

**Minutes of the Rosslare Municipal District Monthly Meeting
held on the 17th of September 2025 at 10:30hrs in
Council Chamber, County Hall**

Presiding: Cllr Ger Carthy

Councillors: Cllr Jim Codd
Cllr Lisa McDonald
Cllr Aoife Rose O'Brien

Officials: Lynda Lacey – District Director
Nóirín Cummins – District Manager
Michael Brazzill – District Engineer
Johanna Somers – District A/Staff Officer
Jodi Somers – A/Assistant Staff Officer
Angela Finn – Senior Staff Officer Housing Construction
Sonia Hunt – Executive Planner
Kieron Tribhowan – T/Clerical Officer

Apologies Cllr Frank Staples
Caroline Creane – Administrative Officer Community
Rory O'Mahoney – Senior Executive Engineer Environment

An Cathaoirleach opened the meeting and welcomed those in attendance.

Sympathies

Sympathies were expressed by An Cathaoirleach on behalf of the RMD to Cllr Aoife Rose O'Brien on the passing of her brother-in-law.

Cllr McDonald expressed sympathies to Rory O'Mahoney on the passing of his mother and to the family of the late John Hamilton.

Cllr Codd extended sympathies to An Cathaoirleach on the passing of his Aunt Mrs Byrne Pettitt.

Congratulations

Cllr Codd congratulated the committee of the Duncormick Street festival and also to Jim Cullen on his winning of the 2-furrow ploughing at the National Ploughing Championships. Cllr Codd thanked Pat Colfer for his work at Trinity and the grotto. Cllr Codd also congratulated the Cleariestown Rathangan Heritage Group on their research on the names of the local pikemen.

An Cathaoirleach congratulated St Annes GAA Club on the opening of their new floodlights and fully accessible walking track by the president of CLG.

1. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the July Monthly Meeting were proposed by Cllr Codd and seconded by Cllr Carthy.

1.2 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

2. District Managers Report

The District Manager delivered the previously circulated monthly report. She highlighted the progress on the Carrig on Bannow playground and congratulated An Cathaoirleach on the work on the Carnsore Eire marker sign.

She highlighted and congratulated the award recipients at the recent RMD Civic Awards and also congratulated Cllr McDonald and the Rosslare District Choir on their wonderful performance on the Gig Rig at the Fleadh.

She also highlighted the upcoming Culture Night events in the district - the Yola Event and the Filling of the Well event and also Write by the Sea on the 26th to the 28th of September.

An Cathaoirleach thanked the DM for her work in the District.

3. Consideration of Reports and Recommendations

3.1 Engineers Report - Roads

The District Engineer delivered his previously circulated report. He highlighted the works completed on this year's road works programme including the final phase of Roads Restoration including Tullycanna and Coolaraheen. He stated that the hedge cutting season is back open and landowners have been instructed to cut back their hedges.

Cllr McDonald thanked the DE for the works in Piercestown and Murrintown throughout the summer. Cllr McDonald stated that she is extremely grateful for the Safety works on the RMD side of the Newline Rd and queried if the Wexford District are going to do safety works on their side of the Newline Rd.

Cllr McDonald queried the checking of drains in advance of the winter and the cleaning of signs in the villages. She highlighted the dangers of ash die back on the roadside across the district.

An Cathaoirleach queried if a Motion could be proposed to carve out the roads area to allow for some of the Wexford District roads to be encompassed into the RMD if the appropriate funding were provided. Cllr McDonald proposed this and Cllr Codd seconded it.

An Cathaoirleach queried the best way deal with the ash die back across the district.

Cllr Codd thanked the DE for his work at the Sea Wall in Barrystown. He queried the condition of the network of roads between Clovervalley & Tottenham Green & the lane of Blackstone. He also queried the Loughnageer Road & the road to Taylorstown.

Cllr Codd also questioned if bollards can be placed at Hazelwood for safety & queried what the plan is for the Forth Celtic Rd.

Cllr Codd also queried how vulnerable we are to flooding in Bridgetown from the rising tide in Cullenstown.

Cllr O'Brien thanked the DE for the works in the summer months. She queried the rubble left behind at the new builds in Pugin Park Tagoat. She highlighted the issue with UÉ services in Mulrankin. She also queried maintenance of Kilmore Quay toilets and the issues with the lack of bins in the area.

The District Engineer responded to the queries from the Cllrs including queries on drain cleaning, sign cleaning and the 'leave no trace policy' in Kilmore Quay. He also commented on the flood mitigation plan.

Cllr O'Brien left the meeting at this point.

Cllr McDonald highlighted the works being done by the ESB during the summer, the damage done by the trucks and their plan going forward for the works and the re-surfacing the roads.

Cllr Carthy requested strict enforcement of the hedge cutting throughout the district and the hedge cutting season.

A motion was proposed by Cllr Carthy and seconded by Cllr McDonald 'We the RMD call on the government to fund the roads as per condition of the roads as opposed to per kilometre'.

3.2 Housing Reports

Both Housing Reports were circulated for information. In the absence of the SSO of Housing the SSO of Housing Construction stated that she will take questions from the members.

An Cathaoirleach questioned the repeated lack of representation from the Housing Section.

Cllr McDonald requested a more streamlined approach to housing in the district.

Cllr Codd questioned the development of the field in the Taghmon and the AHB and the speed at which the process is moving.

The SSO of Housing Construction informed the members that construction will commence on Ballygillane in October.

An Cathaoirleach queried the structure within the Housing Department and requested information on the heads of the various Housing Departments.

Cllr McDonald requested information on the incoming Director of Housing.

An Cathaoirleach questioned the funding from the government for housing delivery and zoning and also queried the response from UÉ to Elected members.

Cllr Codd stated the housing department in Wexford lacks a clear order of command and requested one person with knowledge of the RMD attend the meetings.

The DD clarified that housing has two clear areas and requires section heads within those areas.

3.3 Planning Report

The Planning Report was circulated for information.

An Cathaoirleach proposed a motion requesting a pilot project be done in Rosslare Harbour of a 3D build to streamline and expediate the building of houses across the District. This was seconded by Cllr. McDonald.

Cllr Codd queried the plan for development for the two green areas in Hazelwood. He also stressed that the people of Kilmore required assurance on the capability of the sewage plant in Kilmore with the recent announcement of the new hotel development in the area.

3.4 Environment Report

The Environment Report was circulated for information. Apologies from the SSE Environment.

Cllr McDonald requested information on Beach closure levels in the district.

Cllr Codd queried the bins left uncollected in the District. The DM clarified that she had spoken to the Technician in Environment on this issue.

3.5 Community Report

The Community Report was circulated for information. Apologies were noted from Community AO.

3.6 Fire Services Report

No report available.

3.7 Library Report

The Library, Archives & Arts Report was circulated for information.

4. Correspondence

- An invitation was received from the London Wexford Association for their October event.
- An invitation was received from the Southwest Community Wales Rail partnership for their Transport for Wales 200 Heritage Event hosted by Stena on 18th of October, this was circulated to the Tourist Officer.

5. AOB

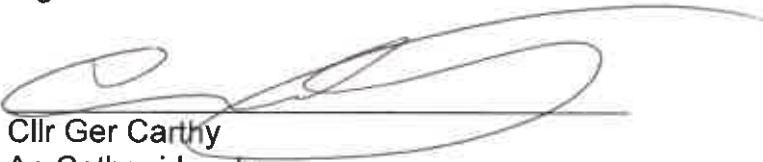
Cllr McDonald condemned the destruction of the bus shelter in Taghmon and also the anti-social behaviour in the area. She requested engagement with the Gardaí on this issue. Cllr Codd concurred with Cllr. McDonald.

Cllr Codd queried the public lights being out in Bridgetown. The DM stated that this issue has been highlighted through the Street Lighting Faults System. An Cathaoirleach requested an update on the new lights on the mapping system.

An Cathaoirleach requested that WCC seek ownership of the OPW yard in Rosslare Harbour to alleviate some of the issues with the truck parking in the area.

THAT CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

Signed on the 15th of October 2025

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Ger Carthy', written over a horizontal line.

Cllr Ger Carthy
An Cathaoirleach
Rosslare Municipal District

