

**Minutes of Meeting of the Carlow Municipal District  
held in the Town Hall Chamber, Carlow, on  
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2022, at 4.00 p.m.**

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

**In Attendance:** Mr. K. Cullinane, A/Director of Service, Planning, Economic  
Development & Corporate Services  
Mr. K. Comerford, Head of Local Enterprise (Remote)  
Mr. B. Knowles, Senior Executive Engineer  
Mr. B. O'Donoghue, Senior Executive Officer, Housing (Remote)  
Mr. E. Brophy, Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Affairs  
Ms. L. O'Callaghan, Administrative Officer, Corporate Affairs  
Ms. A. Connolly, Assistant Staff Officer, Corporate Affairs

Mayor F. Phelan welcomed all and opened the November meeting of Carlow Municipal District.

## **1.0 Confirmation of Minutes**

### **1.1 Minutes of Draft Budget Meeting of Carlow Municipal District held on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 3.30 p.m.**

The Minutes of Carlow Municipal District Budget Meeting held on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 3.30 p.m. with the following amendment "to reallocate €10,000 from the streetscapes/shop fronts budget to the street cleaning budget to provide a clean up service on as many bank holidays where possible" were

**Proposed by Councillor T. O'Neill**

**Seconded by Councillor A. Dalton**

And agreed following a show of hands

### **1.2 Minutes of Meeting held on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 4.00 p.m.**

The Minutes of Carlow Municipal District meeting held on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 4.00 p.m. were

**Proposed by Councillor A. Dalton**  
**Seconded by Councillor T. O'Neill**

And agreed following a show of hands

## **2.0 Business Prescribed by Statute, Standing Orders or Resolutions of the Municipal District Members for Transaction at such meeting**

### **2.1 Pre-Part VIII Planning Haymarket Carlow**

Mr. B. O'Donoghue, Senior Executive Officer, presented the members with an update on the pre-part VIII planning for Haymarket, Carlow. He advised the meeting that following archaeological surveys, the property is not a protected building and the proposal has been approved by the Department of Housing. The recommendation to proceed to part VIII was

**Proposed by Councillor J. Cassin**  
**Seconded by Councillor K. Murnane**

And agreed following a show of hands.

### **2.2 Part VIII Car Park at County Offices**

Mr. K. Cullinane, A/Director of Services, presented the members with a report on the proposed improvement and access to the car park at County Offices and answered all members queries. The recommendation to proceed to Part VIII was

**Proposed by Cllr. A. Dalton**  
**Seconded by Cllr. T. O'Neill**

And agreed following a show of hands.

## **3.0 Consideration of Reports & Recommendation**

### **3.1 MD Engineer's Report**

Mr. B. Knowles, Senior Executive Engineer, presented the members with an updated engineer's report and answered all queries raised. These included:

- Signage & planting at Ducketts Grove
- Flooding at Carpenters Way & Hacketstown Road roundabout
- Road surface on Staplestown Road
- Extension of the Barrow Track walkway
- Issue of weeds on footpaths around town

### **3.2 MD Housing Report**

Mr. B. O'Donoghue, Senior Executive Officer, presented the meeting with an updated and comprehensive housing report and answered all queries raised by the members.

### **3.3 Carlow Town Bus Service**

Mr. K. Cullinane, Director of Services, updated members on the Carlow Town bus service and answered all queries raised by the members.

### **3.4 Christmas Parking Arrangements**

Mr. K. Cullinane, Director of Services, updated members on the parking arrangements for Carlow Town Centre over the Christmas period.

### **3.5 Shop Local Campaign**

Mr. K. Comerford, Head of Local Enterprise, advised the meeting of the shop local campaign which is being run in conjunction with the Carlow Chamber of Commerce. The theme of this campaign is "Better Together".

### **County Carlow – A Festive Family Experience**

Mr. K. Comerford presented the members with a detailed report on the Festive Family Experience which is being held on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2022. This is a ticket only event with a capacity of 3,500 and will include fireworks, switching on of Christmas lights and music. He thanked both K. Cullinane and B. Knowles for their work and co-operation on this project.

## **4.0 Any Other Business**

A number of issues were raised by the members including:

- Delays with pre-planning meetings
- Payment of development levies
- Loss of a bus route from New Ross to Dublin
- Shop premises on Dublin Street

Mr. K. Cullinane, Director of Services, answered all queries and it was agreed that the executive would check the position of the loss of bus route with NTA.

## **5.0 Date of next meeting**

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Carlow Municipal District would be held on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2022 at 4 p.m. in the Town Hall Chamber.

This concluded the business of the meeting.