

## **LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL**

**Minutes of Infrastructure, European and Cross Border Affairs and Sustainable Energy Strategic Policy Committee meeting held in The Cooley Room, County Hall, Dundalk on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at 4.00pm.**

**Present:** Cllr Edel Corrigan (Acting Chairperson)  
Cllr C Markey  
Cllr K Flood  
Ms J Byrne, Environment/Conservation Rep  
Mr P Malone, Business/Commercial Rep  
Mr M Mc Greehan, Agricultural/ Farming Rep

**Officials:** Mr P Donnelly, Director of Services  
Mr A Sherry, Senior Executive Officer  
Ms T Mc Ardle, Administrative Officer  
Mr B Woods, Acting Senior Executive Engineer  
Mr Pat O Rourke, Executive Technician  
Mr Pat Finn, Senior Engineer  
Ms M O Callaghan, Staff Officer

**Apologies:** Cllr O Tully  
Cllr E Coffey  
Cllr Dolores Minogue  
Mr M Fealy, Community Voluntary Rep  
Ms Emer O Gorman, Director Of Services

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### **1. Minutes**

On the proposal of Cllr Kenneth Flood seconded by Mr P Malone the minutes of the meeting held in October 2016 were noted and approved.

### **2. Matters Arising**

P Malone raised the issue that Brexit should be an Agenda item for this SPC and emphasised how he has on numerous occasions asked for Economic Cross Border matters to be discussed at this forum. He acknowledged that a joint SPC meeting with Economic Development and Enterprise Support was held in December 2016

2019. Questions were answered by Pat O Rourke and Pat Finn. P Malone said that the Dundalk Chamber would assist with any business surveys needed. P O Rourke informed the meeting that the Chamber has assisted greatly with surveys in the application stages. Consultation with the landowners has begun and is ongoing it is hoped that the lands can be acquired by permissive agreements with no actual transfer. If the landowners do not give consent to the access then Compulsory Purchase Orders may be required. The issue of Brexit in relation to the Greenway was also discussed. P O Rourke confirmed the surface on the greenway was gravel.

#### Any Other Business

P Malone is attending a meeting in Dublin Castle to discuss the challenges of Brexit. P Malone asked the members to contact him if they wish to give him questions for the meeting to pass on. P Malone's email address is [paddy@malone.ie](mailto:paddy@malone.ie) There is a meeting in Dundalk on Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> January to discuss Brexit in relation to Transport and Tourism some members of staff are due to attend.

It was agreed to circulate today's presentations to all committee members by email.

Confirmed at Meeting held on: 27<sup>th</sup> April 2017

Signed:   
Chairperson