



## MINUTES OF BANDON KINSALE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT APRIL MEETING HELD ON MICROSOFT TEAMS APP ON 26<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2022.

**Members Present:** Cllrs. M. O'Sullivan (Chair), J. O'Sullivan, K. Murphy, S. O'Donovan  
G. Coughlan, A. Coleman

**In Attendance:** MacDara O'Hici, Senior Executive Officer SEO  
Paul Barry, Municipal District Officer MDO  
Richard Cahill, Senior Executive Engineer SEE  
Oliver Forbes, Executive Engineer, Kinsale EE  
John Duggan, Executive Engineer  
Claire O'Donovan, Clerical Officer.

### Statutory Monthly Meeting

#### 1. Minutes

**(a) Confirmation of minutes of meeting of Municipal District of Bandon Kinsale held on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2022.**

On the proposal of Cllr. Kevin Murphy seconded by Cllr. Sean O'Donovan, the minutes of the meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2022 were agreed.

**(b) Matters arising from minutes dated 28<sup>th</sup> June 2022.**

In reply to enquiry about the position with Part 8 for new public toilets, SEO informed members that while there was a minor setback involving conservation, it was still hoped that the Part 8 would be ready shortly.

Members asked that a sign be put in place indicating direction of Superloo. Kinsale EE undertook to do this.

Members asked that our communications department be utilised fully with regard to situations like at Arch Deacon Duggan Bridge.

#### 2. Reports & Recommendations.

**(a) Section 38: new pedestrian crossing at Bandon By-Pass between GAA grounds and Kilbrittain Road junction.**

John Duggan, EE under the Safe Routes to School scheme made presentation to members about a proposal to widen footpaths and install a pedestrian crossing. He indicated that as yet there was no date for publicising as yet

because of consultations ongoing with TII. Members welcomed this proposal and asked that it be considered that railings be installed at the junction.

## **(b) Engineers Report**

### **Bandon**

Richard Cahill, SEE presented this report to members.

Bridge in Ahiohill have been completed and has opened since last meeting. As Area Engineer, I would like to thank the residents of the area for the cooperation and assistance during this project. Also in this area, the RI Scheme on the nearby L2015 from Desert Cross heading south has been completed.

Since the last meeting the Section 38 proposals for Church Hill, Innishannon and O'Mahony Avenue in Bandon have concluded. We have liaised with persons who submitted comments and we are in the process of preparing our recommendation to the Director of Services for approval. No changes have been proposed in the Section 38 application for O'Mahony Avenue and some minor changes in Church Hill where we will investigate if the NTA will fund the installation of a raised platform on the local road down where it intersects with the N71. A further change is the inclusion of a gateway at the northern end of the site and the extension of the path to the existing 50kph sign, these changes are dependent on landowner engagement regarding lands required and the NTA funding the extra works.

Furthermore we are also overlaying the street surface on Church Hill and these works have started.

### **SURFACE DRESSING**

We started in Desert and surface dressed the L2015 from Murragh on the regional road south to Desert Cross and then continued to surface dress the recently RI kilometre of road from Desert Cross that had been overlayed. We then moved to the Newcestown area to finish the L2099-22 which is the main road into Newcestown from the east, which had been 50% surface dressed during the previous round of surface dressing. We then moved on to the Moskeigh line/Templemartin/Farnavane area and there we surface dressed the L60421 from the regional road at Templemartin heading south. We continued in a southerly direction also surface dressed the L6042-4 down towards where the local road meets the Dukes Wood road. We then went across the road and surfaced dressed the L6041 up as far as Farnivane Church. We also surface dressed the Moskeigh line out as far as the regional road.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

The walkway north of the river from the footbridge in Bandon has once again been opened and a new safety fence has been installed along the edge of the walkway where a significant drop existed into the river. My team did a very extensive strimming and cleaning job along the walkway.

As we have completed a significant amount of RI Programme, teams have not been deployed to addressing localised drainage issues and sign replacement around the area.

### **Kinsale**

Oliver Forbes EE presented this report to members.

### **DRAINAGE/POTHOLES**

- Reactive gully cleaning at various locations, collating locations for a programmed works later in Summer.
- Pothole repairs ongoing various locations as required, 1 no. gang on potholes over the last 2 weeks

### **FOOTPATHS**

- New Crossing Arch Deacon Duggan Bridge works ongoing and will be substantially complete next week. Bridge deck sealed in the areas we have worked in was once in a lifetime opportunity. Traffic lights will be off the bridge for the long weekend.

- MD wide contract for new footpaths at Ballinspittle Village, Garretstown and Belgooly on R600 currently out to tender.
- Public Lighting contractor at Breakheart Hill, Ardbrack this week to install new lights on this unlit walkway.

### RI WORK TARRING

- Second phase of programme is complete at Black Cross, Ballyregan, Ballinamona and Deasy's Road.
- Starting at Ballinadee village on 15<sup>th</sup> August next using our own resources. The plan is to utilise some of the underspent budget from Arch Deacon Duggan Bridge along with our own budget to expand planned scope and deliver 750 lin m (3 roads in village) as opposed to one initially planned by contractor. (Contractor costs for 250 lin m €168,000 + VAT, CCC direct costs for 750 lin m €220,000 + VAT including wages.
- Contract resurfacing works at Ringrone and Pearse Street planned for September onwards.

### ROAD SIGNS AND MARKINGS.

- Currently replacing all signs on first phase of surface dressed routes.
- Lining contractor has completed markings at R600 Burren, Crois na Leanbh, Kilgobbin and Forge Road, also installed are 2 disabled bays at Garrylucas and hatching at Garretstown. Mobilising again this week to mark up hatches for parking issues in town, disabled bay at Barrack Street, 15 minute set down across from Bank of Ireland and new improved markings at Recycling Centre.

### CLIMATE ADAPTATION WORKS

- Currently assessing locations for 2023 Programme at top of Winters Hill/Compass Hill.
- Sea wall repair and road stabilisation at R600 down from Pink Elephant. We have assigned Available 2022 funding with worst spot work Q3 and plan to continue this work into 2023 as funding becomes available.

### MISCELLANEOUS

- Shippool – an arborist has been appointed to carry out detailed assessment of trees on completion will allow contractor to commence a degree of clearing.
- Controls and lights for new controlled crossing at Rathbeg at Super Valu is installed.
- Crew last week removed a significant amount of algae at Coolmaine and Harbour View.
- Crew removing sand at Garrylucas at present.
- Ecologist appointed to carry out Ecological Impact Assessment at Garretstown to progress off street parking.
- Hedge cutting complete at Compass Hill walking route now moving to Coolcarron and from Pewterhole Cross to St. Eltins Graveyard.
- Three new bins installed at Ballinspittle since last MD meeting.
- Final onstreet dining bollards installed outside Lord Kingsale.

Members thanks the engineering staff for the excellent progress being made in both areas.

(c) **Municipal District Officers Report – 26<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

Municipal District Meeting indicative locations and dates

Sept 27 <sup>th</sup>	Oct 25 <sup>th</sup>	Nov 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Dec 20 <sup>th</sup>
10.00am	10.00am	10.00am	10.00am

Boules Pitch

The works have been completed. Age friendly seating has been installed and a bin will be installed there shortly. The Tidy Town's Committee has installed a nice and colourful sign at the pitch.

Beach Safety Statistics

The following are the beach statistics for Garrylucas and Garreststown beaches which are the two beaches in this Municipal District that have Council lifeguards on duty.

Beach	Rescues	Rescue with tube	Rescue with board	Total rescues	Assists	Nonfatal drowning	Rescues due to rips	Surf rescue boat	Personal water craft	First Aid	Advice Given	Accidents prevented	Missing Adults	Missing children
Garreststown	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	29	569	163	0	0
Garrylucas	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	24	231	115	0	0
Total	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	53	800	268	0	0

Streetscape Paint Scheme 2022

The closing date for the scheme was Friday the 24<sup>th</sup> June. Applications were assessed and applicants were contacted accordingly. There were 12 applications received and each application was awarded funding. Funding for the scheme is through the Town Development Fund.

**(d) Derelict Sites Update.**

MDO informed members that CCC were having some difficulty in identifying the owners of properties. SEO said that matters were progressing as allowed by the legislation in place. Members discussed the issue of Derelict Sites and it was agreed that members would stay on for an in-camera meeting after this meeting.

**3. STATUTORY BUSINESS.**

None.

**4. CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.**

Members asked for an update on Cork County Council properties in Kinsale town.

In response to request for works at North Main Street, SEE informed members that the contract was signed to do works but no official start date but expected to be before Christmas.

Regarding Chapel Street, SEE reported that NTA funding had been applied for.

Regarding request for works needed at Rice's Road and cul de sac off Rice's Road, SEE said that CCC would be recommending a CIS.

When asked if the right turn from Market Street turning onto Guardwell could be closed, EE undertook to check if this would be feasible.

The engineers undertook to look at Bandon to Ballinadee Road and Ballinadee Quay Road.

EE said that the R604 Old Head road could be considered for programme of works for 2023.

SEE informed members that letters requesting ditches to be cut back will be going out shortly in a response to complaints about overgrown ditches.

With regard to progress at Crossbarry Bridge, the SEE undertook to look for an update.

In reply to request for footpath improvement to St. Multose School, EE said that this should be considered under the Safe Route to School scheme.

Members reported signs missing at Mahers Cross. EE undertook to check.

Members asked if rumble strips could be introduced at Millwater Cross and Kearns Cross. EE said that while rumble strips would not be suitable in these cases, he would look at other options and improve markings.

EE undertook to follow up with Estates Section about the taking in charge of Haven Hill estate.

In response to query about Kinsale Museum, SEO informed the meeting that someone had been appointed and was currently being garda checked.

Members asked for 2 chevron signs across from Rising Sun pub at junction to Ballymartle.

Regarding a concern about a no through sign put up at Baxters Bridge, SEE said he would contact Cllr O'Donovan regarding same.

Members asked that the road from Ballyheada School to Ballinhassig be improved. EE said that it was already on programme for 2023.

Members reported drainage issues/blocked gullies at Innishannon Village, Dromkeen and Ballymurphy South.

Members welcomed update on TII bypass and requested that members be kept fully updated.

Members expressed concern about Irish Water's plan to take water from the Bandon river to cover shortfall in Clonakilty. It was noted that public consultation was ongoing and that members should make submissions if concerned.

SEE undertook to look at report that cobbles had become loose on footpath at Kilbrittain Village.

Members asked that a letter be sent to the Principal of Kinsale Community School to request that any student driving to school should not park in any adjacent residential area.

It was agreed by members to send of letter of good luck to former MDO Enda O'Halloran and his fiancé Emer McKay on their forthcoming nuptials.

*This concluded the official business of the meeting.*

CATHAOIRLEACH Marie O'Sullivan

DATE 1/10/22