Minutes of the Ennis Municipal District Budget Meeting held on |Wednesday 25th 2017, at 9.30 a.m. in the Council Chamber, Áras Contae an Chláir, New October | Road, Ennis, Co. Clare.

Present:

Councillors: J. Breen, C. Colleran Molloy, P. Daly, J. Flynn, M. Howard, T. Mc Namara, P.

Murphy.

Officials: Pat Dowling, Chief Executive, Brian McCarthy, A/Director of Services, Eamon

O'Dea, Senior Executive Engineer, Caroline O Connor, Management

Accountant, Ann Reynolds, Meetings Administrator.

Apologies: Cllr. A. Norton

Mayor of Ennis, Cllr. Paul Murphy welcomed everyone to the budget meeting of the Municipal District of Ennis and outlined the purpose of the budget meeting - to consider the proposed budget of €274,400 for 2018 for the Municipal District of Ennis.

Members generally welcomed the increase but highlighted that there was no comparison to the previous budgets of the Town Council, that the population of Ennis is increasing and that it is important to invest in our county town.

Pat Dowling clarified that the General Municipal Allocation provides discretionary spend for the Municipal District and is not the only source of funding for Ennis. The full Statutory Budget will be before members on Friday 10th November, 2017 which deals with revenue expenditure across the county and the Capital programme provides funding for capital projects.

On the proposal of Cllr. J Breen and seconded by Cllr. P. Daly and Cllr. J Flynn the members agreed to adopt the Budget 2018 as set out by the Chief Executive.

Cllr. J. Flynn advised the meeting that a joint motion is being submitted to the next Municipal District meeting requesting the Council to purchase Our Lady's Hospital.

The meeting then concluded.

Towenter 14th 2017.

Cllr. Paul Murphy

Mayor of Ennis.

Meetings Administrator.