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Ordinary Meeting

Ashbourne Municipal District

10:00 a.m., 14th January 2019, Ashbourne Civic Offices

An Leas-Chathaoirleach, **Councillor Suzanne Jamal**, presided.

Councillors Present: Joe Bonner, Claire O’Driscoll, Darren O’Rourke, Alan Tobin, Conor Tormey.

Officials in Attendance:

Head of Finance: Fiona Lawless

Meetings Administrator: Claire King

Executive Engineer: Mel Cronin

Staff Officer: Triona Keating

1 Confirmation of Minutes

1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary Meeting held on 10th December, 2018.

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 10th December 2018 were confirmed on the proposal of **Councillor Alan Tobin** and seconded by **Councillor Conor Tormey**.

2 Matters arising from the Minutes

Councillor Darren O’Rourke requested an update on the draft Terms of Reference for the Ashbourne Public Greenspace Working Group – it was confirmed that the Community Department had been requested to draft Terms of Reference for the group, following which they would be brought to the municipal district for agreement.

Councillor Darren O’Rourke requested an update on the proposal to provide a playground on lands secured in Stamullen – it was agreed to refer this to the Community Department.

3 Expressions of Sympathy and Congratulations



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Sympathy was extended to:

- Des and Marie Foley on the recent loss of their son, Colin.

4 Statutory Business

4.1 Transportation

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

The report had been circulated in advance and matters raised by councillors included:

- The planned works on Castle Street, which are due to commence – it was confirmed that ramps, a raised table and five pedestrian crossings were planned.
- The provision of the pedestrian crossing in Skryne – it was confirmed that works on the provision of two ramps and a pedestrian crossing had commenced.
- The need to monitor the impact of the through road at Millbourne – whilst it was agreed to raise this with the Transportation Department, it was pointed out that this road formed part of the planning permission granted.
- The need for the utility service provider to adequately reinstate the road surface at Castle Street following works undertaken.
- Requested an update on the planned lighting and road marking from the railway station in Gormanston to the old N1.
- The issues surrounding the road width and bridge on the Ballybin Road – it was confirmed that funding was being sought for culvert widening at this section and minor road realignment with plans for a longer term future design.



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- Subsidence on the Rathbeale Road.
- Illegal dumping on the Milltown Road to Donaghmore church – it was confirmed that this had been cleaned up today.
- Welcomed the trees having been cut at Flemington Wood.
- The number of complaints received regarding cars being broken into at Balrath Woods and the possibility of installing CCTV – it was confirmed that clarification around the role of Data Controller was awaited before any further CCTV would be installed. It was agreed that a letter would issue to the JPC on behalf of Ashbourne Municipal District regarding this issue.
- Illegal dumping on both sides of the N2, particularly from Rathfeigh down.

4.1.2 To discuss Primatestown/Kilmoon Cross Junctions

The update, circulated in advance, was noted and the funding allocation welcomed.

4.2 Community

4.2.1 To receive an update on the Ashbourne Linear Park.

An update had been circulated in advance and matters raised by councillors included:

- Queried whether works had commenced in Zone 4 – it was confirmed that the contractors had moved on site, it was agreed to get a specific update for the February meeting and arrange a site visit when appropriate.
- Requested that an advertisement be placed in the Ashbourne News informing the public that the Linear Park would be closed for an identified period of time.



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- Queried whether the relevant stakeholder had been approached with regard to access on the northern side of the river.
- The possibility of providing a walkway, with a suitable surface to maintain access by maintenance plant, in Zones 1 and 2. The provision of a walkway, with maintenance access, in Zone 5 was also raised.
- Requested that information on the contract, including the cost, be provided to councillors.
- Welcomed the progress made, including the work at the playground and the provision of a gate to the rear of Deerpark.

4.3 Planning

4.3.1 To receive an update on provision of the Community Park.

The update, circulated in advance, was noted.

Other planning matters raised included:

- The submission to be made by 11th February regarding the Strategic Infrastructure Development at Knockharley landfill – it was agreed to refer this to the Planning and Environment Sections with a view to adding it to the February full council meeting agenda.
- The revised plans to provide housing on the Thornton Hall site, the impact on the N2 and the need to manage the area between Ashbourne and Dublin in a proactive and planned way - it was agreed to request Planning to engage with Fingal County Council around this proposal and the wider context of the N2, unauthorised developments, etc.

5 Notice of Question

There were no Notices of Question.



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6 Notice of Motion

There were no Notices of Motion.

7 Correspondence

- 7.1 Correspondence received from Minister for Health, Simon Harris TD in response to the Notice of Item 3 from September meeting re of the provision of a Mental Health Unit in Ashbourne.

The correspondence was noted and welcomed.

- 7.2 Correspondence received from Cllr. Maria Murphy, Chairperson of Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee (LTACC) re attendance at meetings.

The correspondence was noted.

8 Any Other Business

- 8.1 Councillor Alan Tobin raised the following issues:

8.1.1 Requested that the Economic Development Section engage with CBRE/Goldman Sachs with regard to Killelland Street and the delays being experienced by businesses wishing to secure premises on the street as well as the need to maintain the street adequately.

8.1.2 Requested an update on the OPW works on channel C1/7 – it was agreed to request an update from Environment.

- 8.2 Councillor Joe Bonner raised the following issue:

8.2.1 The provision of a national and Meath flag in the Ashbourne chamber.

This concluded the business of the meeting.



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Signed:

Cathaoirleach