Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly

Tionól Reigiúnach Oirthir agus Lár-Tíre

MINUTES for MEETING

OF THE EASTERN AND MIDLAND REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

HELD ON

Friday, 9th September 2022

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EASTERN AND MIDLAND REGIONAL ASSEMBLY HELD ON 09th SEPTEMBER 2022.

Cllr Janet Horner
Cllr Vincent Jackson
Cllr Pamela Kearns
Cllr Dermot Lacey
Cllr Brigid Manton
Cllr Lyn Hagin Meade
Cllr Padraig McEvoy
Cllr Paddy Meade
Cllr Colm Murray
Cllr Damien O'Reilly
Cllr Robert Power
Cllr Una Power
Cllr Gerry Walsh

Apologies: Ms. Joan Martin, CEO, Louth County Council

In Attendance:

Mr. Jim Conway, EMRA

Ms. Laure Antoniotti, EMRA

Ms. Clare Bannon, EMRA

Mr. Simon Musial, EMRA

Mr. Alan Lambe, EMRA

Mr. Ross Higgins, EMRA

Ms. Geraldine Kenny, EMRA

Ms. Sarah Campbell, EMRA

Mr. Karl Murphy, EMRA

Ms. Helena Stromberg, EMRA

Dr. Owen Douglas, EMRA

Mr. Justin Gleeson, AIRO Maynooth University

ITEM 1

Adoption of Minutes of meeting held on 08th July 2022

Minutes of the meeting of the Eastern and Midland Regional Assembly held on the 08th July 2022 were proposed by Cllr P McEvoy and seconded by Cllr G Walsh.

The minutes were **APPROVED**.

This was AGREED.

ITEM 2

Presentation on the Regional Development Monitor

The Director Mr J Conway gave the members an overview on the Regional Monitor.

The Assistant Director, Ms C Bannon gave the members a greater insight into how this information can be used by the members of the EMRA and introduced Mr Justin Gleeson form the AIRO.

Mr J Gleeson gave the members a presentation covering topics such as: What is AIRO?, Irish Planning System, Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy (RSES), Evaluating and Monitoring RSES, Regional Development Monitor, RDM Sustainability – AIRO/Ordnance Survey Ireland (OSI), Regional Development Monitor – Data Sources, Regional Development Monitor – Policy Monitoring, and Regional Development Monitor.

A discussion followed with contributions from Cllr P McEvoy, Cllr L Hagin Meade, Cllr D Healy, Cllr B Fitzgerald, Cllr P Meade, Cllr J Horner, Cllr G Walsh and Cllr D Heney.

This was NOTED.

ITEM 3

Update on the EU subcommittee meeting

Ms L Antoniotti gave the members an update on the EU subcommittee meeting and forthcoming events.

The Director Mr J Conway gave additional information on the upcoming events and the dates that they would be held on, including the future study visit to Brussels. Members agreed that group leaders would give the executive a list of participants for a total of 8 and agreed to associated budget requirement.

This was NOTED.

ITEM 4

Correspondence

- i) Correspondence from the office of the Minister for Transport
- ii) Letter from TII

A discussion followed with contributions from ClIr G Walsh, and ClIr A Cronin.

This was **NOTED**

ITEM 5

Any other business

The Director Mr J Conway announced the appointment of Mr K Murphy as EU affairs officer and Urbact national contact point. And the resignation of Mr T O'Doherty.

ITEM 6

Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly is to be held on, **Friday 14th October 2022.**

Signed:

Cllr. Robert Power

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Mr. Jim Conway

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Date: 14th October 2022