

Minutes of Monthly Meeting of East Cork Municipal District
Held on 6th November, 2017 at 11.00 a.m.
at Pearse Memorial Chambers, Middleton, Co. Cork.

I Lathair: Cathaoirleach Susan McCarthy presided.
Cllrs. Hegarty, Collins, Linehan Foley & Twomey.

Leathscéal: Cllr. Aaron 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
Ms. Jeanette Kenny, Executive Engineer.
Mr. Gary Smith, Executive Engineer.
Mrs. Helen Mulcahy, Senior Staff Officer.
Mrs. Geraldine O' Connell, Clerical Officer.

On the proposal of Cllr. Hegarty which was seconded by Cllr. McCarthy the Members agreed to commence the meeting with Item 2.4 on the Agenda.

2.4: Part 8 Planning – Proposed Housing Scheme at Townparks, Cloyne.

Mr. Keith Jones, Senior Engineer, Cork County Council circulated the following Managers Report, drawings and site layout maps in relation to the construction of 9 no. Residential Units at Townparks, Cloyne of which notice was published in the Irish Examiner on 25th August, 2017 in accordance with Articles 81 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 to 2015.

Nature and Extent of the Proposed Development:

Cork County Council proposes the construction of 9 no. Residential units, comprising 5 no. two-storey 2-bed houses and 3 no. two-storey 3-bed houses, together with associated site works, below ground services, connection to public utilities and ancillary works including:

Implications with respect of Planning and Development of the Area:

The proposed development conforms to the provisions of the County Development Plan and is in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Public Consultation.

The closing date for the receipt of submissions and observations was Friday, 20th October.

The following bodies were notified

An Taisce

Fáilte Ireland

Irish Water

The Arts Council

1 submission was received from a statutory body:

Irish Water were the only statutory body to submit a petition in which they state they have no objection to the proposal based on the plans and particulars included in the planning application.

11 submissions were received from the public.

Henry & Bernadette Fawsitt, Spittal House, Cloyne, Co. Cork.

Eamon Morrissey, 5 Cherryvale, Cloyne, Co. Cork.

Andrea Behan.

Barry Kelleher, 11 Cherryvale, Cloyne, Co. Cork.

Claire O' Connor.

Aoife Kavanagh & Domenico Campana, 6 Cherryvale, Cloyne, Co. Cork

Shane Downey, 28 Cherryvale, Spittal Lane, Cloyne, Co. Cork.

Lorraine Murphy, 18 Cherryvale, Cloyne, Co. Cork.

Peter Murphy, 18 Cherryvale, Cloyne, Co. Cork.

Sharon McGillycuddy, 22 Cherryvale, Cloyne, Co. Cork.

Kareena Farmer.

Arising from public consultation, a number of variations have been made to the design.

It is proposed to introduce two number build outs at the entrance to the estate road to Cherryvale, off the main public road to improve sight distance in the area.

It is proposed to revise the site layout so as to retain a portion of the existing roadside boundary wall and planted area, (as shown on the attached drawing).

It is proposed to remove the southernmost entrance into the estate and install a turning hammer in its place.

It is proposed to introduce an uncontrolled raised crossing point adjoining the northern most entrance into the proposed estate.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the above development proceed in accordance with the drawings accompanying this report that incorporates the variation/modification as mentioned above.

This report is submitted to the members of Cork County Council in the course of compliance with Section 179(3) of the Planning & Development Act, 2000.

The Engineer informed the Members that he was seeking their approval to proceed with Part VIII Process for this development.

The Members thanked the Engineer for the report and asked what height is the wall to the rear of the development, the Members also queried the next stage of the development and if funding has been approved for same.

Mr. Keith Jones, Senior Engineer informed the Members that the boundary wall to the rear of the development is 2.1 metres in height and stated that €1.8m has been approved in funding, the Engineer also informed the Members that they would revert back to the Department for tender approval before Christmas and would hope to be on site early next year.

On the proposal of Cllr. Hegarty which was seconded by Cllr. Collins the Members unanimously agreed to approve the proposals as submitted for the Proposed Housing Scheme at Townparks, Cloyne.

Confirmation of Minutes of Municipal District Meeting held on 2nd October, 2017 & Confirmation of Minutes of Special Meeting (County Library) held on 2nd October, 2017.

The Minutes of the Municipal District Meeting held on 2nd October, 2017 and Minutes of Special Meeting (County Library) held on 2nd October, 2017 were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Hegarty and seconded by Cllr. McCarthy.

Consideration of Reports and Recommendations:

2.1 Presentation from Eirgrid in relation to Marine Survey.

Garry Nolan from Eirgrid gave a short presentation to the Members regarding the Celtic Interconnector which is a proposed electrical link which if built will enable the movement of electricity between Ireland and France. Garry informed the Members that EirGrid is exploring the viability of this project, no decision to proceed has been made and stated that a feasible route has been identified between Ireland and France with East Cork being identified as currently the best option for the project.

Gary stated that the Celtic Interconnector which will be 700mw in capacity with an estimated cost of €0.825 - €1.01 bn will bring many benefits, including the following:

- Ability to import and export 700 MW of electricity, the equivalent of supplying power to around 450,000 homes.
- Enhanced security of supply for Irish electricity users. It will provide Ireland's only energy connection to an EU Members State once the United Kingdom leaves the EU.
- Apply downward pressure on the cost of electricity to consumers in Ireland.
- Help facilitate Ireland's transition to a low carbon energy future.
- Provide a direct fibre optic communications link between Ireland and France.

The Members thanked the deputation from Eirgrid for the presentation and requested that they be kept informed in relation to the project.

2.2 T.I.I. Project – Killeagh & Castlemartyr.

Mr. Eoin Bennett, Executive Engineer, Roads Design Office informed the Members that he is seeking their approval to proceed with the Part VIII Planning Process for the construction of a Footbridge in Castlemartyr which would be incorporated with the proposed upcoming roads works on the N25 for Castlemartyr. The Engineer informed the Members that a full set of plans are available for inspection in both the Middleton and the T.I.I. Offices and stated that a tender report is being prepared presently, a letter of intent has been issued and a contract is to be awarded within the next two weeks. It is hoped that works will commence in January.

Cllr. Susan McCarthy asked if the construction of the footbridge will impact on the proposed works on the N25. The Engineer informed the Members that the construction of the footbridge will be incorporated into the proposed works for the N25 which will take 6 months to complete. The Engineer informed the Members that funding is subject to approval of the Part VIII Process.

Cllr. Twomey stated that she is delighted to see this project going forward and asked if the Members could be circulated with a copy of the plans. Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that a copy of the plans will be displayed in the Midleton Office.

Cllr. Linehan Foley raised the issue of recent flooding in Killeagh near the Thatch Restaurant and asked if the road was being raised at this location. The Engineer informed the Members that there were issues in relation to blocked shores but all of these had been addressed.

On the proposal of Cllr. McCarthy which was seconded by Cllr. Twomey the Members unanimously agreed that the Part VIII Process for the construction of the footbridges in Castlemartyr should proceed.

2.3 Presentation by Cathal O' Meara, Industrial Designer and Landscape Architect on draft landscaping plan for public park at The Lodge, Midleton.

Mr. Cathal O' Meara, Designer and Landscape Architect circulated drawings and gave a presentation to the Members regarding the plans for the development of the Baby Walk and the Town Parks in Midleton.

The Landscape Architect informed the Members that significant potential exists to develop a high quality public realm within the Town Park lands but stated that several observed issues are hindering positive use of these spaces including the following:

Unlimited positive surveillance, littering and anti-social activities.

Restricted access at several locations.

Evidence of strong desire lines (people are disregarding the fences and creating access to park).

Absence of clear maintenance plan.

Development of piecemeal areas within the park.

Poor visual connection within the town and difficult access points (Baby Walk Park to main park).

Lack of woodland management plan.

The following aims are proposed to rectify these items and lead to a increased use by the residents of the town to their public parks:

Lawn terrace with low maintenance wildflower meadows.

Visual connection with Midleton Distillery restored and implementation of a Woodland Management Plan.

Creation of access points to the Owenacurra River.
Creation of Bridge to facilitate looped walks.
Relocate car parking to east of house.
Definition of gardens associated with Midleton Lodge.
New paths and access points to increase passive surveillance – remove fencing and remove prune vegetation.
Picnic area – lime kiln seating and viewing point.
Play nodes for natural creative play within parklands area.
Adventure play area within existing quarry enclosure, gated access to restrict hours of use.
New entry to Baby Walk Park.
Remove walls and create terraced steps for seating.
Raised and paved tables for slowing traffic, increased pedestrian realm (allowing cafes and restaurants visual connection with park), establish strong visual connection with park.
Proposed mass perennial plantings.
Terraced seating steps – increased access to water.
Removal of existing wall and development of entry threshold – use of bold colour

The Members thanked Cathal O’ Meara for his presentation and welcomed the proposed re-development of the park. The Members expressed concerns regarding flood management proposals. The Members also voiced their concerns regarding the water feature at the terraced seating steps under Health & Safety issues.

The Architect informed the Members that the wall is not a flood prevention wall and stated that the OPW will look at same before any works will commence. Long stretches of both rivers are open and accessible with no evidence of risk having arisen and safety would be enhanced by increased visibility.

The Members asked if funding was available for these works to proceed.

Mr. Sean O’ Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that it is presently a draft plan and that implementation would be phased over a number of years subject to funding and stated that they are presently working with the Architects Department of Cork County Council to tie part of the plan in with the Streetscape Works in Midleton. Consultation with the OPW would be ongoing.

2.5 Report on Deputation from Kilcounty.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer circulated the following report on Deputation from Kilcounty to the Members:

As outlined by the Deputation there are a number of local roads in poor condition in the Kilcounty/Barradaw/Corbally/Ballyre area. In addition works needed at Kilcounty Bridge and missing yield signs at Dangan Cross were highlighted as safety issues.

Road repairs were carried out on a number of the roads, the subject of this report, during early summer 2017. On recent re-inspection on the 01/11/2017 the following conditions were observed (note that the roads within the triangle bounded by R627/L3802/L3804 were inspected including the aforementioned):

Regional Road R727 – from Dungourney to Murleys Cross – 7.1 km in length: generally in good to very good condition.

Local primary road L3802 – from Murleys Cross to Mount Uniacke – 6.6 km in length: generally in serviceable condition with evidence of previous repairs. A number of stretches are in poor structural condition. A small number of potholes observed. The structurally deficient sections require strengthening and some section are in need of surface dressing to reseal.

Local primary road L3804 Dungourney to Mount Uniacke – 7.1 km in length: generally in good to very good condition excepting the initial section from Dungourney. Most of this road has been strengthened in recent years, with a further length of 850 metres from the junction with the L7826 Coorbally Road to Dangan Bridge successfully strengthened and surfaced dressed by Council staff under the 2017 Restoration Improvement Programme.

Local secondary road L7826 – Coorbally Ballyre road – 2.6 km in length: the initial 50% or 1.3 km from the junction with the Dangan road is in excellent condition having being successfully strengthened and surfaced dressed under the 2017 Restoration Improvement Programme by Council staff. The balance to the junction with the L7824 Barradaw Road is in fair condition; the remaining 700 metres to the L3802 (Mount Uniacke to Murleys Cross) is heavily potholed and at the time of inspection was in a muddy condition from adjacent agricultural activity. The road will be re-inspected with a view to issuing notices under the Roads Act to relevant landowners where required. This road is listed for pothole repairs.

The L78261 local tertiary cul-de-sac at Coorbally – 0.5 km in length; this was not inspected but from previous inspections is known to be in a poor structural condition. A recent application for a CIS will be under consideration in 2018.

Local secondary road L7825 – Kilcounty Road from Wood Cross to Dangan Cross – 3.6 km in length: generally in very poor condition and uneven from extensive previous repairs; evidence of more recent repairs by velocity patcher performing well but potholes emerging on unpatched areas of the road. Almost the entire road length is in need of strengthening. Rehabilitation works are required at Kilcounty Bridge – a contract to complete these has been awarded with works to commence shortly. New yield signs observed at Dangan Cross. Much of the length of the road has overgrown ditches and these will be re-inspected with a view to issuing notices to relevant landowners where required.

The L78251 local tertiary cul-de-sac at Kilcounty – 0.8 km in length: in very poor condition and in need of strengthening. An approved application in 2014 to resurface the road under the CIS programme did not advance as the community contribution was not received.

Local secondary road L-7824 – Barradaw Road – 3.6 km in length: generally in serviceable condition with evidence of previous repairs: recent repairs by velocity patcher performing well. Potholes emerging on two localised sections where springs appear to be an issue.

Local secondary road L7823 – Donnackmore Raod – 3.2 km in length: generally in good condition.

Summary:

31.5 km of road were visually inspected as described above.

2.15 km of the roads inspected were strengthened and surface dressed by the Council Staff as part of the 2017 Restoration Improvement Programme at a cost of €182,000.

Yield signs have been erected where missing at Dangan Cross.

Rehabilitation works at Kilcounty Bridge have been awarded and are on this year's Bridge Rehabilitation Programme.

Repairs by velocity patcher carried out in early summer are performing well.

Actions by some landowners with regards to mud on the road and overgrowth hedges are required. Cork County Council will be re-inspecting and issuing notices under Section 70 of the Roads Acts where appropriate.

The L7825 – Kilcounty Road from Wood Cross to Dangan Cross (3.6 km) should be prioritised for strengthening under future Restoration Improvement Programmes. The preliminary cost estimate to strengthen and double surface dress is €291,600.

The L78251 local tertiary cul-de-sac at Kilcounty and the L78261 local tertiary cul-de-sac at Coorbally are in need of strengthening and can be advanced at CISs (Community Involvement Schemes).

Cllr. Susan McCarthy, chairperson thanked the Executive Engineer for his report and asked how many contenders have applied for the CIS Scheme for 2018. The Engineer informed the Members that there are two applications for the Scheme presently.

Cllr. Linehan Foley informed the Members that while she welcomes CIS Schemes the residents of the L78251 cul-de-sac road at Kilcounty paid astronomical development charges and should not be subject to extra funding for the road repairs within this cul-de sac.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that he can only deal with the amount of funding allocated to the East Cork Municipal District and stated that Kilcounty is a priority for road overlay and it is intended to carry out works on a phase of this road in 2018.

Cllr. Linehan Foley proposed that Minister Shane Ross be invited to the East Cork Area to view the conditions of the road and to discuss the funding allocated to this area.

2.6 Report on Storm Ophelia and Storm Brian.

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke circulated the following report on Storm Ophelia and Storm Brian to the Members:

Date	Weather Event	Main Features	Major Impacts	CCC Actions/Response
Monday 16 th October 2017.	Hurricane Ophelia Met Eireann Red Severe Weather Warning (Wind)	Inland storm force winds Tidal surge	Large number of trees uprooted blocking roads and damaging overhead power and communication lines. 38 roads recorded as blocked in East Cork. R627 Middleton to Dungourney Road significantly impacted with multiple trees down. Loss of power had knock on impact to mobile communications/water supply & treatment. (Tidal surge as forecasted passed in advance of high tide resulting in minimal coastal flooding/damage issues).	Ongoing assessment and monitoring of the weather event and impacts; reporting upward through the Severe Weather Assessment Team to the National Emergency Coordination Group. Provision of sandbags to public in advance of hurricane. Response crews station at Depots and remained in 'lockdown; during the high risk (wind) period in preparedness for emergency deployment if required and post storm cleanup. Clearing of trees from blocked roads on abatement of

				<p>storm force winds (Council staff and tree surgeon contractors). This work continued for 2 weeks.</p> <p>Area staff provided direct notification to the public of roads blocked due to trees down through MapAlert system.</p> <p>Erected road blocked signs where resources permitted.</p> <p>Due to loss of power and phones at local council offices the Emergency Callout facility operated during normal hours also.</p>
Thursday 19 th October, 2017	Met Eireann Yellow Weather Alert (Rainfall)	<p>Significant rainfall fell in a 12 hour period. 44 mm recorded at Cork Airport. Observations on day indicate greater rainfall in the Youghal to Castlemartyr area making this locally a red rainfall event (>50mm in 12 hours).</p>	<p>Fluvial flooding/flash flooding/and pluvial/spot flood</p> <p>Fluvial flooding occurred on the Mogeely Road, Castlemartyr with the Kilta River bursting its banks.</p> <p>Flash flooding occurred at a number of locations including R632 Ladysbridge, Quarry Road and New Line in Youghal, Knockmonlea.</p> <p>Pluvial/spot flooding impacted many roads including Bog Road toward Beanfield, Ballynascarty Road (2 locations)</p>	<p>Ongoing assessment and monitoring of the weather event and impacts, reporting upward through the Severe Weather Assessment Team to the National Emergency Coordination Group</p> <p>Provision of sandbags to public.</p> <p>Flood Watch through evening high tide in Middleton Town; communication with Middleton Flood Committee.</p> <p>Erected road flooded signs</p> <p>Area staff provided</p>

			<p>A number of properties were flooded or had near misses.</p>	<p>direct notification to the public of roads blocked due to flooding through MapAlerter system</p> <p>Emergency response to a number of locations including flash flooding at Quarry Road and R632 Ladysbridge.</p> <p>Clearing leaves and debris blocking culverts/gullies etc.</p>
<p>Friday 20th to Sunday morning 22nd October 2017</p>	<p>Storm Brian Met Eireann Yellow Weather Alert (Rainfall) & Orange Weather Warning (Wind)</p>	<p>Gale force winds Heavy rainfall fell over a short period on Friday afternoon with further accumulations of 20 mm</p>	<p>No major new impacts Tidal surge less than forecasted as winds slackened considerably before high tide</p>	<p>Ongoing assessment and monitoring of the weather event and impacts; reporting upward through the Severe Weather Assessment Team to the National Emergency Coordination Group.</p> <p>Provision of sandbags to public</p> <p>Flood watch through evening high tide in Middleton Town. Due to uncertainty of rainfall forecast, saturated ground conditions and forecast tidal surge coinciding with high tide the Middleton Emergency Pump mobilised to Baby's Walk; communication with Middleton Flood Committee.</p> <p>Erected road flooded signs</p>

				<p>Continued response to blockages at previous flooding R632 Ladysbridge including mobilising emergency pump</p> <p>Emergency river cleaning on the Kilta River downstream of bridge in Castlemartyr.</p> <p>Clearing leaves and debris blocking culverts/gullies etc.</p>
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Notes:

Council crew works extended hours on the Monday 16th, Thursday 19th, Friday 20th and Saturday 21st as part of the response/recovery operations to reopen roads.

Approximately 4,000 sandbags were provided to public and/or deployed directly by Council crews. Owner of at risk properties are encouraged to invest in floodgate protection barriers.

Removal of a number of broken branches along the N25 verges is outstanding and scheduled for completion in the coming weeks. This includes the removal of a number of trees identified as having been weakened by Storm Ophelia.

The public are encouraged to report any remaining damage issues to ESB networks directly to the ESB. Similarly fallen telephone wires, broken, damaged or leaning telephone poles should be reported directly to Eir as the responsible utility provider.

Landowners are reminded of their responsibilities under the Roads Act to maintain roadside trees on their property. Landowners abutting a public road should, if not already done so, inspect roadside boundaries and address any issues which might include removal of fallen branches, damaged trees and fixing damaged fences ensuring any road drainage features are maintained.

Landowners should also inspect watercourses/streams/rivers on and abutting their property to ensure that fallen trees and branches from their property are not impeding flow or risk being washed downstream in a flood and potentially blocking bridges and culverts.

Roads Operations East Cork Municipal District has referred the flooding issues on the R632 Ladysbridge, Castlemartyr and Quarry Road, Youghal to the Flood Management Section for examination and consideration under the OPW Minor Works Scheme.

The Members thanked the Senior Executive Engineer for his report and also thanked the Management and Staff of East Cork Municipal District and Cork County Council for their level of communication during both storms.

2.7 Proposed Disposal of Property.

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 notices.

2.7.1 Disposal of Freehold Interest at No. 18 Rosary Place, Midleton.

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, the proposed disposal of freehold interest in house and plot shows hereunder, which are not required for the purpose of the Council's power's and duties, will be considered at the first meeting of the Council held after the expiration of ten clear days from the date of this notice.

Land Held Under

Leasehold Interest: No. 18 Rosary Place, Midleton, Co. Cork.

Folio No. 7028L

Freehold Interest: Folio No. 28515.

From Whom Acquired: Unknown.

Person To Whom

Freehold Interest In Land

Is To Be Disposed Of: Sarah Flynn

Consideration: €350.00 inclusive of administration charges.

Covenants, Conditions
And Agreement: Conditions pursuant to Housing Act, 1966 and
Landlord and Tenants Acts, 1947 – 1984.

On the proposal of Cllr. McCarthy which was seconded by Cllr. Twomey the Members had no objection to the proposal.

Business prescribed by Stature, standing Orders or Resolutions of the Municipal District Members for transaction at Meeting.

None.

Other business set forth in the Notice convening the Meeting.

None.

Notices of Motion:

5.1.1 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 4th October 2017

“That T.I.I and associated contractors involved in the Killeagh Enhancement Works Project, now that the works are completed, be requested to host an official opening for the businesses, local community and commuters that were inconvenienced during the carrying out of the project, indicating that Killeagh is now fully functional and open for business”.

Cllrs. Collins and McCarthy seconded this motion.

Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer agreed to write to Eoin McCarthy, Roads Design Office regarding this motion.

5.1.2 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 27th October 2017

“The Ballinascartha Upper Road, Midleton – update on improvement works”.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that no works are presently planned for this area and stated that he has been in discussion with a number of residents in relation to the CIS Scheme.

5.1.3 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 27th October 2017

“Bridge at Ballybane, Shanagarry, parapet wall is in need of urgent repairs and where is the new velocity patcher?”

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that the nature of repairs required to this bridge has been recently inspected by an Engineer who has suggested that a safety barrier be erected as a temporary measure.

The Engineer informed the members that the new velocity patcher will be deployed as a package which will include the installation of a base for a 26 tonne tar tank and will be deployed from the Council Depot in Killeagh.

5.1.4 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 27th October 2017

“Update on flooding issues of 20th October, 2017 within our Municipal District”.

This has been dealt with under item 2.6 on the Agenda.

5.1.5 Cllr. Danielle Twomey, received on 5th October, 2017

“Can the Engineer conduct a survey of the severe safety hazards on the Cloyne village footpaths with a view to repair and make safe for residents focusing mainly on the footpath outside the chemist, and the periphery of the school”.

Mr. Gary Smith, Executive Engineer informed the Members that raised kerbing had been recently installed outside the chemist’s to counteract flooding with new concrete footpaths installed from the Pharmacy to the Garage.

Cllr. Twomey stated that the some of the footpaths from the crossroads to the school are in need of repair.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that footpaths at the school are being damaged by cars parking here and stated that these footpaths repairs will be added to the 2018 Footpath Programme.

5.1.6 Cllr. Danielle Twomey, received on 5th October, 2017

“Repairs to the L7820 road at Dungourney”.

The Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that some sections of this road are being overlaid this week and stated that the remainder of works on this road will be considered in the 2018 Roads Programme.

5.1.7 Cllr. Danielle Twomey, received on 18th October, 2017

“That this Municipal District contact Bus Eireann requesting the installation of bus shelters at Killeagh and Castlemartyr Village stops as this is a primary route and also enquire as to when Ballinacurra can see the bus shelter they were promised many years ago”.

This motion has been dealt with under motion 5.1.15

5.1.8 Cllr. Danielle Twomey, received on 24th October, 2017

“That this Municipal District contact T.I.I regarding the Oatencake flyover bridge on the Cork Road regarding the footpath and narrowness and safety of such and ask that it be upgraded and made safe to facilitate the now heavy footfall of students and parents of the Gaelscoil”.

Cllr. McCarthy seconded this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke will write to the TII regarding same.

5.1.9 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 10th October, 2017

“Council carry out major tree surgery in the following areas, now a danger to life and limb a) rear of 24 Riversfield Estate (Postcode P25E28) and No. 102 Riversfield Estate (Postcode P25VY60) and Fr. Murphy Place, Midleton as trees are growing into their windows.

Cllr. McCarthy seconded this motion.

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke will examine these trees and will report back to the Members for the December meeting of the Council.

5.1.10 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 10th October, 2017

“Council report, under the Dangerous Building Act, what proposals are envisaged to address the collapsing 10 ft stone wall in Main Street, Ballinacurra and a similar problem with a collapsing house in Upper Main Street, Ballinacurra, both problems now a danger to passing traffic and pedestrians”.

Cllr. Twomey seconded this motion.

The Municipal District Officer, Mr. Joe McCarthy informed the Members in relation to the house that a notice has been served and stated that scaffolding and hoarding has been erected. The Municipal District Officer informed the Members that funding has been identified to carry out works to the wall and that a procurement process is taking place to have contractors appointed.

5.1.11 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 10th October, 2017

“Council, in the interest and safety of human life, immediately investigate the atrocious and dangerous condition of Kilteskin Road, Rostellan with major pot holes, drainage and other damaged road infrastructure and have immediate repairs carried out request an update on taking in charge of Glebe Manor, Whitegate”.

Cllr. Twomey seconded this motion.

Ms. Janette Kenny, Executive Engineer informed the Members that the Kilteskin Road was examined last week and stated that potholes at this location will be filled in by the end of this week.

The Municipal District Officer informed the Members that he will request an up to date report from the Planning Department in relation to the taking in charge of Glebe Manor, Whitegate.

5.1.12 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 10th October, 2017

“Council request the Department of Forestry to carry out a general clean up of Ballyannon Wood, Midleton to include the pathways and surgery to overhanging bushes and trees, seriously disrupting this otherwise recreational walkway”.

The Members unanimously supported this motion.

The Municipal District Officer, Mr. Joe McCarthy informed the Members that he will write to the Department of Forestry regarding same.

5.1.13 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 11th October, 2017

“Request that a representative from IDA attend a meeting with East Cork Municipal District members to discuss their plans for development and promotion of commercial enterprise in Youghal”.

Cllr. Linehan Foley stated that there are a lot of unused factory buildings in the Youghal area.

Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer agreed to write to the IDA in relation to same.

5.1.14 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 11th October, 2017

“That the cemetery in Killeagh be cleaned up ASAP”.

Helen Mulcahy, Senior Staff Officer informed the Members that these works have been completed.

Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 19th October, 2017

“Ask Bus Eireann to install a bus shelter in Castlemartyr ASAP for protection from the elements”.

Cllr. McCarthy and Twomey seconded that motion.

Cllr. Twomey also requested an update on the provision of a bus shelter for both Killeagh and Ballinacurra which she has tabled as a motion for the meeting.

The Municipal District Officer, Mr. Joe McCarthy agreed to write to Bus Eireann regarding the motion and will also request that a member from Bus Eireann attend a meeting of the Municipal District Council.

5.1.6 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 19th October, 2017.

“Asking that Engineers look at Clashadonna Road for resurfacing ASAP as it’s in a dangerous condition”.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that this road is on a list for repairs.

5.1.17 Cllr. Susan McCarthy, received on 29th October, 2017

“That Council provide an outdoor amenity area for young people in the form of a skate park possibly to be incorporated into the existing park in front of Midleton Lodge along with suitable play area for younger children”.

This motion has been discussed under item 2.3

5.1.18 Cllr. Susan McCarthy, received on 29th October, 2017

“That Council install a footpath at Tim Daly's Tce, Mogeely Rd, Killeagh where currently the enclosure for an Eir communications tower cuts off the existing footpath and extends onto the road. Acquiring the small strip of land needed would not require any major structural work for the communications company involved as the communications tower is set back a distance from the carriageway and the strip needed to continue the footpath. This is a major danger to pedestrians especially families with baby strollers and wheelchair users”.

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that he will seek an update on this matter from the Property Section of Cork County Council.

6) Correspondence.

No correspondence was received.

7) Votes of Sympathy:

The Members proposed a vote of sympathy to Catherine Swayne on the death of her father Justin O' Brien.