned up and a survey is required to determine the safety of the site. The Department of Defence is ignoring the people living there and maybe the issue needs to be raised by the local TDs. A multi-agency meeting is required to address the issue of illegal encampments. There is a huge cost to the County council for the clean-up of these sites and the possibility of putting a charge on their social welfare should be examined. Cllr. Morris also referred to the position regarding Water Services staff switching over to Uisce Éireann. Cllr. Morgan Walsh said owners are taking their dogs to green spaces and not cleaning up after them. There should be adequate bins and signage to notify the public of fines. Cllr. J.P. O'Meara asked if it would be possible to have a campaign to inform the
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public of what to do in the event of finding rubbish. He knows of a person that took a photo of rubbish and shared it on Facebook. however this compromised any action that could then be taken.

Mr. M. Moroney informed the members that the points in relation to the farm inspections were noted. It is a new regime but the inspectors would be very empathetic. The goal is not to take people to court but to improve standards. Examples of issues would be insufficient storage and separation of materials. The identification of perpetrators in relation to dog fouling is a problem. Social media will continue to be used to get out the message. Environment will work with the District in relation to the dog bins and a 3rd dog warden is being recruited. Hopefully the new warden will be able to have a presence in parks and areas popular for walking dogs. It is critical in relation to fly tipping that the Council identifies the person involved and investigates the issue. Where individuals are involved, they would be required to sign an affidavit and to be a witness. TCC has been successful in a case in another district where the person was fined €400 and had costs of €500 awarded against them. Messaging will continue in relation to the disposal of packaging for fast food and deli counter packaging. The deposit return scheme has worked and bottles and cans are not now part of the issue. Environment does not have a role in relation to the management of deer but can be contacted if a dead deer needs to be removed.

The legal action in relation to Shannon Vermi is an ongoing matter. Summonses have to be served on people outside the jurisdiction. It is expected that there will be a call for round 2 for the Climate Action Fund and the Community Climate Officer is working with groups. There is a Historical Landfill capital programme until 2030 for former landfills that existed pre-licensing. Work is in progress in a number of sites in the county, sites are tiered down to class C and it will take time to get to all the sites. Ballaghveny is at Phase 1 and there is authorisation from EPA to do a full capping programme which is progressing.

There is a multi-annual programme for group water schemes and there are currently 13 projects throughout the county for various types of work. Capital projects do take time due to wayleaves so it would be an opportune time for the GWS team to talk to the committees to start the process. He will talk to the enforcement team in relation to the issue around forestry.

Mr. R. Boland informed members that Boher burial ground should be open before the end of the year. Ms. R. Joyce said there was nothing further on the Military Barracks. It was agreed that the Cathaoirleach would make contact with the Oireachtas members seeking a meeting with the Department of Defence. Mr. L. Brett explained to the members that Uisce Éireann has full and total responsibility for water systems. In relation to staff, they have



	until 2026 to decide about staying with the local authority or moving to Uisce Éireann. At the moment staff are reporting to Uisce Éireann.
Item 4. To receive update from LAWPRO	The report from LAWPRO was circulated to members. Ms. R. Hennessy gave a presentation on Farming for Water EIP. Cllr. Hannigan asked if the administration of the grants scheme ties in with the Department of Agriculture grants. Cllr. M. O'Meara welcomed the presentation and said modern farming practices are helping water quality. He asked how the identification of catchment areas for the project is done on the ground. Cllr. Carroll said everyone has a role and working with farm organisations is a big step forward. Cllr. Quirke O'Meara asked if examples of some of the approved projects could be given to help understand the scheme. Cllr. Morris said it is a great scheme and asked if LAWPRO are in contact with Uisce Éireann and the EPA. The WWTP in Ballycommon has an unlicensed discharge pipe for 14 years. The plants in Silvermines, Cloughjordan and Nenagh are at capacity. The fines are not big enough and farmers are getting the blame when Uisce Éireann is at fault. Cllr. Bonfield stated that this initiative shows the success that can happen when there is engagement from different groups. Cllr. Bugler complimented the presentation and said it was very scientifically based. She asked if water harvesting, water butts, solar pumps etc can form part of projects and if any of this information would feed into water quality reports. Businesses would also be interested in similar schemes. She would have a concern regarding the need to use apps and apply online. Older farmers would need guidance and help on this. Cllr. Bugler enquired if it was possible to get a list of what can be applied for, if rain gardens have been successful, purple thyme on grass verges, the need to naturally slow down the flow of water and the possibility of getting a map to show the areas covered by the scheme. Ms. A. Egan explained that it will be the advisor making applications online and using the app. Ms. R. Hennessy explained that LAWPRO does work with the Department of Agriculture to ensure there is not double funding but also to ensure farmers can get the maximum grants possible. There are 43 measures that can be funded and details are available on the Farming for Water website. Farmers and advisors would work together and carry out a risk assessment, look at the different measures available and a recommendation would be made. There is currently around 1,000 applications. The advisor would look to see how water is moving through the farm and where it is going. The advisor makes the application on behalf of the farmer. LAWPRO do work with the EPA where it is possible to identify the source. It is challenging and



	LAWPRO would like to see things happening faster. The desired investment is necessary. The rain gardens have small successes but it is about small incremental steps and currently the possibility of doing research on the benefits is being examined. Purple thyme is welcomed for softer landscapes. Community teams are working with farmers and farmers will be approached if they are in the relevant area.
Item 5. To agree date for Annual Meeting of Nenagh Municipal District	It was agreed to hold the annual meeting of Nenagh MD on Thursday 19th June 2025 at 10.00a.m. This will be followed by the June monthly meeting.
Item 6. To approve Schedule of Municipal District Works for 2025	Mr. B. Murphy explained that this was the additional funding that was not available when the schedule was originally approved in March. These were highlighted in yellow on the circulated spreadsheet. Cllr. Bugler asked about the 2 CIS schemes, writing to the minister regarding the reduction in funding, the need for engineering solutions to reduce speed, pedestrian bridge in Ballina. Cllr. Morgan Walsh asked if the work on the footpaths at Ballygraique will include any traffic calming measures and said that the junction at Dublin Road/Martyrs Road is getting worse. Cllr. J.P. O'Meara asked about when the speed limit will be reduced. He said the old Birr Road is an area where the speed limit has been reduced from 80kph to 60 kph but drivers are not adhering to it. He asked if the CCTV system could be extended to the Dublin Road. Cllr. Quirke O'Meara enquired if the bus stops at Kilcommon are under the Active Travel scheme and about an update on the traffic lights at Tyone and if a roundabout at that junction would have been more feasible. Cllr. Morris stated that speeding is due to driver behaviour but engineering measures are required. There are ramps in a number of locations and they should be used in Ballygraique. He thanked the executive for the work done on Rapla Lane and acknowledged the input of former councillor Ger Darcy in raising the issue. He expressed concerns in relation to Yewston being used as a shortcut and parking and the one-way system. He would like to see the review of the one-way system that was undertaken. There is also a need for additional loading bays. Cllrs. Carroll, Morgan Walsh and J.P. O'Meara supported the need for a pedestrian crossing at Yewston/Centra. Cllr. M. O'Meara supported the concerns in relation to Ballygraique and asked for further information on Finnoe Drive.



	Cllr. Bonfield asked if a controlled crossing should be put in place in Kilcommon as it is a regional road, an estimated cost for a raised crossing and if a copy of the review of the one-way system can be circulated. Mr. B. Murphy explained that there are approximately 70 CIS/LIS schemes on the list, many of these are cul de sacs. It is a very valuable scheme but is underfunded. In general a scheme costs around €70,000 and it is possible to get only 2/3 done a year. Any additional funding would be welcomed for it. The budget allocated for the footpaths in Ballygraique is for footpaths only not traffic calming. Speeding is due to public attitude and this has to improve, at the moment people think it is ok to speed. Enforcement is an issue for the Gardaí and engineering solutions would not be required if people did not speed. It is anticipated that the guidance on the next phase of the review of speed limits will be available in September. It will be an uncontrolled crossing at Kilcommon and he will liaise with Active Travel in relation to the bus stop. The development at Finnoe Drive will be phased over 2/3 years and it is the drainage work that will be completed this year. The pedestrian bridge in Ballina is currently being designed. It is a complex process to provide a pedestrian crossing at Yewston but he will look at it. The cost of providing raised tables/crossings could be in the region of €50,000 but this will depend on a number of issues, services, drainage etc. It is an expensive process and is unlikely to be funded by the Department. The final traffic light system should be in Tyone in the next week and it may take another 1 or 2 weeks for the correct solution to be found. There was a temporary system in place during construction but more time will be needed to have the correct system operating. A roundabout was examined during Planning but it was not deemed beneficial. Mr. L. Brett said the review of the one way system was completed, it has been a success and is here to stay. Any actions from the review have been closed out but it will be possible to circulate the report to members. He thanked the members for the approval of the budget in relation to the velocity patcher. It was proposed by Cllr. Carroll and seconded by Cllr. Quirke O'Meara and resolved that in accordance with Section 103 of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended by Section 58 of the Local Government Reform Act 2014, a. The Draft Schedule of Municipal District Works (SMDW) for the financial year ending 31st December 2025 as presented, without amendment be and is hereby adopted, and
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	b. Where relevant, that any subsequent changes to the Schedule necessitated by either an inability to proceed with certain works or by emergency repairs elsewhere may be implemented subject to notification to the members as soon as may be and that the works so deferred may be considered for inclusion in the Schedule for the next financial year.						
Item 7. To note Newport Town Centre First Plan	Ms. R. Joyce said work has been in progress for a number of years in the preparation of the plan and this is the 7th reiteration of the plan. Two public consultations have taken place, a meeting has taken place between the consultants and the Town Team and the plan is being brought forward for noting by the members. Progress has already been made on some of the actions. It is an ambitious plan for Newport. The final plan will be put on the website. The plan will be flexible enough to adapt as necessary depending on the funding sources that become available and the Action Plan will be updated. The plan is a working document and will be used to progress projects in Newport. Cllr. Bonfield thanked the executive, the consultants and the Town Team for the work on preparation of the plan and looked forward to its implementation.						
Item 8. To approve allocation of funding under Residents Associations	It was proposed by Cllr. Bugler and seconded by Cllr. Carroll and resolved that in accordance with the terms of the Contribution to Residents Associations Grant Scheme the payment of grants be made to the following: <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Residents Association</th><th>Recommendation</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Glencree Residents Association</td><td>€350.00</td></tr> <tr> <td>Willowcliff Management Company CLG</td><td>€300.00</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Residents Association	Recommendation	Glencree Residents Association	€350.00	Willowcliff Management Company CLG	€300.00
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Item 9. To update members on projects & events	The update on projects & events was circulated to members. <u>Newport Town Park:</u> Awaiting submission of Final Account and completion of snag list. <u>Newport Town Team/Newport Town Centre First Plan:</u> Draft Newport Town Centre First Plan is on the agenda for the May meeting of Nenagh MD. <u>Nenagh Town Team/Town Centre First/THRIVE:</u> • Work is continuing on the preparation of the Integrated Urban Strategy. • Consultants are reviewing the submissions received.  Rialtas na hÉireann Government of Ireland  Arna chomhcheistiú ag an Aontas Eorpach Co-funded by the European Union  Tionól Réigiúnach an Deiscirt Southern Regional Assembly 						



- Discussions with Image ICT Solutions Ltd., T/A Storm Web Development are continuing in relation to the revamp of Nenagh.ie for Nenagh Town. There has been consultation with the Town Team on the logo to be used for the website and the process of gathering information has commenced.

Rialto Digital & Enterprise Hub:

Work is progressing on exploring the potential funding sources based on proposed use of the Rialto.

Nenagh Town Park Extension

Tender documents and Brief for the extension of the Town Park into the lands across the river at Riverston are currently under review.

Nenagh Historic and Cultural Quarter

- Grant funding of €37,500 has been secured for conservation works to the windows and doors of the Governor's House under the Built Heritage Investment Scheme. Terms & Conditions have been signed off and tender documentation is being drafted. The additional funding allocated through the GMA will enable the works to be completed.
- We will continue to strive to source funding for the various proposals in relation to the Historic & Cultural Quarter as funding calls open up.

Nenagh Centre of Excellence:

- The consultants are continuing to engage with stakeholders.
- An initial meeting with Planning Section has been held.
- Engagements with the landowners is on-going.

Nenagh Transport Hub:

- Engagement with NTA on the development of a Transport Hub and the proposed relocation of the bus stops to the Railway Station is on-going.

Platforms for Growth- Dromineer:

- Tender for construction has been awarded to PS Carmody Contractors Ltd., Ennis, Co. Clare and contracts have been signed. Kick-start meeting has been held and it is expected that contractors will be on-site this week to erect hoarding.
- An assessment of the accessibility to and from the new facility has been undertaken. Approval in principal has been indicated by Fáilte Ireland. The works applied for include induction loop in the WAC, footpaths and associated works, bike stand, pedestrian crossings, street furniture/rest points and resurfacing of carpark with line markings, bays, etc. Funding provided for this will be to a maximum of €161,000.

Town and Village Renewal Scheme 2022

- Ballina Access Promenade and Viewing Area – Project Complete and claim has been submitted to the Department. Invitation



	has been issued to Minister Dara Calleary to officially open the project. We are currently trying to agree a date for same. • Newport Courthouse and Bridewell Complex – Consultants: Integrated Design Team led by Robin Lee Architects. Part 8 planning has been applied for. The proposals are currently on public display and will remain available until 22nd May. Submissions may be made up to 6th June. Claim has been submitted to the Department. <u>Casual Trading Bye-Laws</u> The number of casual trading licences issued to date for Casual Trading for 2025 or part thereof remains at 12. <u>Expressions of Interests for Development Land at Lisbunny</u> The disposals to Banaghan & Co (Stationery) Ltd and Apex Aviation approved by members at the October plenary meeting are being progressed by the Central Property Unit. It is the Council's intention to upgrade the roadway within this development. <u>Designated Bathing Area</u> The application has been submitted to the EPA for the designation of the bathing area in Dromineer. Interviews for lifeguards were held but unfortunately there wasn't sufficient numbers to provide a lifeguard service in 2024. This is being revisited in 2025. The provision of facilities for lifeguards is currently being progressed. <u>Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme:</u> • Measure One 2023 – Castlelough Amenity Area Improvement Works. Three BBQ areas have been installed and we are awaiting installation of park benches. • Measure One 2023 – Upper Lough Derg Tranquility Area (Mota & Skehanagh). Works are ongoing at this location. • Project Development Measures 2022 – Garrykennedy Inner Harbour. Integrated Design Team led by DRA Consulting appointed. Ecologist appointed for completion of Ecological Impact Assessment. Consultant also appointed for completion of Archaeological Impact Assessment. Surveys being undertaken. Consultation with local stakeholders in advance of the planning application has commenced. The Design Team Planning Pack is currently under review by Nenagh MD. • Clare Glens Project Development Measure – A Consultant and Ecologist have been appointed. A planning application to An Bord Pleanála is currently going through validation process with the intention to submit same to An Bord Pleanála by end of May 2025. <u>Measure 3 of the Town Centre First Suite of Supports 2024</u> An amount of €45,000 has been allocated under Measure 3 of the Town Centre First Suite of Supports 2024. This is for Project Development Measure Funding for Newport. The project will examine the development of a connection of the historic Ball Alley
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site with the town centre and ancillary public realm and amenity works through the provision of a footbridge. Project elements include the engagement of a multidisciplinary team to complete detailed design, planning, professional fees and a topographical survey. Survey works are now complete. Design Team has been appointed and a pre-commencement meeting will be held next week.

Participation Nation Outdoor Fund

Funding has been secured under the Participation Nation Outdoor Fund in conjunction with Sports Partnership for the installation of 3x3 Basketball Court and biodiversity measures at St. Paul's Playground, Nenagh. This is one of three projects funded in Tipperary under this programme. Tender processes will be undertaken in the near future in conjunction with the other locations in Tipperary and works progressed thereafter. Meeting has been held with the Biodiversity Officer in relation to the siting of the biodiversity area.

Entente Florale Competition 2025

Meetings are on-going with the Department, mentors assigned to assist with the application, representatives of the Terryglass Improvement Association and staff of Tipperary County Council. A working group is progressing preparations for the adjudication which will take place in July. The most recent meeting took place on the 14th May. 13 applications have been approved to date from the owners of property in Terryglass under the Painting & Enhancement Scheme.

2025 Painting & Enhancement Scheme:

This scheme has been advertised and applications can now be submitted in respect of premises in Nenagh, Ballina, Newport, Borrisokane, Terryglass and Cloughjordan. Closing date is 22nd August and works must be completed by 10th October. Grant is up to 50% of costs to a max. of €500.

Nenagh Tourist Office:

- Nenagh Tourist Office has organised a family friendly guided Scavenger Hunt to be held around the Historic & Cultural Quarter on Saturday 24th May 2025 as part of the activities for Biodiversity Week. This is being held in conjunction with Nenagh Tidy Towns and NTDC.
- A poetry competition for primary schools across the District is also being held based on the word Nature. So far six schools have registered to participate. Nenagh Credit Union is sponsoring prizes for this.

Permits for use of Jetty in Ballina:

Applications have been invited from commercial operators interested in being allocated slots to use the floating jetty in



	Ballina. Closing date for applications for permits is 12 noon on 6th June. <u>SuperValu Tidy Towns Competition 2025:</u> Best of luck to all the Tidy Towns Committees in the Nenagh Municipal District who have submitted their application to the National SuperValu Tidy Towns Competition for 2025 and well done to them all on their recent litter clean-ups! Applications were due to be submitted by 12th May and no doubt the usual high standard of applications will be maintained. Cllr. Bugler asked about the date for the official opening of the Ballina Promenade and if an ad can be placed on Tipp FM about the painting and enhancement scheme. Cllr. Bonfield stated that members of the tidy towns group went door to door in Newport with the application form. Ms. R. Joyce said the possibility of a radio ad for the painting and enhancement scheme can be examined.
Item 10. To update members on the Works Programme.	The update on the Works Programme was circulated to members. A number of queries on the Work Programme were raised under item 6 on the agenda. Cllr. Carroll said recently staff were not available to patch a road before a funeral and it was very embarrassing. It would be great if at the end of each month details of the townlands covered and time spent in an area were available. Cllr. Bugler supported this. Mr. B. Murphy explained that this year is the 1st year that a budget for an area is available for the velocity patcher. To provide the information requested would take resources away to produce paperwork that may not be of any benefit.
Item 11. To note Engineer's Checklist on roads matters	The Engineer's Checklist was circulated to members. Cllr. Bugler raised a number of items that she already had on the checklist. Cllr. Bonfield acknowledged that the outdoor staff are busy on the works programme but that it may be useful if a timeframe was put on the items. Cllr. Hannigan thought that things may be on the checklist that don't need to be on it. Cllr. Carroll stated that the vegetation on Newtown Bridge is overgrown and the capping has been damaged as it has been hit a number of times. It may need a structural assessment. Signage is turned the wrong way on the R445 and the gap across from the Five Alley has to be closed. Cllr. Quirke O'Meara asked if something could be done at Ballinaclogh school while work is going on in the area. Cllr.



	Morgan Walsh highlighted the runoff of water from Ormond St into the tyre business.
Item 12. To consider Notices of Motion	Notice of Motion No: 2977 submitted by Cllr. Bonfield That Tipperary County Council upgrade the section of footpath over by Portryan from its current condition, which is a very busy walking and running route in the town. Notice of motion 2977 was proposed by Cllr. Bonfield and seconded by Cllr. Carroll. Response was given to Cllr. Bonfield as follows: <i>The Council has no budget to carry out improvement works to the footpath at Portryan during 2025. However, the Council appreciates that this is a busy walking route and will try to secure funding under various funding options for a scheme in 2026. In the meantime, Tipperary County Council will continue to maintain the existing stone surface.</i> Cllr. Bonfield explained that this was a well-used looped walk. Notice of Motion No: 2978 submitted by Cllr. Bonfield That Tipperary County Council consider an enhancement to the walking route to a "A stairway to Heaven " at the walking route to the Millennium Cross in Portroe. Notice of motion 2978 was proposed by Cllr. Bonfield and seconded by Cllr. J Carroll. Response was given to Cllr. Bonfield as follows: <i>The existing path to the Millennium Cross is located on private lands. The Council appreciates that the Millennium Cross is an important landmark for the promotion of tourism in the Lough Derg region and would welcome the opportunity to meet with the Millennium Cross committee to discuss future improvements to the path</i> Cllr. Bonfield stated that this would be a great enhancement and the local members could meet with the committee.
Item 12. To note Delegated Employees Orders	Noted.



Item 13. To consider items of correspondence	None
Item 14. Votes of Sympathy/ Congratulations	Votes of Sympathy: • Cllr. Phyll Bugler, Ballina on the death of her brother, Tommy, R.I.P. Votes of Congratulations: • Nenagh Ormond Rugby Football Club on winning promotion to Division 1A AIL.
Item 15. Any other business.	Cllr. J.P. O'Meara raised the issue of the graffiti in St. Paul's Playground. The content of it is worrying. It has provided a play area to 3 generations and along with the basketball court is an area for a diverse group of people. There would be a number of good artists in the locality that could provide a mural. Cllr. Hannigan said there is an impediment to providing Housing due to the lack of water and wastewater infrastructure and asked what can be done in the Municipal District. Can more engagement with Uisce Éireann take place? The lack of supply is causing the price of housing to go up. It is madness that people are not paying water charges. The review of the County Development Plan will begin shortly, the current plan that was adopted is null and void due to the lack of infrastructure. Cllr. Bonfield said a meeting with Uisce Éireann had been requested before but maybe it would be more important for the 3 local TDs to meet them. Uisce Éireann have funding to do 22km of rehabilitation work and funding is required for over 2,000 km of work. Maybe an email can be sent requesting a meeting. Cllr. M. O'Meara agrees with the issues raised in relation to Uisce Éireann but said that the focus on housing has been in relation to the "Housing Tsar" position. Ms. R. Joyce informed members that there are 2 projects in the pipeline for St. Paul's playground. The Tidy Towns group and Nenagh College had started work on the wall, however people will need to respect work once it is done. There is a marked increase in graffiti around town. Mr. L. Brett stated that housing is a countrywide issue. The issues in relation to capacity can continue to be highlighted with Uisce Éireann and through workshops.



This concluded the business of the meeting, a true copy of which we hereby certify:-

Signed: Phyll Byles. MCC
Cathaoirleach

Date: 19/6/2025

Signed: Ms. Rosemary Joyce
District Administrator

Date: 19/6/2025