

MINUTES OF EAST CORK MUNICIPAL DISTRICT MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 2ND DECEMBER 2024 AT MALL HOUSE, YOUGHAL, CO. CORK.

Present: Cllrs. A.M Ahern, J. Buckley, R. Cocking, M. Linehan-Foley, P. Mulcahy.

Apologies: Cllr. Hegarty.

Officials: Ms. Noreen Brennan, A/Senior Executive Officer.
Ms. S. Hegarty, Municipal District Officer.
Mr. D. Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer.
Mrs. G O' Connell, East Cork MD.

Before the meeting began the Members conveyed the deepest sympathies to Cllr. Michael Hegarty on the sad passing of his sister and grandniece and stated that their thoughts and prayers are with Michael and the whole Hegarty family.

The Members also conveyed their deepest sympathies to the family of the late Billy Buckley, former Town Foreman for Midleton Town Council on his tragic passing and stated that their thoughts and prayers are with Billy's family.

1.0 Deimhniú Miontuairiscí/Confirmation of Minutes:

On the proposal of Cllr. Ahern, seconded by Cllr. Buckley the Minutes of the East Cork Municipal District Monthly Meeting held on 4th November 2024 were unanimously adopted by the Members.

On the proposal of Cllr. Ahern, seconded by Cllr. Cocking the Minutes of the Special Meeting held on the 4th November 2024 were unanimously adopted by the Members.

2.0 Matters Arising:

No Matters Arose.

3.0 Tuairiscí ó Oifigigh/Officers Reports

3.1 Municipal District Officers Report:

Christmas Lights & Events

Cork County Council proudly supported the Christmas Lights for Midleton & Youghal with grant aid approved by Elected Members of €34,500 for each town.

The Youghal Christmas Lights were switched on the Saturday 16th November. The East Cork MD Office wishes to extend its sincere gratitude to all in Youghal Chamber of Tourism & Development who organised the very successful event with such a variety of entertainment provided for all the community.

The East Cork Municipal District Office also wishes to congratulate the Midleton Christmas Light committee and Cllr John Buckley for their tremendous effort in decorating the town and for holding a very memorable day for the community with the turning on the lights held on the 17th November.

With special remembrance on the evening for our colleague Billy Buckley R.I.P., a former committee member.

There will be further Christmas events held in Midleton on the 6th & 7th December with the Jingle & Mingle Event organised by Midleton & Area Chamber.

In Youghal, there will be Christmas markets held on Barry's Lane on Sat 7th & 14th December. This event is organised by Councillor Mary Linehan Foley & East Cork MD office.

Cork County Council supports both events and encourages people to shop local this festive season. East Cork Municipal District elected members supported this motion and members have approved Free Parking within the district for the month of December.

Midleton to Youghal Greenway

The current plan is to open the Mogeely to Youghal (Tides Car Park) section of the Greenway to the public on the 19th of December 2024. Work on the trail head at Youghal will continue into 2025. The official opening of the Greenway will be arranged for early 2025 and councillors will be kept updated on this.

Community Fund Scheme

Total Awarded in 2023 €239,000. To date claims totalling €236,000 have been submitted in respect of Amenity, Capital, and Community allocations 2023, with €3,000 to be claimed.

Total Awarded in 2024 €240,880. To date claims totalling €175,660 have been submitted in respect of Amenity, Capital, and Community allocations 2024, with €65,220 to be claimed.

This scheme will be reviewed in quarter 1 2025 for review of unclaimed monies and reallocation funds where applicable with members approval.

Community Climate Action Programme (CCAP) – Call 1 Part B

Cork County Council will launch a supplementary call (Call 1 Part B) for the Community Climate Action Programme (CCAP), Strand 1 on **Wednesday 11th December 2024**. The call for applications will remain open for a period of six weeks, with a closing date of **Wednesday 22nd January 2025, 16:00**.

The application process is open to eligible applicants who did not apply under the initial call (Call 1, December 2023) and successful projects must be delivered within 10 months of the awarding of funding.

Call 1 Part B has an increased focus on more innovative projects and the submission of applications from projects in Cork County's Decarbonising Zone (Macroom) is encouraged.

Cork County Council strongly recommend prospective applicants to contact Anthony O'Reilly, Community Climate Action Officer, at climate@corkcoco.ie in advance of any submission to confirm eligibility. Further details on the CCAP Call 1 Part B will be available here shortly: <https://www.corkcoco.ie/en/resident/environment/community-climate-action-programmeccap>

Below are details of : Small Projects (less than €20,000) approved for funding under the Community Climate Action Programme (CCAP), Strand 1.

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| FON Ballymacoda LCG, T/A FON Community Sports Complex | Installation of solar PV panels on a community sports building to reduce energy costs. | €15,000.00 |
| Aghada District Community Council | Installation of solar PV panels on a community building to reduce energy costs. | € 18,392.68 |
| Cumann Na Daoine CTR | Installation of solar PV panels on a community building to reduce energy costs. | €15,391.78 |
| Killeagh Inch Community Council (KICC) | Installation of bike racks in the village to enhance active travel facilities and improve uptake. | € 7,798.20 |

This report was marked as read.

3.2 Section 183-2 Railway Crossing, Middleton.

Before notice is given to the Members of Cork County Council in relation to the proposed disposal of property in East Cork the matter is brought to the attention of the Members for the East Cork Municipal District for their consideration. Details are set out in the attached draft notice.

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| Situation: | Disposal of property 2 Railway Cottages, Middleton, Co. Cork. |
| From Whom Acquired: | Unknown. In Cork County Council ownership since 1994. |
| From Whom It Is | |
| Proposed to Dispose: | Tom Llewlynn |
| Consideration: | €72,000.00 |

On the proposal of Cllr. Ahern which was seconded by Cllr. Buckley the Members had no objection to the proposal.

3.3 Cumann na mBan Commemoration Plaque.

Ms. Susan Hegarty, Municipal District Officer requested permission and approval from Members for the erection of a commemoration plaque for Cumann na mBan to be placed on the wall at the entrance to the car park at The Gyratory, Midleton.

This was unanimously approved by the Members on the proposal of Cllr. Ahern which was seconded by Cllr. Linehan Foley.

On the proposal of Cllr. Ahern which was seconded by Cllr. Linehan Foley the member unanimously agreed to the erection of this Commemoration Plaque.

3.4 East Cork MD Roads Restoration Maintenance and Restoration Improvement Programmes 2024 Progress Report.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer circulated the following East Cork MD Roads Grant Programme Progress Report 2024 to the Members.

| Funding Grant Category | Project Number | Road Class | Road Number | Road Name and or Townland Name | Length of Work (m) | % Completed |
|-------------------------|----------------|------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| Restoration Maintenance | RM 1 | R | R-627-0, R-627-29 | East Cork - R627 Broomfield East to Ballyriorty | 1850 | 100% |
| Restoration Maintenance | RM 2 | LS | L-7680-1, L-7681-1 | 7681-30 East Cork - L7680-1 & L7681 Ballyknock to Ballybraher | 3300 | 100% |
| Restoration Maintenance | RM 3 | LS | L-7677-0 | East Cork - L7677-0 / L888-25 (part) Ballymacandrick | 2030 | 100% |
| Restoration Maintenance | RM 4 | LS | L-7678-0, L-7678-27 | East Cork - L7678-27 & L7678-0 (part) Ballinvoher | 3360 | 100% |
| Restoration Maintenance | RM 5 | LS | L-36381-0, L-36382-0 | East Cork - L36381 & L36382 Ballywilliam | 2097 | 100% |
| Restoration Maintenance | RM 6 | LT | L-3639-29 | East Cork - L3639-29 Ballyrobin South to Ballycraheen Beach | 1420 | 100% |

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| Restoration Maintenance | RM 7 | LP | L-36103-0 | East Cork - L36103-0 Gortacruce | 1560 | 100% |
| Restoration Maintenance | RM 8 | LT | L-36101-1 | East Cork - L36101-0 Kileendooling | 740 | 100% |
| Restoration Maintenance | RM 9 | R | R-633-129 | East Cork - R633-129 Knockglass to Ladysbridge | 1363 | 100% |
| Restoration Maintenance | RM 10 | LP | L-3817-0 | East Cork - L3817-0 (part) Loughane Road | 900 | 100% |
| Restoration Maintenance | RM 11 | LP | L-3807-0, L-3807-23, | East Cork - L3807 from Youghal Bypass to Mount Uniacke | 9300 | 100% |
| Restoration Maintenance | RM 12 | LS | L-7805-0, L-7805-27, | 805-39 East Cork - L7805 Ballyknock to Lyre | 7100 | 100% |
| | | | | Restoration Maintenance Subtotal = | 35,020 | |
| Restoration Improvement | RI 1 | LP | L-3633-0 | East Cork - L3633 Church Street Cloyne | 210 | 100% |
| Restoration Improvement | RI 2 | LS | L-7680-1, L-7681-1 | 681-30 East Cork - L7680-1 & L7681 Ballyknock to Ballybraher | 2550 | 100% |
| Restoration Improvement | RI 3 | R | R-630-68, R-630-99 | East Cork - R630 (part) Rostellan and Lower Aghada Villages | 1600 | 90% |
| Restoration Improvement | RI 4 | LP | L-3609-0 | East Cork - L3609 Corbally (part) Phase 1 | 500 | 100% |
| Restoration Improvement | RI 5 | LS | L--7695-0 | East Cork - L7695-0 (part) Knockakeen | 1000 | 100% |
| Restoration Improvement | RI 6 | LP | L-3637-0 | East Cork - L3637-0 (part) Ballyandreen Village | 277 | 100% |
| Restoration Improvement | RI 7 | LP | L-3644-28 | East Cork - L3651 (part) / L3644 | 1000 | 100% |

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| | | | | (part) Whitewell X to Buckstown | | |
| Restoration Improvement | RI 8 | LP, R | L-3679-0, R-629-147 | East Cork - R629 Ballycotton - School to start Cliff Road | 1080 | 100% |
| Restoration Improvement | RI 9 | LP | L-3645-0 | East Cork - L3645-0 (part) Guileen | 1184 | 100% |
| Restoration Improvement | RI 10 | LS | L-7811-0 | East Cork - L7811 Reanduff | 1520 | 100% |
| Restoration Improvement | RI 11 | LS | L-7808-0 | East Cork - L7808 Sandyhill (Rearour) | 1120 | 100% |
| Restoration Improvement | RI 12 | LS | L-7804-0, L-7804-37 | East Cork - L7804 (part) Knockacool | 2400 | 100% |
| Restoration Improvement | RI 13 | LT | L-78651-0 | East Cork - L78651-0 (part) Rathaha | 550 | 80% |
| Restoration Improvement | RI 14 | R | R-634-9 | East Cork - R634 Redforge Cr Rds to Ballydaniel | 1800 | 100% |
| Restoration Improvement | RI 15 | LP | L-3815-19 | East Cork - 3815- 19 (part) at Kilcraheen | 600 | 100% |
| Restoration Improvement | RI 16 | LP | L3805-0 | East Cork - L3805-18 (part) Dungourney | 170 | 100% |
| Restoration Improvement | RI 17 | LS | L-7881-0 | East Cork - L7881-0 (part) North Road Shannagarry | 350 | 100% |
| Restoration Improvement | RI 18 | LS | L-7832-0 | East Cork - L7832-0 (part) Ballynametagh | 700 | 100% |
| Restoration Improvement | RI 19 | LS | L-7806-0, L7806-31 | East Cork - L7806-31 (part) Breeda Road at Rearour North | 1000 | 100% |
| Restoration Improvement | RI 20 | LS | L-7839-34 | East Cork - L7839-34 (part) Burges Lower | 960 | 100% |
| Restoration Improvement | RI 21 | LP, LS | L3822-0, L- 9519-0 | East Cork - L9519-0 Woodview Court Youghal | 101 | 100% |
| | | | | Restoration Improvement Subtotal = | 20,672 | |

This report was marked as read.

Cllr. Mulcahy commended all works done to date and thanked Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer, Michael Lucey, Executive Engineer & Janette Kenny, Executive Engineer for all works involved. Cllr. Linehan Foley concurred with these sentiments.

4. Business prescribed by Statute.

None.

5. Notices of Motion:

5.1.1 Cllr. Ann Marie Ahern, received on 31st October 2024

“Can the L76171-0 be inspected and added to the roads programme. Where possible if any interim repairs can also be carried out”.

Cllr. Linehan Foley seconded this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that this road will be considered and is on a current repair list

5.1.2 Cllr. Ann Marie Ahern, received on 31st October 2024

“That this MD look at installing Age Friendly parking spaces within the towns and villages of East Cork to assist the elderly with accessible parking close to shops and supermarkets”.

Cllr. Linehan Foley seconded this motion.

Ms. Susan Hegarty, Municipal District Officer informed the Members that she has liaised with our Age Friendly Officer and the East Cork MD District currently has no age friendly parking spaces. An action in the Age Friendly Strategy is to develop 4 more age friendly towns over the life of the strategy (2024-2028). She will review this potential for East Cork and in meantime will discuss with Roads Engineer to identify locations for Age Friendly parking spaces.

5.1.3 Cllr. Ann Marie Ahern, received on 26th November 2024

“Can the L7860 at Ardnabourkey be added to the road programme and any interim works be carried out where possible”.

Cllr. Mulcahy seconded this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that this road is being considered for resurfacing under the Babet reinstatement programme (subject to funding).

5.1.4 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 13th November 2024 “That Road L7651 off the N25 Ballyedikin to Ballintotis school be repaired urgently there are a lot of potholes here. Could the Velocity patcher could be brought or a complete overlay.”.

Cllrs. Linehan Foley & Mulcahy seconded the motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that the road has been inspected. In the short term repairs will be scheduled with the velocity patcher or delay set. The road will be considered for resurfacing under future RI / RM programmes.

5.1.5 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 13th November 2024

“That the road through Killeagh Gardens to Dromdiah Park have traffic calming installed such as raised road tables, modular rubber pedestrian crossing speed tables, speed cushions ETC”.

Cllrs. Mulcahy & Linehan Foley seconded this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that these are private estates not yet taken in charge. This matter can be referred to the Estates Section in Planning.

5.1.6 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 13th November 2024

“That Mogeely village and wider community be assisted in having a Christmas Market/Fair adjacent to the Greenway carpark”.

Cllr. Ahern seconded this motion.

Ms. Susan Hegarty, Municipal District Officer informed the Members that she will arrange to meet with the community group and discuss proposals further and stated that a location will need to be identified and considered with the casual trading byelaws.

5.1.7 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 18th November 2024

“Asking that East Cork Municipal District for update on Strand Street and Tallow Street low cost safety measures”.

Cllrs. Mulcahy & Ahern supported this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that surveying is substantially completed. The Council’s Regional & Local Road Design Office is advancing the design / Section 38 consultation documentation. Section 38 (to include proposed pedestrian crossing on Tallow Street) will be put out to consultation in Q1 of 2025. Works proposed will enhance those previously completed. Works will be subject to availability of funding (NTA Towns & Village and/or Low Cost Safety Grant from the Department of Transport).

5.1.8 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 18th November 2024

“Asking that a gate be erected with keys for fishermen on the Pier Head to deter antisocial behaviour”.

Cllr. Ahern seconded this motion.

Ms. Susan Hegarty, Municipal District Officer informed the Members that she will liaise with the Harbour Master and visit the site in question.

5.1.9 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 18th November 2024

“Asking that Shanagarry be prioritised for Traffic Calming Measures”.

Cllr. Mulcahy seconded this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that a number of driver feedback signs are being installed at this location.

5.1.10 Cllr. Rory Cocking, received on 25th November 2024

That the East Cork MD would consider the introduction of a footpath after the Midleton Downs housing estate and along the Rocky Road, Midleton.

Cllr. Ahern seconded this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that the location will be considered under further Active Travel funding rounds from the NTA.

5.1.11 Cllr. Rory Cocking, received on 25th November 2024

To ask the East Cork MD to explore the possibility of installing a cold water tap connection, and an electricity connection to facilitate the potential use of a defibrillator, at the Youghal Sea Swimmers shelter on the Front Strand, Youghal.

Cllrs. Mulcahy and Linehan Foley seconded this motion.

Cllr. Linehan Foley asked if the motion be amended to include a tap on the Mall Beach.

Ms. Susan Hegarty, Municipal District Officer informed the Members that she would welcome a meeting with the Youghal Sea Swimmers as she is aware of the good work with recent success of their book and stated that she will review and revert as there are a few things to consider here re connection for a tap. Cost of works with Uisce Eireann connection may be required & electricity connection and utility charges. The Municipal District Officer understands and appreciate the merit in relation to a defibrillator and will need to discuss further with the Insurance Section of Cork County Council regarding Public Liability Insurance.

5.1.12 Cllr. Rory Cocking, received on 26th November 2024

“That the East Cork MD would consider footpath and road safety improvements and speed reduction measures on the R631 road on approach to Cloyne”.

Cllr. Ahern seconded this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that this location will be considered under further Active Travel funding rounds from the NTA and/or Low Cost Safety Scheme funding.

5.1.13 Cllr. Patrick Mulcahy, received on 26th November 2024

“That the ECMD would run a review of the speed into Ballincurrig village on the northern side due to the close proximity of the National School and for the safety of both parents and children”.

Cllr. Ahern seconded this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that a traffic / speed survey will be carried out as requested, this will be in Quarter 1 of 2025.

5.1.14 Cllr. Patrick Mulcahy, received on 26th November 2024

“That the ECMD would seriously clearing the drains off Cleary Road, Gortroe (L-7858 and L7856) as they flooded consistently during heavy rain”.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that this issue may relate to drains on private land which are the responsibility of the land owner. The Senior Executive Engineer will discuss this matter with Cllr. Mulcahy.

5.1.15 Cllr. Patrick Mulcahy, received on 26th November 2024

“That the ECMD would repaint the road markings in the Ardan na Mara Estate, Youghal and on health and safety grounds would top and trim some of the trees”.

Cllr. Linehan Foley seconded this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that this estate is not in the charge of Cork County Council.

5.1.16 Cllr. John Buckley, received on 26th November 2024

“Could the MD inspect the damage done to the enclosing walls of Midleton Lodge”.

Cllr. Linehan Foley seconded this motion.

Ms. Susan Hegarty, Municipal District Officer thanked the Members for highlighting this as wall may date to 1790 and stated that she has liaised with a conservation officer & an archaeologist and will arrange a site visit & procure for a consultant team to review the potential works required as she is aware the wall is of historic value and will review options for funding for the works.

5.1.17 Cllr. John Buckley, received on 26th November 2024

“Could the MD look into resurfacing Dr Patrick O Sullivan estate that hasn't been resurfaced in over 40 years”.

Cllrs. Linehan Foley & Ahern seconded this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that this estate will be considered in future programmes and acknowledged that the surface on many sections within the estate are in poor condition.

5.1.18 Cllr. John Buckley, received on 26th November 2024 “Could the MD inspect the bridge and supporting wall in Fr Murphy's Terrace, Ballinacurra.

Cllr. Cocking seconded this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that a prelim visual assessment indicates that there is no concern with the bridge. The low wall running along the stream has rotated and will eventually fall. The Engineer will first check to see what works may be planned here under the Midleton Flood Relief Scheme and stated that replacing the footpath and low wall can be considered under the Footpath Programme.

6. Correspondence Received.

1. Correspondence from Private Secretary Amanda Corley To Minister Ryan :

Reinstatement of the Midleton to Youghal rail link

On behalf of the Minister for Transport I wish to thank you for your correspondence in relation to a rail link to Youghal. Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding.

The National Transport Authority published the Cork Metropolitan Area Transport Strategy (CMATS) in 2020, which was developed in consultation with Cork City and Cork County Councils and with input from other key stakeholders, including Iarnród Éireann. As part of this process, the line from Midleton to Youghal was earmarked for development as a greenway.

CMATS will be reviewed and updated every six years and, as part of this process, the optimal transport provision in the area, including between Midleton and Youghal, can be considered again.

In addition, the All-Island Strategic Rail Review was undertaken in co-operation with the Department for Infrastructure in Northern Ireland. Following two public consultations, the Review's Final Report was published on the 31st of July 2024.

The Review's Final Report sets out 32 strategic recommendations to enhance and expand the rail system in Ireland and Northern Ireland up to 2050, aligning with net carbon zero commitments in both jurisdictions. The recommendations seek to transform the quality of the rail system to the benefit of passengers and wider society on the island, through additional track capacity, electrification, increased speeds, higher service frequencies and new routes.

A proposal to develop a line between Midleton and Waterford along the South Coast was examined as part of the Review, but ultimately this route was not included in the recommendations in the Final Review Report.

The Final Review Report will inform the development of rail on the island of Ireland in the coming decades to 2050. It should be noted that that individual projects referred to in the Report will be subject to funding and relevant approvals as required under the Infrastructure Guidelines in Ireland.

Cllr. Linehan Foley proposed that this matter be kept on the Agenda.

Cllrs. Mulcahy, Ahern & Cocking supported this proposal

2. Correspondence from Private Secretary Eoghan McCarthy to Minister O'Brien Office re Boiled Water:

I refer to your recent email sent on behalf of the East Cork Municipal District Members regarding water supply issues at Whitegate.

The supply of public water and the provision of water services in general are matters for Uisce Éireann in the first instance. Uisce Éireann has statutory responsibility for all aspects of water services planning, delivery and operation at national, regional and local level. Under Section 7 of the Water Services (No. 2) Act 2013, the Minister has no function regarding Uisce Éireann's specific operations. However, he has been informed that Uisce Éireann commenced a €22 million upgrade at Whitegate Water Treatment Plant in July 2024. The upgrade will ensure a safe, secure, and reliable supply of drinking water to the homes and businesses served by the Whitegate Regional Water Supply. The new state-of-the-art treatment plant will address the frequent Boil Water Notices that the people of East Cork have experienced over the last number of years.

As the public health authority, it is the HSE's decision regarding issuing a Boil Water Notice or Do Not Consume notice. As set out by the Commission for the Regulation of Utilities (CRU), when a Do Not Consume notice is issued alternative water supplies are made available. However, this is not the situation in Whitegate and customers are reminded that the water is safe to consume once boiled.

The Department's priority is to ensure that people's health is protected and that adequate water is available for all consumers. The Minister is keen to see this Boil Water Notice lifted without undue delay – but only when the HSE and EPA have confirmed the water supply is safe.

Uisce Éireann has a strong customer service focus through its Water Charges Plan and Customer Charter, which outlines the standard of service customers should expect to receive. The Water Charges Plan sets out a compensation mechanism for Business Customers when water quality is compromised and unfit for human consumption such as when Drinking Water Restriction Notices apply. Such customers who pay charges are entitled to a rebate under the Customer Handbook as agreed with the Commission for Regulation of Utilities (CRU). However, implementation of the Water Charges Plan is a matter in the first instance for Uisce Éireann. Any issues, which cannot be resolved by Uisce Éireann to the satisfaction of the customer can be referred under the formal complaints process to the CRU.

Uisce Éireann is committed to ensuring communities are kept up-to-date and has a number of existing dedicated communication channels available to the public and elected representatives. Customers in the Whitegate area can check if their property is included on the [Notice](https://scanner.topsec.com/?d=965&r=show&u=www.water.ie&t=b15c5d223a480f9f3060e6b24e9de022520d4eaa) by visiting <https://scanner.topsec.com/?d=965&r=show&u=www.water.ie&t=b15c5d223a480f9f3060e6b24e9de022520d4eaa> and entering the property's Eircode or by calling the Uisce Éireann

customer care helpline, open 24/7, on 1800 278 278. A map of the area is also available to view on the supply and service section of that website.

Cllr. Cocking stated that he was disappointed that there was nothing new in the report and asked if further clarification can be sought as to the completion date of the project. Cllr. Linehan Foley concurred with Cllr. Cocking. Susan Hegarty, Municipal District Officer will write to the Minister to seek clarification on same.

7. Any Other Business:

1. Cllr. Linehan Foley asked if there was any update on the Paid Parking Bye Laws and also thanked Cork County Council for the provision of free parking for Youghal for the month of December. Noreen Brennan, Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that this is being investigated with the provision of amalgamating the Bye Laws for both Youghal and Midleton towns.

2. Cllr. Ahern raised the issue of a small bit of the pier at Ardnaninch which was become loose and broken. Noreen Brennan, Senior Executive Officer will ask the Harbour Master to inspect same.

3. Cllr. Cocking congratulated all those who were elected in the recent General Election and commiserated with those who did not gain a seat, Cllr. Cocking stated that all electorates ran a great campaign. All Members concurred with Cllr. Cockings sentiments, Cllr. Mulcahy stated that any person who decides to put their name forward on the ballot paper should be both commended and respected.

Susan Hegarty thanked all elected Members and commended their works on the ground and stated that she was looking forward to continuing a positive working relationship in 2025. Susan also thanked Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer, Noreen Brennan, Senior Executive Officer, the admin staff of both Midleton and Youghal Offices and also the outdoor staff of both towns for their support throughout 2024 and their work achievements.

4. Cllr. Linehan Foley wished all staff members and fellow colleagues a happy and peaceful Christmas and thanked everyone for all their support over the past 6 months.

This Concluded the Business of the Meeting.