



Minutes of Proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting of the Carrigaline Municipal District held via Microsoft Teams on Monday 21st of June 2021 at 14:00.

Present: Cllr. Audrey Buckley (Cathaoirleach), Cllr. Liam O'Connor, Cllr. Seamus McGrath, Cllr. Marcia D'Alton, Cllr. Ben Dalton O'Sullivan and Cllr. Michael Paul Murtagh

In Attendance: Madeleine Healy, Senior Executive Engineer; Nicola Radley, Senior Executive Officer; Carol Conway, Municipal District Officer; Sophie Ryan, Assistant Staff Officer; Ian Broe, Clerical Officer.

1. Confirmation of Minutes

Proposed by Cllr. McGrath and seconded by Cllr. D'Alton

2. Matters Arising

Cllr. Ben Dalton O'Sullivan noted that a resident had been in contact regarding potholes and long grass in Ballinrea and asked could this be looked at. Cllr. McGrath, he had already been in contact with the district supervisor regarding Ballinrea. Cllr. McGrath asked had there been a response from the NTA and if not, could we write to them again. Cllr. Marcia D'Alton asked that we do not forget about the litter management plan, beach wheelchair report and assigning a cleaning resource to Passage West/Monkstown. Cllr. Liam O'Connor asked was there any update on funding for water sports in Carrigaline. Carol informed Cllr. McGrath that responses had been posted online. Nicola informed Cllr. O'Connor that there had not yet been an update on funding.

3. Reports & Recommendations

- (i) Grant of Wayleave at Kilnagleary, Carrigaline to Irish Water

Members agreed to defer this until the July meeting to await more information.

- (ii) Grant of Wayleave at rear of No. 24 Victoria Terrace, Glenbrook, Passage West

Proposed by Cllr. Marcia D'Alton and seconded by Cllr. McGrath

4. MDO Report

Carol Conway went through the contents of her report and invited members questions and queries. Cllr. Ben Dalton O'Sullivan gave his thanks for the installation of an ASD board in Carrigaline and added that this is a very positive addition and has received great feedback.

Cllr. McGrath also welcomed the installation of the ASD board but added that he would like to be more proactive with the upgrading of playgrounds. He would pick one or more each year to upgrade from the capital budget. He would also like to see Cork County Council step up to the mark again this year with regards to Christmas lighting. Nicola informed Cllr. McGrath that the council plans to liaise with communities early this year to put a plan together, she also informed Cllr. McGrath that the playgrounds can be looked at.



Cllr. D'Alton noted the number of positive projects taking place and asked would members get to meet the consultants for the Ringaskiddy public realm project before it goes to Part 8. Nicola informed Cllr. D'Alton that an in-committee meeting can be arranged.

Cllr. Buckley echoed the support for the ASD board and all the positive projects.

Cllr. Murtagh echoed the positive words but also noted that members of the public had been in contact regarding the cutting of some grass verges.

5. Footpath Programme

Madeleine presented the programme to members and invited any questions or queries. Cllr. Buckley asked would Brightwater be included. Cllr. McGrath said Summerville and Elmside in Carrigaline both need work. He asked were the crossings all raised tables. Madeleine informed Cllr. McGrath that she would revert on this. Cllr. Dalton O'Sullivan welcomed the programme but added that he would like to see Lisburn estate added. Cllr. D'Alton added a reminder regarding the issues at the entrance to the cross-river ferry. She also said a path linking the playground to the basketball court in Monkstown would be welcomed. Madeleine informed Cllr. D'Alton that she would be more in favour of tightening the junction than one continuous path. With regards to Monkstown that would be an MD function rather than roads. Cllr. Murtagh added that the footpath in Ballinhassig was broken and in need of repair. Madeleine informed Cllr. Murtagh to send any individual issues to the area office. Cllr. O'Connor welcomed the new crossings.

6. Members Discretionary Funding

- (i) Ballinhassig Community Development Association

Proposed by Cllr. Ben Dalton O'Sullivan and seconded by Cllr. Seamus McGrath

7. Notices of Motion

Cllr Audrey Buckley

1. *"With the new growth on our many low-lying verges for the safety of the many walkers to the area and school going children. Could we have the low-lying verges by the middle road and upper road cut back please as well as the road to Goats Cross, Churchbay road, & Coast road cut back."*

Cllr. Buckley added that she believed public safety needs to be paramount and that a lot of areas are dangerous. Madeleine informed Cllr. Buckley that there is no way every hedge or verge can be cut every year and to send in any specific areas.

2. *"To thank the council and community policing in the area for the last week for their outstanding work in the area. This has meant a lot to the many residents who feel safer in their community and the public toilets have been a great success. I am receiving very positive feedback from the public."*



Cllr. Buckley thanked everyone involved in the above.

3. *“Do we know where Cork County Council stands on inputting new bins or replacing older bins within the area.”*

Cllr. Buckley stated that she was not happy with the response as certain bins are over 20 years old and are not fit for purpose as they are too old. Madeleine added that bins are changed as required and that Cllr. Buckley should send on any issues.

Cllr. Seamus McGrath

1. *“That the Engineer would put a Disabled Parking space at Luck Beach, Ringaskiddy.”*

Cllr. McGrath commended the tremendous work done at Luck Beach and asked could the possibility of a disabled space be explored. Madeleine added that this could be looked at. Cllr. D’Alton supported the motion.

2. *“To request that existing poles be examined for potential lighting heads on the road between Coolmore Cross and the Grotto, Shanbally.”*

Cllr. McGrath noted the response and asked to consider for 2022, only heads needed on existing poles, it is a low-cost proposal. Madeleine added that she will ask the public lighting team to consider for 2022.

3. *“This Municipal District requests an update on the provision of public CCTV.”*

Cllr. McGrath added that this has been discussed many times before and that he is disappointed at the lack of progress. Carol informed Cllr. McGrath that she has been in contact with corporate services and LGMA regarding this issue.

Cllr. Marcia D’Alton

1. *“That Cork County Council would install a single speed cushion mid-way along Toureen Terrace, Passage West, to help control the ongoing issue of speed that has led to a number of accidents at this residential location.”*

Cllr. D’Alton added that there had been some serious incidents here over the years and that something needed to be done here. She suggested something similar to Church Road in Douglas. Cllr. McGrath supported the motion.

2. *“That Cork County Council would investigate and resolve the surface water drainage issue at Avondale Mews, Passage West that is leading to severe and ongoing ponding during times of heavy rainfall.”*

Cllr. D’Alton acknowledged the response received and added that drainage is currently not happening here.



3. *“That Cork County Council would provide an appropriate intervention to improve the surface at the upper end of Hayes’s Lane, Monkstown such that it can remain usable by pedestrians.”*

Cllr. D’Alton added that clearing the grass growth in the middle of the road would make a huge difference. Cllr. McGrath supported the motion. Madeleine informed Cllr. D’Alton that trimming hedges in this location is on her agenda and that the clearing of the grass can be looked at.

Cllr. Ben Dalton O’Sullivan

1. *“That this Municipal District would undertake a feasibility report into the provision of motor home parking at a location in the Carrigaline M.D. Similar provision has been made in Cobh Town and Bantry, which has been successful in attracting revenue and tourism for the towns.”*

Cllr. Dalton O’Sullivan added that this would be a great addition to the MD and would be most welcome. All members supported the motion.

2. *“That the engineer would add the road approaching Five Mile bridge from Ballinhassig to the rotation list for the speed feedback signs. I am also requesting the road approaching waterfall village from the Goggins Hill side to be added to the rotation list.”*

Cllr. Dalton O’Sullivan noted the response and added that speed was ongoing issue and would it be possible to look at lowering speed at Bowens Cross. He also added that the speed sign in Ballygarvan is broken. Cllr. Murtagh added his support for the use of speed repeater signage. Madeleine added that she believes Fivemilebridge would not be suitable for digital speed signage as you have to slow down to manoeuvre the junction. Cllr. D’Alton and Cllr. Murtagh asked would it be possible to get the data from speed signage.

3. *“That the engineer would arrange for repairs to be carried out on the manhole covers near the small viaduct area in Waterfall village. The covers have sunk below the level of the road and are in need of repair to bring them level with the road surface.”*

Cllr. Dalton O’Sullivan noted the response.

8. Votes of Congratulations

All members congratulated and welcomed Cllr. Murtagh to the Carrigaline Municipal District. All members and staff congratulated Sophie on the work she has done in the district and wished her well in her new job.

9. Any Other Business

Cllr. Dalton O’Sullivan had the roads been decided for the Restoration Improvement Tender for South Cork, he added that the L6300 should be included. He also asked would the lighting on School



Road be new lighting or replacements. He asked would it be possible to install signage in Ballygarvan warning motorists of horse riding. He asked could groups put up plaques in Ballygarvan and Halfway. He passed on the thanks of residents in Myrtle Hill and Ballyhooleen. Madeleine said the roads are decided and had been discussed previously at MD meeting. All lighting on School Road will be additional. She noted that she can look at signage for Ballygarvan and that the groups requesting plaques should contact the area office.

Cllr. D'Alton gave her thanks for the bicycle stands in Passage West, fixing the brickwork in Shanbally and the portaloo in Luck. She added that a stop sign is needed at the end of Church Hill as motorists do not yield. Signs at Castle Terrace are damaged. Cllr. D'Alton asked for updates on the Passage West to Carrigaline greenway, Bothar Guidel cycle lane and the design for new roundabout at Aldi. Madeleine informed Cllr. D'Alton that the signage can be looked at but that she had no response from consultants regarding the roundabout. Cllr. Marcia D'Alton, in commenting on the recent Cork Harbour webinar, noted that although Passage West was included in the commentary, it was not specifically referenced in terms of future plans to upgrade and enhance the settlement. Cllr. D'Alton asked that we write to the Chief Executive asking for his comments re same.

Cllr. Murtagh added that the grass verges on the approaches to Crosshaven are messy, he noted that he is in favour of biodiversity, but it needs to be maintained. He also asked could the gradient on the Grassy be made slighter. Madeleine informed Cllr. Murtagh that grass cutting is being done with what resources are available and that the Grassy was done from grant funding and that there is no scope to do any further works.

Cllr. Liam O'Connor brought up the issue of a blockage on Main Street Carrigaline which is a health & safety concern and asked could we write to environment and Irish Water. Madeleine informed Cllr. O'Connor that it is a foul sewer issue that we have no control over. Cllr. McGrath supported Cllr. O'Connor.

Cllr. McGrath supported Cllr. D'Alton regarding writing to the Chief Executive. He raised the issue of an orange sign on the bridge to Haulbowline Park. Cllr. McGrath also added that biodiversity plan needs to be managed properly as he does not want to public to think an area is neglected. He also added that parking bye laws need to be advanced in Carrigaline while the support of the businesses is there. Madeleine informed Cllr. McGrath that she is aware of the issues of the sign in Haulbowline.

Cllr. Buckley said signage would help in identifying areas in the biodiversity plan. Cllr. D'Alton added that certain areas in the plan need improvement. Cllr. O'Connor echoed all members comments. Cllr. Buckley added the issue with RNLI and the warden being unable to ticket here, will discuss with area engineer.