



Minutes of Proceeding of Ordinary Meeting of the Carrigaline Municipal District held via teams and in the Council Chamber on Monday 15th of May 2023 at 14:30

**Present:** Cllr Ben Dalton O’Sullivan (Cathaoirleach), Cllr. Audrey Buckley (Leas Cathaoirleach). Cllr Marcia D’Alton, Cllr Seamus McGrath, Cllr. Jack White, and Cllr. Michael Paul Murtagh

**In Attendance:** Nicola Radley, Senior Executive Officer; Alan Cogan, S/Senior Executive Engineer; Carol Conway, Municipal District Officer; Ian Broe, Clerical Officer; Aisling O’Sullivan, Staff Officer, Claire Wyley; Assistant Staff Officer.

### **1. Confirmation of Minutes**

Proposed by Cllr. Seamus McGrath and seconded by Cllr. Marcia D’Alton

### **2. Matters Arising**

Cllr. Seamus McGrath asked for an update on the inside lane at Janeville

Cllr. Marcia D’Alton asked for an update on casual trading and asked was there any reply from Cork City Council regarding tree cutting on R610.

Cllr. Jack White seconded the casual trading update.

Cllr Ben Dalton O’Sullivan acknowledged works that had been completed on the bridges.

Alan Cogan said he will revert to members regarding Janeville.

Carol Conway said the areas for Casual Trading had been agreed and the matter is been looked at countywide. She also said she had received no correspondence back regarding tree cutting from Cork City Council and that she would write again.

### **3. Correspondence**

None

### **4. Breithniúcháin ar Tuairiscí agus Moltaí / Consideration of Reports and Recommendations**

- (i) Grant of Wayleave at Carrigaline, Co Cork, to Uisce Eireann

Proposed by Cllr. Seamus McGrath and seconded by Cllr. Audrey Buckley

- (ii) Grant of Right of Way at Rochfordstown, Bandon Road, Co Cork

All members agreed to defer decision until more information was received.

### **5. Municipal District Officers Report**



Carol Read through her report and invited questions and queries from members. Cllr Michael Paul Murtagh thanked Carol and said it all seemed very positive and asked about the toilets in Fountainstown. Carol replied the part 8 is almost ready.

Cllr Ben Dalton O’Sullivan acknowledged the Village Enhancement Scheme and thanked all involved.

## **6. Members Discretionary Fund**

- (i) Passage West Maritime Heritage Group

Proposed by Seamus McGrath and seconded by Cllr. Marcia D’Alton

- (ii) Crosshaven Basketball Club

Proposed by Cllr. Buckley and seconded by Cllr. Michael Paul Murtagh

## **7. Chun na Ruin so leanas ón gComhairleoir a mheas:/To consider the following Notices of Motion in the name of:**

### **Cllr. Seamus McGrath**

1. *“That this MD would write to TII requesting proper resurfacing work on the N28 north of Shannonpark roundabout.”*

Cllr. Seamus McGrath acknowledged the response received but stressed the need for resurfacing, he welcomed Madeleine’s response. Cllr. Jack White seconded the motion, also supported by Cllr. Ben Dalton O’Sullivan

2. *“That the Uncontrolled Crossing at the top of Church Hill, Carrigaline, be made safer through interim works pending the implementation for phase 1A of TPREP.”*

Cllr. Seamus McGrath acknowledged the response received adding that he believed that this is a real safety issue. He asked for bollards to be installed to improve safety

Cllr. Murtagh seconded this motion and added something is needed to slow traffic.

Alan Cogan replied he will look into getting some orange bollards, but it cannot resemble an official crossing as it is not.

3. *“To seek an update from Traffic & Transportation on the provision of a pedestrian/cycle bridge linking Bothar Guidel to the Crosshaven Road.”*

Cllr. Seamus McGrath acknowledged and welcomed the response.



**Cllr. Jack White**

1. *“That a roundabout be installed instead of the existing traffic lights, on the junction between Pottery Road & Lower Kilmoney Road, Carrigaline.”*

Cllr. Jack White said he is receiving a lot of complaints that this does not function safely. He said the traffic lights were not working and is calling for a roundabout to be installed.

Cllr. Seamus McGrath said he acknowledge the reason for the lights not working was a technical issue but said they were not working for over a week. He would welcome a review

Cllr. Jack White said a discussion is needed as a lot of people are looking for a roundabout.

All members agreed to write to John Slattery.

2. *“That this MD would investigate if a safer pedestrian section could be provided along the top section of Forge Hill, from Crosshaven RFC heading for Fountainstown. It is widely used by pedestrians connecting Ballinening & Fountainstown with Myrtleville & Crosshaven*

Cllr. Jack White said that with the summer months approaching this area becomes very busy with traffic and asked if funding did become available that something could be done. He asked if the area office could look into this.

Cllr. Audrey Buckley seconded this motion saying it is a very dangerous road and suggested cutting back the verge.

Alan Cogan said that this is a rural road and no significant works can be done. He will look into getting the verge cut back.

**Cllr. Ben Dalton O’Sullivan**

1. *“Requesting Irish Water and the County Engineer (if appropriate) to give a report on the number of water main breakages at Old Abbey, Waterfall and to provide an update on the plans (if any) to replace the watermain, rather than numerous temporary fixes.”*

Cllr Dalton O’Sullivan acknowledged response received.

Cllr. Seamus McGrath seconded this motion.

2. *“That the CMD would recognise the need the address the area at Lios Cross/ Back of the airport. That the area be considered for future RI resurfacing, line marking and a general area improvement*

Cllr. Ben Dalton O’Sullivan asked if this could be kept on the agenda and asked that Cork City Council be written to.



**Cllr. Audrey Buckley**

1. *“The Chapel Steps in Crosshaven - Can we look at getting a contractor to look at fixing the many broken steps, redoing broken hand railings adding missing railings and removing all the brush. As one of the main access walking routes to the 4 schools locally, we need to look at works to be done here as soon as possible please. The Hokey Pokey steps just needs brush removed from both sides of the steps.”*

Cllr. Buckley asked about was this area covered under the safe routes to school programme.

Cllr. Murtagh seconded this motion adding this area needs work.

Alan Cogan replied he will look into the safe routes to school programme.

2. *“With the wastewater works finally being resolved at Churchbay. Can we look at assigning works in the area, the large holes in the road and repairing the area from the collapsed old pipe works on the road. The area needs some works done after years of wastewater creating areas of the wall collapsing and road now caving in at places.”*

Cllr. Audrey Buckley noted response and added she will send pictures to Alan Cogan

Alan Cogan will look into this and will raise a dangerous structure report to the owner if needed.

Cllr. Jack White welcomed the dangerous structure report.

3. *“Can I ask again please, with the Topper Worlds happening in Crosshaven in the summer plus the many visitors and walkers. The Crosshaven Carrigaline railway walk, the railway poles and signage, needs repainting. Some of the fencing is broken by one of the old original railway stops. Also, can I ask when the solar lighting is going in on the walk to facilitate the rest of the walk*

Cllr Audrey Buckley said that a lot of the railway poles are rusty, and fencing has fallen on the ground. She said its an eyesore for the public that walk here. She is delighted that solar lighting is to be put in place and asked when this would happen.

Alan Cogan hopes solar lightening will be in by the end Of June.

**Cllr. Marcia D’Alton**

1. *“That because of its popularity as an amenity, this Municipal District would support an application to Cork County Council for Luck Beach (Loughbeg) to be identified as a new Bathing Water under the Bathing Water Regulations, S.I. No. 79 of 2008.”*

Cllr Marcia D’Alton said it has been called for locally to get water testing done so this can be considered bathing water and asked for the council to give written support.

Cllr. Dalton O’Sullivan seconded this motion and said it was an excellent idea. Carol Conway agrees.



2. *“That this Municipal District Office would advise the Members of when the lease for the Cross River Ferry operating out of Glenbrook is to be renewed and that, prior to renewal, both the Executive and Members would collectively give consideration to any ways by which Cork County Council could help relieve queuing on the R610 through Glenbrook.”*

Cllr. Marcia D’Alton said since Covid only one ferry operates and feel a discussion is needed with the ferry company to increase service. Traffic can be built up as far as Glenbrook Wharf Apartments and can be quite hard to navigate.

Cllr. Seamus McGrath Seconded this motion and feels this is not a safe and sustainable situation. He said he has raised these issues with the Director of Roads previously and it is a road safety issue.

Cllr. Jack White also supports this motion and agrees a second ferry at peak hours is needed.

Cllr Murtagh also supports motion.

Alan Cogan said that they are constraint with the road width in the area and agreed a seconded ferry is needed.

3. *“That the Green, Passage West, from the R610 to St. Mary’s Cemetery, would be included on the resurfacing programme.”*

Cllr. Marcia D’Alton thanked Madeleine for her response but added that this area is well used and should be considered going forward.

Cllr Seamus McGrath seconded this motion.

**Cllr. Michael Paul Murtagh**

1. *“Can the MD request the roads dept to re-line the margin between the road and cycle/pedestrian pathway on the R612 between Lidl roundabout and Carrigaline GAA Club and add cats’ eyes as soon as possible. It is very difficult for road users to distinguish between the pathway and the road surface and this danger is exacerbated during wet weather or at dusk.”*

Cllr. Michael Paul Murtagh acknowledge response but added this is a safety issue and has been approached by a lot of elderly people who he feels would not be speeding

Cllr. Jack White seconded this motion and said something needed to be done. Cllr Marcia D’Alton agrees strongly with this motion also.

Cllr. Seamus McGrath also supports adding line markings are needed

Alan Cogan said there was a footpath there and the area was well lit. He will look into the lining.



2. *“Can the MD please install a protective barrier at the junction of St. Philomena’s rd. and the entrance to Woodford. There is an unprotected drop down into the boys National primary school playground and this T-junction is being used more and more as a turning circle for school drop off and pick up.”*

Cllr Michael Paul Murtagh acknowledged response, he also said he had a few reports of near misses here.

3. *“Could MD staff look at Bothar Pairc an Uisce at Ballinalougha, Minane Bridge. A portion of the roadway could do with basic drainage dykes and some hardcore for levelling the surface. It is well positioned to tie into proposed walking/active travel routes in the area which will help to link the Communities of Minane and Tracton to Nohoval.”*

Cllr Michael Paul Murtagh said that a lot of residents here use this road to connect to the local primary school. He asked could upgrades be done to show good faith to the area.

Alan Cogan replied that this was a rural road and only minor works could be carried out. He will look into it over the next few months

#### **8. Votes of Congratulations**

Cllr. McGrath asked to congratulate the Carrigaline U14 Girls on their Cork cup win.

Cllr. White asked to congratulate Úna Hegarty on winning the Munster Junior Golf Open. Cllr. Dalton O’Sullivan seconded this.

Cllr. Murtagh asked to congratulate The Paddle Owenabue Group and the RCYC on their recent Darkness into Light walks.

#### **9. Any Other Business**

Cllr. Seamus McGrath asked for an update on the Joe West Memorial, he asked was there an update on power washing and was there one due. He said that Ballinrea cross was overgrown. There is a speed limit sign discrepancy at Carrickmahon Hill.

Cllr. Audrey Buckley asked for an update on public toilets and bins. She asked could signage be put in place in Fountainstown to stop the use of shampoo and shower gel in the showers. Cllr. Buckley is looking for toilets to be moved from the Lou Lou Car Park to the RCYC. She is also looking for an update on the line contractor.

Cllr. Marcia D’Alton said that the main road in Passage Centre is causing an issue with trucks and she said reflective strips on the poles are needed.

The speed limit signage in Roberts Bridge has been changed and this needs to be clarified.

She asked for an update on power washing and line marking in Monkstown.

**CARRIGALINE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT**  
**Meeting: 15/05/2023**



Cllr. Marcia D’Alton raised concerns about the pontoon in Passage West and signage was needed to discourage swimmers from using it. She asked if councillors could meet with the harbour master to put a management structure in place. She asked for a reminder to be send to the IDA about a designated person of contact.

Cllr Michael Paul Murtagh said there was sewerage on the footpath by 2 churches in Crosshaven and it was particularly bad that morning. He asked for it to be washed down. He said that Church bay requires a curb, there is a pole at the edge which trucks keep clipping off.

Cllr. Jack White asked was there any update on the public realm in Carrigaline.

Cllr Dalton O’Sullivan asked about speed signage on Minane bridge it says 50kmp and said it should be 30kmp. He said there is a lot of potholes in Kingsland Ballinora that need to be looked at and also looked for an update on the Halfway village.

Carol Conway said that public toilets will start in June, she will look into the issue with the pontoon and there is no update on Carrigaline Public Realm

Alan Cogan said that power washing will start at the end of May

The overgrowth in Ballinrea will be looked after. He said if councillors could email him re the speed signage, he will look into this, but he is aware of some discrepancies. Alan Cogan will contact the line contractor and remind him of his obligations. He said the sewerage issue in Crosshaven is an Irish water issue. The yield sign in halfway will be replaced.