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MINUTES OF BANDON KINSALE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT MEETING HELD IN TOWN HALL, KINSALE ON FRIDAY 27TH JANUARY 2017.

Members Present: Cllrs. K. Murphy, G. Coughlan, J. O'Donovan, Aidan Lombard, R. McCarthy, A. Coleman

In Attendance: Charlie McCarthy, Senior Executive Engineer, Bandon (C.M.C.)
Brendan Fehily, Executive Engineer, Kinsale (B.F.)
Mac Dara O'Hici, Senior Executive Officer (M.D O'H)
Billy Horgan, Executive Engineer, Carrigaline (B.H.)
Enda O'Halloran, A/Municipal District Officer (E.O.H)
Claire O'Donovan, Clerical Officer

1 (a) Confirmation of Minutes of Municipal District of Bandon-Kinsale Meeting held 19th December 2016.

On the proposal of Cllr. Coughlan seconded by Cllr. McCarthy the Minutes of Meeting of Bandon-Kinsale Municipal District held on 19th December 2016 were confirmed.

1 (b) Matters arising from Minutes dated 19th December 2016.

Cllr. Coleman referred to a Notice of Motion that he had submitted in November,

"That this Municipal District calls on the County Council to provide power for the lights on the Christmas tree in Riverstick this Christmas in the same manner as previous years"

He said that he had received a reply from Irish Water who stated that they hadn't received a formal request from Cork County Council. It was agreed to ask Mary T. McCarthy as matter was discussed at Western Division Meeting.

Cllr. Coughlan asked at speed review at Belgooly. BF informed members that he was in the process of preparing a full report that he would present to members. He also said that the report would be presented to the Gardai and suggested that an increased Garda presence would help the situation.

Cllr. Murphy asked that a speed monitor be put in Commogue.

Cllr. Murphy asked about Rights of Way at Innishannon. MDO'H informed members that the solicitors had reverted back and that there was no public right of way registered only private rights of way. He undertook to speak to former Councillor Veronica Neville

Cllr. Murphy asked for an update on Saile. MDOH said he had written to Saile with the request that 2 members sit on the Board. Saile replied to say there was no initial agreement in place and now the matter was with the Council's Solicitor and that it was proposed to send another reminder. Cllr. Murphy suggested checking if there was a contract drawn up in Town Council time. MDOH said there was a letter on file from the Town Clerk making grant available. BF informed members that it was proposed and seconded at a Town Council meeting to pay over the money subject to certain conditions.

Cllr. Murphy asked if there was any progress made regarding Kinsale Men's Shed. BF said he had suggested numerous locations but there was nowhere to suit them. Cllr. Murphy suggested putting pressure on HSE regarding their disused building on Market Lane. It was agreed to write to HSE regarding this building which could be of use to the community. MDOH said the ideal situation would be if they could be accommodated on the lands that Cork County Council had made available to Saile for the benefit of the community and there was a room at Saile available for community projects.

Cllr. Coughlan enquired if there was any news on Bandon Men's Shed. MDOH confirmed that the land at Cloughmacsimon they had inquired about was purchased for housing and that it would have to be developed for housing. He said that he had raised the issue with housing and that they were open to including a community facility in any housing development proposal but that that would be subject to Department Approval. Cllr. McCarthy suggested they consider alternative sites.

Cllr. Murphy suggested that a special reception be held to honour sports achievements in the locality, namely the 2 golfers Cathal Butler and John Murphy, Kinsale ladies football team, the Harte Brothers, John Twomey. It was agreed that a draft list be circulated and get any other suggestions/amendments. Cllr. McCarthy suggested that this be done before the Bandon Opinion awards.

The MDO undertook to come back to the members with a proposal for acknowledging the work done in Kinsale by recent retirees. Cllr. Murphy also suggested holding a reception for Dan Cummins, Charles Henderson and Phil Devitt.

2 (a) Bandon Main Drainage Scheme

CMC informed members that the sewerage scheme was going to tender at the end of March. He said there was continuous updates on website and that work was continuing on storm drainage on Glasslyn Road and out the Cork Road. Cllr. McCarthy stressed the importance of communication. CMC informed members that there would be a number of road closures imminent at Bradys Lane and Bridge Lane and there would be significant traffic disruption.

(b) Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 – proposed Disposal of Property at Barrett’s Hill, Ballinhassig.

It was agreed to revert to the Property Section and ask for the background on this and what is the proposed plan.

(c) Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 – Camden Fort Meagher Developments Designated Activity Company.

On the proposal of Cllr. Coughlan, seconded by Cllr. O’Donovan this was agreed.

(d) Update on The Glen Traffic Management Plan.

BF said there was no update and how he had requested the business people in the area to meet and discuss. Cllr. Murphy requested that BF pursue this and the possibility of moving the loading bays.

(e) Update on plan for Pier Road Car Park.

BF informed members that he would be attending a meeting regarding same over the next 2 weeks. MDOH said how Mary Ryan wanted this to fit in with proposals mentioned at (f) below. He also said how by allowing a designated Casual Trading in the car park would limit it’s uses. KM stated that the ESB substation was a big impediment.

(f) Alternative interim parking area for buses in Kinsale.

Cllr. Murphy stated how it was unsafe for buses to offload passengers on pier side and suggested that Bus Eireann be invited to a meeting to discuss same. BF said he had been in contact with the National Transport Authority regarding the bus turning at the White Lady. If bus isn’t able to turn there, there are delays due to parking at RNL station in order to get to Archdeacon Bridge to turn. Also how the buses had to on-hour. BF said that it was possible to do a through road through car park as the development of this site is for the benefit of the town. Cllr. Coleman agreed with BF’s ideal and that it shouldn’t be at a high cost and maybe even the NTA might fund in their own best interest.

3. Statutory Business

(a) Laws Proposals for changes to Speed Limit Bye Laws under 2017.

CMC circulated proposals. It was agreed that Nohoval be decreased from 80 kph to 50 kph instead of 30 kph.

Members discussed road passing Dunderrow School and the proposal to extend the 50 kph zone by 314m. CMC said this was only a problem twice a day and any traffic passing a school would be slowed down anyway. Cllr. Murphy said one road passing a school couldn’t be changed and not all the others. CMC suggested maybe making Dunderrow a pilot scheme and do speed checks.

CMC informed members about TII proposal to extend 60 kph zone over bridge at Innishannon where 50 kph is in place. CMC said that the 50 kph would have to be extended through village.

Members agreed as per recommendations of CMC recommendations and as discussed at previous meeting.

(b) Part 8 – St. Patrick’s Quay, Bandon.

CMC circulated Part 8 to members for their consideration and informed members that submissions had been received. One proposal was from Con O’Leary who wanted public toilets be relocated. CMC said that they would not be relocated under this Part 8. CMC informed members that this project would not be going to Tender until Part 8 approval and that the locals were aware of plans. On the proposal of Cllr. Coughlan, seconded by Cllr. O’Donovan, it was agreed to send to full Council.

(c) Notice of Motion from Cllr. James O’Donovan

“I call on this council to carry out a speeding review within The Priory estate in Old Chapel, Bandon as residents are concerned about the speed of vehicles within the estate and that the relevant measures be taken on the results”

CMC said that the first step would be to establish if there was a speed problem there. Cllr. O’Donovan to contact CMC with exact location.

4. Correspondence.

MDOH informed members that an official invitation had issued from the Mayor of Newport inviting an official delegation to Newport for their St. Patrick’s Day Parade in March. On the proposal of Cllr. Coughlan, seconded by Cllr. Coleman it was agreed to that the Chairman would attend and the meeting also recommended that the MDO would attend with the Chairman. send Enda O’Halloran, Acting Municipal District Officer along with Cllr. Kevin Murphy.

MDOH spoke about Village Renewal and suggested that rather than dividing the money between all the villages to implement a 5 year programme and do one village per year in conjunction with other works. The list proposed was Crosshaven, Ballinspittle, Ballygarvan, Halfway and Kilbrittain. He said that although the fund was for works that would not normally be done out of roads budgets, by co-ordinating the spend with other planned works in the villages the Municipal District could achieve more for each village. **With the last 3 listed to be supplementing road works and public realm enhancements.** On the proposal of Cllr. Murphy, seconded by Cllr. Coughlan this was agreed.

The MDO circulated proposed projects for 2017 Town Development Fund and Pay Parking monies. Regarding toilets in Kinsale CMC said that any works would be in conjunction with proposals with car park.

CMC spoke of Bandon bridge and the proposal to put a pedestrian bridge on west side bridge to provide proper access to the school.

Members welcomed proposed paint scheme at St. Patricks Quay, Bandon.

Members spoke re: Macroom Road entry at Bandon and said that this badly needed an uplift.

Fencing at Charles Fort – it is important that this is done to establishing ownership and possession with a view to developing in the future.

Works at boules area was to improve access from Main Street.

On the proposal of Cllr. Coughlan, seconded by Cllr. O'Donovan, the proposed projects for 2017 Town Development Fund and Pay Parking monies were approved and agreed.

Cllr. Coughlan suggested that the playground in Bandon be kept in mind for next year. CMC said that the recent media coverage was unfair as the Council cannot control anti-social behaviour. MDOH confirmed that a consultant had been appointed to progress the installation of CCTV in Bandon and that the area would be covered by the scheme. Members were informed that Kinsale received a total of €88,000 for pay parking. Members asked if towns without payparking still received a dividend. MDOH clarified that only towns with pay parking got the dividend.

MDOH informed members that very few grant applications were received.

Cllr. Coughlan asked that an anti-slip surface be put at Chipshop corner. CMC said that resurfacing had been done and that the surface was improved.

Cllr. O'Donovan asked if something could be done with the road surface in Bandon. CMC said that the Patrick's Quay proposal would cover some but he had no flexibility with budgets and that Cork County Council were trying to maintain streets as best they could. He said if the sewerage scheme goes to tender in March, then some progress could be made.

Cllr. O'Donovan said that a Playground Committee from Innishannon wanted to come in to a meeting as a deputation. MDOH said they should apply for a grant initially.

Cllr. Lombard said he had been contacted by residents of Upper Kilmoney Road in relation to traffic calming. He said the last survey was done 4 and a half years ago. BF to check. Cllr. Lombard said that a sign indicating the 50 kph zone would help.

Cllr. Lombard said how the Crosshaven School of Music had contacted him as 240 children and 14 staff had to be out of their current building by July and had nowhere to go. It was suggested that MDOH talk to John Forde regarding use of land at Camden and land ownership. Cllr. Coleman said how there were too many groups were approaching the Council for land.

Cllr. Murphy

- spoke about road surface at Oatlands Cross. BF said that drainage issues had to be addressed first and said he'd speak to Dan Cummins and Matthew Galvin first.
- R606 Whitecastle to Old Bridge was subsiding.
- Innishannon village looking grotty and subsidence. CMC said he had highlighted this with TII.
- Road/footpath from O'Murchus shop up to church at Innishannon in bad condition and used by a wheelchair user.
- Kinsale museum needs a curator. MDOH said how all volunteers now had to be Garda vetted and also there would be a cost of providing a curator. He spoke about how Mary Ryan wanted to implement a charge but couldn't do so as volunteers couldn't accept or lodge money and how it would be hard to justify a curator without income.

5. Any Other Business

EOH informed members that an invitation had been extending to Newport and reported that 2 councillors would be coming for St. Patrick's Day.

Any ideas regarding Sports Capital Grants to be submitted to EOH.

EOH informed members that Camden was booked for March meeting of BKMD.

Cllr. Alan Coleman reported potholes at Ballinacourtha.

This concluded the official business of the meeting.

CATHAOIRLEACH *Kenneth Murphy*

DATE *24/2/2017*