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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF TRALEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, ÁRAS AN CHONTAE, TRALEE ON MONDAY 6th July 2015.

MIONTUAIRISCÍ NA CRUINNITHE DE CHEANTAR BARDASACH THRÁ LÍ A THIONÓLADH I SEOMRA NA COMHAIRLE, ÁRAS AN CHONTAE, TRÁ LÍ, AR AN LUAN 6 Lúil 2015.

PRESENT/I LÁTHAIR

Councillors/Comhairleoirí

P. Daly	N. Foley	T. McEllistrim
T. Ferris	S. Locke	T. O'Brien
G. Spring	P. McCarthy	J. Finucane

In attendance/i láthair

Mr. J. Breen	Delegated Executive for the MD of Tralee
Mr. G. O'Brien	Meetings Administrator
Mr. C. Lynch	E.E.
Mr. J. Fitzgerald	E.E.
Ms. J. O'Sullivan	C.O.
Ms. B. Conway	A.O.
Mr. J. Kennelly	S.E.
Mr. E. Scanlon	S.E.E.
Ms. J. Foley	A.O.
Mr. P. Nevalinen	E.E.

The meeting commenced at 10.45 a.m.

15.05.11.01 Confirmation of Minutes

- (a) On the PROPOSAL of Cllr. T. O'Brien SECONDED by Cllr. S. Locke, it was agreed that the Minutes of the meeting of the members of the Municipal District of Tralee held on the 11th May 2015 be confirmed.
- (b) On the PROPOSAL of Cllr. T. O'Brien, SECONDED by Cllr. S. Locke, it was agreed that the Minutes of the meeting of the members of the Municipal District of Tralee held on the 25th May 2015 be confirmed.
- (c) On the PROPOSAL of Cllr. T. O'Brien SECONDED by Cllr. N. Foley, it was

agreed that the Minutes of the meeting of the members of the Municipal District of Tralee held on the 22nd June 2015 be confirmed

15.05.11.02 Update from the Water Services Directorate

It was agreed to note the following report which was circulated:

Clár Infheistíochta na Seirbhísi Uisce Comhairle Contae Chiarraí Achoimre Stádais ar an 27^ú Meitheamh 2015

Kerry County Council Water Services Investment Programme Status Summary at the 27th June 2015

IRISH WATER CAPITAL INVESTMENT PROGRAMME 2014-2016

Irish Water Capital Investment Programme 2014-2016 was launched in May 2014. A total of 8 wastewater Schemes (total value of " 10.7 million) and 7 Water schemes (total value of " 24 million) in Kerry are included in the IW Capital Investment Programme. The schemes listed in the CIP which affect the Tralee Municipal District are outlined in the following tables:

CIP TIONSCNAIMH SHOLÁTHAIR UISCE CIP WATER SUPPLY PROJECTS			
Tionscnamh Project	Description	Value	Stádas Status
Mains Rehabilitation Project	Tralee Estates Mains Replacement Contract Works	" 1,835,000	Contractor Wills Bros. has completed the replacement of mains at St Brendan's Park, Connolly Park, Riverside, Kering Park, Lohercannon and Marian Park. The cast iron mains and lead service pipes have been disconnected.
Central Regional Water Supply Scheme	Scart Reservoir, Farranfore	" 292,000	The new reservoir is in operation.

	Lough Guitane Water Treatment Plant . Design, Build and Operate	" 22,250,000	Tenders for the development of a new Water Treatment Plant were received in May 2015 and these are currently being assessed, with a view to appointing a Contractor to commence work in 2015/2016.
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CIP TIONSCNAIMH FUÍOLLUISCE CIP WASTEWATER PROJECTS	
Tionscnamh Project	Stádas Status
Ardfert SS	Scheme included in Irish Water's Capital Investment Programme 2014 - 2016. The Consultants are currently finalising the Contract Documents, with a view to submitting same to Irish Water, for issue to Tender in the coming months.
Fenit SS	Scheme is included in Irish Water Capital Investment Programme 2014 - 2016. Contract Documents have been submitted for review to Irish Water. Agreement has been reached with the landowner for the purchase of the site.

Funding Priorities for Capital Projects

Irish Water has indicated that it will prioritise funding for capital projects on the basis of key issues to be addressed. In water, priority will be given to schemes on a Boil Water Notice (BWN), on the EPA Remedial Action List (RAL) and/or on a legal Direction from the EPA. In wastewater, priority will be given to any town (agglomeration) on which there is an ECJ Ruling, and also to meeting the requirements of the EPA Discharge Licenses.

IRISH WATER MINOR CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2014-2016

Irish Water has also launched a Minor Capital Works Programme 2014-2016. This is a rolling programme of **minor improvement works** which can be added to as the need arises. The list of works in the Tralee Municipal District for which Kerry County Council has applied under the Minor Capital Works Programme is outlined in the following table:

MINOR CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAMME			
Project	Description	Estimate	Status
Castleisland Church St. Sewer	Replace collapsed length of sewer	" 3,500	Completed
Castleisland Limerick Rd. Sewer	Replace collapsed length of sewer	" 4,500	Completed
Fenit Sewerage Scheme	Replace 50m of sewer damaged by storms	" 25,400	Completed
Fenit Sewerage Scheme	Repair storm damage to Plant	" 12,800	Completed
Tawlaght Fenit WMs Replacement	Replace 300M old 2+watermain	" 12,000	Approved
Brosna Knocknagoshel WSS - Dooneen Res.	Provide Security Fencing	" 8,000	Approved
Dromultan Scartaglin Pumping Station	Lay pipe to eliminate pumping station	" 35,000	Approved
Meenleirim Brosna WS Pump	Provide Storage Tank	" 12,000	Approved
Lyreacrompane WTP - Sludge Treatment	Complete Sludge Treatment Plant	" 50,000	Underway
Lyreacrompane Water Supply	Install new Scour Valves and provide sampling points on existing scour-outs	" 17,000	Requested
Tralee Sewerage Scheme (Knockmoyle)	Lay 100m of dedicated 225mm diameter Storm pipe and manholes	" 14,000	Partly approved
Tralee SS - WWTP UV	UV Disinfection System upgrade	" 32,139	Underway
Tralee SS - Castlemaine Road Pumpstation	Pump replacement and Upgrade of Control Panel	" 15,422	Approved
Tralee SS – Mulgrave’s Bridge Pumpstation	Upgrade PLC system	" 6, 224	Complete
CRWSS - Knockawaddra	Install inline booster pumps	" 18,300	Complete
Garryruth and Cloghers Sewage Pumping Stations	Provision of mobile electricity generator	" 20,000	Requested
Pembroke St Tralee Water	Decommission cast iron main	" 5,900	Complete
Prince’s St Tralee	Replace 30M of 100MM cast iron main	" 6,400	Complete
Ardfert South Water Supply Scheme	Installation of 3no. PRVs and 9no. Air Valves	" 24,500	Underway
Cloonafleena Kilflynn WS	Upgrade SCADA/Telemetry	" 6,400	Complete
Fenit SS	Upgrade Outfall Pipe	" 23,000	Requested
Total approved to-date		€ 277,485	

THE RURAL WATER PROGRAMME

The administration and development of the Group Scheme sector continues to be a function of the Local Authorities under the guidance and supervision of the DoEC&LG and Irish Water has no authority, responsibility or involvement.

A total Block Grant Allocation of €780,100 has been allocated to Kerry County Council for the various measures under the Rural Water Programme in 2015.

Takeover of Group Schemes

Since 1 January 2014, responsibility for the Takeover of Group Schemes has transferred to Irish Water.

Nationally, discussions are ongoing between the DoEC&LG, the County and City Managers Association and Irish Water to develop a protocol to facilitate the Takeover of Group Schemes.

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Group Sewerage Schemes

General Background

The DOECLG Grant for any proposed Group Sewerage Schemes (GSSs) was increased to " 6,500 per house or 75% of the cost of the scheme, whichever is the lesser, in December 2012. The members of a proposed group scheme must contribute the balance of the initial capital / construction costs. It is also necessary that each GSS and Irish Water agree, in advance of the Scheme's construction, that Irish Water will take over that scheme on its satisfactory completion. Kerry County Council has discussed this with Irish Water and does not anticipate any difficulty in obtaining the consent of IW.

Alderwood Road Group Sewerage Scheme

This Road is located north east of Oakpark in Tralee. There are approx 100 houses on the route and a sewer line of approx 3.1 km is necessary. A Consulting Engineer has been selected by public Tender for a " 10,000 feasibility study on the proposed connection of this district to the existing public sewer. There is a difficulty in that the existing sewer system downstream is unable to cope with any proposed increase in sewage. The feasibility study is to investigate and quantify the works necessary on the existing system to accommodate the proposed Alderwood Road Group Scheme

Killeen Road Group Sewerage Scheme

This proposed scheme is located off the Oakpark Road, Tralee and would involve the connection of seven existing houses. The design of the scheme is currently under review with the Group's engineer.

Cllr. T. Ferris: asked for the update in connection with the Ardfert Sewerage Scheme.

Mr. P. Nevalinen said that he spoke with Mr. C. Mangan previous to the meeting and the Ardfert Sewerage Scheme is going ahead but said he will speak with Mr. C. Mangan to confirm and revert to the members with an update.

Cllr. J. Finucane asked was the Fenit Sewerage Scheme site in full Council ownership.

Mr. P. Nevalinen said he will speak to Mr. C. Mangan in connection to this and revert to the members.

Cllr. N. Foley asked if the replacement of pipes in a number of estates in Tralee has been completed

Mr. P. Nevalinen said that this was still being worked on and that the works will be split into 2 sections of the Town.

Cllr. N. Foley asked what the timeframe for these works was.

Mr. P. Nevalinen agreed to revert to the members on this.

15.05.11.03 Job Creation / Sustainable Economic Development Directorate

(b) Notice of Motion

1. **Cllr. P. Daly:** That Kerry County Council provide an update on the Tralee Fenit walkway/cycle way.

REPLY: KERRY County Council and CIE Group Properties are in the process of transferring ownership of the Tralee Fenit line to the ownership of Kerry County Council. We have completed the mapping works entailed to identify accurately the full extent of the property to be transferred. There are some minor ongoing issues to be resolved before the transfer can be completed.

Some of the initial environmental, archaeological and engineering assessment works required for the project have also been carried out. However much more work needs to be completed before the project can be brought to the level required for a planning application. It is unlikely that there will be much progress on the project in the short to medium term as the resources are not currently available to progress the project and there is no imminent prospect of funding for the project.

Cllr. P. Daly said that the funding for this project had not materialised and that there was an ongoing issue in the delay of the claim due to some landowners claiming squatter's rights.

Mr. E. Scanlan said that over 2 or 3 years ago Kerry County Council met with a number of people who had issues. He said that a realistic time frame will have to adhere and that KCC will advance the project as much as possible and it will be in a better position once funding is in place.

Cllr. J. Finucane asked if this could be looked at in a phased basis. He said that if the frustration continues the goodwill of the people of Tralee will be lost.

Mr. E. Scanlan said that he was aware of the possibility of phase works but planning will be sought for it in its entirety as this will make it easier to source funding and then look at phasing the project.

Cllr. T. O'Brien said that he supported this project but also expressed his disappointment at the delays

Mr. E. Scanlan said that it was important that members understand how frustrated Kerry County Council is also.

Cllr. P. Daly asked if money can be transferred to develop the section of the Tralee to Fenit line as far as the Black Bridge.

Mr. E. Scanlan said regarding the transfer of some of the Active Travel Town project funding to allow for the development of a section of the Tralee to Fenit line as far as the Black Bridge, Mr Scanlan confirmed that the funding could not be transferred and in any case planning approval was still outstanding for the Tralee Fenit development and would need to be secured for the entire project before any individual section could be completed.

2. **Cllr. T. Ferris:** That Kerry County Council would ensure that swimming lessons that have taken place in Fenit since 1952 will continue.

REPLY: The provision of swimming lessons is a matter for Irish Water Safety. Kerry County Council's water safety officer has confirmed that the swimming lessons at Fenit will take place in 2015 commencing the August bank holiday weekend.

Cllr. T. Ferris welcomed the reply and asked for assurance that the importance of these swimming lessons be brought to the Irish Water Safety's attention.

3. **Cllr. T. Ferris:** Can management explain why a sign at camp Ballyseedy, Tralee that has the same dimensions permission was originally granted for but different emphasis on the working requires new planning permission.

REPLY: Kerry County Council will not comment on an individual file but unless signage which is erected/ altered is considered Exempted Development under Article 6 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001-2013, then it is considered Development under Section 3 of the Planning & Development Acts 2000-2014. Development of this nature requires a prior grant of Planning permission

Cllr. T. Ferris acknowledged this reply.

4. **Cllr. N Foley:** Is there any update on the development of the Denny site in Tralee.

REPLY: We are currently examining the planning requirements and other legal requirements in relation to the demolition and disposal of material from the site. Once planning approval is received, we hope to tender for these works. The Council will be briefed on all developments.

Cllr. N. Foley said that this is a prominent and prime location in Tralee and everyone can see its potential and has an interest in what is going to happen to it, as what happens at this site will have a knock on effect to the town. She asked if a report can be forwarded to the members to keep them informed of its progress. She also suggested engaging the public and erecting a sign at the site to ask the public for their views and ideas. She said that we have to be proactive in filtering the information to the public and to invite opinions from both local people and people visiting the area.

Cllr. J. Finucane said that the Denny site is a key infrastructure project in the town. He said that he would like to see emphasis on the end use of the site and said that in conjunction with the college status that it may draw more people into the town for shopping etc. He said that he too would like to see input from the people in the town and from outside of town and that there was a chance to maximise this asset and if done correctly it will highlight what the town has to offer.

Cllr. G. Spring said he wanted to reiterate what Cllr. J. Finucane said and suggested a think tank to be organised to discuss.

Cllr. T. Ferris said that realistically the Denny site is a long term project and she fully supported it. She mentioned the Square in Tralee that was of great importance and how beneficial it is to the Town. She suggested the use of a roof enclosure where it can be used in all types of weather and gave an example of an area in Kilkenny where there is a glass roof, where parts can be opened. She said in other counties there is the use of Tarpaulin which is less costly but very effective. She mentioned that Cllr. P. Daly organised a big screen for the Square where a movie and sports game was shown, the weather was favourable and was a great success. She said that the Square should be prioritised and that the Denny site to be dealt with as a long term plan. She also stated that there was some issues with the surface of the Square and was dangerous when wet. She asked the Mayor to keep this as a priority and try to secure funding.

Cllr. P. McCarthy said like other Councillors have already said that there should be some engagement with the public and proposed that Kerry County Council run an advertisement campaign to ask local pubs and businesses to submit their ideas. He also suggested to consider it as part of a public private partnership.

Cllr. T. O'Brien said that if the Denny site was demolished people will be able to see its full scale and its potential. He proposed that submissions from the public be sought.

Cllr. S. Locke said that demolition of the site will have to take place in order to see the full scale of the site. In connection to the square, he said that this was discussed at Tralee Town Council level and that costing of such a venture was requested.

Cllr. P. Daly said that he concurred with Cllr. T. Ferris in connection to the Square and that something should be done to benefit the people of the town as a whole. He said in connection to the Denny Site that he would not look favourably on a large amount of money and energy being injected into the Denny site only to get it ready and a Multi National Company take it over. He suggested a debate to discuss what best to do with this site.

Cllr. N. Foley said that there is massive potential with the Denny Site and would like to be kept updated on its progress. She also said that she supported what the other members said about the square as it has great potential. She said that a root and branch approach has to be taken to see its potential as it would bring activity into the town and proposed that a response to be brought to the next meeting.

15.05.11.04 (a) Update from the Sustainable Communities / Quality of Life Directorate

It was agreed to note the following report which was circulated:

**REPORT
SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES /QUALITY OF LIFE
DIRECTORATE
TRALEE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT MEETING**

6th July, 2015.

Library Service Report

Business Unit Manager – Tommy O'Connor, Co. Librarian

Library service:

~ The final date for submissions for the Library Development Plan 2015 . 2019 is on Wednesday, 30 June. Public consultations were held during June at Killorglin, Listowel, Caherciveen, Killarney & Tralee. Submissions may be made by completing

a form at each Library service point, by writing to Noirín O'Keeffe at Kerry Library HQ or by e-mail to librarydevelopmentplan@kerrylibrary.ie

~ Business advice clinics, in association with the Kerry LEO, continue at Tralee & Killarney libraries on Tuesday, 21st July.

~ Each year Kerry Library runs summer reading programmes for primary school children to promote literacy development when schools are closed and to encourage non readers to engage with books. In 2015 it was decided to run a national pilot initiative, supported by the LGMA (Libraries Development) with 13 local authority libraries, including Kerry participating.

The Reading Challenge will run during the summer from 20 June . 22 August. The challenge will also include an interactive website where participants can play related themed games, review books and communicate with selected authors at: <http://www.librariesireland.ie/summer-reading-adventure/>

Emergency Services Report

Business Unit Manager – Mr. Vincent Hussey, Acting Chief Fire Officer

Operation of the Fire Brigade Service:

- There were 587 incidents up to the end of May 2015 compared to 477 incidents for the same period in 2014.
- The number of chimney fires was 86 up to the end of May 2015, compared with 72 for the same period last year.
- The number of Road traffic collisions in the county was 60 up to the end of May 2015, compared with 68 for the same period last year.
- Training for recruit fire fighters commenced in May. This is to fill positions in Tralee, Killarney, Killorglin and Castleisland.
- Fire fighters from each of the 10 stations received training on the Community Fire Safety Demonstration Unit during May. This will now enable personnel from each station to promote fire safety awareness to communities in their station areas.
- An Emergency First Responder (EFR) refresher training course took place in May.

Major Emergency Management

- Regional participation has been ongoing. The second quarterly meeting of the COMAH Group for 2015 was held on 11th May. The second quarterly meeting of the Regional Working Group for 2015 was held on 25th May.

Fire Safety and Prevention:

- Fire Officers continued to provide the Courts with recommendations in respect of any licensing applications notified to the Fire Service.
- Fire Officers continued with premises inspections as required.

Building Control:

- 138 Commencement Notices were received up to the end of May 2015.
- The number of Disability Access Certificate applications received was 34 for the same period.
- A total of 50 Fire Safety Certificate applications were received.

Environmental Protection Services Report

Business Unit Manager – Mr. Liam Quinlan, Senior Executive Officer

Green Flag Awards

The Green Flag Awards for Kerry Schools took place in Cork on May 26th. Flag raising ceremonies will take place in each of the schools before they break up for Summer Holidays. Schools generally make a community occasion of the event and invite local representatives to attend

Congratulations to Ardfert National School who won a major National prize in the SEAI Sustainable Energy for their sustainable energy project.

Tidy Towns Groups

We continue to work with Tidy Town groups at this time of year as they prepare to submit their applications.

Other initiatives

We are currently working on waste audits with a number of Killarney Hotels. Recommendation will ensue and we are preparing a training day for staff to reduce food waste in particular.

We are also working with the new management company of The Rose of Tralee Hotel (formerly Fels Point) and we have waste, energy and water audits planned for early July

The cigarette litter project with Castleisland Community college has been deferred until September. However during the summer months we will be concentrating on working with the Tralee Chamber Alliance and a number of premises in the town centre towards best practice on cigarette litter.

Transition Kerry have a public meeting on reducing Energy costs. 24th June - 7-9pm - Transition Kerry Energy Working Group - Public Talk on Energy Co-operative and how to reduce your energy bills, ICT Restaurant, IT Tralee (north campus)

KCC are running a Teachers' Summer Course with An Taisce in Killarney from July 1st - 7th. This is by way of extra information to Teachers who may be undertaking the Green Flag Award for their school in the coming school year. The course covers Waste/Litter, Energy, Water, Biodiversity and Sustainable Travel

The Anti-Gum Litter campaign, nationally coordinated by IBEC and implemented on the ground by KCC will take place in Tralee on Monday 27th July. Monitoring will take place until end of September.

We are currently working with a number of caravan, holiday home centres and camping sites in Kerry . Killarney, Ballyheigue and Dingle with a view to reducing their waste and increase recycling figures. This is an EPA funded project under the Local Authority Prevention Network (LAPN). A number of initiatives which will hopefully reduce food waste and increase recycling will be put in place.

We have received funding from the Environmental Protection Agency to promote the Food Share Kerry project in which KCC are partners with the St. Vincent de Paul and NEKD. The goal of this initiative is to reduce food waste in supermarkets.

There was a very positive reaction to both Radio Kerry's ~~Saturday Supplement~~ shows recently . one dealing with Japanese Knotweed (May23rd) and the other dealing with Sustainable Energy Use in Kerry (June 6th)

Housing/Social Services Report

Business Unit Manager – Ms. Kathleen Moriarty, Senior Executive Officer

2015 Allocation for Housing Adaptation Grants for Older People and People with a Disability

The Council has received notification from DOECLG of the 2015 Allocation for Housing Adaptation Grants for Older People and People with a Disability Grant Scheme of " 1,788,778 of which " 357,756 is to be provided from our own resources. The Council is continuing to allocate grants in accordance with our Priority Scheme.

Tenant Purchase Scheme

The Council has been advised by the DOECLG that in accordance with the commitment in the Social Housing Strategy 2020 that it intends to introduce in the coming months a tenant purchase scheme for existing local authority houses under Part 3 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2014. This Scheme will be modelled along similar lines to the incremental tenant purchase scheme. We await commencement of this Part of the Act.

Energy Efficiency Insulation

The Council has been advised of the 2015 funding allocation of " 507,374 for energy efficiency insulation works to local authority houses.

Returning Vacant Housing Properties to Productive Use

The Council has received notification of " 905,230 for 53 units under the above programme for 2015. The aim of this programme is to return vacant properties to productive use and we are currently advancing works under the scheme in order to re-let houses.

John Breen

Director of Services

Sustainable Communities /Quality of Life

Social Housing Activity Report at 19th June 2015

Tralee Municipal Area (T.M.A.)

Social Housing Applicants

Accommodation offers made for property located within Municipal Area
 New Tenancies Commenced
 Accommodation refusals

Social Houses

Vacant properties within Municipal Area

Under/awaiting Repair (excl those subject to major refurbishment)
 Awaiting Allocation
 Choice Based Letting (Excluded from Above)

Construction Programme

Single Rural Dwellings - Transfer Stage
 Single Rural Dwellings - under construction
 Extensions - applications on hands
 Extensions - under construction

Rental Accommodation Scheme

	<u>County</u>
Total Active Tenancies	853
New tenancies in 2015	74
Tenancies terminated in 2015	34

Leasing

	<u>County</u>
Leased Properties	88
Leases under negotiation	11

Housing Adaptation Grants (County Wide)

	<u>No.</u>
2015 Allocation	
New Grants Allocated 2015	159
Total 2015 Commitment	177
Grants Paid	33

(b) Notices of Motion.

1. **Cllr. P. Daly:** That the council will meet with a delegation from Inspired.ie who work in The Square, Tralee with adults who have intellectual disabilities

REPLY: This is a matter for consideration by the members.

Cllr. P. Daly said that this group had taken over the lease of a building in the Square in Tralee to provide a place for over 180 with disabilities to go, as there are no real services for this age group in the area. Inspired.ie is made up of families with kids with these disabilities. He proposed that they give a presentation at the next Tralee MD meeting.

Cllr. T. Ferris seconded this.

Mr. G. O'Brien asked Cllr. P. Daly to forward the contact details

2. **Cllr. T. Ferris:** That the clothes bank at Fearann Ardferd would be removed and relocated as the recycle bins were.

REPLY: In view of the collection of rubbish at this textile bank, we have arranged with our Housing Department (in view of it being sited in a local authority estate) to have contact made with its private operators to either remove it or take measures to ensure that the area surrounding it is kept clean and clear of rubbish

Cllr. T. Ferris said that she was happy with the reply.

3. **Cllr. T. Ferris:** That this Municipal District would progress plans to achieve a purple flag for Tralee Town.

REPLY: The Municipal District Manager will arrange to have this proposal investigated and revert to the Members at the next Municipal District Meeting.

Cllr. T. Ferris said that the purple flag is an international accreditation awarded to city and town centres that meet or surpass the standards of excellence in managing the evening and night time economy. She said that this Notice of Motion came about after discussions with Councillors in other counties especially in Galway where they used the Purple Flag status to emphasis the good image of the town. She said that certain criteria have to be met before being awarded the flag and suggested starting with a section of the town centre. She said that Killarney too has successfully attained the Purple flag.

Cllr. J. Finucane said that he seconded this proposal. He said that this should be considered in conjunction with The Square, Tralee and to show that the Town is a safe place to socialise and enable the town

infrastructure to grow. He also said that there was a need to concentrate on the level of police resources that are available and the necessity of men and women in uniform to be seen. He suggested meeting with the Gardai in regards to manpower and how to maximise this.

Cllr. P. Daly said that the CCTV cameras in the town square need to be repaired and also said that the positive aspects of Tralee town should be promoted rather than highlighting the small negatives.

Mr. J. Breen said that the Purple flag would get everyone working together and creating a safe atmosphere for all ages.

Cllr. S. Locke suggested that the CCTV monitoring be in the Garda Barracks.

4. **Cllr. N Foley:** That Kerry County Council consider putting in place appropriate signage and covert cameras to tackle the serious and ongoing illegal dumping at the two viewing parks on the Short Mountain.

REPLY: New cameras are to be purchased in the near future and will definitely be used at the Short Mountain where there is an ongoing problem

Cllr. N. Foley said she welcomed the response and that this was a very serious issue. She said the success of the covert cameras is evident and asked what is the position of purchasing a number of extra covert cameras. She asked if costing of these cameras be brought to the next Tralee MD meeting. She also said that the signage where the covert cameras are was too small and very hard to read.

Mr. J. Breen said that costing for these cameras was being prepared for the County.

Cllr. N. Foley asked if costing can be prepared for the Tralee Municipal District specifically.

Cllr. G. Spring said he supported Cllr. N. Foley and said that this was an important issue and said that people who carry out the illegal dumping should be prosecuted and also named for the public's knowledge.

Cllr. S. Locke said that he seconded this. He said that a strong message needs to be sent to the public that people who carry out this illegal dumping will be caught and prosecuted.

Cllr. P. Daly said that there was also illegal dumping being carried out at the bridge over the big river, Na Gael and Old Kileen Road and asked if cameras are in this area.

Cllr. P. McCarthy suggested that a councillor allocation of " 1000 per member be used towards the purchase of cameras.

Mr. J. Breen said that was a decision for the members

Cllr. T. O'Brien said that vigilance of the public was needed in the help to catch these people who carry out the illegal dumping. He said that those who carry

out the illegal dumping have no respect for the town or for those who carry out the clean up of the town like the Tidy Towns group. He said that it is very important that these cameras are roving as if those who carry out the illegal dumping know that a camera is present they will dump their rubbish elsewhere

Cllr. T. Ferris said that there is an increase in illegal dumping since the Local Authority stopped carrying out the refuse collections. She said people cannot afford to dump their rubbish as they have to pay a standing charge whether they have rubbish to dispose of or not, or where private refuse companies won't cover some areas.

Cllr. J. Finucane said that there is no excuse for illegal dumping. He said that people who illegally dump their refuse go to great efforts to conceal this and the cost that they go to, to do so. He said that the Local Authority cannot take responsibility for people illegally dumping rubbish

Cllr. P. McCarthy agreed with Cllr. T. Ferris in connection to when the Local Authority stopped the collection of refuse. He said that savings can be made by recycling properly and that his own household bill for refuse was halved due to recycling.

Cllr. T. Ferris said that there was always illegal dumping but that there has been an increase, so that there has to be some reason for this. She referred to Cllr. B. O'Connell's request to carry out an audit on how and where people dispose of their waste.

Mr. J. Breen said that this request related to the council's own housing stock and a survey has been carried out. He said that it was very important that this survey is carried out with all Local Authority tenants and that it is a very useful exercise. He said that there is primary legislation being introduced this August which will give the Local Authority the power to knock on every door to query about the household disposal of waste.

Cllr. T. Ferris said that she was contacted by two individuals who are on the Shared Ownership Scheme. She gave an example of an individual paying "400 toward the mortgage and then "400 rent to the Local Authority, she said that in the boom times that "800 was a large repayment on a mortgage. She asked Mr. Breen to negotiate with the Department to seek some relief for these families.

The Mayor informed the meeting that Cllr. S. Locke has requested permission to move an emergency motion in relation to the Monument recently erected in Ballymullen.

Cllr. S. Locke: That this Council would further enhance the monument erected in Ballymullen to the dead of World War I by including the names of those who died from Tralee on that particular monument or erecting another plaque.

Cllr. S. Locke called on Kerry Council to further enhance this monument. He said between the years 1914 and 1918 people who had no form of income left to join the royal fusiliers to be able to feed their families. He said he has been approached by a number of people

who asked that the people of Tralee who fought with them be highlighted on this monument. He looked for the members support.

Cllr. P. Daly said that he had no problem with enhancing the monument but suggested in changing the wording to acknowledge all men of Tralee who fought in WW1 as so many died in the different regiments it would be impossible to name every man who took part.

Cllr. P. McCarthy said that he supported Cllr. S. Locke and seconded this motion. He said that monuments are very important and that they honor the individuals involved and not the cause. He said that he concurred with Cllr. P. Daly to include those names who fought with other brigades.

Cllr. J. Finucane said that those who fought and died in WW1 should be remembered because of their involvement and not of the carnage, the war of chemical weapons and all the other hardships brought about from the war. He said on the eve of the 1916 our own people who died during the atrocity should be remembered.

Cllr. T. Ferris said that the monument should include remembering all people of Tralee who lost their lives in World War 1.

It was agreed the wording on the monument should be amended as following ~~to~~ let us remember all Tralee people who lost their lives during WW1+.

Mr. J. Breen said they would have to go back to the sculptor (*Name withheld for data protection purposes. A paper copy of unedited Minutes available on request*) and see how practical it is to make changes to the monument so as it is not noticeably altered.

He said it will either be done on the present monument or a new piece. He also said they would look into the issue of the list of names.

15.05.11.06(a) Update from the Operations, Health & Safety Directorate

It was agreed to note the following report which was circulated:

Tralee Municipal District Meeting – 6th July 2015

Report from the Director of Operations, Health & Safety

1. Reorganisation Project

The following staff are based at the Kerry County Council Tralee Municipal District Operations Office at Prince's Quay (former Tralee Town Hall)

Frank Hartnett - Municipal District Engineer

Siobhan Horgan . Senior Administrator

Area Engineers:

- **John Fitzgerald** (Roads and Environmental)
- **Colm Lynch** (Roads and Environmental)
- **Aidan Harty** (Housing)

2. Road Works Programme for July/August 2015

Tralee Metropolitan Area	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Roads Programme 2015 - Footpath Renewal at Denny Street, Marian Park, Connolly Park, St. Brendan's Park & Ballyard Hill.• Bituminous Wearing Course Overlay completed at Ashe Memorial Hall.• Environmental Maintenance . Approach Roads, Roundabouts & Grass Cutting Operations.• Towards a Better Tralee / Tidy Towns Works• General Maintenance Works - Street Cleaning, Litter Control & Landscaping Works
Tralee Municipal District East	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Restoration Improvement & Maintenance Preparatory Works• Restoration Improvement & Maintenance Strengthening Works (Machinery Plant)• Restoration Improvement & Maintenance Surface Dressing Works• National Primary Maintenance Works . Skirting, Drainage & Hedgecutting Works• County Specific Municipal District Operation Fund Works (County Councillor Allocations)

Tralee Municipal District West	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restoration Improvement & Maintenance Surface Dressing Works • Restoration Improvement Accommodation Works • Restoration Maintenance Accommodation Works • National Primary & Secondary Maintenance Works • Street Cleaning / Beach Cleaning Operations • County Specific Municipal District Operation Fund Works (County Councillor Allocations)
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3. Housing

Maintenance work is ongoing

Work will be undertaken to the following vacant units in July/August 2015.

Short-term voids	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 Shanakill Court
Long-term voids (Grant Funded)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 151 Shanakill • 166 Shanakill • 40 Balloonagh Estate • 84 St. Josephs Estate • 113 Balloonagh • 12 Casements Avenue

This concludes our Report for July/August 2015.

(b) Notices of Motion.

1. **Cllr. P. McCarthy:** That the roads department of Kerry County Council include in the 2016 roads schedule upgrade of the handball Alley road in Ballymcelligott.

REPLY: The L-2022 (Local Primary Road) adjacent to Handball Alley at Ballydwyer, Ballymacelligott will be considered under the

Restoration Improvement Programme for 2016.

Cllr. P. McCarthy said that he was happy with this reply. He said that this road is used extensively and asked if emphasis could be given on the small section of road which is approx 150m in length.

Cllr. T. McEllistrim seconded this motion.

2. **Cllr. T. McEllistrim:** To widen the road from Farmers Bridge up to Quills Cross, Caherleen, Tralee in the interest of road user safety.

REPLY: The Operations Department of Kerry County Council does not recommend any road widening works on the L-2018 (Local Primary Road) from Farmer's Bridge to Quills Cross with regard to road safety. The Operations Dept. has recently completed the installation of a signage scheme along this road to improve safety (including signage indicating that the road is unsuitable for Heavy Goods Vehicles - HGVs).

Cllr. J. Finucane said that he too received some correspondence in connection with this area of road.

Cllr. T. McEllistrim said that some people would use this road as a short cut and some travel at high speeds. He suggested that this area would be looked at again in the future and that in the meantime to monitor the situation.

3. **Cllr. T. McEllistrim:** To call on Kerry County Council to replace pipes by installing a larger pipe at Ballygarret Bridge, Camp, Tralee

REPLY: The Tralee Municipal District Operations Department has inspected Ballygarret Bridge on the L-8012 (Local Secondary Road) at Camp. However, due to vegetation / overgrowth it was not possible to properly assess / access the bridge. The Tralee Municipal District Operations Dept. will remove the vegetation to inspect the bridge and will revert with a report (including an estimate for the installation of a large culvert pipe if required). This work may be suitable for Councillor Specific Municipal District Discretionary Operations Funds (County Councillor Allocation).

Cllr. T. McEllistrim acknowledged this reply

4. **Cllr. T. Ferris:** That management would meet with the residents association at Rath Oraigh Tralee to discuss the possibility of providing speed ramps and signage and most importantly to address the issue of damp, improved insulation and leaking roofs in up to 40 of the properties.

REPLY: The Tralee Municipal District Operations Department is available to meet the residents association of Rath Oraigh to discuss their concerns. The provision of Traffic Calming Measures (ramps and signage etc.) is subject to a Speed Analysis. The Tralee Municipal District will undertake this assessment to determine if traffic calming measures are warranted.

Rath Oraigh housing scheme was constructed in 2004/05 and was insulated to a standard higher than the building regulations at that time as part of the House of Tomorrow Scheme funded by the SEI as it was known at that time. Given that the properties are well insulated, any damp within the property is due to lack of ventilation or heating or a combination of both. The ventilation and heating of the properties are under the control of the tenant. The drying of clothes in houses is also prevalent within the housing stock which generates additional moisture. Any maintenance requests in relation to leaking roofs have been responded to and dealt with at the time. There are no current maintenance requests for damp, improved insulation or leaking roofs in Rath Oraigh.

Cllr. T. Ferris said she welcomed the opportunity to discuss the signage and traffic calming in Rath Oraigh. She said that she was surprised that no requests in connection to dampness or leaking roofs have been forwarded to Kerry County Council and that the best option was for a meeting to be arranged with the residents of Rath Oraigh.

5. **Cllr. T. Ferris:** What is the current situation with the public road into car park one at Banna Beach.

REPLY: There were High Court Proceedings with regard to the Banna Beach Access L-10480 (Local Tertiary Road) and the matter was settled through a High Court Order.

Cllr. T. Ferris acknowledged the reply and will relay to the community that there was legal action taken.

6. **Cllr. T. O'Brien:** That the road through Blennerville on the bend is repaired as there is a continuous issue with two potholes that are at times unavoidable.

REPLY: Surface remedial works will be undertaken during July on

the N86 in Blennerville Village where some rutting / depressions are evident in the road surface.

Cllr. T. O'Brien acknowledged the reply

7. **Cllr. T. O'Brien:** That this authority will examine the parking situation in Basin Rd / Basin View in relation to loading bays.

REPLY: The Tralee Municipal District Operations Department will examine the provision of Loading Bays on the R874 Basin Road in Tralee during the review of the Parking Bye-Laws later this year. In the interim, an examination will be undertaken to assess the possibility of providing a Loading Area along the R874 Basin Road.

Cllr. T. O'Brien said that there was a large loading bay which was obstructed by large boulders to stop illegal camping. He said there were a number of businesses in this area who are paying rates and have no loading bay.

8. **Cllr. T. O'Brien:** That this authority would upgrade the ramps / speed bumps on the Ballinorig road by painting same.

REPLY: Reply: The Tralee Municipal District Operations Department will replenish / remark the Speed Ramps (Traffic Calming Measures) on the Ballinorig Road in Tralee during July.

Cllr. T. O'Brien acknowledged this reply.

9. **Cllr. T. O'Brien:** That Kerry County Council would give an update on the safety railing that is very necessary on the canal road.

REPLY: Tralee Municipal District Operations Department has inspected the sea wall (southern side – footpath side) along the N86 Canal Road, Tralee and is satisfied with its condition. The N86 Canal Road was upgraded approximately 8 years ago with the construction of a footpath, road surfacing works and the installation of a crash barrier along the Canal side (northern side). It is not possible to install a crash barrier along the southern side of the road (footpath side).

Cllr. T. O'Brien asked if a vehicle hit off this wall would it be able to withstand the force and not collapse.

Mr. J. Fitzgerald said that the sea wall is in good order, but if anything was to hit it, like any structure, it could cause damage. He said that this road was upgraded 7/8 years ago to include a footpath.

10. **Cllr. T. O'Brien:** That this authority would carry out a small upgrade on the road leading into Annagh Graveyard (approx. 50 feet).

REPLY: The access road serving Annagh Burial Ground is generally in a good condition. The Tralee Municipal District Operations Department patches the few potholes which occur and will continue to maintain this road.

Cllr. T. O'Brien said that the road was in good condition just the first 50 metres, where cars have to go up on the grass verge to avoid the potholes.

11. **Cllr. T. O'Brien:** That this authority would erect a light at the front of Curraheen church on the west side of the entrance.

REPLY: Currently due to the constraints on maintaining the existing public lighting network, including increasing energy costs, the Council has not been in a position to fund the provision of additional lighting to the public network, except in exceptional circumstances. In recent years the taking in charge of housing estates has increased our public lighting costs and there will be additional costs with the proposed taking in charge of other estates in the coming years.

Under the provisions of EU Directive 2006/32/EC and S.I. No. 542/2009 – European Communities (Energy End-use Efficiency and Energy Services) Regulations 2009, Kerry County Council is also required to make substantial reductions in energy consumption, including on public lighting. This will necessitate substantial investment in either retrofitting our existing public lighting network with more efficient lighting equipment and/or restricting the provision of new lights on the existing network. This is an issue that needs to be further examined in the context of the limited funding available for the provision of all services, and the needs of the community. Any request to provide additional public lighting in front of Curraheen church, will need to be assessed as part of a Public Lighting policy, which will be developed through the Operations SPC, given the existing demands on the Council to maintain existing public lighting infrastructure throughout the county.

Cllr. T. O'Brien said that this is fine during the summer months but on darker evenings there is very limited lighting.

Cllr. T. Ferris said that EU regulations were used as an excuse for not updating the lighting. She said that the regulations have to be looked at and that public lighting be prioritised.

Mr. J. Breen said that it was a matter for the SPC to decide on a revised policy. He said that both the upgrading of lighting to make it more efficient and the electrical cost would both have to be taken into consideration.

- 12. Cllr. T. Ferris:** That the only section of road at Muinganaire, Knocknagoshel not included on the programme would also be upgraded while the crews are working on the sections either side.

REPLY: The section of road referred to above, the L-6521 (Local Secondary Road) at Muinganear is included in the Restoration Improvement Programme for 2016. The L-6521 at Muinganear will be maintained in the interim.

Cllr. T. McEllistrim said that he too raised this at a previous meeting.

Mr. J. Fitzgerald said that the Restoration Improvement Programme is a 4 year programme and that it going back to be drafted later this year. He said that this road is on the current programme and it will be done in the future and will be maintained in the meantime.

Cllr. T. Ferris said that when adopting Roads Programmes in the future if a map could be included to highlight/colour code the roads.

Cllr. T. McEllistrim said that the section in the middle of the road being restored is the worst area and where potholes are mostly reoccurring and needs to be upgraded also.

Mr. J. Fitzgerald said that the nature of the programme is that the Road Maintenance is drafted annually and the Restoration Programme is over 4 years.

- 13. Cllr. P. Daly:** That this council will erect ramps at Rockpark Avenue, Tralee.

REPLY: The Tralee Municipal District Operations Department will undertake an assessment to determine if Traffic Calming Measures are warranted in Rockpark Avenue, Tralee. We will liaise with you on identifying specific locations.

Cllr. T. Ferris moved this on behalf of Cllr. P. Daly.

- 14. Cllr. N Foley:** That the potholes on the Short Mountain road be filled as a matter of urgency.

REPLY: The L-6516 (Short Mountain Road – Local Secondary Road) is generally in a good condition. However, there are some potholes evident. The Tralee Municipal District Operations Department will undertake a patching operation on this road

Cllr. N. Foley acknowledged this reply

15. **Cllr. N Foley:** That the road from Knockeen Crean Cross to Reaglass Cross be repaired as a matter of urgency.

REPLY: The L-2027 (Local Primary Road) from Meenleirim Cross to Knockachur Cross will be patched by the Tralee Municipal District Operations Department. The L-2027 from Knockachur X to Loughfooder X is included in the Restoration Improvement Programme for 2016.

Cllr. N. Foley acknowledged this reply.

16. **Cllr. N Foley:** That the road be repaired at Knockafreghane, Brosna outside the homes of (details with directorate)

REPLY: The Tralee Municipal District Operations Department will patch the L-10716 (Local Tertiary Road) at Knockafreghane, Brosna.

Cllr. N. Foley acknowledged this reply

17. **Cllr. N. Foley:** That the footpath in Upper Rock Street be repaired a matter of urgency especially from Veterinary Clinic to the back entrance to Dunnes Stores, especially the section from the veterinary clinic to the entrance to Casements Avenue.

REPLY: This section of footpath along the R556 at Upper Rock Street, Tralee is in need of improvement / remedial works. The works will be undertaken following the completion of the Roads Programme 2015 (possibly in October).

Cllr. N. Foley asked was there an audit carried out on the condition of footpaths around Tralee and in particular the paving stones especially around the town centre and The Mall.

Mr. C. Lynch said that The Mall is going to be upgraded

Cllr. N. Foley said that in particular the area between Easons and Der Sullivan's there are some paving slabs that seemed to have sunk and are very hazardous.

Cllr. N. Foley said that also there is a paint spill near John Dowlings store to Val O'Sheas, while the Local Authority is not responsible she asked if something can be done as it is very unsightly.

Cllr. N. Foley also asked if the potholes on the back road from Kearneys Road to Blennerville could be inspected.

Cllr. P. McCarthy said that at the Short Mountain there is unfenced grazing and asked if signage can be erected to inform the public of this.

(c) Questions

1. **Cllr. T. O'Brien:** Can we ensure that the flower bed at Rath is accessible for the workers from towards a better Tralee (parking on double yellow lines etc)

REPLY: The Tralee Municipal District Operations Department will provide traffic cones to the TABT workers, if required for their use, to prevent unauthorised parking on the R875 (Regional Road) adjacent to Flower Bed at Rath Cemetery.

Cllr. T. O'Brien said that he was happy with this reply and that he also wanted to complement the Felile na MBláth Festival, he said it was well supported and congratulated all involved.

Cllr. T. Ferris asked what was the update at Rath na Heaglaise Estate in Ardferf in connection to works to be carried out.

Mr. J. Fitzgerald said that they met with the residents and that the priority was public lighting. He said that there was a small amount left in the bond and that was going to be used for the lighting. He said that he will revert to the members with an update.

Cllr. T. Ferris asked what was the update on the flooding problem in Kilmoyley Grave Yard

Mr. J. Breen said that following a number of meetings with the Kilmoyley Graveyard committee an agreement was reached as to what works were going to be carried out. He said he was surprised to hear that the committee are now not happy with the agreement.

Cllr. J. Finucane said when the meeting that Mr. J. Breen attended was concluded all parties left with an agreed consensus. He said there were a number of meetings held and that this needs to get resolved.

Cllr. S. Locke said that if an agreement has not been met it will have to be looked at again.

Cllr. N. Foley said that the residents in this area are living in a horrendous situation. She said that as it stands that it looks like some of the committee has reservations. She suggested to arrange to meet with the committee once more in order to draw a conclusion and proposed to revisit this.

Cllr. G. Spring asked for one more meeting to discuss with the committee and come to an agreed outcome. He said that he understood that there were problems with 3 sections in this area.

Cllr. T. Ferris said that the problem was the water flow and that the committee suggested to stop this at the entrance of the burial ground and return it to the same point. She asked are the proposed works to be carried out when the water level reaches 8ft as she understood that the water has never gone beyond 6.3ft before.

Cllr. P. McCarthy suggested that Mr. J. Breen consult with *(Name withheld for data protection purposes. A paper copy of unedited Minutes available on request)* a member of the Kilmoyley Graveyard Committee.

Cllr. T. McEllistrim said that the works basically to be covered is to extend the proposed works to bring a large pipe to the top of the housing estate and 2 more bore holes in the housing estate and graveyard and then extend the pipes around the estate. He said that the committee was not in agreement and the chairperson and secretary were not happy with proposed works. He suggested that the Kilmoyley Graveyard Committee be brought to a Tralee MD meeting as a deputation and contact *(Name withheld for data protection purposes. A paper copy of unedited Minutes available on request)* and *(Name withheld for data protection purposes. A paper copy of unedited Minutes available on request)*

Cllr. T. O'Brien said that a very dangerous precedent was being set if another meeting is to be held with Kilmoyley Graveyard Committee. He said that all involved were asked for their opinion and that if another engineer is consulted they may have different opinions as well. He said an agreement was reached, meetings held and if a meeting was to be considered it should be in September and suggested a meeting between the Mayor, Engineer and representatives of the Kilmoyley Graveyard Committee

Mr. J. Breen said he echoed Cllr. T. O'Brien's sentiments and to be very cautious. He said that there has been 4 or 5 1 hour meetings held over 4 months and that there was a very clear mandate and agreement reached. He said that he was surprised that since the last meeting that there is now problems with the agreement.

Cllr. T. Ferris asked were they confident of reaching the 8ft depth and also asked if the Listowel Municipal District agreed to support this also.

Cllr. J. Finucane said an agreement was reached on the basis of the Kerry County Council engineering report. If the works carried out did not suffice Kerry County Council would be liable and further works to remedy would be carried out in order to reach a solution. He said that there was an element of frustration with this as an agreement was reached at the last meeting.

Cllr. T. Ferris asked if the works carried out do not address the issue can this be looked at.

Mr. J. Breen said that if the agreed works did not solve the issue then further works would have to be carried out and that this was pointed out at the meeting.

The Mayor informed the meeting that he requested to move an emergency motion in relation to the Tralee Oyster Fisheries Society who are seeking a 99 year lease from Kerry County Council.

Cllr. T. McEllistrim said that the Tralee Oyster Fisheries Society is calling on the Tralee Municipal District to grant a 99 year lease for a new building in Fenit.

Tralee Oyster Fisheries Society has utilized a building on Fenit pier for Approximately 12 years. Due to Liebherr's requirement for further space they have facilitated this request by agreeing to move to a new site on the marina. This required the construction of new premises. With the provision of new premises and other developments it is hoped the fishery can be maintained for a further several hundred years.

Tralee Oyster Fisheries Society is a non profit making co-operative so it is vital that they be granted a 99 year lease for the site of the new building on the marina in Fenit.

The new premises will allow faster handling and more efficient dispatch of product. This would increase the value of oysters produced, assist to sustain present employment and also increase employment by allowing better quality control of oysters such as weighing, sizing and packing in a dedicated dispatch centre especially designed for handling shellfish.

There is a short term lease i.e. 4 years and 9 months current which was received from the Tralee and Fenit Harbour commissioners in 2011 on the understanding that a long term lease would be made available prior to commencement of construction.

Due to time restraints required by BIM, Tralee Oyster Fisheries Society urgently need a long term lease of a minimum of 99 years in place, to satisfy grant application eligibility criteria. Tralee Oyster Fisheries Society would gratefully appreciate the urgent consideration of this issue.

Cllr. T. McEllistrim said that he was looking for the support of the members as this was a very important motion and very important to the businesses and the fisheries in the area.

Cllr. T. Ferris said that she had no issue with this request but asked why notification was not sent to the members so as to inform them earlier.

Mr. J. Breen said that this motion was received only in the last week. Mr. Breen said that a lease anything over 11 months requires a section 183 and cannot be dealt with over a few days. He said that a 99 year lease is conveying ownership.

Mr. S. Locke proposed the planting of a tree in remembrance of the late Mr. Patrick Casey, former chairperson of the Tralee Urban Council who was involved in the purchase of the Town Park for the people of Tralee

Cllr. T. Ferris said that she is not objecting to any commemorations but said that dedications to former politicians should be looked at closely.

Mr. G. O'Brien informed the meeting that the operations SPC are looking at developing a policy on the naming of Council Infrastructure.

15.05.11.06 Dates for meeting

- (a) It was agreed that the next meeting of the members of the Municipal District of Tralee would be held on Monday 7th September 2015 at 10.45 am

Meeting concluded at 1.00pm

Gerard O'Brien

Meetings Administrator

Mayor of the Municipal District of Tralee