

## **MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF TULLAMORE HELD AT 4.00PM ON 9<sup>th</sup> September 2021 VIA ZOOM**

### **Present:**

Cllr. T. McCormack (Cathaoirleach); Cllr. F. Moran (Leas Cathaoirleach); Cllr. D. Owens; 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; Mary Hussey, Senior Executive Engineer; Mark Maken-Finlay, Administrative Officer

### **1. Confirmation of Minutes**

Cllr. Smollen proposed the following amendment to the minutes of the Meeting of Tullamore Municipal District held on the 8<sup>th</sup> July 2021 as follows:

*Derelict Sites to state "a further report on derelict sites will be presented at the September meeting"*

Cllr. D. Harvey proposed the following minutes together with the amendment, seconded by Cllr N. Feighery:

- (a) *Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2021*
- (b) *Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2021*

### **2. Environment and Water Services Report**

Ms. Mary Hussey advised the members an ENCORE Conference will take place on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> September and encouraged members to attend.

Thereafter Ms. Hussey presented the Environment and Water Services report as circulated to the members. The members welcomed the report raising a number of queries including Northside Drainage review; sewage in Tyrrells Rd; cause of brown water in Park Ave; clean up on back lanes; weeds in town; mattress amnesty; budget for community groups with respect to cemetery's; planting of wetlands on Tullamore River Project; odours at Bolands Terrace; crumbling pipes in The Green, Clara.

Ms. Hussey responded to the issues raised, Mr. Tom Shanahan outlined there is capacity for waste water allowing a developer to provide collection infrastructure.

### **3. Roads Report**

Mr. John Connelly presented the Roads Report to the members. The members welcomed the report, raising a number of issues including footpaths and speed ramps in Adams Villas; footpath in Arden View and Whitehall Est; time line for pedestrian crossing in Spollenstown; timeline for Active Travel at school in Clara; road markings at Boher School; right of way markings, lighting and path at Railway View; LIS/CIR funding; fencing at Heather Grove; Clyne's Hill; dangerous hedging at Gorteen Bridge. Mr. J. Connelly responded to the issues raised and agreed to report back on any outstanding issues.

### **4. Regeneration**

Mr. John Connelly updated the members with respect to Regeneration projects. The High St to Tanyard link was welcomed by members. A discussion took place with respect to cycling on footpaths, legalisation is being considered for use of scooters. The application for the second phase of Ballycumber is ready and awaiting announcement of additional funding. The members congratulated all involved in the Fayre in the Square.

**5. Notices of Motion:**

**Cllr. S. O'Brien**

*"That Tullamore Municipal District Council considers that there is an urgent need for a Pedestrian Crossing in Kilbride St., located approximately across from Fox's shop"*

The motion was passed on the proposal of Cllr. Sean O'Brien and seconded by Cllr. Tony McCormack. Mr. John Connelly advised a holistic approach is required at the pedestrian crossing and will be explored when developing the Urban Greenway. In addition, the members advised the Clara Rd bridge is too steep, J. Connelly to investigate.

**6. AOB**

The members congratulated those involved in Tullamore being featured on a prestigious list of 20 Best Places to Live in Ireland and now is in with a chance of being crowned as the Best Place to Live.

**The meeting then concluded.**

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

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Meetings Administrator

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
14/10/2021