



# **Ordinary Meeting**

# **Ratoath Municipal District**

# 10.00 am, 10th July 2024, Dunshaughlin Civic Offices

Cathaoirleach, Councillor Nick Killian, presided.

Councillors Present: Brian Fitzgerald, Caroline O'Reilly, Gillian Toole, Fionnan Blake,

Councillors Present via Zoom: Councillor Maria Murphy & Gerry O'Connor

Absent/Apologies:

Officials in Attendance:

Director of Services: Dara McGowan

Executive Engineer: Philip Traynor

Meetings Administrator: Áine Bird

Assistant Staff Officer: Stephen Carey

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#### 1.1 Confirmation of Minutes

1.2 Confirmation of Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of 15th May 2024.

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on the 15<sup>th of</sup> May 2024 were confirmed on the proposal of **Councillor Brian Fitzgerald** and seconded by **Councillor Caroline O'Reilly**.

1.3 Confirmation of Minutes of the Annual Meeting of 27th June 2024

The minutes of the annual meeting held on the 27<sup>th of</sup> June 2024 were confirmed on the proposal of **Councillor Gillian Toole** and seconded by **Councillor Brian Fitzgerald**.

## 2.0 Matters arising from minutes

There were none.

## 3.0 Expressions of sympathy and congratulations

- The members requested a letter issue to Cian O'Connor, wishing him luck representing the Irish team in the show jumping category at the upcoming Olympics.
- Best wishes were also extended to Sarah Ennis, Batterstown who is on the Irish Eventing team competing in the Olympics.
- Good Luck wishes were extended to Ratoath Athletics club where two athletes will represent the Irish team at the European U18 Championships.





## 4.0 Statutory Business

## 4.1 Transportation

4.1.1 To receive a Progress Report on works undertaken/planned for Ratoath Municipal District.

The report circulated in advance was noted and the following raised:

- Thanked and commended the area engineer and outdoor crew for all the works undertaken.
- Requested Transportation to attend the September MD meeting to give an update on
  works to Mullagh junction due to the number of recent accidents and to Carton crossroads
  and asked if previous Part 8's can be delivered at these locations.
- Asked that google maps be contacted as it does not inform drivers on the R125 that they
  are approaching a main road at Mullagh junction.
- Sought an update on the Batterstown Traffic Calming project.
- Enquired when the 4 extra outdoor staff will be commencing.
- Enquired to the works being carried out in Maelduin, Foxlodge Manor and St Peters Park.
- Referred to road lining in Rathbeggan, needs updating, & Porterstown Lane overgrown.
- Is there any update on the Cabinhill safety scheme.

Responses were provided by Director Dara McGowan and the Area Engineer.

## 4.2 Planning

4.2.1 To consider the taking in charge of The Arches, Dunshaughlin and the making of a declaration that the roads within these developments shall be public roads in accordance with Section 11 Roads Act 1993 and the Planning & Development Acts 2000-2022. (Deferred from May Meeting)

Cllr Toole queried the boundary fence and the screening planted between estates.

John Sweeney, Building Control Officer advised that at the time of the inspection, he was satisfied that the estate had been constructed in accordance with the planning permission granted.

On the proposal of **Councillor Maria Murphy** and seconded by **Councillor Brian Fitzgerald**, the members agreed to the Taking in Charge. **Councillor Gillian Toole abstained**.

# 4.3 Corporate Affairs & Governance

4.3.1 To note the Municipal District Allocations submitted by Councillors on behalf of Ratoath Municipal District

The allocations were noted.



#### 5.0 Notice of Questions

## 5.1 Submitted by Councillor Maria Murphy

Please advise if dedicated caretaker hours are in place to maintain the new section of Rooske Burial Ground including the maintenance of the office block/public toilets.

#### Response:

The Council are currently looking at the caretaking arrangements for the Rooske Cemetery extension and for other cemeteries under our control and hope to have such arrangements in place as soon as possible

The response was noted.

## 6.0 Notice of Motions

There were none.

## 7.0 Correspondence

There was none.

## 8.0 Any Other Business

- The members thanked the outdoor crew for the works completed to date.
- Request a meeting to discuss the details following the public consultation on the Dunboyne cycle & pedestrian plan.
- Referred to RRDF funding for the Dunshaughlin courthouse and can any remaining funds be allocated to upgrading the junction into Supervalu.
- Request that Ratoath centre works be prioritised when the pedestrian & cycle scheme commences.
- Referred to the proposal for a bus stop in Ratoath which will cause conjestion.
- Requested a response regarding queries raised by the principal of Rathbeggan NS.

Responses to queries raised were provided by Director Dara McGowan.

The meeting concluded at 11.20pr	m	
Signed:		
Cathaoirleach		



