

**Minutes of Meeting of the Carlow Municipal District
held in the Town Hall Chamber, Carlow, on
Thursday 27th March 2025, at 4.00 p.m.**

Present: Councillor F. Phelan (Mayor)
Councillor A. Dalton
Councillor F. Browne
Councillor P. Doogue
Councillor K. Murnane
Councillor J. Cassin
Councillor A. Wallace (Remote)

In Attendance: Mr. K. Cullinane, A/Director of Services, Planning, Economic Development, Regeneration & Corporate Services
Mr. P. O’Gorman, Director of Services, Transportation, Environment and Climate Action, Capital Projects, Building Control & Emergency Services
Mr. C. Moriarty, Senior Executive Architect
Mr. A. Griffin, Urban Agency Design Team
Mr. N. Carroll, A/Senior Executive Engineer, Housing
Ms. F. Byrne, Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Services
Mr. P. Lewis, Executive Engineer
Mr. B. Knowles, Senior Executive Officer, Community
Ms. D. Humphries, Assistant Staff Officer, Community
Ms. M. Griffin, Administrative Officer, Corporate Services
Ms. A. Connolly, Assistant Staff Officer, Corporate Services

Mayor F. Phelan welcomed all and opened the March meeting of Carlow Municipal District.

1.0 Confirmation of Minutes

1.1 Minutes of Meeting held on Thursday 27th February 2025 at 4.00 p.m.

The Minutes of Carlow Municipal District meeting held on Thursday 27th February 2025 at 4.00 p.m. were

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

And agreed following a show of hands

2.0 Business Prescribed by Statute, Standing Orders or Resolutions of the Municipal District Members for Transaction at such meeting

2.1 To Consider Part VIII Development Cúlán Éanna, Graiguecullen, Carlow.

Mr. N. Carroll, A/Senior Executive Engineer, presented members with a report on a Part VIII housing development in Cúlán Éanna consisting of four housing units. Members welcomed this project and noted the need for age friendly units in Carlow town. Approval sought to proceed to Part VIII was

Proposed by Councillor A. Dalton
Seconded by Councillor K. Murnane

And agreed following a show of hands

3.0 Consideration of Reports & Recommendation

3.1 Environmental & Tidy Towns Grant Scheme 2025

Mr. B. Knowles, Senior Executive Officer, presented members with a schedule of Environmental & Tidy Towns grants for approval. The scheme was

Proposed by Councillor F. Browne
Seconded by Councillor K. Murnane

And agreed following a show of hands

3.2 Draft Annual Service Plan 2025 Carlow Municipal District

Mr. P. Lewis, Executive Engineer, presented a report on the programme of works for 2025, to include Restoration, Drainage, Discretionary works, Local Improvement Schemes and Bridge Repairs in the Carlow District. Mr. Lewis answered all queries raised which included:

- Possibility of a pedestrian crossing at Browneshill
- Road at Enterprise House needs finishing
- Traffic calming measures on Pollerton Road

- Riverside Estate/Penneys – kerbing and lip on entrance too high
- Footpath works at Maple Court
- Pedestrian crossing on Paddocks for vulnerable road users

3.3 Carlow Municipal District Engineer's Report

Mr. P. Lewis, Executive Engineer, presented the members with a detailed engineers report and answered all queries raised.

3.4 Carlow Town URDF Project Update

Mr. P. O’Gorman, Director of Services, updated members on the Carlow Town URDF project. Following public consultation, there were nine submissions received raising observations which Mr. C. Moriarty, Senior Executive Architect, read out. Mr. O’Gorman advised the CE report will be presented to the members at the May council meeting and once approved he will update with timeframes. He answered all queries raised by members.

3.5 Carlow Southern Relief Road & L-4058 Update

Mr. P. O’Gorman, Director of Services, briefed members on progress on the Carlow Southern Relief Road and the L4058. He advised that ROD/AECOM Ireland Alliance were appointed as technical consultants for the planning and design phases in January 2025 and outlined the schedule of works for both projects. The Director answered all questions raised by members.

3.6 Public Water Font Update

Mr. P. O’Gorman, Director of Services, advised the meeting of the proposed installation of a water font in Carlow Town Bus Park. This project was funded through Climate Action. Members welcomed this initiative and thanked Mr. O’Gorman and team for delivering.

4.0 Correspondence

None

5.0 Notices of Motion

None

6.0 Any Other Business

The Mayor introduced senior students from local schools who had participated in the Community Roots Programme and presented them with a certificate for their endeavours.

Members congratulated the St. Patricks Day Parade Committee on a very successful Parade this year and thanked Carlow County Council and staff for their support. They also praised Rebecca Cole for her appearance on RTE to mark World Down Syndrome Day.

The members raised concern over the following issues:

- Anti-social behaviour at Oakley Park
- Update on Castleoaks and Roseberry estates not taken in charge
- Update from NTA on review of bus stops
- Re-instating of cats eyes on Dublin and Kilkenny Roads
- Lighting up of town on World Autism Day 2nd April 2025

There being no other business the Mayor concluded the meeting.