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Trim Municipal District

Ordinary Meeting

2:15 p.m., 18th June 2021, County Hall, Navan

An Cathaoirleach, **Councillor Joe Fox**, presided.

Councillors Present: Aisling Dempsey, Noel French, Trevor Golden, Ronan Moore, Niamh Souhan.

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 May 2021.

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 21st May 2021 were confirmed on the proposal of **Councillor Noel French** and seconded by **Councillor Ronan Moore**.

2 Matters arising from the Minutes

Councillor Noel French requested that the minutes of the May meeting be amended to include his request for an update on the lease agreement with Trim Celtic and Trim Athletic Club – it was agreed to amend the minutes.

3 Expressions of Sympathy and Congratulations

Congratulations were extended to:



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- Meath County Council on recently signing the contracts for two large developments – the Porchfields and Trim Theatre & Community Centre.
- Dara McGowan on his appointment as Director of Services, with tributes paid to his contribution to significant local projects.
- Meath Local Sports Partnership on organising the Royal County 5KM run, with people using facilities around the county to participate.

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 councillors included:

- Queried whether the sign on the approach to Boardsmill had been relocated – this was confirmed.
- Referred to illegal dumping at the rear of Spar in Longwood and acknowledged the limited action that can be taken as this is private property.
- Queried whether the developer had taken any action with regard to a blocked drain outside an estate in Longwood – the developer is arranging a CCTV survey.
- Commended the works undertaken in the municipal district, e.g. the footpath on the Kildalkey Road.
- Queried whether traffic wardens can issue litter fines and, if not, that future contracts be revised to include this.



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- Queried the status of the Old Athboy Road/Whitehall, which is currently used only as a pedestrian entrance but which is in poor condition, with an abandoned car, grass growing on both sides and a deteriorating footpath.
- Queried when the ESB would connect the lights at Newtown – they will possibly be connected next week, with all else completed.
- Referred to random littering out of cars and suggested that a pilot campaign to highlight the issue in primary schools in Meath would be of benefit.
- Requested that private landowners be requested to undertake necessary verge cutting until such time as the hedge cutting season commences to improve road safety, particularly for pedestrians.

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 Correspondence

There was no correspondence.



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8 Any Other Business

8.1 Councillor Noel French raised the following issues:

8.1.1 Requested that the Department of Education & Skills be asked for an update in relation to the vacant schools on Patrick Street, Trim and Kildalkey.

8.1.2 Referred to a water supply issues in Ballivor last week.

8.2 Councillor Trevor Golden raised the following issues:

8.2.1 Queried whether a derelict site notice can be served on school buildings, if they remain vacant and continue to deteriorate.

8.2.2 Requested that the grass in Eamon Duggan Industrial Estate be cut twice in the summer.

8.2.3 Referred to anti-social behaviour in Oaktree Business Park, which is used as a walking route.

8.3 Councillor Ronan Moore raised the following issues:

8.3.1 Requested that the Department of Education & Skills be asked for an update in relation to the report being prepared on future school capacity in the area, to include a boys secondary school.

8.3.2 Queried whether future planning permissions in Eamon Duggan Industrial Estate could include conditions to provide a footpath on the Dunderry Road side to link with the footpath on the opposite side to facilitate pedestrians using this as a walking route.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed:



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