

Minutes of Youghal Town Council held on 10th April, 2012 in the Mall House, Youghal at 10.00 a.m.

Present:

Mayor Eoin Coyne, presided.

Cllrs. Linehan Foley, Burke, Flanagan, Beecher, Hennessy, O' Connell & Murray.

Apologies were received from Cllr. Revins.

Officials Present:

Mrs. Patricia Power, Town Manager.

Mr. Liam Ryan, Town Clerk.

Mrs. Geraldine O' Connell, Clerical Officer.

Mr. Paul Murray, Executive Engineer.

Presentation by Aileen Murray on 1) The Clock Gate Project and 2) Yew Wood Venues:

Aileen gave a presentation to the Members on the re-opening of the Clock Gate and 2) the development of the Mall Arts Centre and St. Mary's Collegiate Church now collectively known as "Yew Wood Venues". The Members thanked Aileen for her presentation and congratulated her on both developments.

Opening Prayers:

The members and officials recited the opening prayers.

Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 13th March, 2012:

The minutes of the monthly meeting held on 13th March were adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Linehan Foley and seconded by Cllr. Hennessy and unanimously adopted by the Members.

Amendment to Casual Trading Bye Laws:

Cllr. Murray raised the issue of the Casual Trading Bye Laws and requested that a provision be made in the Bye Laws for a Trading Space to facilitate a Coffee Dock at the start of the Boardwalk. The Town Clerk informed the Members that this would require a resolution of the Council, would have to go through the 6 week public consultation process and once adopted they would have to be published in the Iris Oifigil.

On the proposal of Cllr. Burke which was seconded by Cllr. Coyne the members unanimously agreed to proceed with the process of amending the Casual Trading Bye Laws to commence at the May meeting of the Council.

Report of the Town Clerk on matters arising since the Meeting of 13th March 2012.

JSAR – Joint Search and Rescue Weekend:

A large number of Coast Guard Teams from all over Ireland will converge on Youghal for a three day period on 11th, 12th and 13th May next. This is a huge event for the Town and should leave a lasting impression on all.

General JSAR Information:

Coast Guard Volunteers from the four corners of Ireland have converged in the last 6 years for a training exercise with a difference! Youghal Coast Guard Unit, is the base for the 2012 Joint Search and Rescue (JSAR) games which involve members of the Northern Ireland Coastguard and the Irish Coast Guard. Now in its seventh year, the event aims to increase the professionalism of all participants and to enhance co-operation between both Services' through friendly competition. Twelve team members from each division (Malin, Valentia, Dublin and Northern Ireland) compete in the events. Each of the four person teams are either competing on behalf of their division, or are

part of an inter-divisional (North-South) team, trying to secure one of the four awards up for grabs at this year's games. There will be two teams per Division (e.g. Valentia A and Valentia B, made up of four people from that Division) and 4 mixed team with one person from each Division making up emergency situations which they may encounter throughout their service and some with a more light hearted twist on team work and communications. These competitions will test the skills they use in their emergency service roles. These will include leadership; search planning; chart work; communications; compass work, first aid, helicopter landing procedures and rope work. The Captain Kirwan Cup will be awarded to the best overall team; the JSAR Shield will be presented to the best inter-divisional team and the fourth award, a silver cup, will be awarded to the competitor who has exhibited the best leadership skills. The theme of the event, "Walter Raleigh the Navigator" was chosen as the local station is based in Youghal where Walter Raleigh resided for a period of time.

Other information about the Youghal Unit can be found on their Flickr page in which you'll get to see lots of local pictures and the range of activities that they are involved in.  
[www.flickr.com/photos/youghal\\_coast\\_guard](http://www.flickr.com/photos/youghal_coast_guard).

#### Phase II of the Boardwalk:

A set of drawings and public notice were received from Cork County Council in relation to the proposed development of the Eco Boardwalk in the townlands of Redbarn and Summerfield, Youghal, Co. Cork.

Plans and particulars of the proposal will be available for inspection by the public for the period beginning from the 13th April 2012 to the 25th May 2012 in the following venues:

- Cork County Council office on Floor 5, County Hall, Carrigrohane Road, Cork.
- Area Engineer's Office of Cork County Council, Mall House, Youghal, Co. Cork.

on each day during which the said offices are open for business.

A copy of the documents may be purchased on payment of a specified fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy.

Submissions or observations with respect to the proposed development, dealing with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area in which the development will be situated, may be made in writing to the Recreation & Amenity Section, Cork County Council, Floor 5 Tower, County Hall, Cork on or before 5.00 p.m. Friday 8th June 2012.

#### Votes of Congratulations:

The Members proposed a vote of congratulations to the following:

1. Youghal Pipe Band on organising the very successful St. Patrick Day Parade.
2. The organisers of the Moby Dick Festival.
3. Ian Ryan, Ian Cronin, Dwayne O' Shea & Barry Goggin on winning the All Ireland Championships in Racquet Ball.
4. Sal Tivy on the very successful launch of the Youghal Family Fun Season.
5. The Council workers on the paving outside of the C.Y.M.S.
6. Davy Russell on achieving the 100th winner of the season and on the very successful Donkey Derby.

On the proposal of Cllr. Coyne, seconded by Cllr. Linehan Foley the members unanimously agreed that a civic reception be accorded to Davy Russell.

#### Votes of Sympathy:

The Members proposed a vote of sympathy to Paul Murray on the death of his father, Michael Murray. A minutes silence was observed by the members for the late Michael Murray RIP.

#### Town Foreman's Report:

The Town Foreman's Report on works carried out from 9th March to the 4th April was brought to the attention of the Members and noted. Arising from the report the following items were raised:

1. Provision of a pedestrian crossing at the Holy Family Church. The Town Clerk informed the members that he will request that the Town Engineer do a traffic count at this location. The Members suggested that this take place during Mass times as there would be a heavy volume of traffic at this time. .
2. Consideration in the 2013 Budget for the surface dressing at a section of roadway at 41 – 48 Raheen Park.
3. Refreshment of disabled parking spaces around town.
4. Moss at new section of graveyard.
5. Condition of the Public Realm outside the Courthouse. The Town Clerk informed the Members that work would recommence on the Courthouse once the paving at the C.Y.M.S. was complete.
6. Clearing of debris at the Graveyard. The Town Clerk informed the members that this debris will be shredded within the week.
7. Opening of the gates at the side of the Mall House for access for tourists around the building.
8. Potholes on the road from Dermot Hurley Estate to the GAA Club.
9. Uneven road at Upper Cork Hill.
10. Fountain at Greenpark. The Town Clerk informed the Members that he had spoken to the Chairperson of the Tidy Towns Group who informed him that he was contacting the painter to re-paint same.

#### County Council Items:

The Town Engineer informed the Members of the following:

1. Tenders for Diving rocks are due this week.
2. Water leak at Chapel Lane is a private property pipe & the owners have been advised about getting it fixed.
3. Shrubbery at the Mill Road Roundabout while on a regional road is dealt with by the Town Council Gardeners.
4. Road Liners are due the week of the 23rd April to do the snags after the Main Street resurfacing.

The following items were also raised:

1. Leak at Chapel Lane. The Town Clerk stated that it was important that this issue be rectified before works commenced in Chapel Lane, the Engineer agreed to investigate same.
2. Signage update for Jets Skis and Power Boats at the side of the quay. The Town Clerk informed the members that a new map has to be drawn up for this signage which will requires some detailed works.
3. Footpath at the bottom of Windmill Hill to Tailors Lane.
4. Timescale for works at the Diving Rocks.
5. Broken footpath at the bottom of Cork Hill. The Town Clerk informed the Members that an alternative solution for this problem is being investigated by the Town Engineer.
6. Parking of cars on the footpath at Tallow Street.

#### Managers Orders:

Managers Order no's 47/2012 to 55/2012 were brought to the attention of the Council and noted.

#### Planning Applications:

The Members were informed that no planning applications were received.

#### Further Information Received:

The Members were informed that no further information was received.

#### Disposal of Properties:

A Notice under Section 90 of the Housing Act 1966 shall be served on the Members of Youghal Town Council:

The sale of the freehold interest in no. 4 Raheen Park, Youghal, to Mrs. Josephine Delaney, 4 Raheen Park, Youghal, for the sum of €800 inclusive of sale price, fee and administrative costs.

On the proposal of Cllr. Burke which was seconded by Cllr. Linehan Foley the members unanimously agreed to the sale of the freehold interest in no. 4 Raheen Park, Youghal to Mrs. Josephine Delaney, 4 Raheen Park, Youghal.

#### Mayors Business:

1. The Mayor thanked both Cllrs. Revins & Linehan Foley for deputising for him at the launch of the Family Fun Festival at Perks and also the Opening of the new rooms at the Gael Scoil.
2. The Mayor congratulated Teena Gates on the launch of her book which took place on Saturday 7th April last at the Mall Arts Centre and wish her every success with same.
3. The Mayor informed the Members that he hoped to host the awards night at the end of May/start of June and would be looking for nominations from the Members.
4. The Mayor presented a petition for the provision of kerbs in the lawned section of the cemetery. The Town Clerk informed the members that he was awaiting a Health & Safety statement from the Safety Office of Cork County Council.

#### Communication with The National Asset Management Agency:

Town Clerk circulated to the Members a letter from the National Asset Management Agency in relation to communication with the National Asset Management Agency. This item was marked as read.

#### The Gathering 2013:

The Town Clerk circulated to the Members an e-mail from Eoghan O' Mara Walsh of Heritage Island Ltd in relation to "The Gathering" Cllr. Coyne informed the members that a public meeting had taken place last November to which various clubs and groups attended. The members agreed that a steering committee be set up in relation to this item. Cllr. Coyne informed the members that he would report back to them at the next meeting.

#### Applications for Funding To the Heritage Council:

The Town Clerk circulated to the Members the following applications for funding to the Heritage Council:

##### 1. Phase IV of Works to Secure the Structural Integrity of Youghal Town Walls.

The Town Clerk informed the members that this phase of the works focused on the area of the Town Wall around Montmorenci gates and the back of the old shop. Funding in the amount of approximately €81,577 would be sought for these works and that Youghal Town Council would be seeking funding in the amount of €70,060 from the Heritage Council with the remainder being provided by Youghal Town Council and contributions from voluntary work.

## 2. Youghal Medieval Festival 2012.

The Town Clerk informed the Members that the total cost of this project is €19,139 and that Youghal Town Council would be seeking funding in the amount of €13,319 from the Heritage Council with the remainder being provided by Youghal Town Council and contributions from voluntary work.

Both funding balances were provided by Youghal Town Council in the adopted 2012 Budget.

On the proposal of Cllr. Burke which was seconded by Cllr. Beecher the members unanimously agreed to proceed with the applications for 1. Funding for Phase IV of Works to Secure the Structural Integrity of Youghal Town Walls and 2. The Youghal Medieval Festival 2012.

### St. Patricks Day Parade:

The Town Clerk circulated to the Members a letter received from Michael McCarthy, Secretary, Youghal Pipe Band in relation to problems in organising the annual St. Patricks Day Parade. The Town Clerk suggested that a Member of the Council could be appointed to the organising committee and bring the concerns of the committee back to the Members of the Council to ensure all problems can be resolved. The Mayor stated that he will liaise with Michael McCarthy to see if this is acceptable and that this item be put on the Agenda for the May meeting.

### Tidy Towns Task Force Report by Cllr. Linehan Foley:

Cllr. Linehan Foley deferred this item to the June meeting of the Council as there was no meeting of the Tidy Towns Taskforce held.

### Correspondence:

1. Notice from the Seanchaí Kerry Literary & Cultural Centre in relation to the Listowel Conference 2012. On the proposal of Cllr. Linehan Foley which was seconded by Cllr. Coyne the members unanimously agreed that Cllr. Burke attend this conference.
2. A Thank You Card from High Spirits in relation to their 2012 grant.
3. A brochure from the Irish Planning Institute in relation to the National Planning Conference 2012.
4. A notice from Killarney Town Council in relation to the ECAD 19th Mayors Conference.
5. A thank you letter from Youghal Chamber of Tourism & Development in relation to their grant aid contribution towards the Queen of the Sea Festival and the International Goldwing Treffen Festival.
6. A letter from the Department of Agriculture, Food & the Marine in relation to the Control of Noxious Weeds on Public Lands.
7. A letter from NFLA Ireland in relation to the forthcoming Nuclear Free Local Authorities All Ireland Forum.
8. Notice from Mitchelstown Forum in relation to their forthcoming conference.
9. Motion received from Carrick on Suir Town Council.
10. Motion received from Ballinasloe Town Council.
11. Notice from TGR Seminars in relation to Training/Development Workshop for Councillors entitled "A Guide to Getting the Right Work Done".
12. Motion received from Ballina Town Council.

### Any Other Business:

1. Cllr. Linehan Foley raised the issue of problems with the service of South Doc and stated that members of the public had to travel as far as Midleton to receive medical attention from a member of South Doc. Cllr. Foley informed the Members that when the provision for South Doc was originally set up it was promised that at all times a Doctor would be available in the Youghal area. Cllr. O'Connell informed the members that the Members of "Save Youghal Ambulance" were in the process of organising a meeting with the HSE and will highlight the issue of South Doc at this meeting. The

members requested that the Town Clerk write to the HSE highlighting this problem on their behalf.

2. Cllr. O'Connell raised the issue of the Lodge at the Lighthouse and the works proposed for same. The Town Clerk informed the Members that this would be on the Agenda for the May meeting.

This concluded the business of the meeting.