

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF
ENNISCORTHY MUNICIPAL DISTRICT
HELD ON MONDAY 24TH APRIL, 2017 AT 11.00 A.M.
IN THE PRESENTATION CENTRE, ENNISCORTHY.**

Attendance: Councillors: Oliver Walsh (Cathaoirleach)
Barbara-Anne Murphy
Willie Kavanagh
Kathleen Codd-Nolan
Keith Doyle
Johnny Mythen
John O'Rourke

Officials: Ms. Elizabeth Hore, District Manager
Ms. Bernie Quigley, Staff Officer
Mr. Tadhg O'Corcora, Senior Executive Engineer
Ms. Joanne Kehoe, Executive Engineer
Mr. Pdraig O'Gorman, Senior Executive Officer
Mr. Diarmuid Houston, Senior Planner
Ms. Deirdre Kearns, Senior Executive Planner
Ms. Karina Fitzgerald, Assistant Planner
Mr. Michael Doyle, Executive Engineer
Mr. Ger Mackey, Administrative Officer, Community & Enterprise

Apologies: Councillor: Paddy Kavanagh

Apologies: Officials: Mr. Larry McHale, Project Resident Engineer
Mr. John Carley, Director of Services

1. Confirmation of Minutes:

1.1. Minutes of the 'In Committee' Meeting of the Members of the Municipal District of Enniscorthy held on the 20th March, 2017.

On the proposal of Cllr. Murphy, seconded by Cllr. Codd-Nolan the Minutes of the March 'In Committee' Meeting of the Members of the Municipal District of Enniscorthy held on 20th March, 2017 were adopted by the Council and signed by the Chairperson.

1.2. Minutes of the March Meeting of the Members of the Municipal District of Enniscorthy – 20th March, 2017.

On the proposal of Cllr. Murphy, seconded by Cllr. Codd-Nolan the Minutes of the March Meeting of the Members of the Municipal District of Enniscorthy held on 20th March, 2017 were adopted by the Council and signed by the Chairperson.

1.3. Matters Arising.

None.

2. Consideration of Reports and Recommendations.

2.1. Housing.

Mr. Pdraig O’Gorman, Senior Executive Officer attended the meeting to discuss housing matters. The Members raised a number of queries to which Mr. O’Gorman responded.

Community & Environment.

The Members highlighted a number of concerns under Community & Environment, in particular:-

- Litter in Peggs Lane, Bunclody.
- Damaged hoarding at old Murphy Floods Site, Enniscorthy.
- Illegal Dumping and other Litter problems throughout the District.
- Grass Cutting.

2.2. Planning & Enterprise.

Ms. Deirdre Kearns, Senior Executive Planner outlined the main points of the Planning Report, the contents of which were noted by the Members.

Enterprise.

Cllr. Codd-Nolan highlighted her concerns with the current disagreement within the greyhound industry which, she felt at worse could see the closure of the Enniscorthy Greyhound Track. A brief discussion took place and on the proposal of Cllr. Codd-Nolan, seconded by Cllr. W. Kavanagh the Members agreed to write to the Minister of State at the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine, Mr. Andrew Doyle T.D. asking him to resolve the matter urgently.

3. Variation Number 2 to Enniscorthy Town and Environs Development Plan 2008-2014.

Mr. Diarmuid Houston, Senior Planner briefed the Members on details of the proposed Variation Number 2 to Enniscorthy Town and Environs Development Plan 2008-2014.

Ms. Deirdre Kearns, Senior Executive Planner made a presentation to the attendees outlining the main changes under the headings Zoning, Access, Infrastructure and Development Management/SEA & AA. This variations proposal will see the change of land zoning to facilitate the development of the Business and Technology Park at Kilagoley to assist with the Economic and Job Creation Action Plan of Wexford County Council.

On the proposal of Cllr. Doyle, seconded by Cllr. Mythen the Members unanimously resolved to recommend the proposed Variation No. 2 to the Enniscorthy Town and Environs Development Plant 2008-2014, as extended, to the full Council.

2. 2.3. Roads Report.

Ms. Joanne Kehoe, Executive Engineer outlined the main points of the Roads Report circulated prior to the meeting. The Members raised a number of queries under this heading for consideration, in particular:-

- Request for re-surfacing works on the road at the Presentation Centre, Enniscorthy.
- Signage on Bridges.
- Audit for Doran's Bridge.

4. Other Business:

4.1 Housing

4.1.1 Housing Maintenance Programme

Mr. Michael Doyle, Executive Engineer, Housing Maintenance gave a presentation to the attendees on the following:-

- Housing Maintenance – Response Repairs and Pre-lets.
- Energy Efficiency.
- Voids.
- Housing Performance.

The Members raised a number of issues to Mr. Doyle which he responded. Queries

included the status of Infill Site at Marconi Park, Voids, Extensions to rented dwellings and DPA's.

The Members thanked Mr. Doyle for his in-depth presentation.

4.1.2 WCC Social Housing Supply Programme 2017-2019

Mr. O'Gorman briefed the Members on the Wexford County Council Social Housing Supply Programme 2017-2019, the contents of which were noted. It was noted that this document was a Work Programme and would be subject to change over its three year life span.

4.1.4 Buy & Renew Scheme and 4.1.5 Repairs & Leasing Scheme

Mr. O'Gorman, Senior Executive Officer outlined the main points of the Buy & Renew Scheme and the Repairs & Leasing Scheme. A brief discussion took place.

4.1.3 WCC Local Authority Housing Estate Awards Scheme 2017

The Members noted the contents of the WCC Local Authority Housing Estate Awards Scheme 2017, circulated prior to the meeting. Mr. O'Gorman stated that the scheme is open to all Local Authority built estates and is about fostering pride in Local Authority Estates and recognising and rewarding individuals and groups for their efforts. The closing date of receipt of applications is Wednesday 31st May, 2017.

4.2 Community

4.2.1 Community Facilities Scheme 2017

Mr. Ger Mackey, Community & Enterprise attended the meeting to update the Members on the Community Facilities Scheme 2017. Mr. Mackey gave a background to the scheme and the programme implementation. Mr. Mackey stated that it is proposed to commence this scheme immediately with a closing date for receipt of applications of Friday 30th June, 2017.

4.2.2 District Community Projects 2017

4.2.3 LCDC/Leader/SICAP Programme Update

4.2.4 Public Participation Network Update

4.2.5 Connection for Life – Wexford County Suicide & Self Harm Prevention Plan 2016-2020

Mr. Mackey outlined the key LCDC Projects and Programmes which included the Local

Economic and Community Plan (LECP), the Celtic Trails and 3W's Blueway. A brief discussion took place.

4.2.6 Sports Active Wexford Update

The report on the Sports Active Wexford Update circulated prior to the meeting was noted.

4.2.7 Daft Playground Strategy 2017-2022

Mr. Mackey highlighted the main points of the Draft Playground Strategy 2017-2020 and stated that it has been prepared to facilitate the strategic development of playgrounds in County Wexford. He continued by stating that the strategy includes 4 Strategic Policies, as follows:-

- *Policy 1*
Policy 2 sets out the framework for three categories of playground based on location, use and size of playground.
- *Policy 2*
Playground locations.
- *Policy 3*
Future playground provision.
- *Policy 4*
General design and play value objectives.

The Members welcomed Mr. Mackey's confirmation of inclusion of Bunclody in the Playground Strategy for future provision.

4.2.8 Draft WCC Community Funding Scheme 2017-2020

The contents of the Draft Wexford County Council Community Funding Scheme 2017-2020 were discussed and noted.

The Members put forward a number of queries to which Mr. Mackey responded.

5. Water Services Report.

Mr. Tadhg O'Corcora, Senior Executive Engineer attended the meeting to discuss the Water Services Report circulated prior to the meeting. The Members outlined a number of queries to which Mr. O'Corcora responded.

6. Business prescribed by Statute, Standing Orders or Resolutions of the Municipal District Members.

6.1 Schedule of Municipal District Works – EMD 2017

On the proposal of Cllr. Doyle, seconded by Cllr. Codd-Nolan the Members agreed the 2017 Schedule of Municipal District Works for the Enniscorthy Municipal District as presented by Ms. Hore, District Manager.

7. Correspondence.

The District Manager informed the Members that a meeting of the Joint Policing Committee was scheduled for Monday 8th May, 2017 in County Hall, Carricklawn.

8. Any Other Business.

Votes of Sympathy

The Members extended a vote of sympathy to the following:-

- Ms. Sinead Casey, District Manager, New Ross Municipal District on the death of her husband, RIP.
- Mr. Frank O'Connor, Enniscorthy on the death of his sister Ms. Kathleen Carty, RIP.

A minutes silence was observed.

Congratulations

Cllr. Murphy extended best wishes to the Kilmyshall/Bunclody Drama Group in the upcoming All Ireland Drama Competition.

This concluded the Business of the Meeting.

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