

LONGFORD MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

Minutes of Meeting of Longford Municipal District held in the Council Chamber Aras an Chontae and via MS Teams on Wednesday, 25 March 2026 at 4pm

CATHAOIRLEACH: Councillor Uruemu Adejinmi

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Peggy Nolan, Niall Gannon, Kevin Hussey,
Gerry Hagan, Seamus Butler and Martin Monaghan

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. John Brannigan, Director of Services
Mr. Peter Brady, Senior Executive Engineer
Ms. Anita Doherty, Staff Officer
Ms. Louise Connaughton, Clerical Officer
Dr. Shelley Deane, Dublin City University

MEETINGS

ADMINISTRATOR: Ms. Lorraine McKee

APOLOGIES:

Presentation on Deliberation Grass Roots Findings

Dr Shelley Deane made a detailed presentation to the Elected Members on Deliberation Grass Roots Findings and answered any questions raised by the Members.

The presentation highlighted the following:

- Constitutional Visions from the Grassroots Lessons from Longford, Mayo, Mid-Ulster, Monaghan
- What might a decent society and polity look like? A Constitutional choice allowing

- civil constitutional discussion?
- Findings and Shared Policy Problems
 - Working together to address Policy Problems
 - Healthcare Systems North and South
 - Inequity in Access – Healthcare North and South
 - Inequity of Access impact
 - Shared concerns North and South
 - Longford: Health and Social Care Perspectives
 - Opportunities from Healthcare to Regional Government
 - Opportunities and Learnings

The Elected Members thanked Shelley for her detailed presentation.

1. ADOPTION OF MINUTES – CIRCULATED

- I. On the proposal of Councillor Peggy Nolan seconded by Councillor Seamus Butler it was unanimously agreed to adopt the Minutes of Meeting of Longford Municipal District held on 4 March 2026 as circulated.
- II. On the proposal of Councillor Seamus Butler seconded by Councillor Peggy Nolan it was unanimously agreed to adopt the Minutes of Committee Meeting of Longford Municipal District held on 4 March 2026 as circulated.

2. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

None

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS

None

4. ENGINEERS REPORT – as circulated.

Peter Brady updated the members on the Engineers Report, which was noted, and he answered any questions and concerns raised by the Elected Members.

5. TO NOTE AMENDMENTS TO ANNUAL REPORT 2025 SUBMISSION

Noted

6. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

The following Notice of Motion was proposed by Councillor Niall Gannon seconded by Councillor Peggy Nolan

I call on Longford Municipal District and Longford County Council to formally support the development and delivery of a community-led cultural and family festival to be held at The Mall, Longford, from 24th–26th July 2026, and to provide appropriate

logistical, operational, promotional, and administrative assistance to ensure its safe, inclusive, and successful.

Response:

Longford County Council will assist any community groups and would like them to present a detailed proposal to be considered. The festival would require funding from the Municipal District Allocation.

The following Notice of Motion was proposed by Councillor Kevin Hussey seconded by Councillor Martin Monaghan

I call on Longford Municipal District to examine and report on the feasibility of developing the lands adjacent to the Council buildings as an all-day public car park, and potential benefits to town centre businesses, workers, and permit holders.

Response:

Funding will need to be sourced for this project. In addition to this, a review of the parking bye laws and all day parking permits would need to be completed.

The following Notice of Motion was proposed by Councillor Kevin Hussey seconded by Councillor Martin Monaghan

I call on Longford County Council to carry out a full inspection of the windows in the houses located in Park Villas estate, Longford, due to reports from residents that the rubber seals around many windows have deteriorated or are completely gone, resulting in significant drafts, persistent condensation, and damp conditions which are contributing to mould issues within the homes.

Following this inspection, the Council should assess the extent of the problem and outline what remedial works are required to ensure the homes meet appropriate housing standards, including the repair or replacement of defective window seals or units where necessary.

Response:

The housing department will undertake an assessment of the windows and doors in the coming months and determine what repairs are necessary.

On the proposal of Councillor Kevin Hussey and seconded by Councillor Martin Monaghan, the members unanimously requested that the Housing Department carry out a full inspection within two weeks. This matter is to be placed on the Longford Municipal District agenda for April.

7. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Longford Municipal District will take place on Wednesday, 22 April 2026 in the Council Chamber.

Director of Services, John Brannigan thanked Michael Nevin, Head of Enterprise and the staff in Tourism for organising the St. Patricks Day Festival in Longford Town which was a huge success.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Confirmed and adopted at Longford Municipal District Meeting held on the 20 April 2026.