



**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE ADJOURNED JUNE MEETING OF
NENAGH MUNICIPAL DISTRICT HELD IN COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBER AT
3.00 PM ON 22ND JUNE 2020**

Present	Cllr's Fiona Bonfield, John Carroll, Joe Hannigan, Hughie McGrath, John "Rocky" McGrath, Séamus Morris, Michael O' Meara and Ger Darcy
Zoom	Cllr. Phyll Bugler attended via Zoom
Also Present	Ms. Rosemary Joyce, District Administrator; Mr. Barry Murphy, District Engineer.
Apologies	Mr. Marcus O' Connor, Director of Services Ms. Sinead Moriarty, Staff Officer
Item 1. To note any Disclosures/ Conflicts of Interest	None
Item 2. To update members on Projects & Events	<p><u>Newport Town Park</u> A pre-contract meeting has been held with the contractors and a further meeting is scheduled for 23rd June. We are awaiting confirmation that Performance Bond is in place so that we can proceed with the contract signing and get them on site as soon as possible. In the meantime works required in relation to invasive species are being progressed.</p> <p><u>Newport Enhancement Plan</u> A further meeting was held with Nic de Jong, Consultant on 17th June to advance arrangements for the preparation of the Newport Enhancement Plan. At this meeting the proposed project delivery plan was set out which aims to issue the final strategy report in Q4 2020. A draft engagement strategy was discussed and it was agreed that the first step in relation to same should be a zoom meeting with the elected members to identify issues which should be addressed and to discuss how public consultation should be progressed. It was agreed to hold this briefing on Tuesday 30th June 2020.</p> <p><u>Town Revival Initiatives</u></p> <p>a) John's Lane Car Park Preparations have commenced for works to be undertaken at John's Lane Car Park. These include undertaking a survey of drains, percolation tests, contacting Airtricity and procurement of consultant to draw up the tender documentation. Two contracts</p>



soon as possible so that planning would be in place in advance of potential funding applications.

Historic Structures Fund

A grant allocation of €20,000 has been secured in respect of conservation works for Newport Courthouse under the Historic Structures Fund. Proposals are currently being put together so that the maximum amount of work can be done with available funding.

Killaloe Bypass, Shannon Bridge & R494

Planning procedures and the Oral Hearing have been completed. Design is underway and is expected to be completed in Q2 2020. The Tender Prior Information Notice (PIN) was published in December 2019. The tender competition for the works contract will commence in Q2 2020 and will be completed in Q1 2021. Subject to availability of funding it is anticipated that construction will commence in Q2 of 2021 taking in the region of 3 years to complete.

R498 Latteragh Realignment

Part 8 procedures have been completed and design work is underway. Pre-CPO consultation with landowners is ongoing. Department approval to publish the CPO has been obtained and subject to COVID-19 restrictions, publishing of same is expected to take place in July 2020 with an Oral Hearing expected to take place later in 2020.

N52 Borrisokane Streets Improvement Scheme.

Final road surfacing work on the Main Street has been completed and removal of overhead cabling on the Main Street has commenced. Work was suspended in March 2020 due to the COVID crisis and re-opened again in May 2020. Remaining works include erecting new public lighting on the Main Street, re-surfacing of a section of the Birr Road and the Nenagh approach and repairs to the bridge at the bottom of the Main Street.

N65 Carrigahorig to Balleiragh Bridge Strengthening

This scheme involves raising of the road level to mitigate flooding of a section of this road. Preliminary design work is underway and is expected to be completed in Q4 2020 following completion of a ground investigation with detailed design commencing in 2021.

N65 Carrigahorig Village Pavement Improvements

The change in approach has been agreed in principle with the TII. Preliminary design work has been completed and funding is being sought from the TII to carry out the final design and carry out the pavement improvement works, road safety elements and footpath extension works. It is anticipated that detailed design



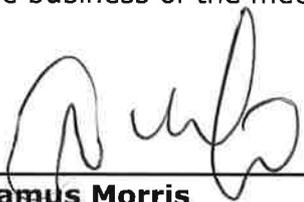
	<p>historical importance. If it was not attended to it was in danger of collapsing.</p> <p>Cllr J Carroll welcomed the progress on the Roads Programme and stated that excellent work is being done. He referred to LED lighting in Newtown village and stated that additional lights were needed on the R494 outside the school. One or two additional poles were required. He also highlighted the difficulties being experienced on rural roads that are heavily utilised during the agri season. There is a short window for farmers to undertake silage works. These roads are used by heavy machinery, buses, hardware suppliers and they are having difficulty with access because of overgrown hedges. Damage is being done to wing mirrors and tyres. Works are being done after the silage season which is too late.</p> <p>Cllr M O' Meara supported Cllr Carroll in relation to rural roads and stated this is a problem every year. He also referred to the bridge at Lorrha and said he did not know why consultants were being appointed as money had been allocated previously for this. He stated it was important to be very careful in relation to the surface put back at Carrig as there have been problems with cars skidding on the surface and going in off the road. He also supported Cllr Hannigan in relation to the bridge at Gortalougha.</p> <p>Cllr S Morris requested further details on the flood alleviation works being carried out in Nenagh. He welcomed the work being done in relation to fencing in estates.</p> <p>Cllr G Darcy supported previous speakers in relation to the surface in Carrig Village and the Gortalougha Bridge.</p> <p>Mr B Murphy outlined details of works undertaken in relation to flood alleviation under Phase One and advised that Phase Two would commence this week. He stated that a report had been prepared in 2014/2015 by Punch Consultants on the Bridge at Gortalougha. This made some recommendations. The Bridge has further deteriorated since then and a consultant has been engaged to look at the extent of the damage and the works required.</p> <p>He advised that a report has been done by consultants on Lorrha Bridge. It will be necessary to go to tender to carry out the works. He clarified that the LED lighting being undertaken purely related to pedestrian lights.</p>
Item 4. To note Engineer's Checklist on	<p>Cllr. P Bugler referred to the lights along the Riverside Park, the road from Roolagh to Willowcliff, the Dunalley Line through Inchadrinagh, the Boher Road to Ballyea, Leagane and the Ballycahane Road. She also asked about the schedule for grass</p>



	<p>The following response was provided:</p> <p><i>The Borrisokane road will be resurfaced as part of the rehabilitation works following the Ervia/BGE multi utility project in the current year. The pedestrian crossing will be upgraded with higher specification lighting and road markings as part of this project</i></p>
Items 6. To note Delegated Employee Orders	Noted
Item 7. To consider items of Correspondence	None
Item 8. Votes of Sympathy/ Congratulations	None
Item 9. Any Other Business	Cllr G Darcy referred to a meeting with residents of Ashley Park in relation to a dangerous junction. This was attended by Tommy Deely. He had not heard anything further since and asked that a response be provided to queries.

This concluded the business of the meeting, a true copy of which we hereby certify: -

Signed: _____


Cllr. Seamus Morris
Cathaoirleach

Date: _____

16/7/2020

Signed: _____


Ms. Rosemary Joyce
District Administrator

Date: _____

16/7/2020