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## MINUTES OF BANDON KINSALE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT MEETING HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COUNTY HALL, CORK ON 25<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

**Members Present:** Cllrs. A. Coleman K. Murphy, G. Coughlan, J. O'Sullivan,  
M. O'Sullivan, S. O'Donovan

**In Attendance:** Charlie McCarthy, Senior Executive Engineer, Bandon (C.M.C.)  
Brendan Fehily, Executive Engineer Kinsale (B.F)  
MacDara O'Hici, Senior Executive Officer (MD.O'H)  
Enda O'Halloran, Municipal District Officer (E.O.H)  
Niamh Spillane, Assistant Staff Officer

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### 1. *Election of Chairperson.*

Cllr A Coleman opened AGM expressing his thanks for support received in his year as Chairman. Members expressed their thanks to Cllr A Coleman. Cllr A Coleman then asked for nominations for Chairperson.

Cllr M O'Sullivan nominated Cllr Murphy this was seconded by Cllr O'Donovan. There were no other nominations.

Cllr Murphy was deemed elected Chairperson.

Cllr Murphy accepted the nomination and said that he was delighted to accept the position.

#### 2. *Election of Vice Chairperson.*

Cllr. Murphy asked for nomination of Vice Chairperson and Cllr G Coughlan proposed Cllr S O'Donovan and this was seconded by Cllr A Coleman. There were no other nominations.

Cllr S O'Donovan was deemed elected Vice Chairperson.

## Statutory Monthly Meeting

### 1. Minutes

#### **(a) Confirmation of minutes of meeting of Municipal District of Bandon Kinsale Held on 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2020**

On the proposal of Cllr O'Donovan, seconded by Cllr. Coleman the minutes of meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2020 were agreed.

Cllr S O'Donovan asked that standing orders be suspended to discuss the current situation regarding traffic in Bandon as a result of ongoing works. Nightworks were commenced and no notice was received by residents or officials and huge backlogs were experienced this week as a result of traffic lights. Cllr G Coughlan supported Cllr O'Donovan as she was also made aware of the issues.

Cllrs requested that a meeting be arranged with the Contractors to discuss the ongoing issues. MDOH stated that as Contractors were engaged by Irish Water and not Cork County Council, Irish Water need to be written to directly to express Cllrs concern at the lack of communication regarding the works and diversions. EOH to write to Irish Water as an initial step addressing the issues.

#### **(b) Matters arising from minutes dated 26<sup>th</sup> April 2019.**

#### **Opening of Kinsale Museum**

Cllr Murphy asked what the situation was with re opening the Museum. EOH stated with the current Covid guidelines there were a number of issues and it wasn't possible to open at this time.

Works need to be done to the toilet and office at the Museum for which there was a design in place.

Members suggested that they pay a visit to the Museum to see the works completed. EOH to arrange.

#### **Library Building**

Cllr Murphy enquired as to the current situation with this and was informed that tenders are currently being assessed for this job.

### 2. Reports & Recommendation:

#### **(a) Engineer's Report**

CMC circulated the RI programme for 2020 and updated members on works to date. He also stated that in light of the current climate priority of resources available should be given to road resurfacing for the rest of 2020.

### **(b) Municipal District Officer's Reports**

EOH read his report to the meeting. He stated that John Conroy wished to present a more detailed Bandon T Prep presentation at the July meeting and had suggested Council Chambers at County Hall. EOH to check availability and look into as procedure for booking has changed as a result of Covid-19. Cllrs stated that they would be happy with a separate meeting if necessary as this was an important briefing.

The Village Enhancement Scheme - it was decided to apply for monies in the coming years and the suggested order was Belgooly, Innishannon, Timoleague and Newcestown. CMC pointed out that as well as the Village Enhancement scheme allocations, applications should be made to other sources including the Town and Village funding for the villages in order to maximise the funds for any approved project. MDOH pointed out to members that there is no guarantee of any of the applications being successful or even if there will be monies available next year given the current climate and the uncertainty that lies ahead regarding finances.

### **(c) Bandon Main Drainage Scheme**

A report was circulated and noted.

Cllr Coughlan requested that a full and comprehensive report be obtained from Irish Water as to whether there was to be a deviation from the original contract and the works being done now. She expressed her concern that the current work was falling short of the works required. She also requested to know who agreed the deviation (if any) from the original contract.

### **(d) Bandon Flood Relief Scheme.**

The report was circulated.

Cllrs expressed concern at the lack of contractors on the ground and noted that they hadn't seen them for some time. CMC informed that OPW were managing the contract and not Cork County Council but he said he had been told that the works would be completed as scheduled. EOH to write to OPW to express concern that outstanding works be completed as a matter of urgency especially as the finish date for works is 30<sup>th</sup> September.

## **3. Statutory Business**

None.

**4. Correspondence**

None

**5. Any Other Business`**

*Cllr A Coleman*

- Can extra yellow lines be put at Sandycove to prevent parking as it has become very popular with endurance swimmers and parking in the area is becoming a huge issue for residents.

***This concluded the official business of the meeting.***

**CATHAOIRLEACH**

*Kerni Murphy*

**DATE**

*25/6/2020*