

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF CAPPAMORE-KILMALLOCK HELD IN ARAS
MAINCHIN SEOIGE ON THURSDAY 18th July 2024 AT 3.00PM.**

PRESENT IN THE CHAIR:

Councillor M Ryan, An Cathaoirleach

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Carey, Conway, O'Sullivan, E. Ryan, Stokes and Teefy

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

Director of Services (Mr B. Kennedy); Senior Executive Engineer (Mr T. McKechnie); Meetings Administrator (Ms D. O'Brien); Clerical Officer (Ms H. O'Neill); Administrative Office, Property Management (Ms T. Knox); Senior Engineer Strategy and Non LA Housing (Mr B. Kidney); Executive Architect, LA Construction and Maintenance (Mr M Farrell).

1. Adoption of Minutes

- (i) Circulated copy of draft Minutes of Monthly Meeting of the Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock held on 16th May 2024.

(Copies Enclosed)

Proposed by: Councillor Teefy

Seconded by: Councillor Carey

And Resolved:

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

- (ii) Circulated copy of draft Minutes of Special Meeting of the Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock regarding Athenacy held on 16th May 2024.

(Copies Enclosed)

Proposed by: Councillor M Ryan

Seconded by: Councillor Teefy

And Resolved:

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

- (i) Circulated copy of draft Minutes of Annual Meeting of the Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock held on 27th June 2024.

(Copies Enclosed)

Proposed by: Councillor E Ryan

Seconded by: Councillor Stokes

And Resolved:

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

2. Matters Arising

A request was made for an update following from the Special Meeting regarding Athenacy Graveyard. The Senior Executive Engineer agreed to contact The Senior Engineer in Environment and Climate Action (Mr A. Finn) to provide an update to all of the Elected Members in relation to the matters which were discussed at the Special Meeting.

3. Declaration of Interests

There was no interest declared.

4. Property Disposal

Property Disposal at Main St Bruff

This was noted by the Elected Members.

5. Local Authority Construction and Maintenance

Circulated: Presentation on Two Unit Planning Submission, Crawford St, Bruff.

A presentation was delivered to the Elected Members on the proposed development of 2 semi-detached 3 bedroom houses in Crawford St.Bruff on a brownfield site.

The Elected Members were advised that the plan was to commence onsite early 2025, subject to planning.

The Part 8 was noted by the Elected Members.

The Senior Engineer for Strategy and Non LA Housing also provided an update for the Elected Members on other developments in the area including:

- Construction commenced on units in Kilfinane in Easter
- 9 units in Ballylanders have gone to tender
- A contractor has been appointed for the Creamery site in Cappamore.
- Works will commence on 17 units in Turagh Crescent (via an approved housing body).
- Plans for 3 units in a derelict site in Wolfe Tone St, Kilmallock are currently being drawn up.
- Currently in the Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District there are
 - 16 vacant properties
 - 6 of these are undergoing works
 - 6 are at procurement stage
 - 4 are being inspected
- 55 properties will be part of the Energy retrofit scheme in 2024/25. A list of the houses involved will be circulated to the Elected Members. A request was made for an update on properties involved in this scheme in Oliver Plunkett Terrace Ballylanders.
- Further updates given regarding units in Bruff and Knocklong were also provided to the Elected Members.

6. Correspondence

Circulated: Correspondence received from Department of Justice regarding the new Local Community Safety Partnership initiative.

The Meetings administrator outlined that the local Superintendents expressed interest in maintaining communication/engagement with the locally Elected Members. The Elected Members shared that interest, and it was agreed that the Meetings Administrator would investigate the possibility of arranging a Workshop between An Garda Siochana and the Municipal District, initially to discuss the new LCSP initiative.

Read into minutes: Correspondence from Ballyhoura Failte and Ballyhoura Heritage. See attached correspondence and agreed response from Elected Members.

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 the two parking spaces opposite No. 29 Riverview be removed back to the original grass design”

REPLY:

The existing car parking spaces which are the subject of Cllr. Carey’s motion are not specific to one property. They are public spaces to be used for anyone in the estate. In order to remove them, the majority of residents should indicate in writing that they are in favour of the proposal.

Proposed: Councillor Carey

Seconded: Councillor M Ryan

8. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor O’Sullivan

“ I will move at the next meeting of the Cappamore-Kilmallock Municipal District that Limerick City and County Council correspond with Uisce Éireann to seek an update on the status of the water scheme takeover in Kilglass and the current status of the boil water notice in place.”

REPLY:

I am writing to you today regarding your request for an update on the status of the Water Scheme takeover in Kilglass and the current status of the Boil Water Notice in place. Your Uisce Éireann reference number for same was 24317 which was raised on the 08/7/2024.

I wish to advise that the following update has become available; schemes will only be taken over when fit for purpose and free from significant defects that would impact on customer service, water quality or asset longevity. The Boil Water Notice in place for the Kilglass Scheme is a key issue that needs to be addressed prior to the Scheme being Taken in Charge.

The plan is to connect this supply to the Mitchelstown supply. Design for the connection is complete and the tendering process is currently underway. A main contractor is expected to be appointed within 6 weeks with works to be completed by the end of the year, and the Boil Water Notice is subsequently expected to be lifted. Following this, we expect the Taken

in Charge process to progress. Further information will be available in the Rural Water Department of Limerick County Council.

I trust that this update provides clarity to both you and your constituents. Should you have any further queries, please don't hesitate to contact us on the details below. For the latest supply and services updates, please see: <https://www.water.ie/?map=supply-and-service-updates>.

Proposed: Councillor O'Sullivan

Seconded: Councillor E Ryan

QUESTIONS

9. Question submitted by Councillor Carey

"I will ask at the next meeting of the Cappamore-Kilmallock Municipal District for an update on my motion from April regarding the possible purchase of five units at Beech Lodge Care Facility, Bruree or any other alternative options that are being considered for the current residents."

REPLY:

Limerick City and County Council were made aware of the Notice of terminations served to 5 residents at Beech Lodge Care Facility, Bruree in early April of this year. The Housing Strategy unit have been trying to make contact with the owner to get their consent to engage in the Tenant in Situ Acquisition scheme, whereby the Council, subject to certain conditions, can make an offer to purchase the units to prevent homelessness. The Council cannot progress under the Tenant in Situ Acquisition scheme until the owner engages and confirms they are willing to progress through the Tenant in Situ Acquisition Scheme. The Housing Support Services team are aware of the situation and have been in contact with the tenants with a view to finding a solution.

10. Question submitted by Councillor Carey

“I will ask at the next meeting of the Cappamore-Kilmallock Municipal District for an update on when Castlecourt Estate, Kilmallock will be fully taken in charge by this local authority.”

REPLY:

The Planning Authority is currently awaiting the final stage of works to be completed on the public lighting within the estate. Once this element of works is completed and sign-off from the area engineer received, the formal process of taking the estate in charge will be initiated.

11. Question submitted by Councillor Teefy

“I will ask at the next Cappamore-Kilmallock MD meeting for an update on the proposed Traffic Calming measures at the Boskill/ Millennium road in Caherconlish.”

REPLY:

During the preparation of the Caherconlish mobility management plan and the proposal for a new pedestrian bridge across the existing watercourse at the Millenium Centre, the draft Appropriate Assessment/Environmental Impact Assessment screenings identified a need for more extensive environmental/ecological surveys, in particular the need for a Natura Impact Assessment. This requirement requires the council to submit a Section 177AE application to an Bord Pleanala for the planning of the new bridge. The consultant engaged for the mobility management plan in Caherconlish is currently working on the additional surveys and the preparation of the An Bord Pleanala application. Once this stage of the scheme is completed, the overall scheme will proceed to Part 8 public consultation.

12. Question submitted by Councillor O’Sullivan

“I will ask at the next meeting of the Cappamore-Kilmallock Municipal District for an update on the reason that the Main four cross roads at Powers Corner in Kilfinane are still without double yellow lines causing major road blockages at times. These were removed during road resurfacing last year and not replaced.”

REPLY :

The Roads Engineer will organise for the double yellow lines to be reinstated at the junction as soon as practicable.

The Questions were taken as read.

Any Other Business

A question was raised regarding the end of the contract with Enervio for the maintenance of public lighting. Clarification was provided that the Local Authority were in the process of procuring a maintenance contractor, but that currently an emergency contractor was in place.

The Elected Members wished all Olympians the best of luck in Paris

A query was raised regarding updating devices for Elected Members and they were advised that laptops were to be provided. The Meetings Administrator will clarify same with Corporate Services.

A query was made as to whether a meeting is to be held with Killeely Graveyard Committee and it was noted that Councillor Stokes is arranging same and will circulate a date to the Meetings Administrator for all Elected Members in the Municipal District. A request was made that questions for LCCC staff be submitted to the office in advance of the meeting.

The Director of Services wished to congratulate all Elected Members on their election and looks forward to working with them all.

An Cathaoirleach wished to thank the Roads team for the remedial work undertaken in Elton.

The next meeting of the Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District is to be held on Thursday 19th September at 3pm.

Signed: _____

Cathaoirleach

Date: _____