



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

### ***Trim Municipal District***

### ***Ordinary Meeting***

***2:00p.m., 17<sup>th</sup> February 2017, Trim Civic Offices***

An Cathaoirleach, **Councillor Enda Flynn**, presided.

**Councillors Present:** Joe Fox, Noel French, Trevor Golden.

**Apologies:** Councillors Caroline Lynch and Ronan McKenna.

#### **Officials in Attendance:**

**Director of Service:** Des Foley

**Meetings Administrator:** Claire King

**Executive Engineer:** Maura Daly

**Clerical Officer:** Edita Zolotuchina

### **1 Confirmation of Minutes**

#### **1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2017.**

The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2017 were adopted on the proposal of **Councillor Noel French** and seconded by **Councillor Trevor Golden**.

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

Councillor Noel French expressed his disappointment that the Open Library project in Trim Library was not proceeding – it was pointed out that discussions were ongoing at national level and that it was hoped that the pilot project would proceed. It was agreed to provide an update at the March meeting. It was also confirmed that the delay would not impact on the proposed development at the school. Councillors expressed their continued support for the project.

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



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Sympathy was extended to:

- The family of the late Colin Tuite, Dangan, Summerhill who died in a tragic road accident;
- The Farrell family, Haggard Street, Trim.

Congratulations were extended to:

- Meath Local Sports Partnership on their recent talk on nutrition in Navan;
- Trim Athletics Club on the 10km race.

### **4 Disposal of Land pursuant to the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001**

- 4.1 This was unanimously agreed on the proposal of **Councillor Trevor Golden** and seconded by **Councillor Noel French**.

### **5 Statutory Business**

#### **5.1 Transportation**

- 5.1.1 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:

- The timeframe and scope of the footpath on the Dublin side of Enfield – it was confirmed that tenders would be assessed next week with a timeframe available following the appointment of the contractor and this would connect to the existing footpath.
- The need for water cuts on the Rossan Road, Ballinabrackey to prevent water lying.

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- The road damage caused by heavy goods traffic on the Trim Road, Longwood causing disturbance to local residents – it was agreed to check this.
- Concerns of local residents with regard to speeding, particularly heavy goods traffic, on the Trim to Longwood road.
- The need for a traffic plan for Trim to coincide with developments in the town – it was confirmed that a traffic management review had commenced with meetings to be arranged with Councillors to identify all relevant issues.
- The need for a ‘Welcome to Meath’ sign south of the M4 in Meath – it was confirmed that a costing for signage had been obtained and will be advanced.

It was agreed to deal with Item 9.2 – Correspondence received from Eldergrove Residents Association at this time – it was agreed to review the damaged wall but it was also pointed out that most of the works listed were subject to funding but that they would be reviewed and a costing prepared.

It was agreed to deal with Item 10.1 – To discuss reports of anti-social behaviour in Avondale Hill, Trim at this time. Councillors pointed out that public lighting was key to addressing the issues raised by residents and it was confirmed that a review of the public lighting programme was being undertaken and that this would be considered as part of that review.

### **5.2 Planning**

5.2.1 To consider taking in charge following estates and the making of a declaration that the roads within the estates shall be public roads in accordance with Section 11 Roads Act 1993 and the Planning & Development Acts 2000-2015.

- Butterstream Manor

This was approved on the proposal of **Councillor Joe Fox** and seconded by **Councillor Noel French**.

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- Cherryvalley

This was approved on the proposal of **Councillor Enda Flynn** and seconded by **Councillor Joe Fox**.

- Hazelwood

This was approved on the proposal of **Councillor Joe Fox** and seconded by **Councillor Trevor Golden**.

- Dillon Court

This was approved on the proposal of **Councillor Noel French** and seconded by **Councillor Joe Fox**.

- Teaguestown Wood

This was approved on the proposal of **Councillor Joe Fox** and seconded by **Councillor Noel French**.

### **5.3 Corporate Services**

- 5.3.1 To note Municipal District Allocations submitted by Councillors on behalf of Trim Municipal District.

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

### **5.4 To consider and adopt the 2017 Schedule of Municipal District Works.**

David Jones, Housing Department outlined the categories for housing maintenance and repair and explained the background to the allocations, including those managed centrally. An update on housing activity in Trim Municipal District was also circulated. It was pointed out that the proposed programme of works was based on the 2016 funding allocations, as the 2017 allocations had not yet been confirmed but should be similar to that in 2016, if not slightly increased. Councillors were reminded that ongoing updates would be included in the monthly Chief Executive's Report presented at the full Council meetings.



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Councillors welcomed the progress being made in increasing social housing provision and commended the staff of the Housing Department on their work.

John McGrath, Senior Engineer, Transportation Department provided an overview of the breakdown of funding relating to transportation, the sources of funding and how these can be spent, the rationale for the allocations to the Municipal District and the central budgets that are allocated over the six municipal districts. The increase in funding to Trim Municipal District was highlighted. Reference was also made to the CIS allocation and proposed works for 2017 in addition to the proposed LIS for 2017, for which Councillors expressed their support.

The 2017 Trim Schedule of Municipal District Works was unanimously adopted on the proposal of **Councillor Joe Fox** and seconded by **Councillor Noel French**.

### **6 Notice of Question**

#### **6.1 Submitted by Councillor Caroline Lynch**

“Can the Planning Department of Meath County Council provide an update on the taking in charge process for Pinebrook Estate in Trim?”

**Response:**

*The Planning Department has not received a valid taking in charge application as required under Section 180 of the Planning and Development Acts for the Development known as Pinebrook Estate, Trim and therefore has no plans to take in charge this development. An application form, which requires the signature of the majority of homeowners within the development to meet the requirements as set out in the Act, is available from the Planning Department.*

The question was withdrawn as Councillor Lynch was absent.

### **7 Notice of Motion**

#### **7.1 Submitted by Councillor Trevor Golden**



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“That Trim Municipal District hosts a civic reception in recognition of the on and off field achievements of Trim Celtic in the community of South Meath over its 50 years to date with the aim of holding such a reception in April 2017, thereby accommodating the sports calendar.”

The motion was proposed by **Councillor Trevor Golden** and seconded by **Councillor Noel French**.

The motion was adopted.

### **7.2 Submitted by Councillor Caroline Lynch**

“In view of the passing of the motion at Meath County Council regarding additional public lighting in areas where a request is made by residents and the Gardaí, that Trim Municipal District writes to the JPC and residents associations in Mornington Heights and Pinebrook Estate informing them of this decision.”

The motion was deferred.

### **7.3 Submitted by Councillor Caroline Lynch**

“That a letter issues to all local post primary schools, youthreach centres and youth projects requesting that more young people volunteer to go on a list of helpers for Tidy Towns committees in their areas, making themselves available one Saturday per month or when specific projects are organised.”

The motion was deferred.

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

8.1 To note the report from the Transportation SPC meeting of 26th January 2017.

The report was noted.

## **9 Correspondence**



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- 9.1 Correspondence received from Trim St Patrick's Day Committee re funding.

Following a short discussion, it was agreed on the proposal of **Councillor Enda Flynn** and seconded by **Councillor Noel French** that the following allocations would be made from the 2017 Arts, Festivals, Festive Lighting & MD Renewal budget:

- €1,500 - Trim St. Patrick's Day Committee
- €750 – Enfield St. Patrick's Day Committee

- 9.2 Correspondence received from Eldergrove Residents Association re safety within the estate.

This was discussed under Item 5.1.1.

- 9.3 Correspondence received from Irish Water in response to the Notice of Item 4.1.1 of January meeting re the proposed watermain replacement on the Lackanash Road, Trim.

It was agreed to defer this to the March meeting.

### **10 Any Other Business**

- 10.1 To discuss reports of anti-social behaviour in Avondale Hill, Trim.

This was discussed under Item 5.1.1.

- 10.2 Councillor Trevor Golden raised the following issue:

10.2.1 Update on the site visit to Longwood regarding the provision of the footpath at the new school, which is due to open in 8 weeks – it was agreed to refer this to Transportation.

- 10.3 Councillor Noel French raised the following issue:

10.3.1 The need to review the pedestrian crossing in Longwood.



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- 10.3.2 Update on the parking review to be carried out and the possibility of privatising the service – Councillors were reassured that there were no plans to privatise the parking service.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

**Signed:**

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**Cathaoirleach**