MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY BUILDINGS, WICKLOW ON MONDAY 14<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2016, COMMENCING 2.00P.M.

#### PRESENT:

COUNCILLOR P. FITZGERALD, CATHAOIRLEACH, COUNCILLORS, T. ANNESLEY, J. BEHAN, V. BLAKE, S. BOURKE, T. CULLEN, S. CULLEN, P. DORAN, G. DUNNE, T. FORTUNE, C. FOX, , P KENNEDY, N. LAWLESS, S. MATTHEWS, M. MCDONALD, G. MCLOUGHLIN, D. MITCHELL, M. MURPHY, D. NOLAN, O. O'BRIEN, M. O CONNOR, G. O'NEILL, J. RUTTLE, J. RYAN, J. SNELL, B. THORNHILL, E. TIMMINS, P. VANCE, G. WALSH AND I. WINTERS.

#### **APOLOGIES:**

COUNCILLORS. M. KAVANAGH AND J. WHITMORE.

#### IN ATTENDANCE:

- MR. B. DOYLE. CHIEF EXECUTIVE
- MR. M. GEANEY, DIRECTOR OF SERVICES
- MR. T. MURPHY, DIRECTOR OF SERVICES
- MR. D. O'BRIEN, DIRECTOR OF SERVICES
- MR. M. NICHOLSON, DIRECTOR OF SERVICES
- MR. L. FITZPATRICK, HEAD OF I.T.
- MS. D. CROMIE. A/HEAD OF FINANCE
- MS. S. WALSH, SENIOR PLANNER
- MS. L. GALLAGHER, SENIOR EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR
- MS. B. HARVEY, EXECUTIVE PLANNER
- MS. A. MCNAMARA, EXECUTIVE PLANNER
- MS. H. DENNEHY, ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
- MS. C. FLOOD, ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
- MS. H. DENNEHY, ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Votes of Sympathy

Suspension of Standing Orders

## ITEM NO. 1

To receive presentation from Mr. Fred Verdier, Manager, Wicklow County Tourism Ltd.

#### ITEM NO. 2

To receive update on Countywise Parking Review.

#### ITEM NO. 3

To approve the amendments to the Constitution (formerly Articles and Memorandum of Association) of the Mermaid Co. Wicklow Arts Centre.

#### ITEM NO. 4

To consider Monthly Management Report – October 2016

#### ITEM NO. 5

To ask Irish Water to respond to written questions submitted by Elected Members at Councillors Clinics held on the 5<sup>th</sup> September 2016

#### ITEM NO. 6

To discuss recent announcement of the intended sale of Ardmore Studios as a going concern.

#### ITEM NO. 7

To consider suspension of standing orders agreed at meeting of the 7<sup>th</sup> of November 2016

- **1.** Request to receive a deputation from Mr. Albert Kerr to address the Council (Requested by Cllr. N. Lawless)
- 2. Request to have a discussion on wild deer crossing the N11 particularly in the vicinity of the Glen of the Downs (requested by Cllr. J. Behan)

#### ITEM NO. 8

Correspondence

#### ITEM NO. 9

**Notice of Motions** 

#### ITEM NO. 10

To consider the adoption of the Wicklow County Development Plan 2016 -2022.

## **Notice of Motions**

## Notice of motion in the name of Cllr. G. McLoughlin (02/2016)

"That Wicklow County Council includes on their website online application form for planning objections whereby the community could make objections online and pay with their credit or debit card via paypal or some other payment portal"

# Notice of motion in the names of Cllr. N. Lawless, Cllr. M. McDonald, Cllr. J. Snell, Cllr. O. O'Brien, Cllr. G. O'Neill and Cllr. M. Connor (14/06/16)

"That Wicklow County Council calls on the government to declare a state of emergency to recognise the scale of the housing crisis and to double investment in social housing, to fast track the approval, procurement and tendering process for local authorities, to introduce rent certainty, linking rent to the Consumer Price Index, legislate for a moratorium on home repossessions until adequate measures to deal with mortgage distress are enacted and introduce emergency legislation to give tenants in private rental properties greater protections when properties are bought by vulture funds"

## Notice of motion in the names of Cllr. N. Lawless, Cllr. M. McDonald, Cllr. J. Snell, Cllr. O. O'Brien, Cllr. G. O'Neill and Cllr. M. O'Connor (14/06/16)

"That this Council declares Wicklow a TTIP Free Zone and calls on the Irish Government to call for the cessation of the ongoing Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP) negotiations between the EU and the US, use their vote on the Council of Ministers to vote down the ratification of CETA, initiate a public debate on the consequences of CETA and TTIP on the island of Ireland, recognise that the introduction of TTIP would lead to the lowering of EU standards, instigate a referendum to ratify both the TTIP and CETA

Agreements, take all measures to remove Investor-State Dispute Mechanisms (ISDM) from both the TTIP and CETA Agreements, take all measures to ensure that the terms of the living agreement cannot breach domestic legislation and take all measures to protect agriculture, workers rights, environmental, food and regulatory standards, SMEs, health and public services in all trade negotiations"

#### THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

CLLR. PAT FITZGERALD
CATHAOIRLEACH
WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

MS. LORRAINE GALLAGHER SENIOR EXECUTIVE OFFICER/ MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR