

**Minutes of Monthly Meeting of East Cork Municipal District Held on 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2017 at 2.00 p.m. at Pearse Memorial Chambers, Midleton, Co. Cork.**

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**I LATHAIR:** Cathaoirleach Mary Linehan Foley presided.  
Cllrs. Hegarty, Collins, Twomey & McCarthy.

**Leathscéal:** Cllr. O' Sullivan.

**Ag Freastal::** Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer  
Mr. Sean O' Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer.  
Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer.  
Mr. Paul Murray, Executive Engineer  
Janette Kenny, Executive Engineer.  
Mrs. Helen Mulcahy, (Youghal Office)  
Mrs. Geraldine O' Connell (Youghal Office)

1. **Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2017.**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2017 were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Collins and seconded by Cllr. McCarthy.

**Matters arising from the Minutes of Meeting Held on 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2017.**

1.1 Cllr. Hegarty raised the issue of a motion from the April meeting in relation to a plot of ground being made available by the Church Authority in Killeagh for the construction of a car park. Cllr. Hegarty stated that €1.2m was allocated through a Capital Works Programme for the provision of car parks and stated that this angle should be actively pursued at higher level for the provision of a multipurpose car park for Killeagh.

Mr. Sean O' Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that he has already discussed this matter with Mr. Declan Daly, Divisional Manager and stated that the €1.2m from the Capital Works Programme has been allocated for the provision of car parks countywide. The Senior Executive Officer agreed to bring the Members views back to the Divisional Manager.

1.2 Cllr. Linehan Foley raised the issue of a motion from the April meeting calling on Eir to improve their service to the Youghal Area.

Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer informed the Members that no reply had been received from Eir. Cllr. Linehan Foley requested that they be written to again and that they be requested to have a representative attend at the June Municipal District Meeting.

1.3 Cllr. Linehan Foley asked if there was any update on the jetty in Youghal.

Mr. Paul Murray, Executive Engineer informed the Members that an Engineer from the Coastal Management Unit is due shortly to look at same.

1.4 Cllr. McCarthy raised the issue of the provision of a footpath at the Community Centre in Killeagh.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Executive Engineer informed the Members that he referred this item to the Project Engineer, Mr. Eoin Bennett who in turn has passed it onto the Contractor. The Engineer informed the Members that these works are outside the scope of the works taking place but stated the contractor would investigate the provision of same.

1.5 Cllr. Linehan Foley proposed that Mr. Eoin Bennett, Project Manager for the works in Killeagh contact the Inch/Killeagh Community Group to answer queries they have regarding the roadwork's taking place in Killeagh presently. Cllr. Hegarty seconded this proposal.

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

### **2.1 Disposal of Properties:**

Before Notice is given to the Members of Cork County Council in relation to the proposed disposal of property in East Cork the matter is brought to the attention of the Members for the East Cork Municipal District for their consideration. Details are set out in the attached draft notice.

Situation: Disposal of Boathouse at Rathcoursey West, Midleton, Co. Cork.

Area: 0.0100423 hectares.

From Whom Acquired: Property registered to Cork County Council since 1986.

To Whom It Is Proposed  
To Dispose: Michael O' Riordan, Scarriff. Midleton, Co. Cork.

Consideration: €22,600.00.

On the proposal of Cllr. Hegarty which was seconded by Cllr. Collins the Members had no objection to the proposal.

## **2.2 Speed Limit Review 2015 – 2017: N25 National Road Update.**

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer circulated to the Members the relevant extract from the National Road Speed Limit Review 2015 -2017 dated 18<sup>th</sup> April 2017 prepared by RPS on behalf of TII that deals with the N25 in East Cork. The report largely reviews the consideration of Members at the January 2017 MD Meeting.

N25 Speed Limit Review Submissions Summary			
Summary	Request Source	Adopted Y/N	Response
Post Consultation			
Retain the 60km/h speed limit at the east of Killeagh	Elected Representative	N	There is no development within the current 60km/h speed zone and the surrounding environment is rural. Therefore an urban speed limit is not appropriate for this section. In addition there is sufficient forward sight visibility to see the regulatory speed limit signs so there is ample opportunity to reduce speed in advance of the urban area.
Further extend the 50kph eastwards from the village of Castlemartyr beyond the last house on the north side of the road heading east – i.e. out to the limit of the village	Elected Representative	N	The Submission relating to this location has been assessed in accordance with the Guidelines and it is recommended that the proposed extension of the 50km/h to the east of the entrance of Maples Estate is appropriate proposal. Further east the level of development density is below that required in the Guidelines for the purpose of applying an urban SL of 50km/h (Table 7.4, Para 7.3.4).
Insert speed cameras to enforce the 50kph speed limit in Killeagh as opposed to reducing the limit to 30km/h	Public	N	

Cllr. Hegarty stated that he does not agree with the proposal to retain the 60km/h speed limit at the east of Killeagh and proposed that the speed limit sign should be positioned at the Development Boundary at Killeagh. Cllr. Hegarty also stated that the build outs at the cemetery are too far out especially for truck drivers accessing Killeagh Village.

Cllr. McCarthy supported Cllr. Hegarty's comments and also stated that the build outs are very extreme.

On the proposal of Cllr. Hegarty which was seconded by Cllr. Collins the Members rejected the response from the TII in relation to the Speed Limit Review for Killeagh Village.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that he will convey the Members concerns to the TII.

### **2.3 Speed Limit Review 2015 – 2017: Regional & Local Roads Update.**

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer circulated a list of minor amendments to 3 previously agreed speed limit reviews on regional and local roads; detailed descriptions of sign locations for 2 periodic speed limits at Scartlea Upper and Cork Hill which were stipulated by Members at the January MD Meeting; and the necessity to amend the speed limit Woodview Estate, Scartlea Upper to 30 kph so as to best work with the proposed periodic 30 kph speed limit on the adjacent regional road.

The Members agreed with the suggestion that the speed limit within the Woodview housing estate in Saleen remain permanently at 30 km/h.

On the proposal of Cllr. Hegarty which was seconded by Cllr. Linehan Foley the Members unanimously adopted the Speed Limit Review 2015 – 2017: Regional and Local Roads Update.

### **2.4 Report on Deputation from Ballycotton Development Community Association:**

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer gave the following report to the Members following on from the deputation of the Ballycotton Development Community Association.

As outlined by the Deputation, access to Ballycotton, through the village and to the harbour is provided by a single road – the R629 Regional Road. The road is relatively narrow and does not have the benefit of footpaths for much of its length. Given the narrowness of the road, parking controls, in the form of double yellow lines, are in effect along much of the R629 through Ballycotton village. Adherence to the parking controls should adequately accommodate anticipated traffic flow through the village. However where vehicles are parked in violation of the parking controls, traffic flow will be impeded and gridlock may occur where drivers do not ‘give and take’. Primary responsibility for enforcement of parking controls is a matter for An Garda Síochána. The suggested 1.29 km new road is estimated to have a construction cost of up to €2,000,000 not including land acquisition. As such, this proposal has no realistic prospect of being funded.

Notwithstanding the long road length through the village, as outlined above, given the narrowness of the road there is limited on street parking in Ballycotton. The topography of Ballycotton which contributes significantly to the charm of the historic fishing village also makes the provision of off street parking – both private and public – more challenging. The provision of public off street parking at the west side of the village and also at the harbour end would alleviate the parking issue.

Currently a study for the development of Ballycotton Harbour is ongoing. This office has made a submission highlighting the constraints and functional capacity in practice of the R629 access road through the village to the harbor and requesting that consideration be given to the provision of public parking as part of the harbor development.

Land to the west side of the village centre would appear to be suitable for the development of a car park.

Again, the provision of footpaths in Ballycotton has generally been constrained by the available road width/building lines. While there are footpaths from the school to the village centre, there are no footpaths immediately outside the school entrance, nor is there adequate road space to provide at the location. The school could consider developing an off road drop-off area/additional staff parking. Undeveloped land in the environs of the school would appear suitable for such use.

Cllr. Hegarty thanked the Senior Executive Engineer for the report but stated that it does not meet future aspirations for the group. Cllr. Hegarty requested that the report be forwarded onto the group.

Cllr. McCarthy stated that other options such as adequate off the road parking be explored and stated that safe access through Ballycotton Village is a priority.

Mr. Sean O' Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that he will request the Traffic Management Department to investigate the parking issues within the village and stated that he will examine the possibility of a feasibility study for the provision of a car park.

Cllr. Hegarty stated that he welcomed the Senior Executive Officer's statement and suggested that an outside company should investigate this matter. Cllr. Linehan Foley seconded this proposal.

## **2.5 Report on Deputation from Churchtown South Community Council.**

Janette Kenny, Executive Engineer circulated the following report to the Members following on from the deputation of the Churchtown South Community Council:

### **Roads:**

Road restoration in Churchtown South village has been under consideration for inclusion in the Restoration Improvement programme since December 2016. The area was examined in detail at the time with regards to carrying out advance surface water drainage works. In response to the concerns of the deputation a detailed walk over the roads in Churchtown South village was undertaken again. The existing road has surface defects, pavement deformations and surface openings but surface water drainage provision will be necessary prior to any resurfacing works. This is particularly required from Maytown Cross to the Community Centre. It is recommended that road drainage be undertaken as advance works to any proposed resurfacing contract pending the availability of funding.

Road resurfacing is required in the village from approximately the speed limit entry/exit locations. As this is a village setting an asphalt pavement overlay would be proposed. It is recommended that approximately 1,200m of roadway be overlaid. It is noted that 400m forms part of the designated scenic route to Ballycotton.

It is recommended that the resurfacing be considered for future East Cork Municipal District Restoration Improvement Programmes. There is an existing footpath in part of the village, this may require local repairs. It is recommended that the footpath be noted for future footpath programmes.

**Signage:**

The deputation outlined issues with directional signage in, to and from Churchtown South village. A review of signage was undertaken in Churchtown South village, on approaches and environs. It was noted that directional signage is missing in locations and the replacement of same is recommended under the road signage programme.

Government policy for Local Road number signs is that they are only erected off national and regional roads. The main road through Churchtown South is a Local Primary road therefore Local Road number signage is not applicable.

The provision of village name signs on the 3 approaches to Churchtown South could be considered by a community group and an application made to Cork County Council under the amenity grant scheme.

**Public Lighting:**

With regards to public lighting there are a number existing public lights on electricity poles in the main village area, with further public lights at the Nursing Home and the Community Centre. Notwithstanding this a review of public lighting is recommended and has been referred to the public lighting department of Cork County Council.

**Beaches:**

The deputation highlighted that 2 of the local beaches, namely Ballybrannigan and Ballylanders, are closed. The deputation also wished to have it noted that having these beaches closed puts pressure on Ballycraheen beach with regards to traffic volume.

Subject to adequate budget remaining by end of Q3, works could be carried out by Contractor to reopen the end of the Ballylanders road to vehicular traffic by the end of the year. Note however that allocated budgets for general road maintenance and repairs in East Cork MD has reduced from €2,453k in 2016 to €2,308k in 2017 – which is reflective of a general trend of ongoing year on year reductions in funding allocated to road maintenance since the financial crisis hit in 2008. The matter will be reviewed on a monthly basis to see if works can be carried out sooner.

The Council has appointed Malachy Walsh and Partners to undertake an assessment of the coastal erosion at Ballybrannigan Beach and recommend a course of action, including repairs to concrete slipway and appropriate signage. This report is due shortly.

Warning signage on the approach to Ballycraheen Beach will be reviewed and added to the signage programme as necessary.

Cllr. Hegarty stated that this is a scenic route used by day trippers and tourists and initiative should be used to have roads and signage numbered.

Cllr. McCarthy requested a partial opening of Ballylanders and Ballybrannigan beaches with appropriate signage erected to divert the public away from the cliffs.

Mr. Sean O' Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that a report on this matter was due by the end of the month which he would circulate to the Members once he received same.

Cllr. Hegarty proposed the Members meet to discuss this matter before the next meeting of the Council.

## **2.6 Schedule of Municipal Works – East Cork Municipal District:**

Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer circulated the following East Cork Municipal District Schedule of Municipal Works to the Members:

<b>Service Code</b>	<b>Service Description</b>	<b>Exp Annual Budget</b>	<b>Exp Actuals YTD</b>	<b>Exp Commitments</b>	<b>Exp Act and Comms</b>	<b>Exp Budget Remaining</b>	<b>% Exp Spend</b>
B01	NP Road – Maint & Improv	65,094	(7,492)	8,394	902	66,192	1%
B03	Regional Road – Maint & Improv	954,332	115,386	33,769	149,155	805,177	16%
B04	Local Road – Maint & Improv	3,071,631	726,580	123,154	849,734	2,221,897	28%
B08	Road Safety Promotion/Educate	61,439	14,785		14,785	46,654	24%
B09	Car Parking	101,108	16,787	86	16,873	84,235	17%
B11	Agency & Recoupable Services						
<b>Total B: Road Transport &amp; Safety</b>		<b>4,253,604</b>	<b>866,047</b>	<b>165,403</b>	<b>1,031,449</b>	<b>3,222,155</b>	<b>24%</b>
C04	Operation & Main Public Conv	213,224	99,082		99,082	114,142	46%
<b>Total C: Water Services</b>		<b>213,224</b>	<b>99,082</b>		<b>99,082</b>	<b>114,142</b>	<b>46%</b>
D04	Indust & Comm Facilities						
D06	Comm & Enterprise Function	44,444	4,583		4,583	39,861	10%
D11	Heritage & Conservation Serv	147,800	5,953	2,500	8,453	139,347	6%
<b>Total D: Development Management</b>		<b>192,244</b>	<b>10,537</b>	<b>2,500</b>	<b>13,037</b>	<b>179,207</b>	<b>7%</b>
E05	Litter Management	36,650	1,246		1,246	35,404	3%
E06	Street Cleaning	398,194	122,755	2,743	125,499	272,695	32%
E09	Maintenance of Burial Grounds	174,713	12,736		12,736	161,977	7%
E10	Safety of Structures & Places	143,710	10,972	3,000	14,071	129,639	10%
<b>Total E: Environmental Services</b>		<b>753,267</b>	<b>147,708</b>	<b>5,843</b>	<b>153,551</b>	<b>599,716</b>	<b>20%</b>
F01	Leisure Facilities Operation	190,000	108,149		108,149	81,851	57%
F03	Outdoor Leisure Areas Oper	468,166	126,542	7,769	134,311	333,855	29%
F04	Comm, Sport & Rec Development	511,718	(18,586)	100,587	82,000	429,718	16%
F05	Operation of Arts Programme	108,750	(18,750)	88,750	70,000	38,750	64%
F06	F Agency & Recoupable Services	3,500				3,500	

<b>Total F: Recreation &amp; Amenity</b>		<b>1,282,134</b>	<b>197,355</b>	<b>197,105</b>	<b>394,460</b>	<b>87,674</b>	<b>31%</b>
G01	Land Drainage Costs	26,500	(139)		(139)	26,639	-1%
G02	Op & Maint of Piers & Harbours	18,968	2,207	2,670	4,877	14,091	26%
G03	Coastal Protection	37,353	21,858	14,453	36,310	1,043	97%
<b>Total G: Agri, Educ, Health &amp; Welfare</b>		<b>82,821</b>	<b>23,925</b>	<b>17,123</b>	<b>41,048</b>	<b>41,773</b>	<b>50%</b>
H06	Weighbridges	2,000	245		245	1,755	12%
H07	Operation Markets/Casual Trade	5,300				5,300	
H09	Local Reps & Civic Leadership						
H11	Agency & Recoupable Services						
<b>Total H: Miscellaneous Services</b>		<b>7,300</b>	<b>245</b>		<b>245</b>	<b>7,055</b>	<b>3%</b>
<b>Total East Cork MD</b>		<b>6,784,594</b>	<b>1,344,898</b>		<b>1,732,872</b>	<b>5,651,722</b>	

Cllr. Hegarty requested a breakdown of the €101,108 allocated to car parking. The Municipal District Officer Mr. Joe McCarthy informed the Members that €71,000 of this amount was allocated to loan charges on the DeValera Street Car Park with the remaining amount being allocated to public car park maintenance, wages for the Traffic Warden and the upkeep of parking machines.

Cllr. Hegarty asked how the Burial Ground allocation is calculated. The Municipal District Officer informed the Members that most of the allocated amount would be payment for curators, caretakers or registrars within the Burial Grounds. Cllr. Hegarty also requested that some cemeteries within the East Cork Area which are overgrown be sprayed.

Mr. Joe McCarthy informed the Members that a Countywide Policy is being developed to achieve an acceptable standard of upkeep of graveyards.

Cllr. Linehan Foley asked if voluntary groups could get involved in the cleaning of overgrown graves. In response Helen Mulcahy stated that it was not the practice for the Council to maintain graves privately owned within its graveyards but she could not see a difficulty with community groups carrying out some cleaning of overgrown graves provided these groups did not interfere with the duties of the graveyard staff.

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

None.

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

None.

#### **5. Notices of Motion:**

5.1.1 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

“Calling on East Cork Municipal District to look at manhole covers in Castlemartyr as they are dangerous”.

Cllr. Linehan Foley also requested that this motion be amended to include Strand Street, Youghal.

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that due to subsidence in Castlemartyr a number of manholes have been raised in the last six months and stated that the National Roads Design Office have tenders out to have the remaining manholes raised.

In relation to Strand Street the Executive Engineer informed the Members that he will investigate the ownership of the manholes.

5.1.2 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

“Could East Cork Municipal District look into buying land for a cemetery in Ballycotton as nearest cemetery is in Cloyne”.

Mr. Sean O’ Callaghan, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that Mary Ryan, Director of Services has undertaken a review of the need for land purchase for the provision of cemeteries.

5.1.3 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

“Could we have update following my motion on safety precautions/signage at Gortroo Village”.

Mr. Paul Murray, Executive Engineer informed the Members that road liners are due to carry out works shortly.

5.1.4 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

“That the East Cork Municipal District recommend to its parent body to give favourable consideration to the commercial life of East Cork, by way of waivers in their annual rate demands, where many suffered crippling financial loss, resulting from the flood storms, with little or no compensation, insurance or otherwise, while others faced total closure”.

The Members fully supported this motion.

5.1.5 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

“Council seek a legal report on the closure of the Pontoon Walkway, taking into consideration its usage by the general public, over the past 50 years and if that status remains under squatters rights legislation”.

It was noted that the walkway has been reopened.

5.1.6 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

“Council report a) if the Local Area Planner continues to hold monthly public advice clinics in Midleton b) if the F.O.I official attends in a similar capacity?”

The Municipal District Officer confirmed that the Area Planner holds monthly clinics in Midleton.

5.1.7 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

“Completion date for the CCTV in Midleton town, plus major improvements to public lighting to include additional lighting at rear of Housing Estates”.

The Municipal District Officer, Mr. Joe McCarthy informed the Members that a contract for these works will be signed on the 16<sup>th</sup> May next and the works will be commenced within about one month of the signing and the scheme will be in place by the end of the summer.

5.1.8 Cllr. Danielle Twomey, received on 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

“That this council investigate the serious issue of fly tipping at Castlemartyr Woods, Ballyannon and Glenbower Woods with an aim to provide a solutions for all areas”.

The Municipal District Officer informed the Members that all of these woods are in the control of Coillte and stated that he will write to them regarding this motion.

Cllr. Collins fully supported this motion.

5.1.9 Cllr. Danielle Twomey, received on 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

“Update on the signage for Maple Woods and also the replacement of the fence panel”.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that he will bring the matter of the fence panel back to the Estates Department also in relation to Maple Woods the Engineer informed the Members that a number of estates are being assessed presently and he will revert back to the members with a report before the August recess. One “Children at Play” sign will be provided within the estate in the meantime.

Cllr. McCarthy seconded this motion.

5.1.10 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

“Repairs to road from Annestown/Garranejames, Mogeely to Dangan Cross”.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer will investigate this matter.

Cllr. Linehan Foley seconded this motion.

5.1.11 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

“Road from Kilcounty to Dangan Cross L7825-0 and Ballferode Road, Ballymacoda”.

Cllr. Hegarty requested a complete overlay on these roads.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that some repairs had taken place in the past week and informed the Members that the overlay of these roads could be considered when drawing up the roads programme 2018.

5.1.12 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

“Roads from Fanisk Bridge to Main Youghal Road N25”.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that an assessment of the extensive damage caused to local roads by traffic avoiding the Killeagh works and estimate of the cost of necessary repairs will be submitted to the TII.

Cllr. Hegarty stated that the TII should view these roads to inspect the damage done as a result of the Killeagh Roadworks.

5.1.13 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

“Progress report on minor safety works improvements at Mullins Cross”.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that this had been forwarded to the Property Section in relation to land acquisition and stated that he will seek an update and will circulate same to the Members.

5.1.14 Cllr. Susan McCarthy, received on 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

“That Council investigate speeding on the feeder road in Broomfield village, and give an update on road safety measures to be undertaken at Cyprus Circus within the estate”.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that an assessment and a speed survey had been conducted and a road safety officer had also visited the area and stated that the recommendation which needs to be formalised was for macadam or ‘cushion’ ramps either side of the road at Cyprus Circus.

As regards speeding on the feeder road to Broomfield village the Engineer informed the Members that this is a Garda matter if motorists were driving down the middle of the road.

5.1.15 Cllr. Susan McCarthy, received on 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

“That Council consider the lease of building in the grounds of Aras Cuimhne an Piarasigh to community and social inclusion groups such as Midleton Men's Shed”.

Cllrs. Twomey and Collins supported this motion.

Mr. Sean O' Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that discussions are ongoing through the Property Section and that he will follow up on this matter with Mr., Declan Daly, Divisional Manager, in relation to correspondence which may have issued.

## **6. Any Other Business:**

1. Cllr. Linehan Foley informed the Members that she had received a letter from Youghal Chamber of Commerce regarding the proposed closure of the bottom section of Cork Hill for the month of August and proposed that the Municipal District write to Sorenson's requesting a list of proposed road closures for the summer months

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that he is currently aware of the need for 2 road closures for the Main Drainage Scheme one at the bottom of Cork Hill which requires the laying of a large storm pipe which would alleviate flooding at this location. The Engineer stated that he had been consulted on these works from a traffic point of view and was hoping that the works would commence after the August Bank Holiday Weekend.

Cllr. Linehan Foley stated that she is of the opinion that these works take place during the mid-term break and not in the height of the tourism season and proposed that the Senior Executive Engineer along with representatives from Sorenson organise a meeting with Youghal Chamber and the business people of the town to discuss this matter. Cllr. Hegarty seconded this proposal.

2. Cllr. Linehan Foley raised the issue of a gaping hole in the concrete at Green Hole. Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that he will inspect this area.
3. Cllr. Linehan Foley requested that the prom leading to the Boardwalk be cleared of stones. Mrs. Helen Mulcahy, Senior Staff Officer informed the Members that a Contractor is commencing work here tomorrow.
4. Cllr. Linehan Foley raised the issue of the wheelchair ramp at Claycastle and asked when this ramp would be completed. Mr. Paul Murray, Executive Engineer informed the Members that once a handrail is installed here, which was due shortly, this would complete the works. Cllr. Hegarty asked if additional staff would be recruited for the summer months. Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that 4 additional staff have been approved for the East Cork Area.
5. Cllr. Hegarty raised the issue of the condition of the roads at Kilcounty which he stated are in an atrocious condition. Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that repairs are scheduled for this area and repairs will also be carried out on Kilcounty Bridge.
6. Cllr. McCarthy requested that the Engineer examine the L7624.

The Members agreed that the next meeting of the Municipal District take place on June 6<sup>th</sup> at 2.00 p.m.at the Youghal Office.

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