

**Minutes of the November Meeting of the Municipal District of Castlecomer held in the Council Chamber, County Hall, John Street, Kilkenny on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> of November 2019 at 3.00pm**

**In the chair:** Cllr John Brennann

**Present:** Cllrs Mary Hilda Cavanagh, Michael Delaney, Pat Fitzpatrick, Denis Hynes and Michael McCarthy

**In attendance:** Martin Prendiville, Philippe Beubry, Martin Mullally and Nancy Byrne

**1. Confirmation of Minutes of :-**

**(a) October Meeting of the Municipal District of Castlecomer**

The minutes were proposed by Cllr P Fitzpatrick, seconded by Cllr M McCarthy and agreed.

**2. Consideration of Reports and Recommendations:**

**(a) Broadband.**

Martin Prendiville confirmed that KCC are waiting for further engagement with either Signal or Eir to seek a solution to the broadband issue.

**(b) Community Grants**

Martin Mullally provided an update to members on Community Grants for the years 2017, 2018 and 2019 including the Town and Village Renewal Schemes.

**(c) Winter Services Plan 2019 – 2020**

Philippe Beubry circulated details of the Priority 3 routes. Mr Beubry confirmed that there have been no alterations to these routes from previous years and clarified that salting of the P3 is completed during severe weather only. Members thanked Mr Beubry for the work completed and acknowledge the excellent co-ordinated response / service delivered during severe weather in the past. Members raised the following queries:

- Increased co-ordination with the IFA during severe weather.
- Time at which salting is completed on the P3 routes.
- Funding for the P3 routes.
- Inclusion of Barrick Hill, Castlecomer in the P2 route.

Mr Beubry advised that salting of the P3 routes is done on a goodwill basis and is funded from the Council's Discretionary funds. Mr Beubry advised that he is liaising with Mr John Prendergast, Machinery Yard to establish whether there is capacity to include Barrick Hill, Castlecomer in the P2 route.

**3. Business prescribed by Statute, Standing Orders or Resolutions of the Municipal District for transaction at such meeting.**

None

**4. Other business set forth in the Notice convening the meeting.**

Items submitted by the members

**(a) Cllr Mary Hilda Cavanagh**

**(i) Public Toilets - Johnstown**

Following discussion, it was agreed that this item would be included for attention in Johnstown's Health Check.

**5. Notices of Motion**

None

**6. Correspondence**

None

**7. Matters arising from minutes**

None

**8. Any other business**

**(a) Johnstown - 250<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary**

Cllr M H Cavanagh highlighted that an application will be submitted under the Festival Grants Scheme 2020 on behalf of Johnstown Village to support their 250<sup>th</sup> year anniversary celebrations.

**(b) Standing Orders**

It was proposed by Cllr M H Cavanagh, seconded by Cllr M Delaney and agreed that the Standing Orders as circulated with the agenda for the Municipal District's Annual Meeting be adopted to include amendment to the 'hour of meeting' in the event of a deputation being received.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_