

North Connacht Community Forum

Minutes of Meeting 10 on the 7th of October at 7pm via Zoom

Attending:

Tommie Killeen (Conn Rangers FC), **Philip Durkin** (Swinford Amenities Development CLG), **John O Hara** (Mayo County Council), **Neil Cruise** (Mayo County Council), **Kieran Gallagher** (Swinford Amenities Development CLG and Athletic Club), **Angela Wallace** (North Mayo, West Sligo Heritage Group), **Patricia Cassidy** (Charlestown Bellaghy and District Recreational Centre), **Anne Kearney** (Bonnifinglas Graveyard Committee), **Maureen McEntire** (Charlestown Swimming Pool)

Also in attendance –

Bobby McCormack (Development Perspectives and Chairperson of the Forum) / **Iain Flattery** **Eoghan O Sullivan** and **Eoin Brockert** from EirGrid.

Apologies:

Lorna Dennehy (Mayo County Council)

Bobby started the meeting at 7.06 and welcomed Neil Cruise and Joe O Hara back to the forum. A quick round of intros was done to ensure everyone knew each other.

Minutes: Proposed by Philip Durkin, and seconded by Tommie Killeen.

Matters arising.

No matters arising

Agenda:

Bobby presented the agenda and running order of the evening.

Project Update – Eoin B, Eoghan O S and Iain F gave the EirGrid update. See slides attached.

There were a number of queries from John O Hara, Neil Cruise and Kieran Gallagher concerning road quality, planned roadworks / further digging / load capacity and land owner engagement regarding road widening.

Ian F provided a webinar link in the chat space.

Feedback on the Community Benefit Strategy

The forum members were asked to provide feedback if any regarding the community benefit fund process. No points were raised other than compliments to SECAD from the EirGrid team.

Next steps

Bobby raised the potential of a further meeting in late 2024 with SECAD to present the findings of the consultation.

AOB

No AOB.

Bobby thanked people for attending and the meeting was ended at 7.50pm