

Minutes of Meeting of the Blarney/Macroom Municipal District held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Macroom on Friday 23rd November 2018

Present: Cllrs Ted Lucey (Cathaoirleach), Kevin Conway, Bob Ryan, Des O'Grady, 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. Catherine O'Shea, Assistant Staff Officer

Apologies: Ms. Patricia Lehane, Assistant Engineer
Mr. Andy O'Brien, Executive Engineer

In Attendance for Part of the Meeting:

Mr. Keith Jones, Senior Engineer, Housing
Ms. Eileen O'Brien, SEO, Housing

**1. DEIMHNIÚ MIONTUAIRISCÍ
CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

On the proposal of Cllr. Creed and seconded by Cllr. Moynihan, the Minutes of the proceedings of the Blarney/Macroom Municipal District Meeting held on 22nd October 2018 having been circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Cathaoirleach and the Municipal District Officer.

Vote of Sympathy for Derry Coakley, RIP

Cllr. Lucey, together with all the Members, paid tribute to Derry Coakley RIP who died recently and offered their condolences to his family.

Cllr. Moynihan said he would be remembered at an ecumenical service to be held in County Hall for deceased staff.

**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) Ballingeary Footpath
J. Dwyer, SEE – public lighting progressing

Councillor Michael Creed

- (a) Ballingeary Footpath
J. Dwyer, SEE confirmed that works will commence in 2019
- (b) Terelton National School - Electronic Speed Lighting
J. Dwyer, SEE – no update
- (c) Rylane Road – outside village - Patcher
J. Dwyer, SEE said he would organise same
- (d) Clontead More, Coachford – Gully Blocked
D. O'Regan, EE said he would investigate

Councillor Kevin Conway

- (a) Waterloo Junction
Cllr. Ryan, along with all the Members acknowledged that A. Weir, S/DOS was making every effort to open the junction before Christmas. He said they are awaiting a Safety Report and that the "left in, left out" option has been agreed with a barrier in the middle of the road.

Councillor Ted Lucey

- (a) Castleview Cross
J. Dwyer, SEE said he has asked the Contractors to do the two junctions at either end.
- (b) Lower Cork Street, Macroom
J. Dwyer, SEE – no update on tender
- (c) Dog Control Bylaws
Ongoing
- (d) Post Office, Macroom
Ongoing
- (e) Pay Parking Dividend
M. O'Leary, MDO said it is hoped to have details before the end of the year.
- (f) Dripsey – Resurfacing
D. O'Regan, EE said it was hoped to carry out works before Christmas.

Councillor Bob Ryan

- (a) Unfinished Section of Footpath on the Kerry Road, Tower
Cllr. Ryan, supported by Cllr. Conway, queried why a small section of the footpath has been left unfinished. J. Dwyer, SEE said he would investigate same.

2. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

(a) **Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001-2018**
The construction of an 8 unit, residential apartment development at Sleeveen East, Macroom.

Proposed: Cllr. Ryan
Seconded: Cllr. Conway

(b) **Categorisation of estates for which Taking In Charge applications are on hand**

Members noted the report and made the following observations:

- Irish Water putting a block on the estates being Taken in Charge – a new system is needed
- Extra cost to the Council – cannot be recouped from the Department
- Disappointed that Sunberry, Blarney not included
- Some of the estates in Blarney were taken over but not the land – needs to be addressed
- A detailed report on each estate requested for the next meeting
- Why some estates are not on the list
 - J. Molloy, SEO explained that Taking in Charge of an estate has to be requested by the landowner or by the residents.
- How are estates included if the Developer is in receivership
 - J. Molloy, SEO explained that they may have submitted a Taking in Charge application previously
- Are bonds still in place – if not what is the situation

(c) **Resolution of Full Council**
"That Cork County Council would establish a policy of retrofitting/improving vehicular parking in older estates, with the primary focus on disabled parking and access for emergency vehicles".

Members noted the report and made the following observations:

- Unsatisfactory that Municipal Districts would have to provide funding – write to the Planning SPC outlining same
- Impact on young people if green areas reduced
- Balance is needed

(d) **Housing Report**

Members noted the report and made the following observations:

- Waiting List Report - a lot of single people looking for accommodation

(e) Car Parking Opposite Macroom Bus Depot

J. Dwyer, SEE explained to Members that Bus Eireann have carried out improvements to their entrance and have now requested that the 4 spaces opposite the Bus Station be taken away to allow ease of entry and exit.

A discussion took place and it was agreed by all the Members that until such time as requested works have been carried out, they should not be facilitated.

J. Molloy, SEO explained that the NTA are the responsible body and should be contacted regarding any works to be carried out.

(f) Amendment to Macroom Parking Control Byelaws 2018

The Members noted the Report.

M. O'Leary, MDO explained to the Members that the Byelaws had been advertised in the Irish Examiner, Corkman & Southern Star and were available for inspection at the Town Hall, Macroom during normal working hours until 19th December 2018. Representation's may be made in writing to the Municipal District Officer, Town Hall, Macroom, Co Cork before 9th January 2019.

(g) Civic Reception for Juvenile Sporting Achievements

M. O'Leary, MDO informed the Members that two Civic Receptions were being held in the Castle Hotel on 26th and 28th November, 2018 to honour the achievements of Cork Sports People.

(h) Macroom Christmas Market 2018

M. O'Leary, MDO informed the Members that Macroom Christmas Market will be held in the Town Square on Tuesday 11th December 2018.

(i) December 2018 MD Meeting

All Members agreed not to hold a meeting in December.

The next meeting of Blarney Macroom MD will be held on Friday 25th January 2019.

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:**

N/A

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

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

Jim Molloy, SEO

- (a) **Large Scale Sport Infrastructure Fund, Department of Transport, Tourism & Sport** - applications need to be submitted to the Department by the 17th April 2019
- (b) **Briery Gap**
J. Molloy, SEO said the drawings were being finalised at present with a view to proceeding to Part 8.

Marie O'Leary, MDO

- (a) **Community Development Initiative 2018**
Closing date: 14th December 2018
- (b) **Cork County Council Arts Funding**
Closing date: 7th December 2018

Cllr. Gobnait Moynihan

- (a) Civic Amenity Site, Macroom
Cllr. Moynihan expressed her disappointment that the D.I.Y. Section was gone.
- (b) Ramps at Kilmurry
Cllr. Moynihan said there was a lot of water on the road and queried if the problem was a blocked gully. J. Dwyer, SEE said he would investigate same.
- (c) O'Riadas, Macroom
Cllr. Moynihan said the temporary fencing was falling over.

Cllr. Michael Creed

- (a) Coachford towards Ambush Site – Resurfacing
Cllr. Creed said that these works should get priority for 2019. J. Dwyer, SEE said that these works were not included on the list for 2019 but that he would have a look at it.

Cllr. Des O'Grady

- (a) Public Lighting (Poles No. 11 & 12) – Model Village, Dripsey
- (b) Farran Hill – Large Pothole
- (c) Pauds Cross – Centre Line
D. O'Regan, EE said this is on the list
- (d) Aglish Graveyard – Road in Poor Condition
Cllr. O'Grady said that cattle were being moved across the road and queried whose job it was to clean the road

Cllr. Creed said there was a problem with subsidence on the laneway into Aglish Graveyard

Cllr. Ted Lucey

- (a) Crookstown – Leaves and Dirt on Footpath
- (b) Creans Cross – Bollards
D. O'Regan said that bollards were being put up

This concluded the business of the meeting



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25-01-2019
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MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OFFICER

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