

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF CAPPAMORE-KILMALLOCK HELD IN ÁRAS MAINCHÍN SEOIGHE, MILLMOUNT, KILMALLOCK, CO. LIMERICK, ON THURSDAY, 17TH MAY, 2018, AT 3.30 P.M.

PRESENT IN THE CHAIR:

Councillor G. Mitchell, An Cathaoirleach.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Donegan, Gleeson, O'Donnell, Sheehy and Teefy.

An apology for his inability to attend the Meeting was received from Councillor Ryan.

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

SEO, Human Resources (Ms. A. Duke), SEO, Design & Delivery Services (Mr Joe Delaney), A/Senior Executive Engineer, Cappamore-Kilmallock (Mr. B. Murphy), Executive Engineer, Cappamore-Kilmallock (Mr. D. Sheehy), Meetings Administrator (Mr. M. Leahy), Administrative Officer, Adare-Rathkeale Municipal District (Ms. K. Butler), Assistant Engineer, Cappamore-Kilmallock (Ms Natasha McGarry)

1. Adoption of Minutes

Circulated, copy of draft Minutes of Meeting of the Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock held on 19th April, 2018.

Proposed by Councillor Gleeson;
Seconded by Councillor O'Donnell;
And Resolved:

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

2. Service Operations Directorate

Part VIII Procedure-Construction of 20 Housing Units at Glenview Drive, Hospital, Co. Limerick.

Circulated, report of the Director of Services, Service Operations Directorate, dated 14th May, 2018, enclosing Chief Executives Report in relation to the proposed construction of 20 housing units at Glenview Drive, Hospital, Co. Limerick.

The Chief Executives Report set out details of the proposed development under a number of headings and was prepared and submitted to the Members pursuant to Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and Part VIII of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).

The SEO, Design & Delivery Services gave a presentation in relation to the Part VIII proposal and confirmed that four written submissions had been received in relation to same and the responses were outlined in the report and that it was proposed to proceed with the development as outlined in the report.

The Members noted the report and welcomed the proposal to construct the 20 housing units.

QUESTIONS

3. Question submitted by Councillor G. Mitchell

I will ask at the next Meeting what impact the new General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) will have on CCTV monitoring proposals in the Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock.

REPLY: We are still awaiting legal advice on this issue. However, we are in the process of reviewing and updating our Data Protection Policy and the CCTV Policy to introduce enhanced controls and procedures in line with GDPR. We aim to have a full report at the next Council meeting.

The Elected Members expressed disappointment at the delay in the introduction of CCTV cameras in the District because of delays in getting legal advice, especially having regard to the fact that the new GDPR changes were being introduced on the 25th May, 2018. However they also noted from the reply that a full report would be presented at the next Council meeting.

4. Question submitted by Councillor G. Mitchell

I will ask at the next Meeting that some green margins be removed on local back and side roads to facilitate pedestrians, walkers, cyclists, vehicles and all road users to make them safer and fit for purpose.

REPLY: The replacement of existing green margins with a surface capable of facilitating pedestrians, cyclists and road vehicles is a major undertaking. The extended verges would need to be constructed to national roads standards and would require additional sub-base and bituminous surfacing, drainage measures and white lining. The cost per linear metre of verge improvement would be high in comparison to full width road reconstruction.

5. Question submitted by Councillor B. Teefy

I will ask at the next Meeting how many people are on:

- (a) The Housing Waiting List in the Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock;**
- (b) The Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) Scheme in the Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock.**

REPLY: A) The number of applications on the Housing Waiting List for Cappamore/Kilmallock is 567;

B) The number of HAP tenancies currently in the Cappamore/Kilmallock area is 223.

6. Question submitted by Councillor B. Teefy

I will ask at the next Meeting how many houses were purchased in the Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock in 2017 and 2018.

REPLY: A) The number of houses purchased in the Cappamore-Kilmallock Municipal District Area are as follows:

-2017-3

-2018-0 (3 properties currently sale agreed)

NOTICES OF MOTION

7. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor G. Mitchell

I will move at the next Meeting that any new developments or impending road works, particularly on main strategic routes, should include necessary ducting for CCTV.

The Motion was proposed by Councillor Mitchell and seconded by Councillor Donegan.

REPLY: We have already included in our planning guidelines the need to provide dedicated communications ducting for any development, road works, footpath rehabilitation works, city and town renewal programmes, etc. We will also include this requirement in the City and County Council Development Plan. Ducting will be beneficial for CCTV and also for broadband and co-location and co-development of other communications infrastructure.

8. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor M. Donegan

I will move at the next Meeting that Limerick City and County Council coordinate an agreed traffic management plan and social area for Deebert Close Estate, Kilmallock.

The Motion was proposed by Councillor Donegan and seconded by Councillor O'Donnell.

REPLY: The Estate Management Unit of the Council has been engaged with the residents of Deebert Close and Deebert Park over the past two years with a view to effecting improvements within the area to improve the quality of life of everybody living there, with a particular emphasis on safety issues. As a result, some minor improvement works were undertaken, such as fencing, installation of speed ramps, etc. Further safety measures in the form of signage will be installed in the very near future.

The biggest issue identified by residents is the car park opposite, and adjacent to, their houses, as the traffic generated by mourners visiting nearby funeral home, and callers to Health Centre at top of the estate. Various suggestions have been put forward by them as to what measures should be taken in respect of same but it has not been possible to achieve consensus on a preferred option. As a result, following recent consultation with relevant staff in the Kilmallock Office, it has been decided that the Council will work on possible concepts/designs that could then be presented to residents.

Other Matters Raised:

At the conclusion of the Agenda and with the permission of the Cathaoirleach, the following items were raised:

- **Provision of Social Housing in the Municipal District**

The Elected Members referred to the number of applications on the Housing Waiting List in the District and while they welcomed the proposed construction of houses at Glenview Drive, Hospital, they expressed their disappointment at the lack of provision of new social housing elsewhere in the Municipal District.

The Elected Members agreed that it was important that balanced housing development took place in both City and County areas of Limerick and the importance of retaining young people and families in rural areas of the County. Following a general discussion on the issues involved, the Elected Members agreed to submit the following Notice of Motion to the next full Council meeting:

“We will move at the next meeting that due to the lack of construction of local authority housing in the Cappamore-Kilmallock Municipal District Area, we the Elected Members request that Limerick City & County Council should review all of its land banks in the Municipal District with a view to providing the resources to construct local authority housing on this land.”

Proposed by Cllr Noel Gleeson and seconded by Cllr Bridget Teefy and also agreed by Cllrs Donegan, Mitchell, O'Donnell & Sheehy.

- **Appointment of Superintendent**

The Members expressed their disappointment at the reply received from the Chief Superintendent in Henry Street, Limerick in relation to the appointment of a Superintendent for the Bruff District. On the proposal of Cllr Teefy, seconded by Cllr O'Donnell, it was agreed that a further letter be sent to the Chief Superintendent in Henry Street, Limerick outlining the Elected Members concerns at the delay with this appointment.

- **New Housing Engineer**

The Members welcomed Natasha McGarry to the Cappamore-Kilmallock District and wished her all the best in her role as Housing Engineer.

- **Vote of Sympathy**

A Vote of Sympathy was extended to Jimmy & Anna Sheedy, Caherguillamore, Bruff, and their wider family, on the tragic passing of their daughter Jessica following a recent procedure at University Hospital Limerick.

This concluded the Meeting.

Signed:

Cathaoirleach

Date:
