

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF TULLAMORE HELD AT 4.00PM ON 14th JANUARY 2021 VIA ZOOM

Present:

Cllr. D. Owens, (Cathaoirleach); Cllr. T. McCormack (Leas Cathaoirleach), Cllr. F. Moran; Cllr. D. Harvey; Cllr. N. Feighery; Cllr. K. Smollen; Cllr. S. O'Brien

In Attendance:

Mr. T. Shanahan, Director of Services; Mr. J. Connelly, Senior Executive Engineer; Ms B. Corbet, Meetings Administrator

Votes of Sympathy

Votes of sympathy were extended and condolences expressed, to the families of: Paul Merriman, Tullamore; Eileen Murray, Tullamore; Joe Campbell, Tullamore; Brendan Condron, Tullamore; Maura O'Toole, Tullamore; Carmel McEvoy, Tullamore; Joe Hume, Tullamore; Mary Gillick, Tullamore; Elizabeth Higgins, Tullamore; Dick Egan, Clara; Margaret O'Brien, Clara; Peter Nolan, Clara; Patrick Johnson, Clara; Peter Gregory Doolan, Clara; Patrick Johnson, Clara; John Joe Burke, Tullamore and all those in Tullamore MD who died since the last monthly meeting, on their recent bereavements.

1. Confirmation of Minutes

Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 10th December 2020 were approved on the proposal of Cllr. T. McCormack and seconded by Cllr. N. Feighery

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2. Roads Report

Mr. John Connelly presented the report as circulated to the members. The members welcomed the report raising a number of queries including; flooding at Charleville Rd; gritting; providing grit to private housing estates; footpath cleaning; modify the footpath at the Green, Clara to allow vehicular access; extending the footpath to the recently purchased Priests house in Clara; data from Speed counter in Blueball; footpath from Heather Grove, Clara; traffic calming and footpaths in Adams Villas; footpath on Church Rd; reduced outdoor staff in the Clara area.

In response Mr. J Connelly outlined flooding in Charleville View is under review; increasing salting routes would be referred to Roads, TMD will continue to respond to local issues outside of the main routes; providing grit may have insurance implications; a sweeping machine and power washer has been purchased for cleaning the paths; vehicular dishing will be carried out on the path at The Green; a temporary solution to the footpath at Heather Grove will be investigated; reduced manpower due to illness has effected in the manpower available, recruitment process underway.

3. Public Lighting Report

Mr. John Connelly presented the Public Lighting Report, as circulated, to the members. Mr. Connelly to draft a list for Public Lighting Scheme 2021 incorporating funding streams to maximise leverage and benefit.

4. Regeneration Projects

Mr. John Connelly updated the members on regeneration projects to date. The members expressed disappointment following the 2020 TVR announcement and the unsuccessful applications for Ballycumber and Killeigh. In addition the members request a letter be issued to the Dept requesting Ballycumber and Killeigh be added as an adhoc project. Mr. T. Shanahan advised as a standard procedure OCC would request feedback from the Dept and noted there was no issue with the quality of the applicaiton stating OCC received the second highest allocation in the Country.

AOB

- Traffic lights on Harbour Street and at Bank of Ireland
- Tree trimming
- Illegal encampment at Church Hill
- Bus stops and notice at bus shelter
- Correspondence regarding Fire Service Capital Programme and Clara Fire Station to be circulated to the members.

The meeting then concluded.

Signed: _____
Cathaoirleach

Meetings Administrator

Date: 11.02.2021