

CORK COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of the May Meeting of Kanturk / Mallow Municipal District held on Friday 8th of May at 10.00am in the Hibernian Hotel, Mallow, Co. Cork.

PRESENT:

In the chair: Cllr. Bernard Moynihan

Councillors: Ian Doyle, Pat Hayes, Gearóid Murphy, Liam Madden, Gerard Murphy, James Kennedy, John Paul O'Shea and Tony O'Shea

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mary P. Hayes, SEO North Cork, Jim Moloney, Snr. Executive Engineer, Diane Finucane, Staff Officer.

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Confirmation of the Minutes of March Meeting of the Kanturk / Mallow Municipal District held on Friday, 6th March 2020 at 2.30pm in the Council Offices, Annabella, Mallow – Minutes were approved and signed on the proposal of Cllr. John Paul O'Shea, seconded by Cllr. Pat Hayes.

2. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

3. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATION

(a) Municipal District Officers Report

Mary Hayes, SEO North outlined the MDO Report the Members welcomed the report.

Members welcomed the report and the following was discussed:

All Members complimented Cork County Council staff, shops and other voluntary organisations involved in the Community Response Team.

Cllr John Paul O'Shea hoped that services that work on a day to day on a voluntary capacity like meals on wheels will get priority with regard to the emergency fund.

Cllr Gearóid Murphy spoke of the Central Hotel and asked to focus on getting a permanent solution to this building.

Cllr Gerard Murphy told the meeting that, to de list a building is a reserved function of Elected Members on advice from officials.

Mary Hayes, SEO North replied that Cork County Council is awaiting on a detailed structural report on the Central Hotel, a hoarding has been erected for safety purposes with car parking spaces at the opposite side of the road removed to facilitate this.

Cllr Gearóid Murphy mentioned that some Local Authorities have suspended parking charges and asked if Cork County Council considering same.

Cllr John Paul O' Shea replied an action plan to support businesses reopening is being prepared at the moment and car parking charges is included in this.

(b) Senior Executive Engineers Roads Report

Jim Moloney, Senior Executive Engineer outlined the Roads Report:

Due to the ongoing Covid 19 pandemic Cork County Council roads programmes are now six weeks behind.

Since the previous meeting in March, Covid 19 has impacted work practices, new hygiene and social distancing measures have been introduced, which will have a big impact on work arrangements going forward. Covid 19 Signage has been erected in parks, playgrounds and open spaces.

Only essential services resumed on the 27th April.

Roads staff have been involved in the setting up and running the Community Response Team.

Flood barriers were partially erected prior to lockdown as a precautionary measure.

Works on the N20 stopped on the 27th March. Grading at the Ironmines was substantially complete and only minor work is yet to be complete.

Grass cutting and weed spraying is ongoing and emergency call outs are still being attended to.

Street cleaning is ongoing, there is a big increase of household waste in street bins and fly tipping has also increased.

Schedule from the 18th May include work on: Town approaches, drainage preparation for RI & RM programme, litter pick on national roads, power washing in town centres. This is all assuming the availability and health of staff and contactors. Work is also dependent on the level of restrictions lifted.

Schemes in Ballydesmond, Dromahane and Lisscarroll are progressing.

Cllr John Paul O'Shea asked that Cork County Council meet with the community in Lisscarroll in order to progress this project to part 8.

Tenders for the relief road in Kanturk are due to go out in June.

Jim Moloney, SEE asked Elected Members to make road repair requests/ complaints through MyCouncil.ie. Any fly tipping reports will be passed on to the Environment Directorate.

Cllr Ian Doyle told that the Lyons Club in Charleville would organise a litter pick beyond the 50k speed limit if Cork County Council can give assistance.

Cllr Liam Madden spoke of the upcoming Chairmee horse fair and asked what measures are being put in place to ensure this event does not take place.

Cllr Ian Doyle replied an integrated approach will be taken by the Gardaí, the Health Authority, Cork County Council and the Community. This is not a Cork County Council licensed event and does not have an organising committee.

4. BUSINESS PRESCRIBED BY STATUTE

5. CORRESPONDENCE

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Municipal District will take place on Friday, 5th June at 10.00 am, in the Hibernian Hotel, Mallow, Co Cork.

Signed: _____
CHAIRPERSON

Date: _____