

Municipal District of Edenderry
Bardasach Dúiche Éadan Doire

MINUTES

Meeting:	Main Committee	Municipal District of Edenderry
Location:	Chamber, Town Hall, Edenderry	
Time:	3:30pm	Wednesday, 08th November 2023
Present:	Cathaoirleach Cllr. Noel Cribbin Leas-Cathaoirleach Cllr. Mark Hackett Cllr. John Foley Cllr. Robert McDermott Cllr. Liam Quinn Cllr. Eddie Fitzpatrick	Edenderry Municipal District Edenderry Municipal District Edenderry Municipal District Edenderry Municipal District Edenderry Municipal District Edenderry Municipal District
Apologies:		
In Attendance:	Sharon Kennedy Louise Direen Joe Harte Enda Daly John Briody Mark Mahon	District Director District Administrator District Engineer Executive Engineer Executive Engineer Senior Engineer, Climate Action/Env
In attendance for part of meeting:	Orla Martin Barry Lennon	Head of Local Enterprise Office Senior Engineer, Roads

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Confirmation of Minutes from the October Meeting

It was proposed by Cllr. Quinn and seconded by Cllr. Foley that the minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 11th October 2023 be adopted.



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2. Economic/Enterprise Update

Orla Martin, Head of Local Enterprise Office gave a presentation on the following areas:

- Enterprise and Economic Development
- Tourism
- Key Enterprise Objectives
- 2023 Enterprise Winners
- Key Initiatives
- Promoting Entrepreneurship
- Events and Collaborations
- Key Economic Objectives and Updates
- Rhode Renewable Hydrogen
- Co-Working Hubs
- Opportunities

The Elected Members thanked Ms. Martin, and all queries raised were addressed.

3. GMAs

Two applications were considered by the Members for the November meeting. Having been proposed by Cllr. Fitzpatrick and seconded by Cllr. McDermott the following details were accepted:

Application	Funding Requested	Reason for Funding	Funding given
Gemini Players Amateur Drama Group	€750	Funding towards administration and production costs	€750
Bracknagh Tidy Towns	€1,000	Funding towards administration and production costs	€750

4. Environment, Climate Action & Rural Water Update

Senior Engineer of Environment, Climate Action & Rural Water Mark Mahon gave an update to the Members in relation to the following:

- Local Authority Climate Action Plan
- Environmental Management
- Environmental Awareness

- Waste Management
- CCTV Update
- Burial Grounds
- Rural Water Programme
- Veterinary

All queries raised by the Members pertaining to this presentation were addressed by Mr. Mahon.

5. Regeneration/Project Updates

District Director Sharon Kennedy outlined that the Part 8 for the new library/arts space is currently underway. Statutory notices have been served with some levels of response received to date. The closing date for submissions is November 30th, the Elected Members will then receive communication from the Chief Executive re submissions received, responses etc.

6. Area Issues/Updates/Roads Update

Executive Engineer Enda Daly outlined the following relating to the roads programme and area updates:

- 2023 Roads Reconstruction Contracts Status
- Surface Dressing Works
- Road Recycling Works
- LIS Schemes
- CIR Schemes
- Bridge Restoration Works
- Safety Improvement Works 2023 – Dereen and Sranure, Cloneygowan and Walsh Island Village Traffic Calming
- Edenderry MD ORIS Scheme
- TVR Kilmalogue Portarlinton – commencing on September 18th
- R400 Bridge Culvert Replacement
- R400 Peat Pilot Scheme

The Elected Members raised a number of queries pertaining to the presentation and all were addressed by Mr. Daly. The Members also extended their good wishes to Bracknagh in the upcoming Pride of Place competition.

7. Notices of Motion

None at this time

8. Written Questions

None at this time

9. Correspondence

District Administrator Louise Direen noted that a mail from Bracknagh Heritage Society was received on October 23rd, thanking the MD for their help and support. This is following on from their success representing Offaly in Heritage Week, winning first place in the County Awards.

10. Any Other Business

Cllr. Foley announced that the Christmas lights will be switched on in the town on November 26th along with the arrival of Santa.

District Administrator Louise Direen presented suggestions for Christmas Parking arrangements in Edenderry for the run up to Christmas. Having been proposed by Cllr. Foley and seconded by Cllr. McDermott, a two-hour period of free parking throughout the town for the full month of December was approved, from Friday, December 01st to Sunday, December 24th incl.

Cllr. Cribbin extended his good wishes to District Director Sharon Kennedy who is soon to leave Offaly County Council. The Elected Members reiterated these sentiments, thanking her for her commitment, dedication efficiency and honesty over the past four years, stating they will be sorry to see her leave but wished her all the best for the future. Ms. Kennedy thanked the Members and District staff stating it had been a privilege to have been part of Edenderry Municipal District and Offaly County Council.

This concluded the business of the meeting. The next meeting is scheduled to take place on the 13th December 2023.

Signed:



Cathaoirleach

Date:

13/12/23