

Municipal District of Edenderry
Bardasach Dúiche Éadan Doire

MINUTES

Meeting: Main Committee
Location: Chamber, Town Hall, Edenderry

Time: 3:30pm **Wednesday, 13th March 2024**

Present:	Cathaoirleach Cllr. Noel Cribbin	Edenderry Municipal District
	Leas-Cathaoirleach Cllr. Mark Hackett	Edenderry Municipal District
	Cllr. Robert McDermott	Edenderry Municipal District
	Cllr. Liam Quinn	Edenderry Municipal District
	Cllr. Eddie Fitzpatrick	Edenderry Municipal District
	Cllr. John Foley	Edenderry Municipal District

Apologies:

In Attendance:	Andrew Murray (remotely)	A/District Director
	Joe Harte	District Engineer
	Enda Daly	Executive Engineer
	John Briody	Executive Engineer
	Louise Direen	District Administrator

In attendance for part of meeting:

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Confirmation of Minutes from the February Meeting

It was proposed by Cllr. Fitzpatrick and seconded by Cllr. McDermott that the minutes of the monthly meeting held on 14th February 2024 be adopted.

2. GMAs

Six applications were considered by the Members. Having been proposed by Cllr. Foley and seconded by Cllr. Mc Dermott the following details were accepted:

Application	Funding Requested	Reason for Funding	Funding given
North Offaly Community Development Network CLG	€750	Provision of Meals on Wheels, Friendly Call Service, Home Visits, Home & Garden Maintenance etc.	
Gemini Players Amateur Drama Group	€750	Funding towards the production of a Halloween pantomime	€750
Edenderry Community Garden (in assoc. with OLDC)	€3,750	Funding towards start-up and design concept for a community garden	€3,750
Ballinagar Burial Committee (in assoc. w/Ballinagar Development Group)	€750	Funding towards the general upkeep and maintenance of the graveyard	€750
Woodville Manor Residents Association	€750	Funding towards the general upkeep and maintenance of the estate	€750
Church View Residents Association Portarlinton	€750	Funding towards the general upkeep and maintenance of the estate	€750
Blundell Wood Residents Association	€1,200	Funding towards the general upkeep and maintenance of the estate and installation of an entrance sign to mark the estates 50 th anniversary	€1,200 This group was granted €750 at the February meeting but required the additional funding amount due to the cost of the sign. Proposed by Cllr. Quinn and seconded by Cllr. Foley

3. Regeneration/Project Updates

Andrew Murray, A/Director of Services informed the Members that we are still awaiting Department funding to come through for the Library/Arts Space development.

4. Area Issues/Updates/Roads Update

Executive Engineer Enda Daly presented the Roads Programme for 2024 to the Members stating that the grant allocation from the Department of Transport was received since our last meeting and noting a slight increase in funding for restoration improvement works. The 2024 Roads Programme was proposed by Cllr. McDermott and seconded by Cllr. Fitzpatrick.

Mr. Daly advised the Members that there are still availabilities for applications for the LIS scheme for the year.

Cllr. McDermott queried if a bus shelter could be installed at Dunne Stores. District Engineer Joe Harte to follow up with Active Travel in relation to this matter.

Cllr. McDermott requested that the bus markings on the road at School Lane need to be redone and if contact can be made with external contractors Killaree Lighting in relation to the vast amount of street lights not working throughout the town, and the possibility of them driving around the town at night time to note the extent of this problem.

Cllr. Cribbin queried the staffing issues within the District.

Cllr. Hackett noted that there are significant problems with road drainage in Daingean and the safety issues in relation to the junction at Scully's shop.

Cllr. Quinn requested that the engineers examine the junction at Ballyfore following a number of recent accidents.

All queries raised by the Members were addressed by Mr. Daly and District Engineer Joe Harte.

5. Notices of Motion

None at this time

6. Written Questions

None at this time

7. Correspondence

District Administrator Louise Direen confirmed that letters of sympathy were sent to the families of John Bruton and Ger Connolly as requested at the February meeting.

8. Any Other Business

Cllr. Quinn noted that the Derrygreenagh Power public consultation remains open until April 05th and encouraged people to have their say and make submissions.

Cllr. Cribbin stated that this is the biggest project to come to North Offaly in some time and will bring employment to the area.

Cllr. Cribbin wished Cllr. Fitzpatrick all the best on his upcoming visit to New York, and all the Members and staff a Happy St. Patrick's Day and weekend.

This concluded the business of the meeting. The next meeting is scheduled to take place on the 10th April 2024.

Signed: 
Cathaoirleach

Date: 10/4/24

