

**Minutes of Meeting of the Carlow Municipal District  
held in the Town Hall Chamber, Carlow, on  
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October, at 4.00 p.m.**

---

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

**In Attendance:** Mr. M. Rainey, Director of Services, Planning, Economic  
Development & Corporate Services  
Mr. E. Brophy, Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Affairs  
Mr. B. Knowles, Senior Executive Engineer (Remote)  
Ms. L. Culleton, Local Enterprise Office  
Ms. A. Scanlon, Administrative Officer, Transportation  
Mr. J. Woods, Administrative Officer, Corporate Affairs  
Ms. A. Connolly, Assistant Staff Officer, Corporate Affairs  
Ms. S. Corrigan, Staff Officer, Corporate Affairs

Mayor T. O'Neill welcomed all to the October meeting of Carlow Municipal District.

## **1.0 Confirmation of Minutes**

### **1.1 Minutes of Meeting held on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at 4.00 p.m.**

The Minutes of Carlow Municipal District meeting held on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at 4.00 p.m. were

**Proposed by Councillor A. Dalton**  
**Seconded by Councillor J. Cahill**

And agreed following a show of hands

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

### **2.1 Proposed Part VIII – Volunteer Hub, St. Enda’s**

That a proposed Part VIII planning application be commenced to develop a Volunteer Hub on Sleaty St, Graiguecullen, Co. Carlow in partnership with Carlow Volunteer Centre.

**Proposed by Councillor: A. Dalton**  
**Seconded by Councillor: F. Phelan**

And agreed following a show of hands.

## **3.0 Consideration of Reports & Recommendations**

### **3.1 Winter Services Plan 2023-24**

Mr. B. Knowles, Senior Executive Engineer, presented the members with the Winter Services Plan 2023-24 for district and answered all queries raised.

The members raised a number of issues which included:

- **Upgrade of water mains and proposed road closure on R726 from Brownhill Cross to Killerrig Cross.**
  - B. Knowles to contact Irish Water who are the main contractors regarding communicating to the residents of the proposed closure.
  - Emergency services access while works are ongoing.
  - The possibility of the works being done during the night to keep the road open during the day.
- Salt boxes to be placed in housing estate.
- Hedge cutting – To remind landowners of their responsibility, season ending February.
- Motorist to reduce speed in bad weather.
- Road walkers and cyclists to use high visibility clothing.

That the Winter Services Plan 2023-24 as recommended was

**Proposed by Councillor: F. Phelan**  
**Seconded by Councillor: F. Browne**

And agreed following a show of hands.

The Town Water Relief Programme team were congratulated on the success of the project.

### **3.2 Carlow MD Engineer's Report**

Mr. B. Knowles, Senior Executive Engineer, presented the members with his report for district and answered all queries raised. The members raised a number of issues which included:

- Halloween festive lights on the Town Hall look great and the possibility of a similar plan for Christmas.
- Staplestown Road – residents queried if there will be on street parking when works are completed.
- Bridge flyover M9 Ballybar and Hacketstown road - weeds.
- Pedestrian crossing on St. Patricks Avenue near the Credit Union.
- Completion of footpath on the Hacketstown road.
- E-bikes – request more bike to be made available.

### **4.0 Notices of Motion**

None.

### **5.0 Correspondence**

Members noted a response from the TII regarding pedestrian crossing at Netwatch Cullen Park, Co. Carlow. Response to be circulated to the Transportation Directorate.

### **6.0 Any Other Business**

Members expressed concern with a delay on the introduction of Bye-Laws on e-scooters – letter to be sent to the Minister of Transport on the importance to move quickly with the passing of legislation.

**Proposed by Councillor: J. Cassin**

**Seconded by Councillor: T. O'Neill**

The Members extended a vote of sympathy to the family of Peggy Furey.

This concluded the business of the meeting.