

**MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF TULLAMORE HELD AT 4.15PM ON THE 14<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2018 IN THE TOWN HALL, TULLAMORE.**

**Present:** Cllr. D. Harvey, (Cathaoirleach), Cllr. D. Dolan, Cllr. B. Killeavy, Cllr. T. McCormack, Cllr. T. McKeigue, Cllr. F. Moran.

**Apologies:** Cllr. D. Owens.

**In Attendance:** Mr. T. Shanahan, Director of Services; Mr. J. Dooley Assistant Engineer; Mr. John Cunningham, Senior Executive Engineer; Ms. M. Brady, Meetings Administrator.

**Votes of Sympathy**

Votes of sympathy were extended, and condolences expressed, to the families of: Michael Chalke, Ashley Court, Tullamore; Hugh Conroy, Spollenstown, Tullamore; Jimmy Dunne, Killiskea, Tullamore; Phyllis Malone, Clonminch, Tullamore; and all those in Tullamore MD who had died during the previous month; on their recent bereavements.

**Congratulations**

Clara & Brosna Gaels U14 Hurling Team was congratulated on it's success on winning the All Ireland Feile na nGael Div 7 Championships. Tullamore man Jordan Conroy was also congratulated on his performance for Ireland in the 2018 London 7's Rugby Tournament.

**1. Confirmation of Minutes:**

The following minutes were approved on the proposal of Cllr. D. Dolan, and seconded by Cllr. T. McCormack:

- (a) Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2018*
- (b) Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2018*

Ms M. Brady reported that the County Solicitor was following up on legal issues regarding The Green, Clara, following query raised by Cllr. F. Moran.

**2. Housing Report**

Mr. J. Cunningham, S.E.E, presented the Housing Report, as circulated, to the members. The members welcomed the Report, raising a number of issues incl.: update on Kearney's Field social housing development; more bungalows needed for people with disabilities; homeless figures not included in report; high number of housing applications closed following Housing Needs Assessment; which were noted and responded to by Mr. J. Cunningham.

**3. Update on Tullamore Street Enhancement Programme.**

Mr. T. Shanahan, D.O.S., updated the members on Tullamore Street Enhancement Programme. The Tender Documents were advertised, with closing date of 27<sup>th</sup> June. Update on tenders should be available for the July monthly meeting.

It was agreed to discuss Clara Town & Village Renewal Scheme under this item of Agenda. A number of issues were raised by Cllrs. F. Moran and D. Dolan regarding the ongoing works. Mr. T. Shanahan, D.O.S., agreed to take on board issues raised, and to visit the site to evaluate.

**4. Reports from Municipal District of Tullamore’s Representative on:  
*Tullamore Leisure Ltd***

Cllr. T. McCormack gave a report on Tullamore Leisure Ltd. The Centre was continuing to do well with high usage. The tiling issues in the learning pool would be resolved in the coming weeks.

***Tullamore Community Arts Centre Ltd.***

Cllr. T. McCormack gave a report on Tullamore Community Arts Centre Ltd. Plans for Tullamore Community Arts Centre were progressing well. Part 8 was approved by Offaly County Council on 21st May 2018. Tender Documents were being finalised by the Design Consultants, expected to go to tender in September. An application for further grant funding of €500,000 was made to the Dept of Arts, Heritage & Gaeltacht, hoping for a favourable response.

**5. Notices of Motion**

**Cllr. D. Dolan (deferred from May monthly meeting)**

(i) *“That the Municipal District of Tullamore contact the Department of Transport seeking funding for improvement works at Erry Mill junction and at the Scouts Den junction at Bridge Street in Clara to make the junctions safer for motorists and pedestrians.”*

The motion was passed on the proposal of Cllr. D. Dolan, seconded by Cllr. F. Moran. Mr. T. Shanahan, D.O.S., agreed to follow up on the issue.

(ii) *“That the Municipal District of Tullamore install bus shelters in Clara town centre and in Tubber Village to accommodate bus users.”*

The motion was passed on the proposal of Cllr. D. Dolan, seconded by Cllr. F. Moran. Mr. T. Shanahan, D.O.S., agreed to follow up on the issue.

**Cllr. T. McCormack**

(i) *“That Tullamore MD put a plaque in front of all the trees that commemorate the seven signatories of the Proclamation in the 1916 Memorial Garden in the Town Park.*

It was agreed to defer this motion back to the July monthly meeting.

**6. A.O.B.**

None

**The meeting then concluded.**

**Signed:**

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**Date:**

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