

**Minutes of Meeting of the Blarney/Macroon Municipal District held
in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Macroon on
Friday 25th January 2019**

Present: Cllrs Ted Lucey (Cathaoirleach), Kevin Conway, Bob Ryan, Gobnait Moynihan & Michael Creed

Attendance: Mr. Jim Molloy, Senior Executive Officer
Ms. Marie O'Leary, Municipal District Officer
Mr. James Dwyer, Senior Executive Engineer
Ms. Patricia Lehane, Assistant Engineer
Ms. Catherine O'Shea, Assistant Staff Officer

In Attendance for Part of the Meeting:

Ms. Caitríona Ní Mhainnín, A/SEO, Planning
Mr. Sean O'Brien, AO, Planning
Ms. Mary O'Brien, Executive Architect

**1. DEIMHNIÚ MIONTUAIRISCÍ
CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

On the proposal of Cllr. Conway and seconded by Cllr. Ryan, the Minutes of the proceedings of the Blarney/Macroon Municipal District Meeting held on 23rd November 2018 having been circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Cathaoirleach and the Municipal District Officer.

**ÁBHAIR A ÉIREOIDH
MATTERS ARISING**

Councillor Gobnait Moynihan

- (a) Ballyvourney – By the Mills coming down to the N22 – Update
J. Dwyer, SEE – no update
- (b) Kilmurray School – Water on the Road
J. Dwyer, SEE said it was planned to carry out works during the mid-term break.

Councillor Bob Ryan

- (a) Speed Survey at Cloghroe, Firmount & New Tipperary Cross
A O'Brien, EE said the survey in Cloghroe is complete. He said that Firmount is down for RI work and this can be reviewed when the work is complete. New Tipperary Cross survey will be carried out in due course.

Councillor Michael Creed

- (a) Coachford towards Ambush Site – Resurfacing
A O'Brien, EE said that a section of the R618 is down for RI work this year.
- (b) Clonteadmore, Coachford – Gully Blocked
A O'Brien, EE said that Dyno Rod are due to carry out works there.
- (c) Terelton National School – Electronic Speed Lightning
J. Dwyer, SEE said he had passed this onto the Dunmanway area

Councillor Kevin Conway

- (a) Blarney – Cloghroe Road – Inclusion in City Council's RI Programme

J. Molloy, SEO said the Municipal District would be drawing up a list, but that a submission can be made to the City Council.

A O'Brien, EE confirmed that he met staff from the City Council and outlined the areas for that are being included.

Councillor Ted Lucey

- (a) Castleview Cross
J. Dwyer, SEE said a submission has been made to T.I.I
- (b) Lower Cork Street, Macroom
J. Dwyer, SEE – no update
- (c) Dog Control Bylaws
Ongoing
- (d) Post Office, Macroom
Ongoing
- (e) Crookstown – Leaves and Dirt on Footpath
J. Dwyer, SEE said works are planned

2. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- (a) **Presentation on Categorisation of estates for which Taking in Charge applications are on hand**

A discussion took place among the Members regarding the issues facing both the Local Authorities and residents as regards the Taking in Charge Process.

It was proposed by Cllr. Ryan, seconded by Cllr. Creed and agreed by all the Members to write to the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government to enact legislation to deal with these issues.

(b) Presentation on Briery Gap Part 8 Planning Application

M. O'Brien, Ex. Arch. circulated a document "Library and Theatre Refurbishment Project" which was noted by the Members.

She outlined in detail the proposed works to be carried out.

While Members complimented and welcomed the proposed works, they expressed reservation at the proposed facade of the building.

J. Molloy, SEO outlined that the facade had been approved by the Planning Department and when the works are complete it would complement the revamp works being carried out in the square. He said it would also reinforce the fact that it was a new much improved facility.

Cllr. Lucey stated that funding for the project has been agreed and that a substantial grant is to come shortly. He outlined that the CE of the Council has agreed to fund the works in the interim.

In response to Cllr. Moynihan's query on the final figure, J. Molloy, SEO said the tenders will dictate the cost.

In response to Cllr. Ryan, M. O'Brien, Ex. Arch said it is planned to go to tender in late June/early July.

Proposed: Cllr. T. Lucey

Seconded: Cllr. B. Ryan

(c) Consideration of Report on Macroom Parking Control Bye-Laws 2019

M. O'Leary, MDO outlined the following proposed additions to the Members:

- Max Stay/Hour of Operation
Maximum stay 2 hours - 9.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. Monday to Saturday
- Car Parks / Streets or Portion of Streets
 - Car Parks situated in Fairgreen north side of road, south side of road and opposite Dunnes Stores
 - Chapel Hill

She said 22 submissions were received and summarised as follows:

1. A significant number were in favour of keeping the Hours of Operation commencing at 10.00 a.m. and to continue with the 1st Hour free.

Proposed: Cllr. T. Lucey

Seconded: Cllr. M. Creed

2. Extending the Pay Parking Zones as proposed

A discussion took place on the issue and the Members agreed that pay parking would not be extended to area opposite Dunnes Stores as it could be confusing for the public.

Proposed: Cllr. M. Creed

Seconded: Cllr. B. Ryan

Cllr. Moynihan proposed that in order to promote the reduction in carbon emissions that electric cars should get free parking.

Proposed: Cllr. Moynihan

M. O'Leary, MDO informed the Members that once the parking meters are in place an advertising campaign will be carried out in advance of the changes.

Cllr. Creed requested that a sign "Free Parking" is erected at Railway View.

On the proposal of Cllr. Ryan and seconded by Cllr. Creed the Macroom Parking Bye-laws 2019 were enacted.

(d) Macroom Mural Project Update

The report was noted by the Members.

M. O'Leary, MDO told the Members that it was proposed to erect 2 murals, one at 70 New Street of Macroom Castle and the second at the entrance to the Town Park of the Hooded Cloak worn by women in the 19th century and made in Macroom.

All Members welcomed the murals.

(e) Update on Notice of Motion from Social Inclusion and Community SPC

M. O'Leary, MDO informed the Members that Rena Buckley has agreed to a commemorative plaque being erected near the church in Berrings. She said that Briege Corkery has not yet retired and is not interested at the moment.

3. CORRESPONDENCE

N/A

**4. DIOL TALÚN
DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY**

N/A

5. **CHUN NA RUIN SEO LEANAS ÓN GCOMHAIRLEOIR A MHEAS:
TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING NOTICES OF MOTION:**

Cllr. G. Moynihan

- (a) *"Thar na blianta, tá an ceantar burdasach seo tar éis cabhair luachmhar a tabhairt don pobal agus grúpaí deonach. Leis an cabhair seo, bhíodar ábalta dífhibrilleoirí a cheannach agus iad a cur suas thar an réigiún. Iarraim anois go gcuireann an ceantar burdasach tosach ar liosta dos na suíomhanna go léir dos na dífhibrilleoirí seo"*

Over the years, this Municipal District has successfully assisted voluntary and community groups purchase and install defibrillators around the area. I ask now that this Municipal District compile a list of the locations of these defibrillators found locally, in the hopes of promoting their locations locally.

Report:

As the installation of defibrillators is co-ordinated in towns & villages by local groups, Blarney/Macroom Municipal District does not have a listing of their location.

Marie O'Leary, MDO, Blarney/Macroom Municipal District 24th January 2019

Cllr. Moynihan requested that a complete list of defibrillators is made available locally.

M. O'Leary, MDO said she would write to the local community groups to establish locations.

A discussion took place among the members regarding the importance of defibrillators and it was proposed by Cllr. Moynihan and seconded by Cllr. Lucey to install a defibrillator in the Town Hall.

- (b) *Go gcuireann an comhairle seo, le cabhair ó Transport Infrastructure Ireland, tosach le tionscadal féidearthachta faoi an féidearacht timpeallán a thógaint air an acomhal R590-0 ar an bóthar N22"*

That this Council with Transport Infrastructure Ireland do a feasibility study on the possibility of implementing a roundabout at junction of R590-0 (Stage Cross) on the n22 road.

Report:

Stage Cross : I will forward the Notice of Motion to TII for consideration and response.

James Dwyer, Area Engineer 24th January, 2019

Cllr. Moynihan said there was a lot of speed on that road and said it was important to make that junction as safe as possible.

Cllr. Lucey queried if a right turning lane could be provided on the road coming from Cork to Lissarda at Kilcondy Cross.

J. Dwyer, SEE said he would raise this with the T.I.I.

- (c) *"Go gcuireann an comhairle suas uimhir comhartha bóthair dóthanach suas ar an bóthar L3407-0 chun trácht a treoiriú ón N22 chuig an baile Cill na Martra"*

That this Council erect sufficient road signage on the L3407-0 road guiding traffic successfully from the N22 to the village of Cill na Martra.

Report:

Directional and junction warning signs are currently being ordered for this location. We plan to complete surfacing at this location in 2019. Once this is finished the road markings will also be replaced.

James Dwyer, Area Engineer 24th January, 2019

**6. VOTA COMHGHAIRDIS
VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS
N/A**

**7. AON GHNÓ EILE
ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

James Dwyer, S.E.E.

Proposed Restoration Improvement Programme for Blarney Macroom Municipal District 2019 - 2021

J. Dwyer, SEE circulated a document to the Members detailing proposed works to be carried out.

HE said the figures presented are based on the 2018 allocation as the 2019 budget has not yet been announced.

In response to Cllr. Lucey's query on when the work will commence, J. Dwyer, SEE said that it was very much weather dependant but it is expected to commence in March. He said that contract works will be organised through the Road Design Office

Marie O'Leary, MDO

- (a) Cork County Council Municipal District Community Fund Scheme 2019
M. O'Leary, MDO informed the Members that the application forms were available online at www.yourcouncil.ie. She asked that if anyone was having any difficulty with an online application to call into the Town Hall for assistance.
- (b) Discretionary Fund Application – Eugene McCarthy, Macroom Anglers Contribution towards travel expenses to South Africa as part of the Irish Team

Proposed: Cllr. M. Creed

Seconded: Cllr. T. Lucey

Jim Molloy, SEO

Director of Service Appointments

- Patricia Liddy, Corporate Services Directorate
- Pdraig Barrett, Roads Directorate

Cllr. Kevin Conway

- (a) Courtbrack – Roads in very bad condition
A O'Brien, EE said he is in discussions with the Contractors
- (b) Lights on Inniscarra Bridge
J. Molloy, SEO said the tender assessment was being carried out at present.
- (c) Fence around the Playground in Blarney
A O'Brien, EE said that works are planned shortly

Cllr. Gobnait Moynihan

- (a) Ballyvourney to Killarney Road – Lag on Road
J. Dwyer, SEE said he had submitted a formal application to TII. He said there is a pre-warning sign put up.

Cllr. Michael Creed

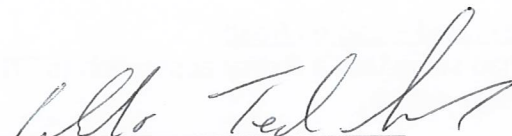
- (a) Carrigadrohid – Road at the side of the Football Pitch
Cllr. Creed said that trucks are getting caught in the grass margin and queried if tar could be provided.
- (b) Dromcarra – L7439 – Velocity Patcher required
- (c) Schronagare, Clondrohid – Blocked Gullies
- (d) Carrigaphooca – "Accident Black Spot" sign required
J. Dwyer, SEE said he would speak to National Roads Office.
- (e) Toames – Gully Blocked
J. Dwyer, SEE said he would forward this to the Dunmanway office.

Cllr. Ted Lucey

- (a) Lights at the Bridge, Macroom
J. Dwyer, SEE said that new lamps are being ordered from Airtrictiy

- (b) Re-instatement of Road Openings by Gas Networks Ireland, Main Street, Macroom
P. Lehane, AE said it was planned to carry out works in February.
- (c) Cork Street, Macroom – Road Sank
J. Dwyer, SEE – no update
- (d) Ballyshoneen – Road in bad condition – Velocity Patcher required
- (e) Farran/Ovens - Ballinneedig – Road in bad condition
- (f) Bridge and New Street, Macroom – Bad condition
- (g) Church of Ireland, Macroom
Cllr. Lucey said this project should be made a priority and an application submitted under the Rural Regeneration and Development Fund

This concluded the business of the meeting



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MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OFFICER

18-02-2019
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