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, 14th September 2022

Present: Cathaoirleach Cllr. Robert McDermott Edenderry Municipal District

Cllr. Eddie Fitzpatrick Edenderry Municipal District
Cllr. John Foley Edenderry Municipal District
Cllr. Mark Hackett Edenderry Municipal District
Cllr. Liam Quinn Edenderry Municipal District

Apologies: Cllr. Noel Cribbin Edenderry Municipal District

InSharon KennedyDistrict DirectorAttendance:Mark MahonDistrict Engineer

Louise Direen District Administrator
John Briody Executive Engineer
Enda Daly Executive Engineer

John Cunningham Senior Engineer, Housing

Lourda Giles Administrative Officer, Housing

AGENDA ITEMS

Cllr. McDermott thanked everyone for attending and welcomed the members of the press, thanking them for their attendance. He extended his sympathies to Cllr. Quinn on the recent passing of his mother and to Chief Executive Anna Marie Delaney on the passing of her father. The Elected Members and District Staff associated themselves with this vote of sympathy. Cllr. Fitzpatrick congratulated Shane Lowry on his great win at the BMW PGA Championship last weekend.

Apologies from Cllr. Cribbin who was unable to attend.

1. Confirmation of Minutes from the July Meeting

It was proposed by Cllr. Quinn and seconded by Cllr. Foley that the minutes of the Main Committee Meeting held on 13th July 2022 be adopted.

2. Housing Update



Mr. John Cunningham, Senior Engineer, Housing gave a progress report on Housing section addressing the following:

- Local Authority Construction Projects
- Approved Housing Bodies Projects
- Voids/Pre-Let Repairs and Refurbishment
- Part V & Acquisitions
- Adaptation Works (LA Social Housing Stock)
- Housing Allocations
- Maintenance
- Energy Efficiency Retrofit Works

The Elected Members thanked Mr. Cunningham and raised a number of issues pertaining to his presentation. Replies were given by Mr. Cunningham and Ms. Lourda Giles. District Director Sharon Kennedy thanked John, Lourda, Monica and all the staff in Housing for all their hard work through Covid, for progressing with projects and achieving targets. Ms. Kennedy proceeded with a brief update on the Housing/Ukrainian refugee crisis and thanked all involved for their commitment and hard work.

3. GMA Applications

Two new applications were considered by the Members. Having been proposed by Cllr. Quinn and seconded by Cllr. Fitzpatrick, the following details were accepted:

Application	Funding	Reason for Funding	Funding given
	Requested		
Hillview Residents Association in assoc. with Rhode Parish Enterprise Assoc. Ltd.	€750	General upkeep and maintenance of the estates	€750
Rhode Pollinator and Biodiversity Initiative in assoc. with Rhode Parish Enterprise Assoc. Ltd.	€2,100	Identify sites within the area for a Biodiversity & Pollinator Initiative working in line with the National Pollinator Plan.	€1,200

District Administrator Louise Direen advised the Members that a current balance of approx. €14k remains in the GMA Fund for this year.

4. Regeneration/Project Updates



Tesco Site

District Director Sharon Kennedy informed the Members that the contract for the design team, has been signed recently with Sean Harrington Architects, for the purposes of the new library and arts space. Members will be provided with an opportunity to engage with the Architects during the design process. A press release will follow in the coming days.

Ms. Kennedy expressed her gratitude to County Librarian Eimear McGinn, District Engineer Mark Mahon and RRDF Administrative Officer Olwen Cooney, along with the Department and Elected Members for their support, while noting that this project has moved apace this year. Cllr. Foley thanked all involved stating the importance of focusing on the positives within society and that this is a good news story for the town.

Area Issues/Updates

Executive Engineer Enda Daly advised the members in relation to this year's CIR Proposals seeking a monetary contribution of €10k towards this scheme. This was proposed by Cllr. Cribbin and seconded by Cllr. McDermott.

Road Number/Road Name	Townland/ Description of Location i.e. from x to y	Department Allocation € Inc Vat	% Rate of Contribution Required ***	Local Contribution	Total Funding Including Community Contribution € Inc Vat
R423 Garryhinch Portarlington	Garryhinch Portarlington	€26,138.00	€2,613.80	10%	€28,751.80
R400-4 Rhode	R400-4 Rhode	€26,138.00	€2,613.80	10%	€28,751.80
R419-2 R419-2 Bracknagh Bracknagh		€25,000.00	€2,500.00	10%	€27,500.00
L-50213 -1 L-50213 -1 Cloneygowan		€25,000.00	€2,500.00	10%	€27,500.00
		€102,276.00	€10,227.60		€112,503.60

District Engineer Mark Mahon presented a progress report on the following:

2022 Surface Dressing Works



Works commenced on May 12th, with 25 of the 28 schemes now complete. The remainder of the works will be completed in tandem with the second round of LIS Schemes due to be carried out.

2022 Road Recycling Works

These works commenced on May 16th with some works still ongoing. Currently 20 of the 29 schemes are completed.

LIS Schemes

Works have been completed on 4 LIS Schemes within the District:

- Circular Road, Daingean 300m
- Cappyroe, Ballinagar 880m
- Bawnmore, Geashill 350m
- Clonmore, Edenderry 600m

3 additional schemes under the LIS programme are due for completion in the coming weeks at:

- Ballyduff, Geashill 640m
- Kilmalogue, Portarlington 650m
- Ballylennon, Daingean 160m

Mr. Mahon also gave an update on the 2022 CIR Schemes scheduled for the following locations:

- Bracknagh R-419-2 —Footpath Upgrade works along the R419 are now complete. These
 works have reinstated a safe walking link between the bus stop and the school. Bus
 Shelter to be provided in the coming months
- Cloneygowan L-50213-1— Provision of an additional 10 No parking spaces has been provided adjacent to the L-50213-1 to the rear of PlayPals playschool. The provision of the additional parking spaces will alleviate parking congestion in the area. This area will be surfaced in the coming weeks when contractors have availability.
- **Garryhinch R-423-2** 100m of new public footpath has been installed along the R-423-2 at Garryhinch, Portarlington. While only a relatively small project, the commencement of this work has commenced the future link between Garryhinch Cross and the Woodland Amenity area to the East of Garryhinch.
- Rhode R400-4 Public Footpath. Tenders have been sought and received for the construction of 150m of new public footpath from Rhode Bridge on the R400-4 heading North towards Rhode Village. As with the Garryhinch scheme, the commencement of this project will promote a continuation of a safe link between the Canal at Rhode Bridge to the Village.



TVRs

Kilmalogue, Portarlington – Designs for the removal of all overhead power and communication wires at Kilmalogue Village is being progressed, with fees paid to ESB networks and Eir. A meeting was held on site on Thursday September 8th with James Hennessey of The Paul Hogarth Company to scope out further design options in relation to this area. Installation of ducting and associated utilities infrastructure will be carried out later this year.

Blundell Park (Town & Village Renewal Project)

This project entails removing the overhead line within Blundell Park

Significant elements include:

- 1. Archaeological monitoring (complete)
- 2. Ducting within Greenwood Park (complete)
- 3. Ducting & chambers within Blundell Park (complete)
- 4. ESB Cabling works (to commence imminently)
- 5. ESB removal of overhead lines (to follow cabling works above)

Contractor ((Bretland) were on site 2 weeks ago and exposed the ESB duct ends 8 locations (5 poles, 2 substations & 1 Kiosk).

Process proving of the ducts runs completed last week and the results forwarded to the ESB for review. We are currently following up with the ESB to get the cables (approx. 1,400m of cable) pulled in and to get the Substation and Kiosk delivered to site to be made ready for the live connections.

Hare's Lane / R402 Junction upgrade & Overhead lines removal

Summary of works to date and planned works for the junction upgrade works at Hares Lane/Dublin Rd.

- Contract awarded to Bretland
- Works commenced on 8th August

Works Completed to date:

- Set up site compound in coursing club lands
- Site investigation works to located and access surface water network
- Installed ducting along Hares Lane for public lighting and to underground ESB cables



- Installed Sleeves along Hares Land and Dublin Road for public lighting.
- Installed Ducting along the Dublin Rd parallel to the Coursing club for public lighting and ESB overhead cables
- Commenced laying surface water pipe (in front of Lidl)
- Installed 2 mini pillars

Plan for the next month:

- Complete surface water pipe (with manholes) in front of Lidl and connect in existing road gullies
- Complete ESB ducting works, 3 Road crossings (2 on Dublin Rd, 1 on Hares Lane) and installed mini pillar
- Install base for ESB substation
- Install surface water pipe, manholes and gullies on the Dublin Rd, parallel to the coursing club
- Commence ducting for Traffic Lights (4 road crossings).
- Prepare substructure for the extra traffic lane, cycle track and footpath on the Dublin Rd

Edenderry Light Segregation Scheme

 Cycleway along R402 linking Grand Canal Greenway at George's Bridge into Edenderry (as far as Oaklands College)
 Project completed and opened on 15th July

Edenderry Inner Relief Road Phase 1

Project completed and opened on 15th July

Edenderry Inner Relief Road Phase 2

 Tender documentation submitted to the Department of Transport at end of June, awaiting permission to proceed to tender; we are hopeful that approval will be forthcoming in Q4 2022

Declaration of Public Road

 Public consultation on the taking in charge of a private road in Monasteroris closed on 29th August. It is anticipated that this will be brought to the member in the October Meeting for consideration under Section 11 of the Roads Act 1993 (as amended)



Fr. Paul Murphy Street / Fr. Kearns Street Junction

 Due to a concerns at the aforementioned junctions, it is planned to commence a Section 38 consultation in the coming month on junction tightening works. This is expected to include revised kerblines, new courtesy crossing, architectural paving, improve signage and related traffic calming measures

Part 8 – Proposed Cycleway/footway on south side of Dublin Road / R402

• The public consultation phase of the aforementioned Part 8 Planning process closed on 2nd September. The Roads Section will consider observations/submissions and prepare a draft CE Report in due course.

Clonbullogue Town & Village Renewal Project

- Project include footway across Figile River, public lighting and various public realm enhancements
- Outline Design prepared, including roads elements
- Awaiting lighting design, expected shortly
- Public realm finishes to be determined in Q4
- Planned to go to tender in Q4 2022

Just Transition – Feasibility Study on Exploring Data Centre Integration with Renewable Energy & Green Hydrogen

- Contract awarded to Siemens March 2022
- Phase 1 Technical Review completed May 2022
- Phase 2 Market Research completed July 2022
- Phase 3 Concept Model & Roadmap anticipated October 2022

Just Transition – Rhode Green Energy Park – Infrastructure Upgrade

- Contract for Engineering Service awarded to Nicholas O'Dwyer
- Surveys Works & detailed design currently underway
- Liaison on-going with various renewable energy projects permitted
- Infrastructure upgrade works anticipated in Q1 Q3 2023



The Elected Members raised a number of issues pertaining to the Road works in the District, which were addressed by Mr. Mahon. Cllr. Quinn raised the issue of the impact excessively dry summers are having on our roads over bog; public lighting funding; and works in Rhode Green Energy Park to date. Cllr. Fitzpatrick complimented the recycling works, CIRs and LISs being carried out and thanked Sharon Kennedy, Mark Mahon and Enda Daly for all their work.

5. Notices of Motion

None at this time

6. Written Questions

None at this time

7. Correspondence

District Administrator Louise Direen noted receipt of a letter from Eden Choral thanking the Elected Members for the support through the GMA Fund, enabling them to purchase new equipment for their group.

8. Any Other Business

Cllr. Hackett also addressed the issue of Taking in Charge of Clonmullen Hall, noting that funding is required in order to undertake a full survey. He stated that he intends to request that funds be allocated from the 2023 budget for this purpose. District Director Sharon Kennedy referred to the fact that this estate is in private ownership and that the matter of taking in charge is being addressed by the Planning Section.

Cllr. Hackett stated that the National Council for the Blind of Ireland (NCBI) had made contact with him in relation to accessibility issues in Daingean and requested that same be addressed. District Engineer Mark Mahon advised the Members in relation to this issue including correspondence issued from the District Office.

Cllr. Quinn raised the issue of burst water mains between Rhode and Ballybryan schools, suggesting that a letter be sent to Irish Water requesting replacement of this pipe and prioritise it for upgrade. Cllr. Quinn will liaise with District Administrator in relation to this matter.

Cllr. McDermott sought approval from the Elected Members for 4 feedback signs for Shean, Carrick Road and Francis Street and for these to be funded through the GMA. This was proposed by Cllr. Hackett and seconded by Cllr. Quinn.

Cllr. Foley questioned if a commencement date had been confirmed for a Traffic Warden for Edenderry and asked if anything can be done in relation to speed of trucks, notably in the Monasteroris area. District Director confirmed that a new Traffic Warden is being appointed from the end of September along with an additional outdoor member of staff.



Cllr.	McDermott concluded by acknowledging the success of the recent Edenderry Festival an	C
welc	comed the new Sergeant to the town.	

This concluded the business of the meeting. The next meeting is scheduled to take place on 12th October 2022.

Signed:	
	Cathaoirleach
Date:	