

Municipal District of Ardee – April 2017

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

In attendance:

Cathaoirleach: Councillor D. Minogue

Members: Councillors: P. McGeough, T. Cunningham, J. Tenanty, L. Reilly & C. Markey.

Officials: Joe McGuinness, Director of Services
Aoife Lawler, Senior Executive Officer
Alan Sherry, Meetings Administrator
Sean O'Reilly, A/Senior Executive Engineer

Minute No. 36/17

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 2nd February, 2017, were confirmed on the proposal of Cllr. T. Cunningham and seconded by Cllr. C. Markey.

Minute No. 37/17

Matters Arising

- It was agreed that operations staff would contact Cllr. Tenanty to identify manholes that may be in need of repair.

Minute No.38/17

Operations, Marine and Infrastructure Report

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

- It was agreed to refer the coastal erosion at Clogherhead port to the Infrastructure Section for their attention.
- It was agreed to ask the Infrastructure Section to report back to the members with a timescale for the proposed works at Annagassan harbour.
- It was undertaken to review the number of litter bins in Ardee.
- The need to address the deterioration of footpaths in Dawson's Demesne and the Dunleer/Ardee Road.
- The condition of the Main Street, Dunleer and Church View, Ardee was raised.

- The removal of the weight restriction sign on the Blakestown road was requested.
- The need to have the damaged green and white markers on the N2 replaced was raised.
- The issue of the weight restriction on Sean O'Carroll Street and the need for signage was raised.
- It was agreed to update members in relation to Ferdia Park and the bring banks at the next meeting.

Minute No 39/17

Housing and Communities Progress Report

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

- It was agreed to investigate approved housing grant applicants being asked to submit further information in relation to their application.
- It was confirmed to members that the developer of housing at Castle Guard was negotiating with an approved housing body to buy the development.

Minute No. 40/17

Holding of May Meeting in Collon

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

It was agreed by the members to hold the May Meeting in Collon.

Minute No. 41/17

Proposed Social Housing Scheme in Dunleer

Tomás Sexton and Marion Hickey of Cody Architects gave a presentation in relation to the proposed social housing development in Dunleer and answered questions from the members.

Minute No.42/17

Motion

**Proposed by Cllr. D. Minogue
Seconded by Cllr. L. Reilly**

"That this council writes to management of Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda to ask that efforts are made to ensure free car parking for cancer patients or a designated family member or carer during their treatment."

REPLY:

This is a matter for the members.

It was proposed by Cllr. D. Minogue, seconded by J. Tenanty and agreed by the members to amend the motion to replace the words "cancer patients" with "frequent treatment patients".

Members agreed the amended motion.

Minute No.43/17

Motion

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

"That Louth County Council bring the ramp on the north side of Louth village to same standard of that on the Ardee side, resident feel that this ramp is not fit for purpose and doesn't not help to reduce speed."

REPLY:

The ramps in Louth Village will be inspected by the Area Staff and where necessary and subject to resources the appropriate works will be carried out.

Members noted the reply.

Minute No.44/17

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

"That Louth Co Council remove the pedestrian crossing at the Bank of Ireland, as it is dangerous to pedestrians ,motorists and cyclists ,do we have to wait until their are fatalities before action is taken ."

REPLY:

Staff will again review the location of the crossing which was installed some years back following consultation with the then Ardee Town Council.

An amendment to replace "do we have to wait until their are fatalities before action is taken" be replaced with "and seek a more appropriate alternative location" was

proposed by Cllr. T. Cunningham, seconded by P. McGeough and agreed by the members.

In the course of the discussion it was pointed out to the members in response to a query that selecting a location and putting in place a pedestrian crossing was an executive function but the views of the members would be taken into consideration. The location would have to be decided before approaching TII for funding.

Minute No.45/17

Condolences:

Sympathies were expressed to the families and friends for the following:

- Andy Califf
- Mark Duffy
- Tom Savage
- Dara (née Breen) Conlon
- Grainne Taffe
- Martin McGuinness
- It was agreed that all families who had suffered bereavement should be remembered.

There being no other business, the meeting concluded.

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

Date: _____

Cathaoirleach: _____

Meeting Administrator: _____