

## **MINUTES OF EAST CORK MUNICIPAL DISTRICT MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 4<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2024 AT PEARSE MEMORIAL CHAMBERS, MIDLETON, CO. CORK.**

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

**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.

### **1.0 Deimhniú Miontuairiscí/Confirmation of Minutes:**

On the proposal of Cllr. Ahern, seconded by Cllr. Cocking the Minutes of the East Cork Municipal District Monthly Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> October, were adopted.

### **2.0 Matters Arising:**

No Matters Arose.

### **3.0 Tuairiscí ó Oifigigh/Officers Reports**

Garda Fergal O'Donovan Roads Inspector & Garda Brian Larkin, Roads Policing Midleton briefed the Members on roads policing & road safety.

Garda Fergal O' Donovan informed the Members that the roads policing unit is very active in making roads safer and stated that there has been 14 fatalities in Cork County this year 4 of these being in the last two weeks.

Garda O' Donovan informed the Members that it is their intention to focus on education and to visit local schools to show videos of real life fatalities to encourage people to change their driving behaviour and to discuss road safety issues in the home.

The Members were also informed that there is an increase in drunk drivers, drug drivers and also people driving continuously who have been banned from driving. All of these along with distracted driving and the non wearing of safety belts leads to road traffic accidents.

Cllr. Linehan Foley thanked both Gardaí for the briefing and stated that she has begun canvassing for the forthcoming local elections many members of the public living in residential estates have raised concerns regarding speeding issues within their estates.

Cllr. Aherne concurred with Cllr. Linehan Foley and stated that she has had requests from residents of older estates which were built without any planning regulations for speed calming to work closely with Local Authorities to tackle speed.

Garda O' Donovan informed the Members that while all concerns are taken seriously residents need to take responsibility for their driving habits and stated that it is very hard for the roads policing unit to police every estate, the Roads Policing Unit covers a very large area and the organisation has limited resources.

Cllr. Quaide asked if the unit see themselves as being resourced enough to provide extra speed vans to carry out speed checks.

Cllr. Mulcahy raised the issue of the main road on the N25 and asked who organises the daily rota for the Go Safe Van.

Cllr. Linehan Foley stated that it would be of great benefit if a Go Safe Van could be parked by the Holy Family Church.

Garda O' Donovan informed the Members that the unit in relation to the 'go safe vans' organise the rosters and are only placed within certain zones.

Cllr. Hegarty asked if traffic calming measures could be endorsed in particular within some of our villages and raised the issue of the use of e-scooters which are a danger to pedestrians.

Garda O' Donovan once again reiterated that the unit has limited resources for the provision of speed calming measures and stated that there is new legislation regarding the use of e-scooters and mopheads. Garda O' Donovan suggested the Members visit the RSA website to investigate regulations on same.

### **3. Consideration of Reports and Recommendations.**

#### 3.1 Municipal District Officers Report.

##### **Festivals**

October saw the success of two festivals held in Youghal to celebrate the Halloween Festival. Youghal4all Spooktacular Festival was held over the October Bank Holiday weekend with many various and successful events organised throughout the town of Youghal including a special market day with entertainment provided by children of dance clubs at Barry's Lane.

Youghal Comhaltas Group held music events at locations throughout the town.

Spirit of Samhain held a Festival on the 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> with many events to celebrate Samhain and had a very successful ghost walking tours at night.

The East Cork MD Office wish to congratulate all the volunteers of these groups for their huge effort on delivering these successful events and bringing the community together to enhance the prosperity of Youghal.

##### **Youghal Lighthouse Viewing Platform**

A contractor is due on site shortly we are already progressing the electrical works and have engaged with ESB to go on site.

## Community Recognition Fund 2023

This fund has now been submitted and drawn down from the Department of Rural Community & Development. There were two allocations granted an extension of time to deliver the projects by the Department Rural Community and Development, Youghal Community Centre & Taylors Lane.

<b>Community Recognition Fund 2023, €718,535</b>		
<i>20 successful projects within East Cork Municipal District</i>		
Fr. O'Neills GAA Club	Development of gym facility	<b>€15,000</b>
Greywood Arts	Kitchen appliances, Fire extinguishers, PA system, scanner, projectors	<b>€5,000</b>
SECAD	Purchase of electric car	<b>€50,000</b>
Midleton FC	Facilities upgrade	<b>€5,000</b>
Cork County Council	Upgrade of Peoples Path	<b>€200,000</b>
Whitegate Rowing Club	Purchase of rowing boat	<b>€10,000</b>
Aghada GAA	Convert existing facility to establish a public gym	<b>€30,000</b>
Cork County Council	Upgrade of White Bay amenity area and park	<b>€40,000</b>
Corkbeg AFC	Upgrade amenity area, new coffee kiosk, toilets, pathways, security gates etc	<b>€30,000</b>
Community Radio Youghal	Community Radio Youghal - purchase of outside broadcast van	<b>€20,000</b>
Youghal Scout Club	Refurbish toilets	<b>€3,000</b>
Youghal Tidy Towns	Purchase of lawn mowers	<b>€7,000</b>
Youghal Basketball Club	Purchase of basketball equipment	<b>€5,000</b>
Aura Leisure	Replacement of sand filtering system	<b>€15,000</b>
Youghal Community Bus	Purchase of community bus	<b>€50,000</b>
Claycastle Pitch & Putt Club	Purchase of mower with spreader	<b>€15,535</b>
Youghal Chamber of Tourism	Refurb and upgrade of community tourist office	<b>€5,000</b>

Youghal Community Centre	Complete upgrade and re-wiring & rood works	€120,000
Cork County Council	Complete refurbishment of Taylors Lane historic steps	€90,000
Youghal Karate Club	Purchase of hall matting and training equipment	€3,000

### **Reply to previous Notice of Motion**

#### **To consider the following Notice of Motion in the of Cllr. John Buckley**

That East Cork MD deep clean the footpaths and buildings within the town. Green algae is growing footpaths and buildings

The Municipal District Office and Roads department will seek tenders to carry out street cleaning of footpaths once the drain work and Uisce Eireann works has been completed.

#### **To consider the following Notice of Motion in the name of Cllr. Ann Marie Ahern:**

Can the Hillside Court Development in Ballinacurra be added to the road resurfacing programme and in the meantime any interim repairs carried out.

The Municipal District Office and Roads department will carry out these works and add it to a programme of works.

#### **To consider the following Notice of Motion in the name of Cllr. Ann Marie Ahern:**

Is there an update on the progression of the refurbishment of Midleton Library including the restoration of the copla.

This has been referred to County Librarian seeking an update and will issue update to members once received.

#### **To consider the following Notice of Motion in the name of Cllr. Liam Quaide:**

That the East Cork MD would write to the Minister for Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform and the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage asking that they provide financial compensation for residents affected by prolonged boiled water notices of the Whitegate Public Water Supply, and provide water tankers for the refilling of clean water until the new treatment plant under construction is operational.

Letters have been issued to the offices and acknowledged as received. Awaiting response.

This report was marked as read.

### **3.2 East Cork MD Storm Babet Road Damage Restoration Progress Report.**

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer circulated the following East Cork Municipal District Stormwater Babet Road Damage Restoration Report to the Members:

Road Class	Road Number	Engineering Area/Municipal District	Road Name and/or Townland Name	Damage/Works	Length of Road Resurfacing	Permanent Repair Works Progress
R	R-629-20	Midleton/East Cork	Kilva, Cloyne (Sculleen)	Road culvert collapsed. Works to replace completed 17/11/2023		100%
LS	L-7694-21	Midleton/East Cork	Ballynaclashy Road at junction of R626	Road Damage- Permanent surfacing works completed.	70	100%
LS	L-7694-21	Midleton/East Cork	Ballynaclashy Road at junction of R626	Damage to structures. Temporary barriers in place.		Design Stage
LP	L-3608-30	Midleton/East Cork	Glen Road from junction of L-7694-21 Ballynaclashy Road to junction of L76961-0 Ballycurany West Road	Road Damage and damage to bridge culverts	1800	Design Stage
LP	L-3608-0 L3608-30	Midleton/East Cork	Glen Road from R626 to Dooneen, Leamlara	Road Damage Interim repair works completed. Permanent resurfacing works commenced.	3000	90%
LP	L-3610-0 L-3610-25	Midleton/East Cork	Ballymacsliney Road	Road damage and edge of road collapses. Golf Club to Pynes X Interim repairs carried out. Contractor for drainage works and resurfacing onsite.	3000	100%
LP	L-3610-25	Midleton/East Cork	Carrigogna, Midleton	Road damage. Road from East Cork Oil to East Cork Golf Club. Interim repairs	70	100%

				carried out. Permanent resurfacing works completed.		
LT	L-36102-0	Midleton/East Cork	Elfordstown	Road damage. Interim repairs carried out	415	100%
LP	L-3630-22	Midleton/East Cork	Dromsarane, Cloyne	Localised road damage. Wood rd. to Stacks X. Interim repair works completed.	30	100%
LP	L-3650-0	Midleton/East Cork	Whitegate (Lower Road Whitegate)	Reconstruction of knocked roadside walls along stream completed with inlet opes (24/11/23).	-	100%
LS	L-7617-19	Midleton/East Cork	Ballyspillane East	Road damage. Interim repairs carried out.	1000	100%
LS	L-7619-0	Midleton/East Cork	Ballyspillane West	Road damage.. Interim repairs carried out.	1000	100%
LS	L-7620-0	Midleton/East Cork	Ballyspillane to Ballymartin	Road damage. Interim repairs carried out.	600	100%
LS	L-7623-0	Midleton/East Cork	Glebe, Dungourney	Road damage. Interim repairs carried out.	1100	100%
LS	L-7655-18	Midleton/East Cork	Glenageare, Cloyne	Popes X to Killurriga Area. Interim repairs carried out. Permanent works substantially completed.	700	100%
LS	L-7655-18	Midleton/East Cork	Glenageare, Cloyne	Popes X to Glennageare towards stacks Cross Area. Permanent works substantially completed.	1500	100%
LT	L-76592-0	Midleton/East Cork	Kilva, (Scarriff), Cloyne	Road damage. Interim repairs carried out.	500	100%
LS	L-7686-0	Midleton/East Cork	Glen Road, Ballybraher Ballycotton	Road damage. Interim repairs carried out.	700	100%

LS	L-7687	Midleton/East Cork	Ballyandreen	Road damage Interim repairs carried out.	300	100%
LS	L7687	Midleton/East Cork	Quarry Road, Ballybraher	Road damage. Interim Repairs carried out	-	Contractor Appointed
LS	L-7693-42	Midleton/1east Cork	Pynes Cross	Pynes X to Dispensary X Bridge culvert partially collapsed	-	Design Stage – full replacement 2025
LS	L-7693-42	Midleton/East Cork	Pynes Cross	Pynes x to Dispensary X. Road damaged. Interim repairs carried out to provide access to residents from Pynes X.	1300	100%
LT	L-79691-0	Midleton/East Cork	Ballycurrany West	Road damage and debris. Roadside collapses into stream. Clearance works completed.	1200	100%
LS	L7694-21	Midleton/East Cork	Ballycurrany East	Road damage. Interim repairs carried out	500	100%
R	R-627-64	Youghal/East Cork	Ballynacole - Dungourney	Road Culvert Collapse 20-10-23. Repair Culvert installed & Road reopened 26-10-23		100%
R	R-633	Youghal/East Cork	Ladysbridge - Ballymacoda	Road damage. Interim repairs carried out. Permanent surfacing works ongoing.	1000	100%
LS	L-7828-0	Youghal/East Cork	Barnaviddane	Bridge Collapse, Temporary repairs completed, road reopened.		Tender Preparation
LS	L-7828-0	Youghal/East Cork	Barnaviddane	Road Damage	260	95%
LP	L-3808-0	Youghal/East Cork	Inch/Park	Multiple failures of road embankment (landslides)		Contractor Appointed
LP	L-3803-0	Youghal/East Cork	Inch to Barnivaddane	Road Damage. Drainage and	350	100%

				resurfacing works completed.		
LP	L3803-0	Youghal/East Cork	Inch National School	Road Damage. Drainage and resurfacing works completed.	100	100%

R	L-3804-0	Youghal/East Cork	Mount Uniacke	Road Damage. resurfacing works completed.	300	100%
LP	L-38081-0	Youghal/East Cork	Cornaveigh	Road	650	100%
LP	L-7895-0	Youghal/East Cork	Kilnatoora	Road damage, Drainage & resurfacing works substantially complete	600	100%
LP	L-3808-63	Youghal/East Cork	Kilnatoora	Road damage, Drainage & resurfacing works substantially complete	200	100%
LP	L-3815-19	Youghal/East Cork	Kilcredan	Road Damage. Interim repairs to make passable ongoing.	1400	100%
LP	L-7879-0	Youghal/East Cork	Mollock	Road damage. Drainage & resurfacing works completed.	170	100%
LT	L-3817-0	Youghal/East Cork	Loughane	Major Verge & Surface Damage. Interim repairs to make passable completed.	2000	100%
LP	L-7885-0	Youghal/East Cork	Glenageare	Major verge and surface Damage. Interim works to make passable completed.	1000	100%
LP	L-7831-0	Youghal/East Cork	Ballynascarthly	Major Verge & Surface	3200	100%



				Damage. Interim repairs ongoing to make passable completed.		
LS	L-7816-0	Youghal/East Cork	Garrylaurence	Major verge and surface damage. Interim repairs to make passable completed.	1000	100%
LP	L-3804	Youghal/East Cork	Mount Uniacke to Dungourney	Major verge and surface damage. Interim repairs ongoing to make passable completed.	1500	65%
LS	L-7832-0	Youghal/East Cork	Ballnynametagh	Major verge and surface damage. Interim repairs ongoing to make passable completed.	1000	100%
LP	L3806-24	Youghal/East Cork	Dromdihy Kilelagh to Mount Uniacke	Road embankment collapse. Repair works completed.		100%
LP	L-3806-24	Youghal/East Cork	Mount Uniacke – Killeagh	Road surface damaged. Interim repairs carried out. Surfacing completed.	50	100%
LT	L-38061-0	Youghal/East Cork	Aghadoe (High Road)	Road damage over a section. Interim repairs completed.	250	100%
LS	L7837-0	Youghal/East Cork	Gortnagappul	Culvert failure - repair work complete 17/11/23		100%
LS	L-7837-0	Youghal/East Cork	Gotnagappul	Damage to road surface and drainage. Interim repairs completed. Permanent	260	100%

				resurfacing completed.		
LS	L-7841-0	Youghal/East Cork	Ballyglassin	Damage to road surface /drainage. Bridge & Culvert along the route under investigation. Interim repairs to make passable carried out.		Design Stsge
LP	L-3802-31	Youghal/East Cork	Mount Uniacke to Murley's Cross at Monavarnoge	Bridge Structure inspected. Emergency repairs planned.		100%
LS	L-7826-0	Youghal/East Cork	Corbally/Ballyre	Damage to road surface. Permanent repairs substantially completed.	540	100%
LS	L-7804	Youghal/East Cork	Lacken - Knockacool	Damage to road surface and drainage. Interim repairs carried out.	500	100%
LS	L-7811	Youghal/East Cork	Reanduff	Damage to road surface and drainage. Interim repairs carried out.	500	100%
LS	L-7805	Youghal/East Cork	Lyre	Damage to Bridge Structure.		Tender Stage
LS	L-7805	Youghal/East Cork	Ballyanthony	Damage to road surface and drainage	500	100%
LT	L-7806	Youghal/East Cork	Breeda/Rearour	Damage to road surface and drainage. Interim repairs carried out.	500	100%
LS	L-96342	Youghal/East Cork	Ballycondon	Damage to road surface and drainage. Permanent	680	100%

				resurfacing completed.		
LT	L-38163	Youghal/East Cork	Ring	Damage to road surface and drainage. Interim repairs carried out.	1200	100%
LP	L-3804-0	Youghal/East Cork	Dangan	Damage to Dangan Bridge		90%
LP	L-38041	Youghal/East Cork	Ballynalagh	Damage to Ballynalagh Bridge		10%
LP	L-3804-43	Youghal/East Cork	Glenaphuca	Damage to Glenaphuca Bridge		80%
LS	L-7617-0	Midleton/East Cork	Knockanemore (Sandyhill)	Bridge culvert collapse		Contractor Appointed
LP	L-3604-0	Midleton/East Cork	Leamlara (Pigeonhill)	Bridge culvert collapse		
R	R-630	Midleton/East Cork	Whitegate Road Saleen	Subsidence		100%
LP	L-3810-0	Youghal/East Cork	New Line	Undercutting of roadside retaining walls/partial collapses		Contractor Appointed
R	R-629	Midleton/East Cork	Ballinacurra to Cloyne	Undercutting of roadside retaining walls/partial collapses		Assessment Stage
L	L-3637	Midleton/East Cork	Ballyandreen	Culvert Collapse		100%
L	L-3637	Midleton/East Cork	Ballyandreen	Road Surface Resilience Works		100%
L	L-36301-0	Midleton/East Cork	Knockacrump (Bothar More)	Damage to Road Surface and Drainage	1000	100%
L	L-7892-0	Youghal/East Cork	Clasheel	Damage to Road Surface and Drainage	1200	100%
L	L-3808	Youghal/East Cork	Curraghboy	Damage to Road Surface and Drainage	700	100%
L	L-7891-0	Youghal/East Cork	Mullarie	Damage to Road Surface and Drainage	900	95%
L	L7881	Youghal/East Cork	Rooskagh	Damage to Bridge Structure	50	Contractor Awarded

L	L3800-39	Youghal/East Cork	Dungourney	Damage to Bridge Parapet		Contractor Awarded
LP	L3807	Youghal/East Cork	Balinvarrig /Bargeehy Bridge	Damage to retaining wall and parapet		Tender Assessment
LS	L6592	Midleton/East Cork	Kilva	Damage to road surface	1000	100%
LS	L7681	Midleton/East Cork	Ballybraher-Quarry /Road	Damage to road surface	1200	100%
LS	L7686	Midleton/East Cork	Ballybraher-Glen Road	Damage to road surface		100%
LT	L78121	Youghal/East Cork	Ballinteosig/Inch School	Damage to road surface	100	100%
LS	L7607	Midleton/East Cork	Dundellerick	Damage to road surface	100	90%
LP	L3609	Midleton/East Cork	Ballincurrig	Damage to road surface	500	15%
LS	L7833	Youghal/East Cork	Spring Hill	Damage to road surface	1200	85%
R	R634	Youghal/East Cork	Tallow Road	Damage to road surface	700	100%
R	R634	Youghal/East Cork	Ballymacoda	Damage to road surface	1000	100%

Cllr. Linehan Foley asked if there was any update on the opening of the Inch Road. Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that a contractor has been appointed to carry out these works and stated that landowners in this area have requested a specialist meeting to facilitate the works involved.

Cllr. Mulcahy acknowledged that 90% of the works are completed. Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that all roads are progressing and works should be completed by the Summer of 2025.

### 3.2 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 Ballycroneen Beach	1420	100%
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%
			<b>Restoration Maintenance Subtotal =</b>		<b>35,020</b>	
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	5%
Restoration Improvement	RI 4	LP	L-3609-0	East Cork - L3609 Corbally (part) Phase 1	500	10%

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	5%
Restoration Improvement	RI 7	LP	L-3644-28	East Cork - L3651 (part) / L3644 (part) Whitewell X to Buckstown	1000	100%
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) Rathhaha	550	5%
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%
<b>Restoration Improvement Subtotal =</b>					<b>20,672</b>	

This report was marked as read.

#### **4. Business Prescribed by Statute.**

None.

#### **5. Notices of Motion/Information.**

5.1.1 Cllr. Ann Marie Ahern, received on 29th September 2024

“Can the footpath from Ladysbridge Village to Knockglass be inspected for repairs and a continuation of the footpath to the end of the identified area”.

Cllr. Hegarty seconded this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that Repairs and /or enhancements to the footpaths will be considered in future Footpath Programmes / NTA funded Active Travel Projects.

5.1.2 Cllr. Ann Marie Ahern, received on 29th October 2024

“The public footpaths that are obstructed by barriers at Ballinacurra, Midleton (outside Bennets) be removed as pedestrians are being forced to walk on the road along with speed safety measures to be looked at for this road as an implication of the non removal of the fencing”.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Engineer informed the Members that the property owner will be contacted to resolve the issue – i.e. realign the temporary security fencing.

5.1.3 Cllr. Ann Marie Ahern, received on 29th October 2024

“Can the build up of traffic from Saleen be inspected and further reports done due to the severe traffic build up on a daily basis causing a knock on effect to road users”.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that he received a Report from the NRDO Glanmire stating that there are no plans for the upgrade of the N25 Lakeview roundabout to address current capacity issues at peak times”.

5.1.4 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 11th October 2024

“Asking for a full update on Youghal Library and its current status”.

Susan Hegarty, Municipal District Officer informed the Members that a response has been received from the County Librarian stated that a contractor is on site since September 23<sup>rd</sup>., works should be complete by the end of January 2025, opening up works are underway with a crane being installed within the next two weeks. The ESB are due on site to disconnect the meter supply.

5.1.5 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 11th October 2024

“Asking for update on Moll Goggins corner and viewing stands and where we are with funding”.

Cllr. Ahern seconded this motion.

Noreen Brennan, A/Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that she is working on this project presently.

5.1.6 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 11th October 2024

“Look at Yellow Boxes for Lakeview roundabout coming from Youghal to Cork side if traffic blocked going to Ballinacurra from Midleton side all cars at standstill coming from the East”.

Cllrs. Cocking & Ahern supported this motion.

Cllr. Ahern requested that a sign be erected requesting Members of the public to please use the footbridge at this roundabout.

5.1.7 Cllr. Rory Cocking, received on 25th October 2024

“To ask the East Cork MD to provide an update on proposed works outside the Rosehill and Castleredmond housing estates, and down the Bailick Road, as part of the Rosehill Business Park to Lakeview phase of the Ballinacurra to Midleton Pedestrian and Cycleway Scheme”.

Cllrs. Ahern & Quaide supported this motion.

Susan Hegarty, Municipal District Officer informed the Members that the Sustainable Travel Unit have stated that works on the active travel scheme from Rosehill to Lakeview have commenced and will be divided into three phases. Rosehill Business Park to Grotto View, Grotto View to Dark Road and Dark Road to Lakeview. Works along Bailick Road are part of a separate scheme which is currently at detail design stage.

5.1.8 Cllr. Rory Cocking, received on 25th October 2024

“That the East Cork MD would explore the possibility of installing public lighting on the R907 road from the flyover to the roundabout at Gaelscoil Mhainistir na Corann”.

Cllrs. Buckley & Ahern seconded the motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that While the Oatencake flyover is under the operational control of TII’s contactor (MMaRC), Cork County Council’s Sustainable Travel Unit is exploring with TII the feasibility of progressing an Active Travel Scheme across the bridge which will include public lighting. This is at a preliminary stage.

5.1.9 Cllr. Rory Cocking, received on 28th October 2024.

“That the East Cork MD would consider the installation of pedestrian footpaths and further speed signage between the Orchard Gardens housing estate and the R632 on the North Road in Shanagarry”.

Cllr. Linehan Foley seconded the motion.



Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that this road was previously assessed for the provision of a footpath (Report on Deputation Feb 2020):

*North Road from junction with R632 to Orchard Gardens. The length of footpath required is 485 metres. It is noted that the local primary school is located on this road. The road width is typically of the order of 6.9 metres widening out slightly either end. The road is typically bounded on both sides by masonry walls associated with the various residential properties. The walls on the eastern side from the junction with the R632 are high and appear quite old and are a feature of the road. The provision of a minimum footpath width of 1.5 metres would require the setting back of the front garden walls of a number of properties. As a footpath would eliminate the natural road drainage available a linear road drainage system would be required. A preliminary estimated cost of setting back garden walls, construction of a footpath & drainage system is €364,000. This does not include costs for required land acquisition.*

As there is no funding to advance such major works, the issue will be referred to the Road Safety Officer to assess if any minor works might benefit.

Speed signage will be considered under the new urban speed limits that are expected to come into effect in June 2025.

Also for the Members information, a recent Low Cost Safety grant allocation of €20,000 will see the installation on a number of driver feedback signs in Garryvoe and Shannagarry. While the exact locations are subject to a technical assessment, one will be provided on the approach to Garryvoe coming from Laysbridge and 3 in Shanagarry.

5.1.10 Cllr. Liam Quaide, received on 29th October 2024

“That the East Cork MD would expedite repairs to the remaining section of the L-36102 (off L-3610) due to the extremely poor state of the road surface there and safety hazards and likely damage to vehicles it poses”.

Cllr. Mulcahy seconded the motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that this cul-de-sac (section beyond the East Station) would be a suitable candidate for resurfacing under the CIS scheme.

5.1.11 Cllr. Liam Quaide, received on 29th October 2024

“That the East Cork MD would write to OPW Minister asking that the Individual Property Protection Scheme address unreasonable exclusions from the scheme - for instance, residents who happened to be at home on October 18th 2023 and therefore in a position to keep flood waters out of their houses, houses flooded in December 2015 but not in October 2023 such as in Lauriston, Midleton, and the Meadows estate in Mogeely where two houses flooded but others narrowly avoided flooding due to the quick-thinking of a group of residents”.

Cllrs. Linehan Foley & Buckley seconded this motion.

Susan Hegarty Municipal District Officer will refer this motion to the County Engineer for further information.

Noreen Brennan, A/Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that this matter could be re-visited after the Midleton Flood Relief Scheme meeting to be held this afternoon. Cllr. Quaide agreed with this proposal and requested that this motion be forwarded to the OPW for their information.

5.1.12 Cllr. Liam Quaide, received on 29th October 2024 “Could we get an update please on the planned extension to Lisgoold cemetery, sought repeatedly over many years and a source of ongoing concern for the community”.

Cllrs. Aherne & Hegarty seconded the motion.

Cllr. Ahern requested that the motion be amended to request a log book of people buried in this cemetery.

Noreen Brennan, A/Senior Executive Officer stated that she was briefed by Seán O’ Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer on this matter and informed the Members that the delay on this matter is down to staffing resources, the A/Senior Executive Officer stated that she should have an update for the Members at the December meeting.

5.1.13 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 29th October 2024

“That we request that two public lights be erected in Clonmult Village – Close to church and car park and another near Community Hall”.

Cllr. Mulcahy seconded the motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer will log this matter with the Public Lighting Department.

5.1.14 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 29th October 2024

“An update on footpath repairs in Ballymacoda and safety measures to reduce speed going through the village”.

Cllr. Mulcahy seconded this motion and asked if the update of lines at the junction at 5 Cross Roads between Ballinacurra to Ladysbridge be included.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that footpath repairs will be considered in the 2025 Footpath Programme. There is no funded traffic calming scheme for Ballymacoda. A speed survey will be carried out.

5.1.15 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 29th October 2024

“Repairs to Commons East Road and repairs to footpaths and potholes in Cherrywood Ridge, Midleton”.

Cllr. Ahern seconded this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that Commons East Road, Cloyne will be inspected and listed for pothole repairs. Footpath repairs in Cherrywood Ridge will be considered in the 2025 Footpath Programme

5.1.16 Cllr. John Buckley, received on 29th October 2024

“M.D update us on the plan for public bins in the greater Midleton area. ”

Cllrs. Cocking & Ahern supported this motion.

Susan Hegarty, Municipal District Officer informed the Members that Midleton has 23 bins at the following locations:

Farmers Market: 4 bins.

Babys Walk: 3 bins.

St. Coleman’s School, Youghal Road: 1 bin.

Main Street: 13 bins.

Playground, Park Street: 1 bin.

Connolly Street: 1 bin.

The Municipal District Officer informed the Members that bins were removed from the Midleton area due to illegal dumping and stated that further bins would need to be reviewed by location and would be dependant on resources and funding availability.

5.1.17 Cllr. John Buckley, received on 29th October 2024

“That the M.D could look into suppling public lighting at the entrance to Ballinacurra GAA pitch”.

Cllrs. Ahern & Mulcahy seconded this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that this request has been logged with the Public Lighting Department and will be considered in further Public Lighting improvement programmes.

5.1.18 Cllr. John Buckley, received on 29th October 2024:

Cllr. Ahern seconded this motion.

“That the M.D would carry out repair works to the road at Kathleen Doyles Hill to Leahy’s Cross and that the road be added to the roads program for a full resurface”.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that the road will be inspected and pothole repairs will be carried out. The road will be considered in future roads programmes

5.1.19 Cllr. Patrick Mulcahy, received on 30th October 2024:

“That the ECMD would consider installing Public Lighting at Top Cross, Lisgoold as many people walk this road and it is a bus pick up stop for school children”.

Cllr. Linehan Foley seconded the motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that this request has been logged with the Public Lighting Department and will be considered in further Public Lighting improvement programmes.

5.1.20 Cllr. Patrick Mulcahy, received on 30th October 2024

“That the ECMD would provide an update on the drains network in the East Cork area in local towns and villages on when they were cleared last and when is the next scheduled clearing”.

Cllr. Buckley seconded the motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that as reported at the September MD Meeting:

The vast majority of public drains in the East Cork Municipal District are under the remit of Uisce Eireann and direct contact with Uisce Eireann should be made regarding any information sought on these. The majority of the Councils Road drainage gullies connect to these Uisce Eireann combined sewers.

The primary activity in maintaining a well-functioning road drainage network in urban areas is preventive by regular routine street sweeping – i.e. sweeping up debris / leaves etc. Both Midleton & Youghal Town have a high level of street sweeping service; villages have seen an increasing level of mechanical street sweeping in 2024.

Secondary is routine gully cleaning which is typically completed annually. Where gullies become blocked this is self-evident during heavy rainfall and pluvial flooding of the road occurs. Outdoor staff attend to these issues as they arise. Gullies in newer housing estates may not need to be cleaned as frequently as generally the number of gullies relative to road surface area is greater than many of our legacy older urban roads.

Generally the “drains” – i.e. the pipes – do not need routine maintenance. A well-designed surface water road drainage network will have pipe gradients that will achieve what is termed self-cleansing velocities. However, in areas where the topography is flat and the outfall locations are high relative to road levels, self-cleaning velocities may not be achievable. In these circumstances silting of drainage pipes can occur and requires cleaning by jetting – i.e. flushing with a high-pressure jet. This is the case in a small number of areas in Midleton Town i.e. Lower Main Street, Broderick Street / Coolbawn, Cork Road (in vicinity of Kearys), Youghal Road locally at Ashlin Road junction). Cork County Council’s surface water drainage pipes at these locations are cleaned annually – typically at this time of the year. The current annual pipe jetting programme commenced last week in Midleton Town. By observation over the last 10 years or so, this frequency of cleaning has resulted in the proper functioning of the road drainage network.

There were no issues of note with the functioning of our urban road drainage network during the 2 intense orange rainfall events in October.

Any specific observed issues with the functioning of the network can be reported to the local Roads Office.

5.1.21 Cllr. Patrick Mulcahy, received on 30th October 2024

“That the ECMD would look at the possibility of getting a playground or outdoor facility for Castlemartyr village”

All Members supported this motion.

Noreen Brennan, A/Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that suitable funding options would need to be explored to purchase a site and also provide a playground and stated that the playground at Mogeely is being extended presently which could also have an impact on the provision of a playground at Castlemartyr.

Cllr. Linehan Foley suggested that the local community group in Castlemartyr meet with the Chief Executive and Members of Cork County Council to discuss proposals going forward regarding this motion.

The A/Senior Executive Officer welcomed this proposal.

6. Any Other Business:

1. Cllr. Linehan Foley asked if the public toilets at the beach in Youghal be left open longer than 4.30 p.m.
2. Cllr. Linehan Foley asked if speeding issues and resurfacing works could be investigated at Pobailscoil na Troinoide.
3. Cllr. Linehan Foley asked if the Members could have a review of the status of footpaths in Youghal.
4. Cllr. Mulcahy raised the issue of road repairs at Blackwater Heights.
5. Cllr. Mulcahy raised the issue of a tree in Quarryvale Estate, Youghal which is of a hazardous nature.
6. Cllr. Mulcahy requested that the debris in Garryvoe Beach be cleared.
7. Cllr. Mulcahy asked if public toilets could be installed on either end of the MY Greenway.
8. Cllr. Buckley thanked Susan Hegarty, Municipal District Officer for the update on the Linear Park, Midleton and asked if it could be updated to a larger size.
9. On the proposal of Cllr. Linehan Foley which was seconded by Cllr. Ahern the Members unanimously agreed to a period of free parking for both Youghal and Midleton for the month of December to encourage the public to shop local.
10. The Members wished both Cllr. Linehan Foley and Quaide all the best in the upcoming election.

**This Concluded the Business of the Meeting.**

