

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH DISTRICT HELD AT 2.30 P.M. MONDAY 20th JULY, 2026 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL, COUNTY HALL, CARRICKLAWN. WEXFORD.

Presiding: Her Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Barron

Councillors: R. Shannon, T. Forde, C. Walsh, R. Staples, L. Kelly

Apologies: Cllr. G. Laffan,
Anthony Bailey, District Manager, Wexford Borough District

In Attendance:

Mr. Alan Quirke, Director of Services
Ms. Tara Farrell, Staff Officer, Wexford Borough District
Mr. Laurence Lett, Senior Executive Engineer, Wexford Borough District
Ms. Caroline Crowe, Assistant Staff Officer, Wexford Borough District
Mr. Graeme Hunt, Executive Planner, Planning
Mr. Hugh Maguire, Administrative Officer, Environment
Ms. Edel Nolan, Senior Staff Officer, Housing
Mr. Eamon Hore, Director of Services
Mr. Dermot Wallace, Senior Staff Officer, Roads
Ms. Eilis Furlong, Senior Executive Engineer, Roads

MINUTES

The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday, 15th June, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Cllr R. Staples, seconded by Cllr. R. Shannon.

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Tuesday, 23rd June, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Cllr. R. Shannon, seconded by Cllr. C. Walsh.

SECTION 180 – PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT FOR TAKING IN CHARGE 425-428, 448-473 ARD UISCE, WHITEROCK HILL, WEXFORD

The attached report regarding the Taking in Charge of units 425-428 & 448-473 Ard Uisce, a copy of which had previously been circulated to Members was approved on the proposal of Cllr. C. Walsh, seconded by Cllr. L. Kelly

DRAFT BOROUGH DISTRICT OF WEXFORD TRAFFIC & CAR PARKING BYE-LAWS 2026

The attached report, copies of which had previously been circulated, was discussed.

The following matters raised by Members were addressed by Mr. E. Hore, Director of Services, and Mr. Dermot Wallace, S.S.O., Roads:-

- EV Charging;
- On-street parking locations;
- Signage
- Car Parks
- Loading bays;
- Dynamic Parking;
- Free Parking;
- Parking Permits;
- Parking fines;
- Blue badge spaces;
- Resurfacing of car parks

The Draft Traffic & Car Parking Bye-laws for Wexford Borough District were approved on the proposal of Cllr. C. Walsh, seconded by Cllr. R. Staples

N25 LARKIN'S CROSS SAFETY SCHEME

The attached report, copies of which had previously been circulated, was discussed.

The following matters raised by Members were addressed by Ms. Eilis Furlong, Senior Executive Engineer, Roads:-

- Traffic Calming Speed Limit;
- Emergency Services access;
- Signage

The proposed safety scheme was approved on the proposal of Cllr. C. Walsh, seconded by Cllr. R. Staples

COMMEMORATIVE BLUE PLAQUE TRAIL

Following recommendations from the Heritage Committee, the following blue plaque commemorations, which will form part of the Blue Plaque Commemorative Trail in Wexford, were approved on the proposal of Cllr. C. Walsh, seconded by Cllr. R. Shannon

REPORTS

Housing

The attached report, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

The following matter raised by Members were addressed by Ms. Edel Nolan, S.S.O., Housing:-

- Residents' information booklet;
- Traveller Accommodation Project;
- Kerlogue House

Planning

The attached report, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

The following matters raised by Members were addressed by Graeme Hunt, Executive Planner, Planning:-

- Wexford Town Plan
- Feasibility study – school population
- List of dereliction assessments undertaken;
- Timescale for new VEC secondary school

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.

It being 4.30p.m., on the proposal of Cllr. R. Staples, seconded by Cllr. R. Shannon, Members unanimously agreed to suspend standing orders to allow for the remaining business on the agenda to be concluded.

Environment

The attached report, copies of which had previously been circulated, was discussed.

The following matters raised by Members were addressed by Mr. H. Maguire, A.O., Environment:-

- Upcoming Hazardous Waste Amnesty in October;
- Clothes Banks;
- Flooding Report;
- Abandoned cars

District Engineer

The attached report, copies of which had previously been circulated, was discussed.

The following matters raised by Members were addressed by Mr. L. Lett, Senior Executive Engineer:-

- Harbour View;
- Speed ramps in Corish Park & Kennedy Park;
- Seat in John St.;
- Roxborough;
- Charlotte St.;
- Overgrowth in The Folly;
- Liam Mellows Park;
- Storm fund;
- Car Parks in Kennedy Park/St. Aidan's Crescent;
- New Road Whitemill Industrial Estate;
- One way system – Kennedy Park/Corish Park;
- Old Tesco Site;

- Footpath, Whiterock Hill;
- Ferrycarrig Car Park;
- Pedestrian Crossing Curracloe;
- Traffic surveys – list of places for speed review;
- Lights at Wexford Bridge;
- Blue seat John's Road

MOTION

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. R. Staples, seconded by Cllr. T. Forde, and following discussion was unanimously adopted by Members.

“That Wexford Borough District Council formally endorse the Rural Regeneration & Development Fund (RRDF) application for Castlebridge House, and that the District submit one consolidated, district-signed letter of support to accompany the funding submission, confirming the strategic importance of the project and the full backing of the Municipal District”

AOB

The recent announcement from the HSE that there would be a dedicated liaison Consultant Psychiatrist based directly at Wexford General Hospital was welcomed by the Members.

Lar Lett, SEE, Wexford Borough District informed the Members that works under the Wexford Town Flood Relief Scheme would begin at the end of August.

CONGRATULATIONS

A vote of congratulations was extended to the following:-

- The 80 men who took part in the Bow Tie Dip;
- The 600 women who took part in the Dip in the Nip
- Organisers of the Pecker Dunne Festival, especially Cllr. T. Ford

VOTES OF SYMPATHY

On the proposal of Cllr. R. Shannon, a unanimous vote of sympathy was extended to the family of the following:-

- Tommy Furlong, RIP

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS DAY 21ST SEPTEMBER, 2026

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

