

## **Municipal District of Ardee – January 2019**

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Minutes of Municipal District of Ardee meeting held in the Mid Louth Civic Services Centre, Ardee on Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 5.30 p.m.

### **In attendance:**

**Cathaoirleach:** Councillor Pearse McGeough

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

**Officials:** Joe McGuinness, Director of Services  
Aoife Lawler, Senior Executive Officer  
Mark Johnston, Senior Engineer  
Alan Sherry, Meetings Administrator

### **Minute No. 1/19**

The minutes of the monthly meeting held on Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> December 2018 were confirmed on the proposal of Cllr. T. Cunningham and seconded by Cllr. D. Minogue

### **Minute No. 2/19**

### **Matters arising**

- The need for bins in Beechwood Drive was raised again.
- It was requested that an update in relation to the park and share facilities be circulated to the members within a week.
- The update on the N2 was requested.
- The need for bye-laws to deal with illegal parking on the N52 was raised.
- It was pointed out that pay parking in Ardee was to be included on the January agenda and it was undertaken to include it for February.

### **Minute No. 3/19**

### **Housing and Communities Progress Report**

Members discussed the report as circulated at the meeting, and queries from the members were answered by Aoife Lawler, SEO, Housing.

### **Minute No. 4/19**

### **Operations, Marine and Infrastructure Report.**

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

- The recent vandalism of life saving equipment was condemned and measures were requested to tackle the issue. Anyone with information was encouraged to contact an Garda Siochana.

- A comprehensive report in relation to fly tipping and litter fines issued in 2018 was requested, and the need to inform the public of the number of fines issued was highlighted.
- Updates were requested in relation to Ardee Castle, the coastal erosion funding applications and the Ardee bypass.
- It was suggested that the same lighting and safety features as Monaghan should be in place on the Louth section of the N2
- The need to paint the speed ramps in Philipstown was noted.
- The pothole at the footbridge on Tierney Street was also noted.
- It was pointed out that the N52 gully at Jervis Street is moving and possibly causing damage to nearby properties.
- A question was raised in relation to the possibility of works being done on Annagassan harbour that would not require an EIS.
- The issue of private landowners having to get permission from the EPA to carry out coastal protection works on their land was raised.
- A location where motorists are driving onto the grass verge to avoid the speed ramps was noted.
- The safety concerns around the safety of the zebra crossing in Ardee were raised, and the need to address them as a priority was emphasised.

#### **Minute No. 5/19**

#### **Taking in Charge Report**

The timescale for the carrying out of the CCTV survey in Cherrybrook was requested. The need to finalise the Cornmill was emphasised. Members noted the report and agreed to raise any estates they felt should be included in future reports.

#### **Minute No. 6/19**

#### **Notice of Motion**

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

**"That this council rebuild the signal box at railway line and put in place Billboard like those along the wall to Tinesry Street Ardee given an outline of the history of the railway line, this will add to Ardee Castle and Wall Town , we as a council need to build a portfolio of our history and showcase Ardee in a positive light for the people of Ardee and visitor."**

**REPLY:**

**There are no plans to rebuild the former Ardee Signal Box, and it is unclear if the site is in the Council ownership.  
The billboards at Tierney Street were erected by Ardee Tidy Towns Committee.**

Members noted the reply.

**Minute No. 7/19**

Sympathies were expressed to the family and friends of:

Elzbieta Piotrowska

The emergency services and the people of Ardee were commended.

Marion Marron

All recently deceased

The members then went into committee to discuss the discretionary budget for 2019.

There being no other business, the meeting concluded.

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

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Cathaoirleach: \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting Administrator: \_\_\_\_\_