

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Gorey-Kilmuckridge Municipal District held remotely on Wednesday, 10th November 2021, at 2:30pm from the Council Chamber, Offices of the Municipal District, Civic Square, Gorey, Co. Wexford

Attendance (In Chamber):

In the Chair: Cllr Pip Breen, Cathaoirleach,
Cllr Andrew Bolger,
Cllr Donal Kenny
Cllr Joe Sullivan,

Officials: Mr Philip Knight, District Administrator,
Ms Liz Stanley, Senior Staff Officer,
Ms Joanne Kehoe, Senior Executive Engineer,

Attendance (Microsoft Teams):

Councillors: Cllr Diarmuid Devereux,
Cllr Anthony Donohoe,
Cllr Mary Farrell,
Cllr Willie Kavanagh
Cllr Fionntán Ó'Súilleabháin, Leas-Chathaoirleach,
Cllr Oliver Walsh,

Officials: Ms David Minogue, A/District Director,
Ms Annette O'Neill, Director of Finance.

No. 1 Consideration of the Draft Budgetary Plan for 2022 (General Municipal Allocations)

Ms O'Neill presented the Draft Budgetary Plans for 2022 (General Municipal Allocation – GMA). She noted the budget had been prepared against the back drop of considerable economic uncertainty caused by the Covid-19 pandemic. She believed the allocation of €450k to the Gorey Kilmuckridge Municipal District represented a prudent approach to financing the District and sought the members' approval for the budget.

Cllr Sullivan noted that the allocation was lower than other districts per capita. Ms. O'Neill informed him that other factors were considered when determining the budget.

Cllr Kavanagh asked if additional funding could be sourced via the Local Property Tax. Ms. O'Neill replied that any alteration to the existing level of LPT could only be set in 2022 for the 2023 budget.

Cllr Farrell asked how the school meal allocation was determined. Ms O'Neill and Ms Stanley explained that the allocation was dependant on the number of participating schools.

Cllr Devereux asked if more money could be allocated from within the GMA to support local amenity projects. Ms O'Neill confirmed that the members had authority to move funds across the budgetary streams within the allocation.

Cllr Kenny proposed that the Draft Budget Plan 2022 be adopted. This was seconded by Cllr Bolger. The members voted unanimously in favour of adopting the budget.

This concluded the business of the Meeting.

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**Pip Breen,
Cathaoirleach,
Gorey-Kilmuckridge Municipal District**