



## **Ordinary Meeting**

## **Trim Municipal District**

## 2.00pm, 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025, Trim Civic Offices

An Cathaoirleach, Councillor Ronan Moore, presided.

Councillors Present: Dave Boyne, Pádraig Coffey, Joe Fox, Paul O'Rourke

Councillors Present via Zoom:

Apologies/absent: Cllr. Noel French

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

Director of Service: Des Foley

Meetings Administrator: Francis Regan

Executive Engineer: Donna Pringle

Assistant Engineer: Michael Jordan

Assistant Staff Officer: Stephen Carey

**1.0** Election of the Leas-Chathaoirleach for Trim MD following the election of Cllr. Ronan Moore to Cathaoirleach of Trim MD

On the proposal of **Clir Pádraig Coffey** and seconded by **Clir Paul O'Rourke, Clir Noel French** was elected Leas-Chathaoirleach.

## 2.0 Confirmation of Minutes

2.1 Confirmation of Minutes from the Ordinary Meeting of 13th December 2024

The minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2024 were confirmed on the proposal of **Councillor Joe Fox** and seconded by **Councillor Pádraig Coffey**.

For noting - the January 2025 meeting of Trim MD did not take place due to Storm Eowyn.

#### 3.0 Matters arising from the Minutes

There were none

## 4.0 Expressions of Sympathy and Congratulations

There were none



## 5.0 Statutory Business

## 5.1 Corporate Affairs & Governance

**5.1.1** To appoint a Councillor to the Board of Meath Arts Centre Ltd following the casual vacancy caused by the election of former Councillor Aisling Dempsey to Dáil Éireann.

On the proposal of **Cllr Pádraig Coffey** and seconded by **Cllr Ronan Moore**, **Cllr Paul O'Rourke** was appointed to the Board of the Meath Arts Centre.

**5.1.2** To appoint a Councillor to the Board of Trim Sports & Leisure Centre Company Ltd following the casual vacancy caused by the election of former Councillor Aisling Dempsey to Dáil Éireann.

On the proposal of **Clir Pádraig Coffey** and seconded by **Clir Ronan Moore**, **Clir Paul O'Rourke** was appointed to the Board of Trim Sports & Leisure Centre Company Ltd.

## 5.2 Housing

# 5.2.1 To consider and adopt the 2025 Schedule of Municipal District Works, for Housing

Corrina Elder, Senior Engineer for Housing gave a presentation on the 2025 Schedule of Municipal District Works, for Trim and answered questions from all members on the following queries.

- Source of funding for the maintenance programme.
- The upgrading of our housing stock.
- Navan has more funding. What is the rationale?
- Target existing tenants rather than just empty houses for retro fitting.
- The possibility of a property maintenance team for each MD.

The above statutory process was confirmed on the proposal of **Councillor Joe Fox** and seconded by **Councillor Pádraig Coffey**.



## 5.3 Transportation

5.3.1 To consider and adopt the 2025 Schedule of Municipal District Works, for Transport.

Caroline Corrigan, Senior Engineer for Transport gave a presentation on the 2025 Schedule of Municipal District Works Trim for Transport and answered questions from all members on the following queries.

- Introduction of the 'Average Speed Camera' introduced on the N2 in each district.
- Plans for the traffic calming measures for Ballivor and Rathmolyon.
- Condition of old N4 Kinnegad road near Leinster bridge which is in extreme disrepair.
- Increase required in CIS funding to meet demand.

The above statutory process was confirmed on the proposal of **Councillor Joe Fox** and seconded by **Councillor Pádraig Coffey.** 

## 5.3.2 To receive an update on the proposed Housing Estate Special Speed Limit Bye-Laws Statutory Process.

The above statutory process was confirmed on the proposal of **Councillor Joe Fox** and seconded by **Councillor Paul O'Rourke.** 

## 5.3.3 To receive an update on the proposed Traffic Calming at Knightsbrook Crescent in Trim Municipal District.

This was noted by Members. However, Cllr Ronan Moore did express concerns about the location. It was noted that a survey will follow to see how the change is working.

# 5.3.4 To receive an update on proposed Traffic Calming at The Belfry Estate in the Trim Municipal District.

This was noted.

# 5.3.5 To receive an update on the final design of Dangan National school safety measures

This was noted.





## 5.3.6 To receive a Progress Report on works undertaken/planned for Trim Municipal District.

The report circulated in advance was noted and the following raised:

- Members thanked the maintenance team for their speedy reaction to clearing hazards after Storm Eowyn.
- Can the road marking on the R148 Leinster Bridge to Kinnegad be repainted as they are visibly poor.
- Branches are breaking car mirrors near Scarriff bridge on the Ballivor to Rathmolyon road.
- Can a continuous white line on the R158 to Trim be put in place. This is on the Kildare side towards Kilcock and seems to be working well as a safety measure.
- Over hanging branches are damaging vehicles on the R159 Enfield to Rathmolyon Road.
- Can a path be laid from Summerhill to the school.
- Can we have an update on the Kilbride, Kiltale and Baconstown traffic calming measures.
- Update on the pedestrian crossing at the Wellington monument.
- Lighting at the Educate Together School is poor.
- The traffic light sequencing on the ring road in Enfield is causing a back log of traffic.

The Executive Engineer answered accordingly and will follow up on any outstanding queries.

#### 6.0 Economic

#### 6.1 To receive an update on the Enfield Town Centre First Plan

The design of the public tender is being evaluated, and the traffic management plan is in the programme for 2025.

#### 7.0 Notice of Questions

There were none.

#### 8.0 Notice of Motions

There were none.

#### 9.0 Correspondence

There was none.



### **10.0** Any Other Business

Queries raised by members included:

- Member raised the issue of crime in Enfield and asked what initiatives Meath County Council had?
- Will the front of the two houses on Haggard Steet be kept?
- Can we write a letter to Eir asking when broadband will be restored to Boardsmill area.
- Is there an update on Millenium bridge from An Bord Pleanála?
- Can contact be made with Aura leisure centre as swimming lessons have substantially increased as especially for families
- Have we had any further update from Uisce Éireann regarding the borehole in Clonard?

The above queries will be sent to the relevant department for clarification and then circulated to members.

The meeting concluded at 15.25pm. Signed:

Cathaoirleach