

**MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF GREYSTONES MUNICIPAL DISTRICT HELD IN THE CIVIC OFFICES,
GREYSTONES ON TUESDAY 24th APRIL 2018 AT 7.30 P.M.**

Present: Councillor D. Mitchell, Cathaoirleach
Councillors T. Fortune, N. Lawless, G. McLoughlin, G. Walsh & J. Whitmore

Also Present: Mr. M. Nicholson, Greystones Municipal District Manager
Mr. R. O'Hanlon, Greystones Municipal District Engineer
Ms. M. Porter, Greystones Municipal District Administrator
Ms. Andrea Egan, Greystones Municipal District
Ms. Orla Greene, Greystones Municipal District

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 27th March 2018, as circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Cathaoirleach.

2. PRESENTATION ON NEW GREYSTONES WEBSITE

Stephen Kavanagh from Design Factory made a presentation to the members in relation to the new Greystones website. He advised that the website greystones.ie will promote Greystones as a place to live, work and visit and will not be primarily for advertising.

The project will be ready in the next week or two to be handed over to Paul Carney of PC Productions to build and create content. PC Productions will maintain and manage the new website in the future.

3. UPDATE ON GREYSTONES HARBOUR DEVELOPMENT

The District Administrator informed the members of contents of a report from Wicklow County Council. The report stated that the Part VIII application for alterations to previously approved Terrace No. 12 and alterations and redesign of previously approved public park is currently on display until 24th May 2018 and the deadline for submissions is 8th June 2018. Members enquired as to whether this included a playground as agreed in the original contract.

Following discussions members enquired as to who is currently responsible for the public plaza particularly in relation to upkeep and maintenance. Members also requested that they be consulted regarding the design for the apartment block which will be located on the site previously approved for the Primary Care Centre. The members suggested that the Clients Representative Architect should advise on the design for this building given its prominent location on the site.

Members requested that the Developers provide a timeline for the completion of each phase of the development. Members also requested an update on the meeting between the fishermen's representative and Bord Iascaigh Mhara.

Some members stated they were unaware of a current planning application at the Marina as they were not receiving the planning lists. The District Administrator requested all members to advise the email address they wish to receive notification of the planning lists to and she would advise the Planning Department of same.

The District Administrator confirmed to members that a draft license agreement has been prepared in respect of Greystones Outdoors use of a fishermen's hut. Members were not happy with the amount of rent proposed, it was agreed to re-examine same as this is a social enterprise venture.

Members were also advised that it is proposed to engage consultants to prepare tender documents for toilet facilities at the Harbour.

4. 2018 GREYSTONES PEOPLE OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Members were reminded that the closing date for nominations for the 2018 People of the Year awards is Friday 27th April and that the event will be held on Thursday 24th May, 2018 in Greystones Golf Club.

5. REPORT FROM GREYSTONES MUNICIPAL DISTRICT ENGINEER

A report on proposed works and works carried out was circulated by the District Engineer and he answered any queries from the members in relation to same. The members requested that the bicycle parking as proposed on Killincarrig Road would not be installed as they were not happy with the design of same. The District Engineer requested the members to revert to him with their suggestions for alternative design as soon as possible.

Following discussion it was agreed to refer the following matters to Wicklow County Council:

- Review the pedestrian crossing point on Church Road, outside the Burnaby Pub.
- Request Shoreline management to address the litter problem inside and outside the fence at the bus stop.
- Revert to Cliff Road residents regarding alleged damage to the road during Cliff Walk bridge repair works.

6. NOTICES OF MOTION:

- (a) Motion in the names of Councillors D. Mitchell & G. McLoughlin:
"A white line should be put down the centre of St. Vincent's Road, north section, to prevent parking which hinders the residents leaving their houses".

The District Administrator read out the District Engineer's response as follows:

"Any witnessed parking on St Vincent Road does not hinder residents leaving their houses and so a solid white centre line (or double yellow lines at the road edge, should it be further suggested) are not warranted. The parking on this section of St Vincent Road is an envisaged and desired outcome of the redesigned road layout. The Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets allows for and defines how on street parking can be used as an appropriate traffic calming measure. We shall monitor the situation and should it be deemed warranted we may set out where cars should park by way of marked pay parking bays."

Members did not agree with the response given and following discussions the District Engineer agreed to investigate installing alternating non pay and display parking bays, as to remove all parking would encourage speeding on St Vincent Road.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Following discussion it was agreed that Councillor G. Walsh and Councillor N. Lawless would represent the Municipal District on the working group for the community based CCTV Scheme.
2. It was agreed that the Cathaoirleach would attend the Association for the Study of Obesity on the Island of Ireland's Annual Conference on Monday 14th May, 2018, to accept an award on Wicklow County Council's behalf in recognition of their commitment towards public health and the translation of research evidence into practice on the ground, with their support of the No Fry Zone initiative.
3. The District Administrator read out an email received from Greystones, Kilcoole and Delgany Tidy Towns requesting support to ensure that no referendum posters are erected in village centres in relation to the upcoming referendum as they have a negative impact on the environment. It was agreed that this request would issue to all campaign managers.
4. The District Administrator informed the members that the presentation of the Estate Development Grants and the Community Awards would take place on Tuesday 29th May 2018, from 6 – 7 p.m. in the Civic Offices.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Members raised recent email from Hillside Residents Association regarding concerns in relation to proposals for pedestrian access to Church Lane. The District Engineer advised that there is no timeline for same and that consideration is being given to this proposal as part of a larger scheme, including the reopening of the rear access to St. Kevin's School. It is intended to consult with the school and the residents and members will be kept informed of progress.
- Members advised that the existing town maps will need to be replenished and requested that funding be provided to replenish same. Following discussion it was agreed that Councillor G. McLoughlin would investigate having the maps updated and redesigned.
- Following queries regarding the display board outside the Train Station, Councillor G. McLoughlin agreed to revert back to the District Administrator with details of the company who currently manage the information on display.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED: 
CATHAOIRLEACH

CERTIFIED: 
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR

DATED THIS 21st DAY OF May 2018.

