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MINUTES OF BANDON KINSALE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT MEETING HELD IN TOWN HALL, BANDON ON $26^{\rm th}$ Nov 2020.

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

O'Sullivan, S O'Donovan

In Attendance: Charlie McCarthy, Senior Executive Engineer, Bandon (C.M.C.)

Brendan Fehilly, Executive Engineer, Kinsale (B.F.) MacDara O'Hici, Senior Executive Officer (MD.O'H)

Claire Levis, Assistant Staff Officer (C.L)

Apologies: Enda O'Halloran, Municipal District Officer (E.O.H)

Statutory Monthly Meeting

- 1. Minutes
- (a) Confirmation of minutes of meeting of Municipal District of Bandon Kinsale Held on 22nd Oct 2020.

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Donovan seconded by Cllr M. O'Sullivan the minutes of meeting held on 22nd Oct 2020 were agreed.

(b) Matters arising from minutes dated 22nd Oct 2020.

Cllr Murphy asked about Pewter Hole Cross and whether the Engineers office had applied for funding for the area. CMC explained that they had applied but have heard nothing back yet.

Cllr Murphy asked about the widening of the bridge at Crossbarry- CMC replied that the roads design office we are looking into it.

Cllr Coughlan welcomed the new Dan Cummins park in Kinsale.

Cllr O' Donovan updated the meeting, following a meeting between the Bandon Business Association and the Irish Water Main Drainage contractor, on the opening of Pearse Street Bandon which would be reopening on Friday the 27th Nov 2020.

2. Reports and Recommendations.

(a) Bandon Main Drainage Scheme

No update.

(b) Flood Relief Scheme

This scheme is mostly completed so the meeting agreed that reports on this will now be done quarterly.

(c) Engineer's Report

A report on Road Improvements progress was read out.

Most of the RI scheme have been 95% done and the rest will be done in the new year eg signs etc.. Some will be given a second surface dressing at that time.

B.F. updated the members on Pearse Street, Kinsale which wasn't needing wet mix and therefore would be completed soon.

Cllr J. O'Sullivan asked about CLAR funding and that there were applications made by the Municipal which have not been put forward for funding. Can we check and see why these applications were not put forward?

(d) Municipal District Officer's Report.

This report was read out.

This included a table of the grants available for applications each year.

Next meeting on the 21st Dec 2020.

(e) Chairman's Report.

Nothing to report.

(f) Managers report; Part 8 Social Housing Development at Richmond Court Bandon

Seamus De Faoite SEO and Linda Roberts SEE from the Housing Dept Cork Co.Co attended the meeting to update the members on the following;

Part 8 Development – Lands at Richmond Court, Bandon. The construction of 6 no. Residential Units, comprising of; 2 no. 3 bed two storey houses, 4 no. duplex units comprising of 2 downstairs 2 bed units and 2 upstairs 1 bed units.

Cllrs commented on lack of parking however conceded there was little space for parking.

Proposed by Cllr O Donovan and Seconded Cllr M O'Sullivan that the approval be recommended to the full council.

3. Statutory Business

a) New Disabled Parking Bay Installation – on the roadside outside No 54 Richmond Court in Bandon (EIR Code P72 YF75). Refer to the attached location map.

Proposed by Cllr O'Donovan Seconded by Cllr Coughlan

b) Section 183 Cork County Council Discharging Burden No 1 on Part 3 of Folio CK46882F – registered to Brian & Ann McCarthy.

Proposed by Cllr Murphy Seconded by Cllr Coughlan

(ii) Notices of Motion submitted by Cllr. Coleman

1)"That a schedule for the 2020/24 Village Renewal programme be discussed"

MDO'H updated the meeting on the Village Enhance Scheme and the order of the villages which had been agreed by the members at the MD meeting in June 2020.

"The Village Enhancement Scheme - it was decided to apply for monies in the coming years and the suggested order was Belgooly (2021), Innishannon (2022), Timoleague (2023) and Newcestown (2024). CMC pointed out that as well as the Village Enhancement scheme allocations, applications should be made to other sources including the Town and Village funding for the villages in order to maximise the funds for any approved project. MDOH pointed out to members that there is no guarantee of any of the applications being successful or even if there will be monies available next year given the current climate and the uncertainty that lies ahead regarding finances."

MDO'H suggested that the €10,000 which had been put aside for a feasibility study in Ring, Clonakilty be used instead for a consultant's report on Belgooly.

An agreement was made previously to put €10,000 aside each year for preparational work on these villages from the Village enhancement fund.

The members wanted to assure all villages that the monies are still available for these villages in the future.

Cllr J O'Sullivan asked that the road surface be looked at in Timoleague as he didn't think it would last until 2023.

Notice of motion submitted by Cllr Murphy

1)"That Cork County Council build a disabled access from Main Street Innishannon through to the Lawn Estate"

Supported by all members.

2)"That Cork County Council contact Airtricity immediately to replace a pole and light from Featherbed lane Kinsale"

BF stated that it was his belief that the pole had not been taken in charge but that he would follow it up.

This motion was seconded by Cllr M.O' Sullivan.

4. Correspondence.

A reply from the Senior Engineer from the OPW regarding issues raised at the previous meeting. His reply pointed the members to a large document which lots of information on the Flood Scheme. Cllr Coughlan commented that it would have been more useful to know where in the large document the answer was. The OPW did state that they would follow up regarding the re-greening of the banks.

Cllr Coughlan was disappointed with this answer she would like to know if there was a plan, if there was a budget? The bridge is at the centre of town so vital. Asked that the OPW be contacted again.

5. Any Other Business.

Cllr Murphy

Cllr raised the issue regarding the development of the Kinsale Library. It had been brought to the attention of the members that the construction site for the proposed building works would require the closing of one entrance to the car park for vehicles and it would take up car spaces within the car park. The meeting felt this was not feasible to have one side closed for a year. MDOH informed the members that Cork County Council was anxious to progress this project and advised against any actions which would cause delay or extra funding requirement. The meeting asked that the Architects Department who were appointed as managers of the project would be asked to give the reasons why this location was chosen for the construction site.

Cllr Murphy complimented the beach clean-up recently done in the beach in Castlepark,

Cllr murphy mentioned that Coillte had plans to develop Curragh Woods, but they have asked for a footpath to be built before they could. B.F. to look into it.

Can the side of the road in Church hill Innishannon be examined? This has been replaced before however there seems to be subsidence there.

Asked if there was any update in the speeding survey in Dundurrow? B.F. updated the meeting on the results which commented that 85% of drivers were within the speed limit, however he would investigate it further.

Asked if the sweeper could be in Kinsale and the surrounding villages more often? B.F stated that after Christmas they would have more staff to work on this when the RI was completed.

Asked that the areas in Charlesfort opposite the soccer pitch be planted with wild flowers. B.F. stated that this would be possible and would look into it.

Cllr Coughlan

Complemented the Engineers office on the works done in the area.

Asked for the footpath on the left-hand side near the GAA pitch and a pedestrian crossing to the GAA pitch.

Can the lighting and footpaths be looked at in Chapel Street Bandon?

Welcomed the new social housing on the Northside of Bandon however asked for footpaths and lighting to connect the estates to the town.

Mentioned also that in some of the estates there was an absence of reliable broadband and requested Eircom to be written to.

Asked for more attention to be given to Courmacsherry.

Asked for the Dept Of Education to be written to again concerning the lack of secondary school positions in Bandon. Cllr Coughlan mentioned that there were children with no school places next year.

Asked should the restrictions allow for some music on the street be allowed.

Cllr M O' Sullivan

Asked for the previously known "Nevilles Yard" be taken over as there was seriously anti-social behaviours happening and e.g. ESB meters doors being pulled off.

Cllr J O'Sullivan

Asked for the leaves to be removed from the footpaths in Courtmacsherry be cleaned.

Mentioned that anytime he needs something done in Courtmacsherry the area office is quick to respond.

He mentioned that the Tidy Towns there were very happy with the hedge cutting done there recently.

Cllr Coleman

Mentioned that the parapet wall on the R607 has fallen. Can B.F. look at it?

Asked that the roads out of Ring need resurfacing as the road surface is very poor.

Asked for update on the Kinsale Museum opening and staff hiring- MDOH informed the meeting that works were being done in the building and these would provide facilities for staff should there be funding and approval for staff to be hired for the facility. Any proposal for staff to be hired for the facility would have to be in the context of a sustainable business plan.

Asked that the villages in the MD not be forgotten and that attention need to be given to them for all festivities also.

This concluded the official business of the meeting.

DATE 21/12/2020