

## CORK COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of Proceedings of Ordinary Meeting of Ballincollig/Carrigaline Municipal District held in Council Chamber, Floor 2, County Hall, on Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 at 2.00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Councillor Joe Harris (Cathaoirleach) presided. Councillors: Deirdre Forde, Derry Canty, Seamus McGrath, Michael Murphy, Mary Rose Desmond, Eoghan Jeffers, Marcia D'Alton. Daithi O'Donnabhain.

**APOLOGIES:** Councillor John A. Collins

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Kevin O'Regan, Municipal District Officer, Madeleine Healy, Senior Executive Engineer, Sarah O'Sullivan, Assistant Staff Officer.

### 1: MINUTES

On the proposal of Cllr. Jeffers and seconded by Cllr. Murphy, the minutes of the proceedings of the Annual Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> July, 2018, having been circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Cathaoirleach.

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### 2: Matters Arising

Cllr D Forde enquired if Pio Condon was to attend this meeting. Kevin O' Regan confirmed that it had been agreed that he would attend the October meeting

### 3: CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

#### Housing Report for Ballincollig/Carrigaline Municipal District July 2018.

##### (i) Part VIII – Clarke Hill.

Ken O' Riordan Senior Executive Engineer and Marguerite Murphy from Mott McDonald attended the meeting and updated members in relation to the submissions received. Members raised queries in relation to Traffic lights the lack of provision of cycle lanes, width of footpath tree removal and if CPO would be required to progress the project.

In response Ken O' Riordan advised that to try and incorporate cycle lanes would have further impact on the adjoining properties and that at 9% the in excess of the NTAs preferred limit of 5%. The minimum guideline width for a footpath is 1.8m and what is proposed is 2m. Every effort will be made to try and minimise the impact of tree removal but it will be required. Traffic lights are required as junctions are designed for all users, not just vehicular traffic. He further confirmed that CPO will be the next step and that once the Part VIII is approved there will be engagement with every landowner.

On the proposal of Cllr Mary Rose Desmond, seconded by Cllr Deirdre Forde it was agreed to forward the Part VIII to be forwarded to Full Council for approval.

##### (ii) 2018 Footpath programme.

Madeleine Healy reminded Members that as the programme in previous years had been supplemented by Special Development contributions but as these were now spent the amount available for 2018 would be lower than previous years. She also reminded Members that the amount of work that would be undertaken would be determined by the cost so it may not be possible to undertake all the works that they would like to. The proposed programme will be forwarded to Members for the October meeting.

**(iii) Douglas Appointed Stands (Taxi) Bye Laws 2018.**

Kevin O' Regan advised members that following receipt of observations from NTA some minor amendments were proposed to the Draft Bye-Laws. Members queried the potential impact of the recently approved Planning application by Lidl on the appointed Stand Area. Kevin O' Regan agreed to seek clarification on same. On the proposal of Cllr Jeffers, seconded by Cllr MI Murphy it was agreed to make the Douglas Appointed Stand (Taxi) Bye Laws, 2018.

**(iv) Litter Management Plan.**

Members noted report from Kevin O' Regan in relation to this issue. It was agreed that an overall Plan that incorporated the Environment Directorate's responsibilities would produce a better Plan and that as given the changes that will take place in the Municipal District Areas new Plans would have to be prepared in 2018 that the matter should be deferred until after the local elections. On the proposal of Cllr McGrath and seconded by Cllr D'Alton it was agreed that the issue of increasing the Council's enforcement needs to be raised with the Chief executive and the Environment Directorate.

**(v) 30 kph Speed Limit Proposals 2018.**

Noted that this issue will now progress through the Roads directorate to Full Council.

**4: DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY**

To consider the Grant of Lease of Rooms at Passage West Town Hall to Passage West Maritime Museum CGL for the term of 10 years for the consideration of €1 per annum.

Members noted that that disposal was relating to the Museum project that the Municipal District was supportive of, and agreed that the matter should be forwarded to Full Council for approval.

**5: GENERAL MUNICIPAL ALLOCATION 2018/TOWN DEVELOPMENT FUND 2018**

Kevin o' Regan advised that there was no report for this meeting.

**6: NOTICES OF MOTION**

To consider the following Notice of Motion in the name of Cllr. Seamus McGrath:

1. **"To request that traffic calming measures, including speed ramps, extra signage and road markings be put in place on the School road, Ringaskiddy."**

Madeleine Healy advised that this is a rural road and that it would ne be suitable for speed ramps. She advised that she will look at the potential for enhancing road markings and increased signage

2. **"To seek an update from the Engineer on the resurfacing of the Raffeen to Monkstown Road."**

Cllr D'Alton supported Cllr McGraths concerns in relation to this issue  
Madeleine Healy advised that at present she does not have a date for when these works will be undertaken. She advised that there were in negotiations with IW representatives as part of the overall discussions on road reinstatement. She noted that ESB ducting works had also led to delays.

3. **"To request improved markings on the Main Street of Carrigaline for loading bays and disabled parking spots as well as refreshing other markings. To also request directional signage on the main street for the Owenabue carpark."**

Cllr Jeffers supported Cllr McGrath in relation to this issue.

Madeleine Healy agreed to look at carrying out works in relation to the concerns raised.

**To consider the following Notice of Motion in the name of Cllr. Marcia D'Alton:**

1. **"That this Municipal District would consider funding a Vacant Premises Enhancement Scheme similar to that supported by Meath County Council."**

Cllr D'Alton noted that the Scheme by Meath was limited and referred to an alternative in Dun Laoghaire Rathdown which provided for a grant of up to €5,000 towards refurbishment costs and noted that it could potentially be funded by the MDs through their TDF.

Cllrs Desmond and McGrath supported Cllr D'Alton's motion but enquired if this was something that the Council should look at through the Economic Development Section or SPC.

It was agreed that Kevin O' Regan would make contact with the Director of Economic Development with a view to having the matter discussed further at the October meeting with relevant staff.

2. **"That the Planning Office of Cork County Council would provide details of any proposals pertaining to sites in this Municipal District which are being prepared for submission under the Urban Regeneration & Development Fund 2018."**

Kevin O' Regan advised that Management are currently looking at developing an approach to inform Full council on all the proposed sites to be submitted under the Scheme.

Members expressed the view that they had not been allowed to have input into the process and requested that their views be made know to Management to ensure that they have the opportunity to be involved in any future Schemes.

3. **"That although the contract for the Lower Harbour Drainage Scheme requires reinstatement to "as was" condition, Cork County Council would be open to considering certain changes made to facilitate installation of the scheme to remain in situ. Particular examples include the now wider entrance to Toureen car park, Passage West and the wider entrance to the new slipway, Monkstown."**

Cllr McGrath supported this motion. Madeleine Healy advised that whereas this is not a Council issue she would discuss with IW to see if this and a similar arrangement at the slipway in Monkstown could be facilitated.

**To consider the following Notices of Motion in the name of Cllr. Mary Rose Desmond:**

1. **"To ask that this Municipal District in light of the proposed investment to the Rochestown/Passage Greenway, revisit my previous request to have the Coca Cola Bike Scheme extended to the Douglas, Rochestown and Passage area."**

Kevin O' Regan advised members that he had received a response that afternoon in relation to this issue advising that extending the Scheme in cork would " result in very significant increases in the operational costs of the scheme. Exchequer funding for this expenditure is not available to the NTA and local authority support for funding these costs is essential."

Members were disappointed that the NTA were trying to divest operation costs to the local authorities and expressed a view that the case for expanding the Scheme in Cork needed to be made. Following a discussion it was agreed that Cllr Desmond and Kevin O' Regan would draft a letter to the NTA outlining why the Scheme needed to be expanded and requesting that the NTA take a fresh look at the potential for the Scheme in Cork .

2. **"To ask the Engineer if a Yellow box could be considered at the Maryborough Hill entrance to Maryborough Estate."**

Cllr Desmond advised that she had spoken to Madeleine Healy on this issue.

3. **"To ask the Engineer for an update with regard to the securing of the electronic speed sign for this Municipal District and planned locations for its use."**

Madeleine Healy advised that she has not yet purchased any but intends to acquire 1 or 2.

To consider the following Notices of Motion in the name of Cllr. Michael Murphy:

1. **“To request that works are carried out on Top Terrace, Rockenham.”**

Cllr Murphy requested that the Engineer keep this area in mind when considering where works will be undertaken.

2. **“That signs are erected at the bottom of Church Hill in Passage West to inform road users of routes to Douglas, Rochestown Link Road, Glenbrook, Monkstown etc.”**

Madeleine Healy agreed to look at the area in question.

To consider the following Notices of Motion in the name of Cllr. Eoghan Jeffers:

1. **“That the engineer would consider road repair works in Bromley, Donnybrook.”**

Madeleine Healy advised that she would only be in a position to undertake repair/potholing work.

2. **“That the engineer would seek to improve road and pedestrian safety on Shamrock Road, Shamrock Lawn.”**

Cllr Jeffers requested if signage or other measures could be put in place and queried as to a public light that appeared to have been installed and then removed.

Madeleine Healy asked if Cllr Jeffers could send in details of the issues and the location of the light.

3. **“That this MD would seek a response from the Heritage Officer of Cork County Council in relation to a previous motion, to mark Phil Carty’s relevance to the Fingerpost Roundabout.”**

Kevin O Regan agreed to contact the Heritage Officer on this issue.

## **8: VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS**

Cllr. Desmond congratulated Passage West ladies football team

Cllr Murphy congratulated Passage West Ladies Senior team on winning the Kevin Barry Cup

## **9: ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

### **Kevin O Regan**

Kevin O Regan referred to the note circulated to Members in relation to update on various issues that had been raised at previous meetings.

### **Madeleine Healy**

Madeleine Healy thanked Members for their co-operation in relation to Ballea Road project.

### **Cllr. Desmond**

(i) Cllr. Desmond commended the Donnybrook Hill reinstatement work

(ii) Cllr. Desmond advised that she had received a complaint in relation to the condition of the graveyard in Douglas.

Madeleine Healy agreed to investigate.

### **Cllr. McGrath**

(i) Cllr. McGrath asked if the grass around the Skatepark could be looked at and if artificial grass may be needed due to the gradient

(ii) Cllr McGrath asked if the Engineer would look at the unofficial path that has developed from the car park to the skate park to see if this could be made into a proper access.

(iii) Cllr. McGrath advised that signage at the playground in Carrigaline is outstanding. Madeleine Healy advised that the signage has been erected at the entrance of the park on the vehicular entrance and a second sign on the pole as one enters the park. Further sign will be erected on the Park Gate

(iv) Cllr. McGrath asked if Mahers Lane could be looked at as there is considerable traffic on this narrow road.

(v) Cllr. McGrath requested that the meeting with Bus Eireann be brought forward as improvements in service were due to commence in September.

(vi) Cllr McGrath requested that the Traffic and Transport Section attend the October meeting to provide an update on Carrigaline.

**Cllr D'Alton**

(i) Cllr D'Alton enquired about the closure on the L6473 and if this was tied in with the R610 works. Madeleine Healy advised that this is a water related issue and not linked to the IW works.

(ii) Cllr D'Alton raised concerns in relation to the quality of the temporary road reinstatement and in particular the area by Glenbrook. Madeleine Healy advised that IW is responsible and her office will contact them if they are notified of particular deficiencies.

(iii) Cllr D'Alton raised concerns in relation to the top surface of the Rochestown Road, near Hop Island. Madeline Healy advised that she does not have funding for any major works in this area.

(iv) Cllr D'Alton requested that the Area Engineer follow up on light No 9 in Ardmore estate which has been reported but not repaired.

(v) Cllr D'Alton enquired about what can be done in relation to abandoned cars that are in estates that are not TIC. Kevin O' Regan advised that the Council could not take any action under the Road Traffic Acts. The Council may, depending on the circumstances, be able to act under Environmental/Litter legislation.

(vi) Cllr D'Alton enquired about the proposed disposal at Barnahely Road that did not progress at full Council. Kevin O' Regan advised that the Property Section had contacted him to advise that the matter would be brought back to the Municipal District for consideration and it was not going to progress on the terms as set out in the original Disposal Notice.

This concluded the business of the Meeting.

Signed:   
CATHAOIRLEACH

Date: 15/10/18