**MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF GREYSTONES MUNICIPAL DISTRICT HELD IN THE CIVIC OFFICES, GREYSTONES ON THURSDAY 14th DECEMBER 2017 AT 6.30 P.M.**

Present: Councillor G. Walsh, Cathaoirleach

Councillors T. Fortune, N. Lawless, G. McLoughlin & D. Mitchell

Also Present: Mr. M. Nicholson, Greystones Municipal District Manager

Mr. R. O’Hanlon, Greystones Municipal District Engineer

Ms. M. Porter, Greystones Municipal District Administrator

Mr. E. Forristal, Executive Engineer, Greystones Municipal District

Ms. K. Coughlan, Greystones Municipal District

Apologies from: Councillor J. Whitmore,

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At the outset the District Administrator informed the members that representatives from Irish Rail were unable to attend the meeting due to other commitments but that they hoped to attend the January meeting. She also advised that representatives from Glenveigh Properties had hoped to attend but that their proposals for the public park at the harbour were not completed in time.

1. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

It was proposed by Councillor N. Lawless, seconded by Councillor G. McLoughlin and agreed that the minutes of the monthly meeting held on 28th November 2017, as circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Cathaoirleach.

1. **PRESENTATION ON SOCIAL ENTERPRISE PROJECT BY GREYSTONES OUTDOORS**

The Cathaoirleach welcomed Mr. Mark Atkins and Mr. Julian Swan from Greystones Outdoors to the meeting. Mr. Atkins and Mr. Swan gave a slide-show presentation outlining their proposals for land and sea based activities to be provided on a pay as you go basis and to cater for all age groups, at Greystones harbour and north beach. They pointed out that they eventually intended to link in their activities with the facilities at the new public park at the harbour.

The members welcomed the proposals and stated that the facilities proposed would be great for Greystones and the surrounding district.

Following discussion the members agreed to support the project and to request Glenveigh Properties to contact Mr. Atkins and Mr. Swan in relation to their having an input into the design of the public park. They requested the District Administrator to check if there was an access ramp to the waterside included in the harbour development plan.

1. **2018 ROADS PROGRAMME**

Members had been circulated with a report from the District Engineer on suggested roads for inclusion in the 2018 Roads Programme. He answered any queries from the members in relation to same. He informed the members about the proposals for the R762 at the new Glenheron housing estate and he advised the members to press at County Council level to have major road proposals included in the Capital programme. He pointed out that restoration works would depend on the amount of money allocated and the cost of the works.

Following discussion it was agreed that the following roads be included in the 2018 Roads Programme:

* R762 Mill Road from Killincarrig Cross to Charlesland Road including upgrading of junctions onto the road to National Cycle Manual standards
* L5548 Creowen Road, Kilcoole
* L10482 Sylvan Lawns, Kilcoole – car parking area only
* L5041 Old Downs Road, Willow Grove
* L50501 Church Lane, Newcastle
* L10280 Glenbrook Park – footpaths to be repaired in advance
* L99616 Seamount Drive, Newcastle - phase two following on from works in 2017 and footpath works to be done in advance

1. **NOTICES OF MOTION:**

There were no notices of motion for consideration.

1. **CORRESPONDENCE**
2. The District Administrator informed the members of the contents of a letter received from Irish Rail in relation to the train station at Greystones and she agreed to circulate same.
3. The District Administrator informed the members of the contents of a letter received from Councillor G. Walsh notifying of his resignation as Cathaoirleach with effect from 31st of December 2017. She pointed out that the filling of this vacancy would be placed on the agenda for the January meeting.
4. The District Administrator informed the members of the schedule for recycling of Christmas trees locally.
5. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**
6. The District Administrator informed the members that all local schools had been offered the playground equipment from the south beach playground and that it was hoped to be able to facilitate the three schools that had expressed an interest in taking some.
7. The District Administrator informed the members that following the expressions of interest received for the provision of toilet facilities at the harbour, the Council would now proceed to the full tender stage.
8. In response to a query from the members, the District Administrator stated that the cost of annual commercial parking permits in Greystones had been increased to €500 in the 2017 Parking Bye Laws to bring them into line with the charges in other towns in the county. She stated that this was included in the Greystones schedule for the Bye Laws that was circulated to all members and she pointed out that no submissions were received in relation to this from members of the public during the consultation stage. She stated that any changes to the Bye Laws now would have to be agreed at County Council level.
9. The Cathaoirleach wished everyone a happy Christmas and wished them well for 2018. He invited everyone to join him for refreshments in the Burnaby lounge.
10. The District Manager and District Administrator also expressed season’s greetings to everyone.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

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**CATHAOIRLEACH**

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**DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR**

**DATED THIS\_\_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_2018.**