

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF
ENNISCORTHY MUNICIPAL DISTRICT
HELD ON MONDAY 18TH JULY, 2016 AT 4.00 PM
IN THE PRESENTATION CENTRE, ENNISCORTHY.**

Attendance: Councillors: Oliver Walsh (Cathaoirleach)

Johnny Mythen
Barbara-Anne Murphy
Willie Kavanagh
Kathleen Codd-Nolan
Paddy Kavanagh
Keith Doyle
John O'Rourke

Officials: Mr. John Carley, Director of Services
Mr. Pdraig O'Gorman, District Manager
Ms. Bernie Quigley, Staff Officer
Ms. Pauline Doyle, Executive Planner
Ms. Michele Bridges-Carley, Senior Staff Officer
Mr. Neil Dempsey, Executive Engineer
Mr. Larry McHale, Project Resident Engineer

Apologies: Officials: Mr. Tadhg O'Corcora, Senior Executive Engineer

1. Confirmation of Minutes:

1.1. Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Members of the Municipal District of Enniscorthy held on the 20th June, 2016.

On the proposal of Cllr. Murphy, seconded by Cllr. Kavanagh the Minutes of the June Special Meeting of the Members of the Municipal District of Enniscorthy held on 20th June, 2016 were adopted by the Council and signed by the Chairperson.

1.2. Minutes of the June Meeting of the Members of the Municipal District of Enniscorthy held on the 20th June, 2016.

On the proposal of Cllr. Murphy, seconded by Cllr. Kavanagh the Minutes of the June Meeting of the Members of the Municipal District of Enniscorthy held on 20th June 2016 were adopted by the Council and signed by the Chairperson.

1.3. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Members of the Municipal District of Enniscorthy held on the 20th June, 2016.

On the proposal of Cllr. Murphy, seconded by Cllr. Kavanagh the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Members of the Municipal District of Enniscorthy held on 20th June 2016 were adopted by the Council and signed by the Chairperson.

The Members expressed their deepest sympathies with the families of the victims of the tragedy in Nice. A Minutes Silence was observed and a Book of Condolence was opened by the Cathaoirleach.

The Members continued by stating that they were shocked and overwhelmed by this tragedy and their thoughts and prayers are with the people of Nice.

The Members also expressed sympathies to the victims of the tragedy in Turkey and the families of the Police Officers who lost their lives in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Mr. O’Gorman, District Manager read a letter from Mr. Philippe Roland, Ambassador of Belgium thanking the Members for the Book of Condolences dedicated to the recent tragedies in Brussels and stated that the book will be promptly forwarded to the Belgian Authorities.

1.3. Matters Arising.

Under Roads, Safety Measures at Schools, Cllr. Mythen referred to the following:-

“The Members felt that a consultant’s report should form part of all applications by all schools who wish to be considered for this type of project along with an indication that they can part finance the necessary works.”

Cllr. Mythen stated that he disagreed with this stipulation as he felt that asking schools to provide a consultant’s report would put an extra expense on them. Cllr. Murphy concurred with Cllr. Mythen.

Cllr. Murphy asked for an update on her query regarding the provision of compost bins by waste companies.

2. Consideration of Reports and Recommendations.

2.1. Housing, Community & Environment Report.

Ms. Michele Bridges-Carley, Senior Staff Officer attended the meeting to discuss housing matters and responded to all queries raised. It was noted that the Rent Review

was now complete and letters have been issued to all tenants.

Under Environment the following queries were raised:-

- The progression of the Ireland Wales Co-Operation Programme 2014-2020.
- Illegal Dumping – Naming and Shaming Initiative.
- Waste Management – provision of black bags where necessary.

Cllr. Codd-Nolan offered her commiserations to the Three Sisters on the news that they were unsuccessful in their bid to win the European Capital of Culture for 2020. Cllr. Codd-Nolan continued by thanking all involved for their hard work and dedication which she stated was to be commended.

The Members agreed to write to Ambassador Jean-Pierre Thébault, French Ambassador extending sympathies to the people of Nice on the recent tragedies.

The Members agreed to write to Mayor Allen Buckfield of Haverfordwest West regarding the possible future development of Cultural, Art and Commercial relations and exchange between Enniscorthy and Haverfordwest.

2.2. Planning & Enterprise.

Ms. Pauline Doyle, Executive Planner outlined the main points of the Planning Report circulated to the Members and responded to all queries raised.

Cllr. Mythen asked if the Windmill on Vinegar Hill could be restored to working condition. Ms. Doyle confirmed that this was a designated monument under the control of the Office of Public Works, however, she undertook to make enquiries and report back to Cllr. Mythen.

Cllr. Kavanagh asked if the prohibition of erecting flags on Vinegar Hill could be introduced and Cllr. Codd-Nolan enquired as to whether works to improve access to Vinegar Hill could be carried out. Ms. Doyle stated she would make the relevant enquiries and report back to the Members.

2.3. Roads Report.

Mr. Neil Dempsey, Executive Engineer updated the Members on the Roads Report circulated prior to the meeting. The Members raised a number of queries, in particular:-

- Provision of a Cycle Lane on Milehouse Road, Enniscorthy.
- Footpaths.

- Improvements at the Duffy to prevent cars from backing into footpaths/doorways.

3. Official Mid Term Review of Traveller Accommodation Programme 2017-2018.

Ms. Michele Bridges-Carley confirmed that the Mid Term Review of Traveller Accommodation Programme 2017-2017 is currently on public display.

4. Enniscorthy Flood Relief Report/Update.

Mr. Larry McHale, Project Resident Engineer updated the Members on the Enniscorthy Flood Relief Scheme and responded to all queries raised.

5. Water Services Report.

The Members noted the contents of the Water Services Report circulated prior to the meeting.

6. Templeshannon Urban Renewal Project.

The District Manager stated that this project is progressing well and it is hoped that the successful tender for Consultancy Services will be appointed by the end of the week.

He continued by stating that it is proposed to invite the Consultants to the September Meeting of the Members of the Enniscorthy Municipal District. Following a brief discussion it was agreed that the Consultants be invited to the "In Committee" September Meeting and the October Monthly Meeting of this Committee.

7. GMA Festivals 2016.

The District Manager spoke of the upcoming Rock 'N' Food Festival which is due to commence on Friday 29th July, 2016 and undertook to circulate an electronic copy of the Brochure to the Members for their information.

Mr. O'Gorman further informed the Members that in line with the Visit Wexford Project a Tourism Initiative has been launched which comprises of the proposed installation of 25 Tourism Kiosks throughout the County. This project is being piloted in Enniscorthy where 5 Kiosks have been installed in a number of locations throughout the town. The Kiosk allows

people to access information on shopping, things to do, local businesses, crafts etc.

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

None.

9. Correspondence.

None.

10. Any Other Business.

None.

This concluded the Business of the Meeting.

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