

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF ONLINE MONTHLY MEETING OF  
THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF CAPPAMORE KILMALLOCK HELD ON  
THURSDAY 20<sup>th</sup> May 2021, AT 4.00PM.**

**PRESENT IN THE CHAIR:**

Councillor John Egan, An Cathaoirleach.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Councillors Carey, Donegan, Mitchell, E. Ryan, M. Ryan and Teefy.

**OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Director, Support Services-Finance, Corporate, HR & ICT (Mr. S. Coughlan), Head of Enterprise, Limerick Enterprise Office (Mr. Mike Cantwell), Meetings Administrator (Ms. K. Butler), Senior Executive Engineer, Cappamore-Kilmallock (Mr. T. McKechnie), Clerical Officer, Cappamore-Kilmallock (Ms. H. O'Neill).

**1. Adoption of Minutes**

Circulated copy of draft Minutes of Monthly Meeting of the Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock held on 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2021.

Proposed by Councillor Donegan;

Seconded by Councillor Mitchell;

And Resolved:

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

**Matters Arising**

Members expressed concern at the proposed downgrading of Kilmallock to Tier 3 in the forthcoming County Development Plan given it is situated in the largest Municipal District in the County of Limerick. Following a discussion Members were of the opinion it should be afforded the same status as that of Newcastle West District to ensure balanced regional development is achieved in the forthcoming Development Plan.

Members also agreed a strategy for the development of business in the Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock needed to be a priority into the future.

After further discussion it was proposed by Councillor Donegan that a Special Meeting of the District be convened to discuss the issues raised with the Planning Department of Limerick City & County Council.

This proposal was seconded by Councillor Ryan (E).

Councillor Teefy asked that this Meeting be deferred until the Development Plan briefings to Members on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of June, 2021 were complete.

## **2. Economic Development Directorate**

### **Update from Innovate Limerick**

The Cathaoirleach welcomed Mike Cantwell, Innovate Limerick, to the meeting who proceeded with an update presentation on current initiatives underway at the present time throughout the County.

Following this presentation, the Members thanked Mike Cantwell for his update on the business potential of the Kilmallock District. Members welcomed the installation of the e-hubs which would attract business into the towns of the District and commended Innovate Limerick for their role in making this happen.

Members were all of the opinion that a need for a Greenway similar to the Greenway in the West of the County which is currently undergoing major upgrade works, which will make this area very attractive for Tourism.

Members also made suggestions on a number of properties that would make suitable e-hubs in the Pallasgreen, Cappamore, and Hospital areas of the District and it was agreed Innovate Limerick would liaise with Members on the suitability and location of these sites.

All Members were in agreement these hubs would attract business into these towns in the future and thus ensure the sustainment of the local economies and communities into the future, providing employment which would also contribute to the re-population of these areas.

## **3. Annual General Meeting**

On the proposal of Councillor Ryan (E) it was agreed to convene the Annual General Meeting of the Cappamore-Kilmallock Municipal District on the 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2021 following the June meeting of the Municipal District.

This proposal was seconded by Councillor Mitchell and agreed.

## **NOTICES OF MOTIONS**

### **1. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Donegan**

“I will move at the next meeting of the Cappamore-Kilmallock Municipal District calling on Limerick City and County Council to provide off street parking in the core area of Bruff town. Currently there are 81 non appointed parking spaces and 3 disabled parking spaces.”

The motion was proposed by Councillor Donegan, seconded by Councillor Teefy and agreed.

#### **REPLY:**

The Community Development Directorate and Kilmallock Area Office of Limerick City and County Council are currently exploring options with respect to Off-Street car parking in Bruff.

### **2. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Mitchell**

“I will move at next meeting of the Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District that Public Toilets be installed at Hospital adjacent to R513 and playground for use by the general public on this busy route and elsewhere in County where required.”

The motion was proposed by Councillor Mitchell, seconded by Councillor E Ryan and agreed.

#### **REPLY:**

The provision of public toilets has not been included for in the Council’s 2021 operational budget and it is therefore not possible to install such facilities in Hospital at present. The provision of such facilities have significant cost associated with them and would need to be discussed in greater detail at budget time as their inclusion would impact on the delivery of other services.

## **QUESTIONS**

### **1. Question submitted by Councillor Donegan**

“I will ask at the next meeting of the Cappamore-Kilmallock Municipal District of Limerick City and County Council that they consider installing dog waste bins at the entrance/exit areas of the loop walks in Kilmallock town.”

**REPLY:**

The Council operate an “any bag any bin” policy. There are no specific dog waste bins but dog waste can be disposed of in any public bin. We will look at placing public bins at appropriate locations near the entrance to the loop walks.

**2. Question submitted by Councillor Donegan**

“I will ask at the next meeting of the Cappamore/Kilmallock Municipal District for an update on the planned works to be completed by the Office of Public Works and Limerick City & County Council following the flooding that took place in the Kilmallock area in August 2020.”

**REPLY:**

The OPW has carried out maintenance and channel clearance works on watercourses around the catchment.

In conjunction with these Works, Limerick City and County Council made applications to the OPW under their minor works programme for improvements to be carried out at Gotoon, Bresheen and Tobernea. The works at Gotoon include for clearance of open land drains. The works at Bresheen include for a replacement structure on the R515 and the works at Tobernea include for a replacement structure and clearance of an existing channel. Funding has been sanctioned by the OPW for Gotoon and Bresheen.

The District office will progress the Gotoon works in the coming months. The works at Bresheen and Tobernea require Section 50 approval from the OPW and discussions have commenced on these approvals. It is expected that works at the three locations would be completed in 2021 subject to OPW Section 50 approval.

There is one further application to be made to the OPW for minor works to be carried out at Wolfe Tone Street, Kilmallock.

**3. Question submitted by Councillor Mitchell**

“I will ask at the next meeting of the Cappamore-Kilmallock Municipal District for an update in relation to Cross at upper Main Street Hospital connecting with Emly road. Is this included in an upcoming scheme to improve safety for all road users and if not why not as previously outlined.”

**REPLY:**

The review of the junction at Main St., Hospital with the Emly and Bruff Roads is on-going. A full report outlining the outcome of the review and proposed improvements, if any, will be submitted to the members at the July Meeting.

#### **4. Question submitted by Councillor Mitchell**

“I will ask at the next meeting of the Cappamore-Kilmallock Municipal District what the update is in relation to resurfacing on Emly road at upper Main Street Hospital and also Bruff road at upper Main Street Hospital.”

#### **REPLY:**

These resurfacing works are scheduled, to be completed before the end of May 2021 on both the Emly Road and also the Bruff Road

#### **5. Question submitted by Councillor Egan**

“I will ask at the next meeting of the Cappamore/Kilmallock Municipal District when Limerick City and County Council plan to start improvement works in Clare Glens.”

#### **REPLY:**

Investigative works on potential repairs to existing structures within the Clare Glens are ongoing. It is proposed to commence improvement works later in Sep/Oct 2021 with works to be completed in 2022.

#### **6. Question submitted by Councillor Teefy**

“I will ask at the next meeting of the Cappamore-Kilmallock Municipal District that, in the interests of safety, consideration be given to putting a Speed Ramp on L 5093 in Caherconlish near the Millennium Centre to reduce speed on this busy residential area.”

#### **REPLY:**

The Roads Engineer for the area will conduct the necessary traffic and speed surveys on the L5093 in Caherconlish when resources are available. A report on the need for traffic calming measures in this area will be prepared in due course.

## **7. Question submitted by Councillor Teefy**

“I will ask at the next meeting of the Cappamore-Kilmallock Municipal District for the total number of qualified applicants, First Preference, in the Cappamore-Kilmallock District and what are the breakdown by areas.”

### **REPLY:**

The HWL details for the Cappamore-Kilmallock District are below, the figures for total applications could include duplicate applicants due to applicants having more than one area of choice in the Cappamore-Kilmallock District:

	Total Applications	1 <sup>st</sup> Preference
Cappamore	83	30
Kilmallock	137	53
Murroe	125	36
Galbally	23	10
Bruree	62	22
Bruff	122	62
Knocklong	40	13
Kilfinane	56	21
Effin	2	0
Hospital	99	33
Doon	52	25
Caherconlish	120	38
Pallasgreen	60	8
Ballylanders	35	17
Athlacca	25	17
Castletown	4	3
Herbertstown	1	0
Kilteely	10	3
Oola	33	11
Anglesboro	3	2
Ballyagran	13	2
Glenbrohane	1	1

## **Any Other Business**

### **Votes of Sympathy**

A vote of sympathy was extended by Councillor Donegan to Donal O'Regan and his family, Bruree on the death of his Mother, Mrs Helen O'Regan.

A vote of sympathy was extended by Councillor Donegan to Councillor Eddie Ryan, on the sudden death of his nephew, Derek Ryan, Clonmel.

Both these proposals were seconded by Councillor Egan.  
All members wished to be associated with these sentiments.

### **Next Meeting**

The date for the next meeting of the Cappamore Kilmallock District was agreed by the Elected Members to revert to a physical meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> June 2021 at Deebert House Hotel, Kilmallock followed by the Annual General Meeting – pending Covid restrictions at the time .

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Cathaoirleach**