

## ***Miontuairiscí / Meeting Minutes***

### ***Ordinary Meeting***

#### ***Kells Municipal District***

***4.00pm, 15<sup>th</sup> July 2024, Kells Civic Offices***

An Cathaoirleach, **Councillor Sarah Reilly**, presided.

**Councillors Present:** Michael Gallagher, Peter Caffrey

**Councillors Present via Zoom:** Mike Bray, David Gilroy, Sean Drew

**Apologies/absent:** Councillor Eugene Cassidy

**Officials in Attendance:**

**Director of Service:** A/DoS Larry Whelan

**Executive Engineer:** Aaron Smith & Matthew Rafferty

**Meetings Administrator:** Áine Bird

**Assistant Staff Officer:** Stephen Carey

**Apologies:** DoS Dara McGowan

#### **1.0 Confirmation of Minutes**

**1.1** Confirmation of minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 20th May 2024

The minutes of the meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> of May 2024 were confirmed on the proposal of **Councillor Michael Gallagher** and seconded by **Councillor Mike Bray**.

**1.2** Confirmation of minutes of the Annual meeting held on 25th June 2024

The minutes of the annual meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> of June 2024 were confirmed on the proposal of **Councillor Michael Gallagher** and seconded by **Councillor Peter Caffrey**.

#### **2.0 Matters arising from the Minutes**

There were none.

#### **3.0 Expressions of Sympathy and Congratulations**

Sympathy was extended to Brian Murphy and his family, Transportation section on the tragic passing of his daughter Zara Murphy.

Congratulations was extended to the recent Meath Steam Run in aid of Breast Cancer which

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raised over €60k.

### **4.0 Disposal of Land pursuant to the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001**

#### **4.1 Agreement in principle to disposal of lands by Section 183 Notice for Land Disposal at Salford Moynalty Co. Meath**

The members agreed in principle to the disposal on the proposal of **Councillor Sarah Reilly** and seconded by **Councillor Michael Gallagher**.

### **5.0 Statutory Business**

#### **5.1 Transportation**

##### **5.1.1 To receive a progress report on works undertaken /planned for Kells Municipal District.**

The members noted the report and commended the ongoing works. The members thanked Aaron for all the works and dedication over the past 10 years and wished him well in his new role. They welcomed Matthew Rafferty who is due to commence in the role as area engineer.

##### **5.1.2 To consider the Chief Executives Report on the Part 8 application PT8MH113 Greenway carpark and Kilberry to Greenway Footpath Link.**

David O'Reilly SEE, Active Travel presented the Part 8 application to the members where he advised that a 1.7km footpath will connect Kilberry village to the greenway at Gibbstown and with the provision of 19 carparking spaces. He advised that funding of €500k is being provided through the ORIS scheme with the TII providing the remaining amount.

Mr O'Reilly also advised on an upcoming Part 8 which will consist of 820m of footpath which will connect the Gyproc facility to the greenway at Poles Cross with associated carparking spaces. This will be presented at a later date.

The members raised the following queries:

- Was land acquired for the carpark or council owned.
- The full cost of the scheme.
- The criteria that will be used to assess the footfall from usage of the footpath.
- Commended the works being undertaken.

David O'Reilly responded to the issues raised.

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Cllr Sarah Reilly advised that following a motion from this MD to the Transportation SPC proposing a separate fund for footpaths, she suggested that officials from the Transportation section attend a scheduled MD meeting to discuss the separate fund and give updates accordingly.

### **5.2 Corporate Affairs & Governance**

#### **5.2.1 Appointment of one Councillor to the Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee (deferred from the Annual Meeting)**

**Councillor David Gilroy** proposed himself to the committee and this was seconded by **Councillor Sarah Reilly**.

As there were no other nominations **Councillor David Gilroy** was deemed appointed.

#### **5.2.2 To note the Municipal District Allocations submitted by Councillors on behalf of Kells Municipal District.**

These were noted.

### **6.0 Notice of Questions**

There were none.

### **7.0 Notice of Motions**

There were none.

### **8.0 Correspondence**

There was none.

### **9.0 Any Other Business**

The members raised issues regarding the traffic wardens in Kells where they have received complaints from businesses regarding deliveries to their premises. They requested the matter be reviewed.

The meeting concluded at 4.45pm

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