Minutes of Meeting of the Carlow Municipal District held in the Town Hall Chamber, Carlow, on Thursday 25th July 2024, at 4.00 p.m.

Present: Councillor F. Phelan (Mayor)

Councillor F. Browne Councillor A. Dalton

Councillor J. Cassin (Remote)

Councillor K. Murnane

Councillor P. Doogue (Remote)

Councillor A. Wallace

In Attendance: Ms. F. O'Neill, A/Director of Services, Housing & Ukrainian

Humanitarian Response

Mr. P. O'Gorman, Director of Services, Transportation

Environment & Water Services, Building Control & Emergency

Services

Ms. N. Lawler, Senior Executive Officer, Planning

Mr. J. Woods, A/Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Services

Mr. K. Comerford, Head of Local Enterprise Office Ms. S. Corrigan, Staff Officer, Corporate Services

Ms. A. Connolly, Assistant Staff Officer, Corporate Services

Apologies: Mr. M. Rainey, Director of Services, Planning, Economic

Development, Regeneration and Corporate Services

Mr. B. Knowles, Senior Executive Engineer

Mayor F. Phelan opened the July meeting and welcomed all present. The Mayor congratulated all involved in the preparation works for Entente Florale European Competition 2024 and noted how well the town looks.

1.0 Confirmation of Minutes

1.1 Minutes of Meeting held on Thursday 30th May 2024 at 4.00 p.m.

The Minutes of Carlow Municipal District meeting held on Thursday 30^{th} May at 4.00~p.m. were

Proposed by Councillor K. Murnane Seconded by Councillor F. Browne

And agreed following a show of hands

1.2 Minutes of Annual Meeting held on Friday 28th June 2024 at 4.00 p.m.

The Minutes of Carlow Municipal District meeting held on Friday 28th June at 4.00 p.m. were

Proposed by Councillor A. Dalton Seconded by Councillor K. Murnane

And agreed following a show of hands

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

3.0 Consideration of Reports & Recommendations

3.1 Barrack Street Housing Update

Ms. F. O'Neill, A/Director of Services, presented members with an update on the progress of Barrack Street Housing scheme and answered all questions raised by the members.

3.2 Update on Streetfest

Mr. K. Comerford, Head of Local Enterprise Office, presented the members with an update on Streetfest which included public survey results and feedback. Mr. Comerford answered all queries raised.

4.0 Correspondence

Members noted a response from Minister Rabbitte relating to Children's Disability Network Team in Carlow. It was agreed that a further response is required querying the lack of staff in Carlow. This motion was

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

And agreed following a show of hands

5.0 Notices of Motion

5.1 Standing in the name of Councillor Adrienne Wallace

"This MD will write to Greencore Limited to request a detailed update on the removal of toxic waste from the former sugar factory site, particularly the site surrounding the Lime Kiln and any other relevant information pertaining to the site. In addition, this MD will request that the removal of said waste is expedited and a written time frame for the same is given to this MD as part of the report".

Following discussion, it was agreed to write to both Greencore Limited and the Environmental Protection Agency to request an update on plans for this site.

Proposed by Clir. A. Wallace Seconded by Clir. K. Murnane

And agreed following a show of hands

6.0 Any Other Business

Mr. P. O'Gorman, Director of Services, presented the members with an update on the Active Travel Programme 2024. Projects in the Carlow MD area included, Active Travel Pathfinder – Carlow to SETU Pedestrian & Cycle Scheme, Dublin Road Pedestrian and Cycle Scheme, Carlow and Safe Routes to School – Holy Family Girls & Boys NS, Askea Carlow. Members welcomed Active Travel funding for projects but raised concerns over a number of issues including:

- Traffic lights on Dublin Road
- Safety works at St. Leo's follow up with An Taisce
- Possibility of bollards at Oak Lawn
- Consultation with Irish Wheelchair Association spokesperson
- Kilkenny road speeding issues
- Review of Carlow Town Bus Service

The Director of Services answered all queries raised.

This concluded the business of the meeting.