

**Minutes of the Hybrid Meeting of Carlow Municipal District
held in the Town Hall Chamber on
Thursday 28th April 2022, at 4.00 p.m.**

Present: Councillor K. Murnane (Mayor)
Councillor F. Browne
Councillor J. Cassin
Councillor T. O'Neill
Councillor F. Phelan
Councillor A. Wallace
Councillor A. Dalton

In Attendance: Mr. M. Rainey, Director of Services, Corporate Services,
Planning, HR, Economic Development, Health & Safety
Mr. P. O'Gorman, Director of Services, Transportation,
Environment, Water Services, Building Control & Emergency
Services
Mr. K. Cullinane, Senior Engineer, Transport (*remote*)
Mr. P. Lewis, Executive Engineer, Transportation
Ms. M. Moore, Administrative Officer, Community (*remote*)
Mr. E. Brophy, Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Services
(*remote*)
Mr. B. O'Donovan, Senior Executive Officer, Housing
Ms. T. Hickson, Assistant Staff Officer, Corporate Services

Councillor Ken Murnane (Mayor) welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1.0 Confirmation of Minutes

1.1 The Minutes of Carlow Municipal District Meeting held on Thursday 31st
March 2022 at 4.00p.m. were,

Proposed by Councillor J. Cassin
Seconded by Councillor F. Phelan
and agreed following a show of hands.

2.0 Business Prescribed by Statute, Standing Orders or Resolutions of the Municipal District Members

Noted.

3.0 Consideration of Reports & Recommendation

3.1 Carlow MD Environmental Tidy Town Grants 2022

Proposed by Councillor T. O'Neill
Seconded by Councillor F. Phelan
and agreed following a show of hands.

3.2 Housing Progress Report April 2022

Mr. Brian O'Donovan, Senior Executive Officer, Housing, gave a comprehensive report and answered all queries.

Mr. Michael Rainey, Director of Services, answered queries in relation to CPOs, derelict properties, and planning queries.

4.0 Notices of Motion

4.1 Standing in the name of Cllr. Fergal Browne

"That Carlow MD ensures that refreshments are available at local tourist attractions including putting in infrastructure to allow easy access by third parties to provide same."

Proposed by Councillor F. Browne
Seconded by Councillor J. Cassin
and agreed following a show of hands.

4.2 Standing in the name of Cllr. Adrienne Wallace

"Considering that Carlovians have one of the furthest distances to travel to access an A&E unit in Ireland this MD agrees to write to the department of health and the HSE to call for an A&E unit in Carlow to ensure there is timely access for everyone in need of emergency healthcare"

Proposed by Councillor A. Wallace
Seconded by Councillor

Councillor F. Phelan proposed an amendment as follows;

"Considering that Carlovians have one of the furthest distances to travel to access an A&E unit in Ireland, this MD agrees to write to the department of health and the HSE to examine the merits of an A&E unit in Carlow and the delay in ambulance response times.

Proposed by Councillor F. Phelan
Seconded by Councillor A. Wallace

The Motion as amended was then passed following a show of hands.

5.0 Correspondence

Noted.

6.0 Any Other Business

- Rainbow crossing
- Cois Dara, Tullow Road – access for residents
- Tullow Road speed limits
- Athy Road speed limit
- Cycle lane signage
- The Numbers, Graiguecullen – condition of road
- Women’s Refuge
- May Day (*lighting County Hall*)
- Vote of Congratulations to Dr. Patricia Mulcahy and all staff in Carlow I.T.
- Vote of Congratulations to Barnardos, Askea Lawns
- Domestic Violence Awareness Day (*lighting County Hall*)
- Waterways Ireland – provision of a chair along the River Barrow
- First Responders – invitation to next Carlow MD meeting

Mr. Pierre Lewis, Executive Engineer, Transport, answered queries in relation to Cois Dara access and The Numbers in Graiguecullen.

Mr. Michael Rainey, Director of Services suggested that the issue of speed limits could be brought to the attention of the roads department. He also answered the query in relation to Waterways Ireland providing a chair along the River Barrow and the rainbow crossing.

Mr. Pierre Lewis, Executive Engineer, Transport gave a brief overview of the current LIS scheme.

This concluded the business of the meeting.