DÚICHE DHÚN GARBHÁN AGUS LIOS MHÓR DUNGARVAN AND LISMORE DISTRICT MEETING

HELD ON 11th April 2023 at 2.30pm in Civic Offices, Dungarvan.

PRESENT:

Cllr. Declan Doocey (Cathaoirleach)
Cllr. Damien Geoghegan
Cllr. Pat Nugent
Cllr. Tom Cronin
Cllr. Seamus O'Donnell
Cllr. John Pratt
Cllr. Thomas Phelan
Cllr. Mairead Tobin

Apologies: Cllr. Conor McGuinness

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

- Mr. Kieran Kehoe, Director of Services Corporate, Planning, Culture, HR & IS
- Mr. Ivan Grimes, Director of Services, Housing
- Mr. Gabriel Hynes, Senior Engineer, Roads
- Mr. Josephine McGrath, Senior Executive Engineer, Roads
- Mr. Niall Kane, A/Senior Executive Officer, Environment
- Ms. Aisling O'Sullivan, Senior Executive Planner, Planning
- Mr. Conor O'Neill, Senior Executive Engineer, Economic Development
- Ms. Honor Dunphy, Meetings Administrator

VOTES OF SYMPATHY

It was unanimously resolved that this council extends its sympathies to the families of the late: Art Sheehan, John O'Donnell, Helen Curran, Rose Hickey, Eleanor Power, Bob Townend, Colm Ryan

VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS

It was unanimously resolved that this council extends its congratulations to John Kiely, trainer on recent success at Cheltenham and jockey John Gleeson and to the Waterford Camogie girls teams on winning national title.

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes of District Meeting held on 13th March 2023 proposed by Cllr. Pratt seconded by Cllr. Nugent and agreed by all.

2. MATTERS ARISING

Cllr. Phelan enquired if response was received from Ministers office regarding request to meet regarding the Active travel funding.

Cllr. Doocey noted that many of the landowners in relation to the proposed Dungarvan to Mallow Greenway have not been contacted in relation to the affect on their land, communications not satisfactory.

K. Kehoe, DoS, any relevant landowner contacted by the consultants.

C. O'Neill, SEE, noted that 235 landowners have been written to who are linked to the potential route. Only commencing this phase and as made aware of other landowners will contact them also.

Cllr. Pratt requested detail to be provided on when proposal goes back to public consultation and also back to the council for decision.

Cllr. Tobin enquired if people who made submissions would receive acknowledgement, need to note that there are some homeowners that also need to be communicated with.

Cllr. Cronin supported Cllr. Tobin noting that need to ensure the landowner is protected.

Cllr. O'Donnell concurred with Cllr. Cronin.

Cllr. Nugent noted that this addition to the Greenway route is different to the existing Greenway as the old railway line is no longer in place and in many cases is traversing farmlands.

C. O'Neill, SEE, noted the councillors' comments and will revert.

3. PROGRESS REPORTS

(a) <u>Roads</u>

Cllr. Geoghegan enquired when can expect commencement of coastal repair works.

Cllr. Phelan requested update on funding for R675, ongoing filling of potholes Ballinroad to Garranbane and to Ballinacourty needed. Enquired if there are plans to apply for climate adaption funding for Clash. Cllr. Pratt enquired if Active Travel Funding declined in Metro can be reassigned to Dungarvan Lismore and enquired when bridge funding is likely for Tallow.

Cllr. Geoghegan supported Cllr. Pratt in reassignment of €200k to Dungarvan Lismore district

G. Hynes, SE, Clonea Castle and safety improvements works currently being looked at, may get some Greenway funding. Have had difficult weather which has resulted in potholes, 3 jet patchers on the ground and addressing the issues, asking members to notify section of areas of difficulty. Submission to Department in relation to numerous schemes and can included Clash on the list, Department prioritise and note representation for inclusion in next years programme. Note comments in relation to Active Travel, if a scheme doesn't get approval, it doesn't mean the funding will be transferred to other section. Schemes for this district have been submitted and will work with NTA to progress. Currently finalising bridge work designs to go for procurement, August – October timeframe for the works to be carried out.

J. McGrath, SEE, OPW tenders due this month and works will commence once funding approved. Currently looking at design for R675 low-cost scheme.

Cllr. Tobin supported councillors regarding refusal of Active Travel funding and hope it won't reflect approval for the rest of the area. Enquired when wall will be repaired at junction at top of Tallow Hill and when works in Knockanore will recommence.

Cllr. Nugent noted issue on road in Ballinard very poor and narrow, road to civic amenity from Clonmel road needs repair and needs resurfacing and should be listed for next year. Enquired when CIS and LIS schemes will be rolled out across the district.

Cllr. Cronin supports colleagues regarding comments on Active Travel, requested details on the overview of the Clár programme.

G. Hynes, SE, works in Knockanore waiting for weather to improve to commence, top of Tallow Hill wall can be restored and in discussions with NTA for installation of electronic device to encourage drivers to slow down. Ballinacourty and road conditions, patching will be deployed as required, strengthening works for next year. Ballinroad land acquisition agreed and continue to liaise with others in coming year. Outlined details of the LIS and CIS schemes. Smarter Travel number of schemes ready to commence and will continue to pursue and when NTA approve will commence.

Cllr. O'Donnell noted that use of jet patcher more suitable for summer weather.

Cllr. Tobin requested update on sign for Chapel Street in Tallow.

Cllr. Cronin requested update on email regarding signs from 5 crossroads in Piltown to Ferrypoint. Compliment works being carried out at Kiely's Cross which has improved sightlines

Cllr. Phelan land acquisition funding, will €91k allocated for it be enough, are we in position to vary design to work with the funding.

Cllr. Pratt acknowledged work in Woodview Park, footpath section outside Woodview Park also required. Cllr. Doocey supported installation of flashing lights in Tallow, they are very effective and suggested on hairpin bend in Tallow that also needs a barrier.

G. Hynes, SE, confirmed that signs for Chapel Street ordered and will be installed in coming weeks, patching in cold and wet weather is difficult, process being used is recognised as best practice and approved by the Department. Signs at Kinsalebeg as approach school, road marking and flashing lights and can review if additional warranted. Would be of the view that the funding allocated will be sufficient and can apply for additional if required, Section 38 agreed for the location so will not be changing what has been approved and will be proceeding with the scheme. Note comment in relation to Woodview Park, path outside can be included for Capital footpath programme. Hairpin bend can be reviewed, flashing lights only used at certain locations, view is that they can lose their effectiveness. Will review Five Cross roads to Ferrypoint.

(b) <u>Economic</u>

Cllr. Phelan requested update on public toilet for Dungarvan and if the council keeps data on instances of anti-social behaviour in other locations. Preparatory work for Ballinacourty, thanked for engagement and enquired when works to start and finish. Requested more detail on the development of the Greenway is included in the report as works progress. Enquired if there are any plans to restore the old Durrow Station. Enquired when the new Christmas lights contract is due to be issued.

Cllr. Geoghegan supported need to restore Durrow station, signal box in poor condition. Outlined that the opening times for the public toilets need to be extended in popular seaside spots.

Cllr. Cronin supported need to extend opening hours of public toilets, noting that Ballyquinn needs to be upgraded.

Cllr. O'Donnell supported need to open toilets in Clonea.

Cllr. Doocey supported need to have proper toilet facilities available and supported points raised.

K. Kehoe, DoS, will provide report on options and costs for public toilets in Dungarvan for next meeting, noting there are budgetary issues to extending opening hours and needs to be dealt with in the budget. Christmas lights tender is currently out to tender.

C. O'Neill, SEE, Ballinacourty spur, hoping to bring Part V111 to May meeting and once completed can commence construction works as have to be completed by end October. TII support construction works on the Greenway, €100k budget for current year, Durrow station is one of the projects to be commenced. Seeking funding to do design work at junction from Greenway to castle end of Clonea.

K. Kehoe, DoS, noted that local businesses benefit from people using their toilet facilities.

Cllr. Nugent Ballyclamper and access to the beach to be part of the works, requested update on feasibility study on swimming pool and sports hall and if there will be a workshop with the consultants on the report.

K. Kehoe, DoS, feasibility study coming to conclusion and will arrange a meeting with members to discuss contents of the report. All representative bodies have been involved in the study. C. O'Neill, SEE, noted that both car parks will be part of the works at Ballinacourty.

Cllr. Tobin enquired if anticipating call for outdoor recreation scheme, can play groups apply and if already received funding under Clár.

C. O'Neill, SEE, will revert with details.

Cllr Phelan asked for detail on Greenway projects to be included in report.

(c) <u>Housing</u>

Cllr. Pratt enquired when the Alms houses in Tallow will be ready, site in Brideview Close and intentions to move ahead for social housing, are there options in Lismore and Cappoquin for social housing.

Cllr. Cronin requested update on development of social and affordable housing scheme in Ardmore and the one in Old Parish.

Cllr. Phelan 4 council houses vacant in district and if have total number in the district of vacant houses and if council have a role in engagement with builders in more modern methods of construction.

I.Grimes, DoS, will revert with date for Alms houses. Have discussed site in Brideview Close with capital team and are looking at opportunities in all villages and will revert when details are confirmed. Proposed scheme in Ardmore is with Croí Cónaithe housing and working on developing a submission to the Department Capital team have met with Department regarding Old Parish and waiting on update. Don't have figure of total number of vacancies and will include in next report. Are using modern methods of construction in developments and can stipulate in tender documents what processes / products are to be used.

Cllr. Geoghegan retrofitting in Dungarvan estates, senior citizens houses have external insulation, Childers estate had windows and asked if external insulation is an option here.

Cllr. Tobin noted that 33 Ukrainians arrived in Tallow and enquired if any engagement with the council from gov departments. Noted that the modular housing not feasible in Tallow and enquired if the site can be looked at for housing or amenities. Enquired if any families reported as homeless in last 11 days in this district.

Cllr. Nugent enquired about the new scheme for derelict houses and requested workshop on it.

I.Grimes, DoS, noted external insulation and will liaise with the team about it. Contact by Department of Children regarding recent arrival in Tallow, complimented prompt action of state agencies in Waterford to access needs of the families. Joint inspection due to be arranged of the location where the refuges are currently residing. Not been informed of increase in homeless, have asked homeless team to provide update for next Plenary meeting. Workshop on new scheme can be arranged, information on website.

(d) <u>Planning</u>

Cllr. Cronin requested update on development in Clashmore and Old Creamery site. A. O'Sullivan, SEP, noted currently working on this and will be on agenda in coming months.

(e) <u>Environment</u>

Cllr. Geoghegan noted ongoing issue of dumping in the Estuary, particularly bad at back of halting site, share frustration of council staff in dealing with the issue. Need to work with all groups involved to address the problem.

Cllr. O'Donnell raised issue of damage to headstones in Ballymena and if it can be addressed.

Cllr. Phelan support issues raised by Cllr. Geoghegan, vitally important that this issue is tackled as it is having an adverse effect on the presentation of the town.

Cllr. Cronin noted need to contact council if members of the public notice that bring banks are full, a lot of rubbish and waste accumulating around them and people need to use them properly.

Cllr. Doocey thanked all community groups who carried out clean ups in their communities. Numerous people waiting on driving tests, need to write to the Department of the Environment to address the issue, agreed by the members.

Cllr. Nugent supported Cathaoirleach on community clean ups.

N. O'Kane, A/SEO, noted works of the community groups in community clean ups. Bring banks are being abused when they are full, system online to check if bring banks are full and sensors on bring backs which notifies when full and at capacity. Have engaged an archaeologist to get a licence to carry out works to repair to headstones in cemetery in Ballymena. Dumping in estuary is of concern, not easily resolved, area along the estuary is easily abused, regularly inspect rubbish, when permitted CCTV will be looked at for the area.

4. Casual Trading Byelaws

Proposed by Cllr. Geoghegan and seconded by Cllr. Phelan and agreed by all.

Cllr. Phelan noted sea swimmers in Clonea and if they have been consulted to move to Ballyclamper, approach road to Ballyclamper and need to improve road safety signage if encouraging casual trading at the location. Bigger car park at Ballyclamper and have modern toilet facilities at location also.

C. O'Neill, SEE will discuss issues raised with roads.

5. Taking in Charge of Housing Estates/Roads

G. Hynes, SE, outlined details as presented in the report to the members.

Cúl Rua, Aglish, Co. Waterford proposed by Cllr. Pratt, seconded by Cllr. Cronin and agreed by all. Pairc na mBláth & Laurel Park, Dungarvan proposed by Cllr. Phelan, seconded by Cllr. Nugent and agreed by all.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

None

7. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

None

8. A.O. B

Cllr. Geoghegan extended congratulations to the St. Patricks Day parade committee in Dungarvan, supported by Cllr. Phelan and paid tribute to the council's involvement in the preparations and organisations.

Cllr. Cronin enquired about funding for council in relation to assistance for playgrounds.

K. Kehoe, DoS, need to look at details offline in relation to the location.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed:

Dated:

Cathaoirleach



Resolution of the Elected Members Waterford City and County Council, Dungarvan Lismore 11th April 2023 Ref: R2023/07

In accordance with Part II, Section 1 of the Adopted Casual Trading (Control and Designation) Bylaws 2021, two licences at Tallow Town Centre are redesignated to Ballinclamper Beach Car Park and Ballinacourty Cove Car Park

- (i) One licence for Ice Creams, Beverages & Foods for immediate consumption
- (ii) One licence for Mobile Sauna

As a requirement of its licence the Mobile Sauna unit must have a working AED defibrillator.

CERTIFIED RESOLUTION OF THE Dungarvan Lismore District of Waterford City & County Council that the licences are redesignated. Proposed by Cllr. Geoghegan seconded by Cllr. Phelan and agreed unanimously.

Signed:

Councillor Declan Doocey Cathaoirleach Dungarvan Lismore District

Witnessed:

Honor Dunphy Meetings Administrator



Resolution of the Elected Members Waterford City and County Council, Comeragh District 11th April 2023 Ref: R2023/08

In accordance with Section 11 Subsection (1)(b)(iii) of the Roads Act 1993 Waterford City & County Council proposes to take in charge roads and services of

- (i) Cul Rua, Aglish, Co. Waterford
- (ii) Páirc na mBláth & Laurel Park, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford

CERTIFIED RESOLUTION OF THE Dungarvan Lismore District of Waterford City & County Council that Cul Rua estate is taken in charge. Proposed by Cllr. Pratt, seconded by Cllr. Cronin and agreed unanimously. Pairc na mBláth & Laurel Park, Dungarvan proposed by Cllr. Phelan, seconded by Cllr. Nugent and agreed by all.

Signed:

Councillor Declan Doocey Cathaoirleach Dungarvan Lismore District

Witnessed:

Honor Dunphy Meetings Administrator