

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Municipal District of Tullow  
held in Teach Bhríde, Tullow, Co. Carlow,  
on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 at 5 pm.**

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**Present:** Cllr. Brian O'Donoghue, Chairperson  
Cllr. Charlie Murphy  
Cllr. Ben Ward  
Cllr. John Pender  
Cllr. Jim Deane  
Cllr. William Paton

**In Attendance:** Barry Knowles, Senior Executive Officer  
Pat Harrington, Senior Executive Engineer  
Tadhg Madden, A/Senior Executive Officer  
John Shortall, County Librarian  
Hilda Minchin, A/Administrative Officer

**Apologies:** Michael Brennan, Director of Services

The Chairperson welcomed everybody to the meeting.

**1. Confirmation of Draft Minutes**

**1.1 Confirmation of Minutes of the Municipal District Meeting of Tullow held on 17<sup>th</sup> April, 2025**

The Minutes were taken as read and as there were no matters arising, the minutes were:

**Proposed by:** Cllr. Ben Ward

**Seconded by:** Cllr. William Paton

**AND following a show of hands RESOLVED** that the minutes be adopted.

**2. Business Prescribed by Statue, Standing Orders or Resolution of the Municipal District Members.**

None.

**3. Consideration of Reports and Recommendations**

**3.1 Area Engineer's Report**

Mr. Pat Harrington, Senior Executive Engineer informed the Members of works carried out in Tullow Town including new seating and litter bins. The Members welcomed the works and congratulated Mr. Harrington and his team.

The following was also discussed:

- A soaker for Rathvilly.
- An extra tap for the graveyard in Tullow
- Cuanahowan, Rathoe Road, Tullow – the developer has torn up the grass and there are dead trees.
- The hump in the road at Ballintemple
- Bins in Hacketstown and for the graveyard in Tinryland.

### **3.2 Housing Progress Report**

Mr. Tadhg Madden, A/Senior Executive Engineer presented a Housing Report to the Members.

The Members thanked Mr, Madden for his report. The following was also discussed:

- It was confirmed that the SUDS work at Fr. Flood will be maintained and the green areas will be revisited.
- Mr. Madden advised that there was a Part 8 previously for the entrance to Fr. Flood but he will liaise with the Area Engineer on this.
- Slaney House residents are all very happy and was an excellent project.
- Affordable housing for Tullow – Expressions of Interest will be sought from developers for Tullow.
- Refurbishment project in Hacketstown and possible development to the rear is under consideration by a technical team.
- Notices to Quit are a huge issue for tenants currently.
- A new Housing Hub has opened on the Staplestown Road in Carlow Town.

### **3.3 My Open Library**

Mr. John Shortall, County Librarian gave a presentation to the Members on My Open Library which was launched at Tullow Library extending the access by the public to 98 hours per week between 8am and 10pm daily. Online access to books, magazines and courses were discussed and access to a central academic library for students and members of the public which Mr. Shortall will raise with the Library Association of Ireland.

### **4.0 Notices of Motion**

There were no Notices of Motion.

### **5.0 Correspondence**

There was no correspondence.

## 6.0 Any Other Business

It was proposed that the Members would meet representatives from Kilbride at 4pm on 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2025.

**Proposed by:** Cllr. Brian O'Donoghue

**Seconded by:** Cllr. Charlie Murphy

**AND following a show of hands RESOLVED** that a meeting be held on 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2025 with representatives of the Kilbride community.”

The Members were informed that the third round of the Street Scape Paints Scheme was now open for applications

It was proposed that the Annual General Meeting would take place on 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2025.

**Proposed by:** Cllr. Ben Ward

**Seconded by:** Cllr. William Paton

**AND following a show of hands RESOLVED** that the Annual General Meeting be held on 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2025.”

**This concluded the business of the meeting.**