

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING  
HELD ON THURSDAY, 15<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER, 2016, AT 4.30 P.M.

IN THE GLASSHOUSE HOTEL, SLIGO.

Mr. Paddy O'Rourke, L.C.C., presided at the Meeting and the following Members were present:

- Mmes. T. McGuire, M.C.C.,  
T. Ruane, M.C.C.,  
M. Gormley, S.C.C.,  
M. Bohan, L.C.C.,  
D. Sheridan,  
S. Dore
- Messrs J. Caulfield, M.C.C.,  
T. Connolly, M.C.C.,  
C. Hyland, M.C.C.,  
J. Queenan, S.C.C.,  
S. Kilgannon, S.C.C.,  
E. Stenson, L.C.C.,  
M. Molloy,  
P. Ainsworth,  
E. Cawley.

The following were also in attendance:

Ms. M. Madden, Director of Schools, Mr. Peter Egan, FET Director, Mr. Tom Grady, Director of Organisational Support and Development (Acting), Mr. J. McGoey, A/Finance Officer and Ms. A. Mulchrone.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT (cont.).**

**CNS:** Community National Schools (CNS) are state-operated, multid denominational, inclusive schools that welcome all children from the local communities they serve. The State has now developed its own primary school model with the Community National Schools. The patron of CNS schools is the Education and Training Boards (ETBs). To date, there are 11 Community National Schools in Dublin, Wicklow, Meath, Kildare and Cork. Each CNS has thrived in the areas they are in and have developed reputations for their inclusive ethos and commitment to excellence in education. It was agreed that the CE would engage with our 5 Bishops – Bishop of Elphin, Killala, Tuam, Achonry and Kilmore with a view to increasing the number of multi-denominational schools.

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