

**Minutes of the Meeting of Municipal District of Tullow held in Tullow Civic Offices,  
on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2022 at 4.pm.**

**Present:** Cllr. B O'Donoghue, *Cathaoirleach*  
Cllr. J. Murphy  
Cllr. J. Pender  
Cllr. W. Paton  
Cllr. J. McDonald

**In Attendance:** M. Brennan, Director of Services  
B. O'Donovan, Senior Executive Officer  
P. Harrington, Area Engineer  
M. Moore, Administrative Officer

**Apologies:** Cllr. C. Murphy

**The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting**

**1. Confirmation of Minutes**

**1.1 Confirmation of Minutes of MD Meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> March 2022**

Taken as read

**Proposed by:** Cllr. William Paton

**Seconded by:** Cllr. John Murphy

**Matters Arising/Matters Raised**

Cllr. W. Paton enquired as to the status of the Part 8 for the Tullow Orbital route. Michael Brennan informed the meeting that the Active Travel team were working on approvals to proceed with NTA.

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

*None*

**3.0 Consideration of Reports and Recommendations**

**3.1 Housing Progress Report**

Brian O'Donovan updated members on housing matters for the Municipal District.

Cllr J. McDonald enquired as to the current status of the Tullowbeg Development. Brian O'Donovan advised that no application under CALF had yet been received.

Cllr. W. Paton enquired as to progress at The Grove. The meeting was advised that CENA were working through issues and that works on the site would commence in the coming weeks.

Cllr. B. O'Donoghue noted that Part 8 was received in Rathvilly in 2016 and enquired as to a start date. It was advised that 10 houses would proceed to tender in Q2.

Cllr. W. Paton requested an update on the Ukrainian refugee situation. Michael Brennan provided a comprehensive update to the meeting.

Follow up questions were asked. Cllr. W. Paton enquired is Council housing stock going to be used and whether sites in Tullow were being looked at.

Cllr. B. O'Donoghue stated that he had no issue with housing being allocated to those fleeing conflict.

Cllr. J. Pender asked could derelict buildings and sites be considered.

Cllr. J. Murphy acknowledged the efforts of the local community and businesses particularly in Ballon. The other Members wished to be associated with this acknowledgment.

Cllr. J. Pender enquired as to whether the centre in Hacketstown was being considered and congratulated Jacqui McNabb for an initiative to provide sunflower seeds.

Cllr. J. Pender raised the potential for a land swap to facilitate the relief road. This was supported by Cllr. W. Paton. Michael Brennan will follow up with Corporate/Roads.

**3.2 Part XI of the Planning & Development Act, 2000 (as amended)  
Part VIII of the Planning & Development Regulations, 2001 (as amended)  
Proposed Development of 1 No. house at Constable Hill, Hacketstown, Co. Carlow**

Brian O'Donovan advised members that the public consultation period for the Part 8 at Constable Hill had elapsed and that a Planning Report had been prepared. The matter was considered by the Chief Executive who is recommending the proposal is consistent with proper planning and development. Brian O'Donovan recommended to Members that the matter be listed for approval on the May meeting of Council.

Proposed: - Cllr. W. Paton  
Seconded: - Cllr. J. Murphy

**3.3. Draft Annual Service Plan**

Margaret Moore presented the draft Annual Plan for grants provided under Community funding. Members were advised that the scheme was advertised in February and 51 applications were received for €22,000.

Cllr. W. Paton enquired why Snowball Alley were not included. It was advised that the application was for potholes which is outside the scope.

Proposed by: Cllr. W. Paton  
Seconded by: Cllr. J. Murphy

Unanimous by show of hands

### **3.4. Engineer's Monthly Report**

Pat Harrington provide members with an update: -

- LIS/CIS monies to be paid in the next week
- Road recycling programme to commence the following day
- 2-3 weeks for LIS programme
- Lagan awarded surface dressing programme for 2022 which is to commence on 23<sup>rd</sup> May
- Rathoe Road footpath to commence under Active Travel
- Castledermot Road and Hacketstown paths will be funded by IPB funding
- Rathoe paths at tender stage
- Myshall paths to be completed under Town and Village

Pat Harrington apologised that there was no written report as staff were out with Covid and noted that there were budgetary concerns due to increasing material costs.

Cllr. J. Murphy commented that it was good to see value for money by combining works together.

Cllr. J. McDonald stated that he was happy with programme and welcomed footpath works in Rathoe.

Cllr. B. O'Donoghue raised some issues including humpback bridge at Tankardstown, potholes on Phelan Street and overgrown hedge on Broadstone Lane.

Cllr. J. Pender delighted to see works being completed.

Pat Harrington responded to questions and noted 114 junctions to be cut in the MD in June.

### **4.0 Notices of Motion**

*None*

### **5.0 Correspondence**

*None*

### **6.0 Any Other Business**

Cllr. J. Pender noted that the cross on Eagle Hill had blown down and requested that it was re-erected.

Cllr. J. McDonald congratulated the GAA and Carlow County Council for the clean-up on Saturday but noted disappointment about the amount of waste dumped.

Cllr. J. Murphy enquired about rural futures scheme for Tullow and queried were consultants appointed yet for Tullow Town Centre.

Cllr. W. Paton requested an update on Town Park funding and Outer Relief Road.

Cllr. J. Murphy noted that there was dumping again on Altamont Road.

Cllr. B. O'Donoghue noted concern about money being spent on clean-ups.

Cllr. W. Paton congratulated Hacketstown on the Easter Parade, Cllr J. McDonald congratulated Sean O'Brien on his recent retirement and Cllr. B. O'Donoghue congratulated Molly Scott on her many achievements and records in the sprint in recent times.

**This concluded the business of the meeting.**

**Next meeting scheduled for 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2022 in Rathvilly.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

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