Minutes of Meeting of the Carlow Municipal District held in Town Hall, Carlow, on Thursday 16th July 2020, at 4.00 p.m.

Present: Councillor F. Browne, Mayor

Councillor A. Dalton
Councillor J. Cassin
Councillor K. Murnane
Councillor T. O'Neill
Councillor F. Phelan
Councillor A. Wallace

In Attendance: Mr. M. Rainey, Director of Service, Corporate Services, HR, Planning,

Health & Safety, Security & Economic Development

Mr. P. O'Gorman, Director of Service, Environment, Water &

Transportation

Mr. E. Brophy, Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Services

Mr. K. Cullinane Senior Engineer

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Confirmation of Minutes

The Minutes of Meeting held on Monday 15th June 2020 were

Proposed by Cllr. A. Dalton Seconded by Cllr. T. O'Neill

And agreed following a show of hands

The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Monday 15th June 2020 were

Proposed by Cllr. F. Phelan

Seconded by Cllr. T. O'Neill

And agreed following a show of hands

Consideration of Reports & Recommendations

Tullow Road Project Update

The Mayor introduced M. Brennan who advised a draft letting agreement was received yesterday and undergoing due diligence which is expected to be completed next week. He advised further consultation on the masterplan is now completed and will be advised to members. Next stage is to go to tender for consultants for detailed design to go to Part 8.

M. Brennan answered questions from members including the early entry of Dolmen Celtic to the lands and he advised the matter will be finalised by Friday week.

Standing Orders

E. Brophy advised of proposed changes to the Standing Orders. A discussion took place on the issue and E. Brophy answered questions from members.

The Draft Standing Orders were
Proposed by Cllr. F. Phelan
Seconded by Cllr. A. Dalton
And agreed following a show of hands

Notices of Motion

Standing in the name of Cllr. A. Wallace

"That this Council writes to the department of health to clarify whether medical card holders have to pay for blood tests, routine or otherwise, from the GPs. This council also asks the department how they can ensure GPs are not charging medical card holders for these tests and whether they will refund any patients who may have been wrongly charged."

Cllr. Wallace advised on the motion and the reason for same.

Proposed by Cllr. A. Wallace Seconded by Cllr. J. Cassin And agreed following a show of hands

Standing in the name of Cllr. J. Cassin

"This meeting calls on Carlow County Council to immediately respond to the increasing number of thefts and put CCTV in St Mary's Graveyard. These thefts are very upsetting for family members who are visiting their loved ones' graves."

Cllr. Cassin advised on motion and the reason for same.

Proposed by Cllr. J. Cassin Seconded by Cllr. A. Wallace

It was agreed to refer the matter back to the Environment Department to see if mobile patrols could be carried out in the cemetery and erect warning signs not to leave valuables in the Cemetery. Motion deferred at request of proposer.

Any Other Business

The Mayor proposed holding a joint meeting with the Graiguecullen/Portarlington area. It was agreed to request same for September.

M. Rainey, K. Holohan and E. Brophy answered questions on Tullow Street, anti-social behaviour at Town Park, derelict sites at Montgomery Street, funding for road markings intown, licence for street furniture, lights at footpath near Merck Sharpe & Dohme plant, lifebuoys at Barrow Track, closures of Lanigans Lock, Pedestrian entrance at Sandhills/Brownshill Wood.

This concluded the business of the meeting.