

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE CLONMEL BOROUGH DISTRICT
MONTHLY MEETING, HELD AT 11.00 a.m. BY ZOOM ON WEDNESDAY, 14th JULY,
2021**

Present: Councillor Michael Murphy, Mayor
Councillor Pat English
Councillor Niall P. Dennehy
Councillor Richie Molloy
Councillor Siobhán Ambrose
Councillor John Fitzgerald

In attendance: Ms. Clare Curley, Director of Services
Mr. Eoin Powell, District Engineer
Mr. Jim Dillon, District Administrator
Ms. Carol Creighton, Senior Staff Officer
Ms. Marie O'Donnell, Staff Officer

Also in attendance: Ms. Orla Kelly, Administrative Officer
Mr. Adam Coffey, Executive Engineer
Mr. Damien Dullaghan, County Librarian

Apologies: Ms. Sinead Carr, Director of Services

From the outset the Mayor of Clonmel, Cllr. Michael Murphy welcomed everybody to his first District Meeting as Mayor.

Item 1.1 Remote Meeting Protocol

Noted by all Members. The Mayor confirmed with each Member that they could see and hear all other Members.

Item 2.1 Disclosures and/or Conflicts of Interest

Mr. Jim Dillon, District Administrator confirmed that there were no conflicts of interest disclosed.

Cllr. Michael Murphy asked if it was satisfactory with all members to move straight to item 5.1 and item 5.2 on the agenda and to continue with all other items on the agenda thereafter. It was proposed by Cllr. Siobhan Ambrose and seconded by Cllr. Pat English.

Item 5.1 Attendance of Representatives from Directorate Environment & Climate Change

Ms. Orla Kelly, Administrative Officer, and Adam Coffey, Executive Engineer, referred to a district briefing note circulated to Members with the agenda detailing key issues relating to the Environment Directorate.

Key issues in the briefing note included:

- Burial Grounds
- Climate Action
- Control of Dogs
- Control of Horses
- Derelict Sites
- Litter enforcement
- Public Awareness
- Waste Management
- Civic Amenity Sites

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- Heritage Service
- Know your Locality Course
- National Biodiversity Action Plan Actions
- Commemorations Programme
- Creative Ireland Programme
- Royal Sites Bid
- Museum Services

The following queries were raised to the Briefing Note by members:

- Members asked for an update on the upgrade of Clonmel Library?
- Members acknowledged the fantastic work at the museum and in particular the current War of Independence Exhibition which was highly commended by all.
- Cllr. Pat English asked if there would be a similar exhibition for the Civil War?
- Cllr. Pat English welcomed the Artist Support Scheme and asked if it would be rolled out every year?

Members' queries were addressed as follows:

- The Library Service is currently working on their tender at the moment. Tremendous support has been received from Clonmel Borough District Technical team and Tipperary County Council's finance team. Mr. Dullaghan said that it was great to have access to this excellent expertise. It will take time as the project is large and they want to get it right.
- Mr. Dullaghan confirmed that there will be an exhibition on Civil War next year.
- It has not been decided yet if the Artist Scheme will continue again next year.

The Mayor thanked Mr. Damien Dullaghan County Librarian for her attendance and report.

Item 3.1 Minutes of Meeting held on 16th June, 2021

The minutes of the monthly meeting of Clonmel Borough District held on the 16th June, 2021, as presented, were proposed by Cllr. Siobhán Ambrose, seconded by Cllr. Pat English, and agreed by all.

Matters arising:

- Cllr. Pat English asked the District Administrator why was it necessary to resubmit an application to the Garda Advisory?
- Cllr. Pat English stated that he was disappointed that no funding was coming from the Department in relation to the URDF Public Realm project.
- Cllr. Pat English asked if there was an update on when Remcol would be putting in a planning application for Market Place?
- Cllr. Pat English enquired if there were any updates from Irish Water in relation to water supply issues?
- Cllr. Siobhán Ambrose asked if there was an update on the town hall works?

Response made by Mr. Jim Dillon, District Administrator as follows;

- A new application was required due to an issue regarding GDPR. The Garda Protection Unit in Dublin wanted this local authority to confirm that there would be only one data controller. This has been agreed and it will

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Queries raised by the Members which Mr. Eoin Powell, District Engineer responded to were as follows:

- Cllr. Pat English asked if there was an update on the Marlfield Flooding Alleviation Project?
- Cllr. Pat English stated that there are footpaths in the Queen Street area that need addressing.
- Cllr. Pat English asked if there was an update on works to be carried out at Rathronan Cross?

Queries raised by the Members which Mr. Eoin Powell, District Engineer responded to were as follows:

- In relation to the Marlfield Flood Alleviation Plan, an update will be sought from Mr. James Swords, Senior Executive Engineer who is dealing with the scheme.
- The District Engineer stated that the footpaths around Queen street will be dealt with as part of the Road Works Programme.
- Footpaths in Queen Street are on the Roads Programme for this year and will be dealt with accordingly.
- The District Engineer also stated that he has looked at the red roads and narrowed it down to Marlfield (1.2 Kilometers) and Ballypatrick and Kilcash a smaller stretch of road that will use all the funds that are available. This was proposed by Cllr. Pat English and seconded by Cllr. Siobhán Ambrose.
- Rathronan Cross road works will be carried out between now and November as Council is currently concentrating on other works.

Item 6.3 Report of District Engineer – Housing Voids Programme

The District Engineer's report was circulated to Members with the agenda.

- No issues were raised.

Item 7.1 Chief Executive/Delegation Officers Orders – Period up to 9th July, 2021

This was noted by all Members.

Items 8.1 to 8.7 – Notices of Motions

Motion 2213 was proposed by Cllr. Pat English.

That Clonmel Borough Council provide Security Gates to the access Lane to the rear of Houses No 1 to 11 Upper Irishtown, Clonmel to mitigate against the large amount of Anti Social Behaviour occurring in the Laneway

Reply:

The District Engineer has inspected this location and will come back with a decision at the next meeting. If it is not mistaken the laneway referred to in this NOM that leads down to the rear of these properties is called Sergeants Lane. It should be noted that this is a public road with a Road No. L-38847-0, and as such closing off this road/laneway at the behest of only a few people could prove quite problematic.

The motion was seconded by Cllr. Niall Dennehy.

The reply to the motion was noted.

Motion 2214 was proposed by Cllr. Pat English.

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Motion 2219 was proposed by Cllr. Siobhán Ambrose.

What is the latest update regarding the provision of a Digital Hub/Hot desk space for Clonmel? This building would provide individuals who do not have a dedicated office/work space the option of working outside the home in a shared space with other users. (Ref my previous motions on this item).

Reply:

The Borough Council are examining proposals for the siting of a Digital Hub in Clonmel and are currently seeking suitable premises. I am also aware that the Head of Enterprise in our Community and Employment are actively seeking suitable premises for a Digital Hub.

The motion was seconded by Cllr. Niall Dennehy .

The reply to the motion was noted.

Motion 2220 was proposed by Cllr. Siobhán Ambrose.

What is the latest update regarding an updated promotional video for Clonmel in terms of selling Clonmel from both a Commercial and Tourist perspective?

Reply:

I have contacted the Community and Enterprise section of the Council who have been dealing with the issue of promotional videos and I am awaiting a response. I will update Cllr Ambrose as soon as I have any update on this matter.

The motion was seconded by Cllr. Michael Murphy.

The reply to the motion was noted.

Item 9.1 – Correspondence

All correspondence was noted.

Item 10.1 – Votes of Sympathy/Congratulations

- A vote of sympathy was issued to the family of the late Dr. Séan McCarthy, John Street, Cashel, Co. Tipperary
- A vote of sympathy was issued to the family of the late Mrs. Phil Daly, O’Connell Street, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary.

Item 11.1 – Any other business

None.

Signed: _____


Mayor of Clonmel Borough District

Date: _____

27/09/2021

Signed: _____


District Administrator

Date: _____

29/9/2021