

Monthly Meeting of the Members for the Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Carrick-on-Suir on the 24th of November, 2016 at 2:00p.m

In the Chair: Cllr. Imelda Goldsboro

Members Present: Cllr. Kieran Bourke, Cllr. David Dunne, Cllr. John Fahey, Cllr. Louise McLoughlin, Cllr. Eddie O'Meara.

In Attendance: Mr Pat Slattery, Director of Services, Mr Martin Nolan, District Administrator, Ms Nicola Keating, District Engineer, Mr Seamus Loughlin, Executive Engineer, Mr Jim Ryan Assistant Engineer, Mr John Fitzgerald, Staff Officer, Ms Anne Dunne, Assistant Staff Officer, Mr Karl Cashin, Director of Services, Mr Brian Beck, Senior Planner, Ms Caroline Conway, Senior Executive Planner, Ms Teresa Kiely, staff Officer, Planning, Mr Fran Igoe and Ms Sheevaun Thompson Local Authorities Communities and Waters Office

Minutes of Meetings On the proposal of Cllr. Louise McLoughlin seconded by Cllr. David Dunne the minutes of the monthly meeting held on the 27th of October, 2016 were adopted and signed by the Cathaoirleach.

Cllr. Eddie O'Meara asked for an update on the flooding of the river in Mullinahone.

The District Engineer responded that the work required was of such a scale that it was not the responsibility of the County Council but of the Office of Public Works. The Office of Public Works is aware of the situation.

Cllr. Eddie O'Meara asked that a meeting be arranged between the community and the Office of Public Works.

Update from Director of Planning and The Director of Service for Planning and Emergency Services circulated a report to the members in relation to the activities of the Directorate in the District. Items including variations of the development

**Emergency
Services**

plan, numbers of planning applications, planning enforcement, and taking in charge of housing estates.

Members raised the following issues:

Cllr. Kieran Bourke

- Asked in relation to the Manor Estates in Carrick-on-Suir

Cllr. David Dunne

- Breakdown of the numbers of planning permissions, in particular applications for housing
- Asked about the review of the response to the flooding emergency at New Year 2016.
- Position in relation to the Ravenswood Estate

Cllr. Louise McLoughlin

- When would the variation of the development plan for Fethard be adopted

Cllr. John Fahey

- Complemented the planning section on work on town walls
- Suggested that the land at Hardbog be used for solar panels

The following responses were made:

- The issue of enforcement proceedings in relation to the Manor Estates will be looked into
- There had been no applications for permission for Housing Estates
- The position in relation to Ravenswood will be clarified to Cllr. David Dunne
- A review of the emergency response had been carried out, and consideration will be given to making a presentation on this to the plenary Council meeting.
- It was expected that the Fethard variation would be considered at the January meeting of the Plenary Council, and depending on the consideration of the variation, be adopted some months

thereafter.

**Presentation by
Local
Authorities
Waters and
Communities
Office**

Mr Fran Igoe and Ms Sheevaun Thompson made a presentation to the members in relation to the work of the Local Authorities Waters and Communities Office.

**District
Engineer's
Report:**

The District Engineers Report had been circulated in advance of the meeting, and the District Engineer outlined the main points therein.

These included:

- Works started on the improvement of the culvert at Lisadell
- Road Maintenance and Road Improvement work substantially completed.
- Small Safety Improvement Works were completed, with the exception of those at Dualla
- Driver Feedback signs had been approved for Ballynonty and were being erected
- Work on the Old Bridge in Carrick-On-Suir had started
- Flood repair works were complete

Members asked questions as follows;

Cllr. Kieran Bourke

- Asked about a portion of the towpath at Ballinderry which had not yet been surfaced
- Asked when work would start in Carrick-on-Suir
- Asked about the tree maintenance programme
- Asked about traffic calming at the Pill Road

Cllr. David Dunne

- Asked whether the work on the old bridge would be in keeping with the existing structure
- Asked in relation to the replacement of existing lights with Light Emitting Diodes

Cllr. Louise McLoughlin

- Asked about the Clar Programme
- Asked about salting the road at Springhill, Killenaule

Cllr. Eddie O'Meara

- Asked about the resurfacing of the road at Everardgrange
- Asked about the resurfacing of the street in Drangan

The District Engineer Responded as follows:

- Consideration was being given to the appropriate surface between Arrigan's Bohreen and the Fisherman's hut as this was the only part of the towpath regularly used by motorised vehicles.
- Contractors had not started in Carrick-on-Suir yet, but were expected to start shortly.
- The tree maintenance programme was hampered by shortage of resources. Priority would be given to Castle Street, trees on the N24, and trees in Sean Healy Park.
- A response on the traffic calming at the Pill road would be circulated to the members in the coming week, and would be communicated to the school principals in the area.
- The Old Bridge at Carrick-on-Suir was being pointed in lime mortar and the work was being supervised by an archaeologist to ensure that the finish was acceptable on a national monument.
- Light Emitting Diode based lights were being installed on Dillon Bridge in Carrick-on-Suir. Other areas were being surveyed to see if suitable.
- The street ⁱⁿ Drangan was not on the Council's programme, but would be examined.
- The upgrading of the road at Everardgrange would be examined.
- There was no update available on the Clar Scheme
- Will examine possibility of Salting the road at Springhill, Killenaule

**District
Administrator's
Report:**

The District Administrator reported as follows:

1. Community and Enterprise to attend the December Meeting
2. Short Film on 1916 in Carrick-on-Suir part funded by the District Members through the 1916 commemoration programme will screen in the Brewery Lane theatre on the 2nd and 3rd of December, 2016.
3. Christmas arrangements: District Office will be open until 4:30 pm on Friday the 23rd of December, 2016. It will reopen on the 30th of December; and will be closed on Monday the 3rd of January.
4. A public Realm Plan for the Carrick-on-Suir Town Centre is being prepared. This will incorporate a vision for the Town Centre drawing on work already done, will identify phases of work and will include detailed plans (to planning consent stage) for a first phase at West Gate and Sean Kelly Square. This is being prepared under the Town and Village Renewal Programme.

**General
Municipal
Allocation 2016**

A report on the 2016 General Municipal allocation had been circulated in advance of the meeting as follows:

<u>General Municipal Allocation</u>			<u>€68,745.00</u>
	Allocated	Committed	Expended
Residents Associations	€2,338.00	€2,338.00	€2,338.00
Community Waste Management	€10,000.00	€1,875.00	€1,625.00
Sports and Community Facilities Scheme	€15,074.94	€15,074.94	€15,074.94
Christmas Lights Scheme	€15,000.00	€0.00	€323.94
Tidy Towns Committees	€7,600.00	€7,600.00	€7,600.00
Ballingarry World War I memorial	€800.00	€800.00	€800.00
Festivals	€6,000.00	€6,000.00	€4,125.00
Sonny Cash Exhibition	€300.00	€300.00	€300.00
Heart save Committee, Carrick-	€1,500.00	€0.00	€0.00

on-Suir			
District Painting Scheme	€3,440	€0.00	€0.00
District Tidy Towns Awards	€3,000	€0.00	€0.00
Totals	€65,052.94	€42,251.88	€35,186.88
<u>Unallocated/Unexpended</u>	<u>€3,692.06</u>	<u>€26,493.12</u>	<u>€33,558.12</u>

After discussion, it was agreed to hold a workshop on the General Municipal Allocation in early January.

It was also agreed that the possibility of using the General Municipal Allocation to fund the maintenance of street lighting in estates that had not been taken in charge would be investigated.

Christmas Lights Scheme 2016

A report on the applications for assistance under the Christmas Lights Scheme 2016 had been circulated prior to the meeting. There had been seven applications, with a total value of €47,500.00

It was proposed by Cllr. Kieran Bourke seconded by Cllr. Louise McLoughlin and resolved:

'Pursuant to Section 66 of the Local Government Act 2001, and being of the opinion that it is in the interests of the local community to do so, grants as follows be made to assist the provision of Christmas lights in the District.

Group	Description	Grant Proposed
Killenaule Community Enhancement Group	Erection of lights and replacement of bulbs	€1,845.00
Old School Centre, The Commons	New scheme, acquisition and erection of lights	€2,940.00
Ballingarry Tidy Towns	Replacement of lights and extension of scheme.	€5,500
Glengoole Tidy	New scheme, Christmas	€1,750.00

Towns	lights in village and on trees	
Kilcash Tidy Towns	Christmas Tree at Community Centre	€126.00
Carrick-on-Suir Business Association	Christmas Lights in Town Centre, Carrickbeg, Two Bridges, and on tress (Provided by County council)	€8,500.00
Fethard Community Council	Provision of Christmas lights in Fethard Town	€3,600.00
Totals		€24,261.00

District Tidy Towns Awards Night 2016

The District Administrator informed the members that the following arrangements had been made for the District Awards Night:

1. The Awards Night has been organised for 7:30 pm on Tuesday the 6th of December, 2016, in the Moyglass Community Centre.
2. A guest speaker, Ms Sharon Heffernan from the Emly Tidy Towns Committee has agreed to speak. Ms Heffernan has been instrumental in Emly's success in the competition, which has included winning the national competition in 2009.
3. Invitations have been extended to each of the Tidy Towns Committees^S assisted by the Municipal District Office
4. Invitations have also been extended to the Schools in the District that were successful in the Schools competition held by the Environment Section.

Delegated Employee's Orders

A list of orders circulated was noted.

Notices of

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Cllr. Louise McLoughlin

Motion

That Carrick on Suir Municipal District resurfaces the road at the Commons National School as the road is in a terrible condition and hazardous to parents, students and traffic

The motion was seconded by Cllr. David Dunne

The report on this notice of motion was as follows:

Unfortunately, the road at the Commons National School is not listed on the three year roads programme as it is in relatively good condition and is not a priority for resurfacing currently. However, I will arrange for any necessary patching to be carried out at this location.

Speaking on the motion, Cllr. Louise McLoughlin stated that she was looking for a set down area rather than to have the road resurfaced.

The District Engineer agreed to examine this.

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Cllr. Louise McLoughlin

That this Council provide a continuous white line between the premises of John Kelly and Ned O Sullivan (between Ballinure and Dualla) as speeding traffic is over taking at this point on the road causing huge concern to the residents of both premises when attempting to pull out at their entrances.

The motion was seconded by Cllr. David Dunne .

The report was as follows:

It is proposed to review the sight distances at this location. However, any lining that is carried out must be in accordance with the Traffic Signs Manual. It is not recommended that a continuous white line be laid on road widths between 5.3m and 6.2m except on the approach to stop and yield lines.

The report was accepted.

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Cllr. Louise McLoughlin

That the road at Ballinure Village be included for road resurfacing as the condition is very poor and needs attention

The motion was seconded by Cllr. David Dunne

The report on this item was as follows:

The road at Ballinure Village is included on the Road Works Programme for 2018 for resurfacing. We will endeavour to patch this road in the interim.

The report was accepted.

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Cllr. David Dunne

That a part time re cycling centre be provided in Carrick on Suir for a half day on Saturday once a month.

The motion was seconded by Cllr. Eddie O'Meara

The report on this item was as follows:

The Government is no longer providing any financial assistance towards the construction of new recycling centres, or any subvention towards the operating costs of existing recycling centres. The Southern Region Waste Plan has adopted a policy of maintaining the existing recycling centres in the region and supporting the development by the private sector of new recycling centres. Discussions have been held with representatives from the private sector on this matter, but there has been no progress.

The motion was adopted.

This concluded the business of the meeting. (16:40)



District Administrator



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22 / 12 / 2016

Date