Minutes of Meeting of the Carlow Municipal District held in the Town Hall Chamber, Carlow, on Thursday 25th May, at 4.30 p.m.

Present: Councillor F. Phelan (Mayor) (Remote)

Councillor T. O'Neill Councillor A. Dalton

Councillor J. Cassin (Remote)

Councillor K. Murnane

Councillor F. Browne (Remote)

Councillor A. Wallace

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

Development & Corporate Services

Mr. B. Knowles, Senior Executive Engineer

Ms. O. Barrett, Senior Engineer

Mr. E. Brophy, Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Affairs Ms. A. Connolly, Assistant Staff Officer, Corporate Affairs

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

1.0 Confirmation of Minutes

1.1 Minutes of Meeting held on Thursday 27th April 2023 at 4.30 p.m.

The Minutes of Carlow Municipal District meeting held on Thursday 27th April 2023 at 4.30 p.m. were

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

And agreed following a show of hands

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

2.1 Agree Time and Date of Carlow Municipal District Annual General Meeting

It was agreed that Carlow Municipal District will hold their Annual General Meeting on Thursday 15th June 2023 at 4.30 p.m. after the monthly Municipal District meeting at 4.00 p.m.

3.0 Consideration of Reports & Recommendations

3.1 Carlow Municipal District Engineers Report

Mr. B. Knowles briefed members on ongoing works and projects within the district and answered all queries raised by the members including:

- Footpath works on the Hacketstown Road
- Overflow carpark at Ducketts Grove
- Disabled parking spaces at Oak Park
- Waterways Ireland
- Signage at Hanover Park
- Clean up of Bank of Ireland building
- Pedestrian crossing at Four Lakes Retail Park

3.2 Update on Provision of Drinking Water Fountains

Ms. O. Barrett, Senior Engineer, updated members on the installation of drinking water fountains. She advised that Uisce Eireann have agreed to the installation of drinking water fountains in Carlow Town Bus Park, Hanover and one in each Municipal District. A tender is currently being prepared for the units which will be solar powered.

3.3 Pilot eBike Scheme for Carlow Town

Ms. O. Barrett, Senior Engineer, presented the members with a report on the pilot eBike Scheme and advised that expressions of interest are currently being sought for this scheme which is due to be launched midsummer and will run for one year. All queries raised by the members were answered.

Members thanked Ms. Barrett and staff for progressing both schemes.

3.4 Update on Croí Cónaithe

Mr. K. Cullinane, A/Director of Services, updated members on the Croí Cónaithe scheme and answered all queries raised by members.

4.0 Notices of Motion

4.1 Standing in the name of Councillor Adrienne Wallace

"This Municipal District will identify land parcel(s) suitable for use for community garden projects".

Proposed by Councillor A. Wallace

As there was no seconder, the motion did not proceed

5.0 Correspondence

Noted

6.0 Any Other Business

Members extended their best wishes to Pierce Kavanagh, Local Enterprise Office, on his move to Mayo County Council and thanked him for his assistance over the last number of years.

A number of issues were also raised, including:

- Increasing patrols, life buoys and signage along the river Barrow
- Anniversary of the end of the Civil War pivotal role played by Carlow Town Hall to be investigated
- Twinning Committee meetings
- Water Safety Ireland to assess Millford area for swimming

This concluded the business of the meeting.

