

**Monthly Meeting of the Members for the Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District held in the Chapel, Nano Nagle Community Centre, Hall, Carrick-on-Suir on the 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2018 at 2:00p.m**

**In the Chair:** Cllr. John Fahey

**Members Present:** Cllr. Kieran Bourke, Cllr. David Dunne Cllr. Imelda Goldsboro, Cllr. Louise McLoughlin, Cllr. Eddie O'Meara

**In Attendance:** Mr. Pat Slattery, Director of Services, Mr Martin Nolan, District Administrator, Mr John Fitzgerald, Staff Officer, Ms Nicola Keating, Executive Engineer, Ms Marion O'Neill, Senior Executive Officer, Environment Directorate, Ms Mary Carroll, Administrative Officer, Environment Directorate, Mr John Fogarty, Senior Executive Engineer, Water Services Directorate.

**Minutes of Meetings** On the proposal of Cllr. Imelda Goldsboro seconded by Cllr. David Dunne, the minutes of the monthly meeting held on the 21st of December, 2017 were adopted and signed by the Cathaoirleach.

**Update from the Environment Directorate.** Ms Marion O'Neill, Senior Executive Officer, Environment Directorate, gave a report on the activities of the Environment Section in the Municipal District.

Members asked questions as follows:

Cllr. Kieran Bourke

- Raised issue of Dog Fouling
- Raised issue of illegal dumping at Ballydine
- Raised issues of illegal dumping at Callanan's Lane, Carrick-on-Suir, and asked that the person responsible be prosecuted.

Cllr. David Dunne

- Asked that bags for dog waste be refilled more frequently.

- Asked about the arrangements for the control of horses.
- Asked for an additional Electrical Waste Collection in Carrick-on-Suir.

Cllr. John Fahey

- Asked whether there was a horse warden, analogous to a dog warden, employed by Tipperary County Council.

Cllr. Imelda Goldsboro

- Asked about litter and illegal dumping on rural roads, and of the status of the litter picking suction truck.
- Asked who was responsible for the waste disposal from a rented house.
- Asked if it was possible to survey housing estates to establish whether households had a waste service.

Cllr. Louise McLoughlin

- Asked how successful the pilot project on dog fouling had been.

Cllr. Eddie O'Meara

- Asked for an update on derelict sites in Mullinahone
- Welcomed the extension of the Mullinahone Cemetery, and asked when the wall in this cemetery would be addressed.
- Raised the issue of dog fouling

Ms O'Neill responded as follows:

- Monitoring and enforcement of the welfare of horses was primarily the responsibility of the Department of Agriculture. A multi agency group including the Department, the Local Authority, the Gardai, and owners had been formed locally to address issues in relation to horse welfare. There is no post of, or vacancy for, a horse warden under the County Council.
- The responsibility for cleaning up after dogs was the owners. The Local authority was working to raise awareness amongst owners in various ways. Bags are provided, but it is not the Council's policy to provide bins for dog waste.
- The County Council's recycling centres accept electrical waste free of charge. In addition, REPAK had published a list of outlets that would accept electrical waste.

- The ownership of derelict sites was proving difficult to trace, but was being followed up.
- Funding for the cemetery wall in Mullinahone was being examined.
- The responsibility for providing a waste service in a rented house depended on the tenancy agreement for the house.
- Illegal Dumping in Ballydine and Callinans Lane, Carrick-on-Suir will be followed up.
- The litter picking suction truck will be deployed through the District Offices as part of their work programme.
- Household surveys are difficult to conduct due to occupants being away during the day.

**Update from the  
Water Services  
Directorate**

Mr John Fogarty, Senior Executive Engineer, Water Services Directorate, gave an update on projects and activities taking place in the Municipal District.

Members raised issues as follows:

Cllr. Kieran Bourke

- Welcomed Phase one of the water main repair at Crotty's Lake.
- Spoke of the good service provided by Irish Water Customer Care Staff.
- Asked for position on combined drains at Strand Lane.

Cllr. David Dunne

- Welcomed Crotty's Lake project and complemented Water Services on work at Tracey Park
- Asked if the contact for the First Fix contractor could be made available
- Asked that Irish Water staff attend the meeting

Cllr. John Fahey

- Can local staff be involved in the repair of leaks.

Cllr. Louise McLoughlin

- Asked if Councillors can be updated on progress on leak repairs

Cllr. Eddie O'Meara

- Asked for position on Sewerage Scheme for Grangemockler

Mr Fogarty responded as follows:

- Funding had been received to employ a Plumber and Mate locally to work with the contractor on the first fix team.
- The project at Strand Lane was being pushed forward in partnership with the District office.
- Grangemockler was not in the current programme, will be followed up.
- Will bring the request for better communications to Irish Water.

**Presentation by  
An Garda  
Siochana**

Due to a family bereavement, Superintendent William Leahy was unable to attend the meeting.

It was agreed to defer this item to the Safety Committee meeting to be held in March, 2018.

**District  
Engineer's  
Report:**

The District Engineers report had been circulated in advance of the meeting, and the councillor should contact the housing section with the details of the meeting, and the District Engineer gave an update on various projects.

Members raised questions as follows:

Cllr. Kieran Bourke

- Condition of N24
- Arrangements for bus parking for Ormond Castle

Cllr. David Dunne

- Does the work carried out by the council in laying asphalt give value for money
- Condition of N24 in Carrick-on-Suir

Cllr. John Fahey

- Condition of Bridges

Cllr. Imelda Goldsboro

- When will road allocations be known

Cllr. Eddie O'Meara

- Was a full time patching unit available in the district

The District Engineer responded as follows:

- The roads allocations were not yet known
- The work done by Asphalt contractors was based on tenders and represented value for money. In the event that work was defective, the contractor was required to return and make good.
- Two patching units were available and working in the District
- Work on surveying the N24 in Carrick-on-Suir for the purposes of designing for the various overlay projects was expected to commence in February.
- Work on signage directing car traffic for Ormond Castle to the New Street Car Park would take place in the coming weeks. A Design Process on Castle Street, to include the area in front of Ormond Castle would begin in two weeks.

**District  
Administrator's  
Report:**

The district administrator brought the following issues to the attention of the members:

1. The Planning Directorate will attend the February Meeting of the District Members.

2. Four submissions were received on the proposed pocket park in Fethard. This is currently with the Planning Directorate for a report, and it is hoped to bring the proposal to the February Meeting for planning approval.

3. The proposals for the Public Realm upgrades in Sean Kelly Square will go on display on the 31/01/2018. Plans will be on display in Clonmel and Nenagh as required by Statute. In addition, plans will be on display in the Carrick-on-Suir Branch Library, will be published on the Internet, and will be made available electronically to businesses through the Carrick-on-Suir Business Association. A information day is planned during February. The plans will be on display until the 28<sup>th</sup> of February, and the last day for submissions will

be the 14<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018.

4. There are a number of staff changes. Mr Seamus Loughlin, Executive Engineer has left Tipperary County Council to take up a post with Kilkenny County Council. Mr Tomas Dowley, Assistant Staff Officer, will be leaving on a career break on the 31<sup>st</sup> of January.

**Work Shop on  
2018 Schedule  
of Municipal  
District Works**

It was proposed by Cllr. Eddie O'Meara, seconded by Cllr. David Dunne and agreed that a workshop on the 2018 Schedule of Municipal District Works would be held at 11:00 on the 13/02/2018.

**Assistance  
under Section  
66 of the Local  
Government Act  
2001**

It was proposed by Cllr. Eddie O'Meara, seconded by Cllr. David Dunne and resolved –

'That being of the opinion that the activities of the Carrick-on-Suir Development Association are desirable to promote the interests of the local community, assistance consisting of a grant of €3,500 be given to the Carrick-on-Suir Development Association pursuant to section 66 of the Local Government Act, 2001 subject to the following conditions:

**(a) CoSDA**

1. That the assistance of Tipperary County Council be acknowledged in any publicity generated by the association.
2. That a copy of the minutes of the Association's Annual General Meeting and Annual Accounts for 2018 be given to the County Council as soon as available.'

**(b) CoSTDEC**

It was proposed by Cllr. Eddie O'Meara , seconded by Cllr. David Dunne and resolved –

'That, being of the opinion that the activities of the Carrick-on-Suir Tourism and Economic Development Committee are desirable to promote the interests of the local community, assistance consisting of a grant of €1,500 be given to the Carrick-on-Suir Tourism and Economic Development Committee pursuant to section 66 of the

Local Government Act, 2001 subject to the following conditions:

1. That the assistance of Tipperary County Council be acknowledged in any publicity generated by the committee.
2. That a copy of the minutes of the Committee's Annual General Meeting and Annual Accounts for 2018 be given to the County Council as soon as available. '

**(c) Carrick-on-Suir Brass Band** It was proposed by Cllr. Eddie O'Meara , seconded by Cllr. David Dunne and resolved –

'That, being of the opinion that the activities of the Carrick-on-Suir Brass Band are desirable to promote the interests of the local community, assistance consisting of a grant of €1,900 be given to the Carrick-on-Suir Brass Band pursuant to section 66 of the Local Government Act, 2001 subject to the following conditions:

1. That at least four performances which are free of charge to the public take place in 2018.
2. That the assistance of Tipperary County Council be acknowledged in any publicity generated by the Band.
3. That a copy of the minutes of the Band's Annual General Meeting and Annual Accounts for 2018 be given to the County Council as soon as available.'

**(d) Sean Kelly Sports Centre** It was proposed by Cllr. Eddie O'Meara , seconded by Cllr. David Dunne and resolved –

'That, being of the opinion that the activities of the Sean Kelly Sports Centre are desirable to promote the interests of the local community, assistance consisting of a grant of €40,000 be given to the Sean Kelly Sports Centre pursuant to section 66 of the Local Government Act, 2001 subject to the following conditions:

1. That the assistance of Tipperary County Council be acknowledged in any publicity generated by the Centre.
2. That a report on activities in 2018 and a copy of the Centre's Statutory Annual Accounts for 2018 be given to the County

Council as soon as available. '

**Delegated Employee's Orders** A list of orders were circulated and noted.

**Correspondence** A memorandum from the Roads and Transportation Directorate, responding to a motion requesting the taking in charge of The Rookery, Carrick-on-Suir, was circulated to the members.

The memorandum and its contents were accepted.

**Other Business**

The question of Broadband reception was raised and it was agreed to invite the Tipperary County Council Broadband Officer to address a future District Members Meeting on this subject.

It was agreed to invite Mr John Egan, Trails Officer for the South Tipperary Development Company to address a future meeting on the subject of official walking trails in the Municipal District.

It was agreed to write to the Minister for Health supporting a request from the Piltown Municipal District Members for a meeting with elected members from the South East in relation to hospital services in Waterford University College Hospital.

This concluded the business of the meeting. (15:20)

  
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District Administrator

  
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