

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

**Meeting of the Metropolitan District held in WIT Arena, Carriganore, Waterford on 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 @  
2.00pm**

**Present:**

Cllr. Breda Brennan (Mayor)
Cllr. Donal Barry
Cllr. Joe Conway
Cllr. Davy Daniels
Cllr. Pat Fitzgerald
Cllr. Susan Gallagher
Cllr. Jim Griffin
Cllr. John Hearne
Cllr. Joe Kelly
Cllr. Eddie Mulligan
Cllr. Jason Murphy
Cllr. Lola O’Sullivan
Cllr. Jody Power
Cllr. Eamonn Quinlan
Cllr. Frank Quinlan
Cllr. Seamus Ryan
Cllr. Mary Roche
Cllr. Adam Gary Wyse

**Officials in attendance:**

Mr. I. Grimes, DoS Housing  
Ms. H. Dunphy, Meetings Administrator  
Mr. R. Moloney, Senior Executive Officer  
Mr. H. O’Brien, Senior Executive Planner  
Mr. P. Johnston, SRE, Housing  
Mr. A. Lennon, EE, Housing  
Mr. M. Partridge, EA, Housing  
Ms. B. Stosic, A/SEE, Roads  
Mr. C. O’Neill, SEE Roads  
Mr. S. Doran, Administrative Officer, Planning  
Ms. A. O’Shea, Corporate Department

<b>Vote of Sympathies/Congratulations:</b>
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A vote of sympathy was expressed to the families of the late Cecil O’Leary, Páidí Hoban and John Caulfield. A mark of respect was passed on the death of Brendan Bowyer.

Get well wishes were extended to District Manager, Fergus Galvin

### 1. Confirmation of Minutes

Minutes from the Metropolitan District Meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 were proposed by Cllr. Quinlan, seconded by Cllr. Mulligan and agreed.

### 2. Matters Arising

Cllr. Power looked for an update on UNESCO, visit to Waterford Port, Offshore Wind Energy, Cheekpoint Pier and pedestrian crossing at Faithlegg N.S.

C. O'Neill, SEE stated he intends to progress with the pedestrian crossing at Faithlegg and a funding application was made for Cheekpoint Pier but it was not deemed a priority. R. Moloney, SEE will revert with on the environmental issues raised.

Cllr. Mulligan looked for an update on the weekly parking ticket and the Transport Strategy.

B. Stosic, A/SEE stated the weekly parking ticket is being run on a pilot scheme and will review after a few months. Consultants have been appointed to prepare the Transport Strategy and a draft report should be ready for Q3.

Cllr. Ryan asked about extending bus routes in Kilbarry and Paddy Brown's Road to UHW and invited Bus Éireann to present to the Metro meeting.

B. Stosic, A/SEE said they are awaiting a decision from the NTA regarding new routes.

Cllr. Kelly looked for update on the rubbish/dog fouling bins on the Cleaboy Road.

R. Moloney, SEO said he will revert with update.

Cllr. Fitzgerald thanked Council for putting lights at Killea N.S. but one light is not working and asked could it be fixed.

### 3. Planning

- a) Planning Lists already circulated by email – noted
- b) Planning & Development Act, 2000 as amended Planning & Development Regulations 2001 as amended Part V111 :
  - (i) 22 No. Social Housing Scheme at Ballynaneashagh, Butlerstown Road, Waterford City – Completion of Process.

M. Partridge, EA, gave an overview of the Housing Scheme. A number of Councillors had concerns stating that the area is densely populated with social housing and an affordable housing scheme would be more suited to the area. Cllr. Murphy said more needs to be done for those who can't afford to buy houses, don't qualify for HAP or social housing. Cllr. Hearne stated more houses are needed and scheme must be supported. Councillors asked if the Council can change Scheme to affordable housing. I. Grimes, DoS stated the Scheme has been approved for funding under the Social Housing Investment Programme.

The proposal for the Completion of the Part VIII was put to a recorded vote resulting as follows:

<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>
Cllr. Breda Brennan	Cllr. Donal Barry
Cllr. Davy Daniels	Cllr. Joe Conway
Cllr. Pat Fitzgerald	Cllr. Joe Kelly
Cllr. Susan Gallagher	Cllr. Jason Murphy
Cllr. Jim Griffin	Cllr. Lola O’Sullivan
Cllr. John Hearne	Cllr. Jody Power
Cllr. Eddie Mulligan	Cllr. Frank Quinlan
Cllr. Eamon Quinlan	
Cllr. Mary Roche	
Cllr. Seamus Ryan	
<b>Total 10</b>	<b>Total 7</b>

This proposal was passed by ten votes in favour and seven against.

- (ii) 14 No. apartment Social Housing Scheme at Mount Esker, Ballytruckle Road / Inner Ring Road, Waterford City- Completion of Process.

Concerns were raised regarding boundary treatment, traffic, open space and retention of trees. M. Partridge, EA stated they have retained as many trees as possible, there is a large open space for residents, he has met with neighbours and discussed boundary treatment and it is safe to reverse within the site. The proposal for the Completion of the Part VIII was put to a recorded vote resulting as follows:

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Cllr. Pat Fitzgerald	Cllr. Joe Conway
Cllr. Susan Gallagher	Cllr. Davy Daniels
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Cllr. Jason Murphy	
Cllr. Lola O’Sullivan	
Cllr. Eamon Quinlan	
Cllr. Frank Quinlan	
Cllr. Mary Roche	
Cllr. Seamus Ryan	
<b>Total 13</b>	<b>Total 4</b>

This proposal was passed by thirteen votes in favour and four against.

- (iii) Part VIII Proposed infilling of disused quarry in Kilcaragh, Grantstown, Waterford– Commencement of Process.  
C. O’Neill, SEE gave an overview of the proposal and dealt with questions relating to type of waste, need for License and access road. It was proposed by Cllr. Power and seconded by Cllr. Hearne to commence the public consultation.
- (iv) Section 38 Road Traffic Act 1994 – Traffic Calming Scheme-Low cost safety scheme Waterford Road, Tramore– Commencement of Process.  
B. Stosic, A/SEE gave an overview of the proposals. All Councillors were in favour of the scheme. It was proposed by Cllr. E. Quinlan and seconded by Cllr. Griffin to commence the public consultation.

#### **4. Reports**

Cllr. Griffin looked for update on the Public Realm works in Tramore, asked had the Ferrybank residents been consulted regarding works going ahead, stated we need to look at the Development Plan before the Tramore Housing project commences and the volume of traffic going through Emmett Place needs to be looked at.

Cllr. Kelly asked when the apartments in Carrickphierish purchased by WCCC will be allocated as there is a lot of anti-social behaviour occurring and what is the start date for the seven bays on the Traveller Scheme in Carrickphierish.

Cllr. O’Sullivan stated that the bins in Tramore are overflowing and need to be emptied more frequently, there is also an issue with dog fouling and asked that the Dog Warden monitor it, acknowledged the pedestrian lights at Holy Cross and stated that all Trading Bye Laws need to be reviewed at the SPC meetings.

I. Grimes, DoS stated that nine units in Carrickphierish were damaged and are being investigated by the Gardaí but his Department will try allocate apartments as quickly as possible. He intends to come back to council with a Part VIII for the seven bays in the Autumn. There is an application for 55 units in Tramore. C. O’Neill, SEE will revert regarding the Public Realm Works in Tramore.

H. O’Brien. EP stated that preparations for the new Development Plan were delayed due to COVID but it is hoped to commence the 8 week public consultation on the 20<sup>th</sup> July.

R. Moloney, SEO will monitor the bins in Tramore and will ask the dog Warden to patrol the area.

Cllr. Ryan asked what was the status of the remedial scheme in Richardson’s Meadow and when will it re-commence. He complimented the outdoor staff on the upkeep of the roundabouts and asked could flowers be planted in the roundabout at the entrance to Ursuline Court and asked when the roads programme will commence for Ursuline Crescent, Church Road Lisduggan and Kilcohan Road.

Cllr. Mulligan asked for the tri colour hanging on 33 The Mall be replaced as it is in poor condition, the pavements in the City Centre/Applemarket/John Street and Lady Lane are in poor condition and need to be looked at and he asked when will the national Broadband Plan be rolled out in the Metropolitan area.

Cllr. Fitzgerald asked could we have a solution to the storm drain problems in Cheekpoint and Passage East during flash flooding. Coillte have damaged the Minaun Road and requested the Council to assist with its repair and the markings on the roundabout at Horse Quarter in Dunmore East have faded and need repainting.

C. O’Neill, SEE said the contractor has been appointed for the Road Works Programme and is due to commence in the middle of July with Ballytruckle first on the list. Legal action is pending with contractor for City Centre pavements. Storm drains have been cleared out and the Minaun Road is a private road so

residents need to take it up with Coillte and the road markings at Horse Quarter will be refreshed when the Roads Works programme commences in Dunmore East.

R. Moloney, SEO will look at suitable landscaping at the roundabout by entrance to Ursuline Court and will talk to the Broad Band Officer regarding roll out of plan in Metropolitan area and will arrange for the national flag at 33 the mall to be replaced.

I. Grimes, DoS said they will be writing to the residents of Richardson's Meadow in the near future regarding remedial works.

Cllr. Roche said we need to be consistent with pedestrian crossings at Ardkeen Stores/Dunmore Road. There is a sewage problem at 195 Viewmount Park and needs clarification as to why council staff were advising the public to contact councillors regarding housing allocations.

Cllr. Conway asked about planning on the old Aldi site on the Williamstown roundabout which is zoned Commercial and what is the process to change status. He queried whether the timeline for the works for the house in Tramore earmarked for a medical priority case was unchanged, cleaning of the parks during COVID especially the Doneraile and could the council liaise with the Parish Council in Tramore for use of the car park on the Prom for drive in mass.

I. Grimes, DoS will check the suggestion that council staff are advising the public to contact Councillors and will revert. He confirmed that the timeline for the Tramore house is unchanged.

C. O'Neill, SEE stated the sewage issue in Viewmount is a matter for Irish Water and the more representations from councillors the better. He will be putting a speed camera and speed ramps on the Dunmore Road. There is a process in the Development Plan including the provision for re-zoning.

The mayor advised all other Councillors to submit their questions on the reports to H. Dunphy.

## 5. Correspondence

Proposed by Cllr. Kelly, seconded by Cllr. E. Quinlan and agreed.

## 6. Notice of Motions

None

## 7. AOB

None

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_