

**Minutes of First Meeting of the Macroom Municipal District held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Macroom on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

**Miontuairiscí an Chéad Chruinniú de Cheantar Bardasach Mhaigh Chromtha a tionóladh i Seomra na Comhairle, Halla an Bhaile, Maigh Chromtha ar an Déardaoin 13ú Meitheamh 2019**

**Present/I láthair:** Cllrs. Michael Looney (Cathaoirleach), Martin Coughlan, Gobnait Moynihan, Eileen Lynch, Ted Lucey & Michael Creed

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

M. O'Leary, MDO welcomed the new Members and congratulated the serving Members on being re-elected.

**1. CATHAOIRLEACH A THOGHADH  
ELECTION OF CATHAOIRLEACH**

**Nominations for/ Ainmniúcháin do Cathaoirleach**

Cllr. Michael Looney was proposed by Cllr. M. Coughlan and seconded by Cllr. G. Moynihan. As there were no other nominations, Cllr. Looney was duly elected Cathaoirleach of the Macroom Municipal District for the ensuing year.

Cllr. Looney took the Chair.

**2. LEAS-CHATHAOIRLEACH A THOGHADH  
ELECTION OF LEAS CATHAOIRLEACH**

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

**Nominations for/ Ainmniúcháin do Leas-Cathaoirleach**

Cllr. Martin Coughlan was proposed by Cllr. T. Lucey and seconded by Cllr. M. Creed. As there were no other nominations, Cllr. Coughlan was duly elected Leas Cathaoirleach of the Macroom Municipal District for the ensuing year.

**3. BUAN-ORDUITHE  
STANDING ORDERS**

**Proposed/Ar Moladh:** Cllr. G. Moynihan  
**Seconded/Cuidithe:** Cllr. T. Lucey

Changing the Date of Meetings

It was proposed by Cllr. Creed, seconded by Cllr. Looney and agreed by all the Members that there has to be a special reason in order to change the date of meetings.

**4. SCEIDEAL NA GCRUINNITHE  
SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

M. O'Leary, MDO informed the Members that meetings are scheduled to be held every 4<sup>th</sup> Friday at 11.00 a.m. in the Council Chambers, Macroom Town Hall.

## **5. FEIDHMEANNA AN CHEANTAIR BHARDASAIGH MUNICIPAL DISTRICT FUNCTIONS**

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

- Municipal Districts were formed after the abolition of Town Council's
- Have their own budget
- Responsible for Playgrounds, Parks, Burial Grounds, Public Realm
- Work closely with the Roads Directorate

### Blarney Office

The Members expressed their disappointment that the office in Tower was closed and they all agreed that an office in Coachford was needed. J. Molloy, SEO said he would inform Management of the Members viewpoints and keep them up to date with developments.

## **6. AINMNIÚCHÁIN CHUIG ÁN GPC NOMINATION TO CPG**

Cllr. Gobnait Moynihan was proposed by Cllr. M. Coughlan and seconded by Cllr. M. Looney.

## **7. DEIMHNIÚ MIONTUAIRISCÍ CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

On the proposal of Cllr. Moynihan and seconded by Cllr. Lucey, the Minutes of the proceedings of the Blarney Macroom Municipal District Meeting held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May, 2019 having been circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Cathaoirleach and the Municipal District Officer.

## **NITHE ATÁ TAGTHA CHUN CINN MATTERS ARISING**

### **Councillor Gobnait Moynihan**

- Ballyvourney to Killarney Road – Lag on Road – Start Date  
J. Dwyer, SEE said he has no start date yet as these works are being added to the Stage Cross to Doonisky contract which is managed through T.I.I.
- Ballyvourney – By the Mills coming down to the N22  
No update
- Village Enhancement Fund 2019 – Footpaths in Killumney  
A O'Brien, EE said footpaths are not permitted under the Village Enhancement Fund.
- Grange Manor Estate, Ovens – Update  
M. O'Leary, MDO said she had no update but would contact the Director of Services, Planning again.
- Foyle Road - Signage  
J. Dwyer, SEE said the design has been finalised and that the NNRD office were in discussions with the landowners. In response to Cllr. Moynihan, J. Dwyer, SEE said he would confirm if funding will be provided.

- (f) From Codrum to Bell Inn – Signage  
J. Dwyer, SEE said that the signs were ready to be erected.
- (g) Ballyvourney – Zebra Crossing Damaged  
J. Dwyer, SEE said he had contacted T.I.I. and that a new set of lights were being installed.
- (h) Briery Gap – Update  
J. Molloy said the design works were in the process of being finalised and that the construction documents were nearly ready to go. He said he would invite the architects to give an update at the next meeting.

#### **Councillor Michael Creed**

- (a) Ballyvourney – Zebra Crossing Outside the Church – More Signs needed  
Cllr. Creed said the crossing was very dangerous and that more signs needed to be put up.
- (b) Coachford Village – Speed Signs  
A O'Brien, EE said that signs and speed ramps will be reviewed there once Irish Water have completed the Foulmain upgrade.
- (c) Terelton – Signs on the Road outside the School  
J. Dwyer, SEE said an application for CLÁR funding had been made
- (d) Cooleen Road, Kilbarry – Spring in the Road

#### **Councillor Ted Lucey**

- (a) Castleview Cross  
No update
- (b) Dog Control Bylaws  
Ongoing
- (c) Post Office, Macroom  
J. Dwyer, SEE said he had no update but would review again
- (d) Cork Street, Macroom – Road Sank  
J. Dwyer, SEE said that Irish Water has committed to carrying out the works
- (e) Bridge and New Street, Macroom – Bad condition  
J. Dwyer, SEE said there is no funding to carry out works at present
- (f) Church of Ireland, Macroom  
J. Molloy, SEO said he would contact the Arts Officer to determine what options are available.
- (g) Road Behind Thady Inn in Bad Condition  
A O'Brien, EE said that once the Velocity Patcher is available again he will send it to this location. He said he will contact the outdoor crew re unblocking gullies etc.
- (h) Aqlish Cross – Sign needed
- (i) Kilnagurteen – Signs  
J. Dwyer, SEE said that signs were ready to be erected.



## Councillor Eileen Lynch

- (a) Cloghroe – Footpaths in bad condition  
A O'Brien, EE said that signs had been ordered and that the footpaths were being reviewed if funding is available.

## 8. BREITHNIÚCHÁIN AR THUAIRISCÍ AGUS MOLTAÍ CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- (a) Discretionary Fund Applications 2019/ Iarratais ar ciste lánrognach 2019

Group/Organisation Grúpa/Eagraíocht	Brief Description of Request Cur Síos ar an t-Iarratas
Rylane National School Parents Association	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Transport for children to attend the Cork City Sports</li></ul>
Sunnyside Residents Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Paint communal walls</li><li>• Remove timber sleepers</li><li>• Install Concrete Paving</li><li>• Shrubs, Flowers &amp; Hedging</li></ul>
<b>Total of 2 Applications seeking funding in Amount of:</b>	<b>€600</b>

It was proposed by Cllr. Creed, seconded by Cllr. Lucey and agreed by all the Members to only allocate €300 to Sunnyside Residents Committee. The application from Rylane National School was not approved.

## 9. DIÚSCAIRT TALÚN DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY Section 183 Notice/ Fógra Alt 183

Disposal of Land at KEIM Quarry, Millstreet to Michael Cronin, Readymix for a consideration of €58,275

**Proposed/ Ar Moladh:** Cllr. Creed  
**Seconded/ Cuidithe :** Cllr. Lucey

## 10. VÓTA COMGHGAIRDEAS VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS

### Rena Buckley

Cllr. M. Looney congratulated Rena Buckley on her recent Doctorate Award from UCC in recognition of her outstanding achievements in the GAA. M. O'Leary, MDO outlined that Rena will be acknowledged with a plaque which is being organised by the Macroom Municipal District with Berrings Tidy Towns.

## 11. AON GHNÓ EILE ANY OTHER BUSINESS

### Councillor Michael Creed

- (a) Toonsbridge to Dunmanway Road – White Line needs to Reinstated

- (b) Caherbirrane, Clondrohid – Road in Bad Condition
- (c) Bus Station, Macroom – Update  
All Members expressed their dissatisfaction at the lack of action taken by C.I.E. as regards the dangerous state of the Bus Station.

J. Molloy, SEO said a report on the status of the building needs to be carried out to establish if it is dangerous or derelict and the findings issued to C.I.E. He said he would invite Martin Walsh, Bus Eireann to speak to the Members.

#### **Councillor Ted Lucey**

- (a) Masseytown, Macroom – Drains Blocked
- (b) Marion Terrace – Narrow Road in front of the houses – unsuitable for ambulance
- (c) Shores Blocked
  - a. Tatlers Jacks
  - b. Killumney towards Ovens Church
- (d) Killumney Village – Speed Signs  
A O'Brien, EE said it was on the list of works to be completed.

#### **Councillor Martin Coughlan**

- (a) Town Hall Building, Macroom - outside of building unsightly, torn flags etc.  
M. O'Leary, MDO said that remedial works are planned to be carried out to the Town Hall and the Public Toilets
- (b) Entrance into Castle Demense – Weeds, slates hanging down
- (c) Housing Stock, Macroom – outside of houses in disrepair  
M. O'Leary, MDO said this was the responsibility of Housing Maintenance and she would relay this to them.
- (d) Derelict Sites, Macroom – Update
- (e) Aglish Graveyard – Grass cutting.  
A O'Brien, EE said that the Contractor has been contacted to complete works
- (f) Coolkisha Cross – Update signage
- (g) Beal na Blath – Signs altering motorists to slow down required

#### **Councillor Gobnait Moynihan**

- (a) Town Hall Building, Macroom – agree with Cllr. Coughlan - funding needed
- (b) New Parking Signs in Macroom Town – very welcome
- (c) Inchigeelagh – extra sign for Dunmanway at the Church
- (d) Station Rd. Millstreet – Works  
Cllr. Moynihan queried if the road could be re-opened as it appears that the pipe work is complete. J. Dwyer, SEE said he would investigate.

- (e) Air Ambulance, Rathcoole – ready to go but not being used  
Cllr. Moynihan requested that an update is sought from the Minister for Department of Rural and Community Development

**Councillor Eileen Lynch**

- (a) Barrier at Dripsey Cross  
A O'Brien, EE said that the Contractor has been contacted to repair this.
- (b) Dripsey – Missing Road Signs.  
A O'Brien, EE said these will be reviewed once roads and footpath programmes are substantially completed.
- (c) Road from Brew's Bridge to Rylane – bad condition  
A O'Brien, EE - on next year's programme
- (d) Aghabullogue – Old Castle to Clonmoyle Road – bad condition.  
A O'Brien, EE said that Potholes will be listed for repairs and when velocity patcher available again will carry out repair works as necessary

**Councillor Michael Looney**

Cllr. Looney said he was honoured to be elected.

- (a) Town Hall Building, Macroom – agree with Cllr. Coughlan
- (b) Macroom Bypass

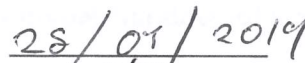
**James Dwyer, SEE**

J. Dwyer, SEE circulated the following documents to the Members:

- (a) Macroom Municipal District - Proposed Footpath Program 2019  
(b) Public Lighting Proposal for Macroom Municipal District 2019

**Críochnaíonn sé seo gnó an chruinniú**  
**This concluded the business of the meeting**

  
CATHAÓIRLEACH

  
DÁTA

  
SÍOIFIGEACH AN CHEANTAIR BHARDASAIGH

  
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