

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF LAOIS COUNTY COUNCIL HELD IN ÁRAS AN CHONTAE ON THE 30TH OF JULY 2012 TO CONSIDER THE DRAFT PORTARLINGTON & RELATED JOINT MANAGER'S REPORT & MOUNTMELICK & PORTLAOISE LOCAL AREA PLAN 2012 – 2018 AND RELATED MANAGER'S REPORTS

PRESENT:	Councillors	Paul Mitchell	In the Chair
		Rotimi Adebari	William Aird
		Pat Bowe	Patrick Bracken
		Ben Brennan	Ray Cribbin
		James Daly	James Deegan
		John Joe Fennelly	Catherine Fitzgerald
		Padraig Fleming	David Goodwin
		Alan Hand	John King
		Michael Lalor	Jerry Lodge
		Seamus McDonald	John Bonham
		John Moran	Tom Mulhall
		Kathleen O' Brien	Brendan Phelan
		Martin Phelan	Mary Sweeney

APOLOGIES: **Councillor** James Daly

IN ATTENDANCE:

Messers Peter Carey, County Manager, Gerry Murphy, Head of Finance, Ms. Anna Marie Delaney, Director of Services, Mr. Michael O' Hora, A/Director of Services, Ms. Irene Delaney, Administrative Officer, Ms. Michelle McCormack, Executive Secretary, Ms. Angela McEvoy, Senior Planner & Mr. Donal Kiely, Senior Executive Planner.

PART 15 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001

Ms. Anna Marie Delaney, Director of Services drew the Members attention to the requirement of Part 15 of the Local Government Act, 2001 in relation to Disclosure of Interest. Any member or any connected person who has a pecuniary or other beneficial interest on any item in the subject matter before the members today must disclose the nature of that interest and then withdraw fully from the meeting for as long as the matter is being discussed or considered.

INTRODUCTION

Ms. Angela McEvoy, Senior Planner informed the Members of their role in this process as Elected Members as follows:-

Deciding whether to adopt or to propose amendments to the Draft Local Area Plan is a function reserved for the Elected Members of Laois County Council. On foot of the submissions received and on review of the content of the Draft Portarlinton Local Area Plan 2012-2018, the Draft Mountmellick Local Area Plan 2012 – 2018 & the Draft Portlaoise Local Area Plan 2012-2018, the Manager has recommended a number of material alterations to the Draft. If the Members decide that these, or other material alterations should be made to the Draft Plans, the proposed amendments must go on public display for a period of four weeks

Mr. Donal Kiely, Senior Executive Planner outlined progress to date. He described the structure and principal elements of the Draft Portarlington, Mountmellick & Portlaoise Local Area Plans 2012 – 2018.

PORTARLINGTON LOCAL AREA PLAN 2012-2018

The Members were advised that the Draft Portarlington Local Area Plan 2012-2018 was on public display from the 25th of April 2012 to the 6th of June 2012, along with Draft Environmental Report, Appropriate Assessment and Flood Risk Assessment. Public Meetings were held in Portarlington Community Development Association Offices on the 9th of May 2012. The Managers report was then prepared. During the public consultation period 14 submissions were received.

SUBMISSIONS

The submissions were discussed as laid out in the Managers Report circulated to the Members on the 5th of July 2012.

SUBMISSION No 1 - THE NATIONAL ROADS AUTHORITY

Proposed by Councillor James Deegan
Seconded by Councillor Alan Hand

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION No 2 – MIDLAND REGIONAL AUTHORITY

Proposed by Councillor Brendan Phelan
Seconded by Councillor Ray Cribbin

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION NO. 3 – DEPUTY CHARLES FLANAGAN

Proposed by Councillor Tom Mulhall
Seconded by Councillor John Joe Fennelly

AND AGREED

To include the following amendment:-

Include new policy ECDP 16 ‘ To support the development of a heritage trail in association with the relevant stakeholders’

SUBMISSION NO. 4 – ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Proposed by Councillor Jerry Lodge
Seconded by Councillor James Deegan

AND AGREED

To include the following amendment:-

That policies and objectives be amended accordingly

SUBMISSION NO. 5 – MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITY & LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Proposed by Councillor Jerry Lodge
Seconded by Councillor Paddy Bracken

AND AGREED

To include the following amendment:-

That recent guidelines be referenced in the draft LAP and schedule of land areas to be included.

SUBMISSION NO. 6 – COUNCILLOR TOM MULHALL

Proposed by Councillor Tom Mulhall
Seconded by Councillor John King

AND AGREED

To include the following amendment:-

To append the following text to policy FRO8: ‘and for the regular maintenance of the River Barrow’

SUBMISSION NO. 7 – MS. PAULINE DOWLING

Proposed by Councillor Alan Hand
Seconded by Councillor John Moran

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION NO. 8 – MS. CATHY CAHILL

Proposed by Councillor James Deegan
Seconded by Councillor Seamus McDonald

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION NO. 9 – BOOTH PARTNERSHIP

Manager’s Recommendation was to rezone to Town Centre Secondary which allows for a wide range of commercial activities including convenience and comparison retail, office etc.

Proposed by Councillor James Deegan
Seconded by Councillor Tom Mulhall

The Members did not accept this recommendation. A counter proposal was then proposed by Councillor Ray Cribbin and seconded by Councillor Tom Mulhall

“That the current zoning remain”

A roll call vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

COUNCILLOR		FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT
FIRST NAME	SURNAME			
Rotimi	ADEBARI	✓		
Willie	AIRD	✓		
John	BONHAM	✓		
Pat	BOWE	✓		
Paddy	BRACKEN	✓		
Ben	BRENNAN	✓		
Raymond	CRIBBIN	✓		
James	DALY			✓
James	DEEGAN	✓		
John Joe	FENNELLY	✓		
Catherine	FITZGERALD	✓		
Padraig	FLEMING	✓		
David	GOODWIN	✓		
Alan	HAND	✓		
John	KING	✓		
Michael	LALOR	✓		
Jerry	LODGE	✓		
Seamus	MCDONALD	✓		
Paul	MITCHELL	✓		

John Robert	MORAN	✓		
Tom	MULHALL	✓		
Kathleen	O'BRIEN	✓		
Brendan	PHELAN	✓		
Martin	PHELAN	✓		
Mary	SWEEENEY	✓		

As a result of the Roll Call Vote, there was 24 votes in favour of Councillor Ray Cribbin's Motion, with 1 Member absent.

SUBMISSION NO. 10 – TORURO ENTERPRISES (MCMAHONS)

Proposed by Councillor Jerry Lodge
 Seconded by Councillor Ray Cribbin

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION NO. 11 – TESCO

Proposed by Councillor James Deegan
 Seconded by Councillor Tom Mulhall

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION NO. 12 – MARCUS M'CLOUGHLIN

Proposed by Councillor Ray Cribbin
 Seconded by Councillor Tom Mulhall

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION NO. 13 – MARCUS M'CLOUGHLIN

Proposed by Councillor Ray Cribbin
 Seconded by Councillor James Deegan

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION NO. 14 – ALAN KENNY

Proposed by Councillor James Deegan
Seconded by Councillor Ray Cribbin

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT PORTARLINGTON LOCAL AREA PLAN 2012 – 2018 AND RELATED JOINT MANAGER’S REPORT AND RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE DRAFT PLAN AS AGREED PURSUANT TO SECTION 20 OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2000 AS AMENDED

Proposed by Councillor Ray Cribbin
Seconded by Councillor James Deegan

AND AGREED

‘Having considered the Draft Portarlington Local Area Plan 2012 - 2018, along with the Draft Environmental Report, Appropriate Assessment and Flood Risk Assessment & the County Manager’s recommendations contained in the report and taking account of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area, the statutory obligations of the local authority and any relevant policies or objectives for the time being of the Government or of any Minister of the Government that the amendments be made to the Draft Portarlington Local Area Plan 2012 – 2018’. It was noted that the amendments go back out on public display for a period of four weeks’

MOUNTMELICK LOCAL AREA PLAN 2012-2018

The Members were advised that the Draft Mountmellick Local Area Plan 2012-2018 was on public display from the 20th of April 2012 to the 18th of June 2012 along with Draft Environmental Report, Appropriate Assessment and Flood Risk Assessment. Public Meetings were held in Mountmellick Development Association Offices on the 9th of May 2012. The Managers report was then prepared. During the public consultation period 15 submissions were received.

SUBMISSIONS

The submissions were dealt with as laid out in the Managers Report submitted to the Councillors on the 6th of June 2012.

SUBMISSION NO. 1 – CYRIL MORRISS

Manager's Recommendation was that there be no change to the draft LAP, i.e. land to remain unzoned.

The Members did not accept this recommendation. A counter proposal was then proposed by Councillor Pat Bowe and seconded by Councillor Patrick Bracken

“That the land at Debbicott be zoned Residential 2 and that the equivalent amount of Residential 2 land at Grangehall be dezoned”

A roll call vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

COUNCILLOR		FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT
FIRST NAME	SURNAME			
Rotimi	ADEBARI	✓		
Willie	AIRD	✓		
John	BONHAM	✓		
Pat	BOWE	✓		
Paddy	BRACKEN	✓		
Ben	BRENNAN	✓		
Raymond	CRIBBIN	✓		
James	DALY			✓
James	DEEGAN	✓		
John Joe	FENNELLY	✓		
Catherine	FITZGERALD	✓		
Padraig	FLEMING	✓		
David	GOODWIN	✓		
Alan	HAND	✓		
John	KING	✓		
Michael	LALOR	✓		
Jerry	LODGE	✓		
Seamus	MCDONALD	✓		
Paul	MITCHELL	✓		
John Robert	MORAN	✓		
Tom	MULHALL	✓		
Kathleen	O'BRIEN	✓		
Brendan	PHELAN	✓		
Martin	PHELAN	✓		
Mary	SWEENEY	✓		

As a result of the Roll Call Vote, there was 24 votes in favour of Councillor Pat Bowe's Motion, with 1 Member absent.

SUBMISSION NO. 2 – P.J. KEARNS

Manager's Recommendation was that there be no change to the draft LAP, i.e. land to remain unzoned. Opposed by Planning Authority on grounds of location, sequential approach, housing land requirement (33 hectares)

A counter proposal was then proposed by Councillor David Goodwin and seconded by Councillor Seamus McDonald

“That the land be zoned residential and that the equivalent amount of land at the rear of Grange Hall be de-zoned from residential 2”

A roll call vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

COUNCILLOR		FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT
FIRST NAME	SURNAME			
Rotimi	ADEBARI	✓		
Willie	AIRD	✓		
John	BONHAM	✓		
Pat	BOWE	✓		
Paddy	BRACKEN	✓		
Ben	BRENNAN	✓		
Raymond	CRIBBIN	✓		
James	DALY			✓
James	DEEGAN	✓		
John Joe	FENNELLY	✓		
Catherine	FITZGERALD	✓		
Padraig	FLEMING	✓		
David	GOODWIN	✓		
Alan	HAND	✓		
John	KING	✓		
Michael	LALOR	✓		
Jerry	LODGE	✓		
Seamus	MCDONALD	✓		
Paul	MITCHELL	✓		
John Robert	MORAN	✓		
Tom	MULHALL	✓		
Kathleen	O'BRIEN	✓		
Brendan	PHELAN	✓		
Martin	PHELAN	✓		
Mary	SWEENEY	✓		

As a result of the Roll Call Vote, there was 24 votes in favour of Councillor David Goodwin's Motion, with 1 Member absent.

SUBMISSION NO 3 – ANDY DEMPSEY

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Bracken
Seconded by Councillor Pat Bowe

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION NO 4 – NATIONAL ROADS AUTHORITY

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Bracken
Seconded by Councillor David Goodwin

That new policies be included at TP 19 and TP 20 and amend Chapter 10

SUBMISSION NO. 5 – KINGSCROFT DEVELOPMENTS LTD.

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Bracken
Seconded by Councillor Pat Bowe

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION NO. 6 – KINGSCROFT DEVELOPMENTS LTD.

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Bracken
Seconded by Councillor Pat Bowe

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION NO. 7 – PAT FITZPATRICK

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Bracken
Seconded by Councillor David Goodwin

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION NO. 8 – GORDON LALOR

Proposed by Councillor Pat Bowe
Seconded by Councillor John Moran

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION NO. 9 – GORDON LALOR

Proposed by Councillor Pat Bowe
Seconded by Councillor John Moran

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION NO. 10 – TOMMY WARD

Proposed by Councillor Seamus McDonald
Seconded by Councillor Patrick Bracken

AND AGREED

To include the following amendment

‘to amend Table 6, Enterprise & Employment Land-use zoning objective and Table 6, Enterprise and Employment, Land-use zoning purpose on Page 106 of draft plan to include reference to ‘recycling facilities’

SUBMISSION NO. 11 – OLIVE COLLINS

Proposed by Councillor Pat Bowe
Seconded by Councillor Patrick Bracken

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION NO. 12 – ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Proposed by Councillor Pat Bowe
Seconded by Councillor John Moran

AND AGREED

To include the following amendment

‘to amend policies and objectives amended accordingly’

SUBMISSION NO. 13 – DEPUTY CHARLES FLANAGAN

Proposed by Councillor Paddy Bracken
Seconded by Councillor Pat Bowe

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION NO. 14 – MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITY & LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Proposed by Councillor Patrick Bracken
Seconded by Councillor Pat Bowe

AND AGREED

To include the following amendment

‘That recent guidelines be referenced in the draft LAP and schedule of land areas in each zoning category to be included

SUBMISSION NO. 15 – DEPARTMENT OF ARTS, HERITAGE AND THE GAELTACHT

Proposed by Councillor David Goodwin
Seconded by Councillor Pat Bowe

AND AGREED

To include the following amendment

Correct title of biodiversity plan as advised by Department of Arts, Heritage & the Gaeltacht to be included as recommended

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Proposed by Councillor Pat Bowe
Seconded by Councillor Patrick Bracken

AND AGREED

‘Having considered the Draft Mountmellick Local Area Plan 2012 - 2018, along with the Draft Environmental Report, Appropriate Assessment and Flood Risk Assessment & the County Manager’s recommendations contained in the report and taking account of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area, the statutory obligations of the local authority and any relevant policies or objectives for the time being of the Government or of any Minister of the Government that the amendments be made to the Draft Mountmellick Local Area Plan 2012 – 2018’. It was noted that the amendments go back out on public display for a period of four weeks’

PORTLAOISE LOCAL AREA PLAN 2012-2018

The Members were advised that the Draft Portlaoise Local Area Plan 2012-2018 was on public display from the 20th of April 2012 to the 1st of June 2012 along with Draft Environmental Report, Appropriate Assessment and Flood Risk Assessment. Public Meetings were held in Portlaoise at Treo Nua, Knockmay and Aras an Chontae on the 10th of May 2012. The Managers report was then prepared. During the public consultation period 21 submissions were received.

SUBMISSIONS

The submissions were dealt with as laid out in the Managers Report submitted to the Councillors on the 1st of June 2012.

SUBMISSION NO. 1 – PAT FLANAGAN

Proposed by Councillor Alan Hand
Seconded by Councillor Mary Sweeney

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION NO. 2 – PORTLAOISE TOWN COUNCIL

Proposed by Councillor Mary Sweeney
Seconded by Councillor William Aird

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION NO 3 – RAYMOND W HUME

Manager's Recommendation was to re-zone land as Residential 2.

This Recommendation was not accepted by the Members. It was proposed by Councillor Jerry Lodge and seconded by Councillor William Aird.

“That the current zoning remain as community, educational and institutional”

A roll call vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

COUNCILLOR		FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT
FIRST NAME	SURNAME			
Rotimi	ADEBARI	✓		
Willie	AIRD	✓		
John	BONHAM	✓		
Pat	BOWE	✓		
Paddy	BRACKEN	✓		
Ben	BRENNAN	✓		
Raymond	CRIBBIN	✓		
James	DALY			✓
James	DEEGAN			✓
John Joe	FENNELLY	✓		
Catherine	FITZGERALD	✓		

Padraig	FLEMING	✓		
David	GOODWIN	✓		
Alan	HAND	✓		
John	KING	✓		
Michael	LALOR	✓		
Jerry	LODGE	✓		
Seamus	MCDONALD	✓		
Paul	MITCHELL	✓		
John Robert	MORAN	✓		
Tom	MULHALL			✓
Kathleen	O'BRIEN	✓		
Brendan	PHELAN	✓		
Martin	PHELAN	✓		
Mary	SWEENEY	✓		

As a result of the Roll Call Vote, there was 22 votes in favour of Councillor Jerry Lodge's Motion, with 3 Members absent.

SUBMISSION NO. 4 – BOOTH PARTNERSHIP

Proposed by Councillor Alan Hand
 Seconded by Councillor Mary Sweeney

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION NO 5 – RICHARD & JERRY DOWNEY

Proposed by Councillor Rotimi Adebari
 Seconded by Councillor Alan Hand

AND AGREED

To include the following amendment:

'Change zoning to 'general business' in draft L.A.P.

SUBMISSION NO. 6 – NATIONAL ROADS AUTHORITY

Proposed by Councillor William Aird
Seconded by Councillor Kathleen O' Brien

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission and that new policies be included under TT1 and TT2 worded as follows and amend the numbering of the other policies accordingly.

- TT1 – safeguard the strategic role of national roads including associated junctions
- TT2 – avoid the creation of additional access points from new development or the generation of increased traffic from existing accesses to national roads to which speed limits greater than 100kph apply. This prohibition will not necessarily apply to developments of national and regional strategic importance in accordance with the National Spatial Strategy and Regional Planning Guidelines, which by their nature are most appropriately located outside urban areas, where the locations concerned have specific characteristics that make them particularly suitable for the developments proposed, exceptions to this policy would only be brought forward in a plan led manner, as indicated in the Spatial Planning and National Roads Guidelines (DOECLG, 2012) and be with the agreement of the National Roads Authority,
- Appropriate cross referencing of such policy in transport policies/objectives set out in Chapter 5 'Transport' of the draft Plan to be made.
- With specific reference to Chapter 11 'Urban Design and Development Control Policy' specific requirements relating to Traffic and Transport Assessment (TTAA), Road Safety Audit (RSA), Signage and Noise (S.I. No. 140 of 2006 Environmental Noise Regulations) will be included.

SUBMISSION NO 7 – COUNCILLOR CATHERINE FITZGERALD

Manager's Recommendation was no further action

Proposed by Councillor Catherine Fitzgerald
Seconded by Councillor William Aird

This recommendation was not accepted by the Members. A counter proposal was then proposed by Councillor Catherine Fitzgerald and seconded by Councillor William Aird

"That objective be inserted showing access point from Stradbally Road to Dublin Road through St. Fintans"

A roll call vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

COUNCILLOR		FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT
FIRST NAME	SURNAME			
Rotimi	ADEBARI	✓		
Willie	AIRD	✓		
John	BONHAM			✓
Pat	BOWE	✓		
Paddy	BRACKEN	✓		
Ben	BRENNAN	✓		
Raymond	CRIBBIN	✓		
James	DALY			✓
James	DEEGAN			✓
John Joe	FENNELLY	✓		
Catherine	FITZGERALD	✓		
Padraig	FLEMING	✓		
David	GOODWIN	✓		
Alan	HAND	✓		
John	KING	✓		
Michael	LALOR	✓		
Jerry	LODGE	✓		
Seamus	MCDONALD	✓		
Paul	MITCHELL	✓		
John Robert	MORAN	✓		
Tom	MULHALL			✓
Kathleen	O'BRIEN	✓		
Brendan	PHELAN	✓		
Martin	PHELAN	✓		
Mary	SWEENEY	✓		

As a result of the Roll Call Vote, there was 21 votes in favour of Councillor Fitzgerald's Motion, with 4 Members absent.

SUBMISSION NO. 8 – MIDLAND REGIONAL AUTHORITY

Proposed by Councillor Jerry Lodge
 Seconded by Councillor Rotimi Adebari

To include the following changes:-

- Strategic Content – second paragraph on p.11 to be amended to state 'is consistent with' as per PDA Section 27(1)

- 3rd Paragraph on p.11 to be amended to state that zoning designation is not indicative of infrastructural services
- Include policies for the Southern Development Area which apply to Portlaoise and are outlined at Chapter 4 of the RPGs in this chapter
- Development Strategy – Amend last bullet point on p.14 should emphasise the sustainable provision of housing in appropriate locations
- Amend 5th bullet point – to enable Portlaoise to achieve its potential outlined in the objectives
- Substituted by PD(A)(A) 2010, Section 16(a)

SUBMISSION NO. 9 – PRESENTATION SISTERS

Proposed by Councillor William Aird
Seconded by Councillor Jerry Lodge

AND AGREED

To include the following amendment:

‘To substitute the words ‘Urban Framework Plan for Masterplan’ where appropriate’

SUBMISSION NO. 10 – ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Proposed by Councillor Rotimi Adebari
Seconded by Councillor Alan Hand

AND AGREED

To include the following amendment:-

That policies and objectives be amended accordingly

SUBMISSION NO. 11 – THOMAS KELLY

Manager’s Recommendation was that there be no change to the draft LAP

Proposed by Councillor Alan Hand
Seconded by Councillor Rotimi Adebari

This recommendation was not accepted by the Members. A counter proposal was then proposed by Councillor Jerry Lodge and seconded by Councillor William Aird.

“That 8.5 hectares at Rathevan be included in Residential 2 zoning and that the equivalent amount of land at Clonrooske/Ballyfin Raod be de-zoned from Residential 2”

A roll call vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

COUNCILLOR		FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT
FIRST NAME	SURNAME			
Rotimi	ADEBARI	✓		
Willie	AIRD	✓		
John	BONHAM	✓		
Pat	BOWE		✓	
Paddy	BRACKEN	✓		
Ben	BRENNAN	✓		
Raymond	CRIBBIN	✓		
James	DALY			✓
James	DEEGAN			✓
John Joe	FENNELLY	✓		
Catherine	FITZGERALD	✓		
Padraig	FLEMING			✓
David	GOODWIN			✓
Alan	HAND		✓	
John	KING	✓		
Michael	LALOR	✓		
Jerry	LODGE	✓		
Seamus	MCDONALD	✓		
Paul	MITCHELL	✓		
John Robert	MORAN	✓		
Tom	MULHALL	✓		
Kathleen	O'BRIEN	✓		
Brendan	PHELAN	✓		
Martin	PHELAN			✓
Mary	SWEENEY	✓		

As a result of the Roll Call Vote, there was 18 votes in favour of Councillor Lodge's Motion, 2 votes against and 5 Members absent.

SUBMISSION NO 12 – DEPUTY CHARLES FLANAGAN

Proposed by Councillor Mary Sweeney
Seconded by Councillor Rotimi Adebari

AND AGREED

To include the following amendment:

Include the following policy TT 34: to support, in co-operation with all relevant stakeholders, the integration of bus and train timetables'

SUBMISSION NO. 13 – MARTIN HANLEY

Proposed by Councillor William Aird
Seconded by Councillor Alan Hand

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION NO 14 – MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITY AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Proposed by Councillor Rotimi Adebari
Seconded by Councillor Alan Hand

AND AGREED

To include the following amendment:

On the issue of providing additional specific proposals on delivering a greater sense of connection between proposed and existing green spaces the following policy NH19 will be included

In association with all relevant stakeholders, Laois County Council will promote and facilitate additional proposals on delivering a greater sense of connection between proposed and existing green spaces that could act, via proper linkages, as biodiversity corridors, potential attenuation storm water storage and walking and cycle links, building on some existing local initiatives in Portlaoise in this area

SUBMISSION NO 15 – DEPARTMENT OF ARTS, HERITAGE AND THE GAELTACHT

Proposed by Councillor Rotimi Adebari
Seconded by Councillor William Aird

AND AGREED

To include the following amendment:

‘That SEA Report be amended to refer to the current National Biodiversity Plan covering the period 2011 – 2016’

SUBMISSION NO 16 – ULSTER BANK LTD

Proposed by Councillor William Aird
Seconded by Councillor Mary Sweeney

AND AGREED

To include the following amendment:

To recommend that zoning be changed from Residential 1 to ‘Neighbourhood Centre’

SUBMISSION NO 17 – DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND SKILLS

Proposed by Councillor Mary Sweeney
Seconded by Councillor Catherine Fitzgerald

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION NO 18 – COUNCILLOR WILLIAM AIRD

Proposed by Councillor William Aird
Seconded by Councillor Mary Sweeney

To include the following changes;-

“That the former Gaelscoil Site at Heathfields be zoned recreational/amenity”

SUBMISSION NO 19 – RICHARD KIRWAN

Proposed by Councillor Jerry Lodge
Seconded by Councillor Kathleen O’ Brien

AND AGREED

To include the following amendment:

To change zoning from Residential 1 to General Business

SUBMISSION NO 20 – THE BOOTH PARTNERSHIP

Proposed by Councillor Mary Sweeney
Seconded by Councillor Alan Hand

That no suggested changes be made and the members agreed with the Managers Recommendations in relation to this submission

SUBMISSION NO 21 – THE BOOTH PARTNERSHIP

Proposed by Councillor Jerry Lodge
Seconded by Councillor William Aird

AND AGREED

To include the following amendment:

To recommend the change of zoning from Residential 2 to ‘Edge of Centre’

**CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT PORTLAOISE LOCAL AREA PLAN 2012 – 2018
AND RELATED JOINT MANAGER’S REPORT AND RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE
DRAFT PLAN AS AGREED PURSUANT TO SECTION 20 OF THE PLANNING AND
DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2000 AS AMENDED**

Proposed by Councillor Mary Sweeney
Seconded by Councillor Rotimi Adebari

AND AGREED

‘Having considered the Draft Portlaoise Local Area Plan 2012 - 2018, along with the Draft Environmental Report, Appropriate Assessment and Flood Risk Assessment & the County Manager’s recommendations contained in the report and taking account of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area, the statutory obligations of the local authority and any relevant policies or objectives for the time being of the Government or of any Minister of the Government that the amendments be made to the Draft Portlaoise Local Area Plan 2012 – 2018’. It was noted that the amendments go back out on public display for a period of four weeks’

SIGNED: _____
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CERTIFIED: _____
DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS