

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE CLONMEL BOROUGH DISTRICT MONTHLY MEETING,  
HELD AT 11.00 a.m. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, PARNELL STREET, CLONMEL ON  
WEDNESDAY, 21<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY, 2024**

**Present:** Councillor Richie Molloy, Mayor  
Councillor Michael Murphy  
Councillor Siobhán Ambrose  
Councillor Pat English  
Councillor John Fitzgerald  
Councillor Niall P. Dennehy

**In Attendance:** Ms. Sinéad Carr, Director of Services  
Ms. Carol Creighton, District Administrator  
Mr. James Murray, Senior Engineer  
Ms. Nicola Keating, District Engineer  
Ms. Mary Irwin, A/Staff Officer

**Also in Attendance:** Ms. Fiona Crotty, Administrative Officer, C & E Section.  
Ms. Ita Horan, Head of Unit, LEO  
Ms. Róisín O’Grady, Heritage Officer, Libraries & Cultural Services  
Mr. Damien Dullaghan, County Librarian.  
Ms. Myriam Madigan, Member of the Public

**Item 1.1 Zoom Protocol**

The Mayor confirmed with all persons joining the meeting by Zoom that they could see and hear all other Speakers.

**Item 2.1 Disclosures and/or Conflicts of Interest**

Ms. Carol Creighton, District Administrator confirmed that there were no conflicts of interest disclosed.

**Item 3.1 Minutes of Meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2024.**

The minutes of the monthly meeting of Clonmel Borough District held on the 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2024, as presented, were proposed by Cllr. Pat English, seconded by Cllr. Michael Murphy and agreed by all.

**Arising from Minutes**

There was an amendment to the minutes of the 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2024 regarding the queries raised by the Members under the Report of the District Administrator as follows:-  
Councillor Dennehy also made the analogy of “Unauthorised Development” going “Unchecked” by the Council, while an elderly man who provided himself with Emergency Accommodation is threatened with 4 months in jail.

**Item 4.1 Attendance of Representative From Directorate Economic, Community and Rural Development.**

The Report as circulated with the Agenda was taken as read.

**Queries raised by the Members were as follows:**

- Members acknowledged and complimented the fantastic help and support being provided to businesses across the sectors with Tipperary being ranked 7<sup>th</sup> in the Country with 96 net jobs created for 2023.

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- Members expressed their disappointment at the lack of progress on the Ballingarrane Site and asked for an update in relation to the plan for the overall farm. They also asked if there is active engagement with the IDA in relation to seeking a prospective tenant for the site.

**Queries raised by the Members were responded to as follows:**

- Ita Horan informed the members that Anthony Fitzgerald, Head of Enterprise deals with the upgrade on sites and developments and that she would ask him to provide a presentation on the development of Ballingarrane at the next meeting.

The Mayor thanked Ita and Fiona for their attendance at the meeting.

**Item 4.2 Attendance of Representative From Directorate Cultural Services/Library & Biodiversity**

The Report as circulated with the Agenda was taken as read.

- Damian Dullaghan, County Librarian informed the meeting that funding has been received for replacement of all public PC's in Clonmel Library and in all the branches in the County.
- Róisín O'Grady, Heritage Officer informed the meeting that Ms. Anne Marie Keavney has been appointed to the new post of Creative Communities Engagement Officer to deliver the Creative Ireland Programme in the County and successful applicants will be notified as soon as possible once assessments have been carried out.
- Ms. O'Grady informed the Meeting that the formal launch of the 2 films on Charles Bianconi which were produced last year will be in the coming weeks.
- Ms. O'Grady informed the meeting that Anne Marie Fleming has been appointed as Bio Diversity Officer on the cultural side.

**Queries raised by the Members were as follows:**

- Members requested an update regarding planning, funding and the estimated start date for commencement of the works on the new library building.
- Councillor English welcomed the appointment of the Bio Diversity Officer and the commencement of the production of the County Biodiversity Action Plan 2025 – 2030.
- Councillor English welcomed the works on the County Heritage Plan.
- Councillor Murphy expressed his own thanks and that of Kilsheelan Tidy Towns Committee regarding the works carried out by Róisín and the Heritage Team on the church in Kilsheelan.
- Councillor Ambrose welcomed the fact that the Rock of Cashel has been included in a World Heritage Tentative List to be considered for nomination as a Unesco World Heritage Site and asked for an update on the application.
- Councillor Molloy asked if an official count of visitors could be taken at St. Patrick's Well as this may enhance future applications for funding.
- In relation to the launch of the Charles Bianconi Films, Councillor Molloy suggested that the launch be held in the Council Chamber, Parnell Street.

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**Queries raised by the Members were responded to as follows:**

- Damien Dullaghan informed the members that the full design is complete for stage 1 of the Library and awaiting sign off on final documentation.
- In relation to the Rock of Cashel Site, Róisín O'Grady informed the meeting that it is a very slow process with a lot of different stages which are still being progressed.

The Mayor thanked Damien and Róisín for their attendance at the meeting.

**Item 5.1 Report of District Administrator**

The District Administrator's Report was circulated to Members with the agenda.

**Queries raised by the Members were as follows:**

- Councillor Ambrose welcomed the application lodged by the ETB/TUS for funding stating that if this funding is secured that it will be a great boost for the town of Clonmel with accommodation being provided for almost 1,000 students in the town.
- Councillor Ambrose welcomed the construction of the new Garda Station envisaged for 2025.
- Councillor Ambrose asked for an update regarding the public meeting to be held in relation to the Marlfield Flood Alleviation Plan.
- Councillor Ambrose expressed her thanks to Adam Coffey, Executive Engineer and the outdoor team for the completion of the footpath works at Marlfield.
- Councillor Ambrose requested an update on the outstanding issues at the Sports Hub in relation to the information signs and the provision of refuse bins.
- In relation to the playground at Mulcahy Park, Councillor Ambrose stated that there is an issue with the musical instruments in the Sensory Playground and asked that this be checked.
- In relation to URDF Call 3, Councillor Ambrose asked for the timeframe involved for the turnaround of the grant once properties have been identified.
- Councillor Ambrose asked for an update on the Performance Space at the Abbey Street Car Park and on the development of the Clonmel Arms Hotel.
- In relation to the installation of CCTV, Councillor Ambrose suggested that a meeting be requested with the Garda Commissioner in relation to seeking clarification on the delay in the installation of same and all the members agreed with this.
- Councillor Ambrose asked for an update on the removal of the telephone kiosks.
- Members asked if there was any further update from Remcoll in relation to the development of the Market Place Site and on the follow-up meeting to be held with the Manager, Chief Executive and Remcoll
- Councillor Murphy raised the issue regarding the confusion around the name of the Prior Park Grove Housing Estate and asked that the Council engage with householders within Prior Park Grove to discuss a possible name change for the Estate. Councillor Ambrose also spoke on this issue.
- Councillor Murphy welcomed the meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup> March with representatives from Iarnród Éireann. He proposed that a letter be written to the Minister for Transport to highlight the poor timetable at the station stating that the current timetable is not conducive to students travelling to TUS, Waterford or people travelling to work in

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Waterford as the train does not arrive in Waterford until 11.30 a.m. Councillor Fitzgerald seconded this proposal and all the members concurred with this.

- Councillor Ambrose thanked the District Administrator for facilitating the meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup> March with Iarnród Éireann and stated that she had given a copy of the timetable to Minister of State Jack Chambers on his recent visit to Clonmel and that Senator Gerry Horkan had recently raised the issue in the Seanad.
- Councillor Murphy raised the issue regarding the crossing at the Powerstown National School and requested information on the process involved for a school in appointing a school warden. Cllrs. English and Fitzgerald concurred with the issues at Powerstown National School.
- Councillor Molloy and Members congratulated Alan Whyte, School Warden on being awarded the Tonstix South East Lollipop Person of the Year and highlighted the invaluable work being carried out by the school wardens.
- Councillor English asked for an update on the security issues at the Sports Hub, in particular, at Cashel Court.
- Councillor English welcomed Chief Superintendent Aileen Magner and hoped that she would facilitate a meeting regarding the lack of Gardai in Clonmel and on the streets.
- Councillor English welcomed the work on the Tree Strategy and asked for an update on the timeframe for publication of same.
- Councillor English requested an update on planning and funding for Suir Island Amenity Park (Incl Bridge) and Suir Island Gardens.
- Councillor English asked if an alternative site has been located to provide social housing in Kilsheelan as the proposed cluster house development is not now going ahead.
- Councillor English asked for an update in relation to the parking byelaws.
- Councillor Dennehy referenced his Notice of Motion which he had brought before the October, 2021 Meeting. He had wanted a plebiscite to be put before the people regarding their support or lack thereof in relation to the Local Government (Reform) Act, 2014 which abolished Clonmel Borough Council and South Tipperary County Council and requested details on the preparations in place to present to the people on the 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2024. Councillor Dennehy now sought clarification that this proposed plebiscite would be put before the people on the 7<sup>th</sup> June as it is not going ahead on the 8<sup>th</sup> March.
- Councillor Fitzgerald highlighted the fact that the appearance of Mulcahy Park is not as sharp as it should be and asked that this be addressed stating that if neglected could give rise to anti-social behaviour.
- Members also requested that the playground facilities at Elm Park and Denis Burke Park be assessed.

**Queries raised by the members were responded to as follows:**

- In relation to signage at the Sports Hub, the District Administrator informed the meeting that she has been in contact with TUS who confirmed that they have received the Tender for all their campus signage and will liaise with the Council in relation to the design for the Sports Hub which will be incorporated within signage design for the Clonmel Campus.
- In relation to security at the Sports Hub, the District Administrator informed the meeting that TUS are seeking quotations for a large clean-up operation at the side entrance and installation of new gates and will revert with reply once final costs are confirmed and funding secured.



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- In relation to the query raised in relation to the sensory equipment at Mulcahy Park, the District Administrator stated that she will arrange to have this checked and will also arrange to have the playgrounds at Denis Burke Park and Elm Park assessed.
- In relation to URDF Call 3, the District Administrator stated that a Committee is in place and work is progressing. Derelict Properties will be identified with property owners being approached to upgrade/sell to the Council by agreement or CPO. The timeframe involved is 2025 and upwards for purchasing properties.
- The District Administrator informed the meeting that a pre-planning meeting has taken place with Remcoll.
- In relation to the development of the Clonmel Arms Hotel, the District Administrator stated that works are progressing in line with the Section 3 Notice issued.
- The District Administrator informed the meeting that she along with The District Manager had met with Superintendent Alan Cullen in relation to the CCTV and the Commissioner's Office have been written to and a response is awaited.
- The District Administrator informed the meeting that the telephone kiosks will be removed when ESB schedule Clonmel - Gladstone Street, O'Connell Street and Grattan Place on their lists.
- In relation to the renaming of Prior Park Grove Housing Estate, the District Administrator stated that she will check the process for same and progress.
- In relation to the upcoming workshop with Iarnród Éireann on the 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2023, the District Administrator asked the Members to forward any issues they wish to discuss to her and she will forward to Irish Rail.
- The District Administrator stated that she will write to Minister Eamonn Ryan's Office to highlight the poor timetable in operation at Clonmel Railway Station.
- In relation to the query regarding the School Warden process, the District Administrator stated that this is handled through the Human Resource Section and is dependent on finance and applications received and in some instances, schools fund it themselves. James Murray stated that he will review this again and will look at the option of putting a mobile speed sign in place.
- The District Administrator informed the members that she is meeting with the Consultants in the next week to finalise the first draft of the Tree Strategy.
- In relation to Suir Island Amenity Park (incl. Bridge), the District Administrator informed the meeting that the planning application is still with An Bord Pleanála for determination.
- In relation to Suir Island Gardens, the District Administrator informed the meeting that the tender evaluation and tender assessment report is complete with the report being reviewed by management.
- In relation to the development of the performance space at Abbey Street Car Park, the District Administrator informed the members that the tender evaluation and tender assessment report is now complete and the report is under review by management.
- In relation to the cluster houses at Kilsheelan, the Manager informed the members that as this development is not now going ahead under the affordable housing scheme that this land will revert back for social housing purposes.
- The District Manager referred to the follow up meeting that was to take place in mid-February with herself, the Chief Executive and Remcoll and informed the members that a new date is to be set as Remcoll requested that this meeting be postponed until after their pre-planning meeting.

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- In relation to Councillor Dennehy's Notice of Motion originally submitted in October 2021 regarding a plebiscite to be held on the 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 regarding the 2014 Act and the retention of Clonmel Borough Council, the Manager informed the meeting that as confirmed with the Ministers Office it is not within the authority of the Council to put forward such a plebiscite as was notified to the members when the motion was put down in October 2021 and again when raised in 2022.
- Councillor Dennehy stated that his stance remains and the reality is as previously published that the referendum on the abolition of Clonmel Borough Council receives full backing. Councillor Dennehy stated that the Executive is not the Council and that policy is set by the Councillors and the Executive have to execute it.
- The Manager stated that the Council have to work within the parameters of the law and a Municipal District have no authority to hold a plebiscite. The Manager stated that a Section 64 Notice could be used to ascertain the views of the public. The Section 64 Notice is a survey which can be carried out to get public opinion. The Manager stated that if this is the preferred route a separate Notice of Motion needs to be submitted to the Meeting regarding Section 64 and this can then be assessed.
- Councillor Molloy suggested that Section 64 Notice of Motion be put forward for next months meeting.
- All the Members concurred with Councillor Dennehy regarding the abolition of Clonmel Borough District Council stating that the vast majority of people wanted restoration of the Borough Council. Reverting to Clonmel Borough Council would give more autonomy and more control over budgets to carry out works.

**Item 5.2 Report of District Engineer – Roads Programme**

The District Engineer's report was circulated to Members with the agenda.

**Queries raised by the Members were as follows:**

- Councillor Murphy raised the issue regarding the bollards outside Old Abbey Street and Mitchel Street resulting in delivery vans double parking outside the Friary and asked if measures can be put in place to prevent this.
- Councillor Murphy asked if some mitigating measures could be looked at in relation to the sightlines at the exit onto the road from the Lus na Greine Centre on the Fethard Road.
- In relation to the new housing development at Glenconnor Road, Councillor Murphy stated that the road is subject to flooding and asked if the District Engineer could liaise with the developer with a view to having this section of road completed.
- Councillor Fitzgerald requested that a date be set to meet with the Tidy Towns Committee in Rosegreen in relation to the installation of a smart bin in the village.
- Councillor Fitzgerald stated that there is a large pothole as you enter Churchview Estate in Clerihan and asked that this pothole be reinstated as a matter of urgency.
- Councillor Fitzgerald requested that the sign at Thompson's Old Shop as you enter Clerihan from the Cashel Road side be replaced.
- Councillor English welcomed the commencement of the works on the gates at Sheehy Terrace/O'Neill Street and asked when they will become operational for residents in the area.
- Councillor English asked for an update on the cost and date for works on the entrance to St. Patrick's Cemetery.

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- Councillor English asked for an update on the design works and funding for the Church at Kickham Plaza.
- Councillor English asked for an update on the lights at the bottle bank and bus stop in Lisronagh.
- Councillor English asked for clarity on the speed ramps which have been approved asking if these will still be installed.
- Councillor English asked for an update on the commencement of works at Sir Thomas Bridge and asked if the Bridge will be closed during the works.
- Councillor Ambrose thanked Adam Coffey, Executive Engineer for his work on progressing the works on the entrance to St. Patrick's Cemetery.
- Councillor Ambrose concurred with Councillor Murphy in relation to the poor sightlines at Lus na Greine on the Fethard Road.
- In relation to the public lighting at Lisronagh, Councillor Ambrose asked if these works will be carried out with the overall rollout of the PLEEP Lighting Programme or if these works are separate.
- Councillor Ambrose thanked Gillian Flynn, A/Senior Executive Engineer for her work on the Active Travel Funding for works at the Gaelscoil and Loretto School.
- Councillor Ambrose asked for an update on the commencement of works at Kilcash Hall.
- Councillor Ambrose asked when notification will be received regarding the success of the application for funding for works at Rathronan Bend and Ballybeg.
- Councillor Ambrose asked that gullies continue to be monitored in urban and rural areas.
- Councillor Ambrose asked for an update in relation to the rollout of the speed limit review.
- Councillor Ambrose highlighted the large volume of water outages and asked that Irish Water be written to in order to highlight the lack of notification in relation to outages and the difficulty for the public trying to contact them.
- Councillor Molloy stated that the residents of Heywood Heights had contacted him in relation to the poor repair of the sign for St. Oliver's Church and asked that this be looked at.
- Councillor Molloy asked for an update on the gates at O'Neill Street/Gordon Street Car Park.

**Queries raised by the Members which Ms. Nicola Keating, District Engineer responded to were as follows:**

- In relation to the query raised in relation to the bollards, the District Engineer stated that she will follow up on same.
- In relation to the query raised regarding the sightlines at Lus na Greine, the District Engineer informed the meeting that she will visit the site and see if improvements can be made.
- The District Engineer stated that she will follow up with the Planning Section and the Developer in relation to Glenconnor Road.
- In relation to the pothole at Churchview Estate, the District Engineer stated that she will arrange to have this filled.

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- In relation to the queries regarding signage, the District Engineer stated that she will arrange to have this inspected and repaired/replaced, if required.
- The District Engineer informed the meeting that the Contractors will be finished the works at O'Neill Street within the next week.
- In relation to public lighting at Lisronagh, the District Engineer informed the meeting that a quote has been sought from Enerveo and we are awaiting this.
- In relation to works at St. Patrick's Cemetery, the District Engineer stated that we are waiting tenders back for these works.
- The District Engineer stated that she will contact Rosegreen Tidy Towns to set a date for the meeting.
- The District Engineer informed the meeting that the cleaning of gullies is being continuously monitored.
- In relation to the installation of speed ramps in approved areas, James Murray, Senior Engineer informed the meeting that these sites will be looked at with reference to the Policy adopted with a view to applying this policy to these particular areas.
- In relation to Sir Thomas Bridge, the District Engineer informed the meeting that special improvement funding had been applied for and this application was not granted. She stated that Tender Documents have been prepared and are ready to be issued if funding becomes available in 2025.
- In relation to Rathronan Bend, the District Engineer informed the meeting that the application was not successful for these repairs and that Clonmel was not successful in obtaining any road safety funding this year.
- The District Engineer informed the meeting that the appointment of Contractors for the works at Kilcash Hall is currently progressing.
- The District Engineer stated that it is hoped that works will be carried out on the Blueway this year under ORIS Funding.
- In relation to the speed limit review, the District Engineer stated that this should be carried out towards the end of 2024 or early 2025.
- In relation to Powerstown School, the District Engineer stated that she will review this again and will look at the option of putting a mobile speed sign in place.

**Item 5.3 Report of District Engineer – Housing Voids Programme**

The Report was noted by the Members.

**Items 6.1 to 6.11– Notice of Motion**

**Motion 2754 was proposed by Cllr. Michael Murphy**

That the Council would install speed ramps within the Shamrock Hill estate. Real and genuine concern amongst parents of young children living in the area around speed and traffic volumes. Note that this road is used as a pickup point for children exiting St Peter and Pauls National School and also acts as a link road between the Prior Park Road and Thomas Street.

**REPLY:**

It is proposed to do a speed survey on Shamrock Hill to ascertain what traffic issues are there and decide what is the appropriate solution if required.

**The motion was seconded by Councillor Siobhán Ambrose.**

**The reply to the motion was noted.**



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**Motion 2755 was proposed by Cllr. Michael Murphy**

That the Council would carry out a review of the operation of the traffic lights at the Crescent Junction adjacent to the Highschool, in particular that an additional filter light would be added for traffic approaching the junction from Kings Street that would allow them turn right onto Thomas Street towards Clonmel Railway Station.

**REPLY:-**

I have reviewed the location at the junction at the Crescent with reference to this request for a right hand turning filter light from King Street on to Thomas Street towards Clonmel Railway Station. A right hand turning filter light is not feasible due to the width of the road on King Street. In order for the right hand filter at the junction, you would need an additional separate right hand turning lane. However, on King Street, there is no space available to provide such a turning lane. Unfortunately, due to the geometry of the junction, it is not possible to provide a filter light at this location.

**The motion was seconded by Cllr. Siobhán Ambrose**

**The reply to the motion was noted.**

**Motion 2760 was proposed by Cllr. Michael Murphy**

That the Council would top the trees along the by pass as you approach the Cashel Road Roundabout from the Cahir side at the earliest opportunity, those same trees that are causing a significant nuisance to residents living along Ardgaoithe Drive - (Reference my previous NOM in this regard back in 2022, these works were to be completed in the 2022 Programme and subsequently in 2023).

**REPLY:-**

It is proposed to assess the trees for pruning along the section of the N24 approaching the Cashel Road Roundabout from the Cahir side. Following this assessment, consideration will be given to carrying out pruning works subject to the availability of funding for same.

**The Motion was seconded by Cllr. Richie Molloy**

**The reply to the motion was noted.**

**Motion 2762 was proposed by Cllr. Richie Molloy**

That Clonmel Borough District would insert speed ramps in the Rockfield Estate due to concerns of the residents due to excessive speeding in the area .

**REPLY:**

It is proposed to do a speed survey in Rockfield to ascertain what traffic issues are there and decide what is the appropriate solution if required.

**The motion was seconded by Cllr. Pat English**

**The reply to the motion was noted.**

**Motion 2763 was proposed by Cllr. Richie Molloy**

That Clonmel Borough Council install a disabled parking bay outside number 43 Connolly Park due to parking issues for elderly resident with a lot of medical issues.

**REPLY:**

An application for a disabled parking space should be submitted by the resident to Clonmel Borough District for consideration. The details of the requirements and the application form are available on the Tipperary County Council website or can be obtained at the Customer Service Desk in Civic Offices.

**The Motion was seconded by Cllr. Pat English**

**The reply to the motion was noted.**

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**Motion 2769 was proposed by Cllr. Pat English**

That Clonmel Borough District request T.I.I. Project Appraisal Team to look again at their preferred transport solution for the Clonmel Town Section of their proposal on the N24 Waterford to Cahir Transport Solution. The omission of a Bypass around the Town of Clonmel must be looked at again, given the future 30% expansion estimates for the town of Clonmel in the Local Development Plan.

**REPLY:**

Roads Capital has no objection to Clonmel Borough District Council making such a submission to the N24 Waterford to Cahir Project which is at Phase 2 Preferred Transport Solution Public Display. Contact details for the submission can be found at:

<https://n24waterford2cahir.ie/contact-us/>

**The Motion was seconded by Cllr. Siobhán Ambrose**

**The reply to the motion was noted.**

**Members were supportive of a joint meeting with the Minister for Transport, the Members and Administrative Staff.**

**Motion 2770 was proposed by Cllr. Pat English**

That Clonmel Borough District look at upgrading/replacing the public footpaths in New Toberaheena housing estate. The existing footpath is in poor condition in parts, especially outside No 10 New Toberaheena.

**REPLY:**

These footpaths will be considered for this year's road works programme subject to the availability of a budget for the works and prioritisation based on its condition rating.

**The motion was seconded by Cllr. Siobhán Ambrose**

**The reply to the motion was noted.**

**Motion 2771 was proposed by Cllr. Pat English**

That Clonmel Borough request Uisce Eireann (Irish Water) to upgrade the existing storage/plants and water supply from the existing treatment plants at Poulavanogue and Glenary. The proposed closure of the Poulavanogue plant is been opposed by the members of the Clonmel Business Network and the public of Clonmel.

**REPLY:**

If all members in agreement, the District will write to Uisce Eireann to upgrade the existing storage/plants at Poulavanogue and Glenary.

**The motion was seconded by Cllr. Michael Murphy**

**The reply to the motion was noted.**

**Councillor Murphy proposed that Messrs. John Fogarty and Conor Cunningham, Irish Water be formally invited to attend the March Meeting of Clonmel Borough District to address the concerns of the Members. All Members spoke in support of Cllr. Murphy's proposal.**

**Motion 2772 was proposed by Cllr. Siobhán Ambrose**

That this Council contacts TUS (Technological University of the Shannon) looking for an update regarding the possible future provision of student accommodation within the Kickham Barracks site. (ref my previous motion on this issue)

**REPLY:**

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The District Administrator has written to TUS for an update on the possible future provision of student accommodation within Kickham Barracks Site. The response will be circulated to members on receipt of same.

**The motion was seconded by Cllr. Pat English**

**The reply to the motion was noted.**

**Motion 2773 was proposed by Cllr. Siobhán Ambrose**

In welcoming the ongoing rollout of social housing developments within the town of Clonmel can I have an update on this council's current proposed social and affordable housing plans for 2024 for both Clonmel town and also the rural villages around Clonmel

**REPLY:**

Tipperary County Council is committed to allocating 14 houses in Ballyclerihan together with the intended delivery of 38 dwellings in Glenconnor Village and a further 6 dwellings at Garryshane, Clonmel in 2024. Departmental Approval has been received in respect of 61 units at Thomas Street, Clonmel and we anticipate the legal process will begin in the coming weeks. Preparatory works have begun on site independent of receiving support from the Council at this time. The Council has supported the scheme adjacent to Prior Park Road through the Turnkey process and they have delivered 6 units to date. The Council is also engaging with other parties in respect of the provision of social housing within the district at this time and the elected members will be informed through the management reports provided at the plenary Council meetings.

Additional housing output is achieved through the Buy and Renew, Rental Assistance Scheme, Repair and Lease Scheme and through some acquisitions in particular circumstances. With regard to the provision of Affordable Homes it is our intention to place a call for expressions of interest from developers in the Clonmel area who have planning approval in early Q2 2024. We would hope to receive a range of property types which can then be assessed with successful proposals then being offered for affordable purchase to the general public. This should help stimulate the housing market in addition to providing quality homes to successful applicants.

The Council has landbanks within the district and these are reviewed on a regular basis and form part of the multi annual house building programme. Any lands zoned residential will form part of future housing delivery programmes and we are actively seeking to replace the lands that we have available for residential development across the county as we continue to deliver on housing projects.

**The motion was seconded by Cllr. Pat English**

**The reply to the motion was noted.**

**Motion 2774 was proposed by Cllr. Siobhán Ambrose**

That under the Council's 2024 Roads Programme that consideration is given for the re-surfacing of the Tullohea Road in Kilcash. (ref my previous representations)

**REPLY:**

This road will be considered for this year's road works programme subject to the availability of a budget for the works and prioritisation based on its condition rating.

**The motion was seconded by Cllr. Pat English**

**The reply to the motion was noted.**

**Item 7.1 Chief Executive/Delegation Officers Orders – Period up to 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2024.**

These were noted by the Members.

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE CLONMEL BOROUGH DISTRICT MONTHLY MEETING,  
HELD AT 11.00 a.m. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, PARNELL STREET, CLONMEL ON  
WEDNESDAY, 21<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY, 2024**

**Item 8.1 Correspondence**

There was no correspondence to be noted.

**Item 9.1 Votes of Sympathy**

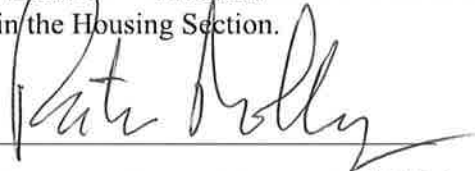
A vote of sympathy was issued to Paul Morris and the Morris Family on the passing of his Mother, Mary..

A vote of sympathy was issued to the Bruton Family on the passing of John Bruton, former Taoiseach.

**Item 10.1 Any Other Business**

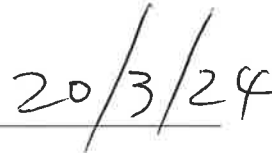
The Members expressed their thanks to Carol Creighton, District Administrator and Liz McGrath, Senior Staff Officer for their work in progressing the St. Patrick's Day Parade. The Members thanked Liz McGrath for her work in the Borough District and wished her well in her new role in the Housing Section.

Signed:



**Mayor of Clonmel Borough District**

Dated:



Signed:



**District Administrator**

Dated:

