

Miontuairisci/ Meeting Minutes

Ordinary Meeting

Trim Municipal District

2:00pm, 15th December 2023, Trim Civic Offices

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

Councillors Present: Aisling Dempsey, Ronan Moore

Councillors Present via Zoom: Joe Fox, Trevor Golden

Apologies/Absent: Niamh Souhan

Officials in Attendance:

Director of Service: Des Foley

Executive Engineer: Donna Pringle

Meetings Administrator: Áine Bird

Staff Officer: Ann Monaghan

1 Confirmation of Minutes:

1.1 Confirmation of Minutes of Ordinary Meeting held on 17th November 2023

The minutes of meeting held on 17th November 2023 were confirmed on the proposal of **Councillor Aisling Dempsey** and seconded by **Councillor Ronan Moore**.

1.2 Confirmation of Minutes of Special Finance Meeting held on 8th November 2023

The minutes of Special Finance Meeting held on 8th November 2023 were confirmed on the proposal of **Councillor Joe Fox** and seconded by **Councillor Ronan Moore**.

2 Matters arising from the Minutes.

An Cathaoirleach welcomed Donna Pringle, Executive Engineer as the replacement Executive Engineer for Trim Municipal District, the role was formerly held by Ms. Maura Daly. The

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Cathaoirleach thanked Maura for her many years of dedicated service to Trim MD and wished her well in her new role.

3 Expressions of Sympathy and Congratulations

There were none.

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

There was none.

5 Statutory Business

5.1 Transportation

- 5.1.1 To receive a Progress Report on works undertaken/planned for Trim Municipal District

The report circulated in advance was noted. The area engineer advised that works in the Housing Estates will commence on 9th January 2024.

She advised that Uisce Eireann have confirmed funding for the repairs to the bridge at Stoneyford, Longwood.

5.2 Planning

- 5.2.1 To consider the Chief Executive's Report on the Part 8 Application P8/23009 to carry out development at the existing Market House Building (a Protected Structure RPS Reference 91235) and surrounds at Castle Street, Trim, Co. Meath.

MD Manager, Des Foley outlined to the Members the details of the Part 8 Report and its contents and recommended that the development be carried as per the report.

The members supported the recommendation and said it will be a great asset to the town when developed. They requested that all facilities which are currently available in the Visitor Centre will be accommodated in the new facility.

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- 5.2.2 To note the Municipal District Allocations submitted by Councillors on behalf of Trim Municipal District

Noted.

6 Notice of Question

None

7 Notice of Motion

None

8 Strategic Policy Committee & Corporate Policy Group Reports – For Information Purposes

- 8.1 To note the Corporate Policy Group Meeting Minutes of 3rd November 2023.

Noted

- 8.2 To note the Protocol Committee minutes of 3rd November 2023.

Noted

- 8.3 To note the Draft minutes from the Housing, Community, and Cultural Development SPC of 21st November, 2023.

Noted

- 8.4 To note the Draft minutes of the Climate Action, Environment and Emergency Services SPC of 3rd November 2023

Noted

9 Correspondence

None

10 Any Other Business

The members raised the following:

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- Referred to the lighting display at the courthouse and suggested doing similar displays at other times of the year- this was noted.
- Referred to recent negative comments on social media targeting some local businesses. Enquired if there's support and guidance to retailers who may experience this. – advised will liaise with the LEO/Economic sections and the Chamber on the issue.
- Requested an update on the Dog run proposal for the Porch fields- to refer to the relevant section for an update.
- Concerns to the number of accidents on the Trim to Longwood Road, most recent accidents involved articulated trucks- area engineer to review this road.
- Referred to prolonged parking in Moyfenrath Estate, Enfield by persons using the bus service and if the traffic wardens can patrol the area – advised that the traffic wardens cannot enforce illegal parking as there are no byelaws in place.
- The Cathaoirleach enquired if the January meeting could be moved to January 26th at 10am as he is not available to attend - it was agreed to leave the meeting date as is, owing to confirmed commitments by the Members and Management for 19th January at 2pm.

The Cathaoirleach wished everyone a very Happy Christmas and thanked all for their work and commitment during the year.

The meeting concluded at 2.35pm

Signed:

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Cathaoirleach.