



Minutes for Strategic Policy Committee (SPC) Meeting for (Transportation & Infrastructure)

Held on Zoom on 14th December, 2022

Present (Councillor and PPN members)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Tom Cronin (Chair) • Cllr John O’Leary • Cllr Jim Griffin • Cllr Joe Kelly • Cllr Joe Conway • Cllr Mary Roche • Cllr Declan Doocey • Cllr Declan Clune • Cllr Jody Power 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Marian Walsh • Ms. Elaine Mullan • Mr. James Farnan • Mr. Farid Ahmad Mohamman
Present (WCCC Officials)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fergus Galvin DOS • Gabriel Hynes SE 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aideen Jacob AO • Nicola Keating SEE
Apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Seamus O’Donnell • Mr. Thomas Holden 	

Item No.	Decisions Taken	Responsibility/Action/When?
3. Cycle Lane Dock Road/Ferrybank – Mary Sinnott on behalf of Waterford BUG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some committee members had difficulty logging in to the meeting. • Item No. 3 Presentation from Mary Sinnott, Waterford Bicycle Users Group (BUG) was taken first. • Mary Sinnott BUG made a short presentation on requests for cyclist and pedestrian safety on Rice Bridge and Dock Road. She outlined their concerns and risks posed by traffic volumes and put forward measures to address these to the Committee. The Committee welcomed the presentation and a lengthy discussion followed. F. Galvin DOS said that we have no exact breakdown of traffic numbers on Rice Bridge other than CSO but that there are significant numbers commuting by car and that the integrated measures included in WMATS for walking, cycling, public transport and freight will help to address many of the issues raised. 	
1. Approval of Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes of Meeting dated 12th October, 2022 were proposed by Cllr Kelly, seconded by Cllr Conway and agreed. 	Adopted minutes to be published on website and added to Decision Time



3.Matters arising and updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apologies and those leaving the meeting early were noted. 	A.Jacob
4. Speed Limit Review Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aideen Jacob AO gave an update on the Speed Limit Review process which has commenced with pre-consultation with the Garda Commissioner, NTA and neighbouring authorities. Following that the proposed changes will come before each of the District Councils in the new year. 	A. Jacob
5.Review of Waterford Metropolitan District Council Control of Parking Bye-laws 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aideen Jacob AO outlined the review process to amend the current bye-laws and summarized the proposals which had already been circulated to the committee. The next step in the process is to present them to the Metropolitan District Council for approval to commence the public consultation process. 	A.Jacob
6. PPN Issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on Active Travel S38 Convent Hill Tramore – Elaine Mullan enquired as to why the Section 38 had been postponed. Fergus Galvin DOS responded stating that he had not attended the Metropolitan District Meeting but his understanding was that a number of objections had been raised and they needed further consideration. Cllr Joe Kelly who was at the relevant District meeting said that significant concerns had been raised by residents and a meeting with the residents was scheduled for January/February and that the S38 would then revert to the District meeting. • Breakdown on Covid Stimulus and Active Travel Funding for Dock Road, Ferrybank – Fergus Galvin DOS said that specific NTA funding of €3 million was allocated to design and contract works but never intended for other works re cycling. 	
7.SPC issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Mary Roche – motion from November Plenary Council Meeting “That Waterford City and County Council will prepare a case for presentation to the Minister for Transport seeking the buyout or relocation of the toll on the Waterford City Bypass” Reg. No. 233 12th October 2022. – It was decided to defer this issue to the next meeting as Cllr Roche had to leave the meeting earlier. 	
AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elaine Mullan asked when James Murray Active Travel would be replaced – Fergus Galvin DOS said that his replacement would 	



	<p>be in place by the second week in January.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cllr Conway asked about untreated footpaths and if the householder is liable if someone falls outside their home – Fergus Galvin DOS said that there is no liability to householder.• Cllr Tom Cronin Chair thanked the Committee for their work this year and wished everyone a very happy Christmas.	
Date/time next meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• It was agreed that a schedule of dates for the 4 meetings in 2023 would be circulated. A Friday 10 am meeting was proposed for the first meeting date.	<p>ALL Agenda Inclusion Deadline is -7 days from meeting <i>A.Jacob</i></p>