

Minutes of Monthly Meeting of Kanturk Mallow Municipal District – Blended Meeting held on Friday 03rd May 2024 @ at 10.30 a.m.

I Lathair: Cllr Ian Doyle presided.
Cllr Pat Hayes, Cllr Eoghan Kenny, Cllr Liam Madden, Cllr Gearoid Murphy, Cllr Bernard Moynihan, Cllr John Paul O'Shea, Cllr Tony O' Shea

Ag Freastal: Mr Billy O' Sullivan, Senior Executive Engineer,
Mr Aidan Creagh, Senior Executive Officer Municipal District & Rural Operations,
Ms Claire Barr, Municipal District Officer,
Mr Denis Beecher, Executive Engineer,
Mr Billy Dennehy, Executive Engineer,
Ms Andrea Sheehan, Executive Engineer,
Ms Niamh Mullins, Meeting Administrator.

1. Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 12th April 2024

The Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on Friday 12th April 2024 were unanimously adopted on the **proposal of Cllr P Hayes and seconded by Cllr JP O' Shea.**

Matter Arising from Minutes.

No matters arose.

2. Section 183 - Disposal Notice

Disposal of site no.4 Buttevant Industrial Estate, Buttevant Co Cork.
Area: as outlined on file plan CK156276F
From Whom Acquired: Record not available. Land acquired by Cork County Council in 1986
To Whom it is proposed to dispose: Novatel Communications Ltd. For consideration of €30,000
Proposed by Cllr T O' Shea and Seconded by Cllr L Madden

3. Section 73 of the Roads Act 1993

Extinguishment of Public Right of Way over road No. LT-51663 located at Euglaune, Cullen, Mallow, Co Cork.
Length of public right-of-way to be extinguished is 88 linear metres (as per attached map)
Proposed by Cllr JP O' Shea and Seconded by Cllr I Doyle

4. Consideration of Reports and Recommendations.

4.1 Municipal District Officers Report presented by Ms Claire Barr MDO as follows.

Members were presented with the Municipal District Officers Report prior to the meeting. Members were requested to approve the following:

Request Extension of Time for the following Community Fund Scheme Grants :

- 1. CFS486834312-Castlemagner & Cecilstown Community Tidy Towns-Community Contract Grant 2023**
Grant Allocation - €1,500
Grant purpose – Development of biodiversity garden in Cecilstown village green
Extension of time to 30th June, 2024 as bad weather has delayed works
Proposed by: Cllr T O’ Shea, Seconded by: Cllr P Hayes

Request Change of Purpose for the following Community Fund Scheme Grants:

- 1. CFS584698883-Banteer Community Sportsfield-Capital Fund Grant 2024**
Grant Allocation - €8,000
Original Purpose – Upgrade of old dressing rooms to accommodate increased male/female needs
New Purpose – Purchase of coffee machine, fridge & display units for the Community Café at Banteer Sportsfield
Proposed by: Cllr I Doyle, Seconded by: Cllr JP O’ Shea
- 2. CFS584358333-Charleville & District Rugby Club – Capital Fund Grant 2024**
Grant Allocation - €8,000
Original Purpose – Phase 1 of car park resurfacing
New Purpose – Treatment of rugby pitches
Proposed by: Cllr I Doyle, Seconded by: Cllr JP O’ Shea

Village Enhancement Fund 2024

The total allocation for the VEF for 2024 is €68,750.

Proposed 5 Villages

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| Lombardstown | €13,750 |
| Kiskeam | €13,750 |
| Freemount | €13,750 |

Mourneabbey €13,750

Rathcoole €13,750

Mourneabbey Community -approval proposal to use the Village Enhancement Fund to grant funding for energy retro fitting of LED lights through the community complex in Mourneabbey.

The work involved is as follows.

- Replacing our current streetlights used for our walkway with LED lights.
- Replace all our current driveway street lighting with LED Lights.
- Replace all Spotlights on training and pitch no 2 with LED Lights.
- Replace all internal lights in the community centre and dressing room building with LED Lights.

Having obtained 3 quotes the group preferred contractor is Steve O' Sullivan Electrical due to the best value for money for the project. They will fund the balance of the cost of these works from their general funds.

Town Development Fund: Allocation for 2024 €139,000.

Request for Funding –

€4,000 – Charleville family funday

Proposed by: Cllr JP O' Shea, Seconded by: Cllr I Doyle

€3,000 – Mallow Haunted Halloween Walk

Proposed by: Cllr P Hayes, Seconded by: Cllr T O' Shea

€5,000 – Mallow Illumination Walk at Xmas

Proposed by: Cllr P Hayes, Seconded by: Cllr L Madden

CLAR 2023 Applications

- Lyre Community Muga
- Castlemagner Playground
- Rockchapel Community Centre

Lyre Community Muga and Castlemagner Playground were awarded €50,000 each with Rockchapel receiving €46,845.

The Municipal District Officer also presented a comprehensive update on the 46 playgrounds across the district.

Cllr I Doyle welcomed the update provided on playgrounds and acknowledged that the Municipal District are working with a very limited budget to keep playgrounds up to a required standard.

Cllr JP O' Shea also welcomed the update on playgrounds and said that there is capital investment required also. He complimented the works completed on Columbarian Walls

at St Gobnait's Cemetery, Mallow and asked if it is possible to roll these out to other cemeteries in the district.

Cllr P Hayes said that investment in playgrounds is very important particularly for the social development of children. He referred to the recent vandalism of the playground at Woodview Drive, Mallow and the fact that the Municipal District Officer has said that there is no funding available to carry out repairs and reinstall equipment, he asked if this decision could be looked at again as he said that this is an important facility for the community and asked if it would be possible to install CCTV to hinder further vandalism. He also welcomed the Columbarium Wall erected at St Gobnait's Cemetery, Mallow.

Cllr Gearoid Murphy acknowledged recent work carried out by the Municipal District staff on the recent Municipal District reception for the Thomas Davis Pipe Band and said that he looked forward to the same honour being given to DBM First Responders.

Cllr L Madden asked to clarify the number of 47 playgrounds that Kanturk/Mallow Municipal District have responsibility for and said that the funding provided is not adequate. He asked if there are playgrounds that are still the responsibility of local communities. He also expressed gratitude for the Municipal District Reception for the Thomas Davis Pipe Band and said that more local groups should be honoured in this manner.

Cllr T O' Shea acknowledged the update on playgrounds and the recent Municipal District Reception and said that he looked forward to the Family Fun Day at Mallow Castle on Monday 06th May.

The Municipal District Officer responded to say that all funding avenues have been explored with regard to the re-instatement of vandalised equipment at Woodview Drive Playground, she did advise members that there are 2 items in the playground that are fully operational and she would investigate reopening access to these. She advised that it is not possible to install CCTV in playgrounds for GDPR reasons. She asked that any episodes of vandalism be reported to the An Garda Síochána.

4.2 Senior Executive Engineer's Report presented by Billy O' Sullivan SEE:

Members were presented with the Senior Executive Engineers report prior to the meeting. Members agreed to record the report as read.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

A list of NTA Approved Schemes 2024 for Kanturk/Mallow Municipal District amounting to €357,000 were presented to members. ***Appendix 1**

The 2024 Public Lighting Programme amounting to €60,695 was presented to members.

***Appendix 2**

Cllr JP O' Shea welcomed the schemes presented particularly pedestrian crossings at The Turrets Charleville, Knocknagree and Dernagree. He asked that the extent of the works are at Boherbue, Knocknagree and Freemount. He said that it is important to note that there is €35million funding available countywide for NTA approved schemes and he said that Mallow is the third largest town in the county, there appears to be more of a focus on towns such as Midleton, Carrigtwohill and Carrigaline. He said that it is important for Mallow projects to progress also.

Cllr P Hayes welcomed the progress and approval of the projects announced, however he said that the funding is not sufficient. He welcomed the completion of the project at Dairygold and pedestrian crossing at Ballyvinitier, Mallow and widening of the footpath in Glantane. He raised the issue of the Spa Road being one of the main entrances into Mallow Town and highlighted the temporary fencing that needs replacing. He said that this entrance can be the first impression of the town for many motorists.

Cllr Gearoid Murphy welcomed works announced for Ballyvinitier Mallow saying that he had raised this issue on many occasions in this forum. He expressed the opinion that a raised table is what is required here. He asked how much progress can expected here in 2024 and asked are the next stages Design and Build.

Cllr L Madden asked what are the extent of works required to bring the Dairygold walkway to completion. He asked how many projects are planned for Mallow and he asked if the extent of the works planned for Ballyvinitier could be outlined and he asked if safety works are incorporated here also. He also asked with regard to infill lighting at Burnfort.

Cllr T O' Shea welcomed NTA projects at Ballyvinitier and Dairygold in Mallow and the footpath works in Glantane also. He also asked if public lighting could be looked at in Kiely's Place, Lombardstown.

Response:

The Senior Executive Engineer responded as follows:

He advised that some of the works required at Boherbue will be funded this year with priority being given to works in the vicinity of the National School and the Creche, a pedestrian crossing at the National School will be funded in Knocknagree and the funding for Freemount will be towards the design works undertaken to date.

Responding to Cllr Gearoid Murphy he advised that the Ballyvinitier/Spa Glen funding are for works are towards a pedestrian crossing and traffic calming measures at the entrance to River Valley estate with a Section 38 due on these works in the coming weeks.

Responding to L Madden, he advised that the outstanding works on the Dairygold Walkway include the completion of the footpath/cycleway to the entrance of the Dairygold complex, site fencing and signage.

Cllr Madden asked to clarify if this will be an uncontrolled pedestrian crossing – can there be any improvement here.

The Senior Executive Engineer said that there is no provision for a signalled crossing in the current works, but it will be included for consideration as part of a larger project for the Ballyvinitter/Spa Glen area which will also include widening of footpaths.

Cllr Madden made reference to works carried out at Kennell Hill.

Cllr I Doyle welcomed the public lighting programme announced however he asked if public lighting at the junction to Cork County Council offices on the N20 in Charleville.

Cllr P Hayes also stated that some of the existing public lighting is no longer working at the entrance to Mallow Golf Club. He also asked if College Wood Estate has been taken in charge by Cork County Council.

Cllr JP O' Shea paid compliment to Michael Cotter and Liam Casey in Public Lighting for the considerable investment in public lighting across the district. He also asked with regard to Storm Babet works for which there had been an allocation of €425m and of which €325m has been completed, he asked if there has been any agreement on various tranches in phase two.

The Senior Executive Engineer will revert with respect to College Wood Estate and also with regard for Storm Babet funding.

He also advised that the Section 38 drawings circulated for:

- PROPOSED TRAFFIC CALMING WORKS ON THE L-1120 & L-1117 RATHCOOLE, CO. CORK
- PROPOSED TRAFFIC CALMING WORKS ON THE L-1108 BOHERBUE, CO. CORK

will be available for inspection at Newmarket offices with submissions accepted up to 07th June 2024.

The Municipal District Officer also advised members that Clar 2024 Funding is open for applications up to the 22nd May 2024. She also advised that the Municipal District reception for DBM First Responders will take place at Cork County Council offices Annabella on Thursday 16th May 2024.

In relation to Community Grants she advised that there had been 1 late application from Beechwood Park Residents Association, Mallow and she recommended an allocation of €300

Proposed by: Cllr T O' Shea and Seconded by: Cllr P Hayes.

Also included in Any Other Business:

Cllr JP O' Shea raised the issue of manholes sinking on the N20 at Charleville Park Hotel and also road sinking at Bog Road, Charleville. This was supported by Cllr I Doyle.

The Senior Executive Engineer advised that this issue on the N20 is Uisce Eireann infrastructure and he is following up on this.

Cllr P Hayes raised the issue of lack of signage for Mallow Farmers Market at St James Church grounds and asked if extra signage could be considered by the MDO/SEE

The Municipal District Officer advised that she will liaise with the Area Engineer on this matter.

The meeting concluded with the Municipal District Officer thanking each of the Members for their work on behalf of Kanturk/Mallow Municipal District during this term and she wished them well in the upcoming Local Elections.

Members also expressed condolences to the family of the late Cllr Gerard Murphy and a minutes silence was observed in his honour.

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Kanturk/Mallow Municipal District to be confirmed.

This Concluded the Business of the Meeting.

Signed: _____
CHAIRPERSON

Date: _____

Signed: _____
MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR

Date: _____

Kanturk Mallow Municipal District

2024 NTA Approved Schemes

- Dairygold Mallow- Completion of the footway/cycleway, site fencing and signage
- The Turrets Charleville – Pedestrian crossing and extension of footpath
- Boherbue – Traffic Calming by National School
- Ballyvinitier/ Spa Glen Mallow – Pedestrian Crossing
- Knocknagree – Pedestrian Crossing
- Glantane - Widening of existing footpath along by GAA Complex
- Derrnagree – Progress Section 38 Planning for Footpath
- Newtownshandrum – Fees for Section 38 Planning
- Freemount – Fees for Section 38 Planning

Total Funding for KMMD: €357,200

Kanturk Mallow Municipal District

2024 Public Lighting Programme

- Burnfort – Infill lighting in Village
- Cullen – Infill lighting in the vicinity of Luibin A Rince
- Dromina – Additional lighting near The Gables
- Bridge Street, Mallow – Additional lighting in the vicinity of the entrance to Mallow Castle
- Doona Rd, Milford – Infill lights on Doona road, Milford
- Parkwest, Mallow – Lighting on the steps at Parkwest, Mallow
- Newtownshandrum – Ballinakil East out of Newtownshandrum
- Cullen – Lighting in front of the Co -op Cullen

Total Funding for KMMD: €60,965

