

County Buildings, Great Water Street, Longford, N39 NH56





Minutes of Meeting of Longford County Council held in the Council Chamber and via Microsoft Teams on Wednesday, 23 July at 3:30pm

PRESIDING:

Councillor Garry Murtagh

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Paul Ross, Niall Gannon, Gerry Hagan, Padraig McNamara, Martin Skelly, Seamus Butler, Uruemu Adejinmi, Mick Cahill, Pat O'Toole, Sean Mimnagh, Kevin Hussey, Martin

Monaghan, David Cassidy, Peggy Nolan, Colin Dalton

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. Paddy Mahon, Chief Executive

Mr. Michael Nevin, A/Director of Services Mr. John Brannigan, Director of Services Ms. Barbara Heslin, Director of Services

APOLOGIES:

Ms. Samantha Healy, Director of Service Mr. John McKeon, Director of Service

Councillor Mark Casey

Councillor Turlough McGovern

MEETINGS

ADMINISTRATOR:

Ms. Lorraine McKee

SECTION 183 NOTICE – FORMER EIRCOM SITE, BALLINALEE ROAD, LONGFORD

A/Director of Services Michael Nevin, Head of Enterprise presented the Section 183 notice and recommended the sale.

Technimark are currently operating in a state-of-the-art manufacturing facility on the Ballinalee Road in Longford Town.

Since acquiring the former Tool & Plastic premises in 2020, the Longford site has become one of the company's three European hubs, alongside operations in the UK and Germany. Now, with a €26 million investment underway to expand its manufacturing capacity and develop a European Innovation Centre, Technimark's purchase of the former Eircom site is critical to its next phase of growth.

The site was purchased by Longford County Council from Eircom in May 2025, and the Technimark's move into this new facility could result in the creation of between 120 and 150 high-quality jobs.

Technimark has an immediate and critical need for additional space. The senior management team in the US has expressed a strong desire to grow its successful Irish operation in Longford, provided a suitable site was available to facilitate this expansion.

Chief Executive Paddy Mahon said that this is a great news story for our county and a real vote of confidence in the potential of our county town.

The creation of 120 new jobs will bring a significant economic boost to the area and new opportunities for local families. He commended our elected members and council executive for playing a key role in facilitating this growth through the sale of the former Eircom site, thereby enabling the company to expand and invest locally. It's a great example of how strategic collaboration can deliver real and lasting benefits for our communities.

Cathaoirleach Councillor Garry Murtagh said that this is a major milestone for our community and showcases the positive impact of proactive local leadership.

The Elected Members unanimously were in agreement and on the proposal of Councillor Gerry Hagan, seconded by Councillor Kevin Hussey, the Section 183 Notice – Former Eircom Site, Ballinalee Road, Longford was approved.

2. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Longford County Council will take place on Wednesday, 10 September 2025 at 4pm in the Council Chamber.

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Lorraine McKee
Meetings Administrator

Confirmed and adopted at Meeting of Longford County Council held on the 10 September

2025

Signed:

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