



**Minutes of the Clane-Maynooth Municipal District Meeting
held on Friday 01 November 2024 at 10.00 a.m.
in the Council Chamber**

Members Present: Councillors N. Ó Cearúil (Cathaoirleach), D. Fitzpatrick (Leas Cathaoirleach), T. Durkan, W. Durkan, A. Farrelly, A. Feeney, P. Melrose, P. McEvoy and B. Wyse

Apologies: Councillor P. Ward

Officials Present: Ms. M. Higgins (District Manager), Mr. M. McLoughlin (Senior Executive Officer) Mr. C. Buggie (Municipal District Engineer), Mr. A. Hickey (Assistant Engineer), Mr. L. McNeela (Senior Executive Engineer), Ms. P. O'Brien (Senior Executive Officer), Ms. S. Barry (Administrative Officer), Mr John Delaney (Executive Architect) Ms. S. Martin (Meetings Administrator), Mr. A. Foran (Meetings Secretary) and other officials.

CM01/1124

Declaration of Pecuniary or Beneficial Interests

There were no declaration of (a) conflicts of interest or (b) pecuniary or beneficial interests under section 177 of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended.

CM02/11124

Minutes and Progress Report

The members considered the minutes of the monthly Clane-Maynooth Municipal District meeting held on 04 November 2024 together with the progress report.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor McEvoy and seconded by Councillor T.Durkan and agreed by the members that the minutes of the monthly Clane-Maynooth Municipal District meeting held on 04 November 2024 be taken as read. The progress report was noted.



CM03/11124

Municipal District Road Works Programme

General Works:

The roadside gullies and water cuts are currently being cleaned across the district. A contractor is also engaged to cut back hedges around junctions and signs. The crews are also carrying out patch repairs on the roads in the district. The crews were busy last week cleaning up after storm Ashley with a number of trees down across the district.

LPT Funding

The Municipal District Office is progressing the agreed LPT programme for 2023 and 2024.

General Footpath Works completed:

L2004 Millicent Road, Clane - Footpath & Drainage works.

R402 Johnstownbridge - Drainage works

L6001 Curryhills, Prosperous - Footpath works

Newtown (Cappagh GAA) - Footpath works

Rockfield, Maynooth – Footpath works

Moyglare Village, Maynooth - Footpath Works

Roads Programme 2024

Below is a list of funded jobs through Road Improvement Grants and Road Maintenance Grants for 2024.

Restoration Improvement Schemes 2024

Road Class	Road No.	Road Name and Townland Name	Length Road (m)	Status
R	403	Capdoo	400	Completed
L	70042	Nursery Road Allenwood South	2400	Completed



L	50222	Kilkeaskin	750	Completed
L	1021	Corkeragh	1,500	Completed
R	401	Ballindoolin	1000	Completed
		Dunfeirth Road		Completed
L	1004	JohnstownBridge	1000	
L	1006	Kishawanny	400	Completed
L	5008	Ballycowan Clogherinko	800	Completed
L	5075	Mainham Road	700	Completed
L	5077	Butterstream Clane	900	Completed
L	5076	Loughanure	800	Completed
L	7075	Lowtown	1200	Completed
R	403	Brockagh	1,200	Completed
R	403	Allenwood	480	Completed
L	10222	Curryhills Cul de Sac	400	Completed
R	403	Curryhills	650	Onsite
R	403	Prosperous Main Street	720	Completed
L	5078	Clane Ring Road	880	Completed
L	5071	Staplestown Village	1,100	Completed
R	406	Straffan Road Maynooth	500	Completed

Climate Adaptation Works 2024

Road Class	Road No.	Road Name and Townland Name	Length Road (m)	Status
L	1005	Knockcurr	1000	Completed
L	5025	Drehid Derrymahon	1200	Completed

Restoration Maintenance Schemes 2024

Road Class	Road No.	Road Name and Townland Name	Length Road (m)	Status
L	5023	Derrinturn – Parsonstown	1250	Completed
L	5020	Ballyhagen – Nurseries	1380	



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L	5023	Coonagh – Gormans Cross	600	Completed
L	1006	Williamstown	1000	Completed
	50262	Kilina Canal Cul de Sac	715	Completed
L	50212	The Cush Road Ticknevin	1200	Completed
R	148	Laraghbryan	1000	Completed
R	405	Celbridge Road	900	Completed
L	1017	Derryvarogue – Timahoe	5950	Completed
L	5025	Timahoe West	1100	Completed
L	5032	Belgard Road	1470	Completed
L	5031	Ballycannon	1700	Completed
L	6007	Millicent South	1200	Completed
L	6008	Ballysize	1500	Completed
L	6001	Back Road Prosperous	1000	Completed
R	403	Skew Bridge Allenwood	1250	Completed
R	415	Grangeclare	1250	Completed

The District Engineer informed the members of the following:

- Bollards would be put in place to highlight the school In Clogherinkoe.
- In November planned changes to speed limits would come into force lowering speeds from 100 km/h to 80 km/h on national secondary roads and from 80km/h to 60km/h on rural roads.
- Poles would be put in place around the Municipal District on local roads and just off-road junctions onto which signs would be affixed, which would indicate the new speed limits.

The report was noted.



CM04/1124

Reallocation of Road Space on L1023 Ballinagappa Road, Clane

The members considered the Section 38 of the road Traffic Act 1994 - Reallocation of road space and removal of parking bays on L1023 Ballinagappa Road, Clane.

Councillor P McEvoy asked that it be noted that the submission required that bollards be put in place and that a shared cycle lane be put in place also.

Municipal District Engineer said he would check about bollards and cycle lane.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor McEvoy and seconded by Councillor T. Durkan and agreed by members that Section 38 of the road Traffic Act 1994 - Reallocation of road space and removal of parking bays on L1023 Ballinagappa Road, Clane be noted.

CM05/1124

Lane Segregation Boys School Maynooth

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Feeney.

That the council install some form of lane segregation such as planters or bollards to prevent cars parking in the cycling lane at the boys national school in Maynooth.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Feeney and seconded by Councillor Ó Cearúil.

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing members that this Municipal District will arrange for lane segregation to be installed.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Feeney and seconded by Councillor Ó Cearúil and agreed by the members that the report be noted.



CM06/1124

Review of Yellow Box Parklands Estate, Maynooth.

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Feeney.

That the council review the yellow box at the entrance/exit of Parklands Estate, Maynooth.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Feeney and seconded by Councillor Ó Cearúil.

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing members that the Municipal District office has reviewed the yellow box and no amendments are proposed.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Feeney and seconded by Councillor Ó Cearúil and agreed by the members that the report be noted.

CM07/1124

Examine Options to Enhance Footpath at Junction on Clane Main Street and Prosperous Road on L403

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor McEvoy.

That the council examine options to enhance the capacity of the footpath at the junction between Clane Main Street and Prosperous Road, L403 where turning vehicles can encroach on the limited space allocated to pedestrians.

The motion was proposed by Councillor McEvoy and seconded by Councillor Ó Cearúil.

A report was received from Sustainable Transport and Traffic Management informing members that Kildare County Council has developed a draft layout for improvements to this junction, in particular to dramatically improve the approach and crossing widths for



vulnerable road users. These improvements will assist pedestrians including the elderly and students walking to school and will affect the vehicular capacity of the junction. However, these proposed changes are designed in the context of Government Policy focused on the Road User Hierarchy, published by the Department of Transport and the National Transport Authority. It should be noted that there is currently no external source of funding available to Kildare County Council to progress improvements. Requests to the National Transport Authority to reallocate funding to this junction improvement works have not been approved as there is a constraint nationally on the overall funding levels available for Active Travel Schemes.

Members raised the following:

- People were having difficulty in crossing.
- Footpath was dished for accessibility.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor McEvoy and seconded by Councillor Ó Cearúil. and agreed by the members that the report be noted.

CM08/1124

Additional Roads be added to the Roads Programme for 2025

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor McEvoy.

That the council consider installing an additional streetlight between Pole 4, Capdoo Park, Clane and the pedestrian connection to Capdoo Lane, L5078 to illuminate the pedestrian route.

The motion was proposed by Councillor McEvoy and seconded by Councillor Ó Cearúil.

A report was received from Transport, Mobility and Open Spaces informing the members that Kildare County Council Public Lighting Section will request the maintenance contractor to submit a quotation once the exact location is confirmed.

Councillor McEvoy noted the report and informed that he would work with the engineer.



Resolved on the proposal of Councillor McEvoy and seconded by Councillor Ó Cearúil and agreed by the members that the report be noted.

CM09/1124

Proposed Site Visit Anne Street Prosperous in relation to Footpaths/Road markings

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor W. Durkan.

That the council arrange a site visit with residents of Anne Street, Prosperous to consider faded road markings and the condition of footpaths in the estate.

The motion was proposed by Councillor W. Durkan and seconded by Councillor Ó Cearúil.

A report was received from Transport, Mobility and Open Spaces informing the members that The Municipal District Engineer will carry out an inspection of the road markings and footpaths in Anne Street and carry out any routine maintenance required.

The members raised the following:

- Residents Association did a great job in this area.
- Thanks to the Engineer for engaging and for maintenance.
- Anything that could be done to engage with locals and residents' associations was positive.
- Residents in Anne Street and of Derrinturn need support.
- Fine Example of how the County Council works with Councillors and Residents in the area.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor W. Durkan and seconded by Councillor N Ó Cearúil and agreed by the members that the report be noted.

CM10/1124

Develop designated walking route from Celbridge Road to Prosperous Road in Clane

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Farrelly.



That the council develop a designated walking route from the Celbridge Road to the Prosperous Road in Clane to ensure safe pedestrian access to schools and local services.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Farrelly and seconded by Councillor McEvoy.

A report was received from Sustainable Transport and Traffic Management informing the members that Kildare County Council Transport Department will work with the members to investigate appropriate measures in the context of the Town Centre First Initiative and other programmes that may assist, notwithstanding the need to identify a funding source for any works.

Councillor Farrelly thanked Sustainable Transport and Traffic Management for the report.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Farrelly and seconded by Councillor McEvoy and agreed by the members that the report be noted.

CM11/1124

Investigate Provision of a Roundabout at Irishtown and Ovidstown Junction in Straffan.

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor T. Durkan.

That Kildare County Council investigate the provision of a roundabout at Taghadoe, Maynooth in the interest of traffic safety.

The motion was proposed by Councillor T. Durkan and seconded by Councillor McEvoy

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing members that Kildare County Council is currently progressing a Junction Improvement Project which is looking at 10 junctions in the county in two phases. This project already includes a number of other locations in the Clane/Maynooth Municipal District. Kildare County Council have also recently appointed a road safety engineer under a Department of Transport pilot to compile a list of future junctions for inclusion in future iterations of this project. This list will be based



on locations of interest identified in the Department of Transport Support Office Road Safety Analysis. This junction can be considered as part of this process subject to funding and resources.

Members raised the following:

- This was a busy junction.
- Clane and Straffan are connected on this route.
- Speed of traffic on this route was concerning.
- This route was also used as a ring road to Straffan National School.
- Any improvement works would be appreciated.

The Municipal District Engineer stated that this could be added to the list subject to funding and resources.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor T. Durkan and seconded by Councillor McEvoy and agreed by the members that the report be noted.

CM12/1124

Investigate Provision of a Roundabout at Taghadoe Maynooth.

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor T. Durkan.

That Kildare County Council investigate the provision of a roundabout at Taghadoe, Maynooth in the interest of traffic safety.

The motion was proposed by Councillor T. Durkan and seconded by Councillor Ó Cearúil.

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing members that Kildare County Council is currently progressing a Junction Improvement Project which is looking at 10 junctions in the county in two phases. This project already includes a number of other locations in the Clane/Maynooth Municipal District. Kildare County Council have also recently appointed a road safety engineer under a Department of Transport pilot to compile



a list of future junctions for inclusion in future iterations of this project. This list will be based on locations of interest identified in the Department of Transport Support Office Road Safety Analysis. This junction can be considered as part of this process subject to funding and resources.

The members raised the following:

- Traffic counters on both roads would be helpful.
- An accurate traffic count is needed.
- Cars flashing other cars to cross, resulting in some near misses.

Mr M McLoughlin, Senior Executive Officer, Transport, Mobility and Open Spaces noted that traffic counters for both roads can be arranged. Motion would be considered subject to availability of funds.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor T. Durkan and seconded by Councillor Ó Cearúil and agreed by the members that the report be noted.

CM13/1124

Footpaths on Main Street, Maynooth.

The members considered the following Motion in the name of Councillor Ó Cearúil.

That this council utilise retained funds from paid parking to resurface the footpaths on Main Street, Maynooth.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Ó Cearúil and seconded by Councillor McEvoy.

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing members that allocation of funding collected from pay parking is a matter for the members to agree.

The members raised the following:

- Footpaths on Main Street Maynooth were not fit for purpose.
- This motion had been raised previously
- Day to day footfall and student footfall were high.



- There were incidents of people falling as a result of footpaths.
- Heritage aspect to works must be kept in mind.
- Could a phased approach to the works be done.
- Could costings for the works be provided.

The District Manager advised that she would meet with the relevant sections and would revert back to the members with costings. She advised caution as if match funding could not be provided by the council the URDF funding for the Harbour Field could be jeopardised.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Ó Cearúil and seconded by Councillor McEvoy and agreed by the members that the report be noted.

It was agreed by the members to take as per the Agenda Item 16, Item 18, Item 28 and Item 29 together.

CM14/1124

Install Double Yellow Line Moyglare Maynooth

Item 16: The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Ó Cearúil

That the council install double yellow lines in Moyglare Village, Maynooth in consultation with the residents' association.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Ó Cearúil and seconded by Councillor Feeney.

Item 18: The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Feeney.

Can the council clarify what steps can be taken to install double yellow lines in Silken Vale and Moyglare Village, Maynooth where there has been a significant increase in hazardous car parking by non-residents?



Item 28: The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor T. Durkan

Can the council outline what plans or actions it can take to resolve the parking issues in Moyglare Village, Maynooth?

Item 29: The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Ó Cearúil.

Can the council confirm how residents' associations in this municipal district can request the installation of double yellow lines in an estate?

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing that Kildare County Council Transportation Department will investigate the location to determine whether measures to restrict parking are appropriate and potentially implement measures in accordance with Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act 1994.

The members raised the following:

- Difficult to navigate roads when cars were parked irregularly.
- Emergency vehicles may have difficulty in accessing estates.
- Double yellow lines could be an option in some instances. Needed to be brave in relation to fines for irregular parking in Kildare.
- A new way to think about parking in Kildare was required.
- Maynooth University student numbers had grown resulting in increased car use.
- Maynooth University, Moyglare Meadow, Moyglare Village, Moyglare Abbey and others should be consulted.
- Whichever mechanism was used to address parking issues, must ensure that the issue is not moved from one estate to another.
- Priority spaces for carpooling may help.



The District Manager advised that the Maynooth Decarbonising Team were in discussion in relation to decarbonising and the green campus and would continue to engage.

The Municipal District Engineer advised that double yellow lines restricted parking at all times. A section 38 or byelaw would be needed. A single yellow line with a sign advising of parking times could be an option. Needed to be aware of issues and how to address them, if it was a public road parking could not be restricted to residents only.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Ó Cearúil and seconded by Councillor Feeney and agreed by the members that the report be noted.

The report was noted.

CM15/1124

Traffic Light System review at junction of Moyglare and Kilcock roads Maynooth

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Melrose.

That the council undertake a review of the traffic light system in Maynooth with regard to the junction of the Moyglare and Kilcock Roads to identify any modifications or improvements that would facilitate greater traffic flow.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Melrose and seconded by Councillor T. Durkan.

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing members that the traffic signals in Maynooth Town are connected to a sophisticated automated SCOOT system that coordinates the timings and sequencing at each junction taking into account the traffic flows and demands at each junction in the network.



Kildare County Council monitors the levels of congestion in the town and can react to any anomalies.

The movement of traffic in the town needs to be considered in the context of the Road User Hierarchy, published by the Department of Transport and the National Transport Authority, which prioritises vulnerable road users over private motorised trips. Therefore, a key performance indicator of “greater traffic flow” would not fit within the policy context of the established Government Policy in isolation and can only be considered in the context of active travel measures including pedestrian priority and permeability in the town.

The members raised the following:

- Lights at Kilcock Road seemed to be green for long periods of time.
- Causing traffic issues at Moyglare Road.
- This was not facilitating pedestrians crossing, area was busy with schools. Pedestrians needed to be prioritised.
- Driver behaviour in this area was also an issue.
- Cars waiting at junctions increased emissions.
- Increased emissions contributed to issues as seen in Valencia and Florida. 19% of emissions in Ireland are from Transport.
- Could traffic flow be optimised to assist climate targets.

The Municipal District Engineer informed members that after the button was pressed, the pedestrian crossing system detected pedestrians and set the crossing in place. The SCOOT system was integrated and coordinated sequencing at each junction taking into account the traffic flows with a view to optimising traffic flow. SCOOT was set to keep traffic moving.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Melrose and seconded by Councillor T. Durkan and agreed by the members that the report be noted.

CM17/1124

Roadside Gulleys in Clane

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor McEvoy.



Can the council confirm if there are plans to clear roadside gulleys for surface water in the Clane area?

A report was received informing that there are plans to clean gullies across the Municipal District. A contractor has been engaged for the last 6 weeks cleaning gullies across the district and will be engaged for another 6 weeks or more.

The report was noted.

CM18/1124

Footpath Surface between The Meadows and Clondwood Heights

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor McEvoy.

Can the council confirm if it plans to clear the obstructive soil buildup and restore the original width of the footpath surface between The Meadows and Clondwood Heights, L1023 Ballinagappa Road, Clane?

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that the Municipal District office will add this request to the works programme.

Councillor McEvoy informed that he was happy this would progress and highlighted the need to get it done.

The report was noted.

CM19/1024

Update Bus Stop at Broadford Junction on the R148

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor W. Durkan



Can the council confirm any plans to update the westbound bus stop at the Broadford Junction on the R148, following recent welcome improvements to the eastbound stop at this location?

A report was received from Sustainable Transport and Traffic Management informing that Kildare County Council is awaiting the appointment of a new staff member to progress bus stop infrastructure improvement works. When this occurs, the team will review and examine the list of existing bus stops across the county and produce a priority list, broken down by Municipal District area.

Councillor W Durkan asked if there would be any opportunity more broadly to consider this when the position was filled. He requested that it be noted that there was a concern with the volume of questions and motions accumulating and requested that the council be ready to move on these.

The report was noted.

CM20/1124

Traffic Management Review Prosperous

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor W. Durkan.

Can the council confirm any plans to review traffic management at the crossroads in Prosperous Town, with a view to improving public safety?

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that Improvements to this junction have been conditioned as part of the extension to the adjacent secondary school and will be completed prior to the occupation of the new school.

Councillor W. Durkan welcomed planned works and informed of concerns with the junction location and asked that works are prioritised.

The report was noted.



CM21/1124

Update on Work to Install Bus Shelters in Kilmeague

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Wyse.

Can the council provide an update on the work to install new bus shelters in Kilmeague?

A report was received from Sustainable Transport and Traffic Management informing that Kildare County Council is awaiting the appointment of a new staff member to progress bus stop infrastructure improvement works. When this occurs, the team will review and examine the list of existing bus stops across the county and produce a priority list, broken down by Municipal District area.

Councillor Wyse remarked that the use of public transport should be encouraged. Vacancies in this department were created a result of a staff member being moved and this limited progress on this issue. Works were now at a standstill for areas such as Kilmeague and the Scow Bridge.

The report was noted.

CM22/1124

Footpath Extension Kilmeague Village

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Wyse.

Can the council provide a costing to extend the footpath in Kilmeague Village on the L-7081 by 500 metres from the quarry entrance eastwards to the last home on the residential row here?



A report was received from the Transportation Department informing member sthat there are several challenges to constructing a footpath at this location. The existing verge width along the road is not sufficient to meet the current standards required, therefore land take would be required. However, the land is higher than the road so some retaining structures would be required along a few of the properties. A very rough figure for the cost of the construction of the footpath and retaining structures would be in the region of €600,000. This figure does not include for any land take or accommodation works that may be required.

The report was noted.

CM23/1124

Progression of Strategic Junctions in the Municipal District

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Farrelly.

Can the council update members on progression of strategic junctions in the municipal district including Dag Welds, Allenwood, Prosperous and Firmount Cross?

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing members that Kildare County Council can provide the following updates on each of the four junctions:

- Dag Welds – discussions have taken place with Eir about relocating some of the existing services that are blocking sightlines at the junction. A detailed design is being prepared to tighten the south side of this junction and a preliminary design has been received for a new stagger on the northern side of this junction. The implementation of this stagger will require a Part 8 and land acquisition which will take some time to progress.
- Allenwood – a detailed design for the installation of traffic lights at this junction has been received and reviewed internally. It is currently with our consultants to finalise with a view to obtaining a cost estimate to deliver thereafter.



- Prosperous – improvements to this junction have been conditioned as part of the extension to the adjacent secondary school and will be completed prior to the occupation of the new school.
- Firmount – an options report has been received for this junction and is currently under review.

The report was noted.

CM24/1124

Confirm National and Municipal District Road Safety Campaigns

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Farrelly.

Can the council confirm what road safety campaigns it runs locally in this municipal district and also what national campaigns it supports?

A report was received from the Sustainable Transport and Traffic Management Department informing members that Kildare County Council supports all National Road Safety Campaigns organised by the Department of Transport through the Road Safety Authority or the National Transport Authority. Kildare County Council's budget does not extend to local road safety campaigns as the priority is to implement improvements in safety through external or LPT funded Projects.

The report was noted.

CM25/1124

Traffic Survey Portglorian, Kilcock

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor T. Durkan.

Can the council confirm if it plans to carry out a traffic survey at Portglorian, Kilcock, Co. Kildare?

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that the Municipal District office will arrange for a traffic survey to be conducted.

The report was noted.



CM26/1124

Traffic Issues in Clane

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Ó Cearúil.

Can the council provide details around how it intends dealing with the significant traffic issues in Clane?

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that the Capdoo Link Road is due to open in early 2025 and this will provide an alternative route for some of the traffic on the Kilcock and Celbridge roads with an associated reduction in congestion. There are currently no other large scale capital roads projects planned for Clane at present. Kildare County Council Transportation, Mobility & Open Spaces Department are currently finishing a local transport plan for Newbridge and will commence the procurement of a consultant to deliver a local transport plan for the Celbridge/Leixlip/Confey area in early 2025. Once this project is up and running consideration can be given to the location of the next local transport plan in conjunction with our colleagues in the Forward Planning Department and Clane can be considered.

The report was noted.

CM27/1124

Pedestrian Crossing the Square Kilcock

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Melrose.

Can the council provide a rationale for the lack of formalised pedestrian crossings at the Square, Kilcock?

A report was issued from the Transportation Department informing members that there are a number of uncontrolled crossing points in the square in Kilcock which are delineated by buff coloured tactile pavers. The approach roads are narrow, which leads to reduced speeds of vehicles and gives good visibility to drivers of pedestrians waiting to cross the road. There have been no reports of issues with pedestrians crossing the roads in the



square and it is an example of where both driver behaviour and pedestrian behaviour works well in one of our town centres.

Councillor Melrose noted that tree roots were damaging paths and could impede travel for pedestrians and welcomed the report that the path would be examined.

The report was noted.

CM28/1124

Repairs to Path Maynooth

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Melrose.

That the council make repairs to the path on the public green area off Pound Lane, Maynooth which is currently inaccessible.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Melrose and seconded by Councillor Farrelly.

A report was received from the Parks Department informing members that the path will be examined to see what repairs are required and the cost involved.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Melrose, seconded by Councillor Farrelly and agreed by the members that the report be noted.

CM29/1124

Playground in Rathcoffey

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Feeney.

Can the council confirm any plans to provide a playground for Rathcoffey?

A report was received from the Parks Department informing members that there are no plans to provide a playground in Rathcoffey. It was not identified in the Play Strategy 2018-2028 as a location for an additional playground within the timeframe of the strategy.



Councillor Feeney asked if there was any mechanism to add Rathcoffey to list as there had been huge growth in the area since 2018.

Mr M McLoughlin informed that there was a lot of pressure already to deliver the Capital Programme but could be examined if additional funding was identified.

The report was noted.

CM30/1124

Part 8 former HSE Dispensary Site, Carbury, Co. Kildare

The members considered the Chief Executives Part 8 report for the Proposed Residential Infill Scheme on brown field site at the former HSE Dispensary site, Carbury, Co. Kildare, W91 VF24. Planning Reference No.: P82024.13

The members received a presentation from Mr John Delaney Architect on the Proposed Residential Infill Scheme on brown field site at the former HSE Dispensary site, Carbury, Co. Kildare, W91 VF24. The proposal comprises of 5 residential units and includes the part demolition, refurbishment and conversion of an existing former HSE building on site into a dwelling and the construction of 4 new dwellings which the Housing Section has brought forward to part 8 Planning.

The members raised the following:

- These homes needed the right mix of tenants.
- Would be good if people from the local area were housed in Carbury Village.
- Prospective tenants including partners should be garda vetted.
- Council must complete the play area before tenants moved in.
- Members thanked Mr John Delaney Architect, for the presentation.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Wyse and seconded by Councillor Ó Cearúil and agreed by the members that the report be noted.

CM31/1124

Invite to Coillte to update members on Donadea Forest Park



The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Farrelly.

That this council invites Coillte to present an update to members on Donadea Forest Park regarding its use, possible developments and health and safety.

A report was issued by Ms S Martin, Meeting Administrator, Corporate Services informing that this is a matter for members to agree.

The members raised the following:

- A Long-term Strategy document was needed.
- Cop 16 needed to be kept in mind.
- Biodiversity update required also.
- Would like opportunity to submit questions to Coillte in advance.
- Needed update on walks and castle/building in Donadea.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Farrelly, seconded by Councillor McEvoy and agreed by the members that a letter be issued to Coillte inviting them to present an update to members on Donadea Forest Park.

CM32/1124

Maintenance of Carrick and Cadamstown graveyards

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor W. Durkan.

That the council facilitate maintenance works in Carrick Graveyard and Cadamstown Graveyard to improve public safety and manage overgrown vegetation.

The motion was proposed by Councillor W. Durkan and seconded by Councillor Wyse.

A report was received from the Environment Department informing members that while Kildare County Council acknowledge that both of these Cemeteries are unregistered, the Council is happy to facilitate the formation of cemetery committees to look after their



upkeep. Grants are available to such committees to assist with improvements and general maintenance.

The members raised the following:

- Other graveyards have had success with monuments funding.
- Some work had been carried out and more work was needed.
- Advice and support for upkeep of graveyards is needed.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor W. Durkan, seconded by Councillor Wyse and agreed by the members that the report be noted.

CM33/1124

Community Development Land Derrinturn

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Wyse.

That the council make the 0.4-acre site adjacent to Ballyshannon Manor in Derrinturn, which was previously acquired for the wastewater treatment plant, which was built elsewhere, available for community development purposes.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Wyse and seconded by Councillor T. Durkan

A report was received from the Community Department informing the members that the community department will investigate with relevant departments and agencies and revert.

The members raised the following:

- All aware of the issues in Derrinturn with antisocial behaviour
- Organisations in the area have to turn people away as they have inadequate space.
- Community centre not fit for purpose.
- Land should not be used for anything else.
- This could help deliver something positive for the area.



Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Wyse and seconded by Councillor T. Durkan and agreed by the members that the report be noted.

CM34/1124

Footpath Extension in Kilshanroe Graveyard

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Wyse.

Can the council provide a costing to extend the footpath on the southern end of Kilshanroe Graveyard by 25 metres, to provide accessibility to the graves in that section of the graveyard?

A report was received from the Environment Department informing members that it is estimated that the cost of the works outlined above would cost €10,000, subject to more detailed investigation.

The report was noted.