

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF CAPPAMORE-KILMALLOCK HELD IN ÁRAS MAINCHÍN SEOIGE, MILLMOUNT, KILMALLOCK, CO. LIMERICK, ON THURSDAY, 23RD JUNE, 2016 AT 3.30 P.M.

PRESENT IN THE CHAIR: Councillor W. O'Donnell.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Donegan, Gleeson, Mitchell, Ryan, Sheehy, Teefy.

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

Acting Head of Finance/Human Resources/Corporate/ICT (Mr. S. Coughlan), Administrative Officer, Corporate Services (Ms. T. Knox), Chief Officer, Limerick Local Community Development Committee (Mr. S. O'Connor), Research Assistant, Social Development (Dr. E. Humphreys), Heritage Officer (Mr. T. O'Neill), Senior Staff Officer (Mr. W. Ryan), Senior Executive Engineer (Mr. G. O'Connor), Executive Engineer (Mr. J. Moloney), Executive Engineer (Mr. J. Sheehan), Assistant Staff Officer, Corporate Services (Ms. S. Carroll).

Apologies for his inability to attend had been received from the Operations Manager, West and South Division, Mr. B. Kennedy.

1. Adoption of Minutes

Circulated, copy of draft Minutes of Meeting of the Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock held on 17th May, 2016.

Proposed by Councillor Mitchell;
Seconded by Councillor Donegan;
And Resolved:

“That, the draft Minutes, as circulated, be taken as read and adopted and signed.”

It was agreed to defer discussion on the Minutes to later in the Meeting.

2. Update on Policing in the District

The Cathaoirleach welcomed Luke Conlon, Acting Superintendent, Bruff District to the Meeting.

The Acting Superintendent gave a briefing on policing issues in the Bruff Division and details of crime statistics for the area and stated that crime trends were down generally.

In response to queries from Members, the Acting Superintendent made the following points :

- It would be difficult to police new speed limits in housing estates but if there were issues they would be looked at.
- The Gardai had powers under drug laws and actively address drugs issues. Drug driving detection was processed the same as drink driving.

- The replacement of Garda personnel was a matter for the Chief Superintendent.

The Acting Superintendent confirmed a new Superintendent would be appointed in Bruff.

Members thanked him for his contribution to the Meetings and his work in the District and extended their good wishes to him in the future.

With the Cathaoirleach's permission, it was agreed that Item 4(a) would be taken at this stage of the Meeting.

4(a). Economic Development Directorate

Heritage Plan

The Heritage Officer outlined proposals for the preparation of a Heritage Plan for Limerick City and County. He stated that funding in the amount of €26,000 had been received. The issues document was on public display and written submissions / observations could be submitted up to the 28th July, 2016. Following consideration of submissions, the proposed Heritage Plan would be put on public display for a period of 8 weeks from the 1st October to 28th November, 2016 and the final Heritage Plan was expected to be published in February/March 2017. He thanked his colleague, Ms. B. Collins Cassidy for her work on the plan.

Members thanked the Heritage Officer for his briefing.

3. Presentation on "Munster Vales and Ireland's Ancient East Update"

Ms. Amanda Slattery, Tourism and Heritage Officer, Ballyhoura Development gave a presentation to Members on "Munster Vales and Ireland's Ancient East". She outlined details of Munster Vales, a new tourism destination which would be developed as a key inland destination in Ireland's Ancient East. It was supported by Failte Ireland, Waterford City and County Council, Tipperary and Cork County Councils, Local Development Agencies and Tourism Groups. She also outlined details of two Capital Grants Schemes, a Capital Investment Grant for projects over €200,000 and Ancient Spaces Grant for projects under €200,000.

Members thanked Ms. Slattery for her Presentation and for her work in promoting tourism.

It was agreed to circulate the Presentation to Members.

It was proposed by Councillor Donegan, seconded by Councillor Sheehy and agreed that the following Motion would be submitted to the July Meeting of the Full Council:

"We will move at the next Meeting that this Council appoints a Tourism Officer".

4(b). Development Fund Allocation

The Senior Executive Engineer advised that additional funding of €30,000 was available under the Development Fund Allocation (Ancillary Projects) 2016 for the District.

On the proposal of Councillor Teefy, seconded by Councillor Sheehy, it was agreed that the additional allocation from the Development Fund for the Municipal District would be allocated as follows:

Land Purchase, Accommodation Works for Pallasgreen Village to Nicker School Footpath and Public Lighting Project.	€10,000
Footpath Replacement at Lower Main Street, Kilfinane	€20,000

5. Social Development Directorate

To consider the adoption of a Statement of Consistency on the draft Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP) 2016-2021.

Circulated, Report of the Chief Officer, Limerick Local Community Development Committee dated 25th May, 2016, setting out the background to the item and what was required of the Members; Report of the Director of Economic Development dated 10th June, 2016 which stated that the Director was satisfied that the draft Limerick Local Economic and Community Plan was consistent with the Limerick City Development Plan 2010, the Limerick County Development Plan 2010 and the relevant Local Area Plans and that both economic and community elements of the plan were consistent; and draft Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP) 2016-2021 dated 18th May, 2016.

Ms. Humphreys gave a powerpoint presentation on the plan which included the following :-

- The origins and purpose of the LECP.
- The evidence base for the LECP including socio-economic analysis, consultation process and who would deliver the plan.
- The 9 high level goals of the LECP and the action areas under the three pillars of economic, social and physical / environment.
- The presentation and implementation of the plan and the timeframe for its adoption.

Members thanked Ms. Humphreys for her presentation.

Proposed by Councillor Donegan;
Seconded by Councillor Mitchell;
And Resolved;

“That the Members of the Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock, having considered the draft Limerick Local Economic Community Plan, find it is consistent with the Limerick City Development Plan 2010, the Limerick County Development Plan 2010 and the relevant Local Area Plans and that there is consistency between the economic and the community elements of the LECP, in accordance with Section 66 of the Local Government Act, 2001, as amended”.

6. Service Operations Directorate

The Senior Executive Engineer circulated report dated 16th June, 2016 in relation to current status of estates not in charge as follows:

Current Status of Estates not in charge U* Estates which are designated unfinished estates by DOEC&LG

Development	Electoral Area	Current Status
Ait Ailinn, Railway Road, Main Street, Bruree	Cappamore-Kilmallock	Complete-awaiting Water Services sign-off
Ashill, Kilmallock (U)*	Cappamore-Kilmallock	Bond claimed
Cahair Fuisseog, Herbertstown (U)*	Cappamore-Kilmallock	Developer completing works
Castle Laurel, Oola	Cappamore-Kilmallock	Bond to be claimed, costs required
Castlepark, Caherconlish	Cappamore-Kilmallock	Bond paid, Council to complete works
Cluain Foinse, Hospital	Cappamore-Kilmallock	Bond claimed, awaiting costings from Roads / Water Services
Dromsally Woods, Cappamore	Cappamore-Kilmallock	Bond claimed, referred to Leahys re bond claim
Inse Bui, Cappamore	Cappamore-Kilmallock	Bond paid, Council to complete works
The Grove, Bruff (U)*	Cappamore-Kilmallock	New developer has taken over site.
The Paddocks, Bruree	Cappamore-Kilmallock	Bond claimed – Additional Funding Dev Fund – Tender Stage
Toormore, Bruree (U)*	Cappamore-Kilmallock	Complete – awaiting Water Services sign-off
Whitethorns, Caherconlish	Cappamore-Kilmallock	Legacy estate, to be reviewed
Wolfe Tone Street, Kilmallock (U)*	Cappamore-Kilmallock	Unoccupied estate

Members welcomed the update and the progress made on the estates.

7. General Municipal Allocation

The Acting Head of Finance confirmed that a Workshop on this item had been held prior to the Meeting.

It was agreed that a further workshop would be held and presentations would be given on Age Friendly Initiative and Tourism / Marketing and that this item would be on the agenda for the next Meeting.

QUESTIONS**8. Question submitted by Councillor B. Teefy**

I will ask at the next meeting when will the remaining work to the extension of Caherconlish Graveyard be carried out and totally completed.

REPLY: The Council developed a programme of works to facilitate the extension of Caherconlish cemetery and has commenced work on site. The Council also provided a budget to undertake these works.

However, as the development of the extension progressed, it became apparent that additional works, over and above those initially identified, were necessary to ensure that the extension was developed to the highest possible standard. The additional necessary works have now been identified and it is the intention of the Council to seek a costing for the additional works.

The Council is not in a position to definitively confirm at this point when the works will be totally completed until such time as the costing is received, funding secured and a timeframe for the carrying out of the works agreed.

The Council will keep the Members informed of the likely completion date as soon as it is in a position to do so.

The following items were raised at the completion of the Agenda:

Councillor Teefy expressed concern that a large number of General Operatives were retiring in the coming months and the Acting Head of Finance stated that each case would be looked at.

The Executive Engineer confirmed that there was no room for additional parking spaces at Bruff National School but that he would be sending a request for a school warden to the Road Safety Officer.

With the Cathaoirleach's permission, sympathy was extended to Brian Kennedy, Operations Manager, West and South Division, on the death of his father, John Kennedy.

Members requested that priority be given to hedge cutting as it was a safety issue.

This concluded the Meeting.

Signed: _____
Cathaoirleach

Dated: _____