

**Minutes of North Leitrim Roads Meeting held on Tuesday,  
26<sup>th</sup> February 2008 at 5.30 p.m. in the Teagasc Centre, Manorhamilton.**

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Councillor John McTernan  
Councillor Enda Mc Gloin  
Councillor Frank Dolan  
Councillor Tony Ferguson  
Councillor Aodh Flynn.  
Councillor Sean McDermott

**PRESENT**

John McGuinness  
Shay O'Connor  
Vincent Dwyer  
Padraig MacShera  
Gabriel Miney

**APOLOGIES**

Councillor Colreavy  
Councillor Dolan  
Councillor Bohan

**DROMAHAIR – 5.30 P.M.**

John Mc Guinness provided an overview of the Roads Programme, while Shay O' Connor discussed each of the subheadings for Dromahair in detail.

John McGuinness informed that the RIG Programme was same as that agreed by Members last November.

Councillor McGloin asked if the Cornaroy allocation was a continuation of the bigger project and if the Council was still having landowner difficulties. Padraig MacShera confirmed this. Councillor Mc Gloin also stated that water problems continue further up that road. Shay O' Connor agreed to review this matter.

In relation to the specific development charge of €73,000, Councillor McGloin stated that this allocation was not enough. Following some discussion, Councillor McGloin informed that this work at the DVO would be complete over the period 2008/2009, possibly with the support of a S.I.G.

Councillor Gilmartin queried allocation for traffic Calming in Leitrim Village and when the work would be completed on the Keadue Road. John McGuinness confirmed that the allocation of €400,000 would cover all this work.

In relation to Development Levy Schemes, Councillor McGloin made reference to the €40,000 for High Street, Drumshanbo and asked where was the additional €40,000 for the car park. John Mc Guinness informed that both jobs would be completed.

Councillor Gilmartin queried the fact that no grants appear for the Drumcong Area despite the volume of new housing. Drumcong needs money for footpaths and lighting to allow its development as a village.

Councillor Gilmartin stated that Local Authority housing should generate development levy income similar to private housing. Councillor Gilmartin also stated that while housing and industry had developed in Kilclare, resulting in significant Development Levies, none of this

money was been spent in the area. John Mc Guinness stated that such investment was premature in light of the sewerage scheme proposals.

Councillor McTernan raised the areas of Kilavoggy and Killanummery, where the ESB have damaged the roads. Pdraig MacShera informed that he had written to the ESB for release of the bond for remedial works. Councillor McTernan asked for an update on developments below Chapel in Dromahair Pdraig MacShera informed that proposal was at Part 8 with a large land purchase required. This is expected to attract SIG funding next year. This work will also include lights and footpaths to the football field.

Councillor McGloin referred to Development Levy allocation at Ballinaglera and asked that the rough stone area on the right be looked at. John Mc Guinness agreed to tidy it up.

Based upon a question from Councillor Gilmartin, it was confirmed two lights will be provided at Kilnagross and one at Drumcong.

Councillor Gilmartin asked what can be done for roads destroyed by forestry, Shay O' Connor stated that such roads can be looked at when Clar allocation is made. In conclusion, Councillor McGloin urged the Director to review the DVO construction proposals.

### **MANORHAMILTON 6.30 P.M.**

John McGuinness gave an overview of the programme while Shay O'Connor made a detailed presentation of the sub headings for Manorhamilton.

Councillor Flynn raised an issue regarding the intersection of the R280 with the N15 and stated that the layout was inherently dangerous. This was supported by Councillor Ferguson. John McGuinness agreed to review and discuss with the NRA.

Councillor Ferguson enquired if hedges will be trimmed outside season. In response, Gabriel Miney stated that Road Safety was our first priority and trimming would be done on safety grounds.

Councillor McDermott welcomed the allocation for Creamery Road, while Councillor Flynn asked if the turn at Ross Lane could be addressed. In response, Gabriel Miney agreed to consider what could be done within the allocation.

Councillor McDermott highlighted the need for lighting from the Health Centre, Glenfarne to the Rainbow. Mr. Miney informed him that same couldn't happen until footpath was completed. Councillor Flynn also asked if lighting could be considered in Rossinver from the estate to the shops. Gabriel agreed to install same.

Councillor Ferguson raised the issue of footpaths on the approach to Kinlough which because of their state, spoil the entrance to the village. Mr. Miney agreed to review this matter.

Councillor Ferguson questioned the level of Development Levies outstanding and Mr. McGuinness agreed to pass this question to the County Manager.

John McGuinness highlighted the need to encourage local communities to avail of Town and Village Enhancement Grants.

Councillor Ferguson stated that the Bring Bank in Kinlough were badly located and Gabriel agreed to look at the possibility of changes.

Councillor Flynn enquired if any housing estate can get bottlebanks. John McGuinness stated that bring centres were only provided at central locations due to the cost involved.

Councillor Flynn queried the position regarding the bridge in Manorhamilton with Councillor Dolan stating that the developer wants design to link to boardwalk. Gabriel agreed to follow up this matter.

Councillor Flynn asked when the bad turns on the Brackery More Road would be addressed. Mr. McGuinness stated that same may be dealt with next year.

Councillor Dolan raised the issue of water problems on the Shanvaus to Moreagh Road and Shay agreed to follow up.

**This concluded the business of the meeting.**

**SIGNED:**     *Damian Brennan*  
                  Cathaoirleach

**SIGNED:**     *John McGuinness*  
                  Director of Services  
                  Infrastructure

**DATE:**       3<sup>rd</sup> March 2008