

**COMHAIRLE CATHRACH AGUS CONTAE PHORT LÁIRGE
WATERFORD CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL**

Metropolitan District Meeting held in Council Chamber, City Hall on 15th May, 2023, at 5.00pm

Present:

Cllr. Jason Murphy (Mayor)	Cllr. Cristiona Kiely
Cllr. Donal Barry	Cllr. Lola O’Sullivan
Cllr. Joanne Bailey	Cllr. Mary Roche
Cllr. Seamus Ryan	Cllr. Eamonn Quinlan
Cllr. Pat Fitzgerald	Cllr. Frank Quinlan
Cllr. Jim Griffin	Cllr. Adam Wyse
Cllr. David Daniels	Cllr. John Hearne
Cllr. Stephanie Keating	Cllr. Joe Conway

Apologies: Cllr. Joe Kelly, Cllr. Jody Power

Officials in attendance: Mr. M. Quinn, DoS, Economic Development
Ms. H. Dunphy, Meetings Administrator
Mr. N. Kane, A/SEO, Environment
Ms. C. Hartley, SEO Housing
Ms. H. O’ Shea, SEP, Planning
Ms. M. Phelan, A/SEE Roads
Mr. M. Murphy, SE, Active Travel
Mr. M. Conway, SEA, Economic Development
Mr. G. McCormack, EA, Economic Development
Mr. W. Holden, SEA, Housing
Mr. P. Blake, EA, Housing
Mr. F. Brophy, ET, Economic Development
Mr. A. Kirwan, EE, Roads,
Ms. M. Nolan Reade, Corporate Department

Vote of Sympathies/Congratulations:

Votes of sympathy were expressed to Gabriel Hynes on death of his brother Pat Hynes, families of Jenni Ledwell, Padraic Dolan proprietor of Havenwood Nursing Home, Liam Maher, William Weston and Margaret Witte.

Congratulations to Tom Breen on successfully competing in World Longboard Championships ranking 25th in the world, best wishes to Tom for upcoming European Championships, best wishes to Holly Winter in upcoming competition in El Salvador.

1. Confirmation of Minutes

Minutes from the Metropolitan District Meeting held on 15th May 2023 proposed by Cllr. Keating, seconded by Cllr. Roche and agreed by all.

2. Matters Arising,

Cllr. Keating requested update on Mount Suir.

Cllr. Barry requested the issue he raised regarding railing at Ballybeg be moved to Environment on action list. Enquired who deemed wall at TK Maxx not dangerous structure. Requested previous request for feasibility study of lower prom Tramore be added to actions.

Cllr. Daniels requested update on tree pruning on the Quay and lighting in Peoples Park.

Cllr. Griffin welcomed the commencement of works on Doyle Street. Requested update on Mount Suir.

Cllr. Bailey noted question regarding the age criteria for apartments at Checkpoint was omitted from minutes.

Mayor Cllr. Murphy clarified that once question/issue answered at previous meeting it will not then appear on the action list.

C. Hartley, SEO, outlined no age criteria regarding apartment in Checkpoint, noted national tender for Mount Suir apartments due back within two weeks.

M. Phelan, A/SEE, will clarify location at TK Maxx following the meeting.

N. Kane, A/SEO, outlined trees were trimmed back on the Quay and unable to prune further until Autumn. Noted email circulated to all members regarding lighting in Peoples Park following last months meeting.

Mayor Cllr. Murphy noted allocation of funding from budget for provision of lighting in People Park suggested full details provided to members through workshop before next months meeting.

N. Kane, A/SEO, confirmed that will schedule workshop on People's Park.

3. Reports

Cllr. Wyse requested traffic road safety issue be addressed at entrance of Powerscourt as there is no footpath, it is dangerous to cross road as pedestrian crossing is not operational.

Cllr. E. Quinlan requested An Garrán housing estate be included for public transport route. Requested Tramore Inclusion Park report. Requested gates for car park at Quishs be opened. Enquired of future review for provision of mobility scooters in public bike bays.

Cllr. Fitzgerald requested road markings be replaced from halfway house to Blenheim Heights estate. Highlighted issue on road to Park Rangers club enquired if pull in laybys could be considered as road is too narrow for traffic in both directions. Requested road surface repairs and road markings to area at roundabout at Horse Quarter in Dunmore East. Highlighted issue at Cliff Walk in Dunmore where walkers are exiting through private property required trails office to place additional signage.

M. Phelan, A/SSE, outlined engaged contactor regarding pedestrian crossing at Powerscourt. Noted comments regarding bus stop at An Garrán and will review. Will review query regarding mobility scooters. Will schedule road markings referred to. Will review issue at Park Rangers.

N. Kane, A/SEO, outlined funding applied for Inclusion Playpark in Tramore.

M. Quinn, DoS, outlined Quish's car park dealt with in the monthly report. Will refer Cliff Walk request to Trails Officer.

Cllr. Roche requested update on Michael Street development adding with closed car park spaces on the Quay feels New Street car park should be reopened. Requested review of road layout at New Street junction. Highlighted issue of dangerous traffic congestion on Wilkin Street, Johns Street, Alphonsus Road requested immediate solution. Requested update on Peoples Park fountain. Requested upgrading of Regional Sports Centre toilets feel more resources are needed for cleaning and maintenance, requested review of disability toilets as they are located on the far stand. Cllr. Roche appealed to Chamber and Retail Committee to address the issue of business on the Quay that are in poor condition.

Cllr. Daniels spoke of footpaths in housing estates in poor condition and are a danger to vulnerable people enquired if additional funds available and remaining amount in budget. Enquired if council could engage

with contractors regarding placing shores/manhole covers back correctly. Enquired of possibility of inviting CEO of IDA to meet with members to outline their vision for Waterford.

Cllr. Keating enquired if toilets in Woodstown are cleaned regularly as they are in poor condition. Enquired when tree stumps will be removed. Welcomed tender for electric truck for Tramore beach and park cleaning enquired if vehicle is only for Tramore or includes other beaches.

M. Quinn, DoS, informed members that workshop in relation to Michael Street will be scheduled and will include car park issues, as previously advised it is not financially practical to have New Street car park brought back into use. Road layout can be reviewed when reviewing final proposal.

N. Kane, A/SEO, outlined Woodstown toilets would be scheduled to be cleaned regularly will review and revert, requested contact Niall directly with areas for stumps to be removed. Outlined electric truck is for crew in Tramore only.

H. Dunphy, MA, outlined RSC cleaning carried out by contract cleaning company will follow up regarding toilets, will refer upgrade query to Community section.

C. Hartley, SEO, will refer RSC queries to Sinead Breathnach and will arrange report from Sinead Breathnach.

A. Kirwan, EE, outlined small budget remaining under footpath programme, another two year programme will be discussed with members, repair of footpaths is a funding issue with no additional funds currently available. Requested revert directly to Alan with details of areas regarding shores and manholes.

M. Quinn, DoS, noted that the council is actively working with businesses on the Quay to upgrade presentation of buildings, enforcement programme will be actioned where required. Meeting held last year with IDA, continue to engage with IDA and will seek another meeting when appropriate.

M. Phelan, A/SEE, referred to Cllr. Roches issue on traffic congestion, noting it is a complicated area under review, Active Travel will also review under safer schools.

Cllr. Kiely raised issue again regarding lifeguard hut in Tramore adding it is in very poor condition and is unsightly. Noted that location of disability toilet needs to be changed at the RSC. Enquired where funding from the Glór na Mara scheme will be reallocated to. Enquired if Manor Street can be altered in line with areas as seen worked well in Holland. Requested update on ebike scheme for City and Tramore. Requested signage at Newtown Cove regarding bird flu be multilingual.

Cllr. Ryan requested update on progress regarding motion for expansion of bus services and update regarding provision of mobile library service and if council have applied to department for mobile service in the area. Requested expansion of successful bike rental scheme to the Ferrybank area. Requested engagement with Sinead Breathnach and Colin Power Waterford FC regarding facilities. Requested repairs of footpath in Avondale, Walsh Park and Lismore Park.

Cllr. Barry requested update on improvement works planned for city centre, requested review of banner signs for replacement and repair, requested development of a plan for Mayors Walk, Patrick Street and Stephen's Street to make area more attractive. Enquired if Waterford tidy towns is still in existence. Highlighted pedestrian crossing lights at Odeon Cinema not working. Pedestrian crossing at Barrack Street is not adhered to by traffic as no flashing light warning signs approaching crossing. Requested update on Moirs Estate as who is responsible for damaged wall. Enquired if counters are in place on Manor Street to monitor usage by bike users. Requested portable toilet in Peoples Park following closure of public toilet due to vandalism.

H. Dunphy, MA, outlined contractor scheduled to carry out work on lifeguard hut by end of May.

M. Murphy, SE, outlined that NTA responsible of allocation of its funding, likely to be moved to another safe school's scheme. Manor Street will incorporate larger scheme and two-way cycle track proposed, bollards will be removed. Noted at present e-scooters are illegal, legislation is under review if legislation is changed look at putting e-bike and e-scooters together. Counters for Manor Street are ordered and should be in place soon.

M. Quinn, DoS, outlined bus services request to NTA for decision, noted bus connect study due to take place. Outlined improvement works taking place regarding signage and animation included in management

report. Outlined expansion of bike scheme is decision for NTA will be dealt with in due course following progress of North Quays development.

A. Kirwan, EE, will review footpaths as detailed, contractor due to connect lights at pedestrian crossing at Odeon cinema. Regarding pedestrian crossing at Barrack Street original proposal was for lights, following submission from residence regarding concerns of lights shining in bedroom windows it was agreed not to proceed with lights.

M. Murphy, SE, noted Lismore Park footpaths are scheduled under Active Travel programme.

N. Kane, A/SEO, said tidy towns committee does not appear to be active withing the city, will review Stephen Street area, examining placing a portable toilet in Peoples Park.

H. Dunphy, MA, will refer Cllr. Ryan's query regarding mobile library service to K. Kehoe DoS

C. Hartley, SEO, outlined the damaged wall in Moirs estate is under private ownership and therefore landowners' responsibility.

Cllr. Conway requested update on development of Waterford Airport requesting progression report and meeting with the Airport board.

Cllr. Bailey welcomed new Autism friendly initiatives in the RSC, noted toilets are in bad state and suggested RSC meet with community section regarding the facilities, enquired if pot holes at Ballybeg creche could be repaired as it is a community facilitate. Enquired if consideration can be given for benches at Kiloteran.

Cllr. Hearne requested strimming works at Knights Templar graveyard. Thanked Active Travel team for works in Central Avenue and review of shore at Bath Street.

M. Quinn, DoS, outlined Waterford Airport works are continuing and not currently in position to discuss, CE will revert to members at an appropriate point to discuss. Noted as previously outlined not feasible to place picnic tables where not in a position to maintain Will refer RSC issues to Sinead Breathnach.

A. Kirwan, EE, will liaise with Mary Quigley regarding Ballybeg creche area.

N. Kane, A/SEO, will review Knights Templars Graveyard.

Cllr. Griffin thanked outdoor staff for help with of Darkness into Light walk. Noted he had previously raised the safety issue at Barrack street requested further consideration for signage. Requested safety audit be carried out at Ferrybank school before commencement of North Quays works. Requested addressing issue of electrical box by Moe's at prom in Tramore as when vehicle park in space it does not allow for any access for pedestrian, buggies or wheelchairs. Requested the gully at Griffith Place, Ard Na Greine and Walsh Park areas be reviewed. Requested liaise with contractor to review road sequence issue at Racecourse housing development and that consideration given to local group who offered to look after toilets on Tramore pier.

Cllr. F. Quinlan concurred Cllr. Roches comments on New Street layout suggested mini roundabout to alleviate traffic. Supports request for portable toilet in Peoples Park. Requested update on construction at Summerland Square development. Requested review of disability parking bays for remarking. Requested if removal of dug out on track be included with other issued to be addressed at RSC.

Cllr. O' Sullivan requested algae on Lady Slip in Tramore be treated again. Enquired if further trees will be planted on Main Street in Tramore. Highlighted speeding issue on road going toward An Garrán to be addressed. Requested lining/markings for summer season at Newtown Cove to distinguish pedestrian walkway. Requested bollards at Cove in Tramore as buses are mounting the footpaths.

M. Phelan, A/SEE, noted comments regarding Barrack Street road marks and signage. Outlined recent meeting held with contractor and emergency services regarding the traffic plan for Ferrybank area, will circulate plan when received. Will review gully's and will review Newtown Cove.

W. Holden, SEA, outlined currently purchase small part of land in Summerland for construction of the development and following that process will issue tender documents.

N. Kane, A/SEO will revert regarding Tramore Pier toilets, will review issue of algae on Lady's Slip.

M. Quinn, DoS outlined additional trees to be planted at Main Street Tramore.

4. Planning & Development Act, 2000 as amended Planning & Development Regulations 2001 as amended Part VIII

(a) Redevelopment of former “Munster Express” site No 37 Merchants Quay, Hannover Street and O’ Connell Street – commencement of process

Morris Conway, SEA, provided an overview of works to be carried out; to create a technological office building and exhibition space which showcases the City’s entrepreneurial use of date with lettable spaces for project teams, enhancing Waterford and the South-East region. The existing Munster Express building will be integrated with a newly constructed three-storey building along Hanover Street with main public entrance from O’ Connell Street, M. Conway, SEA, noted workshop held with members to discuss part VIII.

Cllr. Barry welcomed proposal in Cultural Quarter area enquired if small business will be affected by the works.

Cllr. Ryan welcomed the development enquired if the small business will be affected in the area, enquired if the ownership of the site will remain with council.

Cllr. Roche enquired who will populate the building, requested update on Cultural Quarters.

Cllr. E. Quinlan enquired if building will be an enterprise hut or partnering with other entities.

M. Quinn, DoS, outlined engagement with business have already moved out, always consequences of developing site. Outlined ownership will remain with council with joint venture to operate exploring funding application with SETU to create Gove Lab Smart SE Smart City location. Will revert to Katherine Collins regarding update on Cultural Quarters.

Cllr. Kiely enquired if terrace will have restaurant as would be a prime location.

M. Conway, SEA noted not envisaged for this use.

(b) Development of 5 residential units site at Carrickpherish Road – completion of process

Walter Holden, SEA, outlined the proposed development consists of 5 residential dwelling houses comprising of one 3-bed dwelling house, 3 no. 4-Bed dwelling houses and 1 no. 5-bed dwelling house of the Carrickpherish Road (L1524) road. The proposals include for all site development works, boundary treatments, landscaping and ancillary accommodation required for the proposed development. Public consultation process ran from the 24th January 2023 to the 22nd February 2023, with written submissions and observations with respect to the proposed development invited up until 8th March 2023. No public observations received within the deadline date or no public observations received in the period to date thereafter. Recommended approval by the members.

Proposed by Cllr. Ryan, seconded by Cllr Roche and agreed by all.

5. Casual Trading Bylaws

Finn Brophy, ET, outlined the proposal to redesignate the licence at Killoteran Greenway car park to the William Vincent Wallace Plaza;

Location: William Vincent Wallace Plaza, Waterford City

Number of Trading Places in Designated Area: 1

Products Permitted: Ice Creams, Beverages & Foods for immediate consumption.

Special Condition: *This location is adjacent to the Waterford Greenway and therefore Section 4, Part (iii) of these byelaws applies.*

Days of Trading: 1st January to 31st December

Times of Trading: 7am to 9pm

Proposed by Cllr. Keating, seconded by Cllr. Bailey and agreed by all.

6. Correspondence

None

7. Notice of Motions

None

9. AOB

None

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed: _____

Dated: _____



Comhairle Cathrach & Contae Phort Láirge
Waterford City & County Council

Resolution of the Elected Members
Waterford City and County Council, Metropolitan District
15th May, 2023
Ref: 2023/09

In accordance with the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) Part V111, proposal of; 5 residential dwelling houses comprising of one 3-bed dwelling house, 3 no. 4-Bed dwelling houses and 1 no. 5-bed dwelling house of the Carrickphierish Road (L1524) road. The proposals include for all site development works, boundary treatments, landscaping and ancillary accommodation required for the proposed development.

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CERTIFIED RESOLUTION OF THE Metropolitan District of Waterford City & County Council that the scheme as presented, proposed by Cllr. Ryan seconded by Cllr. Roche and agreed unanimously THAT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED PROCEEDS.

Signed:

Councillor Jason Murphy
Metropolitan District Mayor

Witnessed:

Honor Dunphy
Meetings Administrator



Comhairle Cathrach & Contae Phort Láirge
Waterford City & County Council

Resolution of the Elected Members
Waterford City and County Council, Metropolitan District
15th May, 2023
Ref: 2023/10

In accordance with Part II, Section 1 of the Adopted Casual Trading (Control and Designation) Bylaws 2021, the proposal to redesignate the licence at Killoteran Greenway car park to the William Vincent Wallace Plaza;

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CERTIFIED RESOLUTION OF THE Metropolitan District of Waterford City & County Council that the licences are redesignated. Proposed by Cllr. Keating seconded by Cllr. Bailey and agreed unanimously.

Signed:

Councillor Jason Murphy
Metropolitan District Mayor

Witnessed:

Honor Dunphy
Meetings Administrator