

**Minutes of Monthly Meeting of East Cork Municipal District Held on 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2016 at 11.00 a.m. at The Mall House, Youghal, Co. Cork.**

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

Apologies were received from Cllr. McCarthy.

**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)

Presentation from Cork National Roads Office regarding the construction of a pedestrian footbridge over the Dissour river at Killeagh.

Eoin Bennett & Eoin McCarthy from the Cork National Roads Office circulated a copy of a map in relation to the construction of a pedestrian footbridge over the Dissour river as part of the ongoing scheme in Killeagh and informed the Members that the Part VIII documents were currently being prepared with the intention of having them published before Christmas. Mr. Eoin Bennett, A/Executive Engineer informed the Members that if the Part VIII process is successful they will then enter into negotiations with the TII regarding funding and will revert back to the Members with a report in the Spring of 2017.

Cllr. Hegarty welcomed the construction of this footbridge which he stated makes logical sense as there is no proper linkage to access the Main Street in Killeagh from this area on the Youghal side of the village.

Cllr. O' Sullivan also welcomed this project and queried the width of the footpath. Eoin Bennett informed the Members that the footpath would be 1.8 metres in width.

Cllr. Collins asked the Engineers what is the estimated time span for the construction of the bridge and if funding is made available what is the cost of same.

Mr. Eoin Bennett informed the Members that the cost of the bridge will be between €80,000 and €100,000 with a time span of between four to five weeks.

**1. Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> November, 2016.**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> November, 2016, were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Hegarty and seconded by Cllr. Collins.

**1.1 Staff Parking at Gaelscoil, Midleton.**

Cllr. Twomey raised the issue of staff parking at the Gaelscoil, Baneshane, Midleton which was discussed under motion no. 5.1.5 and informed the Members that the school has

complied with the Mobility Management Plan formed as part of the school's planning permission

### 1.2 Disabled Parking Space at Raheen Park, Youghal.

Cllr. O' Sullivan raised the issue of the provision of a disabled parking space at Raheen Park, Youghal and asked if there was any update regarding same.

Mr. Paul Murray, Executive Engineer informed the Members that he was meeting with the contractors in the coming week

Cllr. Linehan Foley requested that all disability bays around Youghal be upgraded. The Engineer informed the Members that these works would be carried out subject to funding.

### 1.3 Cupola, Middleton Library.

Mr. Sean O' Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer raised the issue of the Cupola, Middleton Library raised under motion no. 5.1.10 and informed the Members that he has discussed this matter with the County Librarian and Mary Ryan Director of Services and that the estimated cost is €50,000 to €60,000. The lead in time for tenders etc is estimated at 3 months and efforts are being made to source funding and the project may be included in the 2017-2019 Capital Programme for the County Library.

### 1.4 Lakeview Roundabout Upgrade.

Cllr. Hegarty queried if there was any update in relation to the funding application of €2m for the Lakeview Roundabout upgrade.

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that a meeting was held between Cork County Council and the TII over the summer and stated that the TII have indicated that this issue will be developer led, the Engineer also informed the Members that Cork County Council have identified that there is a capacity issue at the Lakeview Roundabout.

Cllr. Hegarty stated the he has mixed feelings on this issue as the Members were informed by the Planning Policy Unit that €2m had been allocated to fund these works through economic development.

The Engineer informed the Members that he will have a full report for the January meeting.

## 2. Consideration of Reports and Recommendations:

### 2.1 Progress Report of East Cork MD Roads Programme 2016.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer circulated the following fully completed Roads Programme 2016 Report to the Members:

Road Class	Road Number	Road Name and/or Townlands Name	Municipal Area	Length of Work (m)	% Completed
R		Regional Roads Surface	`	-	100

		Dressing			
L		Local Roads Surface Dressing	East Cork	-	100
L		Community Involvement Schemes	East Cork	-	100
R	R-634	East Cork – Back Street Youghal	East Cork	579	100
LS	L-7604	East Cork – Ballincurrig Jnt R626 to Templeboden	East Cork	450	100
LP	L-3609	East Cork – Ballincurrig Jnt R626 towards Corbally (Note scope being reduced to junction only in 2016)	East Cork	50	100
LP	L-3600	East Cork – Ballyogaha East to Coolnedane South	East Cork	1,248	100
LP	L-3804	East Cork – Bawnadoune to Dangan Cross	East Cork	1,428	100
LS	L-7864	East Cork – Ightermurrah/Knockglass	East Cork	1,053	100
LT	L-76831	East Cork – Kilmacahill	East Cork	671	100
LP	L-3602	East Cork – Leamlara to Watergrasshill Moanbaun	East Cork	1,276	100
LP	L-3809	East Cork – Mogeely to Killeagh (Phase 3 Annstown)	East Cork	1,277	100
LS	-	Old Trabolgan Road along Playground in Whitegate	East Cork	300	100
LS	L-7885	Gortstoke/Bohillane	East Cork	2,800	100
LS	L-7886	Glenageare East	East Cork	1,600	100
LT	L-78651	Rathhaha	East Cork	400	100
LS	L-7868	Ballybutler	East Cork	700	100
LS	L7694-0	Top Cross, Leamlara	East Cork	1,200	100

Cllr. Hegarty congratulated the Senior Executive Engineer on the works completed.

## 2.2 Progress Report on East Cork MD Footpath Programme 2016.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer circulated the following progress report on the East Cork MD Footpath Programme 2016.

Project #	Location	Type of Works	Length (m)	Estimated Cost (€)	Status
1	R624 Strand Street Phase 2 to the Grotto	Replacement	150	21,000	Completed
2	Killeagh Rd Mogeely – extension towards Gleann Fia Estate	New	195	19,305	Commenced
3	Youghal North Main Street – localized areas	Replacement	50	7,000	Awarded
4	Elsinore Estate Midleton – localized areas	Replacement	50	6,300	Completed
5	Fr. Murphy Terrace, Ballinacurra – localized area	Replacement	20	2,100	Awarded
6	Mogeely Road, Killeagh – at Eircom Compound	New	11	5,188	With Property

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7	Golf Links Road vicinity South Abbey NS	Replacement	100	14,800	Completed
8	Sweetfields Estate, Youghal (L9509-2)	Replacement	140	10,080	Awarded
9	Woodbrook Estate, Lisgoold	Replacement	30	3,240	Completed
10	L7901 from Chestnut Drive to St. Coran's Well	New	260	31,200	Commencing
11	Rock Street, Cloyne	Replacement	75	9,000	Completed
12	Ferrygrove, Scartleigh Upper, Saleen	Replacement	20	2,160	Completed
13	The Rocky Road, Midleton	New	30	2,700	Completed
14	O' Rahilly Street, Youghal	Replacement	140	25,600	80%
15 (Extra)	Church Road, Ballinacurra	Replacement	20	2,400	Awarded
16 (Extra)	Avoncore Estate, Midleton	Replacement	40	4,800	Completed
17 (Extra)	Riversfield Estate, Midleton	Replacement	30	3,600	Completed
18 (Extra)	Park Street, Midleton	Replacement	20	2,400	Completed
19 (Extra)	Ballinacurra Road, Ladysbridge	New	30	3,600	Completed
20 (Extra)	Garryvoe Road, Ladysbridge	New	25	3,000	Awarded
		Total	1,436	179,473	

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke stated that the recent spell of dry weather has contributed greatly to the excellent progress of these works. The Engineer informed the Members that the works scheduled for North Main Street, Youghal have been deferred to the new year.

Cllr. Linehan Foley welcomed the footpath report and complimented the Engineer on same.

Cllr. Hegarty raised the issue of Church Road, Ballymacoda and asked when these works would be completed. Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that these works would be completed this side of Christmas.

### 2.3 Progress on East Cork MD Public Lighting Programme 2016.

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clark circulated the following Public Lighting Programme Report 2016 to the Members.

Ref No	Location	Description	No. of Lights	Detail of Proposal	Cost	Status
1	Aghada Upper	Infill Lighting outside Community Hall/National School	1	Mount an LED on an existing ESB column	€1,800	Completed
2	Ballinacurra, Maple Woods	To extend public lighting to Maple Woods, Ballinacurra	3	3 new columns/lights with underground ducting	€13,700	Installation completed – awaiting connection

3	Midleton Laneway	Install new lighting on lane adjacent to Ballycotton Sea Foods	1	Lights proposed to be mounted on boundary wall	€1,400	Commencing
4	Mogeely	New/improved PL along the road to Killeagh where a new footpath is being installed under footpath programme	6	Install 5 new columns and lights and associated civil works in conjunction with footpath works	€23,400	Civil works currently being completed in conjunction with footpath extension works
5	Saleen	New light on existing pole outside Church	1	Install new light on existing ESB column at Church	€1,700	Commencing
6	Youghal 'Careys Lane' by Community Centre	Pedestrian link to Dolphin Square Carpark/Improve public lighting in Dolphin Square Car Park	4	Install 3 new lights on wall of community centre + install double bracket and additional light in car park	€6,000	Light in car park completed, Laneway commencing

Cllr. Linehan Foley raised the issue of the Spa Hill/Estuary Estate, Youghal and asked if there was any update on the provision of public lighting at this area. The Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that a number of lights at this location are associated with the Estuary Estate which is not in the charge of Cork County Council but informed the Members that he will investigate same.

Cllr. Hegarty stated that Cork County Council needs to look at the Service Provider as the level of service to the general public has deteriorated lately and is not acceptable.

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that Cork County Council has engaged Airtricity as the public interface / service provider for public lighting. He encouraged Members to report faulty lights directly to Airtricity and if the fault was not addressed then to refer the matter to Dermot Kelleher, Public Lighting Engineer for investigation.

Cllr. Michael Hegarty proposed that Dermot Kelleher be invited to the February Meeting of the Council.

#### 2.4 Estates Taken in Charge:

Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer circulated the following report on the proposal to Take in Charge roads and services in Ashwood Crescent, Midleton and Hawthorn Drive, Midleton.

A National Survey was undertaken by the DECLG in December of last year to ascertain the number of developments that are complete but not yet taken in charge.

The DECLG subsequently set-aside funding to Local Authorities nationwide to accelerate the taking in charge of selected estates under the National Taking in Charge Initiative (NTICI) with a total of €10m made available nationally. Each LA was invited to submit an application for a share of this funding under the following criteria:

- Funding allocations must be used this year.
- Funding is provided to assist in bringing estates, that do not have an active developer in-situ, into the charge by the local authority for minimum cost and this includes bringing the estate to an acceptable standard for TIC including water services so that once taken in charge the water services assets may transfer to Irish Water.

Cork County Council submitted applications for 23 estates based on lists provided by our Estate Engineers. 15 of these applications were successful.

The sanitary services (foul sewer and watermain) in 11 of these estates are connected to existing public networks. 4 have Developer Provided Infrastructure (DPI – i.e. Wastewater Treatment Plants and/or Pumping Stations).

€309,609 was approved for the 11 estates without DPI (Measure 1)  
 €472,702 was approved for 4 estates with DPI (Measure 2)  
**€782,311 total funding allocation for Cork County Council**

Two of the estates that were approved for Measure 1 funding are in the East Cork Municipal District i.e.

- *Ashwood Crescent* is an estate of 18 houses. The developer is MacNam Enterprises. A Taking in Charge application was received from the *majority of* house owners.
- *Hawthorn Drive* is an estate of 14 houses. The developer is John McCarthy. A Taking in Charge application was received from the *majority of* house owners.

Sewers, watermains or drains within the attendant grounds of the developments are now a matter for the water Authority, i.e. Irish Water. I confirm that we are in correspondence with them with a view to securing their agreement in principle to take the sanitary services (foul, sewer and watermain) in these estates in charge. Subject to the same and subsequent to the road being declared public, these assets will be transferred to Irish Water by Ministerial Order pursuant to Section 7 of the Water Services (No. 2) Act 2013.

The Members resolved “that, being satisfied that a public right of way exists over them and the roads are of general utility, Cork County Council hereby declares pursuant to Section II (i) of the Roads Act, 1993 the following roads to be made public roads: -

<b>Estate Name:</b>	<b>Location:</b>	<b>Road Length (Linear Metres)</b>
Ashwood Crescent	Midleton	250
Hawthorn Drive	Midleton	175

Cllr. Collins welcomed the Taking in Charge of these estates and asked when will the works commence.

The Municipal District Officer informed the Members that the monies have been expended to carry out works to bring the estates up to an acceptable level. The Estates are now in the Charge of the Council with a resolution in place.

Cllr. Hegarty queried the length of time it took to take these Estates in Charge.

The Municipal District Officer, Mr. Joe McCarthy informed the Members that the Developers of these estates had gone into liquidation and a number of works were outstanding at both estates with no bond in place.

Cllr. Collins raised the issue of Glebe Manor Estate, Whitegate and Cllr. Linehan Foley raised the issue of Oakhill Estate, Youghal.

Mr. Sean O' Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that he is currently working with the Planning Section regarding a report on the number of estates to be taken in charge and stated that he will revert back to the Members in the New Year once the report is complete and will follow on with a quarterly reports for their information.

#### 2.5 Deputation from Residents in Brookdale, Avoncore and Broomfield Area:

Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer informed the Members that an email had been received from Paul O' Mahony requesting that a deputation from the residents in the Brookdale, Avoncore and Broomfield areas attend the February Meeting of the Council to discuss the flow and speed of traffic at these locations.

The Members unanimously agreed to the request for this deputation on the proposal of Cllr. Collins which was seconded by Cllr. Linehan Foley.

#### 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. Danielle Twomey, received on 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2016.

“That this Council install street lighting on the Dungourney Road particularly between the Rugby Club and entrance to Broomfield Village”.

Cllrs. Collins and Hegarty supported this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer, informed the Members that he will take these works into consideration when preparing the Public Lighting Programme for 2017.

##### 5.1.2 Cllr. Danielle Twomey, received on 21<sup>st</sup> November, 2016.

“That this Council construct a new footpath from the grotto in Ballinacurra to the Pedestrian Crossing to facilitate residents in this area and that this be included in the Footpath Programme for 2017”.

All Members were in agreement with this motion.

5.1.3 Cllr. Danielle Twomey, received on 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2016.

“That this Council repair the street lighting at Larchfield Rise, Youghal”.

Mrs. Helen Mulcahy, Staff Officer informed the Members that this is a private estate and is not in the Charge of the Council, and also informed the Members that under the former Youghal Town Council the residents were advised that a submission had to be made for the Taking in Charge of this estate but stated there was difficulty among the residents as a number of dwellings at this estate were only occupied during the tourist season.

5.1.4 Cllr. Danielle Twomey, received on 24<sup>th</sup> November 2016..

“That this Council give a written report on how often the bins at Claycastle Beach and surrounding area are collected and emptied”.

Mr. Paul Murray, Executive Engineer informed the Members that the bins at this location are emptied twice a week in the summer period and once a week during the winter period, the Engineer informed the Members that there is also a problem at this location resulting from the dumping of domestic rubbish.

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that the provision of bins in the winter period is something that should be examined as the dumping of domestic rubbish is causing a nuisance with rubbish being strew along the beach by crows and seagulls

Cllr. Hegarty stated that he is opposed to the removal of bins and suggested that we examine the possibility of reducing the size of the bin openings.

5.1.5 Cllr. Noel Collins received on 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2016.

“On road safety measures and need therefor, Council address such on Hill Road, New road and Main Street, Whitegate, as detailed per letter from Michael Kenefick, Whitegate, this Council, by way of recommendation, request Cork County Council to progress, the taking in charge of Glebe Estate, Whitegate”.

The Senior Executive Engineer advised that he has been in contact with the Whitegate Residents Association regarding a number of road safety projects that the Association had requested. These include junction improvement and new footpath at the end of Ardnabourkey Hill where it joins the Old Trabolgan Road; road markings at the end of Barrack Hill, upgrading of some junction signage and road markings; the SEE advised that these will be considered in more detail, that there is a clear requirement for works at the end of Ardnabourkey Hill and these would require land acquisition. The SEE requested that Cllr Collins forward him a copy of the letter referred to in the motion.

5.1.6 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2016.

“With regard to road safety measures in Midleton town, Council report on the time dictated to carry out major road safety measures at Convent Cross and CBS and commencement date therefor”.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer reminded the Members that a presentation had been made at the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2016 with the deadline for submissions being the 9<sup>th</sup> of December. The proposals had been published as a Part VIII planning application for public consultation. The Non National Roads Design Office will then examine same and follow up with a Managers report which will be presented to the Members at the February meeting. Once this has been ratified by the Members works will commence here in the summer months.

5.1.7 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2016.

“That East Cork Municipal District support the Officer in Charge of the Guileen Coast Guard Unit in East Cork and its volunteers to have the Government enact Statutory Instrument Legislation so that the service can become a stand alone primary response agency”

All Members unanimously supported this motion.

5.1.8 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2016.

“Council carry out major surgery to the large overhanging tree at the rear of No. 20 Riverside Estate, Midleton and other houses in its immediate area. Also, address the very serious road hazard with an overgrowth of weeds and briars at the blind road bend coming from Lisgoold and turning for Carrigtwohill”.

Janette Kenny, Executive Engineer informed the members that she visited No. 20 Riverside Estate on Friday last and informed the Members that once the tree surgeon is back in town she will arrange for the cutting of these trees. Paul Murray, Executive Engineer, is to discuss lopping of tree in Killeagh with tree surgeon.

5.1.9 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 21<sup>st</sup> November, 2016.

“That we look at safety measures at Lower Cork Hill as there has been damage to cars parked and residents in the area feel that safety measures have to be put in place to alleviate this”.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer, informed the Members that the road is narrow here and is a very tight situation for the parking of cars and a two way traffic system. In the meantime the Engineer agreed to investigate what might be done in the area.

5.1.10 Cllr. Linehan Foley received on 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2016.

“Asking that this committee support the development of the town of Youghal as an age friendly town”.

Cllr. Linehan Foley informed the Members that 3 towns will be piloted for this programme and requested the Members to fully support Youghal for this project.

5.1.11 Cllr. Aaron O' Sullivan, received on 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2016.

“Information as regards the exact plans for the provision of footpaths in Killeagh following the completion of road works particularly on the eastern side of the village”.

This Motion was addressed in the presentation at the start of the meeting.

5.1.12 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2016.

“Road from Murphy's Bar and Restaurant to Scartlea Upper “Green Acres” in appalling condition”.

Janette Kenny, Executive Engineer informed the Members that she inspected this area on Friday last and has put these works on a routine maintenance list.

5.1.13 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2016.

“Upgrade markings and paintwork at the raised pedestrian crossing at Main Street, Midleton”. The Senior Executive Engineer will have the motion investigated.

Cllr. Collins supported this motion.

5.1.14 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2016.

“Repairs to road from Ballymacoda Village, Ballydaniel to Monagoul”.

Mr. Paul Murray, Executive Engineer will inspect this area.

5.1.15 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2016.

“Repairs from Innygraga to Ballymaloe Roads”

Janette Kenny, Executive Engineer informed the Members that the potholes on this road have been repaired.

#### Correspondence

1. Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley informed the Members that she had received an e-mail from Mr. Kieran Groeger of Youghal Celebrates History seeking funding regarding the publication of a booklet to celebrate the celebrations of the 1916-2016 events in Youghal.

Cllr. Linehan Foley asked if any miscellaneous funding was available to donate to this worthy cause.

Mr. Joe McCarthy informed the Members that any available grants funding was redistributed at the September meeting of the Council and suggested that Youghal Celebrates History consider applying for funding once the Grant Scheme is advertised in 2017.

Any Other Business:

1. Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley raised the issue of Phase II of the Boardwalk and asked if there was any update on same.

Mr.. Sean O' Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that Cork County Council remains committed to Phase II of the Boardwalk. The Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that there is a need to revisit design proposals due to the damage caused to Phase I of the Boardwalk resulting from the storms of 2014 and also informed the Members that Cork County Council are in contact with landowners in the vicinity of the Proposed Phase II. The challenge here is going to be funding which he stated is estimated at €1m.

2. Cllr. Linehan Foley asked if there was any update on Myrtle Grove. The Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that he will follow up on this item and revert back to the Members with a report for the next meeting of the Council.
3. Cllr. Hegarty raised the issue of the road from Ladysbridge to Bohillane Cross to where he stated a dyke that was cut in at the edge of the road during the stormy weather needs to be filled in.

The Members agreed that the next meeting of the Municipal District Council take place on January 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2.00 p.m.at the Midleton Office.

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