

Minutes of Monthly Meeting of Kanturk Mallow Municipal District held via MS Teams on 6th March 2023 at 10.30a.m.

I Lathair: Cllr Pat Hayes acted as Deputy Chair for Cllr. James Kennedy.
Cllr Liam Madden, Cllr Gerard Murphy, Cllr Tony O'Shea, Cllr. John Paul O'Shea, Cllr Ian Doyle, Cllr Gearoid Murphy, Cllr Pat Hayes, Cllr Bernard Moynihan.

Ag Freastal: Mr. Sean O'Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer.
Mr. Dennis O'Regan, Senior Executive Engineer.
Ms. Claire Barr, Municipal District Officer.
Mr. Billy Dennehy, Executive Engineer.
Mr. John O'Dell, Executive Engineer.
Ms. Anita Leader, Clerical Officer.
Ms. Sinead Ring, Clerical Officer.
Mr. Finbarr Jones, Senior Executive Engineer.

1. **Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 6th February 2023.**

a) The Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th February 2023, were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Gerard Murphy and seconded by Cllr. Liam Madden.

2. **Part 8 Manager's Report Section 179(3) of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended)**

This was proposed by Cllr. Pat Hayes and seconded by Cllr. Tony O'Shea.
Sean O'Callaghan presented the Part 8 Manager's Order.

a) **Chief Executive Report for the development of a community sports ground at Carhookeal, Mallow, Co. Cork**

This will be a public owned sports ground. It is being delivered on a phased basis as funding becomes available. Sean O'Callaghan informed the meeting that the Chief Executive Report is to be forwarded to the Full Council if the members agree.

Cllr. Pat Hayes welcomed the project and acknowledged that it would be a huge development for Mallow Town in a great location. He proposed same.

Cllr. Liam Madden also welcomed the project. He agreed that there is a huge demand for these facilities as a lot of our local clubs are travelling elsewhere to train. Pedestrian and cycle facilities are to be put in place which is hugely important. Cllr. Madden enquired if parking for coaches and buses could be provided across the way from the site and also enquired about the lighting.

Finbarr Jones stated that 157 spaces have been included for parking which will take into account parking for coaches. Provision has also been made for bike stands and cycling facilities. Finbarr Jones informed him that the lighting will operate via a timer facility.

Finbarr Jones informed the meeting that one club will assume role of Anchor Tenant. This has been advertised and there have been five expressions of interest. These are: -

- Mallow AC.
- North Cork AC.
- Mallow Town.
- Mallow Rugby.
- Mallow Basketball.

These clubs will be the primary tenants.

Sean O'Callaghan stated that having planning enables the Council to progress this project. It will be a huge step forward if it is passed by Full Council.

Cllr. Tony O'Shea seconded the proposal for the Chief Executive's Report to be sent to Full Council. He welcomed the expressions of interest from our clubs.

Cllr. Gearoid Murphy also welcomed the project and fully supports it. He complimented Finbarr Jones and all his staff for the work put into this.

Cllr. James Kennedy welcomed the development of the complex and requested a briefing with Sean O’Callaghan, Finbarr Jones and clubs for Anchor Tenant. He also stated that it would be excellent for the social, economic and cultural development of Mallow Town. He queried how was it decided to start with a running track and Finbarr Jones informed him that the funding in place at present is for a running track.

Cllr. Ian Doyle fully supports the project and stated that it should be emphasized as North Cork Project.

3. Reports and Recommendations of Officers/Tuairisci Agus Moltai O OIFIGIGH

a) Municipal District Officers Report.

Ms. Claire Barr, Municipal District Officer circulated the Municipal District Officers Report March 2023 to the Members.

The MDO sought members approval for the following:

Repurposing of Amenity Grant 2022 – Kilshannig Active Retirement Association - Ref No. CFS398479855 - Grant Allocation: €350 - - Original Proposal: the purchase of a projector repurpose purchase a mobile phone to replace their outdated, secondhand phone which is used to communicate with members

Proposed Cllr. Pat Hayes, Seconded Cllr. Tony O’Shea.

Repurposing of Amenity Grant 2020 – Dromahane Community Park Group - Ref No. CFS174558371- Grant Allocation: €15,000 - Original Proposal: Purchase of benches, Repair of fencing, Purchase of catering equipment, amenity shelters, landscaping & pollinator area repurpose purchase a mobile phone to use the remaining balance of the 2020 Amenity Fund allocation of €7050 towards the purchase of a shed

Proposed Cllr. Pat Hayes, Seconded Cllr. Tony O’Shea.

Repurposing of Amenity Grant 2022 – Kilshannig Pitch & Putt Club - Ref No. CFS400812475 -
Grant Allocation: €1000 - Original Proposal: the purchase of a green mower repurpose to the purchase of CCTV system, water pump, strimmer, leaf blower and fertiliser spreader

Proposed Cllr Pat Hayes, Seconded Cllr. John Paul O'Shea.

Extension of Time Request -Amenity Grant 2022 – Ballyclough GAA – CFS398762767

Grant Allocation - €5000 Project-Develop AstroTurf playing area and ball wall

Reason for time extension request – The group won't be in a position to begin the project before September/October, 2023.

Proposed Cllr. Pat Hayes, Seconded Cllr. John Paul O'Shea

Extension of Time Request - Amenity Grant 2022 - Kiskeam GAA - CFS400470195

Grant Allocation - €1000 Project-Producing a book on the history of Kiskeam GAA

Reason for time extension request-due to a large volume of documentation to be gathered and typed which won't be going to print for a number of months.

Proposed Cllr. Pat Hayes, Seconded Cllr. John Paul O'Shea.

Following the MDO Report, the members made the following comments.

Cllr. Gearoid Murphy welcomed the progression of the Town Hall Theatre project. He asked to be kept informed when applying for funding at National Level. Councillors can help by liaising with T.D.'s.

Response: The MDO stated she will do so.

Cllr. Murphy also enquired about the start date for the grass cutting.

Response: John O'Dell stated that the tender went out before Christmas. 3 tenders were received. The first contractor withdrew. The contract should be awarded before the end of the week.

Cllr. Murphy also enquired about the taxi rank on Main Street, Mallow, Co. Cork. There was an agreement whereby the taxi rank would be moved opposite the Central Hotel. He asked about the possibility of a second lane on the left. He wanted to know if these plans were still

in place? He is disappointed that the left hand lane is not there. He asked if we can apply for an exemption?

He further stated that if we cannot get left lane, we can push back the taxi rank. He requested more detail on the hatching and stated that the current situation is not acceptable.

Response: Dennis O'Regan stated that this junction will be assessed on site. The SEE advised that junction design now focuses on the pedestrian at the crossing point and the introduction of a filter lane on Main Street could have potential safety implications for pedestrians as vehicular speed at the turning point will be increased. The SEE advised that a high percentage of fatal accidents include pedestrians conflicting with turning movements of vehicles at junctions and tightening of these junctions and reducing the width of crossing points is desired.

Cllr. Liam Madden sought an update on extra workers for the graveyards.

Response: The MDO said seasonal workers have been engaged.

Cllr. Madden also sought an update re the Canopies for Mallow Arts and Spa House.

Response: The MDO stated that there is a feeling that it is not in keeping with the area. She is checking out another location and will revert.

Cllr. Madden also sought an update re coffee facilities at Mallow Castle.

Response: To be discussed at an In Committee Meeting.

Cllr. Madden sought an update on the Tesco roundabout.

Response: The SEE requested that John O'Dell provide an update on the sponsorship request from Tesco and McDonalds. John O'Dell informed the meeting that both parties have pulled out..

Cllr Madden enquired as to the position with regard to the window in the Town Hall.

Response: The MDO stated that it will be fixed this week.

Cllr. Madden also referred to the taxi rank and agrees that there are too many spaces. He is not in agreement with taking it back further as he does not want to see customers parking affected.

Cllr. John Paul O'Shea sought an update on drawings for Ballydesmond. He requested them to be sent to him.

Response: The MDO stated that she will issue them after the meeting.

Cllr. James Kennedy enquired about funding for the Town Hall in Mallow.

Response: Part 8 in progress.

Cllr. Kennedy also stated that taxi ranks are very important in Mallow. Taxis are hard to get in the town. There is not enough parking spaces to facilitate a large taxi rank.

Cllr. Kennedy also enquired as to the statues of the manholes by Apache Pizza.

Response: Dennis O'Regan stated that manhole repair at Apache Pizza has been included in the Thomas Davis Street road resurfacing schedule of works.

Cllr. Ian Doyle welcomed the Community Grants. He also welcomed the grass cutting contract.

He also sought an update re the Age Friendly Parking at the back of the library in Charleville.

Response: The MDO is liaising with Donal and will revert.

He also sought an update on the School Warden, Smyths Road, Charleville. He stated that 500 children attend primary school there and that it is quite dangerous not to have a School Warden. He asked if there is a contingency plan in place while we wait to fill vacancy?

Response: The MDO stated that there have been no applicants to date. There is no Plan B. The option of providing push button lights is being investigated. This is not a quick fix and will take time for funding to be sourced.

Cllr. Tony O'Shea stated that it is great to see 125 applications for Community Grants.

He also stated that when talking to the taxi people there are too many spaces. Taxi rank is empty at most times in town.

He supports the suggestion from Cllr. Madden re coffee trailer at Mallow Castle.

Cllr. Gerard Murphy stated that the Community, Capital and Amenity Grants are vital to communities.

Cllr. Bernard Moynihan welcomed the Ballydesmond update.

He sought an update on Ballymaquirke. There are a lot of commuters using it daily. He requested a Schedule of Works.

Response: Dennis O'Regan said that he will show the draft to members. This will be subject to change.

Cllr. Pat Hayes sought an update with regard to the Spa Road Works Commencement Date?

Response: Dennis O'Regan advised Members that the Schedule of Works for Ballymaquirke will be issued to members after the meeting. Dennis O'Regan advised members that the schedule will be draft and will be subject to ongoing changes as the project progresses. With regard to the taxi rank Cllr. Hayes is negotiating with taxis. The original agreement for a slip

road should be implemented. He feels it should be left to the experts to decide. John O'Dell and Cllr. Hayes are to meet the taxi association reps. Cllr. Kennedy agrees a left hand turn is a great idea to alleviate traffic flow. There is ample spaces for taxis in the town.

b) Senior Executive Engineer's Report presented by Dennis O'Regan SEE as follows.

Monthly Works February.

Routine works completed across the MD include:

- Pothole Repairs using the Rosco/Velocity patcher and associated TTM
- Street Cleaning in Mallow, Charleville, Newmarket and Kanturk
- Road Sweeping in Mallow Town
- Bin Collection and Litter picking in Towns and Villages
- Engaging with Tidy Towns and Spring Clean Groups on collection and disposal of litter
- Playground Repairs across the MD
- Maintenance of Cemeteries across the MD
- Maintenance of Mallow Castle grounds

Mallow Flood Relief Scheme:

- Cleaning of trash Screens
- Opening Culverts

Planned Drainage Works and associated TTM:

Mallow

- L 1205 Ballyclough to Copestown
- LP 1215 Castlebarrett, Mourneabbey
- Pipe Jetting in Buttevant, Sixmilewater, Nadd and Ballyhass

Kanturk Newmarket

- R577 Clonbanonn Cross – Ballydesmond
- L-1003 Taur
- L-50312 Cronrea
- L- 5245 Finnanfield, Kilcorney
- Upgrading road crossings in various locations in the Kanturk Newmarket engineering area
- Installation of road gullies in various locations in the Kanturk Newmarket engineering area

Charleville

- L5105 Ballybane Kilbrin
- L5505 Knockbarry Liscarroll
- L320 Knockardbane Liscarroll
- L5050 Kilknockane Freemount

Wetmix Overlay & Surface Dressing – RI Works

- L5105 Ballybane Kilbrin
- L5050 Kilknockane Freemount

Road Resurfacing – RI Works

- Thomas Davis Street Mallow Town

NTA Projects

- Commencement of the Dairygold/Town Park walk, Mallow – completion of an off road link from Mallow Train Station to the Town via the Town Park.

Traffic Calming

- Erection of driver feedback signage in Hazeltree

Notification of New Schemes

I understand that an email was issued to inform all elected members that we intend to proceed to Section 38 process for the following three schemes:

- R515 Newtownshandrum Traffic Calming Scheme
- R578 Freemount Traffic Calming Scheme
- Knocknagree Village Scheme

Following the SEE report the members raised the following queries made the following comments.

Cllr. Gerard Murphy sought an update for Kanturk Community Council on the footpath from the Civic Amenity Site and the Industrial Estate. The Community Council sent a letter. Did Cork County Council reply?

Response: The SEE said that the MDO sent a letter to the Community Council. The SEE advised that the project will be included in applications for NTA funding but informed the members funding is prioritized on levels of footfall and the levels of footfall at this location is low.

Cllr. Murphy also sought an update on the traffic calming at Clonfert Bridge.

Response: The SEE stated that funding has been allocated to install approach signage and road markings at this location. The SEE advised that these works will commence upon receipt of driver feedback signage and contractor availability.

Cllr. Ian Doyle sought an update on the footpath in Tullylease from outside the Council houses to the hurling field.

Response: The SEE advised that this project has not been included by the NTA to date.

Cllr. Doyle also sought an update on the footpath in Milford.

Response: The SEE stated that this is included in the 2023 funding. The Mason in Charleville will be assigned to this project upon completion of ongoing R1 works in the area.

Cllr. Doyle stated that the footpaths in Charleville town need to be assessed. They are in a poor state of repair. They need to be looked at. Clancy's Terrace is in a poor state of repair also.

Response: The SEE is to assess with Area Engineer. The total allocation for the KMMD is approximately €147000.00 and same is insufficient to repair Charleville Town in a short timeframe. The SEE advised that these locations will be assessed by the area engineer and prioritized as these locations include a high level of footfall.

Cllr. Doyle also sought a timeline on the Newtown and Freemount Traffic Calming.

Response: The SEE stated that a Section 38 process will commence in the coming days. As soon as this is completed and the projects can be progressed an application will be made to the NTA for construction. The SEE advised that an estimate costing has been prepared to enable us to prepare a detailed application.

Cllr. Doyle also sought an update re Park Road Pedestrian Crossing – in particular with regard to the lights at Aldi. He stated that there will be a serious issue as we are one year and 4 months down the road and still there is no school warden.

Response: The SEE advised that all documentation has been completed by the area office and appointed contractor. The SEE advised that the ESB are responsible for delivery of the next step in the process.

Cllr. Doyle also raised an issue re the lights working intermittently.

Response: SEE to investigate.

Cllr. James Kennedy raised the issue of the trees in the Town Park at the LIDL end and towards 4 Home. They are protruding. Pedestrians have to go onto the road. He asked if we can contact Dairygold to prune the trees?

Response: The SEE advised that the area will be inspected and any safety concerns identified will be actioned as a health and safety matter in the closed season. The SEE advised John O’Dell to investigate and to liaise with Dairygold on the matter.

Cllr. John Paul O’Shea welcomes the Section 38 Traffic Calming.

Cllr. Tony O’Shea complimented Thomas Davis Street and all the team involved. He enquired about a pedestrian crossing at the bottom of Muddy Hill.

Response: The SEE advised that the MD Engineers were progressing this project and he will liaise with them and will seek an update for members

He raised the issue of the Junction at Park Road and Bridge Street. He feels that the pole hasn’t gone back far enough and thinks it is unsafe. He sought an update on this.

Response: The SEE advised that this issue has been raised as a snag in the Mallow Boardwalk Project and same should be resolved as part of project closure. The SEE advised that the area office are liaising with TII on a design to deter through movement of HGVs down Main Street and it is hoped that delivery will be part of the TII pavement strengthening project commencing shortly.

Cllr. O’Shea also raised the issue of the lights at Park Road, Bridge Street. Are they fully synchronised?

Response: The SEE advised that it was his understanding that the traffic signals and synchronization of same is not fully completed. The SEE advised that this signalized junction will be subject to ongoing assessments and regular monitoring to ensure capacity is

maximized. The SEE advised that he is liaising with Arup on congestion at this junction regularly.

Cllr. O'Shea also sought an update on the footpath in Grenagh and Glantane/

Response: Grenagh is included in the 2023 NTA funded projects. Glantane is not included in 2023 NTA funded projects. The SEE advised that works in Grenagh will commence shortly.

Cllr. Liam Madden asked if the Plaza Thomas Davis Statue can be cleaned before St. Patrick's Day.

Response: The SEE advised that he requested the area engineer to carry out an inspection previously. John O'Dell advised that this inspection was not completed to date and he will investigate.

Cllr. Madden also raised the issue of the River Valley, Spa Glen uncontrolled crossing. A pedestrian was nearly knocked down. It needs to be controlled before an accident occurs.

Response: The SEE advised that the crossing is designed as uncontrolled and sightlines available are adequate for the given location and speed. The SEE advised that there is potential to connect River Valley and the crossing point with a footpath and this is being assessed.

Cllr. Madden also expressed concern regarding the lights at the boardwalk in Mallow. He stated that cars are jumping lights.

Response: The SEE informed members that cars jumping lights is a breach of the Road Traffic Act and is due to driver behaviour. The SEE advised that the gardai have been informed of this issue at the previous meeting with area engineers in Mallow Gardai Station. The SEE advised that this issue is a matter for the Gardai to enforce and also advised that a meeting has been scheduled with the Gardai to enforce and also advised that a meeting has been scheduled with the Gardai to carry out an inspection on site.

Cllr. Madden also requested an update on the Speed Survey in Ballyvinitier.

Response: The SEE advised that a speed survey has been included in the KMMD list and will be completed as soon as possible. The SEE advised that speeding in a 50kph is a breach of the Road Traffic Act and enforcement is with the Gardai. The SEE advised that findings of the speed survey will be relayed to the Gardai if required.

Cllr. Madden also sought an update re Beecher Street Controlled Crossing.

Response: The SEE advised that the proposal is to apply for an active travel project from the N20 to Main Street via Beecher and Shortcastle Street. The SEE advised that this is a large

scheme and if funding is not available, the SEE will assess the feasibility of a smaller scheme for safe crossing of pedestrians.

Cllr. Madden also sought an update re Dairygold project cycle & path.

Response: The SEE requested that John O'Dell provide the most up to date report on this project. John O'Dell stated that it is in the Dairygold planning that there will be a connection from the train station to the town park. LIDL footpath is in place and is not opening for a few months. Site clearance works have been done. He is meeting with Dairygold on Thursday morning. The trees have been under cropped last week. The plan is to tidy up the trees as part of this project. There will be a new crossing over the river. This will tie into the Dairygold site.

Cllr. Pat Hayes sought an update on the pedestrian crossing at the Spa. He said that it is used daily and has a huge footfall.

Response: The SEE advised that it is his understanding that this project is being managed by the MD engineering staff. SEO and MDO will look at it and see.

Cllr. Hayes also enquired if there are any plans to upgrade footpaths in Mallow.

Response: The SEE agreed that the footpaths need to be upgraded. The SEE advised that a public realm project has been applied for by the MD. The SEE advised that roads will not be concentrating on repair other than isolated defects and trip hazards until such time that the MD advise that funding has not been approved. SEO updated the last meeting. This is URDP Project. We are engaging with Department. Public repair works included. Until funding comes through, localized repair work will be carried out.

Cllr. Hayes stated that there is a drainage problem at side of road to Bear forest. He asked if this can be looked at?

Response: Dennis O'Regan requested a response from John O'Dell. John O'Dell advised that Irish Water are investigate it. It's coming from the gully from their site. It's currently blocked. If Irish Water don't fix the problem, Cork County Council will. We will keep an eye on it.

Cllr. Hayes also asked if Blackrock Park is included in the footpath scheme.

Response: The SEE advised that Blackrock Park is not included. The SEE advised that John O'Dell completed tender in Q4 last year as NTA requested shovel ready projects to be delivered in a short timeframe. Unfortunately the appointed Contractor was unable to deliver the project in this timeframe required by the NTA. The SEE advised that the estimate cost for same is €100,000.00 and the total allocation for footpath is €147,000.00. SEE will note the

requirement for Blackrock Park but advised Members that it is unlikely that this project will be delivered without support from other sources. The SEE advised that the NTA funded like for like repair during this period and it is uncertain that this will be similar in 2023.

Cllr. Bernard Moynihan requested an update on the traffic calming at Knocknagree footpath.

Response: The SEE advised that the project includes for approach gateway into the village and a new pedestrian link from the school to the village centre.

Cllr. Liam Madden asked what can be done about the speed on the Navigation Road at the Beet Factory Cross?

Response: The SEE advised that a speed survey will be arranged and findings will be assessed prior to detailing any measures that may be proposed. The SEE advised that the area office does not have a funding source for traffic calming and any violations identified will be relayed to the local Gardai at our regular meetings.

He also asked about the pedestrian crossing at Spa Glen. People don't realise that there is a crossing there.

Response: SEE stated that he would review this and connectivity from River Valley into pedestrian crossing as per his previous response on this concern.

Cllr. Tony O'Shea expressed his disappointment that Glantane is not going ahead and asked if the funding is lost now?

Response: The SEE informed the meeting that the total allocation is smaller than expected for Cork County Council in 2023. However, the SEE advised Members that our MD did well in that we received approximately €544,000.00. SEE to clarify why Glantane was removed and revert. The SEE advised members that many projects have not been funded in 2023, they remain approved by the NTA. The SEE advised that projects at construction stage were prioritized and again advised members that the team of engineers deserve credit to ensure the KMMD were in a position to progress many schemes to construction.

Cllr. Ian Doyle requested that the yellow box at the 4 Winds Bar needs refreshing.

Response: The SEE advised that he will update the area engineer on this request.

Cllr. James Kennedy stated that by Dunnes Stores & the Book Shop flexible bollards were removed. Two block bollards at car parking space. He said that they were dangerous. Markings not done. Can it be left out as they are restricting parking space?

Response: The SEE stated that it was his understanding it was to do with flexi bollards and not stop blocks. The SEE advised that stop blocks were removed several months ago. The SEE advised that flexi bollards will not be reinstalled also. The SEE advised that strict enforcement will be required at this given location to ensure vehicular entrance is not obstructed. SEE to discuss with MDO.

4. Notices of Motion.

- a) Cllr. Gearoid Murphy 30/01/2023 "That Cork County Council use part of its allocation from the UDRF Vacancy Fund to purchase and improve the site of the old Central Hotel Mallow."

Proposed by Cllr. Gearoid Murphy.

Response: The SEO stated that scheme is for acquisition of properties privately owned. We can't comment on individual properties. The process for identifying properties under UDRF Funding was completed this week. Department will determine funding for each Local Authority. It is a revolving fund. Sites are purchased and sold on by Local Authority. Cllr. Murphy withdrew his motion.

- b) Cllr. Gearoid Murphy on 16/02/2023 "To seek an update on the Mallow -Dungarvan Greenway"

Proposed Cllr. Gearoid Murphy, Seconded Cllr. Pat Hayes.

Response: The SEO has an In Committee Meeting at 2p.m. to discuss and will update Members. Press release will issue to members.

- c) Cllr. Gearoid Murphy 17/02/2023 "To seek an update on the Mallow Relief Road."

Proposed Cllr. Gearoid Murphy, Seconded Cllr. Pat Hayes

Response: The SEE stated that the N72, N73 Option Selection Route in 2022. Funding for 2023 is insufficient to continue. Cork County Council is liaising with TII.

- d) Cllr. Liam Madden 22/02/2023 "Following recent in committee meeting on parking the need to look for extra car parking spaces for staff working in town and the feasibility of using area across from Main Street Bus Stop in Park due to its location"

Proposed Cllr. Liam Madden, Seconded Cllr. Gearoid Murphy.

Response: The MDO outlined the all day parking available for the town. She stated that sustainable travel is encouraged at all times as a result of climate change such as Car pooling, cycling and walking.

Cllr. Tony O'Shea and Cllr. Hayes stated that there is ample parking in Mallow. They asked if a site can be identified for further parking?

Response: The SEO stated that, like many towns across the County, parking is a challenge in Mallow Town. The Council is always on the lookout for opportunity to provide additional parking and will continue to do so. Hard surface parking will be considered.

- e) Cllr. Liam Madden 22.02/2023 "Issue of Parking in Estates and the need to create extra car park spaces due to safety reasons like access for emergency services."

Proposed Cllr. Liam Madden, Seconded Cllr Pat Hayes.

Response: With regard to improving access for emergency vehicles, such requests normally come from the emergency services, However, if the community has a concern re access this would require that the community submits a written application to request an assessment. It should be noted however, it is generally the case that access is inhibited by parking and it also often the case that the only option is to remove parking as there is no scope to widen the roads within housing estates.

The procedure for the retrofitting/improving parking in publicly-maintained estates and streets, is that residents should submit in writing the request and outline support for the proposal. It will then be discussed with the Area engineer to assess the feasibility and cost of implementing the request. Should the request be deemed deliverable, planning can be sought and it can subsequently be added to the works list for the area.

- f) Cllr. Liam Madden 22/02/2023 "The need for update on Phase 3 of Bus Shelter Programme for Newtownporthouse and Rathduff plus update on installation of second Bus Shelter in Buttevant"

Proposed Cllr. Liam Madden. Supported by Cllr. Pat Hayes.

Response: The MDO stated that both do not form part of Phase 2 due to the limited number of passengers boarding. There is a focus on meeting the greatest need. They have been added to the country wide list. It May be looked at in the future.

Cllr. Madden expressed frustration and stated that if there was a bus shelter in each of these locations, more people would use the bus. He requested a Special In Committee Meeting to discuss the bus stops in more detail. He further stated that we have been asked to take cars off the road and yet obstacles are put in place. He looked for support on this from his fellow members. Cllr. Pat Hayes supported his request for a meeting. Cllr. Madden also that that the meeting is important. He also asked where is Phase 3? Are there any stops in North Cork identified? Phase 3 was to be published shortly.

Cllr. Tony O’Shea also supported the motion for an In Committee meeting re Bus Stops.

Cllr. Gearoid Murphy also supported the motion for a meeting.

The SEO stated that funding is a matter for the NTA and not solely the responsibility of Cork County Council. Bus shelters are prioritised across the county.

- g) Cllr. Ian Doyle 24/02/2023 “That Cork County Council would give update on Pedestrian Lights in Charleville Park Road, Aldi”.

Response: Report answered.

- h) Cllr. Ian Doyle 24/02/2023 “That Cork County Council would put signage and yellow box at entrance at Cedar Court, Charleville.”

Proposed by Cllr. Ian Doyle, Seconded by Cllr. John Paul O’Shea.

Response: SEE is currently assessing. He is liaising with NRD Office. When the TIA update is available, he will revert.

- i) Cllr. Ian Doyle 24/02/2023 “That Cork County Council would give update on Active Travel Plan for Railway Road, Charleville.”

Proposed by Cllr. Ian Doyle, Seconded by Cllr. John Paul O’Shea.

Response: The Charleville Office have engaged a survey company. The projects for 2023 have been confirmed. The railway project has not been included. The SEE is seeking clarification. The survey is cancelled. Cllr. Doyle stated that money was sanctioned. Where has it gone? The SEE informed the meeting that €2.6 million has been allocated. Projects are being reviewed across the county. He agreed that the railway project should be prioritised. He will revert when he gets allocation shortly.

- j) Cllr. Pat Hayes 28/02/2023 “That Cork County Council would establish a Columbarian wall at St. Gobnait’s Cemetery, Cork Road, Mallow.”

Proposed by Cllr. Pat Hayes, Seconded by Cllr. Gearoid Murphy.

Response: The MDO said that this was an excellent idea and KMMD will carry out a feasibility study to determine if it is possible to erect Columbarium Wall in the graveyard as it is deemed that cremation has become the preferred method of internment in Ireland with approximately 60% of all recorded deaths now followed by cremation. It is perceived that there is a desire by communities to be interred in their own locality. In relation to KMMD, many of the older cemeteries have now reached full capacity and there is a need to identify other internment options. It is recognised that there is a need to have Columbarium Walls thereby providing choice for people to be interred in their own locality.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Kanturk/Mallow Municipal District will take place on Monday 3rd April 2023 at 10.30 a.m. Blended Meeting.

This Concluded the Business of the Meeting.

