Ceantar Bardasach Carraig Mhachaire Rois – Baile Na Lorgan

Comhairle Contae Mhuineachain

The Municipal District of Carrickmacross – Castleblayney

Monaghan County Council

Minutes of proceedings of the Municipal District Monthly Meeting held in Carrickmacross Civic Offices, Riverside Road, Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan on Monday the 27th of May 2024 at 15:30

Present: Cathaoirleach Aoife McCooey
Cllrs. Colm Carthy, Noel Keelan, PJ O'Hanlon, Peter Conlon, Aidan Campbell

Apologies: Gemma Keenan, Senior Staff Officer

In Attendance: Carmel O'Hare, Director of Services, Damien Thornton, District Co-Ordinator, Gary Toye, District Engineer, Julieann O'Reilly, Assistant Staff Officer

Presentation - **Derelict Properties Presentation**
Kevin McNally, A/Town Regeneration Officer and Brian Annon, Executive Engineer

Cllr. McCooey:
Queried if there is a plan for a Town Centre First Plan for Castleblayney?
Reply – this is subject to funding.

Cllr. Carthy:
Noted that a number of properties were not mentioned.
Remarked that the 7% charge is aimed at building owners who do not engage with MCC.
Commented that there has been a lack of interest in the Repair and Leasing Scheme as Croí Cónaithe has taken over.
Queried whether there will be a more extensive list by the end of Q3.
Reply – details of any derelict properties can be emailed to MCC. It is intended to extend the initial survey to include villages e.g. Inniskeen, Corduff & Oram.

Stated that it is about trying to get people to engage with MCC.
Remarked that there needs to be a focus on the revitalisation of town centres.

Cllr. Campbell:
Commented that dereliction is the blight of many rural towns.
Stated that it is good to see work progressing and commended all the funding schemes that are available.
Stated that if a property owner has a derelict property, they should engage with MCC.
Expressed delight with the €11m funding received from Minister Humphreys department for the Market House.
Noted that Nrs. 6 and 67 on the list represented Hope Castle and the Annex and remarked that it is good to see movement here.
Stated that it would be great to see Muckno Street being brought back to life.

Cllr. O'Hanlon:
Stated that it is a very successful and worthwhile scheme.
Advised that the Council need to be careful regarding commercial hubs in the town, specifically Carrickmacross Main Street. The last thing needed is to replace commercial properties with residential.
Commented on the importance of linking the consumer to where the commercial activity is.

Cllr. Keelan
Wished to acknowledge John Reilly's work as the Vacant Homes Officer.
Agreed that we need to be careful regarding town centres and retail business needs to be encouraged.
Remarked upon large public buildings such as Carrickmacross Courthouse.
Advised that the 7% levy is a last resort.

Cllr. Conlon:
Recalled the presentation given to the full council in recent months and remarked about learning from experience.
Stated that Carrickmacross is a great commercial town.
Advised that he is glad to see on-going works dealing with dereliction.
Highlighted the Convent Lands Masterplan and stated that the possibilities are endless.
Commented that the revitalisation of buildings and properties will bring employment to the town.

Cllr. O'Hanlon:
Stated that he has been led to believe that the derelict property in Mulinary was being dealt with and advised that a future update would be appreciated.
Reply – Will revert about same.

Update on Ballybay to Castleblayney Greenway

- **Matthew Lambe, Ballybay – Clones MD District Co-ordinator**

Cllr. Campbell:
Clarified that the project is currently at stage 2 of 7 and remarked that it is a long way off from anything happening.
Stated that 111 submissions were received and a that lot of these were from Mile Hill Road residents which needs to be taken into consideration.
Asked if MCC will engage with landowners to see if concerns can be dealt with.
Stated that there is no point in proceeding if 55% are against it.

Cllr. Carthy:
Asked if MCC are providing information regarding the concerns and queried how we can lessen the impact of the proposed Greenway.

Reply – The update states that concerns raised will need to be recognised and dealt with. We need to bring the people along with us. Funding is required to progress to the next phase.

Cllr. O'Hanlon:
Stated that it is vital that people living adjacent to the proposed scheme need to be on board and that without the consent of local residents it cannot proceed.
Sough clarification that the project is not shovel ready.

Cllr. Keelan:
Noted the submissions from the public and that they are not happy.
Remarked that there is a huge amount of work to be done to address residents' concerns and without this the project won't go ahead anytime soon.

Cllr. McCooey:
Commented that it was she who had requested this update.
Advised that may residents are very concerned, including those who farm.
Stated that she had raised over 10 issues with Sean Fitzsimmons of Clandillon Consulting.
Remarked that fundamentally she believed this would be a great project, but without the full support of landowners, she will not support it.
Stated that she doesn't believe that the Mile Hill Road residents will be on board and wonders if it is a non-runner.

Reply – All comments have been taken on board and we will speak to the consultants. As far as the consultants are concerned, Option 2 has been selected. An alternative route can be looked into, but this will incur costs.

1.0 Confirmation of Minutes

On the proposal of Cllr. Carthy and seconded by Cllr. Keelan, the minutes of the April 2024 Monthly Municipal District Meeting, held on Monday the 22nd of April 2024, were adopted.

On the proposal of Cllr. Keelan and seconded by Cllr. Conlon, the minutes of the in-committee meeting regarding Section 183 Notices, held on Monday the 22nd of April 2024, were adopted.

2.0 Matters Arising

Cllr. Carthy:

Asked for an update on the previously raised issue of gaps located at Clos na Droimainne.
Reply – initial inspection has been undertaken and works should be completed in the coming month.

Cllr. Keelan:

Regarding the proposed adoption of a public road at Steadfast, sought clarification as to whether the making of a public road is a reserved function.
Reply – this is a reserved function at Municipal District level.

Cllr. O'Hanlon:

Acknowledged that it is a reserved function and reminded the group that it has been agreed to forward this matter onto Robert Burns, CEO, MCC.
Remarked that the issue needs to be dealt with correctly and professionally.

Cllr. Campbell:

Concurred with Cllr. O'Hanlon's comments.
Reply – There has been no correspondence received to date from Robert Burns, CEO, MCC.

Cllr. Keelan:

Requested an update on large branches in the River Fane.
Reply – Water levels have reduced, and it is expected that works will be carried out here in the near future.

Cllr. O'Hanlon:

Wished to acknowledge the work of Glenn O'Reilly, Assistant Engineer, where he called to the local residents affected by the recent flooding as agreed. Queried when it is hoped to see a conclusion to this.
Reply – staff are working on flood alleviation measures, and it is hoped to have these works completed by the end of Q3.

Cllr. Keelan:
Voiced concerns about the resources available for road repairs.
Welcomed the recent pothole blitz and requested an update on same.
Wondered if there is an update on emergency funding, which was mentioned previously.

Cllr. Conlon:
Concurred with Cllr. Keelan's comments about the roads.
Expressed thanks to Robert Burns, CEO, MCC and MD staff for the recent works.

Cllr. O'Hanlon:
Stated that he wouldn't argue about the state of the roads.
Noted that there was a decent dry spell in the past 4-6 weeks, prior to this there was substantial rain.
Commended Robert Burns, CEO, MCC for the initiative he has taken.
Remarked that the Cathaoirleach, Cllr. McCooey, is very passionate about the issue of funding for roads and had also raised this issue directly with Minister Jack Chambers, alongside himself.
Advised that he has been told that funding will be coming in the next few weeks and noted that a commitment was given to other counties in a similar situation.
Commended the MD engineering staff for all their works.

Cllr. Carthy:
Welcomed Cllr. O'Hanlon's comments.
Voiced concern that extra funding would be given to Minister Ryans' department.

Cllr. O'Hanlon:
Commented that he does not disagree with Cllr. Carthy's comment and advised that this point has been raised with Minister Chambers.

Cllr. Conlon:
Advised that he shares Cllr. Carthy's concerns and informed the group that Taoiseach Simon Harris has given a commitment to review funding.

Cllr. Keelan:
Acknowledged Cllrs. O'Hanlon's, McCooey's and Conlon's efforts with this issue.

Cllr. Campbell:
Requested an update on Black Island works.
Reply – Part 8 process commenced last Thursday.
Requested an update on Annadrummond Phase 2 works.
Reply –These works will be completed in tandem with the RI works.

Cllr. Keelan:
Advised that Essexford Bridge has been hit again. Can hedge cutting and the lining of this location be investigated.

Cllr. McCooey:
Requested an update on Low-Cost Safety / pedestrian crossing for Oram.
Reply – This MD have spoken with Roads Section and there is no issue with changing the proposed location.

Cllr. Carthy:
Remarked on delays in grass cutting and commented that the outdoor staff are catching up. Called for the green space at Drummond Etra to be cut – it needs to be cut earlier and regularly maintained.
Reply – the wet Spring caused delays, but the outdoor staff are getting on top of it.

Cllr. Keelan:
Asked if there are any plans for the subsided road at Lisagore, Broomfield.
Reply – This MD is currently securing costings for investigative works. All avenues will be explored.
Queried whether there was any update on the review of bus stops along the Dundalk - Carrickmacross - Shercock Local Link route. Anxious to see bus stops reintroduced at Dun Ard Inniskeen and Corduff Cross.
Reply – This MD received correspondence from the NTA today seeking the LA's review/commentary on bus stops along this route.

Cllr. Carthy:
Welcomed the response regarding the Local Link service.
Requested that the Executive engage with the HSE and Local Link service re: the route for Monaghan – Castleblayney – Carrickmacross – Hospitals to see if they would amend the route to include a stop at Castleross to facilitate the elderly/vulnerable people residing there.

Cllr. McCooey:
Sought an update on the safety assessment on the Keady Road, Castleblayney. Also advised that the grass is high again at this location.
Sought an update on the planters at the Big Tom statue.
Sought an update on the dips at Longfield and Annadrummond.

3.0 Twinning invitation to Marseillan, Languedoc, France

Cllr. McCooey informed the group about communication received extending an invitation to visit Marseillan.

Following a discussion amongst the elected members, on the proposal of Cllr. Carthy and seconded by Cllr. Campbell, it was unanimously agreed that Cllr. McCooey, Cllr. Campbell and Damien Thornton will attend the twinning event.

4.0 Correspondence

i. Letter from Brendan Smith TD r: road maintenance

Cllr. Keelan wished to acknowledge Brendan Smith TD's correspondence.

5.0 MD Coordinator's Report

Cllr. Conlon:

Expressed thanks for the update on the pop-up pool and advised that he is looking forward to pushing on with this and Rahan's Lake.

Complimented the signing of the contracts at the Workhouse.

Cllr. Carthy:

Advised that he is relieved to see a sufficient response re: the pop-up pool and asked that Swim Ireland are notified that we can take it earlier then September if possible.

Stated he is glad to see progress on Rahans Lake and requested that the elected members are informed when the contracts are signed.

Asked if the Shirley House Lane Carpark will be made available to members at the July meeting.

Commented that we have missed out on another summer re: the Bandstand project and stated that the onus is on the new council to ensure it proceeds.

Cllr. Keelan:

Expressed frustration at the CCTV Schemes for both towns, advising that it has been a 12 month wait for approval so far.

Welcomed the efforts of Damien Thornton, District Co-ordinator and Gary Toye, District Engineer in trying to progress the proposed Inniskeen Bike Rental Scheme.

Stated that we should do all we can to acquire land at the back of BOI.

Sought an update on the Reclaimed Asphalt Scheme.

Acknowledged the works of the Executive.

Cllr. O'Hanlon:

Acknowledged the positive night at the Carrickmacross Workhouse and complimented Robert Burns, CEO, MCC, Carmel O'Hare, Director of Services and Damien Thornton, District Coordinator on their efforts.

Sought clarification that in 12 months' time, MCC should be in a position to apply for Category 1 funding.

Sought clarification that the C:Tek II is currently on schedule.

Cllr. Campbell:
Stated that it is important for the public to be made aware about the property clinic in Castleblayney on Thursday 13th June.
Expressed delight and thanks at the €11m funding received from Minister Humphreys department for the Market House and stated he hopes a local company will win the tender, although this is out of the elected members hands.

Cllr. Carthy:
Stated that previous successful delivery of local projects should be considered in the tender assessment criteria.

Cllr. McCooey:
Commended the Executive for all their works.
Warmly welcomed the €11m funding for the Market House and the contract signing event at Carrickmacross Workhouse.

6.0 Q&A

Questions raised by Cllr. Colm Carthy for the May 2024 meeting of Carrickmacross-Castleblayney Municipal District Council:

1. When is it expected that works will take place on introducing safety works on the Ballybay & Castleblayney roads, Carrickmacross, in proximity to Inver College, to allow for safe crossing of students attending post primary schools in the vicinity?
   Response:
   The Active Travel team are currently progressing the Carrickmacross-Castleblayney Road AT scheme (Project- Ref. No. MN/21/0010). Having regard to the 7 project phases set out in the NTA's Project Approval Guidelines, the scheme is currently at Phase 2 - Option Selection. The Options Selection Report was submitted to the NTA in Q3 of 2023. The NTA replied with comments on this report and requested further examination of proposals for the scheme, in particular the need for safety measures in proximity to Inver College. Pedestrian surveys and counts have been completed and the design team have identified locations where crossing points may be considered. The installation of the crossings must meet all necessary safety and technical standards and the Active Travel team are meeting with them regularly to ensure proposals comply with all of these. The design team are currently reviewing the latest comments received from the NTA in relation to the preferred option. They are working to complete the revised report by the end of June 2024. Once received, this will be returned to the NTA seeking approval to move to Phase 3 – Preliminary Design. It is hoped that construction on the scheme will commence in Q1 2025, subject to NTA approval and statutory consent.

2. Has there been any progress in the clean-up of the shuck that runs through Foxfield, Carrickmacross?
   Response:
   The Executive has secured funding to proceed with a localised clean-up of the shuck that runs through Foxfield Estate, Carrickmacross. Engineering staff are currently in the process of procuring a suitable contractor to undertake these clearance works.

3. Can I again request that the MD consider carrying out pothole repairs and drainage works to the rear access laneway along St Macartans Villas, Carrickmacross; this work was not prioritised in 2023 but still remains a problem for residents in the area?

Response:
At present there are no plans to carry out pothole repairs and drainage works to the rear access laneway along St. Macartans Villas. Subject to future funding availability, the Executive shall examine the feasibility of undertaking maintenance repairs to the rear access laneway along St Macartans Villas.

4. When is it expected works will commence on footpath repairs around Carrickmacross and will the executive be including some of the footpaths in our housing estates that need attention?
Response:
It is intended to commence a programme of footway repairs in Carrickmacross Town in July/August 2024. It is hoped to include repairs to footways within Council-maintained housing estates in this programme of works.

5. Are there any updates in relation to the signage requested for the Market Square, Carrickmacross, for businesses using the building?
Response:
The Executive are scheduled to meet with the business owners concerned on Friday the 14th of June coming, with a view to establishing acceptable and feasible signage options having regard to the planning constraints associated with the Market Square building, which is a protected structure.

Questions raised by Cllr. Noel Keelan for the May 2024 meeting of Carrickmacross-Castleblayney Municipal District Council:

6. What is the up-to-date position in relation to the public realm plan and parking strategy for Inniskeen village, when is it expected to see works commence on these projects, what funding is available to progress these projects?
Response:
Detailed design, including the development of a car parking strategy, is nearing completion and it is envisaged that works shall commence in late Q3 2024. The proposed public realm enhancements to the Village Heart and St Mary's Space areas shall include for the enhancement of pedestrian facilities at these locations. Monaghan County Council secured funding of €250,000 to progress this project.

7. What plans if any have the council to upgrade the playpark facilities in Inniskeen village?
Response:
In November last, Monaghan County Council submitted a funding application under the *2023 Town and Village Renewal Scheme* for public realm, heritage and amenity enhancements to the *Railway Station* and *Playground* spaces in Inniskeen Village. The proposal included for the upgrade of the existing playground facilities, in support of the development of an active welcome space on the western approach to Inniskeen Village. Unfortunately, the recently announced list of approved projects under the *2023 Town and Village Renewal Scheme* did not include the proposed scheme for Inniskeen Village. The Executive shall continue to explore all potential sources of funding to progress the proposal.

8. What progress if any has been made in relation to the ongoing problems of flooding in the Donaghmoyne Village area, what is the expected timescale to see works commence on a flooding mitigation scheme, when can the people of the Donaghmoyne area expect to see the access roads into the village resurfaced?
Response:
It is anticipated that a suitably qualified design consultant shall be engaged in Q2/Q3 2024.

Following completion of the flood mitigation design, the Executive shall explore all potential sources of funding to advance the implementation of the identified remedial drainage works. The Executive intend to undertake significant resurfacing works to the access roads entering Donaghmoyne Village in conjunction with the implementation of flood mitigation measures.

9. What is the up-to-date position in relation to the provision of a CCTV camera system for Carrickmacross and Castleblayney town?

Response:

Following a presentation on both schemes to the National CCTV Advisory Committee on Friday the 19th of May 2023, the Committee advised that they would be recommending the approval of both schemes to the Garda Commissioner's Office. The Executive continue to await approval or otherwise from the Commissioner's Office.

10. When is it expected that works will commence on the road resurfacing programme for this year 2024, and in particular the bog road (LS-8611) in Inniskeen which is in a horrendous state?

Response:

It is expected that the road resurfacing programme in this Municipal District will commence in mid-June 2024. It is envisaged that resurfacing works to the L-8611 (Bog Road) will commence in mid-late June 2024.

Questions raised by Cllr. Aoife McCooey for the May 2024 meeting of Carrickmacross-Castleblayney Municipal District Council:

11. Can the MD please provide an update and schedule for the upkeep of green areas in council estates in Castleblayney? Namely:

- Plas An Bhrí
- Coil Darach
- Drumillard
- Ard Na Lorgan
- Bree

Response:

The Carrickmacross-Castleblaney Municipal District grass cutting programme is currently underway. Monaghan County Council maintain the green spaces in the following council-maintained housing developments:

- Ard Na Lorgan – scheduled for cutting once per week.
- Bree – scheduled for cutting once per week.
- Drumillard – scheduled for cutting once per week.

The Executive do not maintain the green spaces in the following housing developments:

- Coil Darach
- Plas an Bhrí

12. Can the MD investigate traffic calming measures for all council estates in Castleblayney?

Response:

The Executive, guided by Monaghan County Council's adopted Traffic Calming Policy, shall carry out an assessment on council-maintained housing estates in Castleblayney. Based on the evidence/data collected, the Executive shall determine the warrant for additional traffic calming

measures in individual council estates and thereafter explore all potential sources of funding to implement same.

13. Can the MD investigate traffic calming in the Muckno street - Lake view area of Castleblayney?

Response:

On completion of the impending road resurfacing works, the Executive will determine the need for any potential traffic calming schemes on the R181 Muckno Street. Subject to the outcome of this assessment, the Executive shall seek to identify appropriate road safety measures for this location and explore all potential sources of funding to implement same.

Questions raised by Cllr. Peter Conlon for the May 2024 meeting of Carrickmacross-Castleblayney Municipal District Council:

14. Can I have the latest timeline on the feasibility study of the leisure complex for Carrickmacross and the expected timeframes for the remaining steps?

Response:

Monaghan County Council have recently engaged consultancy firm S3 Solutions to prepare a feasibility study and strategic assessment report for a proposed swimming pool and leisure complex in Carrickmacross. Over a 20-week performance period, the Consultants will research and compile key quantitative and qualitative aspects of the proposed project to evaluate the technical and economic feasibility of providing a swimming pool and leisure facility in Carrickmacross town. It is expected that S3 Solutions will make a final recommendation on the feasibility of the proposed project to Monaghan County Council in September 2024.

The information and data provided in the Feasibility Study & Strategic Assessment Report will allow the Council to make an informed and reasoned decision on whether to advance the proposed project to the next stage in the project lifecycle, preliminary business case development.

15. What is the latest on the Convent Avenue masterplan including the pedestrian / cyclist link to Farney Street?

Response:

Monaghan County Council has appointed the Paul Hogarth Company to prepare a concept landscape masterplan for the Convent Lands / Bath Avenue area to the south Carrickmacross Town Centre. This appointment will examine the need to provide better foot and cycle linkages to the town centre, accommodate the potential expansion of the St Louis Secondary School and to consolidate recent investments in sports facilities.

Following meetings with key stakeholders, a number of options to improve the pedestrian/cycle linkages to the town centre have been developed for consideration. The Council will further engage with stakeholders to identify the optimum solution for the provision of the improve linkage.

16. Has there been any developments on the Bridewell Lane, a landmark building in Carrickmacross Town and a focal project for the Town Centre First renewal programme?

Response:

Monaghan County Council are currently exploring the possible acquisition of the building commonly known as the Bridewell. Discussions in this regard are ongoing with the building owner and his legal representatives.

17. Has the design stage for the sensory park in Cloughvalley progressed, if so to what stage. When is works expected to progress?

Response:

The final draft design is nearing completion, and it is intended to commence a 3-week non-statutory public consultation process within the coming week. Subject to the extent of any required design amendments, It is anticipated that works shall commence in early Q3 2024

18. What is the latest development on the Creevy Lough masterplan?

Response:

It is envisaged that a Design Consultant shall be appointed in June 2024.

7.0 Motions

Following a robust discussion amongst the elected members, on the proposal of Cllr. Carthy and seconded by Cllr. Keelan, the following motion was unanimously agreed:

"The Carrickmacross–Castleblayney Municipal District Council calls on the Minister for Education, Norma Foley TD, and the Department of Education to progress the development of Gaelscoil Lorgan, Castleblayney, without any further delay.

We note that CMETB has issued the tender report to the Department for sign off a number of months ago and are still awaiting approval to issue contract. This needs to be expedited.

We also call on Minister Foley to expedite the Phase 2a Design approval for Inver College, Carrickmacross, which is currently with the Department of Education, and stress the need to deliver this long-awaited project as quickly as possible."

The elected members discussed the many achievements and contributions made by the late Cllr. Michael Birdy (RIP). On the proposal of Cllr. O'Hanlon and seconded by Cllr. Conlon, the following motion was unanimously agreed:

"That, as a mark of respect to the late Cllr. Michael Birdy (RIP), Carrickmacross-Castleblayney Municipal District place a commemorative plaque on the oak tree located at the junction of the LP4000 Derryolam Road and the R178 Shercock Road (McCartney's Cross). Through his passion and perseverance, Cllr. Birdy prevented the felling of this landmark tree and I am also proposing that Carrickmacross-Castleblayney Municipal District consider placing a preservation order on this tree."

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Hanlon and seconded by Cllr. Keelan, the following motion was unanimously agreed:

"That this Municipal District commission a feasibility study on future potential uses of the handball alley at Corrinshigo."

8.0 Director of Service Orders

Orders Cmx-Cby 25/2024; Cmx-Cby 25/2024; Cmx-Cby 26/2024; Cmx-Cby 27/2024; Cmx-Cby 28/2024; Cmx-Cby 29/2024; Cmx-Cby 30/2024; Cmx-Cby 31/2024; Cmx-Cby 32/2024; Cmx-Cby 33/2024; Cmx-Cby 34/2024; Cmx-Cby 35/2024 and Cmx-Cby 36/2024 were noted.

9.0 VOS/VOC

Votes of sympathy were extended to Dr. Shane Corr on the death of Charlie Corr (RIP); Martin Nelson on the death of Lucy Nelson (RIP); Brian Kelly on the death of Tommy Kelly (RIP); Sarah McArdle on the death of Marie McArdle (RIP); John McGahon & family on the death of Thomas McGahon (RIP) and The Mulligan family on the death of Gerry Mulligan (RIP).

A Vote of congratulations was extended to Anne Marie McArdle on the achievement of being selected as the Monaghan Rose in the Rose of Tralee festival and to Sarah Moore, Clerical Officer, Monaghan County Council, on the recent birth of her son Harry Moore.

8.0 A.O.B

Cllr. Keelan:

Advised of a recent near miss on the main access road to Inniskeen, near the pitch and putt, and commented that it is a serious road safety issue.

Cllr. Carthy:

Requested that that the basketball hoops are returned to the court at the Convent lands. Can the locking/opening of the playpark at the top of the Convent Lands be investigated.

Cllr. Conlon:

Requested that the pathway at Lisanisk Lake be investigated.

Cllr. Campbell:

Requested that road lining at the exit/entrance of Drumillard is investigated.

Cllr. O'Hanlon:

Complimented the MD engineering staff for their works on roads issues.

Cllr. McCooey:

Advised that Tidy Towns judging begins on June 1st and Oram Tidy Towns has requested that elected members are made aware that election posters can count as littering if proper procedures are not followed.

Cllr. Carthy:

Informed the group that posters must be removed no later than 7 days after the election and also advised all to be mindful of leftover cable ties etc.

Cllr. McCooey addressed the elected members and all those in attendance, expressing thanks for the support received during her term as Cathaoirleach. Cllr. McCooey wished all elected members the very best of luck in the upcoming election and expressed good wishes to the new incoming council.

The elected members all expressed their thanks and appreciation to Cllr. McCooey and complimented her on her successful term as Cathaoirleach.

Carmel O'Hare, Director of Services, addressed the elected members, congratulating Cllr. McCooey on her term as Cathaoirleach and wished all members the very best of luck in the upcoming election.

The meeting concluded at 18:10.

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Cathaoirleach Date

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Meeting Administrator