



Comhairle Contae Lú  
Louth County Council

## **Cruinniú de Cheanta Bhaile Átha Fhirdia / Municipal District of Ardee**

Minutes of Municipal District of Ardee meeting – hosted in the Dermot O’Brien Room, Ardee Civic Offices, Ardee on Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> March 2026 at 4:30 pm.

### **In attendance:**

**Cathaoirleach:** Dolores Minogue

**Members:** **Councillor(s)** Pearse McGeough, John Sheridan (online)

**Apologies:** **Councillor(s)** Rachel Kerley, Bernie Conlon, Jim Tenanty

**Officials:** Bernie Woods, Director of Services  
Susan Deery, Deputy Meeting Administrator  
John O’Hagan, Senior Engineer (online)  
Enda Murphy, Senior Executive Engineer  
Paula Keenan, Administrative Officer  
Olivia Gaskin, Senior Staff Officer  
Michelle Curran, Administrative Officer  
Aine Roddy, Assistant Communications Officer

**Note:** In accordance with Standing Order No. 6, Members resolved to conduct the meeting as a hybrid in-person meeting.

**Proposed by:** Cllr. Pearse McGeough

**Seconded by:** Cllr. Dolores Minogue

**And Approved**

### **Minute No. 17/26**

### **Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> February 2026**

The Minutes from the 5<sup>th</sup> February meeting were:

**Proposed by:** Cllr. Pearse McGeough

**Seconded by:** Cllr. Dolores Minogue

**And Approved.**

### **Minute No. 18/26**

### **Matters Arising**

- The funding allocation for the Retrofit Programme has not yet been announced by the Department, and Members were advised that the target number of 200 units may be optimistic.

- Members will be alerted in advance of properties which are to be advertised via Choice Based Lettings.

#### **Minute No. 19/26**

##### **Housing Progress Report**

Paula Keenan, Administrative Officer, attended the meeting and responded to queries from the Elected Members. It was noted that:

- Delivery of housing units at Mullavalley and Ravel Grange is progressing well, and are expected to be available for tenanting by year end.
- An update on the future delivery of social housing units in Castlebellingham, as well as in Bridgegate and Pottersfield, will be provided to Members prior to the next monthly meeting.

#### **Minute No. 20/26**

##### **Update on New Tenant Engagement and ASB Strategy**

Ms. Paula Keenan, Administrative Officer, advised the Members on the progress being made on the Tenant Engagement and ASB Strategy, which is currently under development through the Strategic Policy Committee on Social Development. She further advised Members of the planned workshops and the public consultation process which will be undertaken in due course.

#### **Minute No. 21/26**

##### **Roads and Local Services Report**

Enda Murphy, Senior Executive Engineer, attended the meeting and responded to queries from the Elected Members. It was noted that:

- An application has been submitted to the Department for funding to repair storm damage. This funding, if approved, will be allocated to works including repairs to rock armour at Salterstown Road, flooding remediation at Currabeg Shanliss Road, road repairs at Fieldstown, and the repair of numerous potholes throughout the wider area.
- A request for a "Beware of Walkers" sign along the Ballyoran Road was received.

#### **Minute No. 22/26**

##### **Physical Development Report**

Mr. John O'Hagan, Senior Engineer was in attendance to respond to queries raised by Members.

No matters were raised, however, Mr. O'Hagan informed the Members that a contractor will be on site at Ardee Castle by 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2026 to commence works.

Members were also advised that Monaghan County Council has received funding in the sum of €500k to recommence the N2 road improvement works, with negotiations ongoing with the site contractor.

As there was no other business, the meeting concluded.

The Minutes were confirmed on:

Date:

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Cathaoirleach:

Dulna

Meeting Administrator:

Juan Dooley