

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

### ***Ordinary Meeting***

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

***2:00 p.m., 14<sup>th</sup> July 2023, Trim Civic Offices***

An Cathaoirleach, **Councillor Noel French**, presided.

**Councillors Present:** Joe Fox, and Aisling Dempsey

**Councillors Present via Zoom:** Trevor Golden, Ronan Moore, Niamh Souhan

**Apologies/Absent:** none

**Officials in Attendance:**

**Director of Service:** Des Foley

**Executive Engineer:** Maura Daly

**Meetings Administrator:** Áine Bird

**Staff Officer:** Triona Keating

#### **1 Confirmation of Minutes**

##### **1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Annual Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023.**

The minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023 were confirmed on the proposal of **Councillor Joe Fox** and seconded by **Councillor Ronan Moore**.

##### **1.2 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023.**

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023 were confirmed on the proposal of **Councillor Joe Fox** and seconded by **Councillor Ronan Moore**.

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

There was none.

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

There was none.

### **4 Statutory Business**

#### **4.1 Community**

##### **4.1.1 To consider the draft Meath Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP)**

Fiona Fallon SEO gave a presentation on the LECP and outlined the objectives and actions that will support the economic development and the local and community development of County Meath over the next six years. She said that the economic elements will guide and support the economic development role of the local authority and is developed by the Economic Development SPC with the Community elements developed by the LCDC. She advised that the next steps are the consideration of the draft LECP by each MD and the Eastern Midland Regional Assembly with the integrated LECP to be adopted by Full Council in Quarter 4.

On the proposal of **Councillor Joe Fox** and seconded by **Councillor Aisling Dempsey** the members agreed to proceed to the next stage of the process.

#### **4.2 Housing**

##### **4.2.1 To receive details on the process to be followed for social housing developments carried out under the Planning and Development (Section 179A) Regulations 2023, and the Planning and Development and Foreshore (Amendment) Act 2022**

Corrina Elder SE Housing gave an update on the amendments to planning legislation that came into effect on 8th March 2023. Legislation is inserted under section 179A of the Planning and Development Acts 2000-2022 to provide a temporary exemption for local authorities from the 'Part 8' "own development" approval process to construct housing developments on both local authority and designated Stateowned lands which are zoned residential use.

She advised there is no public consultation process but there is a notification

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process by way of a site and newspaper notice to inform interested parties of the intention to undertake the development. This process is mandatory for local authorities and all development works must commence no later than 31st December 2024.

The members welcomed the new process as it will speed up the delivery of housing units.

- 4.2.2 To receive a report in accordance with the Planning and Development (Section 179A) Regulations 2023, and the Planning and Development and Foreshore (Amendment) Act 2022, giving notice of Meath County Council's intention to construct a social housing development on local authority owned land at **Haggard Street, Trim, Co. Meath**

James Kiernan, Executive Architect, Housing updated on the proposed social housing development at units 15 and 16 Haggard Street, Trim. He advised that both derelict sites are owned by the council. The development will consist of two, one bed single storey units, facing onto Haggard Street and two, two bed units at the rear of both sites which will be accessible by the rear lane to the properties.

The members welcomed the proposed developments which will enhance the street when completed.

### **4.3 Transportation**

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

The report circulated in advance was noted.

Members raised the following:

- Referred to the road markings at Clonlish junction, Kildalkey that require remarking.
- Enquired about the markings on the Dublin Road, Trim – resurfacing works to be carried out in 3-4 weeks' time.

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### 4.3.2 To receive an update on parking permits.

Áine Keane, AO, Parking section updated the members and advised that she had liaised with the traders who have no objection to the ceasing of long-term parking permits in Haggard Street and Emmett street car-parks.

On the proposal of **Councillor Noel French** and seconded by **Councillor Joe Fox** the members agreed to stop issuing long term parking permits for Haggard and Emmett street car- parks.

Members referred to promoting the app and suggested a sticker be placed on front of the pay and display machines with the QR code. This will make downloading the app easier. Members agreed to promote the app also on social media.

As requested, the members were advised that there is no specification as per the county development plan on the number of disabled parking spaces that must be provided within a town.

## **5 Notice of Question**

There was none.

## **6 Notice of Motion**

There was none.

## **7 Strategic Policy Committee & Corporate Policy Group Reports – For Information Purposes**

### 7.1 To note the Corporate Policy Group Meeting Minutes of 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

The minutes were noted.

### 7.2 To note the Protocol Committee minutes of 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

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The minutes were noted.

7.3 To note the Draft Transportation Strategic Policy Committee Meeting Minutes of 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

The draft minutes were noted.

### **8 Correspondence**

There was none.

### **9 Any Other Business**

Des Foley referred to the nominations being sought for an Economic Forum and advised that the representatives should be highly influential businesspersons. He said that the CPG is meeting next week to agree the membership, and this will be reported to at the full council meeting.

The members were informed that the Solstice Theatre management company has agreed to manage the Trim Theatre. It has been agreed that the theatre will be named the “Swift Cultural Centre”.

The Cathaoirleach requested that the next meeting be held in the new community hub in Enfield.

**The meeting concluded at 2.45pm**

**Signed:**

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**Cathaoirleach**