

***Minutes of Municipal District of Piltown Meeting held Tuesday 11th June, 2019
at 11.30am at the Ferrybank Area Office***

Present: Cllr. E. Aylward, Cathaoirleach
Cllrs. P. Dunphy, F. Doherty, T. Breathnach and Ger Frisby

In attendance: S. McKeown, Director of Services, B. Tyrrell, Meetings Administrator, S. Cullen, Area Engineer and O. Bannon, Staff Officer

1. Confirmation of Minutes

MDP Meeting 1st May – Proposed by Cllr. G. Frisby Doherty, seconded by Cllr. F. Doherty and agreed.

Matters Arising

2. Consideration of Reports and Recommendations

(a) Monthly Roadworks Update

A report was circulated outlining details in relation to pavement works, discretionary maintenance and other works carried out since the last meeting. Details were noted. The possibility of having a public information day in Piltown, for the Town and Village Scheme proposals is to be considered. It was agreed to have further information on progress on footpath works at Mill Road Mullinavat.

(b) Update on N25 New Ross Bypass

The progress report was circulated and noted. The overall design and construction phase is scheduled to be complete in Q4 of 2019, and the separate bridge decks are anticipated to meet in the next few weeks, completing a major project milestone. Interest in arranging community / charity works is developing and the support of Kilkenny County council was reaffirmed. Stan Cullen is to investigate damage to some of the new N25 directional signage and to see if the location is contributing to the damage.

(c) North Quays SDZ Update

- S. McKeown circulated an update report to the meeting. The Steering Group has met twice since the last Piltown MD Meeting, with latest meeting held on the morning of 11th June.
- The SDZ developer, Falcon Real Estate Development Ireland propose to submit their planning application for the North Quays SDZ in July 2019.
- Waterford City and County Council's consultants, Roughan and O'Donovan, are progressing the detailed design for the SDZ Access and Public Road Infrastructure for the North Quays.
- A decision from An Bord Pleanála on the Sustainable Transport Bridge planning application is anticipated in July 2019, and a planning application for the development of the new Transportation Hub is also expected in July 2019.
- The latest press releases and details the current status of the SDZ development are available on www.waterfordnorthquays.ie.

(d) Kilkenny Greenway – Update

S. McKeown reminded members that the project assessment board had visited the Greenway recently, and that a decision on a funding allocation was awaited. Sean also reminded members of the competitive nature of the process and that a total of nine locations had been similarly assessed.

The prospect of initiating a formal abandonment order for the old railway line was also discussed. It was noted that Waterford council has initiated such an order with Iarnród Éireann for the 180m length of greenway on the old rail line in County Waterford. The various implications of a formal abandonment were considered, with areas such as land owner issue, lease implications, and compensation all being aired.

It was agreed that the possible imminent funding announcement should be awaited before any decisions would be made.

(e) Business prescribed by Statute, Standing Order or Resolution of the Municipal District Members for transaction at such meetings

None

(f) Other Business set forth in the Notice convening the meeting

None

(g) Notices of Motion

None

(h) Correspondence

None

(i) AOB**Additional items raised by Members:-**

Meeting with TII : Members again expressed frustration that no arrangements have been made for a meeting with the TII, with particular reference by members to safety issues at Rathkieran

Cardiac 24/7 Care in South East : Members unanimously agreed to write again to Minister Harris seeking a meeting on 24/7 Cardiac care for the South East, and that the new HSE Chief executive be written to also.

Next Meeting

The next meeting to take place on Wednesday, 3rd July

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed: _____
Cathaoirleach

Dated: _____