

Monthly Meeting of the Councillors for the Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District held in the District Chamber, Municipal District Office, Carrick-on-Suir at 2:00pm on the 26th of July, 2019.

In the Chair: Cllr. Imelda Goldsboro

Members Present: Cllr. Kieran Bourke, Cllr. David Dunne, Cllr. Mark Fitzgerald

Cllr. Kevin O Meara.

Apologies Mr Pat Slattery, Director of Services

In Attendance: Mr Martin Nolan, District Administrator, Mr Willie Corby, District Engineer, Ms. Liz McGrath, Staff Officer, Ms. Anne Dunne, Asst. Staff Officer, Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District Office.

Mr Jim Dillon, Administrative Officer, Mr Sean Lonergan, Administrative Officer, and Ms Nicola Keating, Executive Engineer, Housing Directorate.

Ms Caroline Conway, Senior Executive Planner, Planning Directorate.

Mr Liam Brett, Senior Engineer, Roads and Transportation Directorate.

Mr Karl Cashin, Director of Services, Mr Damien Dulligan, Co. Librarian, Heritage, Library and Emergency Services Directorate.

1.0 Welcome

Item 1.1 The summons was taken as read.
Summons and
Prayer

2.0 Minutes of Meetings

Item 2.1 The minutes of the monthly meeting held on the 17th of May, 2019 were adopted on the proposal of Cllr. David Dunne
Minutes of Monthly Meeting seconded by Cllr. Kevin O'Meara and were signed by the

17/05/2019

Cathaoirleach.

The Cathaoirleach asked if any progress had been made in relation to the installation of ramps in villages where there was excessive speeding.

Mr Liam Brett, Senior Engineer, Roads and Transportation Directorate responded that a policy had been adopted in relation to traffic calming and that ramps were considered the least attractive measure, to be used when all other solutions had been eliminated.

Item 2.2

Minutes of Annual Meeting
14/06/2019

The minutes of the annual meeting held on the 14th of June, 2019 were adopted on the proposal of Cllr. David Dunne seconded by Cllr. Kevin O'Meara .

3.0 Attendance of Directorate

Item 3.1

Update by the Housing Directorate

A report on the activity undertaken by the Housing Directorate in the District was circulated by Mr Jim Dillon, Administrative Officer, Housing Directorate and the main points of the report were outlined.

Members raised issues as follows:

Cllr. Kieran Bourke

- Complemented the report presented and the Housing Directorate
- Asked about the refurbishment of four houses at Marian Avenue, Carrick-on-Suir, and of No.26 Treacy Park, Carrick-on-Suir.
- Asked about the preparation of a master plan for Coolnamuck, Carrick-on-Suir
- Asked about delays in filling vacant houses in Carrick-on-Suir

- Asked for a breakdown of approved households by house type
- Asked that prospective tenants be given an opportunity to view houses offered to them.

Cllr. David Dunne

- Also asked about vacant houses, Marian Avenue, and Coolnamuck road
- Asked about Phase II of the Energy Efficiency Programme
- Asked for a programme of installing wet rooms in all County Council houses
- Asked whether Tipperary County Council was winning the battle in relation to homelessness

Cllr. Imelda Goldsboro

- Complemented the Housing Section on their work
- Asked about the possibility of elderly people buying their tenanted houses

Cllr Mark Fitzgerald

- Supported Cllr. David Dunne on the installation of wet rooms in existing housing stock
- Asked about the purchase of vacant houses.

Cllr. Kevin O'Meara

- Asked how much was available for adaption grants in the current year.

The representative of the housing directorate responded as follows:

- A breakdown of approved applicants by housing type will be provided
- The adaptation grant allocation for the current year was fully committed. An additional allocation will be sought.
- Purchase of vacant houses for specific needs has started. A Vacant Houses officer had been appointed and was active in identifying these houses.

- The Tenant Purchase Scheme is a national scheme. A review of the scheme has been sought from the Department of Housing.
- There is currently no proposal to allow prospective tenants view the houses offered, as the County Council did not have sufficient staff resources, and it would delay the filling of vacancies. However some of the issues may be addressed by the proposed choice based letting scheme.
- The position in relation to Marian Avenue will be followed up.
- The Master plan for Coolnamuck road was in preparation
- A contractor will be appointed for the vacant house at 26 Treacy Park shortly.
- New houses are being built to comply with Building regulations, including bathrooms for mobility impaired people. The main difficulty with existing stock is funding.

Item 3.2

Update by the
Community and
Economic
Development
Directorate

A report on the activity undertaken by the Community & Economic Development Directorate in the District was circulated.

It was agreed to defer discussion of this item to the September Monthly meeting.

Item 3.3

Update by the
Culture, Library
and Emergency
Services
Directorate

A report on the activity undertaken by the Culture, Library and Emergency Services Directorate in the District was circulated by Mr Damien Dulligan, and the main points of the report were outlined.

Members raised issues as follows:

Cllr. Kieran Bourke

- Asked whether the hoard of gold coins discovered in

Carrick-on-Suir some years ago would be displayed in Tipperary.

Cllr Mark Fitzgerald

- Asked what was involved in the Geological Audits being organised by the Heritage Office.

Mr Dulligan responded as follows:

- An approach has been made to the national museum to place the hoard on display in the County Museum in Clonmel on a temporary basis.
- The Heritage Officer will get back to Councillor Fitzgerald in relation to the Geological Heritage Audit.

4.0 Consideration of Reports

Item 4.1

District Engineer's Report

The District Engineer circulated a report on the progress of the implementation of the schedule of Municipal District works.

Members raised issues as follows:

Cllr. Kieran Bourke

- Complemented the District Engineer on the preparations for the Faugheen 50 motor cycle race.
- Welcomed the footpath programme for Carrick-on-Suir
- Raised the issue of weeds in car parks, and called for a spraying programme
- Asked in relation to a Flood Relief Scheme for Ballylynch

Cllr. David Dunne

- Also complemented the County Council on the preparations for the Faugheen 50
- Referred to the use of Dense Bitumen Macadam instead of Wetmix Macadam
- Asked for the position in relation to finishing driveways
- Welcomed the Phase II for Dillon Bridge, Carrick-on-

Suir

- Asked why the estimate for the demolition of the pound in Strand Lane was so high

Cllr. Imelda Goldsboro

- Also referred to the Faugheen 50
- Referred to the Main Street, Fethard resurfacing
- Complemented the District Engineer on the resurfacing of River Street, Killenaule
- Stated that weeds were also a problem in rural areas

Cllr. Kevin O'Meara

- Welcomed the resurfacing works in Fethard
- Asked whether the work at Ballytarsna was 100% committed.

The District Engineer responded as follows:

- Weed control through spraying is problematic, and an internal committee of staff in the Roads and Transportation Directorate were meeting on this.
- A submission on a flood scheme for Ballylynch was in preparation
- Dense Bitumen Macadam is water resistant and therefore longer lasting. However, Wet Mix Macadam remains useful in context and would be used where appropriate.
- Cost of removal of old buildings includes resurfacing costs
- The work at Ballytarsna is 100% committed.

Item 4.2

District
Administrator's
Report:

The District Administrator reported as follows:

1. The Environment Directorate will attend the September Monthly Meeting
2. The Carrick-on-Suir to Clonmel Blueway will be closed on the 7th and 8th of August between the first Bohreen and Arrigans Bohreen to facilitate resurfacing.
3. A problem in relation to the naming of two estates

in Ballynonty was outlined, a possible solution was suggested, and the process for renaming areas was explained.

It was agreed to begin this process by considering a resolution to proceed with the name changes at the September meeting.

Item 4.3
General Municipal
Allocation

A report was circulated showing the position in relation to the 2019 General Municipal Allocation as follows:

Allocation for 2019	€45,089
Tidy Towns District Awards	€3,500
Community Grants Scheme	€29,589
Community Festivals and Events	€12,000
Remaining to be Allocated	€0

The District Administrator reported that a total of €8,200 had been approved for community festivals and events, and that the balance of the allocation was not required for that purpose.

It was proposed by Cllr. David Dunne , seconded by Cllr. Kevin O'Meara and agreed that the unused portion of the Community and Festivals Events allocation, €3,800, be reallocated to the Community Grants Scheme

Item 4.4
Assistance under
section 66 of the
Local Government
Act, 2001
a) Burial Ground
Grants 2019

It was proposed by Cllr. David Dunne , seconded by Cllr. Kevin O'Meara and agreed:

'In accordance with Section 66 of the Local Government Act, 2001, and being of the opinion that it is desirable to do so to promote the interests of the local community, and having regard to the recommendation from the District

Administrator, grants under the Burial Ground Grants Scheme be made as follows:

Reference Number	Applicant	Amount Proposed
4	St Joseph's Ballingarry	€800
18	Rathcoole, Fethard	€600
26	Ballingarry old Cemetery	€600
34	Kilmurray	€600
36	Dualla Burial Ground	€600

b) Community Grants 2019

It was proposed by Cllr. David Dunne , Seconded by Cllr. Kevin O'Meara and agreed:

In accordance with Section 66 of the Local Government Act, 2001, and being of the opinion that it is desirable to do so to promote the interests of the local community, and having regard to the recommendation from the District Administrator, grants under the Community Grants Scheme be made as follows:

Reference Number	Applicant	Amount
4	Cluain Cregg Residents Association	€300
16	Rosegreen GAA Club	€1,200
26	Carrick-on-Suir and District Lions Club	€1,200
31	Killenaule Playground Committee	€1,000

Item 4.5

Name of 10 house scheme at Mullinahone

A report had been circulated prior to the meeting suggesting three possible names for the ten house social housing scheme being developed by the County Council at Mullinahone.

It was proposed by Cllr. Kevin O'Meara, seconded by Cllr. Mark Fitzgerald, and agreed that the scheme be named Kilaghy Crescent, and that the scheme be treated as a continuation of the existing Kilaghy Crescent.

Item 4.6

Planning Consent for Public Realm Scheme at Castle Street, Carrick-on-Suir

A report on the proposed public realm scheme at Castle Street, Carrick-on-Suir had been circulated with the agenda for the meeting.

The District Administrator outlined the procedure followed in placing this scheme on display, and confirmed that only two observations had been received.

At this point it was proposed by Cllr. Kieran Bourke, seconded by Cllr. David Dunne and agreed that the meeting be adjourned for five minutes.

When the meeting resumed, it was proposed by Cllr. David Dunne, seconded by Cllr. Kieran Bourke and agreed that

'In accordance with section 179 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, and having considered the Chief Executive's report on the proposed development, the development be carried out as recommended in the Chief Executive's report with the modification that a mini-bus parking bay be provided near Ormond Castle as part of the development.'

5.0 Taking in Charge of Estates**Item 5.1**

Sweet Auburn, Carrick-on-Suir

It was proposed by Cllr. Kieran Bourke, seconded by Cllr. David Dunne and resolved:

"That pursuant to the provisions of Section 180 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and

Section 11 of the Roads Act 1993, and being satisfied that the roads are of public utility, and having considered the financial implications for the local authority and any submissions made, it is hereby ordered that the road serving the housing estate known as

• **Sweet Auburn, Carrick Beg, Carrick-on-Suir**

be declared a public road. In addition any open spaces, car parks, sewers, water mains and service connections within the attendant grounds of the development are taken in charge, as outlined in red on the attached map, which was on public display during the prescribed period and the Director of Services Report to Members for the July 2019 Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District Meeting.”

6.0 Corporate/Organisational Issues

Item 6.1

Security
Committee
Meeting with
Clonmel Garda
District

It was proposed by Cllr. David Dunne, seconded by Cllr. Mark Fitzgerald and agreed that a security committee meeting be held with the Clonmel District of An Garda Siochana at 3:00pm on Thursday the 10th of October, 2019 in the conference room, Civic Offices, Emmet Street, Clonmel

Item 6.2

Security
Committee
Meeting with
Thurles Garda
District

It was proposed by Cllr. David Dunne, seconded by Cllr. Mark Fitzgerald and agreed that a security committee meeting be held with the Thurles District of An Garda Siochana at 3:30pm on Thursday the 26th of September, 2019 in the District Chamber, Carrick-on-Suir following the September Monthly Meeting.

Item 6.3

Member of
Delegation to
Transport
Infrastructure

It was proposed by Cllr. David Dunne, seconded by Cllr. Mark Fitzgerald and agreed that Cllr. Imelda Goldsboro will represent the District Councillors on the delegation to meet Transport Infrastructure Ireland on the 5th of November, 2019.

Ireland

7.0 Chief Executive / Delegated Employee Orders

Item 7.1 A list of delegated orders relevant to the district had been
Chief Executive's circulated and was noted by the members.
Orders

8.0 Correspondence

A letter from the Environment Directorate on the results of the Primary Schools Environmental Competition was noted.

9.0 Notices of Motion

Item 9.1

LED Street
Lighting in
Killenaule and
Fethard (Motion
No. 1706)

Cllr. Imelda Goldsboro proposed the following motion:

'I am asking for the support of Carrick on Suir Municipal District to upgrade the existing street lighting in Killenaule to LED lighting and finish the remainder of Fethard in LED Lighting.'

The motion was seconded by Cllr. Kevin O'Meara

The report on the motion was as follows:

'The Roads Management Office, which is a Local Authority shared service, has commenced a programme to replace all public lights with LEDs. Tipperary County Council is in the third phase of this project which is expected to be completed in 2021. In the meantime, small scale replacements may take place in Fethard and Killenaule as needed.'

The report was accepted.

Councillors asked for a report in due course on the areas in

the Municipal District in which LED lighting had been installed, and those where work was yet to be done.

Item 9.2

Street Sweeping
and litter bin
collection rota
(Motion No. 1707)

Cllr. Imelda Goldsboro proposed the following motion:

'I am asking for a full rota on the current Sweeper Services in The Carrick On Suir Municipal District and to include the bin collections.'

The motion was seconded by Cllr. David Dunne.

The report on the motion was as follows:

'There are two Suction Sweeper lorries in use in Carrick MD. One is based at Stable Lane Depot in Carrick-on-Suir and mainly sweeps Carrick town area on a 6 day week basis Sunday to Friday. This truck also collects litter bins in Carrick Town and Ballyneal village. A litter sweeping service in Carrick Town Centre is also provided on a Saturday morning. The other Suction Sweeper is based at Fethard Depot and collects bins and sweeps Fethard, Killenaule & Mullinahone at least once per week as well as collecting bins in surrounding villages. Following recent boundary changes and reduction in Carrick MD roads by 14%, a similar reduction in staffing resources came into place from 11th June. GO's assisting the Sweeper Driver have had to be rostered differently which resulted in a reduced sweeper & bin collection service for a number of weeks. However a new roster is in place since early July and the sweeper & street bin collection service is being monitored to ensure it is operating effectively.'

Speaking to the motion, Cllr. Imelda Goldsboro stated that the response was insufficient. She spoke of the need to empty litter bins on a regular basis, and called for a reversion to the pre existing arrangements immediately.

The motion was adopted.

Item 9.3

Cllr. David Dunne proposed the following motion:

Water bottle refill stations on the Blueway (Motion No. 1714) 'That this Council provide water bottle refill stations on our wonderful Blueway.'

The motion was seconded by Cllr. Kevin O'Meara.

The report on the motion was as follows:

'Tipperary County Council is examining suitable locations along the Blueway for such installations. A connection to the public water supply is required.'

The report was accepted.

Item 9.4

Cllr. David Dunne proposed the following motion:

Phase two Ballylynch regeneration (Motion no. 1715) 'That this Council apply for funding for Phase Two of the regeneration of the Ballylynch housing estate.'

The motion was seconded by Cllr. Kieran Bourke

The report on the motion was as follows:

'The regeneration of the Ballylynch Housing Estate commenced initially with a pilot scheme of ten dwellings in Killonerry Close. This was followed shortly afterwards with a scheme for the replacement of windows and doors and the installation of central heating in Council owned dwellings together with some external works.

A subsequent scheme was approved for the Mountain View section of Ballylynch which involved a redesign of the estate, the demolition and rebuilding of some dwellings together with boundary treatments, footpaths, roads, improvements to public lighting and landscaping.

The Housing Section is meeting with officials from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government in August and current options for regeneration of housing

estates will be discussed at this meeting.'

Accepting the report, Cllr. David Dunne asked that the Councillors' concerns about safety in Ormond Crescent be brought to attention, and asked that a proposal be brought forward as soon as possible.

Item 9.5

Road between
Newtown School
and Ahenny
(Motion No. 1716)

Cllr. David Dunne proposed the following motion:

'If and when money becomes available that the road from Newtown school to Ahenny be put on the roads program and that we write to the land owners on that route to cut back the overhanging trees.'

The motion was seconded by Cllr. Kieran Bourke.

The report on the motion was as follows:

'In the latter half of 2018, a new 3 Year programme was agreed with the Councillors for the period 2019-2021. The L2606 road was not included. It should be noted that strengthening works took place on same road through Ahenny village in 2017 and previously south of Newtown school in 2011. The remaining 1km section north of the school towards Ahenny village will be considered when the next 3 year programme is being formulated in the latter half of 2021. In the coming winter period landowners will again be contacted with regard to hedge cutting and overhanging trees and if necessary enforcement action under the Roads Act 1993 will be taken.'

The report was accepted.

10.0 Any Other Business

Item 10.1

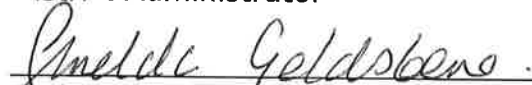
Price of Grave
Spaces

Cllr. Kieran Bourke asked that the increases in the price of grave spaces in St Mary's Cemetery and other Cemeteries, recently notified to the Councillors by the Environment Section, be publicised by Tipperary County Council.

This concluded the business of the meeting. (16:30)



District Administrator



Cathaoirleach

26th September 2019 _____