

# **MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF CAPPAMORE KILMALLOCK HELD IN DEEBERT HOUSE HOTEL ON THURSDAY 20<sup>th</sup> APRIL AT 3.00PM.**

## **PRESENT IN THE CHAIR:**

Councillor J Egan, An Cathaoirleach

## **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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

Apologies: Cllr M Ryan

## **OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Director of Services Transportation and Mobility (Mr Brian Kennedy), Senior Executive Engineer (Trevor McKechnie); Meetings Administrator (Ms D O'Brien), Clerical Officer (Ms. H O'Neill), Staff Officer, Property Services (Ms. D Ruth); Senior Executive Planner (Ms. K Burke); Assistant Planner (Ms S. O'Dwyer).

## **1. Adoption of Minutes**

- (i) Circulated copy of draft Minutes of Monthly Meeting of the Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock held on 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2023.

**Proposed by: Councillor Donegan**

**Seconded by: Councillor Mitchell**

**And Resolved:**

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

## **2. Matters Arising:**

The Director of Services clarified that the feedback on Beary's cross from the March meeting was forwarded to the MWNRDO for consideration. The MWNRDO confirmed that the scheme was being snagged and as part of the overall process, a Road Safety Audit on completed works had been carried out. The audit identified that the directional arrows on the roundabout approach should be removed. This was scheduled to be carried out as soon as possible.

The Elected Members wished to thank the Senior Executive Engineer for applying for the Bus Shelters, and the Senior E. E. acknowledged that credit should also be given to Executive Engineer (J.B.O'Callaghan) who submitted the applications for the bus shelters to the NTA. An Cathaoirleach also requested that consideration be given to additional bus shelters in the 2024 submission.

Councillor Donegan wished that the suggestion for travelling to Boston to represent the Municipal District and the connection with Bruff and the Kennedy family be added to the minutes of the March meeting. A suggestion was also made by the Elected Members that Joe Kennedy III (United States Special Envoy for Northern Ireland) be invited to meet the Community members of Bruff and the Elected Members of the Municipal District.

The Elected Members will provide all contact details required to the Meetings Administrator.

Councillor Donegan also advised that, following discussion with the community in Bruff, he could confirm their satisfaction that the Notice of Motion for twinning with Acton town, Massachusetts, USA be forwarded to the Twinning Protocol Committee for consideration.

Councillor Teefy also requested that her name be added to the expressions of gratitude regarding Beary's cross at the March Meeting.

A request was made to include the total investment in the Schedule of Municipal District Works in the Minutes of the March minutes.

### **3. Correspondence**

Circulated: Correspondence received from Uisce Eireann regarding water supply in Doon.

Correspondence read into minutes.

Agreement was reached unanimously that Uisce Eireann are to be invited to a future meeting of the Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District.

### **4. Property Services**

The following disposals of property were noted by the Elected Members:

- Proposed disposal of Property at 3 Ath Alainn, Bruree, Co Limerick.
- Proposed land disposal in the form of a lease to Caherconlish AFC
- Proposed disposal, by way of a lease, of Old School House, Grange.

### **5. Economic Development and Enterprise Directorate** **Draft Caherconlish Local Area Plan 2023 -2029**

The Senior Executive Planner and Assistant Planner outlined the process to date and requested that the Elected Members consider the Material Alterations made in the Chief Executive report on the Draft Caherconlish Local Area Plan 2023-2029. These were unanimously agreed. The Elected Members wished to compliment the staff of the forward planning unit in the development of the plan, and the planning staff thanked the Elected Members for their contribution.

### **6. General Municipal Allocation**

The Community Grants and Roads/Tourism Projects nominated by the Elected Members were presented to the meeting, and were unanimously agreed.

The Elected Members wished to thank the Senior Executive Engineer and Executive Engineers for their work in compiling the budget.

## **NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

I will move at the next meeting of the Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District that new fit for purpose legislation is introduced and enacted relating to dogs entering on lands and said premises of owners which may cause injury to persons or animals, to prevent distress to farmers, owners, and their animals and to counteract dog fouling. This legislation should include the appointment of sufficient dog wardens to monitor, enforce and follow up on reports.

#### **Reply:**

Should this be agreed by the Elected Members of the Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District, this Notice of Motion will be brought to the Plenary Meeting of Limerick City and County Council for consideration.

#### **Proposed and Seconded Unanimously**

***This Notice of Motion will be forwarded for consideration to the Plenary Council by all Elected Members.***

### **8. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Carey**

I will move at the next meeting of the Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District that a suitable location be found and possible funding avenues identified for a public toilet in Bruff, possibly on Crawford St.

#### **Reply:**

The current cost of installation and maintaining an automated public toilet facility is in the order of €40,000 per annum. The cost of such a facility would have to be sourced via the existing Council budget and if approved would result in funding being reallocated from other essential Council services such as the maintenance of roads, housing, parks, etc.

*A discussion took place on the costs associated with providing and operating/maintaining a public toilet. A query was raised as to whether a pilot scheme could be used to introduce a charge for using the public toilet in Kilmallock. This Notice of Motion was taken as read.*

## **9. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Teefy**

I will move at the next meeting of the Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District that Road Stud delineators “Cats eyes” be put in place on the Regional Roads in the areas where they are not already in place. They are very effective and are a safety measure on the roads.

### **Reply:**

The Cappamore Kilmallock MD has commenced a programme of installing road studs on all regional roads using a portion of the General Maintenance Safety Budget. This is a limited budget and therefore the installation of road studs across the regional road network will be done on a phased basis over the coming years.

**Proposed: Councillor Teefy**

**Seconded: Councillor Donegan**

## **QUESTIONS**

## **10. Question submitted by Councillor Carey**

I will ask at the next meeting of the Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District how many people are currently on the housing waiting list with Kilmallock as their area of choice and how many of these are in receipt of HAP.

### **Reply:**

The total number of qualified social housing applicants with Kilmallock as their first area of choice is 58. Of these 58 qualified applicants, there are 19 HAP accommodated and in receipt of HAP

**The Questions were taken as read**

## **Any Other Business**

### **Meetings**

- The Meetings administrator requested potential dates for the following meetings:

- Briefing by Sergeant Ber Leetch on Personal Safety for the Elected Members (suggested 4<sup>th</sup> May)
  - Meeting with Sr Agnes, Cuan Mhuire (suggested week of 8<sup>th</sup> May)
- The Meetings administrator also requested that any suggestions for a possible Municipal District Reception be submitted via email for consideration at a workshop and not discussed at any public meetings until formally agreed.
  - The report of discharge of sewerage into the River Funshion was brought to the meeting and the Elected Members requested that written feedback be requested from Limerick City and County Council Water Services and Uisce Eireann regarding whether they have a remit in the issue. The Elected Members were advised by Councillor Donegan that a public meeting is to be held on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April regarding this issue. A discussion took place outlining that there is no Local authority or Uisce Eireann owned treatment plant in Kilbehenny and querying what environmental testing may have taken place in the river. The Elected Members also requested clarity on any solutions which may be available. Councillor Carey read a response to the meeting which he had received from Uisce Eireann which he agreed to circulate to all Elected members in advance of the public meeting.
  - The Elected Members also wished to acknowledge the recent presentation delivered by Eileen Humphries of LECP.

### **Expressions of Sympathy**

The Elected Members wished to express their sympathy to the families of the following:

- Michael Scott, Limerick City and County Council Staff Member, who passed away on 11<sup>th</sup> April
- Emma McGuire, Grange, who passed away on 29<sup>th</sup> March
- Rosalind (Roz) McCutcheon, Sister of Sarah McCutcheon, who passed away in London on 21<sup>st</sup> March.
- Paddy Carey, father of John Carey, staff member of Limerick City and County Council, who passed away on 16<sup>th</sup> April

### **Congratulations and thanks**

The Elected Members wished to congratulate Elaine Houlihan on becoming the President of Macra na Feirme.

Thanks were also expressed to the roads team on the completion of works at the Junction at Patrickswell and the works at **Herbertstown**.

The Elected Members wished Robert Gallagher well on his retirement and thanked Trevor McKechnie for his work. They wished him well in his acting position in the coming 3 months.

### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District will be held on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 3pm in Deebert House Hotel, Kilmallock.

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

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

**Cathaoirleach**