

Minutes of Monthly Meeting of East Cork Municipal District held virtually on 4th May, 2021 at 1.30 p.m. at Mall House, Youghal, Co. Cork.

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

Leathscéal: Cllr. Collins.
Ms. Jeanette Kenny, Executive Engineer.

Ag Freastal: Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer.
Mr. Paul Murray, Executive Engineer.
Mr. Seán O' Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer.
Mrs. Helen Mulcahy, (Youghal Office).
Mrs. Geraldine O' Connell (Youghal Office)

1. Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 6th April 2021.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th April 2021, were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Linehan Foley and seconded by Cllr. Ahern.

2. Matters Arising from the Minutes.

2.1 Cllr. Hegarty asked if there was any update on the street closure at River Street, Cloyne.

Mr. Seán O' Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that a dangerous structure notice has been served on the owners of the building in question and stated that no further action can be taken until the time period of the notice has passed.

3. Consideration of Reports and Recommendations.

3.1 Municipal District Officers Report.

Ms. Helen Mulcahy, S/Municipal District Officer circulated the following Municipal District Officers Report to the Members:

Midleton to Youghal Greenway.

Works on the construction of the Midleton to Youghal Greenway have now recommenced following the lifting of Covid 19 restrictions for essential infrastructure under national guidance. As a result of Covid 19 restrictions on construction activity over the past year, the programme for the delivery of the Greenway has been impacted and the completion of the overall project is now planned for Q1 2023. Cork County Council will seek to identify opportunities to open completed sections of the Greenway on a phased basis in advance of completing the overall route.

Midleton Town Centre Improved Access & Enhancement Project, Phase 2.

Members have been previously briefed on the work being undertaken to finalise the design and tender documentation for this complex project. This work is to mitigate against the risk of additional Construction cost, Contractor claims and delays that could be attributed to Cork County Council during the construction phase of the works. It is imperative that the

tender documentation issued is as comprehensive and complete as possible to enable contractors to submit fixed tenders prices and remove uncertainty. The final review of the documentation is underway and the intention is to advertise the construction contract in Q2 2021. Subject to the completion of a successful tender process, construction should commence in Q3 2021 with completion in Q1 2023.

Front Strand Public Convenience & Lifeguard Facility.

The tender process for this development was deemed unsuccessful and the decision was made to retender. The contract will be re-advertised on Friday the 30th of April with a closing date of the 31st of May. Members will be kept updated on the tender process.

Youghal RRDF Application (Courthouse) – and Public Realm.

This project involves the regeneration of the Town Centre through public realm renewal and the development of a future vision for the discussed former Courthouse. This funding also provided for the acquisition of the former soup kitchen property which has now been completed.

The Stage 1 Report on the redevelopment of the former Courthouse building incorporating the adjoining discussed shed has been finalised and will now move on to detailed design and planning. The redevelopment will provide a new lease of life for two unused buildings.

The main concept for the refurbished building is a permanent exhibition of a unique collection of household items of historical and social importance spanning the century 1850 to 1950. This collection has been acquired by the Council.

CCC has advertised for specialist external consultants to join CCC's architect led design team for the refurbishment and re-development of the courthouse and soup kitchen.

All tenders have been returned across multiple individual competitions and are currently under assessment. Letters will go out to tenderers this week requesting the submission of supporting documentation. A final tender report and recommendation will be issued by May 14th.

Initial work has commenced on the scope and design of the public realm enhancements.

Town & Village Renewal Scheme, 2020.

Glenbower Wood.

An application for funding to facilitate the replacement of 3 no. footbridges in Glenbower Wood, Killeagh, was successful and the Department allocated €36,000 to this Project. The Council is liaising with the Community and the procurement of the works will commence as soon as construction restrictions as a result of Covid 19 are lifted.

Town & Village Renewal Scheme 2020 Accelerated Measures in Response to Covid-19

Old Bridewell Gaol, Youghal

The Council was successful and received a grant of €38,000 for a joint Cork County Council, Youghal Tidy Towns and Tesco Youghal proposal to develop a community garden at the Old Bridewell Gaol, Mill Road, Youghal. The project will consist of a gated community garden including an urban orchard, raised beds, seating and courtyard. Detailed design complete. Tenders have been received and are currently being assessed. Work will commence as soon as restrictions on construction works are lifted.

Castlemartyr.

A grant of €25,000 was approved to part fund the development of a linear walkway from Castlemartyr village along the Ladysbridge road to the entrance to Castlemartyr Resort. This project will be undertaken as part of the Village Enhancement Scheme for 2020. A detailed design is currently being drawn up.

Phase 2 of Youghal Boardwalk.

Members will be aware of the significant progress made on Phase 2 of the Boardwalk from Claycastle to Redbarn, which has been the subject of very positive comment. Works are almost complete.

Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme.

This Municipal District submitted two applications for funding:-

Measure 1 – Pathway to Whitebay beach, Roches Point. This application was successful and €20,000 was awarded. The works are now 100% complete.

Measure 2 – Peoples Path, Whitegate/Rostellan: An application for works costing €223,000 was submitted but the application was unsuccessful.

Village Enhancement Scheme 2021

Members are aware that this is a Council funded scheme aimed at enhancement in the key villages in the Municipal District. The value of the works cannot exceed €68,500. Members can also include villages from 2021.

2017 Key Village Cloyne – Community Car Park

2018 Key Village Whitegate/Aghada – Enhancements to village green area. Funding set aside for works to be undertaken post Irish Water works.

2019 Key Village Killeagh – Community Car Park

2020 Key Village Castlemartyr – amenity walkway from village to Resort Hotel / Forestry Area.

The Villages in the Municipal District are Mogeely, Dungourney, Ladysbridge, Ballymacoda, Shanagarry/Garryvoe, Saleen, Ballycotton and Churchtown South. Members can submit proposals for consideration to the Municipal District Officer.

New Library for Youghal

Cork County Council has secured funding to the value of €4,822,511 for two projects in the Government's Rural Regeneration and Development Fund (RRDF).

Youghal has received one of the highest funding allocations at €4,048,511 with Cork County Council providing an additional €449,835, for a new town library. A collection of derelict buildings on North Main Street will be renovated and extended to create a modern and fully restored library. The new library will reinvigorate the town centre and provide essential community facilities and services, including remote learning resources and an accessible public space in the town for residents and visitors.

Water Sports Facility for Claycastle

Garrylucas and Claycastle Beaches to benefit from new Water Sports Activity Facilities.

Cork County Council has welcomed the announcement by the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media, Catherine Martin, that Cork County will benefit from the construction of Water Sports Activity Facility Centre's at Garrylucas and Claycastle beaches.

This follows applications by Cork County Council in December 2020 under the Fáilte Ireland 'Platforms for Growth' Water Sports Activity Facility Centre's funding call. The funding approvals will facilitate the construction of new state-of-the-art facilities at both locations, the key components of which will be sustainable and accessible design, toilet & shower provision, all weather changing facilities, secure storage, induction space and equipment wash down facilities.

The facilities will be of great benefit to the existing water sports activity businesses who operate from the two beaches and will also encourage new businesses to offer services from both locations.

This report was marked as read.

3.2 Disposal of land at Killeagh Road Mogeely.

Before notice is given to the Members of Cork County Council in relation to the proposed disposal of property in East Cork the matter is brought to the attention of the Members for the East Cork Municipal District for their consideration. Details are set out in the attached draft notice.

Situation: Killeagh Road,
Mogeely
Co. Cork.

Area: As outlined in Red on File Plan CK46985

From Whom Acquired: Nora Kennedy - in Cork County Council ownership since 2012

To Whom It Is Proposed

To Dispose: Eamonn Hickey

Consideration: €195,000.00

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

3.3 East Cork Municipal District Roads Programme Progress Report.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer circulated the following East Cork MD Regional & Local Roads (Restoration Improvement & Restoration Maintenance) Programme 2021 to the Members.

Funding Grant Category	Project Number	Road Class	Road Number	Road Name and or Townland Name	Length of Work (m)	% Completed
Restoration Maintenance	RM 1	LP	L-3602	East Cork – L-3602 (part) Kearney's X to Moanbaun	2233	0%
Restoration Maintenance	RM 2	LS	L-7609	East Cork – L-7609 Pigeonhill to Brodericks Cross	2515	0%
Restoration Maintenance	RM 3	LP	L-3604-0	East Cork – L-3604 (Leamlara to Condonstown	1480	0%
Restoration Maintenance	RM 4	LP	L-3601	East Cork – L3601 (part) at Rathgire	3005	0%
Restoration Maintenance	RM 5	R	R-627	East Cork – R627 (part) Donnicksmore to Murleys X	5047	0%
Restoration Maintenance	RM 6	LS	L-7804	East Cork – L7804 (part) Ballyknockane	2911	0%
Restoration Maintenance	RM 7	LS	L-7803	East Cork – L7803 Kilnafurry	1281	0%
Restoration Maintenance	RM 8	LP	L-3814	East Cork – L3814 (part) Redbarn	1125	0%
Restoration Maintenance	RM 9	LS	L-7861	East Cork – L-7861 Pilmore Road	1524	0%
Restoration Maintenance	RM 10	LP	L-3816	East Cork – L-3816 (part) Ballymacoda to Knockadoon Road	1065	0%
Restoration Maintenance	RM 11	LP, LS	L-3630	East Cork – L3630 Stacks Cross to Knockasturkeen	1702	0%
Restoration Maintenance	RM 12	LP	L-3818	East Cork – L3818 (part) Ballyrussell to Loughane	2600	0%
Restoration Maintenance	RM 13	LS	L-7683	East Cork – L7663 (part) Monagoul to Ballyduff	1800	0%
Restoration Maintenance	RM 14	LP	L-3642	East Cork – L3642 (part) Ballyvaloon	705	0%
Restoration Maintenance	RM 15	R	R-630	East Cork – R630 Whitewell to Rostellan Shanagarry	2267	0%
			RESTORATION MAINTENANCE SUBTOTAL =		31,260	
Restoration Improvement	RI 1	LP	L-3601	East Cork – L3601 Monaleen	1658	0%

Restoration Improvement	RI 2	LS	L-7834	East Cork – L7834 Coolcap	1906	80%
Restoration Improvement	RI 3	LT	L-38061	East Cork – L38061 (part) High Road Killeagh	400	0%
Restoration Improvement	RI 4	LS	L-7839	East Cork – L7839 Dishane	800	0%
Restoration Improvement	RI 5	LS	L-7828	East Cork – L7828 Ballyglavin	1491	0%
Restoration Improvement	RI 6	LS	L-9509	East Cork – L9509 (part) Sweetfield Estate	80	Tender Stage
Restoration Improvement	RI 7	LP	L-3813	East Cork – L3813 Beanfield Cross towards Gortroe	1387	0%
Restoration Improvement	RI 8	LP	L-38165	East Cork – L3816 (part) Knockadoon	1400	Tender Stage
Restoration Improvement	RI 9	R	R-633	East Cork – R633 Lisquinlan	2000	Tender Stage
Restoration Improvement	RI 10	R	R-629	East Cork – R629 Approach to Ballycotton	306	Tender Stage
Restoration Improvement	RI 11	LP	L-3642	East Cork – L3642 Ballyvaloon	931	Tender Stage
Restoration Improvement	RI 12	LP	L-3630	East Cork – L3620 Stacks X to R629 Ballymaloe	1850	20%
Restoration Improvement	RI 13	LP	L-3809	East Cork – L3809 Kilmountain X to Mogeely	2000	Tender Stage
Restoration Improvement	RI 14	LP	L-3628	East Cork – L3628 Whiterock (part)+ Thades Cross	210	Tender Stage
Restoration Improvement	RI 15	LP	L-3626	East Cork – L3626 'Rocky Road' at Copperingerstown	850	0%
Restoration Improvement	RI 16	LS	L-7650	East Cork – L7650 Carrigagour	1299	0%
Restoration Improvement	RI 17	R	R-630	East Cork – R630 Loughatalia to Rosehill	672	Tender Stage
Restoration Improvement	RI 18	LS	L-9402	East Cork – L9402 Park Street Midleton	156	Tender Stage
			RESTORATION IMPROVEMENT SUBTOTAL =		19,396	

By Cork County Council

By Contractor

This report was marked as read.

3.4 East Cork Municipal District Footpath Programme.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer circulated the following proposed list of works for the East Cork Footpath Programme 2021.

Status	Location	Type of Works	Approx Length (m)	Estimated Cost (€)
1	Marian Terrace (outside #1), Aghada	Replace Existing	10	€2,000.00
2	Lower Aghada (outside Siddons Court Estate)	Relocate ESB pole, modify wall/connect footpaths	5	€12,500.00
3	Ballinacurra Village	Replace Existing	85	€15,000.00
4	Ballymacoda Village	Replace Existing	80	€14,000.00
5	St. Coleman's Terrace (outside 19B), Cloyne	Replace Existing	12	€2,100.00
6	Rock Street, Cloyne	Replace Existing	30	€5,250.00
7	Chapel Street, Cloyne	Replace Existing	70	€11,450.00
8	Leamlara (by National School)	Build Outs	N/A	€5,000.00
9	Elsinore Estate, Midleton	Replace Existing	150	€15,000.00
10	St. Mary's Road, Midleton	Replace Existing	25	€5,000.00
10	L-7725 Junction with Cork road (Oatencake), Midleton	Replace Existing	10	€3,000.00
11	Dwyer's Road (at entrance to Industrial Estate), Midleton	Replace Existing	10	€2,000.00
11	Riversfield Estate, Midleton	Replace Existing	50	€10,000.00
12	Broomfield Hill (next to pedestrian crossing lights), Midleton	Replace Existing	10	€2,000.00
13	South of entrance to Lauriston Estate entrance, Midleton	Replace Existing	5	€1,000.00
14	R626 Mill Road (outside Pre-school), Midleton	Replace Existing	5	€2,000.00
15	Redbarn	New Footpath	30	€9,178.00
16	Upper Range (outside # 3), Rostellan	Replace Existing Kerb	N/A	€1,500.00
17	Cois na Mara, Whitegate	Replace Existing	10	€2,000.00
18	Thomas Davis Terrace,	Replace Existing	10	€2,000.00

	Whitegate			
19	Lower Road, (outside 2 Wavecreast), Whitegate	Replace Existing	8	€1,200.00
				Total =
€123,178.00				

The Engineer informed the Members that funding for the footpath programme is from a Countywide budget of €900,000. The budget is allocated on a per head of population basis with East Cork Municipal District receiving an allocation of €123,178.

This Report was marked as read.

3.5 East Cork Municipal District Public Lighting Programme.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer, circulated the following East Cork Municipal District Public Lighting Programme, 2021 following a budget provision of €41,579.

In considering priorities in drawing up the proposed programme various criteria were considered as attached. Consideration was given to the various motions, representations and requested for public lighting improvements on file. The programme has been prepared jointly with the Public Lighting Section. A total of 7 schemes are proposed as follows:

Ref No.	Municipal District	Location	Description	No. of Additional Lights Proposed	No. of Retrofits Proposed	Estimated Project Cost
1	East Cork	Back Range, Lower Aghada Village	Retrofit Existing ESB Pole between Pole 1 & 2 near entrance at Back Range, Aghada	0	1	€1,000.00
2	East Cork	Bun Hill, Ballycotton	Install 2 x new lighting column at entrance to Glor na Mara Estate.	1	0	€5,500.00
3	East Cork	Inch Nat'l School, Ballymakibbot, Inch, Killeagh	Install 2 x new additional lighting columns on from existing light on ESB pole in front of school.	2	1	€6,200.00

			Replace retrofit light.			
4	East Cork	O' Brien's Terrace, Ballycotton	Install 1 x new lighting column between Pole 62 & 63. Install 1 x new lighting column between Pole 63 & 64. Both serviced from Pole 63.	2	0	€8,800.00
5	East Cork	Redbarn – Phase 1 (Hotel to Beach)	Adding lights to 4 No. vacant columns opposite the Hotel and leading down towards the beach.	4	0	€3,700.00
6	East Cork	Redbarn – Phase II (Hotel towards speed limit)	Install 6 x new lighting column and lights and retrofitting 3 No. existing lights, currently at road edge.	6	3	€14,700.00
7	East Cork	Drury Ave., Midleton – Phase 1	Install 2 x retrofit lights.	0	2	€1,679.00
						€41,579

This report was marked as read.

4) Business Prescribed by Statute.

None.

5) Notices of Motion.

5.1.1 Cllr. Danielle Twomey, received on 2nd April 2021.

“Can the following areas be inspected for road traffic calming measures: Old Cork Road, Midleton, Churchtown Village, and DunGourney Village”.

Cllr. Linehan Foley seconded this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that Cork County Council applies to the Department of Transport through the Safety Improvement Scheme Grant for funding to introduce traffic calming measures on streets within a number of Towns and Villages throughout the County each year. The schemes approved for funding in East Cork for 2021 were given at the March Municipal District Meeting. Such schemes are applied for in September of the year prior to the works and are chosen having regard to requests from the Members and the general public and in conjunction with priority determination as set out in the Council's adopted Traffic Calming policies for Traffic Calming in Towns/Villages and in Estates. The above locations will be listed for consideration.

5.1.2 Cllr. Danielle Twomey, received on 21st April 2021.

"Can we have an update on the progress of securing an all-terrain beach wheelchair for the East Cork region. to provide accessibility to our beaches for all".

All Members supported this motion.

Ms. Helen Mulcahy, S/Municipal District Officer informed the Members that an audit is to be carried out in May of beaches from the Front Strand, Youghal to Redbarn by the Disability Federation of Ireland & Corks Sports Partnership and stated that a report on same will follow shortly after.

Mr. Seán O' Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that a number of years ago a beach wheelchair had been trialled at Claycastle which proved to be unsuitable due to the irregularities of the beach surface.

Cllr. Twomey requested that the study be expanded to Garryvoe.

Ms. Helen Mulcahy, S/Municipal District Officer stated a request can be made to add Garryvoe to the list.

5.1.3 Cllr. Danielle Twomey, received on 26th April 2021.

"Can the engineer investigate the R629 at the junction of Rosehill East. and that traffic calming measures be implemented in this area on the approach to the junction and further towards the junction of the upper and lower roads and Gearagh Road. That a combination of traffic calming measures be implemented here, including rumble strips, road marking refreshment and extension, signage and driver feedback signage".

Cllr. McCarthy seconded this motion.

The following report on this motion was received from Janette Kenny, Executive Engineer:

There have been recent upgrades to road markings and signage on the R629 at this location, namely Stop bar marking at Rosehill East exit, multiple "Slow" Roadmarkings, a speed limit 50Km/h road marking as well as new Junction ahead diamond warning signage. Refreshing is required, to the STOP bar Roadmarkings at Kearney's Cross on both Gearagh Road and Church Road sides as well as the centre line. This is listed for the roadmarking contractor. A driver feedback sign could be considered on the northbound approach to Rosehill East of a suitable location is possible within the 50km/h zone.

5.1.4 Cllr Mary Linehan Foley, received on 23rd April 2021.

"Asking that an additional life buoy be erected opposite the galloping gourmet coffee dock on Front Strand Youghal".

Cllr. Hegarty seconded this motion.

Ms. Helen Mulcahy, S/ Municipal District Officer informed the Members that there is a lifebuoy situated at the grass bank close to the coffee dock.

Cllr. Linehan Foley asked if a lifebuoy could be placed closer to the prom are at the top of the first set of steps.

Ms. Helen Mulcahy, S/Municipal District Officer informed the Members that there is a concrete barrier on these steps closing them off as they are unsafe. It was agreed to meet Cllr. Linehan Foley on site to look into this matter further.

5.1.5 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 23rd April 2021.

"Asking that Engineer looks at road safety measures for area in Front Strand from Lifeguard hut at end of prom to Aura, ie ramps or bumps".

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that Cork County Council applies to the Department of Transport through the Safety Improvement Scheme Grant for funding to introduce traffic calming measures on streets within a number of Towns and Villages throughout the County each year. The schemes approved for funding in East Cork for 2021 was given at the March Municipal District Meeting. Such schemes are applied for in September of the year prior to the works and are chosen having regard to requests from the Members and the general public and in conjunction with priority determination as set out in the Council's adopted Traffic Calming policies for Traffic Calming in Towns/Villages and in Estates.

The Engineer also stated that the planned new Lifeguard Station is to include road narrowing and a table top ramped crossing at this location which will provide a traffic calming function. The matter can be reviewed following the implementation of these works.

5.1.6 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 23rd April 2021.

“Look at double yellow lines at Allen’s Quay as property getting damaged by trucks parking also look at maybe seated / benches area behind Aldi, and the green in Dominic Collins area and Town Walls area”.

Cllr. Linehan Foley thanked all staff involved for the resurfacing works at Youghal Shipping.

Cllrs. Hegarty and Ahern seconded this motion.

Ms. Helen Mulcahy, S/ Municipal District Officer informed the Members that bollards have been ordered for the area at the rear of Aldi, but was in agreement with Cllr. Linehan Foley’s proposal and agreed to the provision of a seat at this location.

The S/Municipal District Officer informed the Members that the green in Dominic Collins Place is the responsibility of Irish Water and also informed the Members excavation would be needed for the provision of a seat in the Town Walls area which could not be permitted as this is an area of architectural conservation.

5.1.7 Cllr. Susan McCarthy, received on 26th April 2021.

“In light of easing of restrictions including open of outdoor visitor attractions, that Council look at reopening the Ballycotton Cliff Walk as soon as possible”.

Ms. Helen Mulcahy/S/Municipal District Officer informed the Members that this walk was originally closed at the request of the Ballycotton Community and a plethora of complaints from the community also and stated that it is the intention of Cork County Council to remove barriers and signage when it is safe to do so and in accordance with Public Health Guidelines.

5.1.8 Cllr. Susan McCarthy, received on 27th April, 2021.

“That council would undertake to progress as soon as possible the proposed Linear Park to run along the Owenacurra. The lack of amenity and green space in the northern end of the town has become a serious issue even more so in light of the new housing development along the Mill Road”.

Mr. Seán O’ Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that this matter will be clarified at the meeting to be held on Thursday 6th May next under the Midleton URDF.

5.1.9 Cllr. Susan McCarthy, received on 28th April 2021.

“That council add Laurel Court to schedule of works for resurfacing. There are many elderly residents with mobility issues and the road surface is breaking up with loose chips, cracks and potholes which makes it difficult to negotiate”.

The following report was received from Ms. Janette Kenny, Executive Engineer:

There are currently some potholes in Laurel Court which will be listed for repair in order of priority. These are damaged kerbs at the radius of the green area that are fallen over, these will be listed for re-setting.

5.1.10 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 27th April 2021.

“Repairs to road and footpath at Fr. Murphy’s Terrace, Ballinacurra.”.

The following report was received from Ms. Janette Kenny, Executive Engineer:

The footpath at Fr. Murphy’s Place is a legacy narrow footpath only approximately 900mm wide in front of the houses. There is a section of path also over the bridge to the R629. A section of path on the bridge has gross defects and will be listed for repair as soon as possible. The remainder of the pathway on the estate will be surveyed and considered in order of priority.

5.1.11 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 27th April 2021.

"Update on repairs to damaged bridge walls at Garryvoe and Mogeely".

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that works are being projected by the Council’s Rural & Local Roads Design Office and stated that a consultant has been appointed and design/tender documents are currently being prepared.

5.1.12 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 27th April 2021.

“Resurfacing and improvements to roads at Main Street, Whitegate”.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that the Irish Water major sewerage project is currently at planning stage with a planning application before Cork County Council, the works include major pipe laying in the road carriageway. Road reconstruction, including road narrowing, and traffic calming measures of the main road through the village will follow the pipe reinstatement settlement period.

5.1.13 Cllr. Liam Quaide, received on 30th March 2021.

“That the East Cork Municipal District draw up a plan that is tailored to our current outdoor staffing allocation, community group activity and business engagement for dealing with waste management in public spaces over the coming weeks/months, with unprecedented volumes of people expected to visit our beaches and other scenic areas due to the easing of domestic travel restrictions”.

All Members supported this motion.

Ms. Helen Mulcahy, S/Municipal District Officer informed the Members that €560,000 is spent annually on street cleaning in Midleton and Youghal and stated that bins are emptied 7 days a week and twice a day in the summer period, and also informed the Members that the public toilets are opened 7 days a week also.

Mr. Seán O' Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that he concurred with the S/Municipal District Officer on this matter and informed the Members that he is awaiting a report from the CEO regarding a review on public convenience measures.

The Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that public conveniences in the East Cork area are cleaned and stocked with supplies each morning and also informed the Members that new public conveniences are ordered for the Front Strand area. The Senior Executive Officer also stated that the Redbarn and Garryvoe toilet were upgraded a few years ago.

Ms. Helen Mulcahy, S/Municipal District Officer informed the Members that 2 of the toilets on the Front Strand area are presently closed as high winds caught and damaged the doors and stated that 4 of 6 units will be replaced with brand new facilities with the remaining two being replaced by second hand units which are in perfect condition and stated that all should be operation in the next week.

5.1.14 Cllr. Liam Quaide, received on 30th March 2021.

“Any update on funding to resurface damaged parts of the People's Path from Whitegate to Rostellan, as discussed at the December 2020 Municipal meeting”.

Ms. Helen Mulcahy, S/Municipal District Officer informed the Members that an Application for funding was made under the Outdoor Infrastructure Recreation Scheme but was unsuccessful and stated that Cork County Council will continue to explore all avenues to secure funding for this path.

Mr. Seán O' Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that grant assistance has been provided for this amenity over the years and that this project will be considered for submission under the Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme again in 2021.

The Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that funding will be considered once again under this year's scheme which is due out quite shortly and he will revert back to the Members on this in due course.

5.1.15 Cllr. Ann Marie Ahern, received on 27th April 2021.

“ Similar to the Crosshaven to Carrigaline Railway Walk, that East Cork MD install solar light markings on walkways in East Cork”.

Mr. Seán O' Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer informed the Members that this matter will be considered but stated that there may be ecological concerns which would have to be taken into consideration.

5.1.16 Cllr. Ann Marie Ahern, received on 27th April 2021.

“The council address the bad condition of the road in the Laurel Court Development on Dwyer’s Road, Midleton, Co. Cork”.

This was dealt with under motion no. 5.1.9

5.1.17 Cllr. Ann Marie Ahern, received on 27th April 2021.

“That the council will apply to the NTA for feasibility funding for a footpath from Summerfield Cross to Pobalscoil na Tríonóide”.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that earlier this year Cork County Council applied to the NTA for funding to provide this footpath link. The NTA did not approve funding for this scheme. Supplementary information is currently being collated by Council’s Traffic and Transportation Section for submission to the NTA to request that the original decision be reconsidered.

6). Correspondence:

No correspondence was received.

7). Any Other Business.

1. Ms. Helen Mulcahy, S/Municipal District Officer raised the issue of the Town Development Fund which is scheduled to appear on the June Agenda of the East Cork Municipal District Meeting and asked if the Members would consider adopting the €20,000 allocated to the painting scheme as she is inundated with requests for funding for this scheme. The Members fully agreed to adopt this allocation.
2. Cllr. Linehan Foley informed the Members that she was contacted by the residents of Bayview Grove in relation to an opportunity to purchase a secondhand ride on lawnmower which is in excellent condition and asked if the Members would consider providing additional funds of €1,700 towards the cost of this lawnmower. Cllr. Linehan Foley stated that the group do fantastic work and this is an opportunity not to be missed as the old lawnmower is 12 years old and not fit for purpose.

On the proposal of Cllr. Linehan Foley which was seconded by Cllr. Hegarty the Members unanimously agreed to the allocation of €1,700 towards the cost of a secondhand ride on lawnmower for the residents of Bayview Grove.

It was agreed that the next meeting of the East Cork Municipal District take place virtually on Tuesday June 8th with the time to be confirmed.

This concluded the business of the meeting.