



MINUTES OF THE APRIL MEETING OF THE THURLES MUNICIPAL DISTRICT WHICH WAS HELD ON 14TH APRIL 2022

Present: Councillor Seamus Hanafin Cathaoirleach, presided.

Councillors Noel Coonan, Shane Lee, Michéal Lowry, Eddie Moran, Jim Ryan, Peggy Ryan, Sean Ryan and Michael Smith.

Also Present:

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| Marcus O'Connor | Director of Services |
| Liam Brett | Senior Engineer |
| Thomas Duffy | District Engineer |
| Jim Ryan | Executive Engineer |
| Aoife Cahill | Executive Engineer |
| Tim Murphy | Executive Engineer |
| Sharon Scully | District Administrator |
| Orla McDonnell | Staff Officer |

1. Disclosures/Conflicts of Interest.

There were no Disclosures/Conflicts of Interest raised at the Meeting.

2. Adoption of Minutes.

It was proposed by Councillor S. Ryan, seconded by Councillor S. Lee and resolved:

"That the Minutes of the March 2022 Monthly Meeting which was held on the 21st March be adopted as a true record of the business transacted at the Meeting."

3. Consider Chief Executive's Report on Part 8 – Proposed Development of Gantly Road, Roscrea.

Ann Marie Devaney, Senior Executive Planner was in attendance for this item and Fergal O'Donnell, Executive Planner attended via zoom. A Chief Executive's Report on the Part 8 Public Realm Refurbishment and Enhancement at Gantly Road, Roscrea was circulated to the Members in advance of the Meeting. The Report covered the following items:

- Nature and Extent of the Proposed Development and the principal features thereof
- Site Description and Location
- Public Consultation
- Submissions Received
- Prescribed Bodies to whom the project was referred



- Planning Policy Context
- Planning Assessment
- Appropriate Assessment & Environmental Impact Assessment
- Conclusions and Recommendations
- Requirements and Conditions
- Drawings

Fergal stated that the Part 8 proposal is for the re-alignment of Gantly Road. It is intended that the Gantly Road Development will support an Age Friendly neighbourhood as well as active travel measures in the town and it will run in parallel with Housing Section who will develop housing elements to the Gantly Road Development. The Members raised the following queries:

- Assurances are required that Main Street will continue to be developed and that there will be access points from Gantly Road onto Main Street.
- It would appear that existing access routes from Gantly Road onto Main Street are through private business premises.
- There is a concern that Main Street will go unfinished. The development must ensure that connectivity within the town is included.

Replies to queries raised were as follows:-

- Access points from Gantly Road to Main Street have been identified in the Roscrea Master Plan, however the Part 8 is for the re-alignment and renaming of Gantly Road only and access points do not form part of this proposal. Access points will come on line if private owners wish to develop them.
- Roscrea Enhancement Plan is a different scheme entirely and different funding streams will be examined to develop Main street.

It was proposed by Councillor S. Lee, seconded by Councillor M. Smith and resolved:-

'that the Chief Executive's Report on Part 8 – Proposed Development of Gantly Road, Roscrea be and is hereby approved.'

4. Update from Environment and Climate Action.

Marion O'Neill, Senior Executive Officer, Orla Kelly, Administrative Officer, Ruairi Boland, Senior Executive Engineer and Colette Moloney, Senior Executive Scientist were in attendance via zoom for this item. An Environment and Climate Action Section Update for the period 01.01.2022 to 31.03.2022 was circulated to the Members with the Agenda in advance of the Meeting. The report outlined the following:-



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- Burial Grounds
 - Landfills
 - Control of Dogs
 - Control of Horses
 - Derelict Sites
 - Litter Enforcement
 - Public Awareness
 - Rural Water Programme
 - Group Water Schemes
 - Private Well Grants
 - Waste Management
 - Litter Infrastructure Support Grant Scheme
 - Waste Enforcement Actions
 - Civic Amenity Sites
 - Roscrea
 - Complaints

The Members raised the following issues:-

- Will there be a second roll-out of smart bins within the District? The smart bin in Littleton is replacing numerous bins and appears to be bursting at the seams. A second smart bin and more frequent pick-ups are required.
- When will the Active Travel Office be up and running within the County.
- Dumping blackspots within the MD in areas such as Curraheen, the back of Derrynaflan, Boulick, etc. need to be targeted with mobile cameras which are now permitted under the Law.
- Can the Council run an anti-dumping initiative?
- The Council removed a substantial amount of rubbish not too long ago from the rear of Derrynaflan Drive, Littleton; an estate with approximately 20 houses. More rubbish is now piling up again in this area and a railing around the fort is needed as a matter of urgency to try and tackle the issue.
- Mature trees are causing problems and upset to families in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Thurles with overhanging branches and bird droppings impacting on graves. These trees need to be removed as cutting them back is not effective. Can the MD undertake a survey of such problematic trees?
- Who is responsible for installing the Electric Vehicle charging points as the number of charging points in Thurles is extremely poor despite the increase in sales of electric vehicles.
- There is raw sewage being discharged into the River Suir at the back of Dunnes Stores Shopping Centre in Thurles.
- There are bales of hay and straw as well as rubbish strewn around Carden's Court Housing Estate on the Clonmore Road, Templemore that need to be addressed.
- Weekend litter collection in Templemore town is required as the town is in a disgraceful state every Sunday morning with litter strewn around.



Additional bins need to be installed and more resources need to be input into tackling the litter in the town.

- There is an abandoned burnt out car in Carrig Lane, Roscrea that needs to be removed.
- Can the Council establish a hardship scheme to assist people who are struggling to pay for refuse collection?
- When will the electric vehicle charging points, that are proposed for Slievenamon Road and Parnell Street carparks, be installed.
- There are no Electric Vehicle charging points in Templemore town centre despite assurance that two charging points would be installed in the town. Furthermore, an even distribution of charging points throughout the towns in the District is required.
- Litter picking needs to be re-introduced into Thurles town on Sunday mornings to tackle the litter.
- Will the Council resume the litter surveys of blackspot dumping areas that were taking place pre Covid?
- Can a 'carrot and stick' approach be used to tackle the issue of derelict buildings within the MD, i.e. support owners who wish to develop derelict buildings and penalise those who will not.

Replies to queries raised were as follows:-

- The roll-out of the smart bins was a one-off scheme. However, if further funding does become available the issue will be looked at.
- The collection capacity and frequency of rubbish from the smart bins can be amended by the Municipal district.
- The establishment of the Active Travel Office falls under the remit of the Roads Section therefore, the issue will be referred to them.
- €80,000 has been made available this year towards anti-dumping initiatives. Areas have been identified and Environment Section are working with Housing Section in addressing this matter.
- The illegal dumping to the rear of Derrynaflan Drive, Littleton is currently being examined and further information will be sought before a solution can be determined.
- 4 chargers – 2 double chargers will be installed in Parnell Street carpark, Thurles within the next month.
- Can photographs of the raw sewage being discharged into the River Suir at the back of Dunnes Stores Shopping Centre in Thurles be submitted to Environment Section and the issue will be examined.
- The provision of street cleaning in towns at the weekends is a matter for the MD.
- The burnt-out car in Roscrea will be followed up with the Enforcement Officer to resolve the issue.
- Currently there is no specific Hardship Fund available, such an incentive would be a national initiative. There is currently an option for households to reduce refuse collection costs by having two households agreeing to share a bin.



- Sites are currently being examined to identify EV charging points for Templemore.
- Environment Section will discuss further with Councillors Coonan and Lee, the issue of straw, hay and rubbish being strewn around Carden's Court, Templemore.
- The household surveys in blackspot dumping areas that were taking place pre Covid will re-commence.
- Environment Section have had a number of successes in engaging with owners of derelict buildings within the MD, however it can be difficult to establish ownership of a property. There are dedicated staff working on dereliction in conjunction with the Vacant House Officer.

5. Update from Culture/Library Services, Fire and Emergency Services

Damian Dullaghan, County Librarian and Roisin O'Grady, Heritage Officer were in attendance via zoom for this item. A Culture Team Report was circulated to the Members with the Agenda in advance of the Meeting. The report outlined the following:-

- Ceremony of Remembrance and Reflection
- Library Activities
- Tipperary Studies
- Arts Service
 - Training for Festivals
 - Tipperary Bealtaine Festival
 - Tipperary Youth Theatre
 - Tipperary Artist in Primary Schools Scheme
 - Second Level Print in Schools Exhibition
- Heritage Service
 - Holy Wells Audit
 - National Biodiversity Action Plan Actions
 - Community Monuments Fund
 - Creative Ireland
- Museum Service
 - ARTiculation

Damien stated that all normal services have resumed at the libraries and a full programme of events and activities is back up and running.

The Members raised the following queries:-

- Can a Sensory Room for children with Special Needs be set up within Thurles Library, similar to the one in Limerick Library which has proven to be a tremendous success.
- What is the update in relation to the *first 5 library initiative*.
- Have all library study facilities for students resumed to full capacity?
- Can the Library liaise with the GAA in relation to the creation of a National GAA Museum in Thurles town.



- Can Templemore Cultural and Library activities be included in subsequent reports as it appears to have been omitted from the current report.
- The exceptional research work undertaken by Dr. Des Murnane and Mary Guinan Darmody on the War of Independence and its aftermath was praised by the Elected Members, as a huge body of very important work.

Damien replied to queries as follows:-

- The Sensory Room in Limerick library is the first of its kind in the country . Tipperary Library will examine potential funding opportunities in this regard and revert with an update.
- The *first 5 Library Initiative* is progressing well. Stock has been delivered and is being dispatched to the networks.
- Study facilities for students at all libraries has resumed to full capacity.
- The Library will look to restart talks with the GAA in an attempt to establish a National GAA Museum in Thurles.
- Templemore Library is running well despite the omission from the Library Report. There are still some Covid issues but activities are resuming.
- Rosin O'Grady, Heritage officer was also involved in the War of Independence studies. The report is a tremendous initiative and will stand the test of time.

6. To formally approve grants in the following categories – Burial Ground Grants; Tidy Towns Grants; Residents Association Grants; Grants to Sporting Organisations

The Draft allocation of grants for 2022 in the categories of Burial Ground Grants, Tidy Towns Grants, Residents Association Grants and Grants to Sporting Organisations was circulated to the Members in advance of the Meeting.

The Members raised the following queries:-

- Will there be additional funding for grants as some groups appear to be excluded from the current list, such as Active Retirement.
- When will the Grants be paid out?

The District Administrator replied to queries raised as follows:-

- There is no additional funding available for grants; all applications received have been processed; no applicants have been refused and there are no applications outstanding to be processed.
- The grants will be paid out over the coming weeks.



It was proposed by Councillor M. Lowry, seconded by Councillor S. Ryan:-

“that the allocation of Grants for 2022 be apportioned as follows:-

| Festival & Events | |
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| Municipal | |
| Taste of Christmas | 5,000.00 |
| Thurles Halloween Arts Festival | 4,000.00 |
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| Community | |
| St. Patrick's Day Parade, Thurles | 2,500.00 |
| Littleton St. Patrick's Day Parade | 1,000.00 |
| Roscrea St. Patrick's Day Parade | 1,000.00 |
| Roscrea Halloween Festival | 800.00 |
| Templemore Halloween Festival and Parade, 2022 | 800.00 |
| Thurles Christmas Skyfest | 1,000.00 |
| Positive Ageing Week | 400.00 |
| Tipperary LGBTQ+ Pride 2022 | 400.00 |
| Celebration of the Centenary of the est. of NACAI | 300.00 |
| Liberty Music Festival | 2,500.00 |
| Horse and Jockey Festival | 400.00 |
| The Arty Rooster Festival | 500.00 |
| Two-Mile-Borris Village Party | 300.00 |
| TOTAL | €20,900.00 |

**TIDY TOWNS /Villages
Applications**

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| Roscrea Tidy Town | 10,500.00 |
| Gortagarry Dev Committee | 1,100.00 |
| Moyne Tidy Villages | 1,100.00 |
| Castleiney Tidy Village Committee | 1,400.00 |
| Gorthnahoe Tidy Village | 1,100.00 |
| Ballycahill Tidy Towns | 1,100.00 |
| Borrisoleigh Tidy Towns | 2,000.00 |
| Shevry Dev Assoc | 1,100.00 |
| Holycross Tidy Village | 1,400.00 |
| Knock Tidy Village Group | 1,400.00 |
| Loughmore Tidy Village | 1,400.00 |



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| Upperchurch Drombane Dev | 1,400.00 |
| Inch/Bouladuff Tidy Village | 2,000.00 |
| Ballysloe Tidy Towns | 1,300.00 |
| Clonmore Dev Comm | 1,100.00 |
| Templemore Tidy Towns | 2,524.00 |
| Toomevara Community Dev | 1,400.00 |
| Ballyboy Tidy Towns | 1,200.00 |
| Drom Tidy Village | 1,400.00 |
| Clonakenny Tidy Villages | 1,100.00 |
| Killea Tidy Towns Group | 1,100.00 |
| Horse & Jockey Tidy Village | 1,100.00 |
| Littleton Tidy Towns | 1,100.00 |
| TOTAL | €40,324.00 |

BURIAL GROUND

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| Rathnaveogue Burial Ground | 700.00 |
| Upperchurch New Burial Ground Comm | 700.00 |
| St Mary's Church Littleton | 700.00 |
| Shyan Burial Ground Comm | 700.00 |
| Drom Old Burial Ground Committee | 700.00 |
| Cooleeney Graveyard Committee | 700.00 |
| Gortagarry Church Ground | 700.00 |
| Moycarkey Old Burial Ground | 700.00 |
| Galboola Littleton | 700.00 |
| Templeree Graveyard Comm | 700.00 |
| Ballymoreen Burial Ground | 700.00 |
| Loughmore Old Cemetery | 700.00 |
| St Burchin's Burial Ground | 700.00 |
| Holycross Old Graveyard | 700.00 |
| Killavinogue Graveyard Committee | 700.00 |
| Aglish Graveyard | 700.00 |
| Killea St James' Burial Ground | 700.00 |
| Killea St Aodh's new Burial Ground | 700.00 |
| Annameadle Burial Ground | 700.00 |
| Fennor Burial Ground | 700.00 |
| Rahealty Burial Ground | 700.00 |
| Moycarkey St Peter's Burial Ground 2 | 700.00 |
| Moycarkey St Peter's Burial Ground 1 | 700.00 |
| Inch Old Graveyard | 700.00 |



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| St Michael's Bouladuff | 700.00 |
| Quaker Burial Ground | 700.00 |
| Courageneen Old BG | 700.00 |
| Courageneen New BG | 700.00 |
| Clonakenny Cemetery Committee | 700.00 |
| Boggaun Graveyard Committee | 700.00 |
| Two Mile Borrish Graveyard | 700.00 |
| Upperchurch Old Burial Ground Comm | 700.00 |
| St Cronan's COI | 700.00 |
| Durlas Éile - St Mary's Thurles | 700.00 |
| Killinan Burial Ground | 700.00 |
| Kyleanna Burial Ground Comm | 700.00 |
| Templetuohy Burial Ground | 700.00 |
| Moyaliffe Graveyard | 700.00 |
| Moyne Old Cemetery | 700.00 |
| Timoney Graveyard | 700.00 |
| Ballycahill Burial Ground | 700.00 |
| Moyne New Cemetery | 700.00 |
| Toomevara Church of Ireland | 700.00 |
| Latteragh Graveyard | 700.00 |
| Boulick Burial Ground | 700.00 |
| Knock Graveyard | 700.00 |
| Calvary Restoration Committee Roscrea | 700.00 |
| Templemore Graveyards Committee | 700.00 |
| St Cronan's Graveyard | 700.00 |
| Camblin Burial Ground | 700.00 |
| Kilfithmone Graveyard | 700.00 |
| Kilcooley Graveyard | 700.00 |
| St. Brigid's Borrisoleigh | 700.00 |
| Templebeg Graveyard | 700.00 |
| TOTAL | €37,800.00 |

RESIDENT GRANTS

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| Windsor Grove Resident's Assoc | 450.00 |
| Willow Resident's Assoc | 850.00 |
| Moyne Road/Bellevue Resident's Assoc | 500.00 |
| Marlstone Manor Resident's Assoc | 750.00 |



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| Knockanevin Resident's Assoc | 350.00 |
| Ikerrin Court Resident's Assoc | 500.00 |
| Hazelwood Resident's Assoc | 750.00 |
| Dun Lia Resident's Assoc | 500.00 |
| Cluain Glas Resident's Assoc | 850.00 |
| Cluain Ard Resident's Assoc | 300.00 |
| Cluain Airne 1 – 17 Resident's Assoc | 350.00 |
| Church View, Roscrea Resident's Assoc | 200.00 |
| Carraig Duin Resident's Assoc | 200.00 |
| Ashgrove Resident's Assoc | 450.00 |
| Ard Carraig Resident's Assoc | 400.00 |
| Kiltillane Court Resident's Assoc | 250.00 |
| Willowmere Drive Resident's Assoc | 750.00 |
| Elmwood Resident's Assoc | 650.00 |
| Castlecourt, Borrisoleigh Resident's Assoc | 200.00 |
| Monadreen Resident's Assoc | 450.00 |
| Castlepark Resident's Assoc | 270.00 |
| Parkmore Manor Residents Assoc | 300.00 |
| Rosemount Residents Assoc | 750.00 |
| Sli na Suire Residents Assoc | 750.00 |
| Cluain Airne 2nd Residents Assoc | 350.00 |
| St Bridgid's & St Joseph's Residents Assoc | 300.00 |
| Rathmoy Residents Assoc | 500.00 |
| Caislean Cuirt Residents Assoc | 200.00 |
| The Orchard, Borrisoleigh Residents Assoc | 200.00 |
| Croke St Residents Assoc | 200.00 |
| Loughtagalla Park Residents Assoc | 500.00 |
| Oakdale Park Residents Assoc Templemore | 300.00 |
| Cluain Doire Residents Assoc | 300.00 |
| Orchard Court Res Assoc | 300.00 |
| Toomevara Development Committee | 500.00 |
| Templemore Lions Club | 500.00 |
| Horse & Jockey Committee | 350.00 |
| TOTAL | €16,270.00 |



SPORT CLUB GRANTS

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| Thurles Sarsfields Camogie Club | 650.00 |
| Thurles Rugby Club | 800.00 |
| Thurles Crokes | 800.00 |
| Peake Villa | 800.00 |
| Durlas Og GAA | 800.00 |
| Thurles Special Olympics | 350.00 |
| Tipperary Warriors | 350.00 |
| Knights Basketball | 350.00 |
| Roscrea Juvenile Hurling | 350.00 |
| Templemore & District Gun Club | 500.00 |
| Lakeside Pitch & Putt | 800.00 |
| Templemore Athletic Club | 800.00 |
| Slieve Felim Rapparees | 350.00 |
| Upperchurch Drombane GAA | 350.00 |
| Knock GAA | 350.00 |
| Moyne Athletic Club | 350.00 |
| Moycarkey Coolcroo Athletics | 350.00 |
| Mid Tipp Hillwalkers | 350.00 |
| Blackcastle Harps | 800.00 |
| Borroway Rovers | 350.00 |
| St Kevin's FC | 500.00 |
| Borrisoleigh Camogie Club | 350.00 |
| Moneygall GAA | 400.00 |
| Moyne Templetuohy Ladies Football | 350.00 |
| Moycarkey Borris Ladies Football & Camogie | 350.00 |
| St Cronan's Camogie Roscrea | 350.00 |
| Thurles Sarsfield's Ladies Football | 400.00 |
| Drom Inch Camogie | 350.00 |
| Holycross Ballycahill Ladies Football | 350.00 |
| Templemore Badminton Club | 350.00 |
| Templemore Ladies Football | 450.00 |
| Drom Inch GAA | 350.00 |
| Holycross Football Club | 450.00 |
| Holycross Ballycahill Camogie | 350.00 |
| Toomevara GAA Club | 350.00 |
| Killavilla United AFC | 400.00 |



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| Thurles Gaels | 650.00 |
| Thurles Town AFC | 350.00 |
| Roscrea Hurling club | 350.00 |
| Roscrea Tennis club | 350.00 |
| Gortnahoe Glengoole Ladies Football | 350.00 |
| Gortahoola Racquetball Club | 350.00 |
| Clonakenny GAA | 350.00 |
| Roscrea RFC | 350.00 |
| Roscrea Rugby – Girls & Ladies | 350.00 |
| Templemore Camogie club | 350.00 |
| Grange Badminton Club | 350.00 |
| Boris Ladies FC | 350.00 |
| Tipp Talons Basketball | 350.00 |
| Gaelic Football for Mothers – Moycarkey | 350.00 |
| Thurles Golf Club | 500.00 |
| TOTAL | €22,400.00 |

7. Update on District Project Pipeline Plan and District Engineer's Report

An updated Report on Capital Projects for the MD was circulated to the Members, in advance of the Meeting, as outlined in the table below:-

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| Liberty Square Enhancement Scheme, Thurles Phase I | Project completed. Next Phase - Snagging and Final Account |
| Liberty Square Enhancement Scheme Phase II | Consultant appointed for the Part 8 process. Topographical Survey, Archaeological Survey, Tree Survey and Heritage Impact Assessment - all completed. Part 8 submission prog for Q3 2022 |
| Proposed Market and Extension to Farm building | Tender evaluation and recommendation ongoing. |
| The Littleton Labyrinth Phase 1 | Councillor Workshop completed. Agree Scope, Programme, Costings and Procurement Method for Construction Works with Bord na Móna. Submission of Part 8 application in next 4 weeks. |



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| Holycross Tourism Centre | Funding application was unsuccessful for the detailed design for development of multi-purpose facility with tourism at its core in order to boost rural economic development. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Templemore Town Hall Cultural and Enterprise Centre and Civic Plaza | Finalise detailed design following meeting with Consultative Group. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gantly Road 'Age Friendly Neighbourhood' | Part 8 application commenced January 2022. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Roscrea Enhancement Pan | A Stakeholder Engagement plan is to be developed to identify and prioritise projects and locations in the Town. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Vacant Housing Units | <table> <tr> <td>Awaiting receipt of keys to property</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>At Inspections/Costings Stage</td> <td>6</td> </tr> <tr> <td>At Tender Stage</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Budgets submitted to Housing Section</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>In Progress</td> <td>9</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Retrofit Works to be completed before Pre-Lets</td> <td><u>2</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL</td> <td>20</td> </tr> </table> | Awaiting receipt of keys to property | 1 | At Inspections/Costings Stage | 6 | At Tender Stage | 0 | Budgets submitted to Housing Section | 2 | In Progress | 9 | Retrofit Works to be completed before Pre-Lets | <u>2</u> | TOTAL | 20 |
| Awaiting receipt of keys to property | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| At Inspections/Costings Stage | 6 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Budgets submitted to Housing Section | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| In Progress | 9 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Retrofit Works to be completed before Pre-Lets | <u>2</u> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL | 20 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

The District Engineer updated the Members in relation to District Works as follows:-

- The Roads Programme is progressing at pace. There are three macadam crews in operation; two in the southern end and 1 in the northern end of the District. It is anticipated there are approximately 6 weeks left in the Programme.
- CIS Schemes – some of them will be included at this juncture, however there have been delays with some offers being declined for a second time.
- LIS – review of applications is underway with a closing date of 29th April, 2022. The priority list will be based on the agreed criteria scoring system. It will be circulated to Members for comment.
- Surface Dressing Programme is scheduled to commence the first week of May and roads are being prepared in advance.
- Funding has been received from the TII for road maintenance on Brittas Road, Thurles; Gortnagowna outside Roscrea and for footpaths between Priory Place and Park Road in Templemore.
- Roads Central Funding, obtained through Targeted Investment Intervention Red Roads, has been allocated to Dromard Beg outside Clonmore.
- Tertiary Allocation – the closing date for agreed submissions to be sent to Roads central is the 25th April. Members' submissions should be sent in as soon as possible so that contractors may undertake the works at this juncture while they are in the area.



- GMA works – Killea works were ongoing yesterday and picnic benches at agreed locations have been erected in Toomevara which was part of last year's GMA works.
- Works to Parnell Street and Ulster Bank carparks under Development Levies are substantially complete with the installation of EV Chargers remaining to be completed in the coming weeks.
- OPW funded works in Galbertstown, to address seasonal flooding issues to the local road, have been completed.
- Active Travel funded footpaths in Kennedy Park, Roscrea are complete.
- Phase 1 of Irish Public Bodies funded footpath improvement works in Rosemount, Thurles is complete. Currently reviewing further locations for Phase 2 works both in Rosemount and in Thurles town.
- ORIS funded works for the River Suir Walk well under way with the Mill Road section nearing completion and works on the Ladies Well section commencing this week. It is anticipated that both sections will be fully open to the public in 3 to 4 weeks.
- Built Heritage funding has been obtained for the refurbishment of Rosemary Square Fountain, Roscrea. Consultation with the Conservation Architect will take place regarding the proposed works for the project.

The Members raised the following issues:-

- Remedial works are necessary on Slievenamon Road, Thurles until such time as the Slievenamon Road Improvement Works take place.
- The parameters for parking, including all-day parking, in Slievenamon Road carpark, Thurles need to be re-examined.
- The staggered junction on the N62 Birr Road, Roscrea is a busy national route, which is dangerous and needs to be examined immediately.
- The lines on the Zebra Crossing at Two Mile Borris have faded considerably and are difficult to see.
- The verges at Pouldine Cross need to be examined.
- What is the update in relation to works on the entrance to the Templemore Pitch and Putt Course.
- Issue of flooding on Patrick Street, Templemore needs to be examined.
- The flashing speed signs at Rahealty are not working.
- What is the lifespan of windows and doors – new doors and windows are needed in Gortataggart.

8. Notice of Motion.

There were no Notices of Motion

9. Correspondence.

There was no correspondence.



10. Votes of Congratulations / Sympathy.

Votes of Sympathy were extended to:-

- The families of Aidan Moffet and Michael Smee, both from Sligo, who died recently in tragic circumstances.

11. Any Other Business.

All nominees for the Municipal District Civic Awards Ceremony have been received and approved by the CPG. It is planned to hold the Awards Ceremony in May, the exact date to be agreed. The MD will be in contact with all Members and Nominees in due course.

SIGNED:  DATE: 16th May, 2022.
CATHAOIRLEACH

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MEETINGS ADMINISTRATOR

