Minutes of Meeting of the Carlow Municipal District held in the Town Hall Chamber, Carlow, on Thursday 15th June, at 4.00 p.m.

Present: Councillor F. Phelan (Mayor)

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

In Attendance: Mr. B. O'Donovan, Senior Executive Officer, Housing

Mr. B. Knowles, Senior Executive Engineer

Mr. E. Brophy, Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Affairs Ms. L. O'Callaghan, Administration Officer, Corporate Affairs Ms. A. Connolly, Assistant Staff Officer, Corporate Affairs

Ms. S. Corrigan, Staff Officer, Corporate Affairs Mr. J. Woods, A/Administrative Officer, Community

Apologies: Mr. K. Cullinane, A/Director of Services, Planning, Economic

Development & Corporate Services

Mayor F. Phelan welcomed all to the June meeting of Carlow Municipal District.

1.0 Confirmation of Minutes

1.1 Minutes of Meeting held on Thursday 25th May 2023 at 4.00 p.m.

The Minutes of Carlow Municipal District meeting held on Thursday 25th May 2023 at 4.00 p.m. were

Proposed by Councillor F. Browne Seconded by Councillor A. Dalton

And agreed following a show of hands

2.0 Welcome to Tempe Students

Mayor F. Phelan welcomed exchange students from Tempe, Arizona and presentations were made by the Mayor Cllr. F. Phelan to students Lia Taylor and Maya Settles.

3.0 Business Prescribed by Statute, Standing Orders or Resolutions of the Municipal District Members

4.0 Consideration of Reports & Recommendations

3.1 Update on Barrack Street Houses

Mr. B. O'Donovan, Senior Executive Officer, updated members on progress on the Barrack Street housing project advising that the part VIII process has now been completed, funding approved and awaiting stage 3 approval. Tender due to be issued early next week and it is hoped that contractors will be on site end of quarter 3 for preliminary works contract.

3.2 Carlow MD Housing Update

Mr. B. O'Donovan presented the members with a detailed Housing Progress report and answered all questions raised by the members.

3.3 Carlow MD Engineers Report

Mr. B. Knowles, Senior Engineer, presented the members with a report on ongoing projects and future projects for the district and answered all questions raised. The members raised a number of issues, including:

- Road surface at Kennedy Avenue
- Ducketts Grove update on overflow carpark, trimming of hedges along approach roads, grassy areas for sitting to be mowed, update on health and safety report
- Cycle lanes can roadsweeper include on rounds
- Woodgrove Playground cleanup

5.0 Correspondence

Members noted correspondence from the Minister for Transport regarding public transport fares and free transport for students.

6.0 Notices of Motion

6.1 Standing in the name of Councillor Adrienne Wallace

"This MD will write to the Department of Health and the HSE to request they examine the possibility of providing an Injury Unit for Carlow to serve our growing population."

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

And agreed following a show of hands

6.2 Standing in the name of Councillor John Cassin

"John Cassin calls on Carlow Municipal District to use the plaza outside the Town Hall to host monthly events for example: concerts, musicals, comedy shows, family shows. The atmosphere that it could create in Carlow Town similar to the Carlow hurling team home coming would be a huge economic benefit to businesses and Carlow people and further afield".

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

7.0 Any Other Business

Members raised several queries including:

- The upkeep and maintenance of Mr. Price carpark
- The emptying of dog litter bins in Pollerton area
- Croppy Grave an annual event to commemorate the hundreds killed in 1798
- Sightlines at junctions in Tinryland area
- Living roof for bus shelters
- FCA Hall and Famine Graveyard cleaning and grasscutting

This concluded the business of the meeting.