

**Monthly Meeting of the Councillors for the Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Clonmel at 3:00pm on the 17th of May, 2019.**

- In the Chair:** Cllr. Louise McLoughlin
- Members Present:** Cllr. Kieran Bourke, Cllr. David Dunne, Cllr. Mark Fitzgerald  
Cllr. Kevin O Meara.
- Apologies** Cllr. Imelda Goldsboro
- In Attendance:** Mr Pat Slattery, Director of Services, Mr Martin Nolan, District Administrator, Mr Willie Corby, District Engineer, Ms. Anne Dunne, Asst. Staff Officer, Ms Marion O'Neill, Senior Executive Officer, Environment Directorate, Ms Cora Morrissey, Administrative Officer, Environment 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 25th of  
Minutes of April, 2019 were adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Kieran  
Monthly Meeting Bourke seconded by Cllr. David Dunne and were signed by  
25/04/2019 the Cathaoirleach.
- Item 2.2** The note of the security committee meeting with the Thurles  
Note of Security District of An Garda Siochana held on the 25th of April, 2019  
Committee was noted on the proposal of Cllr. Kieran Bourke seconded by  
Meeting Cllr. David Dunne.  
25/04/2019
- Item 2.3** The minutes of the special meeting held on the 1st of May,  
Minutes of 2019 were adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Kieran Bourke

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seconded by Cllr. David Dunne and were signed by the Cathaoirleach.

### **3.0 Attendance of Directorate**

#### **Item 3.1**

Update by the  
Environment and  
Climate Action  
Directorate

A report on the activity undertaken by the Environment and Climate Action Directorate in the District was circulated by Ms Marion O'Neill, Senior Executive Officer, and the main points of the report were outlined.

Members raised issues as follows:

#### **Cllr. Kieran Bourke**

- Thanks for service provided over past five years
- Condition of Hazel Court Housing Estate, Carrick-on-Suir
- Low number of litter fines
- Provision of litter bins on Blueway

#### **Cllr. David Dunne**

- Welcomed the proposals for free WEEE collection
- Welcomed the initiative on Dog Fouling
- Raised the condition of the estate at Hazel Court, Carrick-on-Suir

#### **Cllr Mark Fitzgerald**

- Thanked the directorate for their help over the last few months
- Commended the directorate on the grants schemes for community groups
- Raised the possibility of buying and renovating derelict property
- Asked whether school children could be involved in litter picking during the school holidays.

#### **Cllr. Louise McLoughlin**

- Congratulated the Presentation school in Carrick-on-Suir on their success in the Global Citizen Award

#### Competition

- Raised the issue of dog fouling in Killenaule

#### **Cllr. Kevin O'Meara**

- Raised the low number of litter fines issued
- Asked about the use of drone technology
- Asked about the resources available for household inspections

Ms O'Neill responded as follows:

- Hazel Court, Carrick-on-Suir is an unfinished housing estate, and Tipperary County Council are in contact with the owner in relation to its condition.
- It is necessary to be able to prove beyond reasonable doubt that an offence has been committed before the issue of a litter fine, and this is the reason for the low number.
- Mutt dispensers have been provided in Killenaule, and signage is being erected.
- Drone technology is used for enforcement on closed sites. CCTV is used in public areas.
- Household inspections are taking place in areas of illegal dumping. Householders will be given an opportunity to regularise their position before enforcement action is taken.

### **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**

- Timetable for footpath works in Carrick-on-Suir
- Provision of parking for people using the Blueway
- Thanked the District Engineer and outdoor staff for

work over the term of the council.

**Cllr. David Dunne**

- Mentioned the removal of a tree in Ballylynch
- Complemented the appearance of Dillon Bridge, Carrick-on-Suir
- Asked whether low energy LED lighting would be introduced into housing estates
- Asked about the provision of parking for the Blueway
- Asked about making provision for camper vans

**Cllr Mark Fitzgerald**

- Asked for an Update on the Tinakilly/Everardsgrange Road
- Asked when work was to start on the Main Street in Fethard
- Asked about speed surveys in Ballingarry
- Asked about Traffic Calming on the N76

**Cllr. Louise McLoughlin**

- Welcomed the work taking place at Ballytarsna
- Asked about the Speed Survey at Ballingarry
- Asked about the provision of a pedestrian crossing at Ballingarry

**Cllr. Kevin O'Meara**

- Asked whether it is intended to roll out speed feedback signs to every settlement
- Asked whether it was proposed to provide pedestrian crossings in every settlement
- Asked about the Speed Survey in Ballingarry
- Asked whether there would be a traffic management plan for the works on Main Street, Fethard.

The District Engineer responded as follows:

- Footpaths in Carrick-on-Suir are to commence shortly
- The issue of low energy lighting will be taken up with the Roads and Transportation Directorate

- Provision of parking for users of the Blueway will be examined
- The Tinnakilly to Everardsgrange Road is on the 2019 Roads Programme
- The speed survey in Ballingarry showed no issues
- The issue of traffic calming on the N76 will be raised with Transport Infrastructure Ireland at the next meeting with their Inspector.
- Volume of pedestrians at Ballingarry did not justify investment in a pedestrian crossing
- Provision of pedestrian crossings in settlements will be examined
- The traffic management at the works in Fethard will be undertaken by an experienced contractor. Details of the arrangements will be publicised ahead of time.

**Item 4.2**

District  
Administrator's  
Report:

The District Administrator brought the following issues to the attention of the members:

- The Part 8 planning notice for Castle Street is expected to be published next week and it is hoped to bring this to the July Meeting.
- Informal consultation in advance of a Part 8 process for New Street is expected to start shortly
- Taking in Charge notice for Sweet Auburn on display expected at July Meeting.

Cllr. Kieran Bourke asked when the Planning Consent process for the proposed overlay on the N24 through Carrick-on-Suir was to begin, asking that the start of the process could be expedited.

**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
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Tidy Towns District Awards	€3,500
Community Grants Scheme	€29,589
Community Festivals and Events	€12,000
Remaining to be Allocated	€0

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

A report on applications for burial ground grant applications had been circulated to the Councilors prior to the meeting. It was proposed by Cllr. Kieran Bourke, seconded by Cllr. David Dunne 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 Grounds Committees Scheme be made as follows:

Reference	Group	2019 Grant
33	Modeshill	€600

b) Community Grants 2019

A report on applications for community grants had been circulated to the Councilors prior to the meeting. It was proposed by Cllr. Kieran Bourke, seconded by Cllr. David Dunne 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 Proposed
3	Dualla Community Association	€1,200
18a	Strylea Residents Association	€850
18b	Strylea Residents Association	€760
20	Mullinahone Men's Shed	€200
21	Carrick United FC	€900
34	Castlview Lawn tennis Club	€1,200

## 5.0 Taking in Charge of Estates

### Item 5.1

Cregg Lawns,  
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 & 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 roads serving the housing estate known as

- **Cregg Lawns, Knocknaconnery, Carrick-on-Suir**

be declared public roads. 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 May 2019

Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District Members Meeting.”

**Item 5.2**  
Ravenswood,  
Carrick-on-Suir

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

“That pursuant to the provisions of Section 180 of the Planning & 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 roads serving the Housing Estate known as

- **Ravenswood, Knocknaconnery, Carrick on Suir**

Be declared public roads. 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 May 2019 Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District Members Meeting.”

**Item 5.3**  
Abbey Court,  
Fethard

It was proposed by Cllr. Kevin O'Meara , seconded by Cllr. Mark Fitzgerald and resolved:

“That pursuant to the provisions of Section 180 of the Planning & 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 roads serving the Housing Estate known as

- **Abbey Court, Burke Street, Fethard**

be declared public roads. 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 May 2019 Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District Members Meeting.”

## **6.0 Chief Executive / Delegated Employee Orders**

A list of delegated orders relevant to the district had been circulated and was noted by the members.

## **7.0 Correspondence**

No items of correspondence.

## **8.0 Notices of Motion**

### **Item 8.1**

#### **Cllr. Kieran Bourke:**

Flood Protection at Ballylynch, Carrick-on-Suir (Motion No. 1669)

“That Tipperary County Council apply to the OPW for a small flood defence scheme for the Lower Ballylynch Area of Carrick-on-Suir ”

The motion was seconded by Cllr. David Dunne

The report on the motion was as follows:

“This matter will be investigated in conjunction with OPW personnel”

Accepting the report, Cllr. Kieran Bourke explained that this area had not been included in the original flood defence scheme, and was at risk of flooding through the slipways to the river in the area.

### **Item 8.2**

#### **Cllr. Louise McLoughlin :**

Traffic Calming in Villages (Motion no. 1678)

“That the Carrick on Suir Municipal District install speed ramps in villages & towns around our district as speeding traffic is not obeying the speed limits. ”

The motion was seconded by Cllr. David Dunne

The report on the motion was as follows:

“There are a number of factors to be considered. An Garda

Siochana have statutory authority to detect speeding offences and it is recommended that they be requested to pay attention to particular locations if required along with repeat visits. Roads Section Policy considers ramps to be a last resort measure as other methods of reducing speed are available such as kerb build outs, road narrowing & chicanes along with appropriate signage. Different policies apply in Towns & Villages with high traffic volumes and where emergency services operate most frequently in comparison with low traffic locations. TII are responsible for National Roads and they also have specific criteria. Each location has to be analysed separately with speed surveys first undertaken followed by accident studies to determine the nature of the problem. Budgetary constraints dictate whether a specific project can then proceed or otherwise await funding via Low Cost Safety Scheme grants. It is suggested that specific locations in Carrick MD are brought to the attention of Roads Section who can determine if a problem exists."

Accepting the report, Cllr. Louise McLoughlin spoke of the need to reduce speeding on the roads

**Item 8.3**

**Cllr. Louise McLoughlin**

Pedestrian  
crossing at Main  
Street, Killenaule

"That the Carrick on Suir Municipal District provide a Pedestrian crossing on the Main Street of Killenaule to allow all Pedestrians to cross safely. "

(Motion no. 1679)

The motion was seconded by Cllr. David Dunne.

The report on the motion is as follows:

"A survey of pedestrian demand will be undertaken and if there is sufficient demand for a crossing and if funds are made available, this matter will be considered for inclusion in the 2020 Roads Programme"

The report was accepted.

**Item 8.4**

**Cllr. Louise McLoughlin**

Pedestrian  
Crossing at  
Madam's Bridge,  
Fethard (Motion  
no. 1680)

"In the interest of safety that the Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District upgrade the pedestrian crossing in front of the ball room Fethard."

The motion was seconded by Cllr. David Dunne.

The report on the motion is as follows:

"This matter will be investigated as part of planned footpath and road resurfacing works that have commenced on site"

The report was accepted.

**9.0 Any Other Business**

**Item 9.1**

Planning  
Enforcement at  
Friars Field,  
Fethard

Cllr. Mark Fitzgerald raised works at Friars Field, Fethard, which had been referred to the Planning Directorate for enforcement.

It was agreed that the District Planner would be asked to respond to Cllr. Fitzgerald directly on this matter.

**Item 9.2**

Cathaoirleach's  
outgoing address.

The Cathaoirleach Cllr. Louise McLoughlin thanked the members and staff for their support during her term as Cathaoirleach. The highlights of her term included civic receptions awarded to Pdraig McCarthy and the Christian Brothers, the Cathaoirleach's reception for special Olympian Kellie O'Donnell, the opening of the new Civic Offices in Carrick, and the opening of the Carrick-on-Suir to Cahir Blueway.

She reflected that the district had come a long way since 2014, including the renovation of Ormond Castle, the opening of Comeragh College and the provision of the new Primary Care Centre, all in Carrick-on-Suir, and the


renovation of the Tholsel in Fethard and the provision in the building of the Fethard Horse Country Experience.

Finally, she remembered Cllr. Eddie O'Meara and Cllr. John Fahey who had passed away during the term of the County Council.

The members joined in congratulating the Cathaoirleach for her term of office, and in thanking the officials and staff for their service over the term of the council.

This concluded the business of the meeting. (4:25 pm)

  
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District Administrator

  
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Cathaoirleach

\_\_26 July 2019\_\_\_\_\_  
Date