



## ***Miontuairiscí / Meeting Minutes***

### ***Kells Municipal District***

### ***Ordinary Meeting***

***4.15pm, 18<sup>th</sup> June, 2018, Kells Civic Offices***

An Cathaoirleach, **Councillor Eugene Cassidy**, presided.

**Councillors Present:** Michael Gallagher, David Gilroy, Johnny Guirke, Bryan Reilly, Sarah Reilly.

**Apologies:** Councillor Seán Drew.

**Officials in Attendance:**

**Director of Services:** Kevin Stewart

**Meetings Administrator:** Claire King

**Technician:** Conor Kenny

**Staff Officer:** Triona Keating

**Apologies:** Aaron Smith, Executive Engineer

#### **1 Confirmation of Minutes**

##### **1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2018.**

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on the 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2018 were adopted on the proposal of **Councillor Bryan Reilly** and seconded by **Councillor Sarah Reilly**.

#### **2 Matters arising from the Minutes**

There were no matters arising.

#### **3 Expressions of Sympathy and Congratulations**

Sympathy was extended to:



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- The family of the late Councillor Joe Reilly;
- The families of the late Cameron Reilly, Dunleer and the late Seamus Bell, Carrickmacross who recently died in tragic circumstances.

Congratulations were extended to:

- Councillor Johnny Guirke and all involved in organising the Moylagh JFK 50 Mile Challenge;
- Laura Kelly, Susan Morrissey and Emma Brady on being their success at the Special Olympics.

### **4 Statutory Business**

#### **4.1 Transportation**

- 4.1.1 To receive a Progress Report on works undertaken/planned for Kells Municipal District.

The report, circulated in advance, was noted.

- 4.1.2 To receive an update on the N52 Grange to Clontail national secondary road realignment scheme.

Nicholas Whyatt, Senior Engineer, Transportation referred to the previous scheme and provided a further update on progress. He outlined the preferred route and confirmed that a new Part 8 would be prepared. Subject to TII appraisal and approval, it is hoped to have the Part 8 in February/March 2019, following which the CPO and detailed design would be undertaken.

A short discussion followed with reference to the impact of the design on the risk of flooding, the need for a bypass of Ardee and the environmental impacts. It was agreed that any specific issues should be submitted to Transportation and these would be followed up as appropriate.

#### **4.2 Housing**



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- 4.2.1 To receive the Chief Executive's Report in accordance with Part 8 of the Planning & Development Act 2000–2017 and the Planning & Development Regulations 2001–2017 on proposed housing development of 16 housing units at Loughcrew View, Oldcastle (P818004).

Padraig Maguire, Senior Executive Planner and Tom Traynor, Senior Executive Engineer, Housing outlined the planning report previously circulated.

Matters raised by Councillors included:

- The timeframe for commencement/completion – the Part 8 process was outlined and it was pointed out this it is hoped to bring the three developments into a single design & build contract using the OGP Framework's Rapid Build. The expected construction time for the three sites is approximately 9 months with an anticipated completion date of August/September 2019.
- The capacity of smaller contractors to undertake the work – it was confirmed that the approach outlined above would be assessed; contractors are pre-qualified using this approach.
- The plans for the balance of Council owned lands and possibility of providing private sites – it was pointed out no interest had been expressed when such sites were previously advertised but that it would be considered in the future.
- The possibility of retaining the remainder of the site as green space – it was confirmed that the space was zoned residential and that adequate green space was already provided.

- 4.2.2 To receive the Chief Executive's Report in accordance with Part 8 of the Planning & Development Act 2000–2017 and the Planning & Development Regulations 2001–2017 on proposed housing development of 10 housing units at Wheatfield, Cortown (P818005).

The planning report was outlined and matters raised by Councillors included the potential to provide additional units, the application of local need as the development is located in a graig and the capacity of the wastewater system –it



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was confirmed that additional units could be considered at a later date and it was agreed to check with Water Services regarding any capacity issues.

- 4.2.3 To receive the Chief Executive's Report in accordance with Part 8 of the Planning & Development Act 2000–2017 and the Planning & Development Regulations 2001–2017 on proposed housing development of 4 housing units at Eden Kilmainhamwood (P818006).

The planning report was outlined and matters raised by Councillors included the proposed house types and their appropriateness in the area.

Councillor David Gilroy commended Housing Department on the excellent work and standard in the recently completed housing development in Athboy.

### **4.3 Corporate Services**

- 4.3.1 To note Municipal District Allocations submitted by Councillors on behalf of Kells Municipal District.

The list of allocations, circulated in advance, was noted.

### **5 Notice of Question**

There were no Notices of Question.

### **6 Notice of Motion**

There were no Notices of Motion.

### **7 Strategic Policy Committee Reports – For Information Purposes**

- 7.1 To note the report from the Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise SPC meeting of 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2018.

The report was noted.



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### **8 Correspondence**

There was no correspondence.

### **9 Any Other Business**

9.1 Councillor Sarah Reilly raised the following issues:

9.1.1 The possibility of installing a footpath around the ring road in Kells – it was confirmed that a meeting had taken place with TII with regard to retrofitting footpaths/cycle trails at three locations – Drumree Road, Dunshauglin, Dunboyne Link Road and Kells Ring Road – all of which had become established recreational walking routes. Whilst initially it was confirmed that no funding was available, it had since been discussed again with the Regional Safety Officer in relation to historic accidents and anticipated dangers, with a feasibility study to be submitted. Other possible funding sources, including the Outdoor Recreational Scheme, would also be looked at.

9.1.2 Update on the timeframe for the provision of public lighting on the Oldcastle Road.

9.1.3 The possibility of including the Moynalty Road on Irish Water's planned works programme following a recent watermain burst and requested that a letter issue to Irish Water asking them to consider including this location.

9.1.4 The need for a burial ground in Ballinacree.

9.2 Councillor Johnny Guirke raised the following issue:

9.2.1 Acknowledged that work on the public lighting on the Millbrook Road had commenced.

9.3 Councillor Bryan Reilly raised the following issue:

9.3.1 Referred to a number of accidents on the footpath at the corner of Beechlawn/Gardenrath Road.



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9.4 Councillor Michael Gallagher raised the following issues:

9.4.1 Potholes on road from Wilkinstown to Castletown despite recent resurfacing.

9.4.2 Contractors not paid for works undertaken at the new Eureka school and the role of the Council – it was agreed to check this with Building Enforcement.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

**Signed:**

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**Cathaoirleach**