Minutes of Monthly Meeting of East Cork Municipal District held blended through MS Teams and Pearse Memorial Chambers, The Lodge, Midleton on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 10.30 a.m.

**I LATHAIR:** Cathaoirleach Cllr. McCarthy presided.

Cllrs. Linehan Foley, Hegarty, Ahern, Quaide & Healy.

**Ag Freastal:** Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer. Mr. Seán O' Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer.

Ms. Helen Mulcahy, Senior Staff Officer. Mrs. Geraldine O' Connell, Clerical Officer.

Before the meeting commenced Cllr. McCarthy proposed a vote of congratulation to Paul and Anne Murray on their recent retirement and wished them both a happy and healthy retirement with best wishes for the future. All Members echoed Cllr. McCarthy's sentiments.

Cllr. Linehan Foley proposed a vote of sympathy to the family of our esteemed colleague Breeda Foley. Cllr. Linehan Foley informed the members that she will miss her expertise and knowledge as Breeda was one of a kind. All Members wished to be associated with this proposal.

# 1. <u>Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023 and Minutes of Draft Budgetary Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023.</u>

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023, and the minutes of the Draft Budgetary Meting held on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023 were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr Linehan Foley and seconded by Cllr. Ahern.

Cllr. McCarthy proposed that the confirmation of the minutes held on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2023 be deferred to the January meeting of the East Cork Municipal District. This was seconded by Cllr. Quaide and unanimously agreed by the Members.

## 2. <u>Matter Arising from Minutes.</u>

No matters arose.

### 3. Consideration of Reports and Recommendations.

#### 3.1 Taking in Charge - Bridgetown, Castlemartyr

Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer circulated the following email received from Liam Murphy, Estates Section in relation to the taking in charge of Bridgetown, Castlemartyr, Co. Cork.

- The Council gave notice of its intention to consider the making of an order under Section 11 of the Roads Act, 1993, to declare the road in the developed area described above to be public. This Notice appeared on the Examiner newspaper on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2023.
- The Public Consultation period expired 6 weeks thereafter. No submissions were received.
- The process intended is to declare the Estate Road to be a Public Road under Section 11(i)(e) of the Roads Act 1993. Where a Road is thus Taken in Charge the Council will by virtue of Section 180(4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended, also as a consequence Take in Charge any Open Space, Car Parks, Public Lighting, Sewers, Watermains or Drains within the attendant grounds of the development. The attached layout outlines the areas what will be Taken in Charge, subject to the road being declared public.
- Sewers, watermains or drains within the attendant grounds of the development are now a matter for the Water Authority, i.e., Irish Water. In this regard, Irish Water has confirmed that they have no objection to the estate being Taken in Charge and that they will assume responsibility for Sanitary Services (i.e., foul sewer and watermain) after the estate is formally Taken in Charge. Subject 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.
- Title of common areas to be taken in charge are in the process of being transferred to Cork County Council and our legal Department has confirmed that it is now in order to proceed with Taking in Charge.

"That being satisfied that a public right of way exists over it, and the road is of general public utility, Cork County Council hereby declares pursuant to Section 11(1) of the Roads Act, 1993 the following road to be a public road":-

Estate Name Location Linear Metres

Bridgetown Castlemartyr 11125

On the proposal of Cllr. Hegarty which was seconded by Cllr. Linehan Foely all Members fully agreed with the Taking in Charge of Bridgetown, Castlemartyr.

## 3.2 Section 183 - Grant of Wayleave at Claycastle.

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: Grant of Wayleave at Claycastle, Youghal, Co. Cork.

Area: Wayleave coloured green measuring 2018.53m<sup>2</sup> (14 – 20 metres)

as per the attached map.

From Whom Acquired: In CCC ownership since March 1992.

To Whom It Is Proposed

To Grant: EirGrid Plc – Celtic Interconnector Project.

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Consideration: €1.00

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

#### 3.3 Storm Babet Road Damage Report.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer circulated the following Storm Babey Damage Report to the Members.

The attached Table itemises the main locations of significant road damage arising from the Storm Babet that has and continues to impact on the transport function of roads in East Cork Municipal District. Damage was caused to road surfaces, drains, culverts, bridges, and roadside embankments and retaining structures. The damage is predominately to the rural road network located within areas of steep catchments and road gradients.

Excluding the many roads that were closed for a period of time due to flooding or debris left behind by flood waters, the number of roads impassable due to significant damage following Babet was 22. Following on from initial actions to sign & guard roads where significant damage occurred, the priority has been to restore transport function & vehicular access to homeowners and property owners. Prioritisation of repairs has had regard to the number of roads impacted in a particular area, level of impact, road use (e.g. school bus route or local access only) etc. Following either interim or permanent works, 15 of these 22 roads have been reopened. Works are ongoing or planned on the remaining 7 roads. A number of these 7 roads require major structural works before they can be reopened.

The damage to the regional & local public road network in East Cork MD following an initial assessment has been estimated at €23 million approximately. For context the East Cork MD total regional & local roads budget for 2023 is slightly more than €8 million. The scale of works required to fully repair and resurface damaged roads is therefore very significant from what was an extreme weather event.

Cork County Council has submitted the cost estimate of damage to East Cork MD roads as part of an overall county submission. The Council is in ongoing communication with the DOT regarding the required funding. The DOT has approved funding for permanent resurfacing

works to a number of roads on a priority basis.

East Co	East Cork Municipal District – Storm Babet Road Damage Status Report (4 <sup>th</sup> December 2023)							
Road Class	Road Number	Engineering Area/Municipal District	Road Name and/or Townland Name	Damage/Works	Initial Status post Storm Babet	Current Status		
R	L-3804- 0	Youghal/East Cork	Mount Uniacke	Road Damage. Permanent repair works ongoing.	Road Open with caution warning	Road Open		
LP	L- 38081-0	Youghal/East Cork	Cornaveigh	Verge & road damage	Road Open with caution warning	Road Open with caution warning		
LP	L-7895- 0	Youghal/East Cork	Kilnatoora	Major Verge & Surface Damage. Interim repairs ongoing.	Road Closed	Road Open with caution warning		
LP	L-3815- 19	Youghal/East Cork	Kilcredan	Road Damage. Interim repairs to make passable ongoing.	Road Closed	Road Open		
LP	L-7879- 0	Youghal/East Cork	Mollock	Major Verge & Surface Damage. Interim repairs ongoing.	Road Closed	Road Closed		
LT	L-3817- 0	Youghal/East Cork	Loughane	Major Verge & Surface Damage. Interim repairs to make passable completed.	Road Closed	Road Open		
LP	L-7885- 0	Youghal/East Cork	Glenageare	Major Road Damage. Interim works ongoing.	Road Closed	Road Closed		
LP	L-7831- 0	Youghal/East Cork	Ballynascarthy	Major Verge & Surface Damage.	Road Open with	Road Open with		

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				associated	with	with
				drainage.	caution	caution
				Interim repairs	warning	warning
				ongoing to make		
				passable.		
LP	L-3804	Youghal/East	Mount Uniacke	Road resurfacing	Road	Road
		Cork	to Dungourney	works and	Open	Open
				associated	with	
				drainage.	caution	
				Interim repairs	warning	
				ongoing to make		
				passable.		
LS	L-7834	Youghal/East	Coolcap	Road resurfacing	Road	Road
		Cork		works and	Open	Open
				associated	with	with
				drainage.	caution	caution
				Interim repairs	warning	warning
				ongoing to make		
				passable.		
LP	L3806-	Youghal/East	Dromdihy	Road	Road	Road
	24	Cork		embankment	Open	Open
				collapse. Repair	with	
				works	Traffic	
				completed.	Lights	
LP	L-3806-	Youghal/East	Mount Uniacke	Road surface	Road	Road
	24	Cork	– Killeagh	damaged.	Open	Open
				Interim repairs	·	·
				carried out.		
LT	L-	Youghal/East	Aghadoe (High	Road damage	Road	Road
	38061-0	Cork	Road)	over a section.	Closed	Open
			,	Interim repairs		
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LS	L7837-0	Youghal/East	Gortnagappul	Culvert failure -	Road	Road
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LS	L-7841-	Youghal/East	Ballyglassin	Damage to road	Road	Road
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				Bridge & Culvert	caution	
				along the route	warning	
				under		
				investigation.		
				Interim repairs		
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				passable carried		
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LP	L-3802-	Youghal/East	Mount Uniacke	Bridge Structure	Road	Road
	31	Cork	to Murley's	inspected.	Open	Open
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			Monavarnoge	repairs planned.		
LS	L-7804	Youghal/East	Lacken -	Damage to road	Road	Road
		Cork	Knockacool	surface and	Open	Open
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		Cork	-7	Bridge Structure.	Open	Open
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LT	L-7806	Youghal/East	Breeda/Rearour	Damage to road	Road	Road
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		COIK		drainage	Open	Open
LS	L-7881-	Youghal/East	Rooskagh	Parapet wall	Road	Road
LJ	0	Cork	Nooskagii	reconstruction	Open	Open
		COIK		and associated	Open	Open
				drainage		

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	0	Cork		surface and	Open	Open
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		COTK		drainage	Open	Орен
R	R-629-	Midleton/East	Kilva, Cloyne	Road culvert	Road	Road
	20	Cork	(Sculleen)	collapsed. Works	Open	Open
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	0	Cork		Interim repairs	Closed	Open
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LP	L-3630-	Midleton/East	Dromsarane,	Localised road	Road	Road
	22	Cork	Cloyne	damage. Wood	Open	Open

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	76592-0	Cork	Cloyne	Interim repairs carried out.	Closed	Open
LS	L-7686- 0	Midleton/East Cork	Glen Road, Ballybraher Ballycotton	Road damage. Interim repairs carried out.	Road Open with caution warning	Road Open
LS	L-7687	Midleton/East Cork	Ballyandreen	Road damage (Quarry Road). Interim repairs carried out.	Road Open with caution warning	Road Open
LS	L-7693- 42	Midleton/East Cork	Walshtown More West	Pynes x to Dispensary X. Road damaged and culvert partially collapsed. Interim repairs carried out to provide access to residents from Pynes X.	Road Closed	Road Closed
LS	L-7694- 21	Midleton/East Cork	Ballynaclashy Road	Road damage. Initial section from R626 Lisgoold Road to 3 Cross Roads near Curragh Bridge (Glen road). Interim repairs carried out.	Road Closed	Road Open
LT	L- 79691-0	Midleton/East Cork	Ballycurrany West	Road damage and debris. Roadside collapses into stream. Clearance works completed.	Road Closed	Road Open with caution warning.
R	R-627- 64	Youghal/East Cork	Ballynacole - Dungourney	Road Culvert Collapse 20-10- 23. Repair Culvert installed & Road reopened 26-10-	Road Closed	Road Open

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R	R-633	Youghal/East	Ladysbridge -	Road damage.	Road	Road
		Cork	Ballymacoda	Interim repairs	Open	Open
				carried out	with	
					caution	
					warning	
LS	L-7828-	Youghal/East	Barnaviddane	Bridge Collapse	Road	Road
	0	Cork			Closed	Closed
LP	L-3808-	Youghal/East	Inch/Park	Multiple failures	Road	Road
	0	Cork		of road	Closed	Closed
				embankment		
				(landslides)		
LP	L-3803-	Youghal/East	Inch to	Road Damage.	Road	Road
	0	Cork	Barnivaddane	Permanent	Open	Open
				repair works	with	with
				ongoing.	caution	caution
					warning	warning
LP	L3803-0	Youghal/East	Inch National	Localised road	Road	Road
		Cork	School	repairs and	Open	Open
				associated	with	with
				drainage repair	caution	caution
				ongoing.	warning	warning

Cllr. Ahern asked if roads put on a list for repair prior to Storm Babet and were damaged during Storm Babet come under the original roads programme or under Storm Babet repairs.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that he has no answer presently but is looking at funding under the Restoration Improvement Programme that will achieve best value for money and stated that detailed assessments are still ongoing.

# 4. Business Prescribed by Statute.

None.

## 5. **Notices of Motion**.

## 5.1.1 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 6th November 2023

"That an update be given on the recent damage to the infrastructure of East Cork, overall approximate costing and a schedule of the work/repair/reinstatement programs".

#### 5.1.2 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 14th November 2023

"When is the East Cork Municipal District arranging to permanently assign the drainage crew in our engineering area of East Cork".

Cllr. Linehan Foley seconded this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that staff deal with potholes in the earlier part of the year with a higher level of activity in drainage works in the later months of the year. The Engineer informed the Members that the level of road drainage in East Cork was not a factor in Storm Babet damage and stated that main problem in Midleton was due to water coming off the land and also stated that once the river levels dropped the streets drained very quickly.

5.1.3 Cllr. Michael Hegarty, received on 29th November 2023

"What rivers and water courses do we have the responsibility for?".

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer gave the following response to the Members:

The OPW has published guidance in this area entitled "Living near Watercourses - A guide to the Rights and Responsibilities of Landowners". This document is linked at <a href="www.floodinfo.ie">www.floodinfo.ie</a> (riparian-guide-january-2020.pdf (flooding.ie)).

The following are relevant extracts:

• Who is responsible for the management of watercourses? Landowners are generally responsible for the management of watercourses on their lands. However, statutory drainage schemes were constructed since 1842 on some 16,000kms of watercourses to improve the drainage of agricultural land. Responsibility for maintaining these watercourses rests with local authorities for drainage district schemes\* completed up to 1945 and from this date the Office of Public Works (OPW) is responsible for arterial drainage schemes it has carried out.

\*In East Cork MD, Cork County Council has responsibility for maintaining the Youghal & Womanagh Drainage District schemes.

- There is a watercourse on or next to my property Who is responsible for its maintenance?
  - If you own land beside, above or with a watercourse running through it, you can check on <a href="www.floodinfo.ie">www.floodinfo.ie</a> if that watercourse is part of a statutory drainage scheme. If it is part of a statutory drainage scheme, the maintenance responsibility rests with either the local authority or the OPW.
- What are my responsibilities as a riparian owner?
   Your responsibilities as a riparian owner include:-
  - Passing on water flow without obstruction, pollution or diversion affecting the rights of others
  - Managing the channel for the purposes of flood risk and having due regard for the needs of wildlife and giving space for nature
  - Maintaining the bed and banks of the watercourse (including trees and shrubs growing on the banks), taking appropriate steps to prevent erosion of the banks, clearing any debris, including litter whether or not it originated from your land
  - Protecting waters against pollution from agricultural sources

- Maintaining free passage for fish
- Keeping clear any structures that you own such as culverts and weirs
- Not building new structures that encroach on the watercourse or alter the flow of water.

## 5.1.4 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 27th November 2023

"Asking for update on Footpath for Raheen Road from Spa Hill to Raheen Park".

Cllr. McCarthy seconded this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that this project has been identified for funding once funding becomes available and stated that additional gullies will be provided in this area also.

5.1.5 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 27th November 2023

"Asking for update on studies which were being carried out at county level of erosion in East Cork area especially along the coast from Knockadoon into Youghal, all this area is decimated in last few years".

Cllrs. Hegarty & Ahern supported this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that there are two studies underway in Couty Cork as follows:

#### 1. Coastal Vulnerability Study

The projects objectives are to define a coastal vulnerability rating appropriate for the Cork coastline and map the vulnerability along the coastline. This will allow for the development of a prioritisation list of locations that may require interventions.

Beach monitoring surveys will be carried out at 5 beach locations to establish beach sediment transportation models. The project is currently focused on the creation of a coastal vulnerability mapping.

Progress to date includes:

- Data sourcing complete
- GIS development ongoing
- Literature review complete
- o Initial CVI ranking complete. Review ongoing
- Field work undertaken in 2023 at all 5 beach sites
- Capturing ground levels.

The programme for this study is Q3 2022 to Q1 2026.

#### 2. Coastal Erosion Risk Management Study (Pilmore)

Following meetings with the OPW regarding erosion at Pilmore cottages, Youghal, Cork County Council applied for funding under the OPWs Coastal Protection Minor Works Programme for a coastal erosion risk management study. The main point of interest is 450 metres of coastline at Pilmore. However, following discussions with the OPW on site, it was recommended that a study should be extended to a wider area of 9.5km of coastline in line with the OPW's current monitoring programme.

This coastal erosion study includes the following areas of particular interest:

- Youghal Front Strand
- · Youghal Claycastle
- · Redbarn
- · Pilmore (main point of focus)
- Ring

The OPW approved funding (90% of €150,000) for a Coastal Erosion Risk Management Study in June 2023.

Cork County Council is about to appoint a specialist coastal consultant to conduct a study over a 60-week period.

Mr. Seán O' Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer proposed that this be brought before the next Southern Committee that the County Engineer is attending.

5.1.6 Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, received on 27th November 2023

"Asking for update on low cost safety measures in Strand Street Youghal and welcome the measures at Golflinks road but update maybe on Cross at Youthreach St. Raphaels and top of Windmill Hill area".

Cllrs. McCarthy & Ahern supported this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that he is awaiting a report from Cormac Ó' Súilleabháin, Senior Engineer, Traffic & Transportation Department and will circulate to the Members once he has received same.

Cllr. Linehan Foley requested the provision of signage at this location in the shorter term.

5.1.7 Cllr. Liam Quaide, received on 28th November 2023

"That the East Cork MD would request from Cork Co. Council Executive and the OPW a consultation meeting between residents' groups in East Cork affected by the flood event of October 18th to afford those residents the opportunity to interface directly with experts from both entities on potential flood mitigation measures relevant to their circumstances".

Cllrs. McCarthy & Hegarty supported this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that Cork County Council will consider all requests from residents' groups for meetings in relation to the recent flooding. However, there may be benefit in allowing a post flood assessment of affected dwellings and premises to take place in advance of such meetings. This would allow Cork County Council to consider the extent and severity of flooding at the various locations affected and to determine the appropriate engineering response to same. If the Elected Members are aware of any dwellings or premises that were affected by the recent flooding that have not yet been subject to a post flood assessment by Cork County Council, they should contact the Flooding Section in Cork County Council.

#### 5.1.8 Cllr. Liam Quaide, received on 28th November 2023

"That the East Cork MD would request that larnroid Eireann would consider the length of time the barrier on the Mill Road is down for incoming trains, which appears to be significantly longer than for outgoing trains, given the projected and very welcome increase in service frequencies to every ten minutes following completion of the twin-tracking project to Glounthaune. Increased traffic build-up on the Mill Road is an unintended consequence of this progress, and a reduction in the time the barrier is down for incoming trains could ease the issue"

Cllrs. McCarthy & Ahern supported this motion.

Cllr. Ahern requested that a letter be sent to lanrod Eireann we written to requesting the provision of a late night train at 11.15 p.m.

5.1.9 Cllr. Liam Quaide, received on 28th November 2023.

"That the East Cork MD would address large potholes on a section of the L3630 road to Ballymaloe on the Ballinacurra side, and that this section of the road be included in the resurfacing programme"

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that this road will be put on a list for overlaying at some stage.

5.1.10 Cllr. Ann Marie Ahern, received on 29th November 2023

"Can the pedestrian crossings on the Main Street be looked at for controlled crossings".

Cllr. Linehan Foley supported this motion.

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that it is not proposed to alter the current zebra crossings on the Main Street as part of the Public Realm Scheme.

5.1.11 Cllr. Ann Marie Ahern, received on 29th November 2023

"Can this MD apply for funding under the Active Travel measures for pencil bollards at Leamlara National School".

Mr. Dave Clarke, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that this will be considered in future funding applications if more funding is provided under the Low Cost Safety Scheme

5.1.12 Cllr. Ann Marie Ahern, received on 29th November 2023

"A mural artist has volunteered his time to design and paint a mural for Midleton Town Centre. Can Midleton MD engage with this proposal to implement this feature within Midleton Town".

Mr. Joe McCarthy, Municipal District Officer informed the Members that he has already received

a request from Cllr. Quaide and has been liaising with another artist regarding a mural for a wall near the hospital and stated that if the Members have any other ideas they could liaise with him.

## 6. <u>Correspondence.</u>

No correspondence was received.

## 7. Any Other Business.

- 1. Cllr. Ahern raised the issue of a surface drain at Broderick Street, Midleton which is full of debris and asked if this could be cleaned out.
- 2. Cllr. Hegarty raised the issue of access to Ballyshane Strand which he stated is extremely dangerous presently.
- 3. Cllr. McCarthy raised the issue of drains at Lower Main Street, Midleton and also at Drury's Lane at the junction with Connolly Street. Mr. Dave Clake, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members that there are several gullies at this area and also older style gullies which need to be replaced. The Engineer stated that there is no fundamental issue here but will investigate same in the meantime.

This concluded the business of the meeting.