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## MINUTES OF BANDON KINSALE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT MEETING HELD IN TOWN HALL, BANDON ON FRIDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2017.

Members Present: Cllrs. K. Murphy, G. Coughlan, Aidan Lombard, R. McCarthy, A.

Coleman

**In Attendance:** Charlie McCarthy, Senior Executive Engineer, Bandon (C.M.C.)

Brendan Fehily, Executive Engineer, Kinsale (B.F) Mac Dara O'Hici, Senior Executive Officer (M.D O'H) Billy Horgan, Executive Engineer, Carrigaline (B.H.)

Claire Levis, Assistant Staff Officer

**Apologies:** Cllr. James O'Donovan

## 1 (a) Confirmation of Minutes of Municipal District of Bandon-Kinsale Meeting held 24th Feb 2017.

On the proposal of Cllr. Lombard seconded by Cllr. McCarthy the Minutes of Meeting of Bandon-Kinsale Municipal District held on  $24^{\rm th}$  Feb 2017 were confirmed.

#### 1 (b) Matters arising from Minutes dated 24th Feb 2017.

Ringsdale, Ballinhassig need a proper right turn. Councillors wants the NRA to be invited to the next meeting to talk about this.

The Signage at the half way needs to be looked at, there seems to be too many signs and some have been covered. Also at the Half Way the gulleys need to be cleared.

Bollards at the Five Mile need to be painted. The new chicane at Dundurrow is causing a problem with long trucks. This was put in to slow down traffic through the area but now trucks are finding it hard to get through. BF stated that that was the purpose of it to slow down traffic. They are still able to get through with care and if they can avoid the area they should.

Thre Drainage in Graball was mentioned again. BH replied that in order for the drainage to be fixed they need the land adjacent to it and the land owner needs to agree to this. This is a problem at the moment. Then the resurfacing can be done. Cllr Lombard expressed huge disappointment with the progress of the works there. He stated that he

was promised a report from the Chief Executive 15 weeks ago and has as yet not been given one. He has asked if this is not to be done then where is the money and where will it be going.

Cllr Lombard expressed thanks for the sign in Oysterhaven. He asked there was any progress with the Church Bay drainage works. BH stated that there was no progress at this time.

Cllr Lombard asked about the Kilmoney Road speed survey, BH stated that the results are not in yet. He also asked about Cogans Corner and stated that the pedestrian lights just around the corner are causing problems. BH will discuss this.

Cllrs asked about the speed survey in Belgooly. They asked if there was anything else that could be done regarding the speed of the cars. BF replied that the Cork County Council has done its job in the design and the construction of the safety features in the area. They have extended the path to the school, put warning signs, etc and that its enforcement that is needed. The Gardai have been there the past few days and the traffic has slowed immensely.

Cllr McCarthy asked for a push button light for pedestrians however BF stated that that would increase the speed for people to make the green light. She asked also for a camera to be installed there. This would be a Gardai decision.

## 2 Reports & Recommendations.

## (a) Bandon Main Drainage Scheme

CMC informed the meeting this would have gone to Tender by the next meeting.

#### (b) Bandon Flood Relief

CMC stated that he had no real update but that he did know that they should be dredging the river in May.

Cllr McCarthy stated that she was very disappointed that we as Cork County Council do not get regular updates from the OPW. She asked if the footbridge is closing for the summer and CMC stated that he believed it would be. Cllr McCarthy stated that this information was vital as there were 40 Cluid residents who need access on the other side of the bridge.

CMC stated that there was a liaison person appointed and that we should contact them. The Councillors asked for plans for the next few months in advance.

## (c) Restoration Improvement and Surface dressing programme 2017

This was approved by Cllr Lombard and Seconded by Cllr McCarthy

(d) Section 183 of Local Government Act, 2001 – Disposal of Land at The Burren, Kilbrittain to Michael Hayes- At the February meeting of BKMD, members agreed to defer this disposal and requested full clarification of options and legalities.

Cllr Murphy stated that he was strongly opposed to this disposal.

He stated that Cork County Council needs to audit the lands owned by them and to insure that persons cannot take over the land without legal possession. In this case the land was taken over years ago and Cllr Murphy was opposed to them legally getting the land for €1.

Cllr Lombard agreed with the sentiments of Cllr Murphy however stated it was too late regarding this piece of land but that we should be better in the future.

Cllr Coughlan agreed that we should approve this disposal but that we need to tidy up our resources.

M.D O'H stated that it is Divisional manager has already decided to do an audit of land belonging to Cork County Council.

Disposal was proposed by Cllr Lombard Seconded by Cllr Coleman

#### 3. Statutory Business

(a) Presentation of the Ferney Road Managers report for adoption

The Members were presented with a report regarding the road improvements of the Ferney Road involving new footpaths and lighting. The submissions from the public were also explained to the meeting and how these submissions were being dealt with. The Members welcomed the report and asked when works would start and how much would it all cost. They were informed that the total cost would be in an around €600000 plus vat and they were hoping that it would start in 2019.

This was proposed by Cllr Lombard and Seconded by Cllr Mc Carthy

**(b)** Report from the Planning Dept on the status of the taking in charge process for completed estates in the Municipal Districts.

A report was circulated with the estates that were being taken in charge in the area and some that would not be taken in charge and the reasons why.

The Councillors had questions regarding the estates that cannot be taken in charge. The planning SPC will be contacted to get these answers.

There will be another update in the Autumn.

(c) Mark Collins, Padraig Barrett & Maurice Manning will present information on the Part 8 for Kilnagleary in Carrigaline

The Chief Executive report was presented to the Members who welcomed the development.

They asked about disabled units and the need for them. These would be included in future phases as would bungalows.

They asked about the heating and were satisfied with regard to the A2 rating. They asked about affordable houses and whether they would be in the scheme- not at this time but in future phases.

The Members asked that it not being included in the Tenant Purchase scheme- this will not be.

This was proposed by Cllr McCarthy and Seconded by Cllr Lombard.

## Notice of Motion from Cllr. Gillian Coughlan

"That Cork County Council furnishes the members of the Bandon Kinsale Municipal District with a progress report and implement timeline for the proposed Kinsale Greenway"

M.D O'H explained that the Kinsale Greenway was more than likely not going to happen.

There were over 70 landowners on the land proposed for the Greenway, they all needed to be identified and then they need to approve the use of the land for this Greenway. This was a big challenge and one not faced by other Greenways in the country who have been constructed on waste ground not useful for any other purpose.

Cllr Coleman stated that huge work was done by Claire Cronin at the time in the past. The TII also changed its criteria regarding funding and this would not be even considered.

Clllr Coughlan asked to see the report again. She stated that even if the whole Greenway could not be done then maybe we can do something similar in sections maybe. She stated that this was very short sighted of us in letting this go, and that this should be resurrected.

"That a Curator be appointed immediately to the museum in Kinsale"

M.D O'H stated that Mary Ryan was looking in to this and a plan was being drafted. He wanted to thank the Volunteers Sincerely for all the work they do. Regarding the Curator in Clonakilty it would not be possible to shared staff. However the success of Clonakilty would help Kinsale immensely and the Curator would be able to help with a plan for Kinsale. A report from Mary Ryan is due soon.

## 4. Correspondence

none.

#### 5. Any Other Business

#### Cllr. Lombard

- Asked about Learys Road Fountainstown does the old road still have a right of way
- Road in Rerour similar case with an old road, has the right of way been distinquished?
- Ballinspittle Graveyard there is a huge drain that needs to be looked at.
- The Church Carpark in Minane is looking for Disabled Bay- this is private so the church have to do it.

#### Cllr. Coughlan

- Dunmanway road and Macroom Road and Convent Hill they all need a new surface.
- Asked for update on Battle of Kinsale signs.
- Asked about Ballinadee and whether there had been any progress regarding cleaning the river
- Road between Innishannon and Ballinadee pothole
- Footpaths in Harbour heights
- Signage through Half Way and a yield sign at main road from Crossbarry. CMC to check.

#### Cllr. McCarthy

- Clancool –Richmond Court was the Speed Survey done and what was the result? She believes that speed ramps are the only solution. CMC stated that he would have the speed survey report by the next meeting.
- Asked about the surface of the above, CMC stated the road is too bad for patching and the road needs to be resurfaced.

Asked about the grass and CMC stated that this was going to tender.

## Cllr. Murphy

- Asked for an update on the Battle of Kinsale Trail
- Rights of way at Innishannon need an update.
- Update on tSaile
- Footpaths in Innishannnon and Church Hill- CMC stated that funding was not available for this
- Update on Stonewell- BF stated that things were mostly done, drainage works were done, needs resurfacing.

E'O Halloran handed out a document regarding Civic receptions

A Civic Reception may be extended by the Council to an individual or an organisation in recognition of an achievement at local or county significance. There will be a maximum of two full Civic Receptions per Municipal District annually. The Municipal District Members will decide when the civic reception is to be held and where appropriate evening events may be held. It is important that all Municipal District Members attend the Civic Reception.

Next meeting in Camden Crosshaven on the 28<sup>th</sup> April

This concluded the official business of the meeting.

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