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### MINUTES OF BANDON KINSALE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT MEETING HELD ON MICROSOFT TEAMS APP ON 16<sup>TH</sup> December 2021.

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

**In Attendance:** Richard Cahill, Senior Executive Engineer SEE  
Ed Coleman, Assistant Executive Engineer, Kinsale AE  
MacDara O'Hici, Senior Executive Officer SEO  
Claire Levis, Assistant Staff Officer. ASO  
Paul Barry, Municipal District Officer MDO  
Claire O'Donovan, Clerical Officer

#### Statutory Monthly Meeting

##### 1. Minutes

**(a) Confirmation of minutes of meeting of Municipal District of Bandon Kinsale held on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

On the proposal of Cllr. Marie O'Sullivan seconded by Cllr. Alan Coleman, the minutes of the November meeting were agreed.

**(b) Matters arising from minutes dated 25<sup>th</sup> November 2021.**

In reply to query getting the suction sweeper to Kinsale the AEE responded to say that it was on the way.

In response to a query re the application for road closures and whether the time can be changed from 12 months the SEO informed the meeting that whatever was advertised needed to be followed and could not be changed from that.

##### 2. Reports and Recommendations.

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

- The SEE reported on the roads issues and works done since the last meeting in the Bandon area and the Kinsale area.
- We have also started the drainage on the first RI scheme for 2022, the road out from the town past the golf club.
- We have reallocated a digger to the Seven Heads to continue drainage also in this area over the winter.
- Re Footpaths. Since the last meeting we have completed over 100m of new footpath and drainage on the New Road approach into Bandon Town from near Poachers to the roundabout adjacent to the GAA pitch.
- We have completed the works on Kilbrogan Street except we are awaiting the new handrail, we hope to have it installed for Christmas.
- The John Duggan footpath team are currently at the Old Cork Road junction near Brogans college. Since the last meeting the new pedestrian crossing has been created and they are currently working down around the Thornfield Estate where road edges are being redefined and a raised crossing is being inserted which will aid pedestrian safety and slow traffic entering the estate.
- We completed the installation of the new notice board and wheelchair friendly picnic table also in the amenity area at Dunworley
- We re-laid the footpath at the junction up from the hotel in Courtmacsherry that will make the crossing more accessible for all.
- We also milled out and re-laid tarmac on the road down to the Courtmacsherry hotel as there was a major joint after opening on the middle of the road.
- The N71 will be open to 2 way traffic from next Wednesday and the contractors will be back on site after Christmas.

### Report for Kinsale area from AE

- Finished footpath works linking Riverstick village to the walkway that connects to Curra woods.
- Ongoing footpath in Belgooly connecting the village to Cramers Court (works will be complete before Christmas)
- Footpath outside the Hospital in Kinsale is now almost complete, a fence will be installed.
- Met with contractor and locals in Dunderrow re speed cushions, design phase for 2022
- Build out at Fish shed complete in Kinsale Town, this is to allow a safe crossing point to the centre of the town for pedestrians, beacon to be installed
- Build out and installation of Cycle Racks in front of Cronins @Kinsale is complete. The loading bay that was in this location will be relocated 20m up the road to a safer location.
- Ongoing Gullies in Ballinspittle, Ballinadee and Kilbrittain done.
- Clontead graveyard drainage system installed.
- Stream down by New Road cleaned out.
- We have also commenced the climate adaptation works in Ring.
- The works involves the reconstruction of a wall and the insertion of some non return valves. these works should reduce the frequency of flooding.
- We used a combination of funding to put a new surface on the R601 around the Abbey in Timoleague. We also intend putting some non-return valves in the outlets into the estuary and this should prevent flooding
- Town park car park resurfacing, ducting and drainage ongoing.

- Worlds end wall upgrade ongoing
- Christmas lights up in harbour.
- Lining upgrades in town.
- Kinsale tree up at Cronin's .

The members took time to congratulate Ed Coleman (AEE) on his new job in Glanmire Roads office and expressed their disappointment at losing him from Kinsale. They wished him well and said that he had so many things to be proud of in Kinsale due to his works.

***(b) Municipal District Officer's Report.***

Municipal District Meeting indicative locations and dates

Jan 27 <sup>th</sup>	Feb 24 <sup>th</sup>	March 24 <sup>th</sup>	April 28 <sup>th</sup>	May 26 <sup>th</sup>
MS Teams	MS Teams	Kinsale	Kinsale	Kinsale
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Clearing of Railway Tracks at Bernards Bridge Bandon

The Council are proposing to cut and clear the railway tracks at Bernards Bridge with the intention to create a walkway. This will be away from the busy N71 road and be much safer for users. These works will hopefully take place in January.

Members have welcomed this however have asked to ensure that the local people are aware of what the Council is doing in this area.

Upgrade Works to the Pier Field in Courtmacsherry

The Council is proposing to lay a concrete footpath inside the roadside wall of the pier field and to have three small paths lead off from this, where three picnic benches will be installed.

There will also be a small entrance to the field created next to the existing gate to allow pedestrian access.

The works will hopefully take place in January.

In response to the questions whether the locals would be informed the meeting was told they would be told before the start of works.

**3. Statutory Business**

**a) New Disabled Parking Bay Installation – for Millbrook Medical Centre, New Road, Bandon**

*This was proposed by Cllr G. Coughlan and seconded by Cllr S O'Donovan*

#### 4. Correspondence.

Correspondence from Coillte re the sale of the woods in Riverstick including a map. The Members welcomed the correspondence however have requested that Coillte be written to to ask about the sale and who the sale would be to and for what purpose. They have also requested that Coillte be asked to ensure that sufficient land be kept maintaining a walkway on the outside. Members have said that the connectivity of this area to the village is very important.

#### 5. Any Other Business.

In response to the possibility of a Boardwalk on the Bandon river the meeting was told that this was not possible due to the possibility of waters rising. A study had been done previously.

In reply to the question of re greening the banks of the river Bandon after the floodworks SEE stated that he would contact the OPW again.

Corner in Shippool Concrete bollards will be installed to prevent any accident

The members welcomed the footpath in Belgooly to the nursing home.

In response to a request to change and upgrade the signs for Saile the SEE said he would order new signs.

The SEO, in a reply to a query about Kinsale Museum said that a Business Plan was currently being prepared.

In response to an issue regarding boats docked in the Long Quay the SEO replied he would ask the Harbour Master regarding them.

In response to the issue of the bad turn in Coolmoreen the SEE said he would look at it.

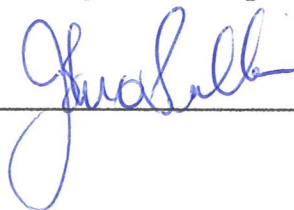
In reply to the issue of lining the road near the Rising Sun, the SEE said this would happen.

Potholes in the R586 the SEE said he would look at.

In response to creating a Blue way from the Kinsale to Innishannon, the SEO stated that there was much research gone into this already and funding to start developing this has been received so this idea will be progressed.

*This concluded the official business of the meeting.*

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**Roads Issues Meeting 16<sup>th</sup> December 2021**

Regarding the top of the road by Featherbed lane the members have asked to change the right of way of the traffic, SEE said he would look at it.

Members thanked the works done in North Main street Bandon and have asked for monies to update the footpaths.

In response to the footpaths in Ballylangly the SEE stated that they would be done.

Members thanked the engineers for the works done in Kilbrogin.

Asked for the Dog warden in Old Chapel and New Road Bandon.

In response to the village renewal scheme the SEE stated that the Safe Route to School fund and the Village renewal scheme would be joined.

Southern Bypass Bandon badly needed.