

***Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly***  
***Tionól Reigiúnach Oirthir agus Lár-Tíre***

***MINUTES MEETING***

***OF THE EASTERN AND MIDLAND  
REGIONAL ASSEMBLY***

***HELD ON***

***Friday, 12<sup>st</sup> May 2017***

***IN***

***COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, DUBLIN 2***



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EASTERN AND MIDLAND REGIONAL ASSEMBLY HELD ON 12<sup>th</sup> May 2017, COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, DUBLIN 2.**

<b>Cllr. Paddy Bourke</b>	<b>Cllr. Pat Hand</b>
<b>Cllr. Paddy Bracken</b>	<b>Cllr. David Healy</b>
<b>Cllr. Christy Burke</b>	<b>Cllr Ivan Keatley</b>
<b>Cllr. Mick Cahill</b>	<b>Cllr. Dermot Lacey</b>
<b>Cllr. Ciarán Cuffe</b>	<b>Cllr. Lettie McCarthy</b>
<b>Cllr. Thomas Cullen</b>	<b>Cllr. Brian McDonagh</b>
<b>Cllr. Kieran Dennison</b>	<b>Cllr. Padraig McEvoy</b>
<b>Cllr. Eamon Dooley</b>	<b>Cllr. Derek Mitchell</b>
<b>Cllr. Francis Duff</b>	<b>Cllr. Maria Murphy</b>
<b>Cllr. Gaye Fagan</b>	<b>Cllr. Claire O'Connor</b>
<b>Cllr. Catherine Fitzgerald</b>	<b>Cllr. PJ Reilly</b>
<b>Cllr. Brian Fitzgerald</b>	<b>Cllr. Tommy Reilly</b>
<b>Cllr. Eddie Fitzpatrick</b>	<b>Cllr. Pat Vance</b>
<b>Cllr. Mary Freehill</b>	

**In Attendance:**

**Ms. Joan Martin, Designated Chief Executive**

**Mr. Malachy Bradly, EMRA**

**Ms. Pauline Riordan, EMRA**

**Ms. Andrea Corrigan, EMRA**

**Ms. Hazel Healy, EMRA**

**Mr. Ross Higgins, EMRA**

Apologies received from; **Cllr Kate Feeney, Cllr Mary Hanafin, Cllr Paddy Hill and Director Jim Conway**

**ITEM 1**

**Adoption of Minutes of meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2017**

Minutes of the meeting of the Eastern and Midland Regional Assembly held on the 21<sup>st</sup> April 2017 were proposed by Cllr. P Bourke and seconded by Cllr. P Bracken.

The minutes were **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED**.

**ITEM 2**

**Planning**

**i) Proposed draft variation of Dublin City Development Plan 2016 – 2022 No.1**



The Assistant Director, Mr. Malachy Bradley presented the submission to the proposed draft variation of Dublin City Development Plan 2016 – 2022 No.1. Due to the closing date of the consultation period, this submission was approved by An Cathaoirleach and has been submitted in accordance with Assembly agreed procedures.

**NOTED**

#### **ii) Proposed draft variation of Dublin City Development Plan 2016 – 2022 No.2**

The Assistant Director, Mr. Malachy Bradley presented the submission to the proposed draft variation of Dublin City Development Plan 2016 – 2022 No.2. Due to the closing date of the consultation period, this submission was approved by An Cathaoirleach and has been submitted in accordance with Assembly agreed procedures.

**NOTED**

#### **ITEM 3**

##### **Committee of the Regions Update**

M Bradley advised that a uniform report on the Committee of the Regions would be issued quarterly to each of the 3 assemblies commencing in July, also that there is a Plenary currently ongoing in Brussels. There was an update on the Committee of the Regions highlighting the following areas of interest to the Three Regional Assemblies; Reflecting on Europe, Future of Cohesion Policy beyond 2020, Health in Cities, EU Enlargement Policy and A new stage in the European Policy on Blue Growth.

A discussion took place with contributions from Cllr. P Bourke, Cllr. B McDonagh, Cllr. M Freehill, Cllr. D Healy, Cllr. L McCarthy, Cllr I Keatly and Cllr M Cahill. more information was requested on; investing in Europe's youth, and it was requested to issue the details of the next call of the Ireland – Wales Program.

#### **ITEM 4**

##### **Projects Update**

M Bradley began by giving an update on the ongoing projects undertaken by the Eastern and Midland Regional Assembly: The Celtic Seas Partnership; Urb-Adapt; Green and Blue Infrastructure Health & Enroute. An update on the RESILENS project was given by A Corrigan.

An Cathaoirleach thanked the staff of EMRA for their work on the projects and a discussion took place with a request for further information on the RESILENS project. Contributions from Cllr B McDonagh, Cllr. D Mitchell, Cllr. L McCarthy, Cllr. P McEvoy, Cllr. M Murphy Cllr. B Fitzpatrick and Cllr D Healy.

#### **ITEM 5**

##### **Correspondence.**



None.

**ITEM 6**

**Any other Business**

Cllr E Fitzpatrick expressed concern on the lack of national guidance on windfarms since 2013. It was agreed to write to the minister to request new national guidance.

Cllr M Murphy advised the Assembly that Meath County Council are currently considering a variation to their Development Plan.

**ITEM 7**

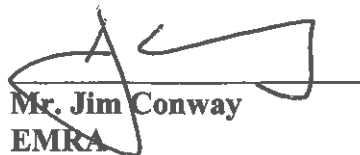
**Date of next meeting**

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly is due to be held on, Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at 11am in City Hall, Dublin 2.

**Signed:**



**Cllr. Dermot Lacey  
Cathaoirleach EMRA**



**Mr. Jim Conway  
EMRA**

**Date:**

9/6/17

