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Trim Municipal District

Ordinary Meeting

2:00p.m., 19th October, 2018, Trim Civic Offices

An Cathaoirleach, **Councillor Trevor Golden**, presided.

Councillors Present: Enda Flynn, Noel French, Ronan McKenna.

Apologies: Councillors Joe Fox and Caroline Lynch.

Officials in Attendance:

Director of Service: Des Foley

Meetings Administrator: Claire King

Executive Engineer: Maura Daly

Staff Officer: Triona Keating

1 Confirmation of Minutes

1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary Meeting held on 21st September, 2018.

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 21st September, 2018 were adopted on the proposal of **Councillor Noel French** and seconded by **Councillor Enda Flynn**.

2 Matters arising from the Minutes

Des Foley referred to the 2018 Christmas Market and updates previously circulated. He confirmed that the discussions held regarding the proposal for a joint application by the event organiser and Trim Tourism Network had not resulted in agreement and, subsequently, the event organiser had made an application to the council to proceed with the market in Emmet Street car park as per the details outlined in recent correspondence. He outlined the broad proposal for the market, including the impact on car parking spaces and arrangements for alternative parking access. Reference was also made to the concerns of a number of local traders, as per correspondence included on the agenda.



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A discussion followed including further information on car parking spaces, the procedure in place to deal with applications of this nature, the possibility of organising incentives for Market Street at other times, the efforts made to deal with the concerns expressed in previous years and the overall benefits of the market to the town. It was agreed that the market should proceed this year as per the details circulated and that further discussions can take place early next year to try to alleviate the concerns expressed.

3 Expressions of Sympathy and Congratulations

Sympathy was extended to:

- Very Reverend Seán Henry, P.P., Trim on the death of Fr. Andrew Farrell.

Congratulations were extended to:

- Trim Tidy Towns and council staff on winning joint second place in the Tidiest Large Town category in the national Tidy Towns competition;
- Trim Tourism Network on launching the inaugural Trim Trad Festival and on their Christmas classical evening;
- Boyne Valley Tourism on arranging a familiarisation trip to Trim;
- Kiltale on winning five senior championships in a row;
- Trim Juniors on their Minor wins;
- All the winners in the local Pride of Place awards, Trim GAA for their hospitality and Karen Dalton, Community Department for her work in organising the event;
- Siobhan Satelle, Corporate Services for organising the display cabinet in the chamber.

4 Statutory Business

4.1 Transportation



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4.1.1 To receive an update on works completed/ planned within Trim Municipal District.

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

- Welcomed the works on the Enfield ring road and requested that consideration be given to extending the public lighting on the entire bypass.
- The possibility of formally taking in charge the road out of Ballivor on the Kinnegad Road, known as Big Ballivor lane, that was previously maintained by the council but no longer maintained as it is claimed that it is not taken in charge, despite an older map indicating that it was in charge. It was proposed by **Councillor Ronan McKenna** and seconded by **Councillor Noel French** that the process for taking the road in charge be commenced.
- The need for works on the L6121 at Agher post office.
- The possibility of erecting additional signage in Edgeworth Court, Longwood – it was pointed out that funding was not allocated for signage in all estates but clarification should be provided on the type of signs required.
- The possibility of a clearway being installed at the junction of the old Lackanash Road/ring road or the reopening of the road, currently closed with bollards, to allow one way traffic flow to the town centre – it was agreed to review the issues at this location.
- Progress on dealing with the traffic flows at Supervalu – it was confirmed that this was ongoing with works to commence soon.

Jim Colwell, Senior Executive Engineer, Transportation outlined the proposed three year roadworks programme, which had been prepared following consultation with councillors. Reference was made to the impact on local roads of motorway toll avoidance, particularly by heavy goods vehicles. The



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Cathaoirleach and councillors thanked the staff for the early engagement and consultation and the programme was noted.

4.2 Corporate Services

4.2.1 To note Municipal District Allocations submitted by Councillors on behalf of Trim 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 & Corporate Policy Group Reports – For Information Purposes

7.1 To note the report from the Housing, Community and Cultural Development SPC meeting of 14th September, 2018.

The report was noted.

8 Correspondence

8.1 Correspondence received from Housing, Planning and Local Government in response to the Notice of Item 10.1 from June meeting re The Rebuilding Ireland Home Loan.

The correspondence was noted.



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- 8.2 Correspondence received from St Michael's Primary School and Centre for Autism.

The correspondence was noted.

- 8.3 Correspondence received from Trim Tourism Network.

The correspondence was noted.

- 8.4 Correspondence received re Christmas Market 2018.

The correspondence was noted, in light of the discussion under Item 2.

9 Any Other Business

- 9.1 Councillor Enda Flynn raised the following issue:

9.1.1 The capacity of the public light columns to facilitate the Christmas lights in Enfield and it was suggested that these be assessed to confirm if it could proceed.

- 9.2 Councillor Trevor Golden raised the following issue:

9.2.1 The allocation of the balance from the 2018 Arts, Festivals, Festive Decoration & MD Renewal Budget as it is no longer supporting the Christmas market. It was agreed on the proposal of **Councillor Trevor Golden** and seconded by **Councillor Noel French** that the balance of €2,750 would be allocated for festive lighting as follows:

- Trim and Summerhill to each receive €650
- Ballivor, Enfield and Longwood to each receive €450.

This concluded the business of the meeting.



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Signed:

Cathaoirleach