

MINUTES

COMERAGH DISTRICT MEETING

DÚICHE AN CHUMARAIGH

**HELD ON 28th NOVEMBER, 2016 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC OFFICES,
DUNGARVAN**

PRESENT:

Cllr. John O'Leary Cathaoirleach
Cllr. Liam Brazil
Cllr. Ray Murphy
Cllr. Michael J. O' Ryan
Cllr. Seanie Power
Cllr. Declan Clune

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. F. Galvin, Director of Services
Mr. E. Lonergan, SEE, Roads, Water & Environment
Mr. J. O'Mahony, Senior Planner
Mr. R. Walsh, Senior Executive Officer, Economic Development
Ms. S. Breathnach, Administrative Officer, Housing
Mr. E. Ruane, Meetings Administrator

VOTES OF SYMPATHY:

It was unanimously resolved that this Council extends its sympathy to the family of the late:

Billy McCarthy

VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS:

Nire GAA Club on winning the County final and Munster performance
Portlaw Intermediate Football Team on winning the County final
Portlaw Pride of Place Task Force
Ballyduff Lower GAA on winning the Junior Hurling County final

1.CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Minutes of district meeting held on 24th October, 2016 were proposed by Cllr. Brazil and seconded by Cllr. Murphy and agreed.
Minutes of General Municipal Allocation Budget meeting held on 24th October, 2016 were proposed by Cllr. Brazil and seconded by Cllr. Murphy and agreed.

2. Matters Arising

None

3. Planning

Planning lists noted.

4. Reports

(a) Planning

Report noted.

(b) Roads

Cllr. Clune asked about public realm plans, for an update on pedestrian crossing at Leamybrien and signage at woods in Portlaw regarding cyclists.

Cllr. Murphy asked about the wall at St. Pats Church in Portlaw, signage at school, update from TII on Carrick Road roundabout at Kilmeaden and potholes at Grenan Boreen, Carrolls Cross.

Cllr. O' Ryan requested an update on Knocknamullagh Bridge, asked about channels at side of Drumgoory Road and referred to problems with crossings at Clonmel/Youghal Road. He also asked about signage on the Greenway for Comeraghs at Ballyvoile.

Cllr. Power said that a barrier was needed at Boola Bridge embankment, referred to Gortnavoe piping and asked for an update on Clonea/Deerpark lighting.

Cllr. Brazil Gortavickery and signage for Samaritans. He also welcomed the TII meeting.

Cathaoirleach welcomed meeting with TII and the number of issues to be raised.

E. Lonergan, SEE replied that public realm is ongoing, that funding has been sought from TII for pedestrian crossing at Leamybrien and he will look at issues in Portlaw. He said that Grenan Boreen is a private road not the Councils responsibility, he will talk to the PP regarding church at Portlaw and that traffic at Carrick Road roundabout has not been identified as an issue by the Management Company. He said that in relation to Knocknamullagh that the contractor is having problems with vandalism to equipment on site and he is satisfied that they are doing their best. He also said that a contractor has been appointed, he will look at Boola Bridge and that Airtricity have street lighting at Clonea Power on their work programme.

F. Galvin, DOS said he will have a look at Samaritans request and that a contractor has been appointed for Gortnavickery and will begin works after Christmas.

Cathaoirleach said that the Local Improvement Schemes should be revisited and funded.

Cllr. Murphy asked if some assistance/advice could be given to residents on private roads.

Cllr. Clune said that he was disappointed that he was not included for the TII meeting.

(c) Housing

Cllr. Clune asked about plans for Comeragh District.

Cllr. Brazil requested an update on Choice Based Letting.

Cllr. O' Ryan asked about housing adaptation grant applications for the district and said that the number seemed small.

Cathaoirleach asked for the turnaround time for vacancies in Portlaw.

S. Breathnach, AO said that the leasing initiative should increase supply, that Choice Based Letting is going well and she will revert on the adaptation grants applications. She said that turnaround time is normally 21-22 weeks and the house in Portlaw was offered before repairs were complete and some suggested restrictions on offers should be considered.

(d) Environment

Cllr. Clune asked for an update on water supply at Clonea Power and asked who is responsible for playground at Kilmeaden.

Cllr. Brazil asked what can be done about dog fouling in Stradbally.

Cllr. O' Ryan asked about the bring centre at Ballymacarbery.

F. Galvin, DOS replied that he will talk to Irish Water and revert on water supply at Clonea Power, that playgrounds are Councils responsibility, he will investigate dog fouling at Stradbally and put up some signage and he acknowledged the communities involvement in the bring centre at Ballymacarbery.

(e) Economic Development

Cllr. O' Ryan asked about promoting the Greenway including some service facilities for repairing cycles.

Cllr. Clune asked about Town & Village renewal scheme and that areas should be ready for next round of funding.

Cathaoirleach requested an update on Town and Village Scheme.

R. Walsh, SEO replied that general signage is roads responsibility and that Fáilte Ireland will announce a new scheme for small capital projects. He also said that signage won't be in place until the entire Greenway is open in full and that service facilities should come from the private sector. He said that the Town and Village Scheme is going well.

5. Fix Date of December District Meeting

Cllr. Brazil proposed that the December District meeting be deferred unless an emergency situation arises, Cllr. Power seconded and agreed.

Cllr. O' Ryan asked for emergency services to be maintained.

6. Correspondence

Noted.

7. Notices of Motion

None.

8. AOB

Cllr. Power asked that everybody keep an eye on the elderly and the Cathaoirleach wished everyone a holy and happy Christmas.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed: _____
Cathaoirleach

Dated: _____