

**Minutes of Monthly Meeting of East Cork Municipal District Held on 2nd October, 2017
at 11.00 a.m. at Mall House, Youghal, Co. Cork.**

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

Leathscéal: Cllr. Aaron O' Sullivan.

Ag Freastal:: Ms. Mary Ryan, Director of Services.
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.
Mrs. Helen Mulcahy, (Youghal Office)
Mrs. Geraldine O' Connell (Youghal Office)
Ms. Eileen O' Brien, County Librarian.
Mr. Billy Smyth, Graduate Architect.

2.1 Report of Cork County Library:

Ms. Eileen O' Brien, Acting County Librarian circulated the following report to the Members on Cork County Library:

Library	Issues to end August	Holds placed to end August	Membership for the last 12 months at end of August	Internet sessions to end August	Wifi sessions to end August
Midleton	72,965	2,492	4,170	3,284	457
Youghal	36,799	1,315	2,122	2,550	428

Library	No. Of events held to end August	Numbers attending events to end August	Of which number of class visits	Number of children in class visits
Midleton	117	1887	21	481
Youghal	148	5329	15	685

Library Development

Youghal Library

A submission was made to the Department for funding for the development of Collins Bakery, Youghal in 2015 and a meeting took place in February to progress this project with them. It was advised that planning permission be progressed so that if funding did become

available³ for this project, delays would be minimized. The planning consultation phase is now over and it is hoped to secure planning permission with the MD and afterwards with full Council by the end of October.

Midleton Library

Costings have been received for the repair of Midleton Library Cupola, clock and chime mechanism. The estimated cost of works is €136,000 ex VAT. The Architects Department are currently assessing other works that may be required to be undertaken on the fabric of the building and if any of the costs associated with the works on the cupola can be set off with these works.

Summer of Space:

Countywide Programme.

In association with Cork Institute of Technology, Cork County Council, the International Space University and Science Foundation Ireland, Cllr. Seamus McGrath launched Blackrock Castle Observatory's Summer of Space at Cork County Library Headquarters on Wednesday 31st May. The exciting public engagement programme celebrated the 30th Space Studies Programme and 10 years of Blackrock Castle Observatory.

From June 26th to August 25th, 2017 Cork Institute of Technology played host to the International Space University's annual Space Studies Program (SSP17). Summer of Space is the broadest public engagement programme ever organised by a host country during a Space Studies Programme, and it aims to raise public awareness of the benefits, challenges and inspiration of space exploration and other space endeavours. With support from the Economic Development Fund of Cork County Council, Cork County Library was a key partner in Summer of Space. It offered an exciting programme compiled with Blackrock Castle Observatory and delivered at branches across the county, and included a huge range of workshops, talks and learning experiences for all ages. Cork County Library provided a wide-ranging space themed book selection to complement the programme, as well as a range of digital resources, story time, arts activities, book clubs and Summer Reading challenges. Planetarium shows at the StarDome took place at libraries across Cork County and Mobile Library buses were shadowed for pop-up, space science fun with Space on the Road this summer.

Youghal Library:

Colm Ryan from Cork Skeptics presented a very interesting look at the stranger stories of space and debunked some of the myths. This was part of the Summer of Space Event 2017. With a thriving Astronomy club in Youghal Library the event was well attended, considering it was one of the finest days of the summer. The talk was riveting and Colm held the audience

captive for the duration. Colm has promised to come back and give another talk as part of the Youghal Library Astronomy Club's Autumn/Winter programme.

Midleton Library:

Denis Walsh hosted an astrophotography workshop in Midleton Library for Summer of Space. This event also tied in with Bealtaine, happening in May and incorporating an element of creativity on the participants' part. They learned the techniques involved in taking photographs of the night sky and the feedback was very good. The Ireland in Space exhibition from the Blackrock Observatory was also on display during the Summer and was very well received.

Summer Stars

Countywide Programme:

Summer Stars is a fun way for children to enjoy their local library over the summer, retaining and developing valuable literacy skills and information during school holidays. It also provides an opportunity to introduce whole families to the many wonderful events and resources available for free at their local library.

This was our second year taking part in the national summer reading programme which every library in the country takes part in. Last year Cork County library topped the charts with over 5,400 children taking part, more than any other county in Ireland, and this number has been exceeded during the Summer of 2017, with over 6,700 registered participants. During last summer, children in Cork County read more than 142,000 books in July and August and that was while Macroom library was temporarily closed. This was also the highest number for any county or city, including even Dublin city. Figures are not available yet for the number of books read in 2017, as the scheme is just finishing up at the end of August.

The programme is supported by the Summer Stars website www.summerstars.ie which has lots of games and activities. Children can upload their own book reviews or benefit from recommended reads suggested by others.

Awards of certificates took place in the last week of August/first week of September.

Youghal Library.

The Summer Stars Reading Challenge was a huge success in Youghal Library. 188 children took part, with over 132 certificates handed out at a presentation day on the 14th September. Youghal Children's Librarian Ikki Keane decorated the Library for the reading challenge and had a very impressive Space themed window display that was positively commented on by all who came to the Library. Huge effort went into promoting the event and the feedback from parents and children showed they really appreciated the event.

Midleton Library:

In Midleton, 277 children participated in the Summer Stars Reading Challenge over the eight weeks of the school holidays.

Planning for Summer Stars began at the end of May, beginning with sending an email to all of the local primary schools, letting them know that we had a Summer reading scheme. Anticipating heavy usage of stock, we had boxes of extra children's books sent through the Children's librarian. Even at that, the shelves were quite depleted by the end of July.

The local newspapers were of great assistance in promoting Summer Stars, particularly the East Cork Journal and Midleton News who advertised the scheme free of charge. Twitter and Facebook were also used to promote Summer Stars online and this certainly helped to reach a wider audience and to remind people that the scheme was up and running. Many parents commented that the Summer Stars challenge kept their children reading during the school holidays when they would otherwise have lost interest.

Summer Arts Programme:

Countywide Programme

The Summer Arts programme took place in 24 libraries in Cork County throughout July and August. There was a mix of workshop based and performance based activities for age groups ranging from toddlers to teenagers. The workshops were very well attended with many of them being oversubscribed in the branches and library staff taking waiting lists.

Youghal Library:

Maeve O' Keeffe held a Harry Potter animation workshop at Youghal Library where children were encouraged to draw scenes from the Harry Potter series based on the images they elicited from Harry Potter books. It was a really fun event with some very interesting drawings emerging. The children involved ranged in age from 8 to 13. Their drawings were proudly displayed in the Library for a whole month.

The Space Star Animation Workshop, facilitated by Belinda Walsh, allowed children ranging in age from 8 to 14 to produce their own online animation films. Belinda encouraged the children to actively engage in the project. The artistic ability and the creativity of the children was something to behold. Each creation was posted on YouTube, allowing the kids to showcase their talent. The parents were really enthused and the level of demand for the event was very high.

Librarian Ikki Keane organised a celebration of Roald Dahl's birthday on 14th September. Following on from last year's big 100th birthday celebration the event was very well attended.

As ever the enthusiasm of children for the magical tales continues. Birthday cakes, sweets and juicy drinks accompanied wonderful readings from his books. Many of the children present read from their favourite Roald Dahl book and helped Ikki and the other staff in blowing out the candles.

Midleton Library:

In Midleton Library, as part of the Cork County Library and Arts Service Summer Arts Programme, The Tallest Smallest Theatre presented their interactive circus show 'Tallest Smallest Circus' that encouraged everyone to have a go at circus skills.

The capacity audience got to try juggling, plate spinning, acro-balance and attempt the micro-bike! After the 45 min performance everyone was encouraged to make juggling beanbags with rice and balloons. These were taken home so the Circus play could continue at home. Also in Midleton we had a wonderful Animation Workshop by local artist Belinda Walsh. Belinda started by going back to just before the cinema was born. Participants explored different toys such as the thaumatrope, the zoetrope, the praxinascope and the flipbook and saw the ability and stroke of genius that these inventions have to tell stories. Then, after watching some examples of paper cut out animation and with 'space' as theme, participants were invited to create their own characters and story using istop motion and imovie apps. Participants also had the opportunity for hands on experience of storyboarding, animation, video editing, greenscreen, sound and video effects and learned how to complete an animated short from start to finish.

Heritage Week:

Midleton Library:

For Heritage Week in Midleton, we had 5 events. On both Sundays of Heritage Week, our local history volunteer, Tony Harpur led two walking tours of the town. On Saturday the 19th Tony gave a talk entitled "The Hazardous Coast", describing shipwrecks and piracy on the coast of East Cork. On Friday night, the 26th of August, we held a series of talks and launched an exhibition of 5 information boards written and designed by Midleton Library staff and the Remembering Edward Bransfield Group on Bransfield, a seafarer from Ballinacurra, just outside Midleton. Bransfield was the first to sight and chart the Atlantic Continent. On Saturday the 27th Tony Harpur gave another talk, this time on "Woods, natural and unnatural", detailing the history behind the planting of forests in the area. All events were well attended, particularly the Edward Bransfield event which drew a very large crowd.

Youghal Library

Youghal Library held a talk by Kay Donnelly entitled The Witches of Youghal. It was the story of Florence Newton, who was put on trial for witchcraft and was reputedly the last witch trial held in Ireland. This fascinating tale is part of the folklore of Youghal and event

was very well attended. Kay Donnelly gave a wonderful presentation and had the audience enthralled. It was held on Saturday the 19th of August. The Library also launched 2 exhibitions at the start of Heritage Week. The first was an art exhibition by the Youghal Arts Group, celebrating Irish culture and heritage. The second was a local history exhibition, curated by Local Studies staff in Library HQ on the life of legendary Corkonian, former Taoiseach and Glen Rovers man, Jack Lynch, on the centenary of his birth.

Local Studies Library, HQ:

A number of events were arranged by the Local Studies library in HQ for Heritage Week. A series of one to one genealogy sessions were scheduled over four days. Members of the public could book a two hour session with a member of staff and were given guidance on their family history. The event was popular, with eleven two hour sessions taking place over the week.

On Tuesday evening, the local Studies library launched its new Local Studies Digital Library, www.corklocalstudies.ie in Bandon Library. In conjunction with the launch there was an accompanying talk by local historian, Paddy O' Sullivan, entitled: Thomas Addlerley and the golden years of flax in Inishshannon. The event was attended by about fifty people.

On Wednesday afternoon, Local Studies staff member and genealogical expert, Karen O' Riordan, have a talk on Family History Curiosities: an illustrated talk on the strange and interesting finds in family history research. The talk was very well received and attended by about forty people.

Upcoming event at Midleton Library.

Join Carol Drinkwater as she reads from her new novel The Lost Girl which was published at the end of June. Carol Drinkwater is a multi-award winning actress who is best known for playing Helen Herriot in the BBC television series All Creatures Great and Small. She has since written 21 fiction and non-fiction books, including four memoirs set on her olive farm in the south of France, which have sold over one million copies.

The Members thanked Eileen O' Brien for her report and also conveyed their thanks to the staff of both libraries. The Members also raised the issue of the Copula at Midleton Library and asked when it would be repaired.

Mr. Sean O' Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that the County Architects Department are conducting a building assessment on the library presently as other works on the building may be necessary and stated that Cork County Council are working through the Library Council to seek funding for these works.

1. **Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 20th September, 2017.**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th September, 2017 were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Hegarty and seconded by Cllr. Linehan Foley

1.1 Provision of a pedestrian crossing at Ballinacurra.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that this item can be taken into consideration in the Road Safety Programme 2018.

1.2 Cllr. Hegarty queried if the TII had been contacted and requested to attend a meeting of the Municipal District Council and also requested an update on the provision of a footbridge for Killeagh.

Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Office informed the Members two emails were sent to the NRDO in relation to the matter.

Cllr. Hegarty stated that this is totally unacceptable. Cllr. Hegarty also queried the successful tender for the works in Castlemartyr.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that Eoin Bennett will attend the November meeting to discuss the upcoming works in Castlemartyr, the tender analysis has been conducted and a letter of intent for the works will be circulated at the end of the week. The Engineer and also stated that Cork County Council has sought funding for the footbridge in Killeagh from T.I.I. who is the funding authority for these works. .

1.3 Update on Eirgrid

Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer informed the Members that he had received a reply form Gary Nolan and Peter Lantry of Eirgrid. Cllr. Hegarty proposed that both Gary Nolan and Peter Lantry attend the November meeting of the Council, Cllr. Collins seconded this proposal.

1.4 Hedge Cutting at Shanavine.

Cllr. Linehan Foley raised the issue of hedge cutting at Shanavine and asked if a reply could be sent to Mr. Pierce a resident of Shanavine regarding proposals of hedgecutting at this estate and also stated that she was hoping for a continuation of the footpath at this location in 2018.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that these works will be considered once works which are taking place on low ESB cables at this location in the coming weeks are complete.

1.5 Road Repairs to roads for King of the Road event in Ballincurrig.

Ms. Jeanette Kenny, Executive Engineer informed the Members that these works started last Thursday and are ongoing.

1.6 Lighting at Egan's Funeral Home, Youghal.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer agreed to follow up this matter with Michael Cotter of the Public Lighting Department.

This matter was proposed by Cllr. Linehan Foley and seconded by Cllr. Hegarty.

Consideration of Reports and Recommendations:

2.1 Deputation from Residents of Inch Killeagh to be heard.

The SEO reported that he had met with the Deputation and that they would not be attending the meeting.

2.2 Proposed Disposal of Properties.

This item was deferred to the November Meeting.

2.3 Cork County Community Facilities Fund 2017:

Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer circulated the following South Cork LCDC Summary Report to the Members:

On 10th March 2017 the Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government announced a €2m Capital Grants Scheme for disadvantaged urban and rural areas. The Community Facilities Scheme (CFS) 2017 will run initially from July 2017-December 2017 and is focused on providing small-scale capital grants to community and voluntary groups.

Cork County Council had a total allocation of €64,500 under the scheme. The scheme offers one-off grants up to a maximum of €1,000 per project. Monies will need to be expended by end of 2017. Examples of projects deemed eligible under the scheme included:

- Community Centre Equipment
- Office Equipment/Meeting Furniture
- Sports/Recreation Facilities
- Relevant Tools, Machinery and Appliances

The Scheme is administered by the Local Community Development Committees (LCDCs) along with the Municipal Districts under the remit of the Local Authorities (LAs) on behalf

of the Department. Cork County Council advertised the scheme in May 2017 through public newspaper advertisements, through the PPN network, through all Cork County Council formal communication channels and on the Council website and social media. Applications were invited for funding under this Scheme by 30th June 2017.

A total of 183 applications were received.

The following grants were awarded to the East Cork Area:

Organisation Name	Project	Eligible/Ineligible	Grant Amount Awarded €
1 Killeagh GAA	Gym Equipment	Eligible	€1000
2 FON Ballymacoda Ltd	Chairs & Tables	Eligible	€1000
3 Midleton Football Club	Computer & Monitor for club	Eligible	€885
4 Shanagarry ICA	Sports equipment/tables	Eligible	€500
5 Churchville FC Football Club	Training equipment	Eligible	€1000
6 Knockadoon Enhancement Project	Gravel and materials for walkway	Eligible	€800
7 Ballymacoda Parish Hall	Fit out of disabled toilet	Eligible	€1000
8 Killeagh Community Centre	Tables	Eligible	€1000
9 Aghada District Community Council	White boards, chairs, screens, tables	Eligible	€950
Total Grants Awarded			€8,135

On the proposal of Cllr. Linehan Foley which was seconded by Cllr. Twomey the Members unanimously approved the grants awarded under the Cork County Community Facilities Fund 2017

Business prescribed by Statute, 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. Noel Collins, received on 19th September, 2017

“In the interest of safety, security and protection of shops and homes in Middleton town, during the dark months of Winter and always Council report when it can expect to have the CCTV system in operation – plus a report from the ESB to examine and improve the poor quality of public lighting in the town”.

The Members unanimously supported Cllr. Collins motion.

The Municipal District Officer, Mr. Joe McCarthy informed the Members that he has no start date for the works presently as the Contractor is in the process of lining up 2 sub-contractors for both the electrical and civil works.

Cllr. McCarthy requested a report on the location of the CCTV cameras, the Municipal District Officer will circulate same to the Members.

Mr. Sean O’ Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer informed the members that the Public Lighting Engineer will meet any Member to discuss their concerns regarding public lighting in Middleton town.

5.1.2 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 19th September, 2017

“Council investigate the alleged derelict house in Upper Ballinacurra Village, falling down and a danger to all and have owners identified and advised to address the problem. Already reported to the Council, without success”.

Cllr. Twomey and Linehan Foley both seconded this motion. Cllr. Linehan Foley also requested that the Derelict House on the Killeagh side of Castlemartyr be included in this motion.

Helen Mulcahy, Senior Staff Officer informed the Members that there is no documentary evidence of ownership of this property and stated that she has written to the possible owner but received no reply.

5.1.3 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 19th September, 2017

“Council report on proposed road safety measures at Convent Cross to include ramps on St. Mary’s Road, pedestrian crossing at Coolbawn Corner, Broderick Street plus nature of restoration works on Lakeview Roundabout”.

Cllr. Hegarty stated that there is quite a number of HGV’s using the main street therefore the importance of the implementation of road safety measures for both pedestrians and road users.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that the existing road markings at St. Mary's Road are in need of renewal and also the provision of yellow boxes at this location. In relation to Coolbawn Corner the Engineer informed the Members that the streetscape works will see an improvement in the provision of Pedestrian Crossings in Midleton town.

In relation to Lakeview Roundabout the Engineer agreed to request an update.

5.1.4 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 19th September, 2017

“Council request the resurfacing of the Pontoon Walkway on Dwyer Road to facilitate residents and people calling to the Social Welfare Office”.

Cllrs. Twomey, Hegarty and McCarthy seconded this motion.

Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer informed the Members that this walkway is on private property.

Cllr. Twomey informed the Members that the Midleton Tidy Towns Group clean up this area on a fortnightly basis.

Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer will inform the owner of the property of the Members' desire to have the area cleaned up.

Cllr. Collins also informed the Members that he had received a letter from Laurence Lee in relation to the need for road infrastructure and drainage on the Kilteskin Road, Rostellan which is almost impassable due to major potholes.

Cllr. Hegarty supported this matter.

5.1.5 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 24th September, 2017

“Update on safety measures on Golf Links/Colaiste Eoin/Windmill Hill roundabout”.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that narrowing of this junction would be the preferred solution and stated that the preliminary estimates of the works at this junction is €40,000. The Engineer informed the Members that he will keep this matter on his list of potential low cost safety schemes.

5.1.6 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 24th September, 2017

“Asking that a footpath be installed/carried out at the North Road at Millenium Court, Youghal bearing in mind there is now a doctors surgery, gym, health centre and many more businesses in this developing area and it's highly dangerous”.

Cllrs. Hegarty and Twomey supported this motion.

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that this area was on a short list footpath programme but no funding is available presently but stated that a review is taking place to install part of the footpath in this years budget.

5.1.7 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 24th September, 2017

“Is there any update on Moll Goggins?”

Mr. Paul Murray informed the Members that Moll Goggin’s is being monitored on a quarterly basis and while some section of the viewing balcony has deteriorated the road infrastructure is safe.

Cllr. Linehan Foley requested that a letter be sent to Coastal Management seeking advice on securing funding for these works.

Helen Mulcahy, Senior Staff Officer informed the Members that Coastal Management had been contacted in relation to this issue and had replied to say that it is the responsibility of the East Cork Municipal District Council to seek funding for this project.

Cllr. Linehan Foley suggested that the cost of replacing the balcony at Moll Goggin’s be investigated.

5.1.8 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 24th September, 2017

“Put in place a full survey of all minor roads in East Cork area and the condition of same for TII that can be discussed with same and a solution found for upgrade before Castlemartyr works start”.

Cllrs. Twomey, Hegarty and McCarthy supported this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that the roadworks in Killeagh are concluding and stated that minor roads in the East Cork Area are being surveyed presently; a request for funding for the repair of these roads will be submitted through the Director of Roads.

The Engineer also informed the Members that the upgrade works at Castlemartyr will be a shorter project and it will be essential for time delays for traffic to be kept at an acceptable level.

5.1.9 Cllr. Danielle Twomey, received on 25th September 2017

“That this Municipal District call on the Minister to include Middleton and Youghal in the rent pressure zones”.

The Members unanimously supported this motion.

Cllr. Linehan Foley suggested that this motion be raised at SPC level and also forwarded to the Minister.

5.1.10 Cllr. Danielle Twomey, received on 25th September 2017

“The Engineer implement road markings and road lines, at the Castlemanor Estate in Castlemartyr with immediate effect”.

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that in general road markings are not provided within estates and requested that the residents group at this estate make contact with him.

5.1.11 Cllr. Danielle Twomey, received on 25th September 2017

“Can the Engineer install traffic calming measures in Micheal Collins square, Midleton with the focus on the exit and entrance points of the square”.

Cllrs. Collins and McCarthy supported this motion.

The Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Dave Clarke informed the Members that he will examine this motion under the Policy for Traffic Calming in Housing Estates.

5.1.12 Cllr. Danielle Twomey, received on 25th September 2017

“That the footpaths at no 1- 12 Capel View, Ballycotton are inspected as soon as possible and repaired as part of the footpath programme 2018”.

Cllr. Hegarty supported this motion.

The Engineer agreed to investigate same.

5.1.13 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 26th September 2017

“Repairs to roads in Clonmult especially in the vicinity of the Ambush Site”.

The Members unanimously supported this motion.

5.1.14 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 26th September 2017

“Repairs to road from Bohillane Cross to Shanavagoon”.

The Members unanimously supported this motion.

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

5.1.15 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 26th September 2017

“Update on refurbishment of Garryvoe Toilets”.

Helen Mulcahy, Senior Staff Officer informed the Members that works started on these toilets within the last week with a number of contractors involved and should be complete in four weeks.

Cllr. Hegarty queried if the same criteria to opening hours apply.

Sean O' Callaghan, Senior Executive Office informed the Members that once works on the resurfacing of the car park are completed the maintenance regime and opening hours of these toilets can be looked at.

5.1.16 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 26th September 2017

“Progress report on road repairs in Ballincurrig prior to the King of the Roads event”.

These works are complete.

5.1.17 Cllr. Michael Hegarty.

Cllr. Michael Hegarty informed the Members that there is a problem with a spring which has erupted on the road from Ladysbridge to Bohillane and asked that it be repaired as a matter of urgency.

5.1.18 Cllr. Michael Hegarty.

6. Correspondence:

No correspondence was received.

7. Votes of Congratulations:

The Members proposed a vote of congratulations to the following:

1. Youghal and Middleton Tidy Towns
2. Spike Island Tours on being awarded the No. 1 Visitor Destination in Europe.

Any Other Business:

1. Cllr. Linehan Foley raised the issue of the residents of Kilcounty who attended a recent meeting of the East Cork Municipal District Council and were awaiting a report on the issues raised at the Meeting. The Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that he will have a report for the Members at the November meeting and stated that a number of signs have been erected here and potholes have also been filled, the Engineer stated that a contract has been awarded for works on the Bridge which should commence within the next four weeks. Cllr. Hegarty seconded this matter.
2. Cllr. Linehan Foley raised the issue of the river at Castlemartyr and stated that a study had been done which advised that this river be dredged. Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior

Executive Engineer informed the Members that he will forward this item onto the County Engineers Section. Cllr. Hegarty supported this matter.

3. Cllr. Linehan Foley raised the issue of the growth of Japanese Knotweed at the land to the rear of Bellvue Terrace and asked if the owner of this land could be established. Ms. Helen Mulcahy, Senior Staff Officer informed the Members that this land is privately owned but stated that she will try to establish who the owner is.
4. Cllr. Twomey raised the issue of the pay parking dividend and asked for an update on the provision of same. Mr. Sean O' Callaghan informed the Members that he has raised this issue with the Head of Finance and is awaiting a reply on same.
5. Cllr. Twomey informed the Members that she had received a complaint from residents in Killeagh stating that there were two road closures which were not advertised.
6. Cllr. Twomey requested an update on Cloyne Meadows Estate. Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer will follow up on this matter.

The Members agreed that the next meeting of the Municipal District Council take place on November 6th at 11.00 a.m.at the Midleton Office.

This concluded the business of the Meeting.