**DUNDALK TOWN COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF DUNDALK TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, DUNDALK ON TUESDAY 10th DECEMBER 2013**

**Attendance**

**Cathaoirleach**, Councillor E O’Boyle, presided.

**Councillors:** M. Bellew, S. Bellew, M. Butler, M. Dearey, M. Doyle, J. Green,

C. Keelan, K. Meenan, O. Morgan, J. Ryan, H. Todd

**Officials:** P. Poole, County Manager

F. Pentony, Director of Services and Town Clerk

D. Storey, Senior Executive Officer

C. Duff, Town Engineer

U. Conlon, Executive Planner

P. Donnelly, Senior Executive Officer

The Meeting commenced with Prayers at 6pm

**293/13 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

On the proposal of the Cathaoirleach, Cllr. E. O’Boyle and seconded by Cllr. M. Bellew standing orders were suspended and a moments silence was observed to mark the death of Mr. Nelson Mandela.

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**294/13** **PLANNING AND RELATED MATTERS**

13/121 Damien Donegan Retention of the following 1.

retractable canvas canopy and 2. illuminated projecting Lotto sign at retail store 61-62 Clanbrassil Street, Dundalk

There was no comment from the Members of this application.

13/122 Anord Control Systems Ltd (HQ) Permission for alterations to both

South and west elevations to include new windows and doors, new signage and all other associated site works at Unit 17 North Link Retail Park, Coe’s Road, Dundalk

There was no comment from the Members of this application.

13/123 Aedamar & Tommy McGahon Outline Permission for one

dwellinghouse, connection to existing sewerage system and all associated site works at Doylesfort Road, Dundalk

There was no comment from the Members of this application.

13/124 HJ Heinz Permission for 1.8m high wiremesh

boundary fence to the East and South Boundary of existing site to replace concrete post and rail fence at Finnabair Industrial Park, Dundalk

There was no comment from the Members of this application.

13/125 Black & White Construction Permission for 2 No semi-detached

four bedroomed houses and 4 No detached four bedroomed houses, and all associated external site works. The site is situated close to a Natura 2000 site – Dundalk Bay SAC and Dundalk Bay SPA “The Towers”, Point Road, Dundalk

There was no comment from the Members of this application.

13/126 Barla Ltd Partnership Permission for development at a

0.136 hectare site. The site also has frontage to and access from Market Square. The proposed development comprises the following: the change of use of part of the ground floor (220m² gross) and part of the first floor at Earl House, 13/14 Earl Street, Dundalk

There was no comment from the Members of this application.

13/127 Barla Ltd Partnership Permission for development of 0.136

hectare site. The site also has frontage to and access from Market Square. The proposed development comprises of proposed new design and facade treatment to the front (east) elevation of the existing building, at Earl House, 13/14 Earl Street, Dundalk

There was no comment from the Members of this application.

13/128 Tom Clarke Extension of Duration of Planning

Permission Ref 08/192 which consists of Permission for construction of ground floor extension to the rear and side of an existing dwelling. The development shall also consist of elevational changes and associated site works at 2 Priorland Grove, Dublin Road, Dundalk

There was no comment from the Members of this application.

13/129 Simon Lin Permission for alterations and a

ground floor extension to existing take away, and for all associated site works at 43 Barrack Street, Dundalk

There was no comment from the Members of this application.

13/130 HJ Heinz Ltd Permission for 1.8m high wiremesh

boundary fence to the West and South boundary of existing site to replace concrete post and rail fence at Finnabair Industrial Park, Dundalk

There was no comment from the Members of this application.

13/131 Colin Fee Retention of increase in floor area of

retail Unit 1 and subsequent change in ground floor area of dwellinghouse, change of use of part of ground floor dwellinghouse to ancillary kitchen area for public house, and all associated site works at Fagan Public House, Castletown Road, Dundalk

There was no comment from the Members of this application.

**295/13** **PLANNING PROGRESS REPORT**

The Planning progress report dated November 2013 was noted by the Members. Cllr. M. Bellew queried if any of the application where further information had been sough had been responded to and in particular the application for a fuel station at Seatown. It was confirmed that a refusal of permission had issued in respect of the Seatown application and the further information was still outstanding on a number of applications.

**296/13** **CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

On the proposition of Cllr. M. Doyle and seconded by Cllr. O. Morgan the Members agreed to adopt the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the 26th November 2013 with corrections to the recorded dates of the Ordinary December Meeting and the Budget meeting to read Tuesday 10th and Tuesday 17th December respectively.

**297/13** **MATTERS ARISING**

Minute No 274/13 Cllr. M. Doyle sought an update in the matter of the consultation process in regard to the proposed traffic management at Chapel Street. The Town Engineer advised that the consultation would not commence until the New Year.

Minute No 267/13 Cllr. J. Green. Requested that “Two way Traffic” signs be erected in Crowe Street. The member also referred to Minute No. 280/13 regarding the right turn at Maxwell’s Terrace. The matter is been investigated. The member also sought a copy of the deeds as per Minute No. 284/13

Minute No 270/13 Cllr. M. Butler referred to the Oxygen facility at Coes Road and that an odour was still emanating from the site. Cllr. M. Bellew commenting on the same matter asked if the planning conditions had been examined. The Town Clerk reminded the members that the licence for the site was a matter for the EPA and that the planning conditions made no reference to odours. The Member queried if any progress had been made in regard to right turning lane from Rampart Road to the Marshes. The Town Engineer advised that there were changes proposed to the road markings to indicate a right turn arrow.

Minute No 265/13 Cllr. Keelan queried if any progress had been made in respect of the Prohibition Order at Racecourse Road. There was nothing to report at this time.

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**298/13** **HOUSING PROGRESS REPORT**

Mr. D. Storey, Senior Executive Officer presented the monthly housing progress report dated 5th December 2013 and he responded to members queries as follows:

Clarification to Cllr. M. Butler regarding the number of leased units provided in the Dundalk Town Council area.

Cllr. M. Doyle requested that units allocated by the voluntary agencies be included in future reports. The Member also queried rent arrears in the voluntary rented sector. This is a matter for the Voluntary agencies.

Clarification to Cllr. M. Bellew that allocations made by the Voluntary housing agencies were to applicants on the Council housing list. The members requested that officials revert as to the process available to residents who wish to have a development taken in charge where the developer was still trading but was reluctant to have a development taken in charge.

**299/13 CAPITAL PROGRESS REPORT**

The Capital Progress report as circulated with the agenda was noted by the Members.

**300/13 SECTION 183 NOTICE - DISPOSAL BY LEASE OF 2.929 HECTRES**

**Proposed by Cllr. M. Butler**

**Seconded by Cllr. M. Bellew**

**And Resolved:-**

That having considered said notice confirm the disposal by way of lease of approximately 2.929 Ha (7.23 acres) of land at Muirhevnamor District Park to the Trustees of Cuchulainn Cycling Club to provide a Cycling Velodrome, BMX Track, ancillary car parking and associated site development works.

**301/13 BIDS UPDATE**

Mr. David Storey, Senior Executive Officer advised the members that he had as advised at the November meeting proceeded with and completed the plebiscite in regard to the renewing of the BIDS for a further five years. The result was 468 in favour and 99 against.

**Proposed by Cllr. M. Bellew**

**Seconded by Cllr. M. Doyle**

**And Resolved:-**

Having considered the matter confirmed the renewal of BIDS in respect of Dundalk Town for a five year period.

**302/13** **CONFERENCES / EVENTS – TO APPROVE MEMBERS’ ATTENDANCE AT THE ENCLOSED CONFERENCES**

**Proposed by Cllr. J. Ryan**

**Seconded by Cllr. E. O’Boyle**

**And Resolved:-**

To confirm the Members attendance at Conferences listed with the Agenda and recorded in the Conference Register.

**303/13 RESOLUTION FROM OTHER COUNCIL**

The resolution from Macroom Town Council was noted.

**304/13 CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence from the Department of Justice and Equality dated 27th November was noted by the members and welcomed by Cllr. Green

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**The meeting concluded with prayers @ 6.40pm**

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Minutes confirmed at Meeting

Held on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of January 2014

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