

## **MINUTES**

### **DÚICHE DHÚN GARBHÁN / LIOS MHÓR DUNGARVAN AND LISMORE DISTRICT MEETING**

**HELD ON 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2016 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC OFFICES, DUNGARVAN**

#### **PRESENT:**

Cllr. Tom Cronin Cathaoirleach
Cllr. Declan Doocey
Cllr. Damien Geoghegan
Cllr. Pat Nugent
Cllr. Seamus O'Donnell
Cllr. James Tobin
Cllr. Siobhán Whelan

#### **APOLOGIES:**

Cllr. John Pratt

#### **OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Mr. I. Grimes, Director of Services, Housing  
 Mr. R. Mannix, Senior Engineer, Roads HR & Emergency Services  
 Mr. J. O'Mahony, Senior Planner, Economic Development & Planning  
 Mr. R. Moloney, Senior Executive Officer, Environment  
 Mr. H. Moloney, Community Support Officer  
 Mr. J. Leonard, Executive Engineer, Roads HR & Emergency Services  
 Mr. E. Ruane, Senior Executive Officer, Meetings Administrator

#### **VOTES OF SYMPATHY**

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

David Michael O' Riordan  
 Willie Rossiter  
 Joyce Coady  
 Mattie Prendergast  
 Clodagh Cummins

#### **Votes of Congratulations:**

Moe Dunford on winning an IFTA and Best Actor in the European Independent Film Festival 2016.

#### **1.CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Minutes of meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> February, 2016 were proposed by Cllr. Doocey, seconded by Cllr. Whelan and agreed.

## **2.MATTERS ARISING**

Cllr. Whelan requested an update on Grattan Square and Crystal Factory site.

R. Mannix, SE gave an update on Grattan Square. Cllr. O' Donnell expressed concern and Cllr. Geoghegan gave background of funding and impact on the traders. Work will be completed in August.

Cllr. Doocey requested an update on milestones and lights in Aglish. J. Leonard, EE will examine and revert.

Cllr. Tobin asked that the cost of removal of caravans be provided for the next meeting.

I. Grimes, DOS said that there are 19 vacant houses in the Dungarvan/Lismore district. Cllr. Geoghegan expressed concern about the time taken to refurbish the properties for re-letting.

## **3.PLANNING**

### **(a) Planning Lists**

Noted

Cllr. Tobin commented on the development contributions letter sent and the charges due and Cllr. Doocey concurred. Cllr. O' Donnell said that the charges are too high. Cllr. Whelan asked about the monitoring of turbines materials.

J. O' Mahony, SP replied that he has requested the report and that the raw data is with the compiler of the report.

## **4. PROGRESS REPORTS**

### **(a) Planning**

Report noted.

### **(b) Roads/Infrastructure**

The Cathaoirleach expressed concern about the ½ hour free parking and said it needs to be looked at.

Cllr. Doocey asked when will the Clogheen/Lismore Road open. J. Leonard, EE stated that it will be open in 2 to 3 weeks.

Cllr. Nugent asked about securing high embankments on the Greenway and the safety concerns of same.

Cllr. Tobin welcomed the jetpatcher schedule and hoped it would be adhered to and asked what is the process for installation of ramps.

Cllr. O' Donnell asked about Cois Cam Cross.

J. Leonard, EE replied that a feasibility report has been sent to TII and will refer the embankment issue to the appropriate area.

I. Grimes, DOS said that the Greenway is not open and urged caution when using the facility.

### **(c) Housing**

Cllr. Whelan asked if it is more difficult to get on the housing list since the amalgamation and are refused tenancies reoffered.

Cllr. O' Donnell asked can Council buy houses in Dungarvan to deal with the housing list.

I. Grimes, DOS replied that he is not aware of any difficulty with the housing list and that refused tenancies are reoffered immediately. He also said that Council can buy houses subject to funding and need.

Cllr. Tobin asked do houses have to be specially adapted to be acquired.

I. Grimes, DOS replied not necessarily.

Cllr. O' Donnell asked can houses be provided in the Gaeltacht.

I. Grimes, DOS replied that there is no difficulty in looking at proposals.

**(d) Environment**

Cllr. Whelan enquired about right of way at Caseyville illegal dumping, cameras and bins for dog waste. R. Moloney, SEO said that options for Caseyville are being examined and that an order for dog bins has been placed.

**(e) Community**

Cllr. Geoghegan welcomed the plots proposals, raised Smarter Travel at Fr. Toomey Road, fence at stream and sought disability swings in 2 playgrounds in Dungarvan.

Cllrs. Nugent and O' Donnell concurred with Cllr. Geoghegan on the provision of disability swings.

Cllr. Tobin asked if an audit of playgrounds can be carried out to establish fitness.

R. Moloney, SEO replied that all Council playgrounds are subject to weekly inspections and an annual report is carried out on the facilities.

**5. Correspondence**

None

**6. Notice of Motion**

None

**7. A.O.B**

Cllr. Nugent asked if gates should be considered for slipways at piers as a result of the Buncrana incident and suggested a safety audit/report be compiled by Council which was seconded by the Cathaoirleach.

Cllr. Geoghegan said that Council could clean the slipways.

Cllr. Doocey said that slipways on rivers should be included also.

Cllr. Whelan enquired about the Waterford Crystal site.

The Cathaoirleach said that the bridge in Clashmore has been damaged.

J. Leonard, EE said that the bridge will be attended to and will refer the slipway question on.

E. Ruane, SEO said there is no progress to report on the Glass Factory site.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cathaoirleach**

**Dated:** \_\_\_\_\_