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Trim Municipal District

Ordinary Meeting

2:00p.m., 21st April 2017, Trim Civic Offices

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

Councillors Present: Joe Fox, Noel French, Trevor Golden, Caroline Lynch.

Apologies: Councillor Ronan McKenna.

Officials in Attendance:

Director of Service: Des Foley

Meetings Administrator: Claire King

Executive Engineer: Maura Daly

Assistant Engineer: Rory Kilbride

Staff Officer: Triona Keating

1 Confirmation of Minutes

1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary Meeting held on 24th March, 2017.

The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 24th March, 2017 were adopted on the proposal of **Councillor Noel French** and seconded by **Councillor Joe Fox**.

2 Matters arising from the Minutes

Councillor Caroline Lynch referred to the update provided by Irish Water in relation to the watermains replacement at Lackanash and the timeframe for these works – Des Foley provided a further update from the Water Services Section and it was agreed to circulate this information to Councillors.



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Councillor Noel French referred to the promotion of the grants available for community-based CCTV schemes launched by the Department of Justice & Equality – it was agreed to request the Community Department to promote this grant scheme.

3 Expressions of Sympathy and Congratulations

Sympathy was extended to:

- The family of the late Dave McGowan, former Engineer with Trim Town Council.

4 Statutory Business

4.1 Transportation

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 Councillor included:

- Welcomed the footpath works in Enfield and the snagging in St. Oliver's Park.
- The timeframe for the repair of potholes in Enfield – it was pointed out that the design was currently being considered, following which the works would go out to tender.
- The footpath works in St. Patrick's Park, Trim – it was confirmed that these would be completed alongside works in the park.
- The damage to verges on the Kilglass/Moyfin road from Longwood.
- The need to renew the white lines to the Blackwater bridge from Longwood.
- The loose slates on the derelict house towards Johnstownbridge.



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- The provision of public lighting on the Enfield Bypass – it was confirmed that a Public Lighting review was being undertaken and that a draft programme of works would be brought to the Municipal District for consideration.
- The timeframe for the traffic management plan on the Dublin Road, Trim – it was confirmed that the design was being prepared, to include a new stretch of footpath, a new pedestrian crossing and traffic calming measures.
- The maintenance of private roads not in charge – it was confirmed that the CIS was proceeding for roads in charge and that a recommendation had been made by the Transportation SPC that each Municipal District could make an allocation towards a Local Improvement Scheme for roads not in charge, with a local contribution to be made. The arrangements for such a scheme were to be formalised and expressions of interest sought, with the Municipal District then to decide on the allocation amount to be made.

4.2 Corporate Services

- 4.2.1 To discuss the 2017 Arts, Festivals, Festive Decoration & MD Renewal Budgets.

Dara McGowan, Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Services confirmed that contact had been made with local groups to discuss the Christmas Market 2017 proposals, following which a meeting would be arranged with the event organisers. It was agreed that an update would be provided as appropriate.

- 4.2.2 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

5.1 Submitted by Councillor Caroline Lynch

“Can the Manager give an update on report requested re the possibilities for some additional cycle routes in the Trim area?”



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Response:

Meath County Council has previously applied to the National Transport Authority for funding to investigate the need for /requirements of additional cycle routes in the Trim area. However to date, funding has not been provided by the National Transport Authority to carry out this work.

The response was noted.

6 Notice of Motion

6.1 Submitted by Councillor Caroline Lynch

“As the volume of road safety and repair projects requested by Councillors grows can the engineer present an updated list of all projects so that Councillors can review this list on a regular basis.”

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

The District Engineer’s Report detailing current projects is presented to the Members at the Ordinary Meetings each month.

The Schedule of Municipal District Works for 2017 has been agreed by the Members – the Engineer is available to discuss this schedule should further information be required.

All other requests submitted through Members Representatives are recorded. These are placed in a database for assessment and prioritisation as resources allow.

A list of Notices of Question and Notices of Motion from January 2016 can be distributed to the Members for information if required.

The motion was proposed by **Councillor Caroline Lynch** and seconded by **Councillor Noel French**.

A short discussion followed, where reference was made to the information already made available. Councillor Lynch requested that a list be provided to Councillors twice



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a year, detailing the new works and progress made. It was agreed that a list of proposed works would be circulated at a future meeting, when additional funding becomes available and a decision is required on works to be undertaken.

The motion was adopted.

6.2 Submitted by Councillor Caroline Lynch

“In view of the welcome announcement of the additional funding in the capital programme at the April County Council meeting for public lighting, can we have a presentation at MD level about the priorities and work which will take place using some of this funding in the Trim area.”

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

Following the presentation of the Capital Programme at the April meeting of Meath County Council a programme of public lighting priorities and works will be developed and presented to the Council Members in the coming months.

The motion was proposed by **Councillor Caroline Lynch** and seconded by **Councillor Enda Flynn**.

Reference was made to the supporting information provided, confirming that a Public Lighting review was already underway and that recommendations would be presented to the Municipal District for approval.

The motion was noted.

7 Strategic Policy Committee Report – For Information Purposes

- 7.1 To note the report from the Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise SPC meeting of 13th March, 2017.

The report was noted.

8 Correspondence



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There was no correspondence.

9 Any Other Business

9.1 Councillor Caroline Lynch raised the following issues:

- 9.1.1 The road safety concerns of residents in Longwood – it was agreed that a meeting would be arranged with the residents to discuss these concerns.
- 9.1.2 Update on flashing signs at Lackanash – it was pointed out these were limited as a deterrent.
- 9.1.3 Congratulated Fiona Fallon, Community Section on the Rural Regeneration grant process – Councillors were asked to encourage as many applications as possible under the scheme.

9.2 Councillor Enda Flynn raised the following issue:

- 9.2.1 Query as to who was responsible for the old N4 from Enfield to Clonard as the road surface had deteriorated - it was confirmed that Meath County Council had responsibility for this stretch and that it would be checked.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed:

Cathaoirleach