

Minutes of Monthly Meeting of East Cork Municipal District Held on 1st April, 2019 at 11.00 a.m. at Mall House, Youghal, Co. Cork.

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

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
Mrs. Geraldine O' Connell (Youghal Office)

1. Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 4th March, 2019.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th March, 2019, were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Hegarty and seconded by Cllr. Linehan Foley.

Presentation by Bernie Wallace and Mary McPhillips in relation to the development of former Collins Bakery, North Main Street, Youghal into a state of the art library service.

Bernie Wallace, Senior Executive Librarian gave the following presentation to the Members in relation to the development of former Collins Bakery, North Main Street, Youghal into a state of the art library service.

Why Youghal needs a state of the art library service:

- Youghal loves its library and deserves a bigger better one.
- Regeneration of the town centre particularly in the evenings.
- A heritage town needs a cultural and research facility.
- A library-cultural centre is a vital visitor facility.

What is the next step:

Category 2:

- Conditions Survey.
- Asbestos Survey and Action.
- Structural Report.
- Update Archaeological Report.
- Design Team.
- M & E Design.
- Tender Preparation.
- Environmental Report.

Category 1:

- Preparing Site.
- Preserving Archaeology.
- Building.
- Roofing.
- Plumbing.
- Painting Decorating.
- Digital Hub.
- Mechanical and Electrical.
- Fit out and Stock.

What the public do to support the application.

- Let us now in writing what positive effect this will have on:
- People's lives
- Children's literacy.
- Leisure.
- Education.
- Visitors experience.
- The Tourist Business.
- The Local Economy.
- Heritage.
- Youghal Town Centre.

Bernie Wallace, Senior Executive Librarian informed the Members that funding for Category 2 of the development has been applied for under the Rural Regeneration Programme which will then give a stepping stone to apply for Category 1 funding.

Ms. Wallace informed the Members that all new Libraries will be open in the evenings under the New Libraries Initiative and also stated that the new Library will contribute to the regeneration of the Town Centre and will create a wealth of business also.

The Senior Executive Librarian requested that the Members email or contact her in writing to give their support to the funding application.

The Members thanked Bernie and Mary for the presentation and stated that they fully supported their endeavors as a lot of community groups are involved with Youghal Library.

Cllr. Hegarty suggested that a message should be sent to Community Radio Youghal to encourage comments or views through the local channel.

Cllr. Collins asked if there was any news on the repair of the Cupola in Midleton Library.

Bernie Wallace informed the Members that Architects Department has a quite extensive plan regarding Midleton Library and this includes the repair of the Cupola.

2 Consideration of Reports and Recommendations.

2.1 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.

1. Disposal of Former Library Building, Church Street, Youghal, Co. Cork.

Situation: Former Library Building, Church Street, Youghal.

From Whom Acquired: County Cork Vocational Education Committee.

To Whom It Is Proposed

To Dispose: Elizabeth Delaney and Kevin Byrne, 41 Rinuccini, Old Dublin Road, Portlaoise, Co Laoise.

Consideration: €125,500

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

2. Disposal of Freehold Interest, 7, Rostellan, Saleen, Cloyne, Midleton, Co. Cork.

Land Held Under

Freehold Interest: 7, Rostellan, Saleen, Cloyne, Midleton, Co. Cork.

Folio No. 8371L

Freehold Interest: Folio No. CK55571F

From Whom Acquired: Unknown.

Person to whom Freehold
Interest in Land is to be

Disposed of: Margaret O' Connor.

Consideration: €350.00 inclusive of administration charges.

Covenants, Conditions
And Agreements:

Conditions pursuant to Housing Act, 1966 and Landlord and
and Tenant Acts 1947 – 1984.

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

3. Lease of Land at Barony Imokilly, Youghal, Co. Cork.

Situation: Lease of land at Barony Imokilly, Youghal, Co. Cork.

Area: 2.01 hectares/4.98 acres.

From Whom Acquired: Land registered to Cork County Council.

To Whom It Is Proposed
To Dispose: Youghal Athletic Club.

Consideration: €127 per annum plus 5% C.P.I. in each subsequent year payable on the day of the signing of the lease and on the anniversary of the day henceforth.

Term: 50 years by way of lease.

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

4. Lease of Land at Ring, Ballymacoda, Co. Cork.

Situation: Lease of land at Ring, Ballymacoda, Co. Cork.

Area: 0.027 hectares/0.068.

From Whom Acquired: Richard Shanahan.

To Whom It Is Proposed
To Dispose: Eddie Curran and Joan Curran, The Tower House, 7 Coastguard Station, Ring, Ballymacoda, Co. Cork.

Consideration: €10,000..

Term: 50 years by way of lease.

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

2.2 Community Fund Grants 2019.

On the proposal of Cllr. Hegarty which was seconded by Cllr. Twomey the Members unanimously adopted the Community Fund Grants for 2019.

2.3 Town Development Fund 2019.

On the proposal of Cllr. Hegarty which was seconded by Cllr. Ahern the Members unanimously adopted the Town Development Fund for 2019.

		Youghal	Midleton	
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Painting Scheme Youghal		6,000.00	6,000.00	
Painting Scheme Midleton		6,000.00		6,000.00
Playground at Riverside Estate		15,000.00		15,000.00
Claycastle Multi Storey Sports Facility		15,000.00	15,000.00	
YSEDG		25,000.00	25,000.00	
Yew Wood Venues		3,000.00	3,000.00	
Marketing of Youghal Clock Gate		10,000.00	10,000.00	
Queen of the Sea		2,000.00	2,000.00	
Landscape Plan for the Lodge		36,000.00		36,000.00
FEAST		2,000.00		2,000.00
		120,000.00	61,000.00	59,000.00

2.4 Village Enhancement Scheme 2019.

The Senior Executive Officer outlined the following:-

Whitegate Village – 2018.

Mr. Seán O' Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer, advised that the Scheme for 2018 was for the enhancement of the centre of Whitegate Village. In discussions with Irish Water, who have major infrastructural works to carry out in the Whitegate Village, it was agreed that Irish Water would arrange for the enhancement works to be carried out in full and when completed the funding available to the Council for the enhancement of the Village centre would be paid to Irish Water.

Killeagh Village – 2019.

Mr. Seán O' Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer, advised that a Memorandum of Understanding had been signed by the Council, Killeagh Community Council's Car Park Committee and the Parish of Killeagh in relation to the construction of a new public car park on lands adjacent to the Church on the Mount Uniacke Road.

Drawings are being finalised for the initiation of the Part 8 Planning Process.

On the proposal of Cllr. Hegarty which was seconded by Cllr. Ahern the Members unanimously adopted the Village Enhancement Scheme for 2019.

2.5 East Cork Municipal District Public Lighting Programme 2019.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer circulated the following Public Lighting Programme for 2019 to the Members. The Engineer informed the Members that the following programme is the proposed Public Lighting Programme in East Cork following an allocation of €39,854. Consideration was given to the various motions, representations and requests for public lighting improvements on file. The programme has been prepared jointly with Mr. Donal O' Sullivan, Assistant Engineer, Public Lighting. A total of 3 schemes are proposed as follows:

Ref No.	Municipal District	Location	Description	No. of Lights	Detail of Proposal	Estimated Project Cost
1	East Cork	Dungourney Road, Midleton	New lighting (Completion of 2017 design from railway bridge to Broomfield Estate)	8	2 new retrofits, 1 new light on existing ESB pole and 5 new lighting columns with underground ducting.	€25,354
2	East Cork	Mill Road, Midleton	Zebra crossing near gyratory on Mill Road	1	Upgraded lighting	€2,500
3	East Cork	O' Neill Crowley Street, Youghal	Upgrade of lighting in median	4	4 new columns/lights with underground ducting	€12,000
						€39,854

Cllr. Twomey informed the Engineer that she has raised a motion for Rostellan to be included in the Public Lighting Programme. The Engineer informed the Members that a request has been made to extend the lighting in Rostellan village towards Midleton.

Cllr. Collins raised the issue of inadequate lighting at the backway of St. Mary's Road, Midleton fronting onto Holy Rosary Church and asked if it could be placed back on the public lighting list as a priority. Cllr. Hegarty seconded this proposal and stated that 2 lights would suffice for this area.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the members that he investigated this area with the Public Lighting Engineer and stated that a whole new scheme would be required at this location. The Engineer informed the Members that the residents of St. Mary's Road could erect motion sensored lighting at the rear of their property to deter anti social behavior.

The Engineer informed the Members that St. Mary's Road is on a review list presently.

Cllr. Collins proposed that grant funding for public lighting be sought for St. Mary's Road as a priority. Cllr. Hegarty seconded this proposal.

Cllr. Linehan Foley requested that extra funding be sourced for the provision of additional public lighting at Inch Village

The Engineer informed the Members that no more funding is available.

Cllr. Hegarty stated that Development Contributions have been paid for Inch and requested that same be investigated. The Engineer agreed to check same.

Cllr. Hegarty raised the issue of 2 lights out of order in the car park at Ladysbridge near the bottle bank.

Cllr. Linehan Foley raised the issue of a faulty light that she reported at Beau Mews, Youghal.

The Engineer will pass both locations onto the Public Lighting Engineer.

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

None.

5. Other business set forth in the Notice convening the Meeting.

None.

6. Notices of Motion:

5.1.1 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 4th March, 2019.

"Council report when we can expect the Security Cameras to be activated in Midleton town"?

Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer informed the members that all cameras are activated, except at two locations where electrical supply is awaited.

5.1.2 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 4th March, 2019.

“Council consider the provision of road-ramps within the Estates of Rosary Place and Fr. Murphy Place, Midleton, in the interest of road safety, to all residents, including our senior citizens, resulting from road-rage in the said Estates”.

Cllr. Hegarty seconded this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that consideration will be given to this request under the Council’s Policy for Traffic Calming in Housing Estates.

5.1.3 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 4th March, 2019.

“The residents of Ballycotton Fishing Village, Co. Cork, request the said location, to be included in the 2019 Public Lighting Capital Programme, where lighting is very dim, and none on some of the side roads”.

Cllr. Hegarty seconded this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that the public lighting LED retrofit programme will very likely address any issues of low level lighting and stated that where specific locations currently unlit are identified, these can be listed for consideration in future public lighting programmes.

5.1.4 Cllr. Noel Collins, received on 4th March, 2019.

“Operative date for the commencement of road, footpath and drainage works in Midleton town, and road safety measures at Lakeview Roundabout and Convent Cross, and Council address very serious road repairs and clarification of road signs, on the road from Ballyroe, Cloyne, to Kilboy Cross, Cloyne”.

Cllr. Hegarty seconded this motion.

In relation to road, footpath and drainage works in Midleton town Mr. Seán O’ Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that works will be advertised shortly and the Members will be notified of the commencement date.

In relation to the Lakeview Slip Road Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that he is awaiting an update from the Senior Engineer of the National Roads Design Office and stated that the Churchtown Road will be addressed as part of the 2019 Roads Programme.

5.1.5 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 7th March, 2019.

“That a deputation from the Ballycotton Development/Fishermans Association be heard at the May meeting to outline their concerns and fears regarding Irish Waters proposals for Ballycotton and its Environs, and I wish to explain the reasons for this request”.

All Members supported this motion.

Cllr. Hegarty gave the following report from John Tattan, Chairman, Ballycotton Fisherman's Association Ltd. to the Members:

Irish Water propose to remove the original toilets on the pier at Ballycotton to excavate on the footprint of the toilets, to a depth of 15ft, to facilitate a holding tank for the pumping station. If this in depth excavation we to be carried out:

1. There is every possibility that the construction of the roadway leading to the harbour would cascade into the excavated land.
2. During the construction and even with the encouragement of Irish Water suggesting some type of piling to support and shutter up the road, it would not be acceptable for heavy traffic like vans or articulated trucks to use this entrance to the harbour.
3. Once Irish Water have made a decision on the construction of the pumping station, Health and Safety will take priority and entry to the harbour could be stopped for anything up to 12 months.
4. The suggestion to make a new roadway and construct a working platform to the west side of the toilets for the duration of the construction and afterwards remove this working platform and roadway will prove very, very expensive.

The proposal from Ballycotton Fishermans Association Ltd., have long standing experience of the harbour, would be to construct the pumping station in the yellow box area on the eastern side of the roadway which for all intentional purposes would be classed as a brown field site. If this was constructed in conjunction with Cork County Council, the Roads Authority and Irish Water, it would lend itself to a suitable location for the pumping station and also would give the harbour, the residents and tourists alike additional parking, as was agreed in the development plan for Ballycotton Harbour prior to 2006.

We at Ballycotton are delighted that Irish Water have agreed to treat the raw sewerage that has been deployed over the back of the pier for generations and would like to lend our support and co-operation to making this a successful project.

Cllr. Hegarty proposed that Irish Water be requested to attend a meeting of the Municipal District along with a deputation from Ballycotton Fishermans Association, this was seconded by Cllr. Ahern and unanimously agreed by the Members.

5.1.6 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 25th March, 2019.

"That road surface at Rostellan Village be attended to".

Cllr. McCarthy seconded this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that this road takes a very significant volume of HGV's and stated that various sections of the road are under stress. The Engineer informed the Members that some sections of this road have been filled and sealed in the last year and stated a number of minor defects are listed for repair currently.

5.1.7 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 25th March, 2019.

“Major potholes on Ballymacoda/Ladysbridge road”.

Mr. Paul Murray, Executive Engineer informed the Members that these works will be addressed this week.

5.1.8 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 25th March, 2019.

Update on L.I.S., and C.I. S., for 2019”.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that an assessment of all recently received applications and those on file is ongoing., once the assessments are completed offers will be made having regards to the grants available.

5.1.9 Cllr. Danielle Twomey, received on 11th March, 2019.

“That this Council write to the Minister to reconsider again the East Cork Municipal District for inclusion of the rent pressure zones”.

This motion was fully supported by all Members. Cllr. Linehan Foley requested that we request a reply from the Minister ASAP.

5.1.10 Cllr. Danielle Twomey, received on 11th March, 2019.

“That this Council write to the ESB requesting that additional charge points for electric cars be installed within the East Cork Municipal District”.

Cllrs. McCarthy and Linehan Foley seconded this motion.

5.1.11 Cllr. Danielle Twomey, received on 13th March, 2019.

“Can the Council please install a general waste bin on the Northern Relief road to help deter fly tipping in this area”?

Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer informed the Members that the resources available in the Municipal District would not allow for collections from and the maintenance of additional bins.

6.1.12 Cllr. Danielle Twomey, received on 20th March, 2019.

“Can the Engineer please include the installation of a new footpath in the 2020 Programme from the Brookfield Care Home to the Leamlara Church to facilitate the occupants who travel to mass on a daily basis”?

Cllrs. Hegarty and McCarthy seconded this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that Brookfield Care Home is a distance of 400 metres beyond the footpath outside Leamlara National School. The indicative cost of providing a footpath along this rural road, allowing for ancillary drainage and boundary treatment/fencing would be of the order of €80,000 to €100,000. The Engineer stated that he cannot see any way that these works could be funded under the footpath programme.

5.1.13 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 22nd March, 2019.

“Asking that we liaise with Residents of Strand Street, Youghal, on Traffic Calming Measures, either widening of footpath on the right, or speed bumps, on health and safety grounds. Can Engineer have a look”?

Cllr. Hegarty supported this motion.

In relation to Strand Street Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that the legacy nature of the original construction of the houses on the right hand side of the street, that front directly onto the road must present issues for the residents, there is not sufficient road width to provide a footpath on that side of the street unless the parking on the left hand side was eliminated which he stated he would not consider a realistic proposal. The Engineer informed the Member that significant works were done in terms of footpath replacement/some widening and provision of bollards/rubbing strips and resurfacing to address a number of issues which were well received by the residents and have been successful.

The Engineer informed the Members that Cork County Council is commencing a policy review of traffic calming provisions in our Towns and Villages and this when complete will give direction on provision of ramps or other speed control measures, in the meantime the Engineer will arrange a speed and traffic survey and report the findings of same.

5.1.14 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 22nd March, 2019.

“We look at the rules for residents parking permits as residents in areas of Youghal are paying for permits to park and have no spaces to park in their areas and therefore when they park in other areas they are parked illegally”.

It was agreed to defer this motion as Helen Mulcahy, Senior Staff Officer was not in attendance.

5.1.14 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 22nd March, 2019.

“Asking that lighting in The Estuary be looked at as I have been asking with years for something to be done”.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer will forward this motion to the Engineer in the Estates Department.

5.1.16 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 22nd March, 2019.

“Asking that disabled mat (previously passed last year) be in place at Front Strand, Youghal, for summer months”

Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer will follow up on this matter with Beach Management.

Mr. Seán O’ Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer informed the members that Cork County Council has looked at the possibility of providing a beach wheelchair at the Front Strand which proved difficult to push on the sand. The Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that this can be looked at in conjunction with Phase II of the Boardwalk.

5.1.17 Cllr. Susan McCarthy, received on 26th March, 2019.

“Can the car park at Ladysbridge be resurfaced or at the minimum that the potholes be treated”?

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that he will assess and arrange for further repairs when considered for costings.

5.1.18 Cllr. Susan McCarthy, received on 26th March, 2019.

“Is there any response from Irish Water and Cork County Council re access for pedestrians, runners, cyclists and drivers on their link road from the WWTP towards Baneshane”?

Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer will write to Irish Water requesting that the road is opened up for public use.

5.1.19 Cllr. Susan McCarthy, received on 26th March, 2019.

“Update on potential funding for Midleton Lodge Park project”?

Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer informed the Members that some funding will be available under the Town Development Fund.

5.1.20 Cllr. Michael Ahern, received on 26th March, 2019.

“The the Council would give consideration to the deterioration of the speed ramps through Broomfield Village”.

5.1.21 Cllr. Michael Ahern, received on 26th March, 2019.

“Is there any information re the development opposite East Cork Oil Limited”?

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that he will refer this matter to the Planning Department.

5.1.22 Cllr. Michael Ahern, received on 26th March, 2019.

“Is there any further information regarding the provision of a Relief Road for Ballycotton”?
Cllr. Hegarty supported this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that he has contacted Cormac O’ Suilleabhain, Senior Executive Engineer Cork County Council Traffic and Transportation Section who has not had any direct contact with the Ballycotton Community as yet. The Engineer informed the Members that Ballycotton Community Council had indicated that they had a potential source of funding for carrying out the Traffic and Transportation Study requested.

5.1.23 Cllr. Michael Ahern, received on 26th March, 2019.

“Despite the upgrading of roadway and new timing of traffic lights the problem of traffic delays in Castlemartyr continues. Are there any plans to by- pass Castlemartyr as there were some years ago”?

Cllr. Twomey supported this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that this matter has been referred to Bob O’ Shea, Senior Engineer, National Roads Design Office for his report however, the Engineer is not aware of any plans to recommence this project currently.

7. Correspondence:

None

8. Any Other Business.

1. Cllr. Linehan Foley asked if there was any calming measures proposed for Broomfield Estate in Midleton. Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that repairs have been carried out on this road.

2. Cllr. Linehan Foley raised the issue of residents of Mount Uniacke/Inch Tidy Towns who have collected rubbish which was disposed of in this area and requested that Cork County Council collect the rubbish as there is a standard €3 charge to avail of the landfill. Mr. Sean O’ Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer will investigate same. Cllr. Hegarty agreed with this proposal.

3. Cllr. Ahern requested that the road from Dungourney to Ballymacoda Cross be looked at. Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that remedial works will be carried out this year.

4. Cllr. Twomey requested that a yellow box be provided for at Aishlin Crescent on Aislin Road as residents are finding it difficult to exit during school times. Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer will investigate same.

5. Cllr. Hegarty requested an update on Gortawadda Cross as soon as possible. Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that this is being looked at presently and is still on the agenda.

The Members agreed that the next meeting of the Municipal District take place on May 7th, 2019 at 2.00 p.m. at Pearse Memorial Chambers, Midleton.

This concluded the business of the Meeting.