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Navan Municipal District

Ordinary Meeting

10:00 a.m., 24th January, 2018, Navan Civic Offices

An Meára, **Councillor Tommy Reilly**, presided.

Councillors Present: Sinéad Burke, Francis Deane, Wayne Forde, Jim Holloway.

Apologies: Councillor Padraig Fitzsimons, Joe Reilly.

Officials in Attendance:

Director of Service: Kevin Stewart

Executive Engineer: Paul O'Brien

Staff Officer: Triona Keating

Clerical Officer: Edita Zolotuchina

Apologies: Claire King, Meetings Administrator

1 Confirmation of Minutes

1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary Meeting held on 20th December, 2017.

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 20th December, 2017 were adopted on the proposal of **Councillor Francis Deane** and seconded by **Councillor Wayne Forde**.

2 Matters arising from the Minutes

There were no matters arising

3 Expressions of Sympathy and Congratulations

There were no expressions of sympathy or congratulations.



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4 Statutory Business

4.1 Transportation

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

The report had been circulated in advance. Councillors were advised that the Schedule of Municipal District Works for 2018 will be brought to the February Meeting of Navan Municipal District. Contact will be made directly with Councillors in advance of this meeting to discuss same.

Matters raised by Councillors included:-

- Blocked culvert at Academy Square.
- The surface of the car park at Navan Civic Offices is in need of repair. - It was advised that Irish Water are replacing a watermain at the front of Ultan's Terrace. Once completed works will be carried out to the car park. It was also requested that when resurfacing work is taking place that the Disabled Parking bays be relocated within the car park as they are currently located on a slope.
- Potoles at Hanlonstown Lane.
- An update was requested on the provision of toilets in Blackwater Park – It was confirmed that the need for toilets has been identified. An application was made for funding but unfortunately was unsuccessful. There is a capital provision in the Capital Plan for the park.
- Requested an update on the planting programme in Blackwater Park – It was confirmed that this is replacing planting that was broken or damaged due to frost.
- Potholes at Donaghmore Lane.



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4.2 Environment

4.2.1 To receive an update on Timoole Remediation Project.

Caroline Corrigan, Senior Executive Engineer, Environment Department delivered a presentation to the meeting, which included information on the site location and plan, site investigations, waste deposits, work programme and costs, project challenges, works completed to date, PR and communications plan, stakeholders, access routes and surveys, main issues, challenges and positives to date, the next steps and administration of the project.

The Cathaoirleach, Councillors and Officials complimented the approach being taken to the project, with particular reference to the communications plan being implemented.

5 Notice of Question

5.1 Submitted by Councillor Wayne Forde

“Are there any plans by the Executive to write to the Garda Superintendent in Navan for the provision of a Garda substation in Johnstown and for the provision of more Gardaí in Navan Garda Station after the recent spate of robberies in our town?”

Response:

The issue of a Garda Station in Johnstown has been previously raised at JPC meetings. An Garda Síochána have advised that there are no plans to open a station in the Johnstown area however they have stated that the area is included in regular Garda patrols. A replacement is awaited where a vacancy exists in the post of Community Liaison Officer for the Johnstown Area and it is hoped that this will be filled in the near future.

At each JPC meeting, An Garda Síochána provide updates on staffing levels in the Meath District. In this regard it was confirmed at the last meeting, that there are 99 Gardaí based in Navan who are assigned to various units.



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The minutes of the JPC meetings are published on the Meath.ie website <http://www.meath.ie/Community/CommunityDevelopment/JointPolicingCommittee/JointPolicingCommitteeMeetings/>.

The response was noted.

5.2 Submitted by Councillor Francis Deane

“Within phase 2 of the roadworks programme 2018/2019, are there any plans to install speed ramps on the L5050 in Old Johnstown Village?”

Response:

Transportation will carry out a traffic survey of the L5050 in Old Johnstown Village to ascertain traffic speeds through the village.

The response was noted.

6 Notice of Motion

6.1 Submitted by Councillor Wayne Forde

“Can I call on the Executive to recompense a small amount of local businesses and trade lost during the Christmas Market on Trimgate Street on Black Friday weekend November 24th, 25th and 26th 2017.”

Supporting information subject to the motion being proposed, seconded and considered:

Meath County Council facilitated the provision of a Christmas Market on Trimgate Street from the 24th to the 26th November 2017. While the road was closed for the event, pedestrian access was maintained to all premises on Trimgate Street throughout the weekend. Meath County Council will not be compensating local businesses following the running of this event.



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The motion was proposed by **Councillor Wayne Forde** but as there was no seconder, the motion did not proceed.

6.2 Submitted by Councillor Francis Deane

"I call on Navan Municipal District to introduce some new categories in the 2018 Pride of Place awards, for example best individual front and back gardens, also community groups which maintain old graveyards."

Supporting information subject to the motion being proposed, seconded and considered:

The list of categories under the Pride of Place Competition will be reviewed following completion of the 2017 competition. All comments are welcome and will be taken into consideration during this review. Currently graveyard committees enter under the Heritage category and are performing very well. The review of the scheme may result in additional categories being included.

Once finalised, it is intended to present the proposed details of the 2018 Pride of Place Competition to the Housing, Community & Cultural Development Strategic Policy Committee in April with a view to launching the competition in May 2018.

The motion was proposed by **Councillor Francis Deane** and seconded by **Councillor Tommy Reilly**.

The Motion was adopted.

6.3 Submitted by Councillor Francis Deane

"That Meath County Council would install a footpath from the Moat Bridge, off the N51, to Navan Retail Park. There is no pedestrian link to the retail park in place for shoppers who do not have transport."

Supporting information subject to the motion being proposed, seconded and considered:



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A pedestrian crossing has been provided for pedestrians using the east side of the N51 at the roundabout to the Knockumber Road. A footpath on the west side of the N51 Inner Relief Road will be developed in conjunction with residential development on the west side of the road.

The motion was proposed by **Councillor Francis Deane** and seconded by **Councillor Sinead Burke**.

The motion was adopted.

6.4 Submitted by Councillor Jim Holloway

"Considering the very poor condition of public road L-40066-0 at Neilstown, Bohermeen, that Meath County Council will carry out an assessment of this road with a view to having it included in Meath County Council roadwork programme."

Supporting information subject to the motion being proposed, seconded and considered:

Navan Municipal District has recently carried out an inspection of this road and it is proposed to include it on the proposals for consideration by the Members for the Schedule of Municipal District Works for Navan Municipal district for 2018.

The motion was proposed by **Councillor Jim Holloway** and seconded by **Councillor Tommy Reilly**.

The motion was adopted.

7 Strategic Policy Committee Reports – For Information Purposes

7.1 To note the report from the Environment SPC meeting of 15th December, 2017.

The report was noted.

8 Correspondence



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There was no correspondence.

9 Any Other Business

9.1 Councillor Wayne Forde raised the following issues:

9.1.1 The need for bollards outside No.'s 123 to 126 Claremont.

9.1.2 Referred to an email received from Duncan Byrne, Executive Engineer, Public Lighting Section with suggestions regarding the alleyways in Silverlawns. - It was agreed the Councillor Forde and Deane meet with Duncan Byrne to discuss this matter further.

9.1.3 Asked that when tendering for hanging flower baskets tenders be awarded to a local Contractor.

9.1.4 Requested an update on the consultation process for the closing of the alleyway in Ferndale. It was agreed that an update would be provided for the February Meeting.

9.2 Councillor Jim Holloway raised the following issues:

9.2.1 Potholes at The Grove, Athlumney and the Old Athlumney Road

9.2.2 Retain Road L80330 - The sides of the road are disintegrating.

9.3 Councillor Francis Deane raised the following issues:

9.3.1 A No Dumping sign has been erected at Crosby's bend on the Old Athlumney Road. An additional sign was requested at the gateway on the left hand side of the Old Athlumney Road.

9.4 Councillor Sinead Burke raised the following issues:

9.4.1 Sought an update on remedial clean up works planned for Scoil Naomh Eoin in Windtown – It was confirmed that this is on the schedule of works to be carried



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out in the Spring.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed:

An Meára