

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF CAPPAMORE KILMALLOCK HELD IN DEEBERT HOUSE HOTEL ON THURSDAY 18th May 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), Acting Senior Executive Engineer (Diarmuid Sheehy); Meetings Administrator (Ms D O'Brien), Clerical Officer (Ms. H O'Neill), Staff Officer, Property Services (Ms. D Ruth); Director of Services Housing (Ms Caroline Curley)

1. Adoption of Minutes

- (i) Circulated copy of draft Minutes of Monthly Meeting of the Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock held on 20th April, 2023.

Proposed by: Councillor Donegan

Seconded by: Councillor Carey

And Resolved:

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

2. Matters Arising:

Further to a meeting held in Cuan Mhuire between the Manager of the service (Sr Agnes Fitzgerald) and the Elected Members, it was agreed to invite the Chairperson of Cuan Mhuire to a public monthly meeting of the Municipal District at a date to be confirmed.

A suggestion was made that the monthly meetings of the Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District return to Aras Mainchin Seoige, Kilmallock Area Office, to be held from the June meeting onwards.

Proposed: Councillor: E Ryan

Seconded: Councillor: G Mitchell

3. Annual General Meeting

The date for the Annual General Meeting was set as Thursday 22nd June at 4.30 in Aras Mainchin Seoighe Area Office, Kilmallock.

4. Correspondence

Circulated: Correspondence received from Uisce Eireann regarding an invitation to attend a Municipal District Meeting.

Correspondence read into minutes.

Circulated: Correspondence received from Garrienderk Development Association requesting the opportunity to present a deputation to the Municipal District Meeting in June regarding the provision of a footpath in Garrienderk.

Proposed: Councillor Donegan

Seconded: Councillor E Ryan.

5. Property Services

The following disposal of property was noted by the Elected Members:

- Proposed disposal of land at Garrane Beg, Pallasgreen to the Health Service Executive

6. Housing Delivery Update.

The Director of Services for Housing delivered an update on Housing delivery and maintenance in the Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District. The Elected Members wished to acknowledge the work undertaken by the Housing section in delivering long term voids.

NOTICES OF MOTION

7. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Carey

I will move at the next meeting of the Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District that an acceptable level of maintenance be carried out at Kilmallock Business Park and that the Business Park becomes a priority for this Local Authority in order to keep the existing businesses and to encourage other businesses to establish there.

Reply:

Kilmallock Business Park was acquired by Limerick City and County Council in early 2020 prior to Covid. The Municipal District Office assumed management of Park in March 2020. It should be noted that under-investment in the Park prior to takeover by LCCC has led to significant infrastructural and maintenance issues to be dealt with. Since assuming responsibility for the park, the MD office has extended the service level agreement in place with Kilmallock Tourism to maintain the green areas within the business park. There were also submissions made for funding to carry out infrastructural improvements. In 2023, the following works are scheduled to be completed. The surface of all existing footpaths within the park will be replaced. In addition, all the public lighting in the park will be upgraded and the vegetation that currently surrounds the lights will be substantially cut back or removed if required. The MD office is keen to maintain the business park to a high standard, but resources are limited. It must be noted that substantial additional Capital investment is still required to upgrade other infrastructure within the Park. The maintenance fees that are contributed by the individual companies in the Business Park can only cover day to day maintenance.

Proposed: Councillor Carey

Seconded: Councillor Donegan

The Elected Members requested that a representative from Innovate Limerick attend a monthly meeting of the Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District to discuss marketing of Kilmallock Business Park. They would also like to acknowledge the work already undertaken by Limerick City and County Council and Kilmallock Tourism at the Business Park.

8. 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 compulsory purchase order land that is near Athenacey Cemetery with a view to constructing a suitable parking area.

Reply:

The Council are aware of the concerns of both the Elected members and the public regarding parking at Athenacey Cemetery. To this end, the Council will investigate options to facilitate parking at the cemetery and will revert on the matter in due course.

The Elected Members requested that a representative from the Burial Grounds section attend the next meeting of the Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District, in particular to clarify the following:

- *Ownership of the graveyard*
- *Ownership of the right of way*
- *Status of negotiations regarding access*
- *Next steps.*

Proposed: Councillor Donegan

Seconded: Councillor Carey

QUESTIONS

9. Question submitted by Councillor Donegan

I will ask at the next meeting of the Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District for maps of the designated locations for the new bus shelters planned for the municipal district announced recently by the National Transport Authority.

Reply:

The Active Travel Team are currently assessing various sites for bus shelters throughout Limerick City and County. Once the final maps have been drafted and finalise, they will be distributed to the Elected Members.

10. Question submitted by Councillor Donegan

I will ask at the next meeting of the Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District for an update on the taking in charge of Castle Court Estate in Kilmallock

1. That the assessment has taken place and a snag list has been compiled and costed.
2. That the roads infrastructure has been assessed
3. That the report has been submitted to the taking in charge section of the Planning Department
4. The planned date for the estate to be taken over by Limerick City and County Council.

Reply:

1. A Roads report has been compiled and costed. CCTV surveys of the storm and sewer lines have been completed and received by the Taking in Charge Department. A Site Resolution Plan for the water services will be compiled and issued to Uisce Eireann for consideration in the coming weeks.
2. Costs for over ground repairs by Roads Department and Public lighting have been submitted. Accurate costs for repairs to underground services and water services infrastructure will be compiled in the coming weeks in line with the Site Resolution plan for Uisce Eireann.
3. Reports are being worked on by the Taking in Charge Section currently.
4. A date for taking in charge will be clearer after full costing of the estate is established. It is estimated that, based on costs, it will be advertised for Taking in Charge in Quarter 3 of 2023.

The Questions were taken as read**Any Other Business**

- A question was raised as to the issue of littering at the bottle bank in Bruree and what could be done to prevent further littering. The Elected Members were advised that a National Scheme regarding CCTV for littering is to be developed but that it could be a further 6 to 12 months before the Local Authority will be able to implement actions from the scheme and the threshold for implementation will be high. In the meantime, it was suggested that an awareness raising campaign and signage could be a proactive step to take, and to note that the Environment section are aware of the issue and engaging as appropriate.
- A recent LCDC meeting was referenced whereby Mr V Murray, Director of Services for Planning, Environment and Placemaking, presented information on his role and the work of his department. It was suggested that all Directors of Service should present such information to the general public once per year. The Elected Members were referred to the Limerick.ie for the range of information available there also.
- The Elected Members wished to acknowledge the workshop delivered by Water services regarding the waste water issue in Kilbehenny. A proposal was made that Uisce Eireann be invited to meet with representatives from the community of Kilbehenny. It was noted that at the workshop with Water services, Director of Services, K Lehane, outlined that it was important to identify what the community of

Kilbehenny need Limerick City and County Council to do. It was agreed that the Meetings administrator would follow up with Uisce Eireann to seek a reply to the correspondence sent on 25th April, and further to that reply, possibly request that a representative from Uisce Eireann meet with representatives from the community of Kilbehenny.

- Acknowledgement of the Community Recognition fund received by local communities was also highlighted.

Votes of Sympathy

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

- Mark Newell, brother of Sarah Newell, Housing, who passed away on Friday 12th May
- Paddy Moloney, Athlacca, who passed away on 21st April.
- Flan O'Neill, father of Noreen O'Neill, Library services, and formerly of Limerick Corporation, who passed away on 16th May.
- Tom O'Dea, brother in law to Councillor Brigid Teefy, who passed away on 28th April.
- Mary Finucane, Bruree, sister of former employee, John O'Callaghan, who passed away on 16th May.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District will be held on Thursday 22nd June at an earlier time of 2pm in Aras Mainchin Seighe Area Office, Kilmallock.

Signed: _____

Cathaoirleach

Date: _____