



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE JANUARY MEETING OF NENAGH MUNICIPAL DISTRICT HELD IN THE CHAMBER, NENAGH MUNICIPAL DISTRICT AT 10.00 AM ON 16TH JANUARY 2020

Present	Cllr's Fiona Bonfield, Phyll Bugler, John Carroll, Gerard Darcy, Joe Hannigan, Hughie McGrath, John "Rocky" McGrath, Séamus Morris and Michael O' Meara.
Also Present	<p>Mr. Marcus O' Connor, Director of Services; Ms. Rosemary Joyce, District Administrator; Mr. Barry Murphy, District Engineer and Ms. Sinead Moriarty, Staff Officer.</p> <p>Housing Sinead Carr, Director of Services; Padraig Ryan, Housing and Cora Horgan, Youth Work Ireland, Tipperary</p> <p>Environment & Climate Change Marion O Neill, Cora Morrissey and Kieran McKenna</p>
Item 1. Minutes of December Meeting	It was proposed by Cllr. John Carroll, seconded by Cllr. Hughie McGrath and resolved that the minutes of the December Meeting held on 19 th December, 2019 be adopted.
Item 2. Action Plan	The Action Plan from the December meeting was noted
Item 3. To receive presentation on Refugee Settlement from Housing	<p>An information sheet on the settlement of refugees in towns in Tipperary was circulated.</p> <p>Mr. P. Ryan informed members that before the war in Syria there was a population of 23 million in the country and since 2011, 400,000 people have been killed with a further 11 million people displaced. Syria was a country that did not have a history of immigration. The families have been security checked and vetted and the previous settlement of 12 families in Thurles in Council owned property has been very successful. A steering committee carried out an audit of services.</p> <p>Ms. C. Horgan from Youth Work Ireland Tipperary explained that the Youth Service has been in operation for the last 50 years and has 6 centres where it works with young people with disabilities, substance abuse, early school leavers etc. They also offer family support services. Youth Work Ireland was successful in tendering for the resettlement programme. They have started the recruitment process for 2 resettlement workers to work with the families and agencies and 2 intercultural workers that are fluent Arabic speakers.</p> <p>The members welcomed the presentation and felt that information was very important for the settlement to be</p>



	<p>successful. A lot of lessons were learnt from the Borrisokane project and keeping the relevant parties informed was really important. While the resettlement in Thurles was successful it is a different time now which may lead to different problems.</p> <p>Ms. S. Carr thanked the members for their positive attitude and informed members that she is aware of the sensitivities of the situation but was confident that Youth Work Ireland has the previous experience to deliver this. Ms. S. Carr also agreed that information is important and agreed to meet the members and the communities as often as is required.</p>
<p>Item 4. To receive briefing from Environment & Climate Change</p>	<p>Environment circulated a report that gave an update on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Infrastructure and maintenance• Community Services• Control of Dogs• Control of Horses• Derelict Sites• Litter Enforcement• Public Awareness• Waste Management• Civic Amenity Sites• Environment Protection• Climate & Energy <p>Members welcomed the report from Environment.</p> <p>Cllr. J. Carroll stated that graveyard committees were finding it difficult to get volunteers and requested training or an open day for graveyard committees. Cllr. J. Carroll also requested clarification on the process for the disposal of end of life vehicles. Cllr. F. Bonfield raised the issues of the clothes bins and a burnt out car near the Five Alley, derelict site in Portroe and the clean up at the front of Mulcair Manor. Cllr. J. McGrath requested an update on the wall at Kilkeary Burial Ground and dumping. Cllr. S. Morris enquired about the clean up at the Military Barracks. Cllr. H. McGrath enquired about the types of plastic bags in use at the recycling centre. Cllr J. Hannigan also raised the issue of dumping and the possibility of expanding the availability of trees to communities. Cllr. G. Darcy requested an update on the derelict building at the Mill, Cloughjordan and agreed there was an issue with dumping and the disposal of plastics from farms.</p> <p>Ms. M. O'Neill confirmed that Mr. R. Boland is working with communities to set up new graveyard committees. Ms. M. O'Neill informed the members that the process for disposal of end of life vehicles was available on the Council website. The CCTV mobile units will be moved around the county and 200 household</p>



	<p>inspections are planned for the first quarter in 2020. There will be 1 or 2 days organised for the disposal of farm plastic. There is a programme for anti-dumping and if there are areas where there is persistent dumping it may be possible to place the CCTV there, including at the Five Alley. Environment wrote to the owner of the property in Portroe with a list of required works, it is on the official derelict sites register. Mr. R. Boland is engaging with the community and receivers about the building in Cloughjordan, there are major costs associated with it. There is a programme of works for Kilkeary Burial Ground. The only plastic bags to be used at the recycling centre are the bags that are purchased there, not bags purchased in other outlets. Ms. M. O'Neill will add any groups that are interested in receiving trees to their list.</p> <p>Ms. R. Joyce confirmed that contact will be made again with the Department regarding the clean up at the Military Barracks.</p> <p>Mr. K. McKenna informed the members that the tender process for Ballaghveny is not yet complete. The traffic management plan will depend on how the void space in Ballaghveny will be used. The two communities and the members will be kept informed.</p>
Item 5. To agree date for workshop on GMA 2020	It was agreed to hold the workshop on the GMA at 2.30p.m. on Wednesday, 12 th February, 2020.
Item 6. To consider the Proposed Taking in Charge of Bruach Tailte, Nenagh	Mr. M. O' Connor referred to the Director of Services report to members that was previously circulated. It was proposed by Cllr. S. Morris and seconded by Cllr. J. Carroll 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 roads serving the housing estate known as Bruach Tailte, Nenagh 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 January 2020 Nenagh Municipal District Meeting."
Item 7. To update members on projects and events	<u>Newport Town Park</u> The tender for Newport Town Park was published on the e-tenders website on Tuesday 14 th January. The closing date for tenders is Tuesday 11 th February 2020.



Nenagh 800/Nenagh Castle

The website for Nenagh 800 is now live and adds to the methods of communication which includes Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. A Programme of Events has been drafted and it is intended to focus on a number of themes over the year. A meeting of the Committee will be held this evening.

Town Revival Initiative

Proposals are being progressed for re-surfacing and improvements at John's Lane Car Park. Works will also be carried out in Ely O' Carroll Place under the Town & Village Renewal Scheme.

Emmet Place/Mitchell Street

The Part 8 is currently on public display. Closing date for submissions is 4.30 p.m. on 6th February 2020. The Report will be brought back to members at the February 2020 meeting.

Tourist Office/Banba Square

The Part 8 is currently on public display. Closing date for submissions is 4.30 p.m. on 13th February 2020. The Report will be brought back to members at the March 2020 meeting.

Nenagh Digital Hub/Innovation Centre

A meeting is being arranged later this month with Healy & Partners and the Project Team to progress the development of the proposal and business case.

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 competition for the works contract will commence in Q1 2020 and will be completed in Q3 2020. Subject to availability of funding it is anticipated that construction will commence in Q4 2020 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. Subject to Department approval it is anticipated that the CPO will then be published in Q1 2020 with an Oral Hearing expected to take place later in 2020.

R498 Knockalton Realignment.

Work started on the scheme in December 2018. The scheme is complete apart from snagging and some accommodation works.

N52 Borrisokane Streets Improvement Scheme.

Work started on the scheme in November 2018. The Contractor



commenced works from the Nenagh side of scheme and completed footpaths on both sides and most of road surfacing works as far as the bridge at the bottom of Main Street. Remaining works include a section of the Birr Road 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 shortly with detailed design and construction taking place in 2020.

N65 Carrigahorig Bends

In 2015 this scheme was intended to be a re-alignment of a 0.6km section of the N65 on the southern approach to Carrigahorig village. Recently it has become apparent that there is now a need for road pavement improvement works on the N65 through the village and also a number of road safety concerns in the village need to be addressed including the provision of a footpath extension from the village to the R493 Terryglass Road. This change in approach has now 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 work will commence in 2020.

Bord Gais Project

Macadam repair works will be carried out week commencing 27th January. These works will take approximately two weeks and will include the resurfacing of parking areas on Kenyon St and Pearse St. Line markings will be put in place following this and outstanding water services issues will also be addressed.

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Works are continuing in the town.

Cllrs. O'Meara, Darcy and Hannigan welcomed the progress on the Borrisokane project but raised concerns about parking and the possible removal of trees for additional parking. Mr. M. O'Connor stated that the design of the scheme went through Part VIII. The trees will improve the appearance of the whole area. He was not convinced that parking was a problem. Once the scheme is completed and things have settled down it can be reviewed.

Cllr. H. McGrath requested that name plates be provided for all the carparks in Nenagh.

Cllr. J. Carroll raised concerns over the deteriorating condition of



	<p>the road at Latteragh. Mr. M. O'Connor confirmed that the project is being progressed and the CPOs will hopefully be published in March but the situation is being examined in the short-term.</p>
Item 8. To receive update on Works Programme	<p>The update on the Housing Works Programme was circulated to members.</p> <p>The water level at Shallee was too high to undertake the works. These were scheduled for the next two weeks. There would be a short power outage.</p> <p>The new Roadworks Programme will be agreed over the next few weeks.</p>
Item 9. To note Engineers Checklist on Roads matters	<p>The Engineer's Checklist was circulated to members.</p> <p>Cllr. J. Carroll raised the issue of flooding at Ballygasheen Hill, the barrier where the river overflows at Hogan's Pass is missing and overgrown vegetation at Carrigatoher. Cllr. J. Carroll requested that the Youghal Road and Newtown village would be cleaned regularly, the drainage issue at Arravale to be investigated, rocks at Cragg school to be removed and subsidence on the Ballymackeogh Road to be investigated.</p> <p>Cllr. M. O Meara requested that flooding on the footpath near 58 Ormond Keep, road marking and verges on the R438 at Annagh Bog Road near the Anglers Rest would be added to the checklist.</p> <p>Cllr. P. Bugler clarified that the location of the pedestrian crossing can be confirmed once the various possible locations have been investigated. Cllr. P. Bugler stated that the signage on the R496 and R445 need to be cleaned.</p> <p>Cllr. G. Darcy requested hedge-cutting on the N52 at Grange and more permanent bollards on the Cloughjordan/Shinrone Road.</p> <p>Cllr. F. Bonfield stated that the Ballymackeogh section of the R503 is sinking.</p> <p>Cllr. H. McGrath raised Ballygibbon Hill that was previously raised by Cllrs Morris and Darcy.</p> <p>Cllr. J. McGrath mentioned the speeding and potholes at Ballyphilip that is already on the checklist. He also requested that signage in Rearcross would be looked at.</p> <p>Cllr. J. Hannigan welcomed that fact that Mr. B. Murphy looked at the Eircom poles in Puckane; he also stated that signage in general needs to be examined. Cllr. J. Hannigan also raised the issue of the pedestrian crossing in the area of Nenagh College.</p>



Item 10. To consider Notices of Motion	None
Item 11. Delegated Employee Orders	Noted
Item 12. Correspondence	None
Item 13. Votes of Sympathy/ Congratulations	Votes of Sympathy - ➤ Slattery Family, on the death of Mr. John Slattery, R.I.P. ➤ Bourke Family, on the death of Mr. Jimmy Bourke, R.I.P. Votes of Congratulations - ➤ None
Item 14 AOB	Ms. R. Joyce wished Borrisoleigh the best of luck in the All-Ireland Club Final on Sunday. Cllr. H. McGrath informed members that the St. Patrick's Day Parade was going ahead on Tuesday 17 th March with a special focus on Nenagh 800. He stated that it would be great to get people from all the different countries that reside in Nenagh to carry the flag of their country in the parade. He asked that the press and other members would encourage people/groups to get involved. There will also be a fundraising night for the Castlefest. Cllr. S. Morris wished all the candidates all the best in the upcoming General Election.

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

Signed: Fiona Bonfield.
Leas ~~Cllr. Joe Hannigan~~ Cllr F. Bonfield.
Cathaoirleach

Date: 20/2/20

Signed: Rosemary Joyce
Ms. Rosemary Joyce
District Administrator

Date: 20/2/20

