

Minutes of Meeting of the Blarney/Macroom Municipal District held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Macroom on Friday 29th June 2018

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

Attendance: Mr. Jim Molloy, Senior Executive Officer
Mr. James Dwyer, Senior Executive Engineer
Ms. Claire O'Neill, S/Municipal District Officer
Mr. Andy O'Brien, Executive Engineer
Ms. Catherine O'Shea, Assistant Staff Officer

Apologies: Cllr. Des O'Grady
Ms. Patricia Lehane, Assistant Engineer
Ms. Marie O'Leary, Municipal District Officer (*Maternity Leave*)

In Attendance for Part of the Meeting:

Mr. Eoin McElroy, Executive Architect, Housing

Sean Ó Loingsigh, Raidio Na Gaeltachta, RIP

All Members expressed their condolences on the untimely death of Mr. O'Loingsigh. They said that he was both diligent and respectful and was dedicated to the Irish language. A minutes silence was observed.

1. ELECTION OF CATHAOIRLEACH

All Members complimented Cllr. Conway on his role as Cathaoirleach.

Cllr. Conway then invited Nominations for the election of the new Cathaoirleach.

Nominations for Cathaoirleach

Cllr. Ted Lucey was proposed by Cllr. Creed and seconded by Cllr. Ryan. As there were no other nominations, Cllr. Lucey was duly elected Cathaoirleach of the Blarney Macroom Municipal District for the ensuing year.

Cllr. Conway thanked all the Members and staff for their co-operation and help during his time as Cathaoirleach. He also extended his thanks to the Media.

Cllr. Ted Lucey took the Chair.

Cllr. Lucey thanked his Proposer and Secunder and said he was looking forward to the year ahead.

Cllr. Lucey then invited Nominations for the election of Leas Cathaoirleach.

2. ELECTION OF LEAS CATHAOIRLEACH

Cllr. Kevin Conway was proposed by Cllr. Moynihan and seconded by Cllr. Creed. As there were no other nominations, Cllr. Conway was duly elected Leas Cathaoirleach of the Blarney Macroom Municipal District for the ensuing year.

3. DEIMHNIÚ MIONTUAIRISCÍ CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

On the proposal of Cllr. Conway and seconded by Cllr. Ryan, the Minutes of the proceedings of the Blarney/Macroom Municipal District Meeting held on Friday 25th May 2018 having been circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Cathaoirleach and the Municipal District Officer.

ÁBHAIR A ÉIREOIDH MATTERS ARISING

Councillor B. Ryan

- (a) Tower Playground – Update on Project
J. Molloy, SEO confirmed that an application had been submitted to the Department of Children and Youth Affairs for funding under the Capital Grant Scheme. He said once notification was received in relation to allocations a plan would be devised for the upgrade of the playground. Cllr. Ryan stated that it had been previously agreed that the public lighting would be improved.

Councillor M. Creed

- (a) Bohill Bridge, Ballyvourney - Update
J. Dwyer, SEE said there was no response from TII. He said there was some remedial work carried out.

Councillor G. Moynihan

- (a) Inchigeelagh Safety Measures
J. Dwyer, SEE confirmed that the Vehicle Actuated Signs were ordered.
- (b) Grass Cutting Contract – Old Graveyard, Macroom
Cllr. Moynihan expressed her disappointment with the work carried out.

A discussion took place and the Members agreed that the maintenance of all graveyards needed to be improved. J. Dwyer, SEE said only one tender was received and that he was looking at other options available.

In response to Cllr. Moynihan, J. Dwyer, SEE confirmed that the contractor would be responsible for the weeds.

Councillor T. Lucey

- (a) Road Widening, Sleaveen, Macroom
Ongoing
- (b) Castleview Cross
Ongoing
- (c) Cloghduv -Gully
Ongoing
- (d) Briery Gap
Ongoing
- (f) Dog Control Byelaws
Ongoing
- (g) Post Office, Macroom
On going
- (h) Dan Corkery place – Shore
Ongoing
- (i) St. Colmans Graveyard, Macroom
Ongoing
- (j) Lights at the Bridge, Macroom
Ongoing
- (k) Lower Cork Street, Macroom – Track after sinking
Ongoing

4. PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF 6 SOCIAL UNITS AT RADHARC NA CROISE DRIPSEY

E. McElroy, Executive Architect attended the meeting to informally brief the Members and gave an outline as follows:

- Originally 3 serviced sites which will be developed into 6 no. Houses - 3 two bed & 3 three bed Terraced Houses
- Applied for funding in principle from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government. Once funding is received the project will proceed to Part 8 with the aim to be on site by the end of 2018 as the Part 8 will take approximately 4 months.

All Members welcomed the development and raised the following points

- Issue with flooding
EM: Addressed in the Development
- Have the final drawings been submitted
EM: Yes
- Private scheme by Cork County Council
EM: Yes – subject to money received from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government
- Green area around the development
EM: Yes – the existing green area will remain in place
- Would one storey units be more preferable
EM: 1 bed single units are more suitable for an urban centre, this development is in keeping with the existing houses and responding to the needs of those currently on the social housing list
- Any future developments should ideally be wheelchair accessible
EM: Constraint in what was available, these were the best proposals
- Part 8 Process
EM: Hoping to get confirmation of funding from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government in a couple of weeks and then go to Part 8. Tender documentation can commence once the Part 8 process begins.

5. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

(a) Report of Cork County Library

The Members noted the report.

Cllr. Moynihan welcomed the report and complimented the library service on the wide variety of activities that are available.

(b) Housing Report

Cllr Moynihan requested clarification of what happens to a social housing file when it goes to Cork City Council after the boundary extension is complete. C. O'Neill, S/MDO will contact the Boundary Extension Implementation Team on the matter.

(c) 2018 Discretionary Fund Applications

Group/Organisation	Brief Description of Request
Macroon Ladies Football Club	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Footballs• Extra Equipment
Abigail O'Sullivan Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál Blarney	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Contribution towards expenses in order to travel to Calcutta under the Hope Foundation, Cork
Total of 2 Applications seeking funding in Amount of:	€600

Proposed: Cllr. Ryan

Seconded: Cllr. Conway

(d) Briery Gap Update

J. Molloy, SEO said while the Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs were supportive of the Briery Gap Refurbishment works they have stated that funding is currently not available as current regional resources are being directed to the development of the Cork Convention Centre.

A discussion took place among the Members where they expressed their dissatisfaction at the lack of funding being made available.

On the proposal of Cllr. Ryan and seconded by Cllr. Moynihan it was agreed by all the Members to request a meeting with the following:

1. Minister Michael Creed, Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine
2. Tim Lucey, Chief Executive, Cork County Council

6. CORRESPONDENCE

N/A

**7. DIOL TALÚN
DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY**

N/A

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

N/A

9. VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS

J. Molloy, SEO asked Members to consider holding a civic reception recognising the achievements of athletes from the Blarney Macroom MD at the Special Olympics Ireland games. Members were in agreement that such an event should take place. J. Molloy, SEO stated that he would enquire with Corporate Services if a countywide reception is planned and if not Blarney Macroom MD would proceed with plans to host their own reception.

10. AON GHNÓ EILE ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr. Bob Ryan

- (a) Installation of Traffic Signals at Inniscarra Bridge – Update
C. O'Neill, S/MDO to contact the Traffic and Transportation Section for an update.

Cllr. Kevin Conway

- (a) Leemount Cross – Update
C. O'Neill, S/MDO to contact the Regional Roads Design Office for an update.
- (b) Resurfacing of Road Outside Blarney Garda Station
A O'Brien, EE said the works are planned for August
- (c) Resurfacing of Willison Bridge – Update
A O'Brien, EE said the works are planned for August

Cllr. Michael Creed

- (a) Boundary Changes – Transition Period
Cllr. Creed said as a result of the boundary changes they were getting a number of queries from outside their areas and queried how this would be dealt with.

A discussion took place and all Members requested a report for the next meeting detailing how the transition is being managed.

J. Molloy, SEO said he would seek clarification on the issues raised from the Boundary Extension Implementation Team.

- (b) Kilmichael – L8519 Carrigboy – Potholes
- (c) Derrevane Road, Inchigeelagh – Hedges Overgrown
- (d) Road from Doctors Cross to Dripsey – Bow on the Road

- (e) Rylane – When are the works starting?
A O'Brien, EE confirmed they would be starting the 1st week in August
- (f) Millstreet Cross, Macroom – Works Carried out
Cllr. Creed complimented the work that was carried out.

Cllr. Gobnait Moynihan

- (a) Pike Road, Clondrohid
Cllr. Moynihan complimented the work that was carried out.
- (b) Stop Sign Caher Daha To Reinaree
- (c) Clár, Clondrohid – Update
Cllr. Creed confirmed that €50,000 had been allocated to Clondrohid GAA

C. O'Neill, S/MDO said they had not yet received official confirmation from the Department of Rural and Community Development.
- (d) ESBi, Coolea to Bardinsha
Cllr. Moynihan queried when they were closing the road.
J. Dwyer, SEE said he would contact the Contractor to confirm same.
- (e) Tar melting on the Roads
J. Dwyer, SEE said the roads are being treated with grit and work will be carried out over the weekend.

Cllr. Ted Lucey

- (a) Funding from the TII – Works carried out at Coolcower
J. Dwyer, SEE confirmed that money was allocated for the N22 for works at Stage Cross, however, he said it would be more desirable to carry out works in Coolcower first.

It was proposed by Cllr. Lucey and seconded by Cllr. Creed to contact the TII to reallocate the money for works at Coolcower.

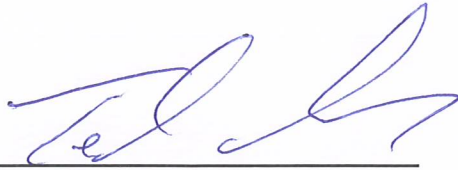
Public Lighting Proposal for Blarney Macroom Municipal District 2018/2019

J. Dwyer, SEE circulated the list of proposals to the Members.

A discussion took place and it was agreed to include Dripsey in the 2018 public lighting proposals.

In response to Cllr. Conway, A O'Brien, EE confirmed that the estimate for public lighting for Pauds Cross to Blarney Village would be €200,000.

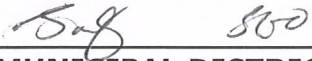
This concluded the business of the meeting



CATHAOIRLEACH

27/7/11

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23/7/18

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