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MINUTES OF BANDON KINSALE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT MEETING HELD IN TOWN HALL, KINSALE ON 22ND JULY 2020.

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

Apologies: Cllrs. John O'Sullivan, Sean O'Donovan, Brendan Fehily.

In Attendance: Charlie McCarthy, Senior Executive Engineer, Bandon (C.M.C.)
Gordon O'Donovan, Executive Engineer Kinsale (G.O.D.)
MacDara O'Hici, Senior Executive Officer (MD.O'H)
Enda O'Halloran, Municipal District Officer (E.O.H)
Claire O'Donovan, Clerical Officer.

Statutory Monthly Meeting

1. Minutes

(a) Confirmation of minutes of meeting of Municipal District of Bandon Kinsale Held on 25th June 2020.

On the proposal of Cllr Coughlan, seconded by Cllr. Murphy the minutes of meeting held on 25th June, 2020 were agreed.

(b) Matters arising from minutes dated 25th June 2019.

Cllr. Murphy

- Update on Library, MDOH said that tenders were currently being assessed. EOH to contact County Architect to get timeline.
- Museum. EOH said that the museum won't be opening this year due to Covid-19 and the age range of volunteers.

- Lift for museum. MDOH said that this is a complication because of the age and status of the building. No funding was currently available but we would get an estimate of the potential cost before any decision could be made.

2. Reports and Recommendations.

(a) *Bandon Main Drainage Scheme*

CMC informed members that signature works were due to begin at St Finbarrs Place in August and that a traffic management plan will be in place.

(b) *Flood Relief Scheme*

CMC said how contractors were back on site and that works should be complete d by end September. Cllr. Coughlan asked could the banks of the river be strengthened by grass, MDOH said that there would have been an ecology report done. EOH to contract OPW or Ger Barry in relation to same.

(c) *Engineer's Report*

A report on Road Improvements progress was circulated and CMC said that the main focus was to continue working through the programme. Cllr. Murphy asked that potholes be repaired in the area and suggested that a team should be given overtime to keep on top of the pothole situation. CMC said how there would be budgetary implications but would check.

Cllr. M. O'Sullivan thanked the Engineers in both Kinsale and Bandon for their help in the Activating County Towns initiative.

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

EOH read his report for members.

3. Statutory Business

(i) **Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 the proposed disposal of property at Roughgrove, Bandon, Co. Cork – 0.2373 hectares/0.5863 acres to Kevin Harte & Laura O'Mahony for a consideration of €60,000.**

On the proposal of Cllr. Coughlan, seconded by Cllr. O'Sullivan this was agreed.

(ii) **Notices of Motion submitted by Cllr. Gillian Coughlan**

- That Bandon Kinsale Municipal District write to Failte Ireland to insist that the Discovery Point on the Wild Atlantic Way, which was promised for Courtmacsherry, is instated immediately and that the physical and online Wild Atlantic Way maps and paraphernalia are undated to reflect this addition. Also that Failte Ireland would review their decision not to include the entirety of the Seven Heads Peninsula in this addition, thereby negating the need for further amendments in the future.

On the proposal of Cllr. Coughlan seconded by Cllr. M. O'Sullivan the motion was agreed. Cllr. Coleman said that this matter was discussed at the Tourism SPC and that a route was agreed

and the Cork County Council would upgrade junctions. Failte Ireland are happy for the route to be added and that Covid-19 was the delay for signage.

- That Cork County Council issues an update on the status of the Casual Trading By-Laws in County Cork. This update is sought in light of a perceived recent increase in casual trading across the Bandon Kinsale Municipal District in particular and complaints received from rate paying business people who are completing directly with casual traders.

On the proposal of Cllr. Coughlan seconded by Cllr. M. O'Sullivan the motion was agreed.

Cllr. M. O'Sullivan said how there should be casual trading compliance as the ratepayers have to. MDOH explained to members the delays with county wide Bye-Laws. A draft was adopted by all Municipal Districts, following the required statutory consultation process there were over 60 submissions received which would have to be considered by the full council but a total of 11 appeals to the district court were received in 5 different areas from 3 appellants. Before the council could further consider the draft Bye Laws or the submissions the District court appeals had to be decided on. The council's legal team advised that a report on the current status of a legal rights to hold markets in the county would have to be commissioned to inform how the council would proceed. The report is now completed and we are awaiting legal advice on how to proceed.

4. Correspondence.

None received.

5. Any Other Business.

Cllr. Coughlan

- Praised the Engineering staff in Bandon and Kinsale for their help in Activating County Towns Initiative.
- Asked if Market Quay in Bandon could be considered for pedestrian/cycle priority? CMC said this might not be suitable as there was an entrance to a car park on this street.
- Asked that Bandon Heritage Centre could be reinvigorated. MDOH said that they had gotten funding for a Feasibility Study.
- Potholes at Daingean.
- Asked that the Housing Department be written to and ask that Sean Hales Terrace be reinstated on planning maintenance list for 2020.

Cllr. M. O'Sullivan

- Traffic problems on Summercove Hill and perhaps a one-way system be put in place for summer months in conjunction with Kinsale Gardai. EOH said that perhaps a temporary one-way system be put in place resembling the Dock/Castlepark.

Cllr. Coleman

- Traffic problems at Garretstown. Could a landowner be approached for land for motor homes to park. MDOH said that as well as the Sanitary Services Act, there would be planning issues.
- Garrylucas Beach, why approximately one third of beach closed off for kite-surfing.

Cllr. Murphy

- Supported Cllr. Coleman about issues with parking at Garretstown as during peak times, areas like Garretstown, the Dock, Sandy Cove and Summercove would be impossible for emergency vehicles. He said that a traffic management plan was needed.
- Pewterhole Cross –dangerous to traffic.
- Signage at Dunkettle Roundabout and Airport signifying that Kinsale is start of Wild Atlantic Way as Kinsale is often bypassed. CMCm said that this is a matter for TII and Failte Ireland.
- Wheelchair access at Garretstown and Garrylucas. Said that there's one in place in the Warren, Rosscarbery and asked for more details to acquire one.
- Potholes at Brinny and Knockavilla.
- Potholes at Peddlars cross.
- Potholes at Cashel Mor and Cashel Beg.

MacDara O'hici informed members that the Cork County Council project The Michael Collins Trail contract was awarded and works would be due to commence within next few weeks.

This concluded the official business of the meeting.

CATHAOIRLEACH

Kevin Murphy

DATE

24/9/2020