

Municipal District of Ardee – April 2019

Minutes of Municipal District of Ardee meeting held in the Mid-Louth Civic Services Centre, on Thursday, 4th April 2019 at 5.30 p.m.

In attendance:

Cathaoirleach: Councillor Pearse McGeough

Members: Councillors: T. Cunningham, C. Markey, D. Minogue & J. Tenanty

Officials: Joe McGuinness, Director of Services
Alan Sherry, Meetings Administrator
Aoife Lawler, Senior Executive Officer
Vincent Toner, Senior Executive Engineer

Apologies: Cllr. L. Reilly

Minute No. 26/19

On the proposal of Cllr. T. Cunningham and seconded by Cllr. D. Minogue the minutes of the monthly meeting held on Thursday, 7th March 2019 were adopted with the amendment that the meeting was held in the Clubrooms of the O'Connell's G.F.C. Castlebellingham.

Minute No. 27/19

Matters arising

- Queries raised by the members were addressed by the officials present.

Minute No. 28/19

Proposed Amenity Grants 2019

Proposed Cllr. D. Minogue
Seconded Cllr. C. Markey
And resolved

To agree the Amenity Grants Scheme for 2019.

Concern was raised at Rockfield not being included. Members expressed the desire for the grants to be more geographically spread. It was agreed to circulate the criteria for the scheme to the members

Minute No. 29/19

Housing Report

Members noted the report as circulated at the meeting, and a number of matters were discussed including:-

It was agreed to check if Castleguard had been fully allocated.

An update was requested in relation to the access at Dawsons Lane

Members expressed their dissatisfaction with people being housed in older people's accommodation who were not senior citizens, and the need to tackle anti-social behaviour in older people's developments was emphasised.

Minute No. 30/19

Operations Report.

The Operations Report was noted with a number of matters raised for attention:-

The need to fix the storm gully at Sliabh Breagh was raised.

It was pointed out that the bridge at Annagassan is damaged and needs to be repaired.

It was noted that a wall at Port Oriel had been knocked down and needs to be repaired

The need to upgrade the bins in Ferdia Park was raised

It was agreed to revert back to the members with the commencement date for the CIS works.

Minute No. 31/19

Notice of Motion

Proposed by Cllr. D. Minogue

Seconded by Cllr. J. Tenanty

That this council calls on Minister of State Regina Doherty to immediately appoint a community welfare officer for the Ardee and District area.

Members agreed the Motion

Minute No. 32/19

Notice of Question

Submitted by Cllr. D. Minogue

That this Council is informed about Industrial Lands at Curraghbeg Ardee. How many acres, what plans LCC and the IDA have to highlight this area to Business and Employers to bring much needed employment to this area.

REPLY:

The Curraghbeg Industrial Estate is accessed off John Street. The industrial lands in question are zoned as follows:

'To protect existing industrial activity and to provide for new industrial and related uses'.

In total there are approximately 11ha of lands zoned for such uses at this location, of which circa 6ha remain undeveloped to date.

As the lands are in private ownership, the question of the promotion of same is not a matter for Louth County Council or the IDA.

The follow up question was asked, "who owns the land" and it was agreed to check this

Minute No. 33/19

Annual Discretionary Budget

This matter was discussed in committee

There being no other business, the meeting concluded.

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

Date: _____

Cathaoirleach: _____

Meeting Administrator: _____