



Minutes of Proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting of the Carrigaline Municipal District held via Microsoft Teams and in the Council Chamber on Monday 20th of December 2021 at 14:00.

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

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

1. Confirmation of Minutes

Proposed by Cllr. Jack White and seconded by Cllr. Michael Paul Murtagh.

2. Matters Arising

Carol Conway informed members that a submission from the MD had been made to Bus Connects and that €500 euro had been secured from the commemoration committee towards the erection of a plaque in Passage West. Cllr. D'Alton added that the canopy in Passage West is a great addition and is being used constantly. She asked for an update on the Shanbally wastewater treatment plant. Carol informed Cllr. D'Alton that there had not been a response received from Irish Water as of yet. Cllr. McGrath asked that the MD write to Irish Water again, Carol agreed to this.

3. Breithniúcháin ar Tuairiscí agus Moltaí / Consideration of Reports and Recommendations

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

Proposed by Cllr. Seamus McGrath and seconded by Cllr. Audrey Buckley.

4. Members Discretionary Fund

- (i) Minane Bridge Tidy Towns

Proposed by Cllr. Audrey Buckley and seconded by Cllr. Ben Dalton O'Sullivan.

- (ii) Carrigaline Tidy Towns

Proposed by Cllr. Jack White and seconded by Cllr. Seamus McGrath.

- (iii) Crosshaven Rugby Football Club

Proposed by Cllr. Jack White and seconded by Cllr. Seamus McGrath.

- (iv) Order of Malta Carrigaline

Proposed by Cllr. Seamus McGrath and seconded by Cllr. Jack White.

- (v) Passage West Maritime Museum

Proposed by Cllr. Seamus McGrath and seconded by Cllr. Jack White.

- (vi) Passage West Creates



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

(vii) Positive Passage People

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

5. Municipal District Officers Report

Carol Conway presented the contents of her report to the meeting. All members thanked Carol for her comprehensive report. Cllr. Dalton O'Sullivan said communities were very grateful for the festival supports received. Cllr. D'Alton thanked the executive for the extension of certain deadlines and asked now that the Passage west framework plan was complete what was the next step for this. Nicola informed Cllr. D'Alton now that the plan was complete it would form the basis for any future funding applications.

6. End of Year Review

Carol Conway presented the End of Year review and added that there have been many positive developments in what has been an extremely difficult year and thanked all elected members and MD staff for their hard work throughout the year.

All members echoed Carol's words.

7. Motions

Cllr. Seamus McGrath

1. *"This Municipal District supports a request for air quality monitoring to be provided in Carrigaline Town."*

Cllr. McGrath acknowledged the response received and added that urban areas suffer from air pollution especially in the winter months and this should be monitored and asked that the MD contact the EPA. Cllr. D'Alton supported the motion and added that as a council we have a responsibility to monitor air quality and added that the City Council have monitors which information is easily accessible from. Cllr. White also supported the motion. Cllr. McGrath asked that we write to the EPA and cc the Director of Environment. Carol agreed to write to the EPA.

2. *"To request that a suitability audit is carried out in 2022 on all Pedestrian Crossings in the Municipal District area with a view to the needs of visually impaired people and those with other sensory and mobility challenges."*

Cllr. McGrath informed the meeting that he had a conversation with a visually impaired individual who said that it was difficult to use certain pedestrian crossings. Cllr. McGrath added that we have come on greatly in terms of upgrading pedestrian crossings but that not everyone is up to standard and that this is critically important. Cllr. D'Alton O'Sullivan seconded what he said was a fantastic motion and that funding should not get in the way. Cllr. D'Alton supported the motion and added that she had spoken to the Roads Department previously on the issue. Cllr. Murtagh also supported the motion. Madeleine said she will speak to the director on the issue.



3. *“To request additional traffic calming measures for Raffeen Hill area.”*

Cllr. McGrath added that measures are needed here and that residents do not feel safe. Cllr. White seconded the motion. Madeleine informed members that she is well aware of the residents concerns but that there are not many areas where signs can go. If a safe location for a sign could be found, then it can be looked at and added that markings can be refreshed, and new markings added.

Cllr. Jack White

1. *“Could I please propose that this Municipal District install CCTV at the Parklet in the Owenabue Parklet, Carrigaline? And that this MD asks Cork County Council, if appropriate, to assume responsibility for the associated GDPR / Data management elements, similar to managed CCTV infrastructure in other public spaces in Carrigaline.”*

Cllr. White added that this motion has come from frustration from volunteers who work tirelessly to keep the area well. He added that the parklet has been a standout addition and that more needs to be done to protect it. He raised the issue of a lack of a Garda presence in the town also. Cllr. McGrath supported the motion and added that delays with CCTV is deeply frustrating and supports Cllr. White regarding the lack of a Garda presence. Cllr. Dalton O’Sullivan echoed the other members comments and asked that the MD write to Duleek and District Text Alerts who have a community CCTV scheme and also that a community Garda is needed. Cllr. Buckley added that on the spot fining should be considered. Cllr. Murtagh added that he is not a fan of CCTV and that a Garda presence in the town would be much more effective.

2. *“To seek an update for residents in Ballygarvan village on the progress of the footpath?”*

Cllr. White noted that this request came from a resident. Cllr. Dalton O’Sullivan supported the motion asking if a timeframe could be provided.

3. *“Could the possibility be investigated of inserting (maybe 5/6) carpark spaces (to be lined diagonally against the wall) on the right side of the road just above Myrtleville beach - to improve parking efficiency for beach users.”*

Cllr. White added that this could help optimise space and improve road safety in the area. Cllr. Buckley supported the motion and asked could traders be more regulated. Madeleine added that she is aware of the issues but that diagonal spaces are no longer encouraged as it requires reversing onto the road. Cllr. Murtagh added that designated spots for traders are needed. Carol informed members that she will bring more information in the new year regarding traders. Cllr. White added that traders need to engage with Cork County Council correctly.

Cllr. Ben Dalton O’Sullivan

1. *“That the road at Kingsland, Ballinhassig would be resurfaced completely under the next program of works.”*



Cllr. Dalton O'Sullivan acknowledged the response received.

2. *"That the data from the speed signs on both the Upper and Lower Kilmoney road would be made available to members and that plans for speed reduction along both roads would be outlined to members."*

Cllr. Dalton O'Sullivan added that this is a longstanding issue. Cllr. McGrath and Cllr. Murtagh supported the motion. Madeleine informed members that the average speed in the area was actually lower than the speed limit. Cllr. Dalton O'Sullivan added that the max speeds are frightening for a residential area.

3. *"That interim safety measures would be installed at Bowens Cross. Flashing Signage and road markings would be a help."*

Cllr. Dalton O'Sullivan added that huge progress had been made but that interim measures were needed. Madeleine informed Cllr. Dalton O'Sullivan that she would reassess in conjunction with NNRDO.

Cllr. Michael Paul Murtagh

1. *"I would like the Municipal district to seek a funding stream for the repair of the pier at lime kiln corner on the R612. This relatively small pier is used extensively by the wider Community across the MD to access the Owenabue river for amenity as well as work purposes. It has fallen into a state of disrepair over the course of many years effected mostly by tidal erosion."*

Cllr. Murtagh asked would a coastal erosion funding stream be possible and added that our rivers and harbour are completely underutilised. Cllr. D'Alton seconded the motion added that many facilities like this haven't been repaired in a long time. Carol informed members that a full structural assessment would be needed before looking for a potential funding stream.

2. *"I would like the Municipal district to build a proper public toilet facility at Rabbit Island car park on the R612 and connect it to the main drainage in preparation for the Summer season 2022."*

Cllr. Murtagh said that facilities like this are needed for the summer months adding that the portable toilets were welcomed but that they did not work well. Cllr. White seconded the motion.

3. *"I would like the Municipal district to arrange a feasibility study for a public playground amenity in the village of Minane Bridge. "*

Cllr. D'Alton seconded the motion adding that the community are working hard. Cllr. McGrath also supported the motion adding the community deserve a public playground.

Cllr. Audrey Buckley

1. *"Recently the wheelchair parking location was moved from outside Crosshaven Pharmacy (where there was/is access for wheelchair/disability users) it was moved two spots up towards Centra. The other wheelchair parking was removed from outside centra. We need to*



look at this as the ease of access is not there anymore for people with disabilities to use. Can we put back the wheelchair parking spot back to where it was for use of access for people with disabilities outside the pharmacy. Our can we add another wheelchair parking spot there."

Cllr. Buckley added that this was badly needed, Cllr. McGrath seconded this. Madeleine informed Cllr. Buckley that the lines would be there weather permitting in January.

- 2. "With the new footpath on the upper road Crosshaven (By Templebreedy National School) for safe passage for the many school children/public, can we look at the footpath area on the right coming out of Drakes Point onto the upper road to created much needed parking. As it has turned into 1 line of traffic as people are parking there for schools pickups/drop-offs/mass. This would accommodate everyone, there is room to move the footpath back at this location."*

Cllr. Buckley noted that there is an issue with cars parking on the right coming out of Drakes Point. Cllr, McGrath seconded this. Madeleine said this can be assessed in 2022.

- 3. "Speed Radar Signs - Crosshaven. In 2 months the one by the RCYC was hit twice and has now been removed. This is an obvious sign that speeding coming into Crosshaven Village is an issue. What is now being considered to slow down traffic coming into Crosshaven Village. Do we have the stats on both speed radar systems i.e. the one also at Gash's Corner."*

Cllr. McGrath seconded the motion adding that speed is an issue. Madeleine informed members that the speed signs were always a short-term solution. Cllr. Buckley also added that speed at Gash's Corners is an issue and asked would calming measures be put in place. Madeleine added that there was not huge evidence of speeding here and said that road markings and signage can be looked at. Cllr. Murtagh supported the motion and asked could rumble strips be looked at. Cllr. McGrath asked could a Welcome to Crosshaven Please Slow Down sign be used. Madeleine informed Cllr. Murtagh that rumble strips are no longer used and informed Cllr. McGrath that signage could be looked at.

8. Votes of Congratulations

Cllr. White asked to congratulate the Wren family and Crosshaven Rugby Club on Jonathan Wrens first Munster Cap.

9. Any Other Business

Cllr. Buckley asked about the possibility of getting electricity to the Pier garden and also asked had there been any correspondence from Bus Éireann regarding bus stops/poles. Cllr. McGrath asked is there an update on lighting the skatepark in Carrigaline. Cllr. D'Alton asked could a review of lifebuoys in the MD be carried out in 2022 as many of them blow out of their holders during the recent storm. She also asked for an update on limiting access to the public toilet in Passage West. Cllr. D'Alton also mentioned the fact that a number of trees in Passage West had been deliberately poisoned and asked could anything be done about this.

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Carol said that costs were prohibitive to lighting the skatepark and that there would also be ecological and planning implications. Cllr. McGrath asked could a report be provided in the new year. Carol said a reminder could be sent to Bus Éireann regarding bus poles and stops. She also said she would follow up regarding the toilet in Passage West. Madeleine informed Cllr. Buckley that she would speak to Pat regarding electricity.

This was the conclusion of the meeting.