Minutes of February Meeting of Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel Municipal District held in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Tipperary Town and hosted remotely on Monday 27th February 2023 at 11am

Members Present: Councillor Micheál Anglim, Cathaoirleach

Councillor Tony Black Councillor Declan Burgess Councillor John Crosse

Councillor Michael FitzGerald Councillor Mary Hanna-Hourigan

Councillor Roger Kennedy Councillor Máirín McGrath Councillor Andy Moloney Councillor Marie Murphy

Councillor Annemarie Ryan (Shiner)

Officials Present: Mr. Anthony Coleman, District Director/Administrator

Mr. James Swords, District Engineer

Mr. James Murray, Senior Engineer, Roads

Mr. Paul Farrell, Executive Engineer Mr. Tim Kilmartin, Executive Engineer Mr. Richard Power, Executive Engineer Mr. Frank Cussen, Executive Engineer

Ms. Adeline Walsh, Staff Officer

Planning Directorate

Mr. Kieran Ladden, Senior Executive Officer Mr. Jonathan Flood, A/Senior Executive Planner

Libraries/Cultural Services/Biodiversity Directorate

Mr. Damien Dullaghan, Senior Librarian

The Cathaoirleach, Councillor Micheál Anglim, welcomed everyone to the February Municipal District meeting. Mr. Anthony Coleman, District Administrator, commenced the meeting with the meeting prayer. He called the roll and confirmed that all the Municipal District members were present at the meeting.

1.1 Disclosures/Conflicts of Interest

There were no matters notified to the meetings administrator.

2.1 Minutes of January Meeting of Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel Municipal District held on 23rd January, 2023

The minutes of the Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel Municipal District January meeting held on 23rd January, 2023 were adopted on the proposition of Councillor John Crosse seconded by Councillor Roger Kennedy.

Matters arising from the minutes

Councillor Burgess referred to Councillor Fitzgerald's Notice of Motion from the September meeting recommending that the Council write to Uisce Éireann in relation to the issue of the Galtee Water Supply and it is noted that no response has been received, which is disappointing, however he is not surprised. This Municipal District should now write to the Minister who has responsible for Uisce Éireann regarding the two letters one in September and one last month. He noted Uisce Éireann's treatment of the public and the elected members and he was seeking support from his colleagues to write to Uisce Eireann. Councillor Burgess also welcomed the works on Friar Street car park and requested an update on the traffic calming and regeneration project in Knockavilla and would like to see this moved forward with a design because it is currently unsafe with children walking the road. Councillor Murphy wanted to thank the Municipal District in relation to her suggestion to make a submission on the Department of Agriculture's Public Consultation on the Management of Deer in Ireland. However, she was surprised that there were only 30 reported incidents of dead deer on the road since 2019 and she feels that a lot more incidents are not being reported. She recommends that all incidents should be reported by the public to ensure a proper record is available.

Councillor Michael Fitzgerald stated that he is not convinced it is Uisce Éireann's fault. He noted that the Council still has some control given that there are Council employees on the ground. He noted that the boreholes are available to fall back on in the cases of emergency, and there has been plenty of rain lately therefore the reservoirs must be full. The boreholes should be supplementary, and the issue should be raised again because people are fed up. Councillor Moloney welcomed the plans for the SuperValu Roundabout in Cahir.

3.1 Planning Directorate Report

The Cathaoirleach welcomed Mr. Jonathan Flood, A/Senior Executive Planner and Mr. Kieran Ladden, Senior Executive Engineer, Planning Section, to the meeting. Mr. Flood thanked the Cathaoirleach and referred to the report circulated particularly page 21 and noted in 2022 that 97% of valid applications received were granted and 96% of valid applications in the MD were granted. It should be appreciated these applications were assessed under two different development plans. In terms of enforcement, 42 complaints were received within the Municipal District. During 2022, 89 warning letters were issued, 14 enforcement notices were served and 394 cases were closed countywide, however many of these were historic cases.

Under the Conservation Grant Schemes 2023, 19 applications were received under the Built Heritage Investment Scheme 2023 and 18 application were received under the Historic Structure Fund 2023. Following assessment of the applications by the Conservation Architect, 30 applications were submitted to the Department, 10 within this District and the maximum grant is €15,000.

In relation to the Residential Zone Land Tax a draft map went on display in November, 2022 and submissions were invited up to $1^{\rm st}$ January, 2023. 91 submissions were received and 26 were in the Municipal District and these submissions are currently being considered.

Councillor Murphy requested details of what kind of unauthorised development is being dealt with by enforcement and when will a decision be issued to the landowner in relation the Residential Zoned Land Tax. Mr. Flood confirmed that enforcement covers all unauthorised development and non-compliance with planning permission. Councillor Moloney referred to an issue that was previously raised at plenary and MD level regarding mobile homes. He noted that there are many young people that can't afford to build but plan to build. He asked if the enforcement action is based on complaints or council staff. Mr. Flood confirmed that the majority are from external complaint and the trend is increasing. Councillor Murphy noted that people are trying to save money. Mr. Flood confirmed that as a Planning Authority we have a statutory obligation to deal with complaints and the 1st step is a warning letter, then enforcement notice and then court proceedings.

Councillor Moloney asked if any contact had been received from the Department in relation to the €11.9m announced for Cahir under the RRDF Scheme. It was announced to great fanfare and now we have to wait for progress in Carrick on Suir. Over the years he has seen money from the Department swallowed up by other districts due to overspends. He asked if we can seek permission from the Department to use the match funding to start the works. He said there is a lot of money tied up and we don't want to be made the scapegoat for Carrick on Suir. He stated that it is not good enough and the match funding would go a long way in the car park. There is a lot of pressure on the current car park and Councillor Moloney requested that the Council write to the Minister.

Councillor Ryan (Shiner) requested an update in relation to the LAP for Tipperary town and when will the report for the Residential Zone Land Tax be ready. She also requested an update in relation to the taking-in-charge of Glen Court, Emly and Monard. Councillor Burgess thanked planning staff for the report and the tremendous work being done by taking in charge estates. He requested an update in relation to the Steeples in Cashel and if there was any update from the Department on the DPIs. Councillor Hanna Hourigan also requested an update in relation to Glen Court. Councillor Crosse supported the call and recommended that we write to the Department to give funding to Uisce Eireann for Site Resolution Agreement in Glen Court, Monard and Donaskeigh. Kennedy asked if there was any progress on the DPIs and noted that there are 11 estates in this district. Councillor Kennedy wanted to concur with Councillor Burgess in relation to the Steeples. He also noted that a number of derelict properties were recently identified in Cashel and that some of the houses are occupied. He referred to properties which have been vacant for 10 years and wanted to know what was the next step if the Council doesn't get a response. In response Mr. Flood confirmed that LAPs are being prepared for Roscrea, Clonmel, Nenagh and Thurles and in the next phase LAPs will be completed for Carrick on Suir, Tipperary, Cashel and Templemore. Regarding derelict sites the District Administrator confirmed that Environment Section deals with derelict sites notices and a number of notices had been posted recently on properties because the Council was unable to contact the property owners. If there is no engagement from property owners there is a statutory process which could result in a property being put on the Derelict Sites Register and subject to an annual levy. Cllr Black also wanted to request an update in relation to Glen Court, Donaskeigh and Monard.

Mr. Kieran Ladden confirmed that in relation to DPIs there are a number of technical difficulties and that he has been liaising with Denis Holland, Water Services. He advised Members that the Minister has commissioned a review of legacy DPIs and to focus on how the DPIs will be resolved. Uisce Eireann have engaged Ryan Hanley Consulting Engineers to survey the estates including Monard and Donaskeigh and the reports have been forwarded to the Department. The Council is currently awaiting feedback from the Department. An application for funding was submitted 3 years ago, however this was unsuccessful, and they are expecting another funding call will be made early next year. He confirmed that the lights are on in Glen Court, Emly and a clean up has been completed. He is currently liaising with receivers to progress the technical difficulties. Regarding the Steeples, the Council is liaising with the new owners who have consultants engaged to submit a new application for planning. Any outstanding issues will be a condition of any future planning permission. Ashwell Lot is a small development and they are working on a Site Resolution Agreement. Windmill Close is a Cluid Housing Association development and they are currently compiling a list of defects in estates which it due to be completed this year.

The District Administrator referred to the Cahir RRDF funding approval and acknowledged that it is frustrating not being able to progress given that a lot of work has been done to date. He agreed to liaise with the Department to seek approval to progress to tender stage. There is no clarification on what and how much progress is required on the Carrick on Suir project and the District Administrator has confirmed that most RRDF projects are on target in the county.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the Planning Section staff.

3.2 Libraries/Culture Services/Biodiversity Directorate

The Cathaoirleach welcomed Mr. Damien Dullaghan, County Librarian to the meeting. Mr. Dullaghan acknowledged the importance of having the opportunity to meet and brief the members. Mr. Dullaghan referred to his report which was circulated and confirmed that My Open Library is up and running in Tipperary town. They have 8-10 users inducted at present and each user has to complete a 30-minute induction and they are running induction classes every two weeks. There are also plans for Cashel to move to My Open Library also this year. Tipperary Library Service now offers free access to LOTE Online for kids who are library members. LOTE (Languages other than English) offers digitals books in over 50 languages. A part of continued support of literacy development the

Library Service is able to offer the C-Pen Reader pen to borrow and this scheme was funded by the Dormant Accounts Fund. Mr. Dullaghan also advised the Members of another new initiative called the ACORN tablet which is the first Age Friendly Smart Tablet.

Councillor Murphy thanked Mr. Dullaghan for his report and welcomed the new initiatives like the ACORN tablet, the C-pen and the new arts offices developed in Cahir which provides a work space for artists. She also enquired how many applications were received under the Arts Grant Scheme. She also asked if a Biodiversity Officer has been appointed and if funding has been secured. Councillor Burgess thanked Mr. Dullaghan for the report and commended the staff and management for the tremendous work in Cashel and hopes to see My Open Library in Cashel sooner rather than later. He requested an update on the progress made on the Royal Sites Bid which would be a significant boost to the County. Councillor Moloney thanks Mr. Dullaghan and acknowledged the great work done by the libraries and the work done in Cahir to secure RRDF funding to bring a state-of-the-art library to Cahir and it is now demoralising that his hands are tied because the project can't progress. Councillor Anne Marie Ryan Shiner requested an update on the Biodiversity Officer's position. Councillor McGrath asked Mr. Dullaghan for details of the events programme for Seachtain na Gaeilge and wanted to thank Roisin O'Grady, Heritage Officer, for attending the launch of the events programme for General Liam Lynch Centenary Weekend. Councillor Fitzgerald wanted to remember Brian O'Donnell and his involvement in Tipperary town library particularly now given that his daughter passed away two weeks ago. Councillor Kennedy thanked Mr. Dullaghan and his team and would welcome My Open Library to Cashel. He also wanted to bring to the attention of the Members the Cashel library event Mná Month which has a series of events throughout March celebrating women.

In response Mr. Dullaghan acknowledged the positive comments and confirmed that the Book Bus would run in 2023 and he wanted to acknowledge the work of Anne Marie Brophy in Cahir Library. He confirmed that the Arts Office received 47 applications for funding which was a substantial increase and 10 applications where within the Tipperary Cahir Cashel District. He confirmed that €100,000 had been secured for biodiversity projects and following completion of the recruitment process the Biodiversity Officer should be in place in a few months. In relation to My Open Library in Cashel he confirmed that the service is a specialised role and only a few companies operate the service and there are currently 17 other local authorities that have also secured funding for My Open Library services. Regarding the Royal Sites Bid he confirmed that the Executive is working with the Department and the next meeting is scheduled for April. He confirmed that Brian Beck is the lead for 5 local authorities.

The Cathaoirleach thanked Mr. Dullaghan and his team.

3.3 Consider Draft Schedule of Municipal District Works

James Swords, Senior Engineer presented the road programme for 2023 and he confirmed that there has been an increase on last year's budget however this will be eliminated by rising costs. On the proposition of Councillor Michael Fitzgerald, seconded by Councillor Declan Burgess, it was resolved,

"That in accordance with section 103 of the Local Government Act 2007, as amended by section 58 of the Local Government Reform Act 2014,

- a. the Draft schedule of Municipal District Works (SMDW) for the financial year ending 31st December 2023 as presented, be and is hereby adopted, and
- b. where relevant, that any subsequent changes of the schedule necessitated by either an inability to proceed with certain works or by emergency repairs elsewhere may be implemented subject to notification to the members as soon as may be and that the works so deferred may be considered for inclusion in the Schedule for the next financial year

3.4 Consider Draft 2023 General Municipal Allocation (GMA)

On the proposition of Councillor Roger Kennedy, seconded by Councillor Declan Burgess, the 2023 General Municipal Allocations were agreed as follows:

TIPPERARY-CAHIR-CASHEL MUNICIPAL DISTRICT G.M.A. 2023

Type of Grant	Breakdown
FESTIVAL & EVENTS GRANT SCHEME - MUNICIPAL FESTIVAL & EVENTS GRANT SCHEME - COMMUNITY	30,000 30,000
CHRISTMAS LIGHTING TIPPERARY TOWN CHRISTMAS LIGHTING CAHIR TOWN	1,150 5,000
PAINTING ENHANCEMENT SCHEME CASHEL TOWN PAINTING ENHANCEMENT SCHEME TIPPERARY TOWN PAINTING ENHANCEMENT SCHEME CAHIR TOWN PAINTING ENHANCEMENT SCHEME VILLAGES	2,000 2,000 2,000 6,000
ECONOMIC SUPPORTS & INITIATIVES (Town Vouchers)	10,000
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT TIDY TOWNS GRANTS CASHEL TIDY TOWNS - Special Project TIPPERARY TIDY TOWNS - Special Project CAHIR TIDY TOWNS - Special Project	4,000 4,000 4,000
ST. PATRICK'S BRASS BAND, CASHEL CONTRIBUTION CASHEL PIPE BAND CONTRIBUTION	300 300
CONTRIBUTION TO RAPID TIPPERARY TOWN	1,500

TOTAL:	251.634
DISTRICT PLAYGROUNDS & AMENITY AREAS	34,384
DISTRICT TOWN & VILLAGE RENEWAL PROJECTS & SCHEMES	85,000
CONTRIBUTION TO TIPPERARY TOWN REVITALISATION TASK FORCE	30,000

3.5 District Administrator's Report

The District Administrator's Report was circulated to the Members with the agenda. The District Administrator advised the members that a decision had to be taken to close Sean Treacy Swimming Pool on Sunday due to staff shortages. The Council has run several recruitment campaigns together with lifeguard course to provide a feeder system for part-time staff. However due to staff being on sick leave and some part time pool staff are not available due to school and college commitments. Councillor Burgess thanked the District Administrator for the report and noted that we are now coming into a busy season for hospitability and outdoor dining. He asked if any clarification had been received from the Department in relation to the Section 254 licence fee for outdoor tables and chairs being reduced or waived due to the cost of living crisis. He also advised that as the Secretary of the St Patrick's Day Parade Committee in Cashel they were looking forward to the weekend and wanted to invite everyone to attend the viewing stand and he also acknowledged that the parade is also back in Tipperary town and Cahir. Councillor Burgess also referred to the Part 8 approval for both the Town Park and the public realm works in Cashel and he asked if the District is making an application for funding and when will the RRDF applications be open. Councillor Crosse wanted to clarify that the swimming pool is open again and asked what are the qualifications required for the position. Councillor Ryan Shiner thanked the District for the funding application submitted under the Capital Play & Recreation Fund for Cannon Hayes Playground. She also asked is the staffing issues will be an ongoing issue every weekend. Councillor Moloney requested an update in relation to the EV charging point in Cahir.

In response the District Administrator confirmed that no clarification had been received from the Department in relation to a reduction or waiver of the licence fee. However, he noted that a licence is still required, and it is important to go through the process. In relation to festival and events grant support St Patrick's Day festivities will be prioritised and all other applications will be brought to the March meeting. He also confirmed that no new call for funding applications from the Department in relation to RRDF has been made, however the projects will be progressed to detailed design to ensure a comprehensive proposal will be ready. He confirmed that work on the Bishops Walk has started and it is hoped that this will be open in the coming month. He confirmed that the qualifications for the pool positions require lifeguard and swimming teaching qualifications. Regarding Councillor Moloney's query on EV charging points he confirmed that EasyGo have

been awarded the contract. A decision on the Capital Play and Recreation Fund application is expected in 6-8 weeks.

3.6 Vacant Houses Report February, 2023

James Swords, District Engineer, updated Members on the Vacant Houses Reports and advised that there are 15 houses in the district awaiting minor repairs which is 1% of the district's housing stock. He noted that it was 22 houses this time last year. Councillor Murphy noted that there are 43 vacant houses and requested a breakdown of these units and the level of work required. Councillor Anne Marie Ryan (Shiner) asked if the funding for minor repairs comes from Department funding or Council's own funds. In response the District Engineer confirmed that the district manages the minor repairs and housing central manage the balance. Once an inspection of a vacant house is complete the district applies to housing for a budget to carry out the work and this is additional to the maintenance budget.

4.1 Chief Executive/Delegated Officers Orders

The orders were noted.

5.1 Councillor Roger Kennedy (Ref. ID 2549)

That the junction at Barronstown Tipperary be examined and a safety report done for this Municipal District.

Reply

The Council's Roads Capital Office has received a number of representations in relation to Barronstown Junction which has also been the subject of a recent Parliamentary Ouestion to the Minister for Transport.

The Roads Capital Office have requested details of historical data from Transport Infrastructure Ireland in respect of recorded accidents at this location, and once the information is received will carry out an assessment as to any actions that are appropriate. Any action will be subject to approval and available funding from TII

Councillor Kennedy requested that the Council write to the TII because they have completed a report on Barronstown Cross and that the TII provide funding for a low-cost safety scheme given difficulties with the junction. He noted that there was a limited view because of the high wall. Councillor Hanna Hourigan wanted to welcome the members of the public to the meeting and seconded the motion. Councillor Ryan (Shiner) also wanted to support the motion and she enquired when will the speed sign review be completed. The District Engineer confirmed that national guidance is being updated at the moment and once this is received from the Department a new speed limit review process will commence. Councillor

Crosse also wanted to support the motion and stated that he was familiar with the safety issues. However, he noted that some safety measures solve one problem, however create other problems. He accepted that their role is limited because it is a national road and he suggested if the house was for sale that either the Council or the TII would buy it to create better sightlines. Councillor Fitzgerald also supported the motion however noted that looking for historical data is delaying matters because the dangers of Barronstown Cross are well known. Councillor Black also supported the motion and recommended that a solution could be found by securing the house on the corner to improve the sightlines.

5.2 Councillor AnneMarie Ryan (Shiner) (Ref ID 2555)

That this District install a wheelchair adapted swing in the playground development at the River Ara Walkway. Currently there is no such facility in Tipperary town. Furthermore, that the District upgrade the entrance gates at Glenview Square to allow double buggies and wheelchair users access to the River Ara Walkway, (the current entrance gates are too narrow). Finally, an additional bin to be installed near the seating amphitheatre area as people are using the area to sit, eat lunch and need a bin to properly discard their rubbish.

Reply

The playground development at the River Ara Walkway is a natural play area with equipment constructed of wood and the playground supplier doesn't have a suitable wheelchair swing. However the Municipal District has submitted a funding application under the Department's Capital Play and Recreation Grant Scheme 2023 to carry out repairs and upgrades to the playground located in the Canon Hayes Recreation Centre in Tipperary town. Funding is being sought to repair equipment and also install a new accessible piece of equipment.

The barrier at the entrance at Glenview will be removed in the coming weeks and bollards installed; it should be noted however that that barrier was originally positioned there to stop horses being brought in to graze the area. The installation of an additional bin will be considered however members of the public are encouraged to adopt a 'Leave No Trace' policy Home - Leave No Trace Ireland, when visiting natural areas such as the River Ara.

This motion was seconded by Councillor Tony Black and also supported by Councillor John Crosse.

5.3 Councillor AnneMarie Ryan (Shiner) (Ref ID 2556)

That the District carry out cleaning on the 'Welcome to Tipperary' signs on the approach roads into Tipperary town.

Reply

This item has been logged as a CRM and will be carried out.

This motion was seconded by Councillor Tony Black and Councillor Marie Murphy suggested that this work be carried out in every town and village.

5.4 Councillor Declan Burgess (Ref ID 2557)

I am calling on this Municipal District to carry the necessary repair to the road surface at William Street in Cashel. The existing blocks at this location are not an appropriate road surface and the subsidence is a major health and safety issue that's needs urgent attention.

Reply

This location will be assessed and patch repairs carried out to defective bricks as required.

Councillor Burgess expressed his disappointment with the response and noted that this matter requires urgent attention because a lot of elderly people live on William Street. This motion was seconded by Councillor Roger Kennedy and he noted that the bricks have subsided and the first 20m is the worst. Councillor Moloney supported the motion however requested a clearer definition around what is a Notice of Motion and what is a CRM because in his opinion many of the Notice of Motions are CRMs.

5.5 Councillor Mairin McGrath (Ref ID 2558)

That this council would write to the Department of Transport & Roads to express disappointment in the 2023 Safety Improvement Works allocations to Tipperary County Council where the largest Municipal district did not receive any funding and request an additional allocation to complete much needed safety projects in Tipperary, Cahir & Cashel

Reply

Subject to the approval of Elected Members MD this matter will be referred to the Council's Road Department for follow up with the Department of Transport.

This motion was seconded by Councillor Marie Murphy and she requested clarification around the procedure for applying for Safety Improvement Works. She noted that 10 years ago, 8 applications were made and none of them were deemed appropriate. It was confirmed that 8 applications were made from this District, however it wasn't clear how many were submitted to the Department. Councillor Murphy noted that the Department has no regard to District boundaries.

5.6 Councillor Tony Black (Ref ID 2559)

That this council will carry out the promised work on the houses in Anvil Close, Lisvernane. The promised insulation works were only carried out in 4 of the 10 houses. Also, they were promised new windows and doors. They currently have old wooden framed windows and doors and these are not energy efficient. I would call on this council to carry out these works as soon as possible and before next winter at the very latest.

Reply

The condition of the windows will be assessed and if appropriate be considered in future funding requests.

This motion was seconded by Councillor Anne Marie Ryan (Shiner).

5.7 Councillor Tony Black (Ref ID 2560)

That this council would resurface the bridge in Gooldscross and the road from Gooldscross to Clonoulty.

Reply

This section of road is included in the 2024 Restoration Improvement programme.

This motion was seconded by Councillor Declan Burgess.

5.8 Councillor Tony Black (Ref ID 2561)

That this council would carry out footpath improvement works and resurface the road in Lacey Villas, Tipperary Town. These works are long overdue and would make the area safer for residents, reduce the risk of damage to vehicles and improve the area in general.

Reply

This section of footpath will be assessed and considered for inclusion in future footpath replacement works.

This motion was seconded by Councillor John Crosse.

5.9 Cllr. Michael Fitzgerald (Ref. ID 2562)

That this Council seek extra funding to surface dress the road leading to the waterworks and forestry at Rossadrehid. This road is a loop road approximately 3 miles in length and has fallen into a serious state of disrepair due to the heavy vehicles that use it.

Reply

This is a local tertiary road so any restoration improvement or restoration maintenance type works will need to be funded via the Community Involvement Scheme.

Councillor Fitzgerald stated that it is not reasonable to ask property owners to apply under the CIS Scheme when Coillte and Uisce Éireann's vehicles are causing the most damage to the road. James Murray advised that is would be hugely unfair to property owners who have previously applied for the scheme and it would undermine the whole scheme if the improvement work were not completed via the CIS. This motion was seconded by Councillor Anne Marie Ryan (Shiner).

5.10 Cllr. Michael Fitzgerald (Ref. ID 2563)

That a new pavement be installed from Cantwell's Corner toward the roundabout at Boherclough Street, Cashel as a matter of urgency.

Reply

This section of footpath will be assessed and considered for inclusion in future footpath replacement works.

This motion was seconded by Councillor Roger Kennedy.

6.1 Votes of Sympathy/Congratulations

A vote of sympathy was extended on the death of the following:

- Pat Flynn, Cluain Orga, Cashel, Co Tipperary
- Patricia Goodall, Pearse Park, Tipperary Town

A vote of congratulations was extended to the following:

- Abbey CBS, Station Road, Tipperary On becoming Munster Champions by winning the Masita Post Primary Schools All Ireland Football Semi Final.
- Cashel Community School on winning the TUS Dr Harty Cup Hurling Final.

7.1 Correspondence from Malcolm Noonan T.D. Minister of State for Heritage and Electoral Reform.

Noted.

Any other Business

Councillor Fitzgerald referred to his Notice of Motion at the January Meeting, where the elected members submitted a letter of support to Circle of Friends for the S39 application. In this regard Councillor Fitzgerald confirmed that Circle of Friends have been offered €35,000.

The Cathaoirleach and Members wanted to thank Paul Farrell, Executive Engineer, for all he has achieved and wished him well in Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District. The District Administrator also wanted to express his thanks to Paul.

This concluded the business of the Municipal District meeting.

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