## Municipal District of Muinebheag

# Minutes of the Municipal District of Muinebheag Draft Budgetary Plan (General Municipal Allocation) 2022 held on Wednesday 27 October 2021 at 3.30 pm in the Community Hall, McGrath Memorial Hall, Muinebheag

**Members present:** Cllr Michael Doran (Cathaoirleach)

Cllr Andy Gladney Cllr Arthur McDonald Cllr William Quinn

**In Attendance:** Padraig O'Gorman, Director of Services,

Pat Delaney, Head of Finance, PJ Leonard, Financial Accountant,

Jerry Crowley, Senior Executive Engineer,

Maria Ahearne, Meeting Administrator, S/Staff Officer.

**Apologies:** Cllr Tommy Kinsella

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# 1. Standard Operating Guidance.

As part of the Standard Operating Guidance (SoG) document issued for attendance at Council Meetings the Cathaoirleach thanked all for completion of their Covid-19 Self Declaration forms and for the continued adherence to the Covid-19 control measures in place. The Cathaoirleach went down through the key points highlighting the timeline for the meetings today to be kept within 2 hours.

# 2. Chief Executives 2022 report to the Muinebheag Municipal District Members – Draft Budgetary Plan – General Municipal Allocation (GMA).

The Cathaoirleach welcomed Mr Delaney and Mr Leonard to the meeting on behalf of all the members adding that it was good news to be presented with a budget equal to 2021 during these challenging times due to Covid-19.

Mr Delaney presented the Draft Budgetary Plan 2022 to the members for their consideration while outlining the statutory timelines set out by the Minister for the adoption of this plan. Mr Delaney then reminded the members that consideration of the Draft Budgetary Plan – General Municipal Allocation (GMA) is one step in the overall budgetary process for the county adding that the Schedule of Municipal District Works (Service Delivery Plan) will be brought to the members of the Municipal Districts for consideration following the adoption of the overall County Budget.

In distributing the 2022 General Municipal Allocation (GMA) between the three Municipal Districts Mr Delaney outlined that he had taken regard to the requirements of the legislation set out under Section 102(4A) (b) of the Local Government Act 2001

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as amended by the Local Government (Reform) Act 2014 in what he believed to be a fair and equitable manner. Mr Delaney added that support in the form of waivers for rates was given in 2020 and 2021 and highlighted that further supports are not anticipated in 2022 and accordingly a cautious approach was required to maintain customer based services, ie. grass cutting, housing maintenance & maintenance of local roads to a high standard. If rate collection performance falls short of targets and there are no compensating supports from Central Government, it may be necessary to review the 2022 allocations during the year.

	ADOPTED BUDGETARY PLAN 2022					
GENERAL MUNICIPAL ALLOCATION						
		Basis for Apportionment between Municipal Districts	Muinebheag Municipal District Adopted Budgetary Plan 2022			
A0101	MAINTENANCE OF LA HOUSING UNITS	Schedule of MD Works	93,000			
B0405	LOCAL ROADS MTCE (LOCAL CONTRIB.)	Schedule of MD Works	296,000			
D0603	COMMUNITY GRANTS	Population	30,000			
D0603	SPECIAL PROJECTS (MEMBERS)	Special Projects	30,000			
D0603	MAYOR / CATHAOIRLEACH AWARDS	Special Projects	1,000			
D0903	TOWN TWINNING / DIASPORA	Population	6,000			
D0905	CHRISTMAS PROGRAM	Special Projects	20,000			
D0905	STREET SCAPES / SHOP FRONTS	Grant Applications	4,000			
E0502	LITTER CONTROL INITIATIVES	Population	13,500			
E0601	STREET CLEANING - CARLOW TOWN	Location				
E0601	STREET CLEANING - TULLOW	Location	-			
E0601	STREET CLEANING VILLAGES - TULLOW MD	Location				
E0601	STREET CLEANING - MUINEBHEAG	Location	55,500			
E0601	STREET CLEANING VILLAGES - MUINEBHEAG N	Location	51,000			
F0103	CONTRIBUTION TO SWIMMING POOLS	Location	15,000			
F0301	DUCKETTS GROVE AMENITY AREA	Location				
F0301	OAK PARK AMEMITY AREA	Location				
F0301	TULLOW TOWN PARK	Location				
F0301	OPEN SPACES - TULLOW	Location				
F0301	OPEN SPACES - MUINEBHEAG	Location	20,000			
F0301	OPEN SPACES - BORRIS	Location	8,000			
F0301	OPEN SPACES - HACKETSTOWN	Location				
F0301	OPEN SPACES - LEIGHLINBRIDGE	Location	8,000			
F0301	OPEN SPACES - RATHVILLY	Location				
F0301	CARLOW TOWN PARK & OPEN SPACES	Location				
H0702	CASUAL TRADING AREAS	Location	5,000			
	RELEVANT GROSS EXPENDITURE (B=A)	-	656,000			

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Mr Delaney addressed any questions raised by the members to clarify the budget allocated to each job listed.

The members adopted the Draft Budgetary Plan (General Municipal Allocation) as presented and requested that in the preparation of the 2022 to allow for the transfer of funds from twinning and parade budgets to other projects if unspent due to Covid restrictions. Mr Delaney acknowledged the members comments and reaffirmed that the priority lay with the delivery of services to the customer.

The Director thanked the finance team for maintaining the funding at the same level as 2021 and for their continued hard work and dedication.

**Resolved** on the proposal of Cllr Quinn seconded by Cllr Gladney, followed by a show of hands that under Section 102 (4A) (c) and (d) of the Local Government Act 2001 as amended by the Local Government (Reform) Act 2014 the members adopt the Draft Budgetary Plan 2022 as presented. **All Agreed.** 

This concluded the business of the meeting

Signed:		Date:	
	Cathaoirleach		
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	Meetings Administrator		