

Municipal District of Ardee – July 2017

Minutes of Municipal District of Ardee meeting held in the Mid Louth Civic Services Centre, Ardee on Thursday, 6th July, 2017 at 5.30 p.m.

In attendance:

Leas Cathaoirleach: Councillor J. Tenanty

Members: Councillors: P. McGeough, T. Cunningham, D. Minogue, & C. Markey.

Apologies: Cllr. L. Reilly

Officials: Aoife Lawler, Senior Executive Officer
Sean O'Reilly, Acting Senior Executive Engineer
Alan Sherry, Meetings Administrator

Minute No. 64/17

Minutes

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 1st June, 2017, were confirmed on the proposal of Cllr. D. Minogue and seconded by Cllr. T. Cunningham

Minute No. 65/17

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 1st June, 2017, were confirmed on the proposal of Cllr. D. Minogue and seconded by Cllr. T. Cunningham.

Minute No. 66/17

Matters Arising

- Members were informed that Irish Water will be informing them when work is commencing on the treatment plant.
- The need to address the pothole on the Dromiskin Road was highlighted.

Minute No. 67/17

Housing and Communities Progress Report

Members discussed the report as circulated at the meeting and the following points were raised:

- Members raised concern about the access route to the Castleguard development being via Old Dawsons Lane. It was agreed to inform the designers of the scheme of the concerns.

Minute No 68/17

Operations, Marine and Infrastructure Report

Members discussed the report as circulated at the meeting and the following points were raised:

- The problem of illegal parking in housing estates was raised.
- It was agreed to verify if the figure of 80% of households in Louth having a green bin was accurate.
- The possibility of an increase in fly tipping, as a result of plastics no longer being accepted at bring centres, was raised.
- The large number of potholes in the Drogheda district was highlighted.
- It was suggested that a distance measure on the Fair Green should be put in place.

Minute No. 69/17

Notice of Motion

**Proposed by Cllr. D. Minogue
Seconded by Cllr. J. Tenanty**

'That LCC provide an update on the removal and relocation of the pedestrian crossing at the Bank of Ireland, Ardee'.

REPLY:

There are no plans at present to remove and relocate the pedestrian crossing in Ardee. This matter has been centre to a number of discussions and reviews. The alternatives to relocation of the facility are very limited. There would also be significant cost involved in relocating such a piece of infrastructure and there is currently no provision for such works in the budget.

Members noted the reply and it was agreed to look into other possible locations.

Minute No. 70/17

Notice of Motion

**Proposed by Cllr. D. Minogue
Seconded by Cllr. C. Markey**

" That Louth County Council put information on it's website and at certain points around Ardee town and mid Louth regarding the locations of defibrillators".

REPLY:

Louth County Council do not own or maintain any defibrillators in the Ardee Municipal District area.

The HSE are progressing a project to identify and publish locations of defibrillators in a national context, which may be published on their websites in due course.

The need for a comprehensive inventory of Defibrillators in the County was emphasised by the members. The reply was noted.

Minute No. 71/17

Notice of Motion

**Proposed by Cllr. J. Tenanty
Seconded by Cllr. D. Minogue**

" That this Council call on Louth County Council to reintroduce the local Rate Collector as part of the proposed amendments to Rates Legislation instead of proposed Revenue Sheriff or Attachment Orders, and other heavy handed suggestions".

REPLY:

All matters relating to staffing issues in a Local Authority are Executive Functions.

Members expressed the view that the local rate collector was the most effective way to collect rates and agreed the motion.

Minute No. 72/17

Notice of Motion

**Proposed by Cllr. J. Tenanty
Seconded by Cllr. T. Cunningham**

" That Louth County Council introduce a mattress collection in Mid Louth Area as part of a process suggested by Cllr. Mark Dearey. The form plastic collection is a great success and the Mattress collection should be based on the successful collection process".

REPLY:

Louth County Council do not have a resource and or budget to manage a mattress recovery service. The responsibility for the disposal of such items is a matter for the householder and they can be disposed at the recycling centres in Dundalk and Drogheda or via any reputable licensed waste collection operative.

Members agreed the Motion.

Minute No. 73/17

Notice of Question- Cllr. P. McGeough

"What is the update on the provision of traffic calming measures on the Station Road in Castlebellingham approaching the village."

REPLY:

A contractor will be on location in the coming weeks to carry out resurfacing works following on for the realignment works carried out in recent times. Traffic calming measures such speed ramps and tables will not be a normal feature on such a Regional road and there are no plans and or resources at present to implement any traffic calming measures. Assessments of the average traffic speeds will be carried out at a future date and the matter brought to the attention of the Gardai for the appropriate enforcement actions.

Members noted the reply.

Minute No. 74/17

Condolences:

Sympathies were expressed to the family and friends of:

Breda Malone

Patrick Crehan

Peter Corrigan

Congratulations:

Louth Minor football team on reaching the Leinster Final

Candy Holten for her Floral Art

James McCraner for musical achievements

James McSwiney for his success at the Ireland Skills Finals

There being no other business, the meeting concluded.

The Minutes were confirmed at a meeting of the Council held on:

Date: _____

Cathaoirleach: _____

Meeting Administrator: _____