

Monthly Meeting of the Members for the Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Carrick-on-Suir on the 26th of January, 2017 at 2:00p.m

In the Chair: Cllr. Imelda Goldsboro

Members Present: Cllr. Kieran Bourke, Cllr. David Dunne, Cllr. Louise McLoughlin, Cllr.

Eddie O'Meara .

Apologies:

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 Michael Hayes, Senior Engineer, Roads. Mr John Fogarty, Senior Executive Engineer, Environment and Water Services Directorate, Ms Marion O'Neill, Senior Executive Officer, Environment and Water Services Directorate, Ms Mary Carroll, Administrative Officer, Environment and Water Services Directorate

Minutes of Meetings On the proposal of Cllr. Eddie O'Meara, seconded by Cllr. Imelda Goldsboro the minutes of the monthly meeting held on the 22nd of December, 2016 were adopted and signed by the Cathaoirleach.

Update from Director for Environment and Water Services Mr John Fogarty, Senior Executive Engineer, circulated a report on activity by the Water Services Section in the Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District.

Questions were raised by members as follows:

Cllr. Eddie O'Meara

- Complemented the Water Services Section and the Contractor on the work on the Ballinard Plant
- Asked about an upgrade of the water network between Mullinahone and Ballingarry to improve supply at Halley Park and Modeshill.

Cllr. David Dunne

- Times of running of Shuttle Bus
- Who will have permission to access emergency route

Cllr. Kieran Bourke

- Diversion will be an inconvenience for people in County Waterford
- Traffic Issues in Town of Carrick-on-Suir
- Car Parking on Main Street
- Notification of people affected
- Arrangements for Funerals
- Traffic lights on south end of Dillon Bridge

**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:

- 2016 works complete, with the exception of the drainage work at Dovehill, where a contractor has been appointed; the works at Quartercross, and the Clar programme, where signs had been ordered.

Members commented as follows:

Cllr. Kieran Bourke

- Complemented the contractors for the footpath work in Carrick-on-Suir
- Welcomed the Roads allocation, particularly the allocation for Bridge Works.

Cllr. Louise McLoughlin

- Complemented the District Engineer on the work in Dualla

Cllr. David Dunne

- Complemented the District Engineer on work carried out
- Asked where the Community Involvement Scheme allocation had been redirected.

Cllr. Eddie O'Meara

- Complemented on works carried out in Mullinahone
- Discussed future works which could be carried out.

The District Engineer responded that the CIS allocation had been used to fund additional Improvement work at Grallagh More.

**District
Administrator's
Report:**

The District Administrator reported as follows:

1. Director of Planning and Emergency Services to attend February Meeting
2. Rota for attendance of Directors at District Meetings has been circulated.
3. Arrangements are being made to replace the parking meters in Carrick-on-Suir. The existing meters are approximately fifteen years old and are at the end of their useful life. Replacement meters are similar to those used in Waterford City, are solar powered, have modern management facilities, and are more robust. No changes in the parking regime will be taking place.

**Dates of
Meetings**

It was agreed to meet with members of An Garda Siochana for the Thurles Garda District in Carrick-on-Suir at 4:30 pm on the 23rd of March, 2017 and at 4:30 pm on the 28th of September, 2017, in both cases after the Municipal District Members Meeting.

It was agreed to meet with members of An Garda Siochana for the Clonmel Garda District in Clonmel at 2:30 pm on the 6th of March, 2017 and at 2:30 pm on the 8th of September, 2017.

It was agreed to hold a workshop on the proposed speed limit Bye-

Laws at 1:00 pm on the 23rd of February, 2017, in Carrick-on-Suir before the Municipal District Members meeting.

Assistance of Bodies under Section 66 of the Local Government Act, 2001.

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

'That being of the opinion that the activities of the Carrick-on-Suir Development Association are desirable to promote the interests of the local community, assistance consisting of a grant of €3,500 be given to the Carrick-on-Suir Development Association pursuant to section 66 of the Local Government Act, 2001 subject to the following conditions:

1. That the assistance of Tipperary County Council be acknowledged in any publicity generated by the association.
2. That a copy of the minutes of the Association's Annual General Meeting and Annual Accounts for 2017 be given to the County Council as soon as available.'

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

'that, being of the opinion that the activities of the Carrick-on-Suir Tourism and Economic Development Committee are desirable to promote the interests of the local community, assistance consisting of a grant of €1,500 be given to the Carrick-on-Suir Tourism and Economic Development Committee pursuant to section 66 of the Local Government Act, 2001 subject to the following conditions:

1. That the assistance of Tipperary County Council be acknowledged in any publicity generated by the committee.
2. That a copy of the minutes of the Committee's Annual General Meeting and Annual Accounts for 2017 be given to the County Council as soon as available.'

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

'that, being of the opinion that the activities of the Carrick-on-Suir Brass Band are desirable to promote the interests of the local community, assistance consisting of a grant of €1,900 be given to the

Carrick-on-Suir Brass Band pursuant to section 66 of the Local Government Act, 2001 subject to the following conditions:

1. That at least four performances which are free of charge to the public take place in 2017.
2. That the assistance of Tipperary County Council be acknowledged in any publicity generated by the Band.
3. That a copy of the minutes of the Band's Annual General Meeting and Annual Accounts for 2017 be given to the County Council as soon as available.'

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

'That being of the opinion that the activities of the Carrick-on-Suir St Patrick's Day committee are desirable to promote the interests of the local community, assistance consisting of a grant of €500 be given to the Carrick-on-Suir St Patrick's Day committee pursuant to section 66 of the Local Government Act, 2001 subject to the following conditions:

1. That the assistance of Tipperary County Council be acknowledged in any publicity generated by the committee.
2. That a copy of the minutes of the Committee's Annual General Meeting and Annual Accounts for 2017 be given to the County Council as soon as available.'

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

'that, being of the opinion that the activities of the Sean Kelly Sports Centre are desirable to promote the interests of the local community, assistance consisting of a grant of €5,000 be given to the Sean Kelly Sports Centre pursuant to section 66 of the Local Government Act, 2001 subject to the following conditions:

1. That the assistance of Tipperary County Council be acknowledged in any publicity generated by the Centre.
2. That a report on activities in 2017 and a copy of the Centre's Statutory Annual Accounts for 2017 be given to the County Council as soon as available.'

**Delegated
Employee's
Orders**

A list of orders circulated was noted.

**Notices of
Motion**

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Cllr. Imelda Goldsboro

'I am asking Carrick Municipal District to seek funding for Flashing Speed signs for Glengoole Village & Killenaule and Ballingarry Villages.

The excess speed is a hazard and is causing major concerns for Residents and community members.'

The motion was seconded by Cllr. David Dunne

The report on the notice of motion was as follows:

'There is currently no funding available for Driver Feedback signs at these locations. Glengoole and Killenaule are not eligible for CLAR funding. If funding does become available for these signs. These locations will be considered.'

The report was accepted.

935

Cllr. Imelda Goldsboro

'I am asking for the support of the Members of the Carrick Municipal District to include the Gullet Road in Grawn Ballingarry and the Dublin road, Kilenagrana on this year's Roads Programme. As some roads that are on the current programme were done last year, there is room to adjust the programme.

I am also asking to include Monslatt road in Killenaule in 2017 instead of 2018. These roads are in a despicable condition at the moment and are gone past the patching stage.'

The motion was withdrawn by Cllr. Imelda Goldsboro .

'I am asking the Carrick Municipal District members for their support for a public light at Our Lady's N.S. Ballingarry as there is no lighting and it is very dangerous in the dark.

Extra curricular activities take place in the school after school hours.'

The motion was seconded by Cllr. David Dunne

The report was as follows:

'A review of the public lighting will be carried out in the area at the school in Ballingarry. If following the review, a light is deemed necessary at this location it will be added to the list of public lighting requirements in order of priority. If funding becomes available for public lighting, then the lights listed will be replaced in that order.'

The report was accepted

'I call on this Council to complete the upgrading and renovation of the remaining single story houses at Marian avenue, Carrick on Suir.'

The motion was seconded by Cllr. David Dunne

The report on this notice of motion was as follows:

'The Council currently does not have funding for this Scheme. If an opportunity of funding arises under the Remedial Works Scheme, the Council will make a submission to the Department in this regard.'

Speaking to the motion, Cllr. Kieran Bourke stated that the final phase of the refurbishment of Marian avenue was to have taken place prior to the merger of Carrick-on-Suir Town Council with Tipperary County Council, and that it was unfair that scheme had not been finished.

'I call on this council to carry out the cleaning of the Mill river

which was promised to be done last year'

The motion was seconded by Cllr. David Dunne.

The report on this item was as follows:

'The Office of Public Works proposes to clear heavy vegetation at this location within a few weeks. The works will only go ahead with the consent of the National Parks and Wildlife Service and Inland Fisheries Ireland. The works will also be dependent on the tides'

The report was accepted.

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Cllr. Kieran Bourke

'I call on this council to request and insist that the Coolnamuck Road be put back on the Salting and Gritting programme immediately'

The motion was seconded by Cllr. David Dunne.

The report was as follows:

'Tipperary County Council spends €1.35m annually on salting Roads in the county. The Council uses 11 trucks with Salter's following 11 routes across the county covering 1,010 km of the 5,700km of roadway in the county which is more than nearly every other county. All trucks are fully loaded at the start of the various routes & are fully empty on completion. The Council has received numerous requests to extend routes in all Municipal Districts which we have been unable to accede to due to the limits on resources inc. financial & machinery.'

In discussion, it was pointed out that the route had been selected following a risk assessment, and that all routes would be reviewed by the Roads Strategic Policy Committee in the coming months.

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Cllr. Louise McLoughlin

'That this Council resurface the car park across from the graveyard in Ballinure and provide a footpath from the graveyard to the cross roads in the village.'

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

The report on this notice of motion stated:

There is currently no funding available to carry out resurfacing or build a footpath at this location. Note that the car park works in Ballinure should be considered for Leader funding as it is eligible. These will be added to the list of works for consideration in the future.

The report was accepted.

944

Cllr. Louise McLoughlin

'That this Council investigates the positioning of the pedestrian crossing in Rosegreen village. It is situated on a bend causing a blind spot for drivers and a number of potentially serious incidents have occurred at the crossing. Is it possible to re-locate this crossing on the straight stretch nearer the school to allow drivers and pedestrians have a clearer view of each other.'

The notice was seconded by Cllr. Eddie O'Meara

The report on this notice of motion was as follows:

'The location of the pedestrian crossing at Rosegreen will be reviewed'

The report was accepted.

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Cllr. Louise McLoughlin & Cllr. Eddie O'Meara

'There are many housing estates in the Carrick on Suir District that are in darkness due to the lack of street lighting. The existing lighting (bulbs etc) are not being maintained by the developers. Residents are very concerned for their health and safety and I call on this Council to provide funding from the GMA for grant assistance for residents to help them with the cost of reconnection and maintenance of these lights.'

The report on this item was as follows:

'While the Council is sympathetic to residents of estates that are not being maintained by the developer, there are a number of concerns about this proposal.

Firstly, the proposal amounts to a scheme whereby the County council accepts responsibility for maintenance of public lighting in advance of taking in charge. This is not possible under current legislation.

Secondly, the proposal may have the perverse effect of incentivising developers not to maintain their development, in the expectation that the County Council will pay for the maintenance.

Thirdly, there is a doubt whether the General Municipal Allocation can be used for this purpose.

Finally, the proposal may cause difficulties for residents associations who attempt to avail of it.

The best approach to this problem is to apply to take the estate in charge. '

Speaking to the motion, Cllr. Louise McLoughlin expressed disappointment with the reply, but expressed the hope that the County Council would find a way to assist residents associations with this problem.

**Any Other
Business**

No other matters arose.


This concluded the business of the meeting. (15:50)



District Administrator



Cathaoirleach


Date