

**MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF TULLAMORE HELD AT 4.00PM  
ON THE 12<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2017 IN THE TOWN HALL, TULLAMORE.**

**Present:** Cllr. D. Harvey, (Leas-Cathaoirleach), Cllr. D. Dolan, Cllr. F. Moran,  
Cllr. T. McKeigue, Cllr. D. Owens.

**Apologies:** Cllr. B. Killeavy.

**In Attendance:** Mr. S. Murray, Director of Services; Mr. J. Connelly, Senior Executive Engineer; Mr. S. Hynds, Executive Engineer; Ms. J. Ryan, A/Senior Engineer; Ms. M. Brady, Meetings Administrator.

Before the meeting commenced, Cllr. T. McKeigue congratulated and thanked the staff of Tullamore MD for their contribution to Tullamore's success in the IBAL awards. Tullamore Tidy Towns Committee, and all associated with achieving the status of cleanest town in Ireland in the first round of the awards, were congratulated and complimented by all present. It was also noted that the raising of the Green Flag for 2017 for Lloyd Town Park took place just before the monthly meeting.

Mr. S. Murray, D.O.S., paid tribute to Team Tullamore, and all Tullamore MD staff involved in the town's successes.

**1. Confirmation of Minutes.**

The following minutes were approved on the proposal of Cllr. F. Moran, and seconded by Cllr. T. McKeigue:

(a) *Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2017*

**2. Water & Environment Report.**

Ms. J. Ryan, A/ S.E., presented the Water & Environment Report, as circulated, to the members. The members welcomed the Report, raising a number of issues/queries incl.: update on extension of Clara Cemetery; possibility of council assistance in maintenance of Boher Cemetery; issue of insurance companies refusing to cover houses in flood risk areas; update requested on flood defences at Rahan; possible cleaning of Tullamore River & back lanes requested; issue of burial grounds for other religious groups; issue of high sanitary development charges, set by Irish Water. Ms. J. Ryan and Mr. S. Murray responded to queries raised and/or agreed to follow up. It was agreed that the Council would again request Irish Water to attend a monthly MD meeting. It was also agreed that the Council would write to the Commission for Regulation of Utilities regarding the increase in development charges.

Ms. J. Ryan then left the meeting.

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

Mr. S. Murray, D.O.S., updated the members on Tullamore Street Enhancement Programme. Part 8 process was due to commence in coming weeks, with an expectation that it would be brought to the members at the Nov monthly meeting.

**4. Reports from Municipal District of Tullamore’s Representative on:  
Tullamore Chandler Sister Cities.**

It was agreed to defer this item to the October monthly meeting.

**5. A.O.B.**

Outdoor staff queries

Cllr. F. Moran queried the status of the filling of vacant outdoor posts, and the distribution of outdoor staff throughout Tullamore MD. He suggested that they could be spread better throughout the MD. Mr. S. Murray, in response, agreed to give an update on the filling of posts at the next meeting. He also agreed to examine the distribution of current staff.

Irish Water – Loose Man Holes

The issue of loose man holes was again raised, the members acknowledged that a lot had been adjusted but more needed to be done. Mr. J. Connelly agreed to follow up on the issue.

New Fire Station in Clara

Mr. S. Murray agreed to give an update on the proposed new fire station for Clara at the next meeting, following a request from Cllr. D. Dolan. He also agreed to follow up on ‘no parking’ signage at Clara Fire Station.

Road Safety Issues – Clara

Cllr. D. Dolan requested an update on road safety issues at Marian Sq., Erry Mill & Scouts Den in Clara, as previously discussed. Mr. J. Connelly agreed to include update in Roads Report scheduled for the October monthly meeting.

Tree trimming – housing estates

Cllr D. Harvey’s request for the Council to carry out tree trimming in housing estates was noted.

**The meeting then concluded.**

**Signed:**

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**Date:**

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