

**Minutes of the Budget Meeting of Piltown Municipal District held on
Wednesday, 2nd November, 2022 at 12noon at Ferrybank Library Meeting Room**

Present: Cllr Fidelis Doherty, Cathaoirleach
Cllrs P. Dunphy, G. Frisby, T. Breathnach and E. Aylward
In attendance: M. Prendiville, Head of Finance, M. Arthurs, Meetings Administrator and O. Bannon, Staff Officer
Apologies: D. Malone, A/Director of Services and S. Cullen, Area Engineer

1. Budget 2023 – General Municipal Allocation (GMA) for Municipal District of Piltown

Cllr Doherty welcomed all to the Piltown MD Budget Meeting and invited Martin Prendiville, Head of Finance to commence his presentation.

M. Prendiville outlined the timelines and budgetary process, which he confirmed is well underway and that the Statutory Budget meeting for the full Council is scheduled for 25th November. He circulated a report and outlined the budget context, stating that there are significant funding challenges to be addressed. During discussion, the following was noted:-

- The impact of inflation and rising energy costs and increased costs across a number of other areas
- Supplementary support will be provided by Government to compensate for rising energy costs
- Costs associated with the national pay agreement will be fully compensated by Government for 2023
- Income from Local Property tax would remain the same for 2023.
- A proposed increase on commercial rates and increase to the prompt payment discount for rate payers, available through the Rates Incentive Grant, details of the grant and how to avail of same were noted.

Cllr P. Dunphy proposed, Cllr F. Doherty seconded and all agreed the adoption of the €502k discretionary road budget and €50k discretionary general budget for Piltown MD, noting that the discretionary general budget is subject to funding being available in the Council budget.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed: Fidelis Doherty
Cathaoirleach

Dated: 7/12/22