

Mayor Michael Hegarty presided.

Cllrs. Linehan Foley, Collins, Buckley, McCarthy & O' Sullivan.

**Ag Freastal:**

Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer.

Paul Murray, Executive Engineer.

Helen Mulcahy, Municipal District (Youghal Office).

Geraldine O' Connell, Municipal District (Youghal Office)

On the proposal of Cllr. Hegarty which was seconded by Cllr. Linehan Foley the Members unanimously agreed that a deputation from Whitegate Residents Association be heard before the business of the meeting commenced.

Mayor Martin Murray, Ann Sweeney, Denis O' Connor and Edward Tucker gave a presentation to the Members regarding traffic safety on the Main Street of Whitegate.

The Mayor spoke of the increase in population and housing estates in Whitegate which he stated has resulted in the main street of Whitegate Village becoming a dangerous, out of control speed track. The Mayor stated that the problem on the main street was further compounded fuel companies drawing fuel products by road tankers which has left the road through the village a crumbling mess of in derference, careless parking, delivery vans, trucks, parked in a dangerous manner to other road users.

The Mayor cordially invited the Councillors present to visit the Whitegate Main Street and view for themselves the problems he has presented to them.

The Mayor informed the Members that the deputation requested the Council to carry out the following as part of the Whitegate Village Enhancement Plan:

- (1) Painting of speed number on road surface to Whitegate Village.
- (2) Temporary allocating delivery area on the right hand side of the Supermarket.

The Mayor thanked the Members for allowing the deputation to present their submission on behalf of the residents of Whitegate.

The Members thanked the Mayor of Whitegate and the members of the deputation for their

presentation and stated that a report will be carried out for the next meeting of the Municipal District Council.

### **Suspension of Standing Orders:**

Cllr. Pat Buckley requested a suspension of Standing Orders.

### **1. Confirmation of Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2015 and Minutes of Special Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.**

The minutes of the monthly meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2015 and minutes of special meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2015 were adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Collins, seconded by Cllr. Hegarty and unanimously agreed by the Members.

#### **1.2 Matters arising from the Minutes of 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.**

##### **1.2.1 Cotswold's.**

Cllr. Collins requested an update on the Cotswold's Estate. The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that there was a report on same further on on the agenda.

##### **1.2.2 Road Safety Measures at CBS Secondary School.**

Cllr. Collins requested an update on the road safety measures at the CBS Secondary School.

##### **1.2.3 Taking in Charge of The Estuary, Spa Hill, Youghal.**

Cllr. Collins asked if there was any update on the taking in charge of The Estuary, Spa Hill, Youghal.

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that the Estates Department has not to date received an application from the Developer to have the Estate taken in charge and stated that the Developer had also been requested to submit a site resolution plan, but nothing was forthcoming to date. It was agreed that a formal report be requested from the Planning Department.

#### **1.2.4 Broken down footpaths in Woodbrook Estate, Lisgoold.**

Cllr. Collins requested an update on broken down footpaths in Woodbrook Estate, Lisgoold. The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that these footpaths have been inspected and will be considered under the footpath refurbishment programme for 2016.

#### **1.2.5 Christmas Parking Measures.**

Cllr. O' Sullivan raised the issue of Christmas Parking Measures in the East Cork Municipal District Area and stated that clarity is needed on this issue. The Municipal District Officer, Mr. Joe McCarthy informed the Members that he will seek a response on this matter and will revert back to Cllr. O' Sullivan by the end of the week.

#### **1.2.6 Provision of Visitor Moorings at Youghal Harbour.**

Cllr. O' Sullivan requested an update on the provision of visitor mooring for Youghal Harbour. Helen Mulcahy, Staff Officer informed the Members that she is awaiting costings on this matter which she should have for the December meeting.

#### **1.2.7 Road Markings at O' Rahilly Street.**

Cllr. O' Sullivan requested an update on the provision of a 'no entry' sign at the end of O' Rahilly Street. Mr. Paul Murray, Executive Engineer informed the Members that this item is on a list of works but is proving problematic as a specialised contractor is used for this type of work.

#### **1.2.8 Speed of Vehicles at St. Mary's End of Church Street.**

Cllr. O' Sullivan requested an update on the speed of traffic at St. Mary's End of Church Street. The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that this matter has been referred to the County Architects Department and as soon as he receives a report on this matter he will revert back to the Members.

#### **1.2.9 Potholes at the Rise Estate, Youghal.**

Cllr. O' Sullivan raised the issue of potholes at the entrance to The Rise Estate, Youghal. Mr. Paul Murray, Executive Engineer agreed to investigate same.

#### **1.2.10 Hedge Cutting in Kilnatoora.**

Cllr. Linehan Foley raised the issue of hedge cutting in Kilnatoora and requested an update on same. Mr. Paul Murray, Executive Engineer informed the Members that some of the hedges have been cut at this location and he would follow up the matter with landowners who have not done so.

#### **1.2.11 Site at Seafield.**

Cllr. Linehan Foley raised the issue of the Seafield Site and requested an update on same. Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer informed the Members that he was awaiting a Derelict Site Report which is due to be completed and will revert back to the Members on the matter once he receives same.

#### **1.2.12 Moll Goggin's Corner.**

Cllr. Linehan Foley raised the issue of Moll Goggin's Corner and requested an update on same. The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that he was awaiting a report from the Southern Committee and he will circulate to the Members once he has received same.

#### **1.2.13 Speed Ramps on approach road to Ballymacoda.**

Cllr. Hegarty raised the issue of Speed Ramps on approach road to Ballymacoda.

Mr. Paul Murray, Executive Engineer informed the Members that he was awaiting a report on same and stated that there were no plans at present for ramps but additional signage would be installed.

#### **1.2.13 Repairs required to the R626 at Ballincurrig Village.**

Cllr. Hegarty raised the issue of repairs required to the R626 at Ballincurrig Village and

requested an update on same. The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that and resurfacing works here would come under the Road Funding Programme for 2016 and also informed the Members that this matter could be an option for funding under the Community Involvement Scheme.

#### **1.2.14 Glenbower Report.**

Cllr. Collins requested an update on Glenbower Woods.

Cllr. Hegarty informed the members that he would circulate a report to the Members further on in the meeting.

#### **1.2.15 Youghal For All Deputation.**

Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer informed the Members that he had received a request from the Youghal For All requesting a deputation from the group be heard at the December meeting of the Council.

On the proposal of Cllr. Linehan Foley which was seconded by Cllr. O' Sullivan the Members unanimously agreed to hear a deputation from Youghal for All at the December meeting of the Council.

## **2. Consideration of Reports and Recommendations.**

### **2.1 Local Economic and Community Plan Update.**

The Municipal District Officer, Mr. Joe McCarthy informed the Members that this item has been deferred to a Special Meeting of the Municipal District Council to be held on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November in County Hall.

### **2.2 Update on Roads Programme 2015 (Including CIS)**

The following report on the current status of the Roads Programme 2015 in East Cork Municipal District was circulated to the Members:

Road Class	Road Number	Road Name and/or Townland Name	Municipal Area	Length of Work (m)	% Completed
L	-	Local Roads Surface Dressing	East Cork	30,500	100
L	-	Community Involvement Schemes	East Cork	685	100
R	629	Shanagarry 3 Cross Roads –Pvte. Ballymaloe Beg 3 Cross Roads	East Cork	2,000	100
R	631	Whitegate Road Bawnard towards Ballinacurra	East Cork	700	5
R	629	Rover Street Cloyne (Cloyne Cross north to Speed Limit)	East Cork	400	100
LP	3600	Ardglass to Ballyogaha	East Cork	1,000	100
LP	3809	Mogeely to Killeagh (Phase 1 from speed limit towards Killeagh)	East Cork	1,300	100
LP	3804	Dungourney to Glenaphuca	East Cork	1,800	100
R	629	Shanagarry 3 Cross Roads – Pvte. Ballymaloe Beg (Phase 2)	East Cork	500	100
RI	629	R629 at Innygraga	East Cork	500	100
LP	3636	Church Road, Ballycotton	East Cork	220	100
LP	3809	Mogeely to Killeagh (Phase 2 from speed limit towards Killeagh)	East Cork	400	100
LP	3804	Dungourney to Glenaphuca	East Cork	1,800	100

### 2.3 Update on Footpath Programme 2015

The following report on the current status of the Footpath Programme 2015 in East Cork Municipal District was circulated to the Members:

<b>Project #</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Type of Works</b>	<b>Length (m)</b>	<b>Status</b>
1	Elsinore Heights Midleton (Opposite 34 – 37 at Green and 49 – 54 approx. + localised areas).	Replacement	130	Completed
2	R632 Ladysbridge Road, Castlemartyr from end of existing footpath to Bridgetown Estate	New	150	Completed
3	R624 ‘Back Street’ Youghal from White Gables to the Grotto	Replacement	235	50%
4	Water Lane, Youghal (both sides)	Replacement	95	Commencing
5	Ladysbridge Village	Replacement	25	Completed
6	Mogeely Road, Killeagh – new footpath at Eircom Compound	New	11	Land Transfer
7	Carneys Cross, Ballinacurra – extend Rosehill footpath to corner at Carneys Cross	New	50	Completed
8	L7901 ‘Willie Johns Hill’ on south side from junction with Kilcoran Road to Chestnut Drive	New	190	Completed

### **2.1 Update on Public Lighting Programme 2015.**

The following report on the current status of the Public Lighting Programme 2015 in East

Cork Municipal District was circulated to the Members:

Ref No.	Municipal District	Location	Description	No. of Lights	Detail of Proposal	Estimated Project Cost	Stat
1	East Cork	Castlemartyr	Upgrade and provide public lighting on Ladysbridge Road, Castlemartyr.	5	Install 2 columns and 150W SONs. Plus replace 3 no. SOX lanterns with 3 no. 150W SON fittings (Excluding civil works).	€5,000	Civil Corr
2	East Cork	Lisgoold	Install public lighting from Sean Buckley Terrace to the Community Hall on the Fermoy Road	6	6 new lights, 3 on new columns including ducting and 3 on existing poles.	€12,000	Corr
3	East Cork	Youghal	Replace rusted lanterns Youghal Beach Front.	3	Replace 2 columns and 3 lights.	€4,000	Corr
4	East Cork	Inch	Install public lighting in vicinity of Inch National School, Killeagh	1	Install 1 no. 70W light on existing pole	€1,000	Corr
5	East Cork	Midleton	Provide public lighting on Mill Road near Tir Cluain where footpaths were installed	2	Install two 150W fittings on existing poles.	€2,000	Corr
6	East Cork	Youghal	New public lighting on Spa Hill at Parkland end	2	Install 2 new columns with 70W SONs and micro pillar.	€5,000	Corr Imm



7	East Cork	Ballincurrig Village	New public lighting at junction Ballincurrig National School	3	Install 1 no. 70W lights on existing pole. Install new 10M column with 150W lantern. Install new 6M column with 70W lantern.	€9,000	Supply Source issue being addressed by ESB
8	East Cork	Lower Aghada Village	Phase 1: New public lighting in Lower Aghada Village/ approach road to pier.	3	1 new columns with 250W SON on 12M column and 2 new lanterns on existing poles, one 70W and another 150W.	€10,000	Partial Completed existing ESB poles to be replaced to complete

## 2.5 Update on Low Cost Safety Schemes.

### **Mullins Cross:**

Preliminary design has been completed for Mullins Cross. Some acquisition of land will be required for this location.

### **Ballymacoda:**

Road lining has taken place at Ballymacoda with signage to be erected here also.

### **Kennel:**

Road markings have been done at this location and some additional road signage will also be erected here.

### **Innygraga:**

The road at Innygraga has been resurfaced. Relining will take place here shortly.

The Municipal District Officer, Mr. Joe McCarthy informed the Members that there may be a

balance of €3,000 or €4,000 that will remain unclaimed and suggested that it be reallocated to Low Cost Safety Schemes.

## 2.6 Cotswold's Entrance Piers.

The following report on the current status of the Entrance Piers to Cotswolds Housing Estate, Middleton was circulated to the Members:

A: Detailed cost estimate to reinstate the two double pier entrances 'as is' but of solid reinforced concrete construction, stone facing fixed to same:

Three quotations in total were sought and two were received. Both quotations were very similar

Item	Description	Cost (Incl VAT)
1	Initial costs of making safe, stabilisation and propping piers, clean up and fence off	€900.00
2	Contingency Costs (any additional broken limestone while stripping)	€1,000.00
3	Cost of taking down and reconstruction of limestone cappings. (Based on Quotation)	€11,400.00
4	Scaffolding	Included in line 3
5	Traffic Management	€2,500.00
	<b>TOTAL COST</b>	<b>€15,800.00</b>
	Less:	
	Costs incurred to date	(€900.00)
	Monies Recoverable	(€1,400.00)
	<b>Funding required to complete works =</b>	<b>€13,500.00</b>

B: Detailed cost estimate to reinstate both double pier entrance to alternative simpler design using new limestone (Solid limestone lintel beam and square limestone capping above. Name inscribed on both piers.

Item	Description	Cost (Incl VAT)
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1	Initial costs of making safe, stabilisation and propping piers, clean up and fence off	€900.00
2	Contingency /cists (Any additional broken limestone while stripping)	N/A
3	Cost of taking down and reconstruction of limestone cappings using new stone to simpler design	€4,000.00
4	Scaffolding	Included in line 3
5	Traffic Management	€1,500.00
	<b>TOTAL COST</b>	<b>€6,400.00</b>
	Less:	
	Costs Incurred to date	(€900.00)
	Monies recoverable	(€1,400.00)
	<b>Funding required to complete works=</b>	<b>€4,100.00</b>

## 2.7 GMS

Copy report attached.

## 2.8 Town Development Fund.

Copy report attached.

## **3. Business prescribed by Statute, Standing Orders or Resolutions of the Municipal District Members for transaction at Meeting.**

### **3.1 Hearing Deputation from the Whitegate Residents Association.**

Deputation heard at beginning of meeting.

## **4. Other business set forth in the Notice convening the Meeting.**

None

## **5. Notice of Motion.**

5.1.1 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2015.

“That Council investigate and compensate residents for the impassable condition of the Ballyduff Road, Cloyne, where residents, recently, employed contractors to address very serious road drainage, which undermined the road structure”.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that previously road drainage on the Ballyduff Road was interfered with. This resulted in flooding on the road and damage to the road. The extent of the flooding resulted in the road becoming impassable. The Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that the Council has to clear the road drainage inlet that was interfered with and have repaired the road. The property owner at the location has now carried out land drainage maintenance works on private property and also stated that under the Roads Act 1993 it is a landowner’s responsibility to carry out ordinary maintenance of drains on his land to ensure water is not prevented from draining from the public road. The Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that the issue of compensation does not arise and stated that the Council will continue to maintain the existing roadside drainage/drainage inlets in accordance with the Roads Act.

5.1.2 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2015.

“Progress report on the taking in charge of the following housing estates: a) Ashwood Crescent, b) Estuary Estate, Youghal, c) Pier Development at Cotswold’s Estate, Midleton, d) Ghost Island Development at Bawnard Cross, Midleton.

Mr. Paul Murray, Executive Engineer informed the Members that a site resolution plan was still awaited from the Developer of The Estuary Estate in relation to the taking in charge process.

Cllr. Linehan Foley suggested that a letter be forwarded to the Developer from the Municipal District Council but was informed that The Estates Section of Cork County Council had written to the developer several times. It was agreed that an updated report be requested from the Estates Department.

In relation to the Pier Development at Cotswold’s Estate, Midleton and Ghost Island Development at Bawnard Cross these have been dealt with earlier in the Agenda under item nos. 2.6 and 2.2

2.1.3 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2015.

“Progress report on CCTV Installation in Midleton Town and if roads to rear of houses will be incorporated in the scheme”.

The Municipal District Officer, Mr. Joe McCarthy informed the Members that prior to the dissolution of Midleton Town Council a company was set up involving members of the local community, Midleton Town Council and An Garda Siochana. Consultants were brought in to identify areas where the cameras could be placed and check specifications for monitoring to ensure compliance for national regulations and stated that this matter was due to go to tender shortly.

5.1.4 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2015.

“That the responsible authority be requested to clean and dredge the Owenacurra and Roxborough Rivers that flow through Midleton town, now in a filthy condition and could prove to be a health hazard to adjoining housing estates”.

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that riparian landowners are responsible for rivers that flow through their land. If Cllr. Collins can clarify whether the matter/identify what areas he is concerned with.

5.1.5 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2015.

“Progress report on road safety measures at all schools in Midleton town, plus similar safety measures at Coolbawn/Broderick Street Corner, The Rock and Lower Church Lane”.

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that there are planned road safety measures on Aislin Road and CBS Road and as previously advised the design is being progressed by the Councils Roads Design Office.

5.1.6 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

“That a written report be made available for debate and submission to Carmel McNamee, Glenane, Killeagh, relevant to their funding proposals put forward at our October meeting for major improvements to Glenbower Wood and Lake, plus the initiation of Glenbower Festival. (Council furnish the necessary application forms for grant funding, to the said association).

The Mayor, Cllr. Hegarty circulated the following report in relation to the deputation from Glenbower Wood and Lake Limited to the Members:

Mr. Michael Lee and Ms. Carmel McNamee, Glenbower Wood and Lake Limited advised the Members of the East Cork Municipal District that they were seeking funding to have various works carried out in Glenbower including:

- Restoration of the lake which had been drained in 1991
- Replacement of an existing wooden bridge and, permission of a further wooden bridge and
- Replacement of two wooden huts.

The deputation advised of fundraising events organised over the past four years and requested that the Municipal District consider the proposals for development of the amenity for funding. The deputation responded to questions from the Members.

The Members acknowledged the wonderful and valuable amenity provided by Glenbower Wood and commended the group for their commitment and work in maintaining and developing the amenity for the community. The Members confirmed that they would be as supportive of the groups proposals as they could should funding become available.

Adverse conditions had negatively affected fundraising activities over the past number of years and current funds of the group were low, which has implications for applying for grants where match funding is required. Works such as those required for restoration of the lake would require significant capital funding from sources other than the Municipal District and Cork County Council. The Grants Schemes administered through the Municipal Districts can provide capital funding covering a percentage of the total costs of projects of modest scale with the balance of funding being provided, through fundraising, by the applicants.

It was suggested that Glenbower Wood and Lake Limited, with the support and co-operation of the community, community groups and sporting and recreational clubs, might continue to organise fundraising events to improve the availability of match funding in order to increase

the possibilities of applying and qualifying for grants to progress proposed projects, from the various agencies (Government Departments, Cork County Council and Local Development Agencies, SECAD/Leader etc.) providing such grants, for example under the neighbourwood scheme administered by the Department of Agriculture, Food and Marine.

5.1.7 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

“That Council report on the proposed “Ghost Island” at Bawnard Cross, Midleton, also report on the urgent need for a “Go Slow” road safety sign, at Innygrega Cross, Midleton where families suffered two fatalities”.

This motion has been dealt with under the Road Report Programme earlier discussed.

5.1.8 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

“Road at Kilteskin, Aghada is impassable – repairs are urgently needed”.

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke agreed to inspect this road.

5.1.9 Cllr. Pat Buckley, received on 14<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

“I ask that this council support the Residents of Rostellan, East Cork on the basis of safety to put in place traffic calming measures/pedestrian crossing in their area”.

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that the 2009 Midleton to Whitegate R630 Traffic Management Study makes a number of recommendations for traffic calming/road safety improvements of the Whitegate Road at Rostellan. The main traffic calming recommendations consist of narrowing the road to 7 metres and realigning/reducing junction radii at junctions and facilitating pedestrians crossing the road. The Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that some of the recommended works under the Study have been completed, however, there is no obvious immediate source of funding available for the remainder of the works and stated that the narrowing of the road/road junctions will be incorporated into the next overlay of the road which can be considered in any future Restoration Improvement Programme.

The Engineer also informed the Members that the proposed controlled pedestrian crossing

could be a candidate under the Low Cost Safety Schemes and will be kept under consideration. Funding under this scheme is targeted at areas where there has been accident history, records available do not however indicate a particular accident history cluster at this location.

5.1.10 Cllr. Pat Buckley, received on 14<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

“I ask that this Council write to the relevant department and ask them to lift the recruitment embargo so that this Municipal District can put in place a full time litter warden with the power to issue on the spot fines for people that do not lean up after their dogs”.

The Members unanimously supported this motion.

5.1.11 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

“After speaking to Chairman, and he is in agreement that a five minute discussion be heard at the November meeting to discuss the dangerous situation of no footpath from Gleann Fia to playground! As I have put in a number of motions in the last 12 months it is now a health and safety issue”.

The Members unanimously supported this motion.

5.1.12 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

“Calling on Cork County Council for update on Funding for Footpaths in Sarsfield Terrace, Youghal, bearing in mind they are on our list since 2010”.

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that the footpaths at this location need to be prioritised and he had looked to include these in the current footpath programme, but funding did not permit. The Engineer informed the Members that budgets are currently being reviewed and if money is available these works will be included.

5.1.13 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

“Can we look into an area for skateboarding in Youghal in the near future?”



The Municipal District Officer, Mr. Joe McCarthy informed the Members that the provision of a skateboard park would be a capital project which would be provided from Cork County Council's Capital Programme and stated that he believed some programme was coming down the line which would benefit this motion.

Cllr. McCarthy stated that she supported this motion and would welcome same for Midleton.

5.1.14 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

“Any update on site or developments for the Sailing Club in Youghal?”

The Municipal District Officer, Mr. Joe McCarthy informed the Members that this motion needs to be looked at in a broader context and stated that while he was in favour of the development of the Slob Bank it would require serious funding at Municipal District level which does not exist at present.

Cllr. Linehan Foley suggested that the Municipal District Council write to the Coastal Management Committee and the Minister for the Marine airing the views of Youghal Sailing Club. The Members were in full agreement with this proposal.

5.1.15 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

“Update on resurfacing for Killeagh Community Hall”

Mr. Paul Murray, Executive Engineer informed the Members that these works could be applied for under the Community Grant Scheme.

5.1.16 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

“Update on resurfacing from Mount Uniacke to Ballinoe”

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that works have been complete on a 2km stretch of this road with further repairs to take place.

5.1.17 Cllr Mary Linehan Foley, received on 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2015.

“Calling for update on resurfacing of Belmont Terrace, Youghal”.

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that there are no current proposals for resurfacing of Belmont Terrace and stated that works on this road would be a suitable candidate under the CIS Scheme.

5.1.18 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2015.

“Just making sure that the Tides Carpark will be put back to its former surface when Irish Water are finished the pipe works and works that are going on and that Irish Water will liaise with ALL residents in that area as to what exactly is going on and what disruptions are happening on a weekly basis”.

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that he received an email from Shane Kennedy giving contact information which he will circulate to the Members.

5.1.19 Cllr. Aaron O’ Sullivan, received on 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2015.

“That East Cork Municipal District undertakes to provide a footpath in Mogeely village from playground to housing estate due to serious safety concerns”.

This motion was dealt with under item no. 2.3 on the Agenda.

5.1.20 Cllr. Aaron O’ Sullivan, received on 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

“That the East Cork Municipal District undertakes road repairs at Laguile, Ballyglassin, the road being in a state of disrepair and a written response be provided for same”

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke requested Cllr. O’ Sullivan to clarify which section of road the motion refers to and stated that the works would be likely to be included for surface dressing next year.

5.1.21 Cllr. Susan McCarthy, received on 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

“That wi-fi be made available in both chambers in Youghal and Middleton to facilitate

accessing agendas/minutes/reports online during Municipal District Meetings”.

This motion was noted.

5.1.22 Cllr. Susan McCarthy, received on 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

“An update on the entrance pillar at the Cotswold’s, and also sinkholes that have appeared at Midleton Downs and Cotswold’s”.

The matter of the entrance pillar to the Cotswold’s was dealt with under item 2.6 on the Agenda. In relation to the sinkholes the Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that these have been refilled and stated that fencing has remained at the site just to keep the situation monitored for Health & Safety purposes.

5.1.23 Cllr. Susan McCarthy, received on 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

“That repairs be made to Ahenesk Road:.

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that repairs were carried out on this road several weeks ago but stated that in the long term this road would require resurfacing.

5.1.24 Cllr. Susan McCarthy, received on 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

“That Raod Markings be repainted at Dickinson’s Lane behind Main Street in Midleton. This is a very busy cul-de-sac servicing deliveries from several businesses on the Main Street as well as residents living on that section of the street. The Council recently resurfaced the lane to a very high standard, however, in the absence of road markings, cars are parking illegally on a regular basis, often entirely blocking entry/exit from the lane”.

This motion was noted and will be added to the road lining list.

5.1.25 Cllr. Michael Hegarty received on 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

“That the hedge at Ardnahinch Cross between Garryvoe and Shanagarry on the R632 be urgently cut back plus road marking be installed”.

This motion was noted.

5.1.26 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

“Road repairs from Rooskagh Cross to Shanagarry north and from Rooskagh to Shanavagoon, Ladysbridge on the L3818”.

This motion was noted.

5.1.27 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

“Road Repairs at Kearney’s Cross Geragh Road Ballinacurra, barrier to be replaced. Also road repairs at Ballydonaghmore to Donickmore, Dungourney.

This motion was noted.

5.1.28 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

“Road repairs at Ballydavid, Kilcrone, Ballycroneen and Cloyne”

This motion was noted.

5.1.29 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

“That a deputation from Killeagh Inch Community Council be received at our December meeting and emergency traffic calming be installed on the approaches to Killeagh Village and also to address the flooding at Inch School”.

Cllr. Hegarty informed the Members that even though he realised a traffic calming project had gone to tender, unfortunately an accident had taken place at Killeagh Bridge the previous weekend.

The Members were in full agreement with this motion.

**Information:**

Cllr. Noel Collins.

1.Cllr. Noel Collins read the following to the Members regarding the deputation from Whitegate.

Strange to relate I had a deputation with me on Saturday last, from the Upper Aghada, pleading I take up their case with Bus Eireann on the urgent need, for a public bus service to their area, include Sundays, and improvement to the bus service serving Whitegate.

The Upper Aghada residents are of the opinion, that their area can be served by extending the Ballinacurra one hourly service, to cover Upper Aghada and adjoining areas. A petition from the residents concerned has gone to Bus Eireann. I promised the Upper Aghada residents that I would pursue their appeal at today's meeting. Anyone wishing to help with their case are at liberty to contact the leader of the delegation to me on Saturday last.

For the information of the meeting I am also actively pursuing the proposal of a Passenger/Goods Ferry Service from Whitegate to Cork. If we fail in our efforts to have the Whitegate bus service improved, the Ferry Service is the only option left to us. So lets fight in unity and harmony for both services.

Cllr. Pat Buckley.

1. Is there any update on the trimming of trees in Midleton and Killeagh?

Mr. Paul Murray, Executive Engineer agreed to investigate same.

2. Any update on The Cotswold's.

This matter was dealt with under item no. 2.6

3. In the event of extreme weather this winter, is this Municipal District winter ready and does it have enough salt/grit in stock?

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that the council yard is fully equipped to deal with this query.

4. Cllr. Buckley gave the following report to the Members regarding the Whitegate Oil Refinery.

“After learning the news that the Whitegate Oil Refinery, East Cork, has been put up for sale as of the 13<sup>th</sup> October this year I am extremely concerned.

This is a potential disaster for the people of East Cork, Whitegate and the country as a whole. The refinery contributes €100 million directly into the local economy which is a huge benefit to the whole Cork Harbour area. It also contributes at least 600 spin off jobs and accounts for half the shipping tonnage in Cork Harbour too.

If this refinery is not sold and as a possible result ceases to operate after July, 2016, Ireland will loose another vital asset. There will also be massive implications, not only for East Cork but for the island of Ireland. Sinn Féin wants the retention of refining at Whitegate to be part of Government policy. We need fuel that is secure, sustainable and affordable for Ireland.

Believe it or not Whitegate Oil Refinery is keeping the fuel market competitive and if we remove the capability of refining our own fuels we could end up with a scenario where as a nation we will have to import all our transportation fuel requirements from international refineries at a much higher price. This could be detrimental to the whole country.

Please! lets not have another Beet Factory on our hands and surely this government and past governments will have learnt from previous mistakes.

So I ask this Council, write to Minister Alex White, Minister for Communications, Energy and Natural Resources, requesting a written report on the future plans or proposal for the viability of Whitegate Oil Refinery in East Cork.

Cllr. Aaron O’ Sullivan.

1. Cllr. Aaron O’ Sullivan raised the issue of Oakhill Estate, Youghal and the issue of no lighting within the Estate. And requested that the Municipal District Officer contact the Estates Department of Cork County Council regarding this matter.

The Municipal District Officer informed the Members that this was a matter for the Estates Department.

Cllr. Hegarty suggested that a Member of the Estate Department attend the next meeting of the Council to discuss this matter.

## **6. Correspondence:**

6.1 Email from Sean O' Callaghan, Corporate Affairs in relation to Special Meeting to be held on 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2015 to discuss the East Cork Local Area Plan.

The Members agreed that the next meeting of the Municipal District Council take place on December 6<sup>th</sup> at 11.00a.m. at the Youghal Office.

**This concluded the business of the Meeting.**