MINUTES OF MARCH MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON 28th MARCH 2022

C/83/22 **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Clirs J Murray, Cathaoirleach, L Blaney, K Bradley, C Brogan, P Canning, T Conaghan, D Coyle, G Crawford, N Crossan, T Crossan, A Doherty, G Doherty, R Donaghey, M Farren, M T Gallagher, N Jordan, D M Kelly, F Mc Brearty Jnr, M McDermott, I Mc Garvey, A Molloy, M Naughton, J O Donnell, and J S Ó'Fearraigh,

Online: L Doherty, J Kavanagh, N Kennedy, M C Mac Giolla Easbuig, M Mc Clafferty, N Mc Garvey, P Mc Gowan, M Mc Mahon, G Mc Monagle, and B Sweeny.

C/84/22 OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

John Mc Laughlin, Chief Executive, Liam Ward, Director of Community Development & Planning Services, Meetings Administrator, Brendan O' Donnell, A/Director of Roads & Transportation, Garry Martin, Director of Economic Development, Information Systems & Emergency Services, Michael Mc Garvey, A/Director of Water & Environment, Patsy Lafferty, Director of Housing, Corporate and Cultural Services Richard Gibson, Head of Finance, Eunan Quinn, Senior Planner, Paul Christy, Senior Executive Planner, Frank Sweeney, Senior Executive Planner, Frances Friel, Communications Officer, William Colvin, Assistant Communications Officer, Seán O' Daimhin, Rannóg na Gaeltachta, Róise Ní Laifeartaigh, Rannóg na Gaeilge, Anne Marie Crawford, Staff Officer.

C/85/22 ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

On the proposal of Cllr Gallagher, seconded by Cllr G Doherty it was resolved to adjourn the meeting until 12.30pm to facilitate party discussions.

C/86/22 RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING

The Cathaoirleach informed the meeting that several worrying incidents had taken place during the course of the morning. As a result, he said, the Gardai had been called and statements were being taken.

He said that he had a duty of care to both staff and the elected members and was obliged to ensure that a safe working environment was provided.

He apologised to the people of Donegal and especially to those whose homes were falling down because of mica. He said that he fully shared their frustration and appreciated that they felt let down by the Council.

It was imperative, he added, that a point was reached where people felt safe in carrying out their duties elected or otherwise.

On the proposal of Cllr G Doherty, seconded by Cllr Farren it was resolved to adjourn the meeting to Wednesday 6th April 2022.