

Municipal District of Ardee – November 2018

Minutes of Municipal District of Ardee meeting held in the Mid Louth Civic Services Centre, Ardee on Thursday, 1st November 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

In attendance:

Cathaoirleach: Councillor Pearse McGeough

Members: Councillors: T. Cunningham, C. Markey, D. Minogue, L. Reilly & J. Tenanty

Officials: Joe McGuinness, Director of Services
Aoife Lawler, Senior Executive Officer
Colin Murdock, Executive Engineer
Alan Sherry, Meetings Administrator
Christine Mullen, Administrative Officer

Minute No. 82/18

The minutes of the monthly meeting held on 4th October 2018 were confirmed on the proposal of Cllr. J. Tenanty and seconded by Cllr. D. Minogue.

The minutes of the budgetary meeting held on 15th October 2018 were confirmed on the proposal of Cllr. D. Minogue and seconded by Cllr. T. Cunningham.

Minute No. 83/18

Matters arising

The issue of the naming of a roundabout after Dermot O'Brien was discussed, and it was agreed that Cllr. Minogue's motion be put on the December agenda giving all interested parties time to discuss the best approach.

The road condition at Lannets, Concreaghy and the Bog Road on the Town Park side was raised along with the potentially dangerous junction at Lannets Cross.

Minute No. 84/18

Housing and Communities Progress Report

Members discussed the report as circulated at the meeting, and the following points were raised:

- Joe McGuinness was commended for his work in the Housing department
- The need to address the perpetrators of anti-social behaviour in Council housing and support the victims was emphasised.

- The need to carry out more CPOs for Council housing stock was highlighted and the members were asked to bring any vacant properties that they believe may be suitable for social housing to the attention of the Housing Department.

Minute No. 85/18

Operations, Marine and Infrastructure Report

Members discussed the report as circulated at the meeting and the following points were raised:

- Updates were requested in relation to the N2 upgrade, the Ardee bypass and the proposed park and ride facilities.
- Members were informed that landowners were responsible for potentially dangerous trees on their land.
- With regard to the taking in charge report it was requested that a full list as per previous meetings be supplied.
- It was agreed to have an official from the Infrastructure Department at the next meeting.

Minute No. 86/18

To agree date of 10th January 2019 for the January Borough District of Ardee Meeting

This was proposed by Cllr. D. Minogue, seconded by Cllr. T. Cunningham and agreed by the members.

Minute No. 87/18

Notice of Motion

**Proposed by Cllr. D. Minogue
Seconded by Cllr. J. Tenanty**

"That LCC alongside works on Ardee Castle we design a more definite Wall Town and Heritage Trail, that when Ardee Castle is open we have more to offer locals and tourists while showcasing Ardee Mid Louth. This will attract more visitors and help boost local economy!"

REPLY:

Louth County Council made an application to Failte Ireland in 2008 for funding to develop a town Wall & Heritage Trail for Ardee but unfortunately, the application was unsuccessful.

In the course of the discussion the issue of Ardee's membership of the Irish Walled Towns Network having lapsed was raised, and it was agreed to seek a report from the Heritage Officer for the next meeting. Members noted the reply.

Minute No. 88/18

Notice of Motion

Proposed by Cllr. D. Minogue

Seconded by Cllr. J. Tenanty

"Ardee Municipal District calls for a low cost measure such as traffic lights or a roundabout to be put in place at the top of Ardee town to alleviate traffic congestion. That we also incorporate traffic lights at the pedestrian crossing at bank of Ireland to help with safety for pedestrian, motorists and cyclists."

REPLY:

There is no proposal to install traffic lights or a roundabout in Ardee. The question of incorporating traffic signals at the pedestrian crossing at Bank of Ireland is under consideration but will also require input from TII.

Members agreed the motion.

Minute No. 89/18

Congratulations were extended to:

Ardee St. Mary's Minors

St. Mochta's GFC

There being no other business, the meeting concluded.

The Minutes were confirmed at a meeting of the Council held on:

Date: _____

Cathaoirleach: _____

Meeting Administrator: _____