### Municipal District of Muinebheag

## Adopted Minutes of the Municipal District of Muinebheag held on Wednesday 11 September 2019 at 4.00 pm in the Meeting Room, McGrath Memorial Hall, Muinebheag

**Members present:** Cllr Michael Doran, Cllr Andy Gladney, Cllr Arthur McDonald,

Cllr William Quinn & Cllr Tommy Kinsella (Cathaoirleach).

In Attendance: Dan McInerney, Director of Services, Jerry Crowley, Senior

Engineer, Fiona O'Neill, A/Director of Services, Josephine Kavanagh, Senior Executive Officer, Wesley Keogh, Executive

Planner, Michael Brennan A/Director of Services,

Maria Ahearne, Meeting Administrator, S/Staff Officer.

### 1. Confirmation of Minutes of Municipal District of Muinebheag on 4 July 2019

Resolved on the proposal of Cllr Quinn seconded by Cllr McDonald that the minutes for the meeting of the Municipal District of Muinebheag on 4 July 2019 be confirmed and taken as read.

# 2. Business prescribed by Statute, Standing Orders or Resolutions of the Municipal District Members

- (a) Resolved on the proposal of Cllr Quinn seconded by Cllr McDonald that the draft Standing Orders of Municipal District of Muinebheag be adopted taking note that bi-monthly meetings to be held on the first Wednesday of each month at 4.00pm, effective from November 2019.
- (b) All members agreed that the meetings for the Municipal District of Muinebheag for 2019/2020 are bi-monthly, effective from November 2019 on the first Wednesday of each month at 4.00pm, noting that the budget plan meeting will be held in October.
- (c) The members agreed Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019 3.00pm as the date to consider the draft Municipal District of Muinebheag Budget Plan 2020.

#### 3. Consideration of Reports and Recommendations

(a) Ms O'Neill circulated report regarding the review of County Development Plan 2015-2021/Small Town Plans which was noted by the members. The members expressed concern regarding the zoning and the lack of development on prominent

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- sites and some specific access concerns to a landlocked carpark at a football club. Mr Keogh & Ms O'Neill addressed queries raised. Mr McInerney advised that if the football club feel they have a legal right of way that this should be registered.
- (b) Mr Crowley circulated the Municipal District Engineers Service Plan Report which was noted by the members and addressed queries the members raised.
- (c) Cllr Doran asked that the members attend an upcoming Rural Transport meeting regarding the New Ross Carlow Route on the 25<sup>th</sup> of September. Cllr Quinn asked for clarification regarding the timeframe for hedgecutting and asked that a letter issue to Cóillte to establish what the annual hedge cutting protocol for the Municipal District of Muinebeag.

Mr Crowley circulated a report on the extinguishment of a Right of Way – Access Lane/Road from St Brigid's Crescent to Soldiers Cottages (Kilree Cottages). The members had a lengthy discussion and all members agreed that Mr Crowley would look at various engineering solutions to resolve and report back to the members.

Councillor Kinsella left the meeting and Cllr McDonald took up the position of the Cathaoirleach for the remainder of the meeting.

- (d) Housing (i) Mr Brennan circulated the Housing Progress Report which was noted by the members and addressed queries the members raised.
  - (ii) Update Part 8 Article 81 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended), the Planning and Development Acts, 2000 (as amended) and Section 138 of the Local Government Act, 2001 (as amended)
    - All members agreed following an update from Mr Brennan that the part 8 Rural Dwelling Spahill, Borris, Carlow could proceed to the full council agenda for the October meeting.
  - (iii) All members agreed that the naming of the housing development at Pound Lane, Borris to be 'Railway Avenue'.
- (e) Mr Brennan circulated the Community CLÁR 2019 Funding Report which was noted by the members.
- (f) All members agreed that Water Services be invited to hold the Irish Water Clinic, in committee, on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at 2.00pm
- 4. Cllr McDonald opened the floor to wish Mr Dan McInerney, Director of Services the very best on his upcoming retirement having worked in Carlow since January 1985 on the Leighlinbridge by-pass. All Councillors spoke very highly of Mr McInerney and to how approachable, friendly and efficient he was in getting the work done. The members commended his work as engineer and wished him the very best in the future. Mr Brennan added that Dan was always helpful and courteous and wished

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him every happiness. Mr Crowley thanked Dan for all his advice and encouragement over the years. Mr McInerney thanked the officials and members for their kind words adding that he is looking forward to spending some time down in Borris, having a soft spot for this part of the county.

Т	his concluded the busine	ess of the meeting	
Signed:	Cathaoirleach	Date:	
Signed:	Meetings Administrate		