

**MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF GREYSTONES MUNICIPAL DISTRICT HELD IN THE CIVIC OFFICES, GREYSTONES ON TUESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2018 AT 7.30 P.M.**

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

**Also Present:** Mr. M. Nicholson, Greystones Municipal District Manager  
Ms. M. Porter, Greystones Municipal District Administrator  
Mr. R. O'Hanlon, Greystones Municipal District Engineer  
Ms. K. Coughlan, Greystones Municipal District

**Apologies from:** Cllr. J. Whitmore  
Mr. E. Forristal, Executive Engineer, Greystones Municipal District

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At the outset votes of sympathy were extended to the families of John Cave, Holyhead; Patsy O'Toole, Kilcoole (former County Council staff member) and Phyllis Barry, Killincarrig.

**1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

It was proposed by Councillor G. McLoughlin, seconded by Councillor T. Fortune and agreed that the minutes of the monthly meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> May 2018, as circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Cathaoirleach.

**2. GREYSTONES HARBOUR DEVELOPMENT**

The District Administrator circulated the members with a report received from Wicklow County Council outlining progress on the harbour development and the anticipated construction programme.

Following discussion the members raised concerns regarding the height of the proposed buildings in the vicinity of Mount Haven which they felt were too high and would overlook the houses. Mount Haven residents had raised these concerns with the members and claimed that the original plans for the harbour did not overlook their properties.

In relation to the Fishermen's huts, members asked for details of all individuals who received compensation following vacation of the previous huts as some members had been contacted by individuals who claimed that undertakings were given that they would be facilitated with huts in the new harbour. They also sought details of any queries or expressions of interest in the new huts that were sent to Wicklow County Council, together with advice and/or guidelines for criteria to enable the allocation procedure to be commenced. Members requested that only nominal rents should be charged for the huts.

The District Administrator stated that she would follow up on the outcome of the meeting between the Bord Iascaigh Mhara representative and the fishermen's representative. She also confirmed that

she would take up the provision of trailer parking and the provision of solar compacting bins at the harbour with the harbour operators.

Finally, the District Administrator informed the members that the Greystones Outdoors group had encountered difficulties in securing necessary funding so the commencement of their operations at the harbour had been postponed until these difficulties were resolved.

### **3. REPORT FROM 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.

Following discussion it was agreed that the following items be referred to the District Engineer for attention:

- Provision of compacting bins at Kilcoole and La Touche Place
- Bicycle parking in La Touche Road car park
- Parking meter on La Touche Road
- Parking in cycle lane at Killincarrig
- Parking on St. Vincent Road
- Provision of additional signage at Windgates
- Repair of ramp at Brereton's shop on Mill Road

It was agreed to seek an update on the review of the parking regulations for the July meeting and it was also agreed to write to the County Council to seek additional outdoor staff for the Greystones Municipal District.

The District Administrator informed the members that eight spaces would be reserved for annual parking permit holders in the south beach car park and that these would be clearly marked and signposted.

### **4. UPDATE FROM GREYSTONES 2020**

Councillor G. McLoughlin informed the members that the group's Public Realm Plan had gone out to tender and that work was progressing on the website to enable it to go live. She also pointed out that the Cathaoirleach of Greystones Municipal District would be invited to all meetings of Greystones 2020 and that the minutes of such meetings would be circulated.

### **5. REVIEW OF WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL BURIAL GROUND POLICY**

The members had been circulated with the draft document relating to the review of the Wicklow County Council Burial Ground Policy.

Following discussion a vote was taken on the proposals and Councillors G. McLoughlin, D. Mitchell and G. Walsh voted in favour of the recommendations in the draft policy while Councillors T. Fortune and N. Lawless voted against. As there was a majority in favour of the draft policy, it was adopted.

## 6. NOTICES OF MOTION

No notices of motion were considered.

## 7. CORRESPONDENCE

1. The District Administrator advised the members that the Mayor of Holyhead and representatives from the Holyhead Twinning Committee were travelling to Greystones on 7<sup>th</sup> July to finalise details of the trip for the delegation travelling from Greystones to Holyhead from 27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> July. It was agreed to arrange a meeting of interested groups and the Administrator asked members to advise the office as soon as possible if they were available to attend either weekend.
2. The District Administrator informed the members that the Council had written to all businesses on the main thoroughfares of Greystones in relation to street furniture and that it was hoped that all would engage with the Council and work together to provide a safe and accessible space for all users.
3. The District Administrator informed the members of the contents of a letter received from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government in relation to elected members' fees for making submissions on planning applications.

## 8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- a) The District Engineer informed the members that a brief had been completed for the provision of public toilets at the harbour and that this was going to procurement as the Council did not have the staff to do it themselves.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED:   
CATHAOIRLEACH

CERTIFIED:   
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR

DATED THIS 31<sup>st</sup> DAY OF July 2018.

