

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF ADARE-RATHKEALE HELD IN ÁRAS SEÁN FINN, NEW LINE ROAD, RATHKEALE, CO. LIMERICK ON TUESDAY, 15TH AUGUST, 2017 AT 6.45 P.M.

PRESENT IN THE CHAIR: Councillor R. O'Donoghue, An Cathaoirleach.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Keary, McMahon, O'Brien, Sheahan and Teskey.

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

Director, Regional Services (Ms. C. Curley), Meetings Administrator (Mr. T. O'Callaghan).

1. Economic Development Directorate

Part 8 – Extension of the Great Southern Greenway walking and cycling route from Rathkeale to Ballingarrane, Co. Limerick along the former Limerick to Kerry railway line

Circulated, report of the Director, Economic Development dated 4th July, 2017 and the Chief Executive's Report dated 5th July, 2017 on the proposed extension to the Great Southern Greenway walking and cycling route from Rathkeale to Ballingarrane, Co. Limerick along the former Limerick to Kerry railway line which had been prepared in accordance with the Planning and Development Acts 2000 (as amended) and Part VIII of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) and proposed to proceed with the development as outlined in the report.

At the outset, on the proposal of Councillor O'Donoghue, seconded by Councillor Sheahan it was agreed that the opening portion of the Meeting should be held in committee to facilitate the clarification of certain items relating to the proposed Part VIII.

Members discussed the linking of the greenway to Limerick along the route of the Limerick Foynes Rail Line, the potential to provide improved facilities in Rathkeale for Greenway users, the linking of the Greenway with historic sites in Rathkeale and any constraints that might apply to the spending of the funding approved for the Greenway.

It was agreed at this point that the Meeting be opened to the media and the public.

Proposed by Councillor Sheahan;
Seconded by Councillor O'Donoghue;
And Resolved:

"That the Chief Executive's Report dated 5th July, 2017 with regard to extension of the Great Southern Greenway walking and cycling route from Rathkeale to Ballingarrane, County

Limerick along the former Limerick to Kerry railway line is approved subject to the following additional condition;

That the proposed works shall not be constructed until the Foynes to Rathkeale section of the Foynes to Limerick Road commences.

Reason: In the interest of proper planning and orderly development”.

This concluded the Meeting.

Signed: _____
Cathaoirleach

Dated: _____