

**Comhairle Contae Fhine Gall
Fingal County Council**

Minutes of the County Council Meeting held on Monday, 9th June, 2025 in the Council Chamber - County Hall, Swords, at 5.00 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors:

Boland, Mark
Burtchaell, John
Carbone-Mangan, Eimear
Corkery, Luke
Dennison, Kieran
Dockrell, Eoghan
Donnelly, Angela
Guerin, Jimmy
Hanaphy, Breda
Haughey, Cathal
Healy, David
Hopkins, Joan
Humphreys, James
Johnston, Corina
Kelly Darren Jack
Kitt, Tom
Leddy, Ted
Maguire, Grainne

Councillors:

McCamley, Mary
McDonagh, Brian
Mulligan, Dean
Mulville, Paul
Murphy, Tony
Newman, Joe
O'Brien, Eoghan
O'Leary, Tom
Onwumereh, JK
Quinlan, Patrick
Quinn, Malachy
Redwood, Helen
Ryan, Brendan
Sheehan, Gerard
Shovlin, Siobhan
Smyth, John
Tormey, Aoibhinn
Troy, Ellen
Walsh, John

Apologies for inability to attend were received for Councillor Cathal Boland and Councillor Tania Doyle.

The Mayor, Councillor Brian McDonagh, presided.

OFFICIALS PRESENT

AnnMarie Farrelly (Chief Executive); Mary Egan (Director of Services/People, Corporate & Digital Services); John Quinlivan (Director of Services/Economic, Enterprise, Tourism and Cultural Development); Oliver Hunt (Head of Finance); Matthew McAleese (Director of Services /Planning and Strategic Infrastructure); Paul Carroll (Director of Services /Housing Services and Community Development); Mary T Daly (Director of Services/Operations); David Storey (Director of Services/Environment, Climate Action, Active Travel & Sports); Fionnuala May (County Architect); Betty Boardman (County Librarian); Sinead Murphy (Senior Engineer); Breen Doris (Senior Executive Engineer); Ciara O hAodha (Senior Executive Officer).

F/253/25 (Agenda Item No)

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Mayor, Councillor B. McDonagh, at the start of the meeting, reminded Members that Standing Orders would apply to all aspects of the meeting.

F/254/25 (Agenda Item No 1)

Consideration of resolution pursuant to Section 140 of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended: - Redevelopment of Ballisk House

The motion, in the names of Councillor J. Guerin; Councillor A. Tormey; Councillor D. Butler; Councillor G. Sheehan; Councillor T. Murphy; Councillor C. Haughey; Councillor A. Donnelly; Councillor S. Shovlin; Councillor D. Mulligan; Councillor T. Kitt; Councillor D.J Kelly; Councillor K. Dennison; Councillor J. Newman; Councillor T. O'Leary; Councillor M. Quinn; Councillor G. Maguire; Councillor E. O'Brien; Councillor J. Smith; Councillor L. Corkery; Councillor J.K Onwumereh; Councillor T. Leddy; Councillor B. Hanaphy; Councillor E. Carbone-Mangan was proposed by Councillor J. Guerin and seconded by Councillor D.J Kelly.

Following discussion, the Mayor instructed that a roll call vote be taken and on a division the voting resulted as follows:

FOR: 23	TWENTY THREE
AGAINST: 13	THIRTEEN
ABSTAIN: 1	ONE

FOR: Councillors Darragh Butler, Eimear Carbone-Mangan, Luke Corkery, Kieran Dennison, Angela Donnelly, Jimmy Guerin, Breda Hanaphy, Cathal Haughey, Tom Kitt, Ted Leddy, Grainne Maguire, Mary McCamley, Tony Murphy, Joe Newman, Eoghan O'Brien, Tom O'Leary, JK Onwumereh, Malachy Quinn, Gerard Sheehan, Siobhan Shovlin, John Smyth, Aoibhinn Tormey, Ellen Troy

AGAINST: Councillors Mark Boland, John Burtchaell, Eoghan Dockrell, David Healy, Joan Hopkins, Corina Johnston, Brian Mc Donagh, Dean Mulligan, Paul Mulville, Patrick Quinlan, Helen Redwood, Brendan Ryan, John Walsh

ABSTAIN: Councillor Darren Jack Kelly

The Mayor then declared the resolution, **PASSED**.

F/255/25 (Agenda Item No 2)

Confirmation and Re-Affirmation of Minutes of Council Meeting held on Monday 12th May 2025

Minutes of the County Council Meeting held on Monday 12th May 2025 which had been circulated were considered.

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor B. McDonagh seconded by Councillor K. Dennison and **RESOLVED** –

“That the minutes of the County Council Meeting held on Monday 12th May 2025 be **ADOPTED**.”

F/256/25 (Agenda Item No 3)

Councillor J. Walsh - Vacant and Derelict Housing

F/257/25 (Agenda Item No)

QUESTIONS

It was proposed by Councillor K. Dennison, seconded by Councillor J. Walsh and **RESOLVED:**

“That in accordance with Standing Order No. 51, Questions numbered 3 to 21 be **ADOPTED**.”

F/258/25 (Agenda Item No 4)

Councillor P. Quinlan - Audit on Funding to Igo Emergency Management Services

F/259/25 (Agenda Item No 5)

Councillor P. Mulville - Housing Medical Priority HMD1 Forms - Average Processing Time

F/260/25 (Agenda Item No 6)

Councillor C. Boland - Breakdown of Voter Numbers - Local Elections

F/261/25 (Agenda Item No 7)

Councillor JK Onwumereh - Update on Recruitment of Lifeguards

F/262/25 (Agenda Item No 8)

Councillor J. Burtchaell - Enforcement on Divergent Flight Paths at Dublin Airport

F/263/25 (Agenda Item No 9)

Councillor J. Hopkins - School Wardens in Fingal - Legislation

F/264/25 (Agenda Item No 10)

Councillor H. Redwood - Fox Hunting on Council Land

F/265/25 (Agenda Item No 11)

Councillor C. Haughey - Community Safety Partnerships

F/266/25 (Agenda Item No 12)

Councillor L. Corkery - Community Centre Rates

F/267/25 (Agenda Item No 13)

Councillor M. Boland - Misuse and abandonment of skip bags in housing estates around Fingal

F/268/25 (Agenda Item No 14)

Councillor M. Quinn - Environmental Health Officers employed by this Local Authority

F/269/25 (Agenda Item No 15)

Councillor T. O'Leary - Update on the Tenant in-situ Scheme

F/270/25 (Agenda Item No 16)
**Councillor A. Donnelly - Number of Housing Assistant Payment (HAP)
 Tenants on Fingal's Transfer List**

F/271/25 (Agenda Item No 17)
Councillor C. Johnston - Review of Beach and Foreshore Bye-laws

F/272/25 (Agenda Item No 18)
Councillor B. Ryan - Judicial Review Cases

F/273/25 (Agenda Item No 19)
Councillor J. Humphreys - Developer-led Partnerships

F/274/25 (Agenda Item No 20)
Councillor J. Humphreys - Fingal Citizen Charter

F/275/25 (Agenda Item No 21)
Councillor D. Mulligan - Inclusive Playground Equipment

F/276/25 (Agenda Item No 22)
Report of Committees

a **Report of Howth/Malahide Services B Area Committee Meeting held
 on Wednesday 4th June 2025**

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was
CONSIDERED. It was proposed by Councillor E. O'Brien, seconded by Councillor
 J. Hopkins, and **RESOLVED:**

"That the recommendations contained in the report of Committee of
 Howth/Malahide Services B Area Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 4th
 June 2025, are hereby **ADOPTED.**"

b **Report of Corporate Policy Group (CPG) held on Wednesday 4th June
 2025**

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was
CONSIDERED. It was proposed by Councillor K. Dennison, seconded by
 Councillor J. Walsh and **RESOLVED:**

"That the recommendations contained in the report from Corporate Policy
 Group Meeting held on Wednesday 4th June 2025 be **APPROVED.**"

c Report of Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar Services B Area Committee Meeting held on Thursday 5th June 2025

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor K. Dennison, seconded by Councillor J. Walsh and **RESOLVED**:

"That the recommendations contained in the report of Committee of Blanchardstown-Mulhuddart/Castleknock/Ongar Services B meeting held on Thursday 5th June 2025, are hereby **ADOPTED**."

F/277/25 (Agenda Item No 23)
Financial Matters

It was noted there was no business under this item.

F/278/25 (Agenda Item No 24)
Proposed Disposal of Properties

It was noted there was no business under this item.

F/279/25 (Agenda Item No 25)
Declarations of Roads

a Annaly Estate, Ongar, Dublin 15

The report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor K. Dennison, seconded by Councillor J. Walsh, and **RESOLVED**:

"That the roads referred to in the attached report be, and are hereby declared to be, public roads."

b Stralem Estate, Ongar, Dublin 15

The report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor K. Dennison, seconded by Councillor T. Kitt, and **RESOLVED**:

“That the roads referred to in the attached report be, and are hereby declared to be, public roads.”

c Ongar Park, Public Green Area, Dublin 15

The report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor K. Dennison, seconded by Councillor T. Kitt, and **RESOLVED**:

“That the roads referred to in the attached report be, and are hereby declared to be, public roads.”

F/280/25 (Agenda Item No 26)

Planning & Development Act 2000 Part XI (As Amended), Planning & Development Regulations 2001 Part 8 (As Amended), Public Realm Improvements and Active Travel measures for Skerries Harbour Road and Red Island in Skerries

The report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. A presentation was given to the Members by Ms. Sinead Murphy, Senior Engineer and Mr. Breen Doris, Senior Executive Engineer, Environment, Climate Action, Active Travel and Sport.

Following discussions, the Mayor informed the members a motion was received.

The motion in the name of Councillor B. Ryan was proposed by Councillor B. Ryan and seconded by Councillor M. Boland.

“That this proposed Part 8 development does not proceed because of the adverse impacts it will have on businesses, residents, water-based clubs and organisations, less able consumers of hospitality, emergency services, and the negative environmental impact of the removal of precious green space to be replaced by parking spaces and a turning space for heavy goods vehicles, and that less impactful changes be considered as part of the overall active travel plan for Skerries which is currently underway.”

Following further discussion, the Mayor instructed that a roll call vote be taken and on a division the voting resulted as follows:

FOR: 2 TWO
AGAINST: 35 THIRTY FIVE
ABSTAIN: 0 ZERO

FOR: Councillors Patrick Quinlan, Brendan Ryan.

AGAINST: Councillors Mark Boland, John Burtchaell, Darragh Butler, Eimear Carbone-Mangan, Luke Corkery, Kieran Dennison, Eoghan Dockrell, Angela Donnelly, Jimmy Guerin, Breda Hanaphy, Cathal Haughey, David Healy, Joan Hopkins, Corina Johnston, Darren Jack Kelly, Tom Kitt, Ted Leddy, Grainne Maguire, Brian Mc Donagh, Mary McCamley, Dean Mulligan, Paul Mulville, Tony Murphy, Joe Newman, Eoghan O'Brien, Tom O'Leary, JK Onwumereh, Malachy Quinn, Helen Redwood, Gerard Sheehan, Siobhan Shovlin, John Smyth, Aoibhinn Tormey, Ellen Troy, John Walsh.

The Mayor then declared the motion, **FAILED**.

The Mayor instructed that a roll call vote be taken on the resolution for pursuant to Part XI of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended) and Part VIII of the Local Government Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) for Public Realm Improvements and Active Travel measures for Skerries Harbour Road and Red Island in Skerries and on a division the voting resulted as follows:

FOR: 35 THIRTY FIVE
AGAINST: 2 TWO
ABSTAIN: 0 ZERO

FOR: Councillors Mark Boland, John Burtchaell, Darragh Butler, Eimear Carbone-Mangan, Luke Corkery, Kieran Dennison, Eoghan Dockrell, Angela Donnelly, Jimmy Guerin, Breda Hanaphy, Cathal Haughey, David Healy, Joan Hopkins, Corina Johnston, Darren Jack Kelly, Tom Kitt, Ted Leddy, Grainne Maguire, Brian Mc Donagh, Mary McCamley, Dean Mulligan, Paul Mulville, Tony Murphy, Joe Newman, Eoghan O'Brien, Tom O'Leary, JK Onwumereh, Malachy Quinn, Helen Redwood, Gerard Sheehan, Siobhan Shovlin, John Smyth, Aoibhinn Tormey, Ellen Troy, John Walsh.

AGAINST: Councillors Patrick Quinlan, Brendan Ryan.

The Mayor declared the vote is **PASSED** and **RESOLVED** that:

"That Fingal County Council hereby resolves, pursuant to Part XI of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended) and Part VIII of the Local Government Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) for Public Realm Improvements and Active Travel measures for Skerries Harbour Road and Red Island in Skerries, be proceeded with as set out in the foregoing report."

F/281/25 (Agenda Item No 27)

Swords Cultural Quarter Update

A presentation was given to the Members by Ms. Fionnuala May, County Architect and Mr. Ciaran O'Gaora, Zero-G.

The presentation was well received by the members and **NOTED**.

F/282/25 (Agenda Item No)

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

The Mayor informed the members an Emergency Motion was received and ruled out of order.

The Mayor informed the members a request was received by Councillor D. Mulligan to vary the order of business and take Item 51 at this time.

The Mayor instructed that a roll call vote be taken to vary the order of business and on a division the voting resulted as follows:

FOR: 31 THIRTY ONE

AGAINST: 2 TWO

ABSTAIN: 0 Zero

FOR: Councillors Mark Boland, John Burtchaell, Darragh Butler, Eimear Carbone-Mangan, Luke Corkery, Eoghan Dockrell, Angela Donnelly, Jimmy Guerin, Breda Hanaphy, Cathal Haughey, David Healy, Joan Hopkins, Corina Johnston, Grainne Maguire, Brian Mc Donagh, Mary McCamley, Dean Mulligan, Paul Mulville, Tony Murphy, Joe Newman, Eoghan O'Brien, JK Onwumereh,

Patrick Quinlan, Malachy Quinn, Helen Redwood, Brendan Ryan, Gerard Sheehan, Siobhan Shovlin, John Smyth, Ellen Troy, John Walsh.

AGAINST: Councillors Kieran Dennison, Aoibhinn Tormey.

The Mayor declared the vote as **PASSED**.

F/283/25 (Agenda Item No 51)

Councillor D. Mulligan - Israel Bonds Scheme

It was **AGREED** to extend the meeting to conclude Item 51.

The motion, in the name of Councillor D. Mulligan was proposed by Councillor D. Mulligan and seconded by Councillor B. McDonagh.

Following a discussion, the motion was **AGREED**.

F/284/25 (Agenda Item No 28)

Chief Executive's Report

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED**. The report was **NOTED**.

F/285/25 (Agenda Item No 29)

Mayor's Business - Councillor B. McDonagh

It was noted there was no business under this item.

F/286/25 (Agenda Item No 30)

Conference Report

a AILG Induction Training Day New Councillors

It was agreed to defer this item.

b MacGill Summer School 2025 will take place in Glenties 17th to 19th July 2025

It was agreed to defer this item.

c The ALAN Conference, Westport, Co Mayo from 28th to 30th October 2025

It was agreed to defer this item.

F/287/25 (Agenda Item No 31)

Correspondence

a Letter dated 27th May 2025 from Dublin City Council Re - Membership of Transient Visitor Levy Working Group 260525 - Cllr Humphreys - Transient Visitor Tax

The correspondence, which had been received, was **NOTED**.

b Letter dated 28th May 2025 - from Dublin County Council Re - Active Travel Response regarding Motion Cllr McCamley January 2025 - on CPO request for Tolka Greenway

The correspondence, which had been received, was **NOTED**.

c Letter dated 29th May 2025 from Donegal County Council Re - State of Israel Bonds Issuance Programme

The correspondence, which had been received, was **NOTED**.

d Letter dated 6th June 2025 from Land Development Agency (LDA) - Commitment to Regeneration of Stapolin Lands

The correspondence, which had been received, was **NOTED**.

F/288/25 (Agenda Item No 32)

Departmental/Ministerial Correspondence

a Circular Letter from Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage dated 15th May 2025 - Circular Letter F.04/25 Nomination of candidates for President

The correspondence, which had been received, was **NOTED**.

The Meeting concluded at 20.13.

MAYOR _____

DATE _____