

**Minutes of Meeting of the Killaloe Municipal District**  
**held on Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2020 at 11.15 a.m.**  
**in Council Chamber, Áras Chontae an Cláir.**

**In attendance:** Cllr. Pat Burke  
Cllr. Pat Hayes  
Cllr. Joe Cooney  
Cllr. Alan O’Callaghan  
Cllr. Tony O’Brien

**Officials:** Ms. Anne Haugh, Director of Service  
Mr. Morgan Lahiffe, A/Senior Executive Officer  
Mr. Declan Flanagan, Executive Engineer  
Ms. Pauline Costelloe, Staff Officer

**Apologies:** Mr. Tom Mellett, Senior Executive Engineer

The Cathaoirleach, Cllr. Pat Hayes chaired the meeting.

**Item 1 Minutes of Killaloe Municipal District Meeting, held on 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2020.**

The minutes of the Killaloe Municipal District Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2020 were adopted having been proposed by Cllr. J. Cooney and seconded by Cllr. A. O’Callaghan.

**Item 2 Minutes of AGM Meeting, held on 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2020.**

The minutes of the AGM Meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 were adopted having been proposed by Cllr. P. Burke and seconded by Cllr. J. Cooney.

**Item 3 Matters Arising.**

No matters arising from Killaloe Municipal District Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2020 and AGM Meeting held 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2020.

**Item 4 Set date for next meeting.**

It was agreed the next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> September, in the Council Chamber, confirmation of time to follow. It was agreed format of one notice of motion from each member remain in place for next meeting.

**Item 5            General Municipal Allocation 2020**

Report presented for allocation of 2020 GMA funds. Proposed by Cllr. J. Cooney and seconded by Cllr. A. O’Callaghan and agreed.

Cllr. P. Burke requested an update on Tulla 1400 and the impact of current COVID 19 restrictions on the scheduling of the event and drawdown of funding approved under GMA. It was agreed to write to Tulla 1400 organisers to request an update on the event and review the group’s GMA funding at September 2020 meeting.

Cllr. T. O’Brien requested public lighting works in Bridgetown be carried out before the winter months.

**Item 6            Notice of Motion submitted by Cllr. T. O’Brien**

“That Clare County Council removes the two trees on the Limerick side of the exit at the Shantraud Wood housing estate in Killaloe. These trees are a serious road traffic hazard as they severely impede the sight distance of traffic exiting the estate and also traffic approaching the estate from the Limerick direction.”

Proposed by: Cllr. T. O’Brien  
Seconded by: Cllr. A. O’Callaghan

**Declan Flanagan, Executive Officer replied as follows:**

“Clare County Council has reviewed the existing sight lines at Shantraud Woods Housing Estate in Killaloe. The exit/entrance to the estate is within a 60km/hr speed zone, the required sight lines is 90m at either side of the junction, however, sightlines to the Limerick side of the estate are approximately 60m. In the interest of road safety, the two trees which are blocking the sightlines will be removed in the final quarter of 2020.”

**Item 7            Notice of Motion submitted by Cllr. P. Burke**

“Calling on Clare County Council to remove unwanted/abandoned boats at Mountshannon Harbour which are moored on council property.”

Proposed by: Cllr. P. Burke  
Seconded by: Cllr. T. O’Brien

**Morgan Lahiffe, A/Senior Executive Officer, replied as follows:**

“Clare County Council is engaging with Waterways Ireland in relation to the extent of responsibility that each body has at this location. Meetings in relation to this will take place this week. Arising from those meetings, we will look to ensure that abandoned/sunken boats are removed from council property where possible.”

**Item 8 Notice of Motion submitted by Cllr. J. Cooney**

“That Clare County Council review the speed limit, and put traffic calming in place on the R462 as you enter Tulla from the Gort Road to the junction on the R352 in the interest of road safety.”

Proposed by: Cllr. J. Cooney  
Seconded by: Cllr. P. Hayes

**Declan Flanagan, Executive Engineer replied as follows:**

“The speed limit on the R-462 from the Gort side of Tulla to its Junction with the R-352 is a 50km/hr speed limit over a distance of 1.6km. Currently there is 4 No. Zebra crossings along this stretch of road within the vicinity of St. Joseph’s Secondary School.

Over the coming weeks we will be carrying out speed surveys at two locations within the speed limit, firstly at the approach to Doonane Road from the Gort side and a second location approaching the Secondary School from the R-352. We will analyse these results and evaluate if traffic calming measures are required.”

**Item 9 Notice of Motion submitted by Cllr. P. Hayes**

**“I am seeking an update from the Council on the proposed Road Safety Scheme at Henchy’s Cross on the R352 near Clooney.”**

Proposed by: Cllr. P. Hayes  
Seconded by: Cllr. J. Cooney

**John Gannon, Senior Executive Engineer, Road Design replied as follows:**

“The Road Design Office, Clare County Council has completed the topographical survey and substantially completed the preliminary design for the scheme and are currently preparing the land acquisition drawings. It is expected that for 2020 land owner discussions and negotiations will be well advanced if not substantially completed. Clare County Council plan to seek further funding from the Department later this year for the completion of the project.”

All members alluded to the dangers of the junction and agreed on the need to prioritise works at this site.

**Item 10 Notice of Motion submitted by Cllr. A. O’Callaghan**

“Request that this council carry out a Road Safety assessment for the village of Quin in the interest of road safety.”

Proposed by: Cllr. A. O’Callaghan  
Seconded by: Cllr. J. Cooney

**Declan Flanagan, Executive Engineer replied as follows:**

“Following the recent boundary changes, Quin village falls under the remit of the Killaloe Municipal District since March 2020. Over the past number of years a pedestrian footpath and priority system was put successfully in place at the bridge and a pedestrian crossing has been completed in the village.

A draft plan for traffic calming had been created by the Ennis Municipal District in 2018 but funding was not realized for the project at the time. We will further develop this plan for proposed road safety works and will endeavour to secure suitable funding streams to deliver.”

It was requested that the Engineers would visit the location to see the issues on the ground

**Item 11      Any other business.**

None.

The meeting then concluded.

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**Morgan Lahiffe,  
A/Senior Executive Officer,  
Meeting Administrator.**

**27<sup>th</sup> July, 2020**