

**MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF TULLAMORE HELD AT 4.00PM ON  
THE 13<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2020 IN THE TOWN HALL, TULLAMORE**

**Present:**

Cllr. F. Moran, (Cathaoirleach); Cllr. D. Harvey; Cllr. N. Feighery; Cllr. S. O'Brien; Cllr. D. Owens; Cllr. K. Smollen

**Apologies:**

Cllr. T. McCormack

**In Attendance:**

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

**Votes of Sympathy**

Votes of sympathy were extended and condolences expressed, to the families of: Kathleen Duffy, Tullamore; Joe Walsh, Ballycumber; Margaret Burke, Tullamore; Fr. Sean McGeathy, Tullamore; Sarah Healion, Killeigh; Virginia Grogan, Tullamore; Anne Hynes, Clara; Peter Guinan, Ballycumber; Nancy Leonard, Rahan; Bernadette Bermingham, Tullamore; Tom O'Brien, Tullamore; Patrick Lynam, Tullamore; Rioghnaigh Barter, Tullamore; William Fox, Tullamore; Eileen Delaney, Blueball; Dolores Horkan, Tullamore; John Flanagan, Tullamore; William O'Shea, Tullamore; Mella Plunkett, Killeigh; and all those in Tullamore MD who died since the last monthly meeting, on their recent bereavements.

**1. Confirmation of Minutes:**

The following minutes were approved on the proposal of Cllr. N. Feighery and seconded by Cllr. D. Harvey:

- a. *Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2020*
- b. *Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2020*

**2. Housing Report**

Ms. M. Cleary, S.E.O., presented the Housing Report, as circulated to the members. The members thanked Ms. Cleary and her staff and welcomed progress on Clonminch/Chancery Lane and the Estate Landscaping fund of €60,000. Thereafter the members raised a number of issues incl.: accrual of funding for Silverdale, turnaround time for pre let repairs, engagement with public regarding vacant properties, condition of HAP properties, subletting of LA properties.

Ms. Cleary in response, stated funding for Silverdale could be accrued, a framework was recently complete over a three-month process for pre-let repairs which delayed pre-lets towards the end of 2019 and are now starting to see the benefits of the framework process, as a result of engagement with Mr. K. Waldron there was a small uptake on Repair and Lease Scheme/Buy and Renew Schemes, HAP properties in poor state of repair will be prioritised for inspections.

Cllr. S. O'Brien proposed writing to the Dept. seeking funding for Direct Build of 100 No. Local Authority properties, this proposal did not receive a second.

Ms. M. Cleary to seek clarification for plenary Council regarding Tenant Purchase of Part V properties.

### 3. Regeneration Projects

#### (a) *Tullamore Street Enhancement (ERDF/URDF)*

Mr. J. Connelly gave a brief update to the members on the good progress made since the last meeting. The members welcomed the report raising the following queries; location of contractor's vans/office, opening of bridge, finish on Upper Columcille St., importance of maintaining traffic flow, junction at Spar.

Mr. J. Connelly in response noted the Contractors vans/office will remain in place until works complete, bridge will be open next week, upper Columcille St will be paved to Durrrow Lane, traffic flow will be maintained in accordance with H&S, junction at Spar in line with Design Manual for Urban Roads & Streets (DMURS), as well as cars and other vehicles this encompasses pedestrians, cyclists, and those using public transport, it also includes people of all ages and abilities.

#### *Clara and Ballycumber (TRVS)*

Mr. B. Kelly advised the Clara project is complete and Ballycumber will be complete next week weather depending.

#### *Mountbolus*

Consultation process commencing.

### 4. Roads Programme

Mr. J. Connelly presented for consideration the Roads Programme for the Municipal District of Tullamore 2020, as circulated outlining an increase of 12% on various programmes. The members welcomed the report and commended Mr. J. Connelly on the value for money and good spread over all areas. Any further areas for consideration under CIS to be forwards to Mr. J. Connelly.

### 5. A.O.B.

None.

**The meeting then concluded.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cathaoirleach

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Meetings Administrator

Date: \_\_\_\_\_