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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF SOUTH & WEST KERRY HELD IN THE AREA SERVICE CENTRE, KILLORGLIN, FRIDAY 06th JULY, 2018

MIONTUAIRISCÍ NA CRUINNITHE DE CHEANTAR BARDASACH CHIARRAÍ THAR AGUS THEAS A THIONÓLADH I LÁRIONAD SEIRBHÍSÍ CHILL ORGLAN, CHILL ORGLAN AR AN hAOINE 6Ú IÚIL 2018.

PRESENT/I LÁTHAIR

Councillors/Comhairleoirí

Cllr. P. Connor-Scarteen	Cllr. N. Moriarty
Cllr M. Cahill	Cllr. D. Quigg
Cllr. J. Healy-Rae	Cllr. D. McCarthy
Cllr. S. Fitzgerald	
Cllr. M O' Shea	

Absent

Cllr. J. F. Flynn

IN ATTENDANCE/I LÁTHAIR

Mr. M. O' Donoghue	Delegated Executive for South and West Kerry MD
Mr. P. Teahan	Municipal District Engineer
Mr. B. Hickey	EE Killorglin
Mr. M Kelliher	EE Caherciveen
Mr. V. Horgan	EE Kenmare
Mr. C. Nagle	EE Dingle
Mr. C Mangan	S.E.E Water Services
Mr. C O' Leary	E.E. Water Services
Mr. J Griffin	Tourism Unit
Mr. C. Slattery	S.S.O. Housing
Ms. C. Fitzgerald	A.S.O Corporate Affairs

The meeting commenced at 10.00 a.m.

Cathaoirleach N. Moriarty took the chair.

06.07.18.01(a) Confirmation of Minutes

(a) (a) On the PROPOSAL of Cllr D. McCarthy & SECONDED by Cllr. J. Healy-Rae it was agreed that the Minutes of the Meeting of the South & West Kerry Municipal District held on 24th May 2018 be confirmed.

(b) On the PROPOSAL of Cllr. M. Cahill & SECONDED by Cllr. P. Connor-Scarteen it was agreed that the Minutes of the South & West Kerry AGM held on 25th June 2018 be confirmed.

(B)Reception of Deputations

Deputation from the Glenbeigh Community Council
Re : Issues in the Village
Requested by Cllr. M. Cahill

The Cathaoirleach N. Moriarty welcomed the deputation and briefed them on the standing orders for reception of deputations at the meeting of the Municipal District of South & West Kerry.

At the outset the first spokesperson (*Name withheld for data protection purposes. A paper copy of unedited Minutes available on request*) took the opportunity to thank Kerry County Council for all their help and assistance and in particular the Area Engineer Mr. B. Hickey for his continued support. She stated that the main issue concerning the deputation were as follows.

- The Behy Bridge on Ross Road needs to be re-tarred.
- Footpath . on Ross road from the bridge to Rossbeigh beach. We have secured funding through SKDP for a section of a pathway at the entrance to Rossbeigh Beach. We have applied for funding under the Village Renewal Scheme and are awaiting a decision.
- The installation of a footbridge on Behy Bridge going to Rossbeigh.
- Lighting on the Cahersiveen road where the footpath is located. There are a lot of housing developments and a mobile home park on this section of road.
- Entrance to Glenbeigh Village . Footpaths and Lighting is needed.
- Speed Limits coming into Glenbeigh needs to be looked at. The residents of the village are constantly highlighting the speed at which traffic goes through.
- The Slipways in Rossbeigh Beach need to be re-done.
- The Road Side Sweeper . We would like to express our thanks for its re-instatement and it is a major help in our efforts in keeping Glenbeigh clean and tidy.
- That the access into Killen Graveyard would be reviewed

Cllr. M. OqShea welcomed the deputation and congratulated them on the tremendous work they are doing in the village, which is always very well kept and presentable. He stated that the provision of a footbridge is critical and said that in time their remaining concerns will be addressed. He offered the deputation his full support.

Cllr. P. Connor-Scarreen welcomed the deputation and commended them on the presentation of their village. In regard to their concerns, he stated that the provision of lighting on the footpath near the Caravan Park is essential. He offered the deputation his full support.

Cllr. D. McCarthy welcomed the deputation and offered them his full support.

Cllr. M. Cahill welcomed the deputation and congratulated them on their Pride of Place award. He thanked Kerry County Council and in particular the Area Engineer for their continued support. He referred to the deputation's concerns and stated the provision of the footbridge is essential. The speed limit entering and exiting the village needs to be reviewed with additional lighting to be installed outside the Caravan park on the Cahersiveen side of the village. He referred to the drainage works on the High road and said that the cost of " 20,00 is beyond CSMDO funding and could the possibility of match funding be considered.

Cathaoirleach Cllr. N. Moriarty welcomed the deputation and complimented them on the presentation of their village. She undertook to allocate toward works in the village in 2019.

Cllr. D. Quigg welcomed the deputation. He referred to the provision of Public lighting and asked that the council would reconsider allowing the members to make a contribution to the lighting through their CSMDOF allocation.

Mr. P. Teahan introduced himself and on behalf of the Council welcomed the deputation. He thanked them for the ongoing works been carried out in the village and their continued co-operation. He proceeded to address the list of works as follows.

He confirmed that the council will consider resurfacing the Behy Bridge following the completion of the coastal protection works. He advised the deputation to pursue LEADER type funding for the trail at Rossbeigh and gave an undertaking to support this application. He explained that a public lighting assessment is currently being conducted and once this has been completed he agreed to revert to the deputation regarding the provision of additional lighting in the village. He explained that the provision of footpaths in the village is under the remit of T.I.I. who currently do not have a footpath programme. There is however a Pavement Scheme Programme in place and Kerry County Council will make a case to T.I.I. for the provision of funding. Kerry County Council has commenced a public consultation for the Speed Limit Review. A Draft Speed Limit document has been published and is available for public viewing in the Killorglin Area Service Centre. He undertook to ensure that the slipway on the beach is cleaned on a regular basis and confirmed that it is scheduled for cleaning next week. The provision of rock armour on the beach will prevent further erosion. He confirmed that the Kileen Graveyard will be examined.

In response to a query from the deputation regarding the provision of funding for the footbridge Mr. P. Teahan explained that where the construction of the footbridge would be desirable, the grant to fund this project has only recently become re-introduced following its suspension for a number of years and has been allocated to fund the Dingle Road.

Cllr. M. Cahill requested that if and when the Greenway gets Planning Permission that the footbridge would be prioritised. He also requested that a new slip way in the beach would be constructed.

Mr. P. Teahan explained that the provision of a new slipway is not desirable. The design of the slipway is to assist with build up and not erosion on the beach.

(c) Facilities in the Maherees

Cllr. M. O'Shea referred to a recent incident at the Maherees where the area was left very unsightly by a group of people. He stated that the stakeholders have numerous times requested camping facilities in the area similar to Banna Beach. He said he believed that it is the duty of the elected members in the South & West Municipal District to ensure that such a facility is provided in the area.

Cllr. N Moriarty supported Cllr. O'Shea's comments.

Mr. M O'Donoghue stated that is a very complex matter, the majority of the area in question is in a designated Special Area of Conservation. In addition, many of the incidents referred to occur on private property. He confirmed that a multi-agency working group is in place which both himself and the Area Engineer sit on. An agreement was near completion last year on the provision of additional car parking but unfortunately this did not materialise. The Area Engineer will continue to work with the stakeholders to attempt to secure a resolution. He assured the members of the council's full commitment to attempting to resolve this matter.

(D) Presentation from Mid Kerry Tourism Cluster Group who was successful in securing Town & Village Renewal Funding for branding, marketing and refurbishment of Tourist Office.

(Name withheld for data protection purposes. A paper copy of unedited Minutes available on request) from the Mid- Kerry Tourism Cluster Group briefed the members on the document which

was circulated at the meeting. Firstly, he took the opportunity to thank everybody who assisted and supported the success of their application under the Towns and Village Renewal scheme which allowed the rebranding of the Reeks District. He stated that one of the aims of the group was to improve the visitors experience to the area and to show the local community just exactly what they have to offer on their doorstep. He stated that the project has been heavily marketed through social media and their website and as result the membership has increased significantly. He stated that the group is requesting the support of the council for the provision of %Welcome to the Reeks District %signage. He stated that the group intend on preparing an additional three-year plan following the completion of their existing plan. However, this will not be achievable without the support of Kerry County Council and the various organisations.

Cllr. D. Quigg thanked the group for attending today's meeting and showcasing the fantastic work they are doing in the area. He stressed the importance for the provision of signage and stated that the changing facilities for disabled people in public toilets must be improved.

Cllr. M. O'Shea welcomed the group and congratulated them on their achievements. He stated that Mid-Kerry has far more to offer than Killarney and if this level of work is maintained, it will promote Mid-Kerry to no ends. He offered the group his full support.

Cllr. D. McCarthy welcomed the group and congratulated them on their achievement and offered them his full support.

Cllr. J. Healy-Rae stated the Reek District is a beautiful part of Kerry of which a lot of is unknown. He thanked both Ms. S Griffin and Mr. J Griffin of Kerry County Council for their help and assistance towards the establishment of this facility. He assured the Mid-Kerry Tourism Cluster group of the members full support.

The second Spokesperson stated that this area has a great deal to offer but without adequate signage people will be unaware and will not stop. The matter has been discussed with Area Engineer.

Cllr. N Moriarty commended the group on an excellent presentation and their achievements to date. She stated that the Branding is ideal with one of the advantages being is that isn't weather dependant. She offered the group her full support.

Cllr. M. O'Donoghue welcomed the group and complimented them on their achievements to date. The Development of the Information Centre is an example of the success of the Town & Village Renewal Grant. The Local Area Plan for the South & West is currently being drafted and advised the group that the council will work them regarding their suggestion for the area.

Mr. J Griffin welcomed the group and wished to be associated with the comments expressed by the members. He said that the group has shown to everyone that they can deliver. He complemented them on their branding and stated that the Reeks has the advantage of been strategically positioned in the Wild Atlantic Way. He advised the meeting that funding has been sought for the linking of the Kerry Way and Dingle Way which will join at Mid Kerry. He acknowledged that adequate signage is required and undertook to work with the group regarding their concerns.

Peninsula Lands Kenmare.

Mr. M. O'Donoghue advised the meeting that Kerry County Council is in the process of purchasing a portion of land in Kenmare. He said he was hopeful that the sale will be confirmed on Monday when the funds finally clear. Kerry County Council has purchased 13.7 acres on the shore side which will be for amenity use. He thanked for the members for their support.

Cllr. P. Connor-Scarreen welcomed the news and stated that this is a huge project for Kenmare and is the equivalent to the National Park for Kenmare. He acknowledged that it will be a long process and public consultation will be necessary to bring the project to fruition. He requested that a deputation from KMEG would attend a future meeting to discuss issues in Kenmare. He thanked Mr. M OqDonoghue and the Management of Kerry County Council for the completion of the sale.

Casual Trading Bye-Laws Kenmare

Mr. M OqDonoghue stated the Casual Trading Bye-Laws for Kenmare will come into effect today. A number of applications have been received and stressed that enforcement will be carried out if necessary.

Cllr. D. McCarthy welcomed the news and moved notice of motion no 8 (Operations)

Cllr. D. McCarthy: What is the latest progress on the street traders in Kenmare?

REPLY: A notice has been published in this week's edition of the Kerryman on Wednesday, 4th July 2018 and in the Kerry's Eye yesterday, 5th July 2018 giving notice that, Kerry County Council, has made the County of Kerry (Casual Trading) Bye-Laws 2018 Kenmare which will come into effect on 12th July, 2018.

All of the works necessary to facilitate the introduction of casual trading bays at Park Lane and East Park Lane and to enable casual trading to take place from the above date onwards have been put in place. This includes two new pedestrian crossings and other physical measures to assist in managing the market.

The Council has received a number of applications for casual trading licences, these are being assessed at present. It is intended to issue licences to casual traders who have met all the necessary criteria.

He expressed delight that the Casual Trading in Kenmare had been resolved and took the opportunity to thank the staff of Kerry County Council and in particular Mr. P. Teahan. He asked if staff will be present on Sunday to monitor the Casual Trading Area and after 4 p.m. He also welcome Kerry County Council's purchase of a section of the Peninsula Lands and said he was hopeful that this will bring a lot more activity to the town.

Cllr. J. Healy-Rae welcomed this news and said that the purchase of these lands will be a wonderful asset to Kenmare. The Casual Trading has been ongoing for many years and stated that there is great credit due to the management and staff of Kerry County Council. He also wished to thank Sean Daly and Barter McSherry of Kenmare for their contribution. In regard to the applications he asked that the local producers and genuine traders would be given preference and for the Sunday Trading that the Gardai would enforce the bye-laws if necessary. Finally, he requested that the council would consider the provision of a set down area for the buses and stated that it is a health and safety requirement.

Departure of Vincent Horgan

Mr. M OqDonoghue advised the meeting that Mr. V Horgan Area Engineer Kenmare is moving to the Killarney Municipal District. He took the opportunity to thank him and wished him the very best in his new position. He paid tribute to the enormous contribution he had made to Kenmare and the Kenmare area and said that Kenmare is a better place because of his time there.

Cllr. J. Healy-Rae described Mr. V Horgan as a gentleman, who treated everybody equally and showed no political preference. He was always very obliging and was a fantastic asset to Kenmare. He wished Mr. V. Horgan the very best in his new position.

Cllr. D. McCarthy concurred with the previous comments and added a newly elected councillor he was always very helpful and courteous.

Cllr. P. Connor-Scarteen also wished to be associated with the previous comments expressed and said he was very disappointed to hear that he was leaving the Municipal District. He wished him well in his new position.

Cllr. M OqShea wished to be associated with the previous comments expressed and said that Mr. V. Horgan's departure is a huge gain for Killarney.

Both Cllr. D Quigg and Cllr. M. Cahill wished to be associated with the comments expressed by the previous speakers.

Cathaoirleach N. Moriarty wished Mr. V. Horgan the very best in his new post and thanked him for his input into the many significant projects in Kenmare and in particular the works outside the school.

On behalf of the Operations Management and Staff Mr. P. Teahan thanked Mr. V. Horgan for all his work and contribution in the Kenmare area. He stated that Mr. V Horgan has overseen a substantial number of projects under direct labour including the Kenmare to Glengariff road. He wished him well in his new position.

(d) Business prescribed, by Statute, Standing Orders or Resolutions of the Municipal District Members for transaction at such meeting.

In accordance with the Local Government act 2001 (as amended) and having regard to Section 180 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 in relation to the taking in charge of estates, to consider any objections or representations received and the making of an Order declaring the following roads to be public pursuant to Section 11 (2) (i) of the Roads act 1993:

(a) Having considered the reports, it was PROPOSED by Cllr. J. Healy-Rae, SECONDED by Cllr. D. McCarthy, that, Gortamullen, Kenmare - Road from its junction with N-70-883 to all terminal points within the estate Ard Mullen, Gortamullen, Kenmare, Map 08-19 (serving 33) be taken in charge by Kerry county Council.

Total Length of road to be Taken in Charge: - 412m

(b) Having considered the report, it was PROPOSED by Cllr. J. Healy-Rae, SECONDED by Cllr. P. Connor-Scarteen, that, Carhoomeengar East, Kenmare - Road from its junction with L-4051-0 to all terminal points within the estate Carhoomeengar East, Kenmare, Map 09-16 (serving 6 houses), be taken in charge by Kerry County Council.

Total Length of road to be Taken in Charge: - 350m

(c) Having Considered the report, it was PROPOSED by Cllr. N. Moriarty, SECONDED by Cllr. J. Healy-Rae that, The Marina, Caherciveen - Road from its junction with the L-7800-0 to all terminal

points within the estate The Marina, Caherciveen, Map 17-08, be taken in charge by Kerry County Council.

Total Length of road to be Taken in Charge: - 0m

(d) Having considered the report, it was PROPOSED by Cllr. N. Moriarty, SECONDED by Cllr. P. Connor-Scarteen, that Cois Uisce, Caherciveen - Road from its junction with L- 4070-0 to all terminal points within the estate Cois Uisce, Caherciveen, Map 17-16 (serving 31houses).

Total Length of road to be Taken in Charge: - 212m

(e) Having Considered the report, it was PROPOSED by Cllr. M. OqShea, SECONDED by Cllr. J. Healy-Rae that Cloosguire, Castlegregory - Road from its junction with L-5014-0 to all terminal points within the estate Gregory Close, Cloosguire, Castlegregory, Map 16-02 (serving 8 houses) be taken in charge by Kerry County Council.

Total Length of road to be Taken in Charge: - 126m

(a)06.07.18.02 To note update report from Economic and Community Development Directorate

It was agreed to note the following report.

BUSINESS SUPPORT UNIT (LEO)

Work continues with strong engagement in the South & West Municipal District. A %Start Your Own Business Programme+was completed in early June with full participation and numbers. A Digital marketing Programme has been scheduled for Cahersiveen in July and additional Business Start Bootcamps have been scheduled to meet demand.

The office continues to engage with individual clients at a local level with a series of formal funding applications presented for direct assistance and microfinance loan support.

The office has launched its\$ Lean for Micro Programme with good interest in the programme from a number of South & West Kerry businesses.

TOURISM DEVELOPMENT

VISIT BY GERMAN GARDENING JOURNALIST & BLOGGER

Agnes Pahler is a well-known German gardening journalist and blogger and has written several gardening books. The Tourism Unit, working closely with Tourism Ireland, arranged for Ms Pahler to spend six weeks during May and June volunteering in some of Kerry's\$ famous parks and gardens. Her visit to Kerry and her time spent in Killarney House Gardens, Muckross Gardens, Glanleam Gardens in Valentia, Derrynane House Gardens, Beara and the Town Parks in Tralee and Listowel has been documented in her blog . blog.bluetenstil.de. Kerry's\$ wide range of parks and gardens, which are open all year round, are a huge attraction to our visitors and in particular, the growing German market. A video, in German, of her visit has also been produced and this, together with her blog, will be widely promoted by Tourism Ireland.

COMMUNITY

Town and Village Renewal Scheme

The 2018 Scheme closing date for expressions of Interest was May 25th, 2018. These have been assessed and groups have been invited to submit full Application Forms. As previously noted work is still ongoing on the 2017 Scheme. The Reeks Project was launched on May 4th by Minister Brendan Griffin. This project's focus was to brand and market Killorglin and the mid Kerry area as an Adventure Gateway and the access to the McGillicuddy Reeks - make it discoverable on sites such as Trip Advisor and Google Trips. Work is still ongoing with Milltown Community & Chamber Alliance to progress the refurbishment of the Muintir na Tíre Hall into a centre for the performing arts, a youth space and the construction of publicly accessible toilets. Much progress has now been made on the project in Kenmare. At this point the focus is to finalise payments.

Socio Economic Plans

The first of the three projects, jointly funded by LEADER/SKDP and KCC, to support the development of Socio Economic Plans in three towns has commenced in Killorglin. Mr Ian Dempsey of Prescience was awarded the contract. The Consultant has commenced work on this project and the second meeting with the public is due to be held on 28th June 2018.

Community Support Fund 2017 and 2018

Anthony Taggart is continuing to process the Community Support Fund payments. A number of groups (17 in total) remain to be paid for the 2017 Community Support Fund and these groups are being contacted with a view to closing these files. The 81 projects approved under the 2018 Scheme have all been sent Letters of Offer and at this point 39 groups have received the first payment. It is proposed to hold meetings regarding the administration requirements with the groups at local level to solve the difficulties that groups are having and to ease the payment process.

Cromane FLAG project

The Cromane Socio Economic Plan funded by FLAG has been completed and launched by Minister Brendan Griffin on May 12th. This has been a great community effort by the local community and Community Council. Work has commenced on a number of the initiatives in the plan.

Outdoor Recreation Funding

Indicative lists have been prepared and submitted as part of the process to develop projects for Outdoor Recreation 2018. Groups have been contacted and consultation with SKDP has taken place.

LEADER and SKDP

The MD Officer is the Kerry Co Co nominee on the LEADER evaluation committee. This work is ongoing and two further Evaluation meetings have been held during May/June period.

The Community Enhancement Programme (CEP)

The Community Enhancement Programme (CEP) which is funded by the Department of Rural and Community Development, has provided " 142,409 for projects in Kerry in 2018. This CEP programme replaces and builds on two existing schemes (Communities Facilities Scheme and RAPID). Combining the schemes will make for a more flexible, streamlined and targeted approach to providing funding to those communities most in need.

Kerry County Council is pleased to announce that grant applications are now being invited. In Kerry it has been agreed that the funding under this Programme will be targeted at supporting Age Friendly initiatives, actions targeting age friendly work from the Local Economic and Community Plan and Kerry's Age Friendly Work Plan.

Closing Date June 20th 2018 – see Kerry Co Co website.

Updated Indicative Schedule of 2018 Rural Grants from Department of Rural and Community Development

Work has also commenced to prepare for the programme of Rural Grants received from the Department as outlined below:

May	Launch of new RAPID/Communities Facilities Scheme (CEP) Announcement of successful CLAR projects
June	Closing date for Town & Village Renewal applications Closing date for Rural Recreation Scheme applications
July	Announcement of successful Town & Village Scheme projects Announcement of successful Rural Recreation scheme projects

Age Friendly Coordinator's Update June 2018

1. The draft Strategy: Following the meeting of the Steering Group, a number of additional sections were included as discussed at the meeting. In addition the changes that people wished to have included in the Actions section were made. A number of Steering Group members reverted with further ideas. As agreed, Hilary Scanlan met with Siobhán Griffin for an extended meeting to consider content and draft actions. A further phone discussion with Hilary was held regarding the content which also resulted in updating of sections. Hilary also submitted a report which is referenced and included as an appendix. The next step is that the Older People's Council will further review the draft report and actions at a half day session on 26th June, LCDC on 2nd July with a view to launch in September.
2. The Older People's Council: Letters issued with nomination forms to SLARN and Seancháirde to nominate 3 people from each group. In addition 3 people were written to in Tralee. This group together with the 3 people nominated in Listowel area met. It is agreed that this group will work for one year to agree a representative structure and input into the strategy implementation.. A separate report has been prepared.
3. Presentation to the Joint Policing Committee: A presentation was made on the feedback around security issues to a sub group of the JPC. This also ensured that the work plans are complementary. This was very constructive and the House Maintenance action was particularly noted.

4. WHO Affiliation: The Affiliation deadline was met. There was quite a lot of work in this online application. Additional demographic/statistical data was required and a letter from the Mayor/Cathaoirleach.
5. National Meeting; The national Coordinators meeting was held in Dublin on Thursday last and following this, each Programme had to input into a national data collection exercise.
6. Killarney . A destination for all: A discussion has been held and a meeting held with Paudie Healy, the Consultant who is leading out this project in Killarney.
7. Healthy Ireland: A meeting has been arranged with Geraldine McGettigan, the recently appointed Healthy Ireland Programme support, to ensure that the Healthy Kerry Action plan is aligned with the Age Friendly plan.
8. Public Realm Training: It will be possible to host a Public Realm training event this year. There is a financial input from KCC. This was agreed at national mtg.
9. Community Enhancement Programme: Kerry County Council has received an allocation of " 142,409. This Programme builds on and replaces the RAPID and Communities Facilities Scheme. At Monday's LCDC meeting this week it was agreed that all this funding be targeted to supporting age friendly initiatives and the delivery of actions in Kerry's Age Friendly Work plan. The Scheme will be advertised next week as the closing date is the 20th of July.

(b) Notice of Motion

1.Cllr. M. Cahill: That Kerry County Council give a detailed progress report in regards to the provision of a Cable Car Tourist attraction for the county and the identification of a suitable site that will be the first in the country that provides Universal access for the Disabled Community to one of Kerry's Mountain Peaks.

Reply: The Kerry County Tourism Strategy, 2016-22 contains a medium term (3-4 year) action to "Examine the feasibility of providing universal/ disabled access in a sustainable manner to one of Kerry's mountain peaks outside SAC and SPA designated areas." [1.12.10] . This is to be examined with Coillte Teo, NPWS, Fáilte Ireland, Local Development Companies and Local Communities. The Tourism Unit would welcome suggestions of suitable sites for consideration but it will be 2019 before any progress is likely to be made in relation to the proposal. We need to be mindful of the stipulation that the suggested sites should be **outside** SAC and SPA designated areas.

Cllr. M. Cahill welcomed the response and stated that this would be a wonderful opportunity for Kerry to pilot such a scheme and for people with disabilities to access Kerry's mountain peaks.

2.Cllr. M. Cahill: I propose that Kerry County Council open a Grant's Office in Mid Kerry, ie Killorglin town to serve the entire county with regards to offering information, applications and assistance on all grants that are available at local, National and European level. This Office should also provide information in respect to the various schemes that are available such as Community Employment Schemes, Rural Social Schemes, and TUS, among others as such an office would ensure that the county, community groups and individuals will secure the maximum amount of funding that is available and will further ensure that the maximum amount of work is carried out throughout the county. Such an Office would also assist in making the Public aware of what Funding and Schemes are available and by having it all under the same roof will be of enormous benefit to the entire county.

Reply: Staff members of Kerry County Council assist Community Groups and individuals with funding queries on a daily basis. At Municipal District level the MD Officer is a first point of contact in each of the MD areas and is in a position to refer groups to the Economic Development Officer, Ms Brigid Fitzgerald or Mr Tomás Hayes of the Local Enterprise Office or other appropriate staff members. A staff member of the Local Enterprise Office regularly meets members of the public in Killorglin office by appointment.

In addition Kerry County Council website now has a section; **Schemes and Funds**, which lists the various grants on offer at any time. In Killorglin there is co-operation and a good working relationship with the Local Development Sector, SKDP Ltd., and through this office it is possible to guide members of the public and community groups in relation to available supports and assistance.

There are no proposals to change the current service delivery models and therefore such an office will not be established.

Cllr. M. Cahill noted the response and stated that it would be useful to have all this information available under a single facility.

3. Cllr. N. Moriarty: That we correct the anomaly currently resulting in community groups having to apply for planning permission to erect poly-tunnels. No such permission is required for domestic poly tunnels and this is preventing some community groups from accessing grant funding. While the applying for the permission could be straight forward there are community grounds whose ownership of community grounds is difficult or time consuming to establish.

Reply: The planning code does not allow for the construction of polytunnels without a grant of permission save for the construction of such items at a domestic dwelling or as part of an existing farmyard complex. The conditions and limitations in relation to these exemptions are outlined in Schedule 2, Parts I and III, of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001-2015. Changes to these regulations are a matter for the Minister.

Cathaoirleach N Moriarty noted the response and requested that a letter would issue to the Mr. Eoghan Murphy Minister for Housing, Planning & Local Government asking that this anomaly would be corrected.

It was unanimously agreed that the letter would issue to Minister Murphy.

4.Cllr. M. O. Shea: To ask what is the up to date position with Annagh Banks housing estate Castlemaine.

Reply: We have recently been advised that the new owner of this development is anxious to complete all outstanding works. In this regard, a meeting is being planned with KCC for the purpose of agreeing a revised Site Resolution Plan.

Cllr. M. O' Shea welcomed the response and stated the news is promising.

Cllr. M. O' Shea asked will additional houses be built in the estate.

Mr. G. O. Brien replied that will be at the discretion of the new owner.

5.Cllr. M. O' Shea: That the forward planning unit would liaise with all Chamber Alliance groups in view of advanced forward plans for towns and villages

Reply: Kerry County Council has liaised with Chamber Alliance groups in the preparation of the Tralee, Killarney and Listowel Municipal District local area plans. The Planning Dept. will continue to liaise with relevant Chamber Alliance groups in the preparation of the forthcoming West Iveragh Local Area Plan and other local area plans serving the South and West Municipal District.

Cllr. M. O' Shea welcomed the response.

(b) Questions

1.Cllr. M. Cahill: In communities where Kerry County Council do not own any suitable sites for the provision of a Playground, I propose that the Council provide a financial contribution towards the purchase of a site. Parishes such as Beaufort, Portmagee and Keel, etc are finding it increasingly difficult to acquire a suitable site.

Reply: While the Council assists communities with the provision of public playground facilities it is Council policy (given the many other priorities such as acquisition of lands for Housing, Car parking etc) not to make Capital contributions towards the cost of acquisition of a playground site.

Cllr. M. Cahill stated that he believed that it was only fair that the council would make a contribution, to allow these areas an opportunity to acquire land. The construction of playgrounds has been very successful in the county and referred in particular to the playground in Rossbeigh where Kerry County Council provided the land.

2. Cllr. M. Cahill: That Kerry County Council come to the assistance of the residents of Dun Bui Housing Estate and take into consideration the ongoing dilemma the residents find themselves in by 'Taking In Charge' Dun Bui Housing Estate, Beaufort as a matter of extreme urgency.

Reply: At this time, the Council are not in a position to progress this taking in charge application as a result of the ongoing legal issues. This is a historic estate where there is no source of funding available to carry out the outstanding works. The Council are anxious to progress this matter and have the estate taken in charge but cannot do so given the legacy issues outstanding.

Cllr. M. Cahill note the response and said that the road is in an appalling state.

3.Cllr. M. Cahill: That Kerry County Council and Irish Water come to the assistance of the residents of Coolmagort Avenue and take into consideration the ongoing dilemma the residents find themselves in, with raw sewage flowing around gardens and the ongoing Medical issues of residents and young children by 'Taking In Charge' Coolmagort Avenue, Beaufort as a matter of extreme urgency and will the Council and Irish Water now accept that this is a major "Health" concern.

Reply: Kerry County Council does not have a valid taking in charge application on hands for this development. While any application received would be processed in accordance with our Taking in Charge of Estates Policy and our Memorandum of Understanding with Irish Water, it must be stated that it is currently the policy of Irish Water as outlined in the MOU not to take stand alone, developer provided infrastructure (as is the case in this estate) in charge.

Cllr. M. Cahill stated that there are substantial problems with the sewerage system in this estate. He explained that the system hasn't worked properly for years and is unable to accommodate the 21 houses in the estate. The tank which must be emptied on a very regular

basis, is very costly to maintain and stated that a proper sewerage system must be provided. He asked that officials from Irish Water would meet with the residents.

Cllr. M Cahill moved Question no 1 under the Quality of Life, Water, Environment, Fire and Library Service Directorate.

1.Cllr.M. Cahill: *That Kerry County Council and Irish Water address as a matter of extreme urgency, the ongoing sewerage problems in Beaufort by providing a Public Sewerage Scheme for the village.*

Reply: *There is no existing public Sewerage Scheme in Beaufort village and there is no provision for a proposed Scheme in Irish Water's **Capital Investment Programme 2017-2021**. Kerry County Council made a submission in 2014 to Irish Water, for its national Water Services Strategic Plan, to request the provision of sewerage infrastructure to unsewered villages such as Beaufort. However, **Irish Water's policy is to give priority to upgrading existing substandard sewerage schemes**, and also to meeting the requirements of the EPA Discharge Licences for existing SSs, **prior to considering investment in new schemes or in extensions to existing schemes**. Irish Water has no funding stream to provide services to properties with **private** sewerage facilities.*

*There are four privately owned small sewerage schemes which serve private housing developments in Beaufort. **There are serious deficiencies in the waste water treatment plant, which has not functioned for many years in one such 21-house estate in Beaufort.** The residents have hired a contractor on occasion to desludge the tank. This year the residents have engaged a consulting engineer to find a solution to the problem. The necessary upgrade works are provisionally estimated at €140,000. Planning Permission will be required for any proposed works in this estate.*

*It is **Irish Water's stated policy that it will not take over any such stand-alone plants**, as per the Memorandum of Understanding that it has with the Local Authority Sector. Irish water is presently consulting stakeholders on its draft Investment Plan for the period 2020 – 2024 and this consultation process will be brought before the members at the July Council meeting.*

Cllr. M. Cahill stated that Beaufort desperately requires a public Sewerage Scheme and referred to previous talks where it was suggested connecting the Sewerage System in Killarney to Beaufort.

Mr. M. O' Donoghue stated that fundamentally the issue is for Irish Water. The council can again raise this matter with Irish Water.

4. Cllr. P. Connor-Scarteen: What funding is available for the renewal and improvement of Towns and Villages in the Municipal District.

Reply: On each of the South & West M D reports an update is given in relation to grants and closing dates. For June 2018 please see an excerpt from this report.

May	Launch of new RAPID/Communities Facilities Scheme (CEP) Announcement of successful CLAR projects
June	Closing date for Town & Village Renewal applications Closing date for Rural Recreation Scheme applications
July	Announcement of successful Town & Village Scheme projects

The information regarding grants is circulated to the elected members and also through the PPN network. Information is also available under %Grants and Funding+on the Kerry Co Co website.

For the Town and Village Renewal Scheme, 37 Expressions of Interest were received by the closing date and 12 of these projects were shortlisted for development into full business plans. The projects are ones that are ready to be undertaken once the grant is announced. Up to 80% of the total cost of a project under the Town and Village Renewal Scheme will be provided for any individual project.

LEADER funding and BIM FLAG funding is available for projects, particularly in communities that have a connection with fishing.

The Community Enhancement Programme (CEP), which is funded by the Department of Rural and Community Development, has provided " 142,409 for projects in Kerry in 2018. It has been agreed that the funding under this Programme will be targeted at supporting Age Friendly initiatives, actions targeting age friendly work from the Local Economic and Community Plan and Kerry's Age Friendly Work Plan. Closing date for this scheme is July 20th 2018.

Cllr. P. Connor-Scarreen thanked the Community Department for the detailed reply and stated that the Town and Village Renewal Scheme has been one of the busiest schemes introduced by the Government in recent years.

5. Cllr. N. Moriarty: That we do all possible to assist Coiste Phobal Ballinskelligs with the development of a playground in the community.

Reply: Kerry Co. Co. has been in contact with Coiste Phobal and identified a potential site in the ownership of the council.

It is hoped that the group will be able to go to Planning stage relatively soon pending the formalisation of a licence agreement with the council for the site.

Cllr. N. Moriarty welcomed the response.

6. Cllr. M. O' Shea: To ask what is the up to date position with the takeover of Gurteen Estate Annascaul.

Reply: This estate will be advertised for taking in charge in September/October with a view to having the statutory process completed by the end 2018.

7. Cllr. M. O' Shea: To ask what are the areas in camp i.e. from Castlegregory to Derrymore between the mountains and the sea front, under the Shannon flood zone risk as part shown on their website resulting that home owners cannot get cover for flooding or subsidence within their area.

Reply: The areas in Camp identified as being at risk of tidal flooding under the Irish Coastal Protection Strategy Study can be viewed on the OPW website at the following link - <https://www.opw.ie/en/floodriskmanagement/floodanderosionmapping/icpss>

Cllr. M. O. Shea explained that they are areas included under the CFRAM study as potential flood zones that have no history of flooding and as a result, homeowners in this area are

unable to get Insurance cover for flooding. He proposed that a letter would issue to Mr. Kevin Moran T.D. Minister for OPW requesting that the OPW would consider removing these locations from areas identified as being at risk of tidal flooding.

It was unanimously agreed that a letter would issue to the Minister.

06.07.18.03 To note update report from Quality of Life – Water, Environment, Fire and Library Services Directorate

It was agreed to note the following report.

Environmental Protection

Business Unit Manager: Ger O'Brien SEO

Blue Flag and Green Coast Awards 2018

The Blue Flag and Green Coast Awards Ceremony was held on the 20th May last. Kerry County Council received 14 Blue Flags and 4 Green Coast Awards, the highest number of Blue Flags in the country.

Blue Flags were awarded to Inch, Ballybunion North, Ballybunion South, Ballyheigue, Banna, Fenit, Kells, Magherabeg, Rossbeigh, Ventry, White Strand, Fenit Marina, Ballinskelligs and Derrynane.

Green Coast flags were awarded to Béal Bán, Castlegregory, Littor and Ballinskelligs.

An application for a Blue Flag is assessed under a broad range of criteria to include

- Environmental Education and Information
- Water Quality
- Environmental Management
- Safety and Services

Blue Flags are an important indication of the quality of our beach environment and Kerry is continuing to set a very high standard in this regard. This is also extremely positive news for our local economy and our tourist industry.

The awarding of these flags is a result of a collaborative approach between Kerry County Council, local community groups and beach users who work to maintain our beautiful beaches and bathing waters. We will continue to invest the necessary resources to ensure the sustainable management our magnificent beaches.

Fire Services

Business Unit Manager: Capt. Michael Hession, Chief Fire Officer

Operation of the Fire Brigade Service:

- There were 394 incidents up to the end of May 2018 compared to 443 incidents for the same period in 2017.

- Gorse fires were at 86, down 44% compared to 153 for the same period last year.
- Chimney fires were at 69, up 13% compared to 61 for the same period last year
- Road Traffic Collisions were at 49, up 19% compared to 41 for the same period last year
- The Station Officers meeting for Q2 took place on 31st May.

Operations Statistics:

Fires	Jan-May 2017	Jan-May 2018
Chimney Fires	61	69
Gorse Fires	153	86
Other Fires	94	67
Fires Total	308	222
Special Services		
Entrapment	4	13
Gas/Chemicals	0	0
Hazardous substances in transit not involving fire	0	0
Hazardous Substances non Transit	0	0
Machinery	1	0
Miscellaneous	25	41
Other rescue	13	15
Rescue/Removal of persons from water	1	1
Road traffic accident	41	49
Water pumping/flooding	0	6
Special Services Total	85	125
False Alarms Number		
Malicious	6	1
Good Intent	44	46
False Alarms Total	50	47
Total Number of Incidents	443	394
Total Number of Mobilisations	541	475

Fire Safety and Prevention:

- Fire Officers carried Inspections of premises on foot of licensing applications and forwarded Fire Officers recommendations to the relevant Courts during May 2018.
- Fire Officers continued with premises inspections in respect of complaints and as otherwise required.

1. Building Control:

- The number of Commencement Notices/ 7 Day Notices received to the end of May 2018 was 208 which is a
 - 1.88 % decrease on the figure of 212 for the same period last year.

- The building control section continues to process Disability Access Certificate applications and also Fire Safety Certificate applications. Up to the end of May 2018 a total of 43 Disability Access Certificate applications and a total of 53 new Fire Safety Certificate applications had been received. This represents a:
 - 19.44 % increase in Disability Access Certificate applications and a
 - 10.16 decrease % in Fire Safety Certificate applications over the same period in 2017.

Building Control	1 January 2017 to 31st May 2017	1 January 2017 to 31st May 2018
Fire Safety Certificate Applications Received	59	53
Disability Access Certificate Applications Received	36	43
Commencement Notices/7 Day Notices Received	212	208

Library Services

2. Business Unit Manager: Tommy O'Connor, Co. Librarian

“ New National Strategy for Libraries 2018 - 2022

Libraries Strategy 2018-2022: Our Public Libraries 2022 Inspiring, Connecting and Empowering Communities was launched on 14 June 2018.

The key targets are:

- Significantly increase active membership from 15% of the population to achieve a target of 30% of the population [Kerry is currently at 24%].
- Ensure universal access: all barriers to library use, including library fines and fees, will be removed.
- Place the library at the centre of local community.
- Affirm the library as the go-to place for information and support on reading and literacy, formal and informal lifelong learning for all ages, business and job seekers support and healthy living.
- Transform library buildings, user experience, technology, resources and opening hours to provide a better service to more people.
- Provide for increased resources to meet these targets.
- Establish a national and local marketing campaign to promote library services and benefits.

“ Summer Reading programme

The Children’s Reading programme 2018 - **Summer Stars – will** be running in all Kerry Libraries and most public libraries nationally throughout the country this summer . from Saturday, 30 June . Saturday, 25 August. Summer Stars is a free programme, open to all children.

Each child must register at their local library. A **Summer Stars Reading Card** will record their reading progress and the **Summer Stars Reward Stamp** will be added to their card at the library for each book read. Fun rewards will be provided along the way and an awards ceremony will take place at each library at the end of summer.

The Summer Stars programme provides children with the opportunity to explore the range of events and facilities which are available in their local library, such as access to talking books and games, computers, internet access and of course children’s books for all ages.

“ Kerry Library events programme

Full details at www.kerrylibrary.ie

JULY		
Saturday, 7 th July 11.00am- 12.30pm	LEGO Create and Discover Workshop	Caherciveen Library
Tuesday, 10 th July, 2.00pm- 3.00pm	Dogs Trust Workshop	Caherciveen Library
Friday, 13 th July 11.00am- 12.00pm	Dogs Trust Workshop	Kenmare Library
Saturday, 14 th July 11.00am- 12.30pm	LEGO Create and Discover Workshop	Caherciveen Library
Thursday, 26 th July 11.00am- 5.00pm	Creative Writing Mentoring Sessions with AnneMarie Ní Churreáin	Leabharlann an Daingin
Saturday, 28 th July 11.00am- 12.30pm	LEGO Create and Discover Workshop	Caherciveen Library

Water Services

SOUTH AND WEST KERRY MUNICIPAL DISTRICT MEETING
Clár Infheistíochta na Seirbhísi Uisce Comhairle Contae Chiarraí
Kerry County Council Water Services Investment Programme
 Achoimre Stádais ar an 27ú Mheitheamh 2018
 Status Summary at 27th June 2018

Funding Priorities for Capital Projects

Irish Water has indicated that it will prioritize funding for capital projects based on the key issues to be addressed:

In Water, priority will be given to any Scheme to which a Boil Water Notice (BWN) applies and to any Scheme on the EPA Remedial Action List (RAL) and/or on a legal Direction from the EPA.

In Wastewater, priority will be given to towns (agglomerations) to which ECJ Rulings apply, and on meeting the requirements of the EPA Discharge Licences.

IRISH WATER'S CAPITAL INVESTMENT PROGRAMME

The Schemes in the South and West Kerry Municipal District which are listed in Irish Water's national **Capital Investment Programme** (the CIP) are outlined in the following tables:

TIONSCNAIMH SOLÁTHAR UISCE i gCIARRAÍ THEAS AGUS THAR WATER SUPPLY PROJECTS IN THE SOUTH AND WEST KERRY AREA	
Project	Status

Kenmare WSS	The new " 2.8M water treatment plant, built by contractors Glan Agua Ltd at Lissyclearig Upper, is now fully operational. The plant is being operated and maintained by the Contractor for the initial year until February 2019.
Mountain Stage WSS	Contractor Veolia to commence construction of a new Water Treatment Plant in October; 'advanceqarchaeological and site clearance works are already underway
Lauragh WTP	Water quality of the newly drilled well source is very good. Upgrade Works to the Water Treatment Plant will be done by Contract later in 2018.

**TIONSCNAIMH FUÍOLLUISCE CHIARRAÍ THEAS AGUS THAR
WASTEWATER PROJECTS IN THE SOUTH AND WEST KERRY AREA**

Project	Status
Castlemaine Waste Water	A proposed circa €1.3M upgrade of the Waste Water Treatment Plant has been put out to Tender as part of a bundleqwith other WWTPs (in other counties) by IW; return of Tenders date is July 2018; construction in 2019.
Kenmare WW	The proposed €10M upgrade of the Waste Water Treatment Plant was approved by Irish Water in February 2015. A Consulting Engineer has been appointed and a Planning Application will be lodged later this year. Construction in 2021.
Kilgarvan WW	A proprietary package treatment plant, commissioned in 2015, is operating satisfactorily. Some necessary additional improvement works have been identified and a Design Report and an application for funding of " 400,000 were submitted to IW in August 2017.

IRISH WATER MINOR CAPITAL INVESTMENT PROGRAMME

This is a rolling programme of **Minor Improvement Works**. **Projects of value €7.1M have been completed in the South and West Kerry Municipal District since 2014** and the list of **current** projects in this area, for which Kerry County Council has applied, is outlined below.

MINOR CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAMME SOUTH AND WEST KERRY AREAS			
Project	Description	Estimate	Status
Portmagee WSS Knightstown	Provision of Reservoir, 1830M rising Main and 650M distribution mains	" 275,000	Pipes laid and Site acquired; Planning Application for Reservoir was submitted in May 2018
Mid Kerry RWSS Mains Board Of Works Rd	Replace 820M of 300mm Trunk Main west of Gap Cross	" 230,000	Complete
Dún Chaoin WSS	Replace 850M of 110MM water main (560M done 2016)	" 95,000	Complete
Mid Kerry RWSS Shannera	Replace 1.55Km of 100MM Killorglin	" 202,000	Complete

Kilgobnet			
Portmagee, Baile Mór and Dún Chaoin Water Treatment Plants	Installation of larger Caustic Soda Storage tanks. (Baile Mór completed)	" 30,000	Underway
Mid Kerry RWSS Killorglin	*Lay 660M of 160MM main Laune Bridge to Astellis	" 161,000	Underway
Mid Kerry RWSS Cappagh North Kilgobnet	Replace 1.75Km of 100MM Killorglin	" 228,000	Underway
CRWSS Castlemaine Ballyrameen	Replace 3Km of 200MM AC watermain with 160MM uPVC pipe	" 467,000	Underway by Contractor Coffey N. Ltd
Cahersiveen Water Treatment Plant, Coulagh	Provide standby Ozone Coulagh WTP	" 65,000	Underway by Contractor EPS
Mountain Stage WSS Droum, Glenbeigh	Replace 750M of 100MM	" 98,000	Contractor MEIC Ltd – Autumn 2018
Castlegregory WWTP	Treatment Upgrade	" 300,000	Approved
Baile an Fheirtéaraigh	Upgrade Waste Water Plant	" 230,000	Approved
An Daingean WSS	Goat St: Replace 500M of 200MM water main	" 45,000	Approved
Mid Kerry RWSS Mains Board Of Works Rd	Replace 2.78Km of 300MM Trunk Main to Gap Cross	" 780,000	Requested
MKRWSS – Callinafercy	Renew 7KM of 100/80MM main	" 1,235,000	Requested
Total of APPROVED Works yet to be done:		€2,426,000	

*Funded by Transport Infrastructure Ireland

THE RURAL WATER PROGRAMME

The administration and development of the Group Scheme sector continues to be a function of the Local Authorities under the guidance and supervision of the **Department Of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government. Irish Water has no authority, responsibility or involvement.**

The funding for the Department's **Multi-Annual Rural Water Programme 2016 - 2018** was announced in August 2016.

Takeover of Group Schemes

Since 1 January 2014, responsibility for the Takeover of Group Schemes has transferred to Irish Water, **and KCC is no longer in a position take over Group schemes.**

Irish Water has now developed a protocol to facilitate the Takeover of Group Schemes.

Funding has been allocated in the 2016-2018 programme for upgrade works prior to take-over by IW at the Group Water Schemes of Dawros (€100,000), Bonane (€70K), Kells (€50K), Muingaphuca (€50K) and Tuosist (€25K).

Four relatively large GWSSs . Bonane, Rosssdohan, Tuosist and Dawros - are currently being prepared by KCC for recommendation to IW to take over these schemes.

A meeting of the **County Rural Water Monitoring Committee** was held in Áras Chontae Tralee on 30th April 2018.

Maintenance of Water during the Heatwave

Cllr. M OqShea took the opportunity to thank all staff and in particular the Water Services Department in maintaining services during the heatwave in the recent weeks. All members wished to be associated with Cllr OqShea's comments.

(b) Notices of Motion

Cathaoirleach N. Moriarty moved Notice of Motion no 1 on behalf of Cllr. S. Fitzgerald.

1. Cllr. S. Fitzgerald: Any update on the upgrade of the Castlegregory sewage treatment plant.?

Reply: In 2015, Irish Water allocated " 300,000 for the provision of an upgrade to the waste water treatment plant at Castlegregory. The Council's Water Services design staff have reviewed the situation vis-a-vis the proposed population / loading to be catered for by the new plant, and its proposed location is also being reconsidered. The allocated funding is inadequate for the required new plant at an alternative site, which has been acquired, to the east of the current site and to which there is access from the beach road. Submissions, the latest in May 2018, have been made to Irish Water, which is currently reviewing the proposals.

(c) Questions

Question no 1 moved in conjunction with Question no 3 under Item no 06.07.18.02. See page 13.

Question no 2 & 3 moved by Cathaoirleach N Moriarty on behalf of Cllr. P. Connor-Scarteen.

2. Cllr. P. Connor-Scarteen: Following a request at a public meeting in Caherciveen regarding Anti-social behaviour, what is the position regarding dog licenses for controlled dogs and what type of dogs have to wear the muzzles.

Reply: The general dog licence covers all dog breeds and types. The following dogs must be muzzled and be kept on a lead when they are in a public place:

- American Pit Bull Terrier
- Bull Mastiff
- Doberman Pinscher
- English Bull Terrier
- German Shepherd (Alsatian)
- Japanese Akita
- Japanese Tosa
- Rhodesian Ridgeback
- Rottweiler
- Staffordshire Bull Terrier
- To every dog of the type commonly known as a Ban dog(or Bandog),and to every other strain or cross of every breed or type of dog described in this article.

In addition, these dogs or types and crosses thereof, **must** whenever they are in a **public place**, be **kept** on a short strong lead by a person **over** 16 years of age who is **capable** of controlling them. These dogs must be muzzled whenever they are in a public place. In addition, under the General Regulations, **all** dogs **must** now **wear** a collar bearing the name and address of their owner.

3. Cllr. P. Connor-Scarteen: That Kerry County Council insert into the waste Bye Laws provision in relation to coastal areas and marine waste.

Reply: The proposed Waste Presentation bye-laws deal only with the presentation of waste for collection and, therefore, do not cover the general issues around illegal waste disposal. Land based waste disposal is dealt with under the Waste Management Act, however, this act does not extend to marine or coastal waters which are covered separately by the Dumping at Sea Act. The Dumping at Sea Act is implemented by the EPA. However, given the issue raised in the notice of motion, we can liaise with the relevant agencies in order to highlight the concerns in question.

4. Cllr. N. Moriarty: Can we please have a specific update on the position of Dromod Group Water Scheme and where it stands in relation to being taken in charge. Given the exacting standards that IW require such schemes to meet, list which ones Dromod currently complies with and which it does not and how that compliance can be reached to facilitate taking the scheme in charge?

Reply: There are some 45 connections on the 11Km long Cillín Liath / Dromid Group Water Supply Scheme, which was constructed 12 years ago and which is served by the public Maulin WSS. The GWSS has applied to be taken over. There are 24 signatures on the Application and a minimum of 66% is required - this issue is currently being addressed locally. Signed Wayleaves for the three separate lengths of the pipe which are laid in private properties are also required. The third critical factor is the level of Unaccounted For Water . this is currently being checked by KCC's local Water Services staff.

Cathaoirleach N. Moriarty noted the response.

5. Cllr. M O' Shea: To ask what is the up to date position with Irish Water funding the replacement of a new water mains in Callinafercy

Reply: In 2015 the Council's Water Services department made a " 1.2M submission to Irish Water for the replacement of the circa 7Km of 3+ diameter and smaller uPVC pipes, most of which were laid more than 40 years ago, in the Callinafercy area. Some of these pipes are laid along bog rampart roads, where the ground movement is conducive to leakage in the water mains. This funding has not been made available.

Accordingly the Council has now made a further submission to request the lesser amount of " 208,000 for the replacement of 1.5Km in Callinafercy, but other pipelines on the Mid Kerry Regional Water Supply Scheme have been prioritised by Irish Water.

Cllr. M. O' Shea noted the response and stated that he believed that Irish Water should provide funding to carry out the works. The road is in a terrible condition and no further road works can be carried out until the water mains are replaced / repaired.

6. Cllr. D. Quigg: That this Council, provide a detailed account as to the number of Prosecutions in relation to illegal dumping in the South and West Municipal District since 2014 and also provide details of how many staff members are employed in relation to the management of waste in the S&W Municipal District.

Reply: There are a number of possible enforcement options currently available to deal with instances of illegal dumping. These include the issuing of statutory notices, issuing of fixed-penalty-notices under the relevant Acts, prosecution in the courts etc. Each case is considered in that context and where the evidence is available, a decision is then made as to the appropriate enforcement option to be pursued. In relation to prosecution, such action can only be considered where there is sufficient and admissible evidence available. For the period in question, the number of cases successfully prosecuted in the courts were as follows: 6 under the Litter Acts and 2 under the Waste Management Acts. Kerry County Council currently has 3 full-time litter wardens that work across all Municipal Districts. In addition, the traffic wardens in Killorglin, Dingle, Kenmare and Caherciveen are also authorised officers under the Litter Act and carry out a role in this regard within their towns areas. In addition, to the litter warden service, our waste enforcement team is made up of 2 technical officers managed by a Senior Executive Engineer.

Cllr. D. Quigg expressed disappointment with the lack of enforcements and believed that more staff is required to manage waste disposal and combat illegal dumping. He called on the council to introduce a ban on all plastic in the county.

In response Mr. M. O' Donoghue stated the number of prosecutions doesn't directly relate to the level of activity. The biggest obstacle is the difficulty in acquiring evidence to pursue prosecutions through the courts. The disposal of private refuse is an area of significant debate at present where it has been suggested at national level that the public should be requested to show proof of how they are disposing of their domestic waste.

Mr. G O' Brien stated that an increase of resources would be welcomed, but the Environment Department must work within the Budget provided. The council does receive a lot of complaints but in the majority of cases there is a lack of evidence to get a prosecution. He stated that all litter wardens are very active and will continue to work with the Tidy Towns.

Cllr. D. McCarthy stated that he didn't agree with a total ban on plastic. It is a part of everyday life and suggested that it should be managed more efficiently.

Cathaoirleach N. Moriarty concurred with the comments expressed by Cllr. D. McCarthy.

7. Cllr. J. Healy-Rae: That Kerry County Council would urgently give assistance to the residents of Coolmagort Beaufort with the sewerage problem in the estate.

Reply: There are serious deficiencies in the waste water treatment plant, which has not functioned for many years in this 21-house privately constructed estate in Beaufort. The residents have hired a contractor on occasion to desludge the tank.

This year the residents have engaged a consulting engineer to find a solution to the problem. The necessary upgrade works are provisionally estimated at " 140,000.

Planning Permission will be required for any proposed works in this estate.

It is **Irish Water's stated policy that it will not take over any such stand-alone plants**, as per the Memorandum of Understanding that it has with the Local Authority Sector.

Irish water is presently consulting stakeholders on its draft Investment Plan for the period 2020 . 2024 and this consultation process will be brought before the members at the July Council meeting.

Cllr. J. Healy-Rae explained that the Sewerage Scheme is totally inadequate to service 21 houses. The tank is consistently filling up and has to be de-sludged on a regular basis at a cost to the residents. He expressed disappointment that the bond had been returned to the developer and at a cost of €140,000 to upgrade the necessary works the residents have no

further options. He said he believed that the residents who are paying property tax are been treated very unfairly and that Irish Water should take over the Scheme immediately. He asked if Kerry County Council would apply to the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government for funding for the works.

Mr. C Mangan explained that the Department of Planning, Housing and Local Government maintain all Groups Schemes once they have been taken in Charge by Irish Water. However Irish Water have stated that they will not take stand-alone plants in charge.

It was agreed that a letter would issue to Irish Water requesting that they would consider receiving a deputation from the residents of the Coolmagort Estate and members of Kerry County Council to discuss this matter further.

8. Cllr. J. Healy-Rae: That Kerry County Council would take over the Skehanagh Group water scheme or at least sort out the on going problems with funding.

Reply: There are only 13 connections on the 1.5Km long Skehanagh Group Water Supply Scheme, which was constructed in 2004 and which is served by Maulin WSS. The GWSS has applied to be taken over.

The Council will liaise with the principals of the Group to assess the Scheme and prepare the submission to be made to Irish Water for the proposed Takeover.

Cllr. J. Healy-Rae said that one family continues to foot the bill for these works and asked the matter would be resolved.

Mr. C. Mangan undertook to liaise with the family.

Water Outage in Killarney

Cathaoirleach N Moriarty referred to the water outage in Killarney on July 01st and wished to commend the Water Services staff on their fantastic work on rectifying the matter so promptly.

Cllr. J. Healy-Rae wished to be associated with the Cathaoirleach's comments.

06.07.18.03 5.(a) To note update report from Housing Directorate

It was agreed to note the following report.

Housing Report – SOUTH & WEST

Municipal District.

- **Housing Applications**

	No
Current no. of approved applicants on the housing list who have selected an area within this MD as an area of choice	979
Net Need for S&W MD (excluding transfers)	768
No. of applications received this year who have selected an area within this MD as an area of choice	115
No. of applications approved since the start of this year who have selected an area within this MD as an area of choice	119

- **Void Management**

Municipal District breakdown	No
Current no. of dwellings under repair and unallocated	2
Current no. of dwellings under repair and allocated	0
Current no. of dwellings awaiting repairs	5
Current no. of repaired dwellings awaiting allocation	7
Current no. of repaired dwellings allocated awaiting occupation	0
<u>Total No of Vacant dwellings in Municipal District</u>	14

- **Social Housing Options**

Social Housing Options in MD	New tenancies since the start of the year	Current No of tenancies
LA Housing	13	998
RAS	6	140
Leasing	2	77
HAP	31	69
<u>Total no of Tenancies</u>	52	1284

4 Housing Construction/Acquisition Programme

Schemes/S.R. dwellings at planning/design stage in Municipal District

<u>Location</u>	<u>No of dwellings</u>	<u>Type of dwellings</u>	<u>Estimated start date</u>	<u>Estimated completion date</u>
Milltown	8 No.		Nov. 2018	Nov. 2019
Killorglin	14 No.		Dec. 2018	Dec. 2019
Kenmare	20 No.		Dec. 2017	Dec. 2018

Schemes/ S.R. dwellings under construction in Municipal District

<u>Location</u>	<u>No of dwellings</u>	<u>Type of dwellings</u>	<u>Start date</u>	<u>Estimated completion date</u>
Ventry	1 No.		Nov. 2017	Sept. 2018
Callinafercy	1 No.		Oct. 2017	Sept. 2018
Tullig Beg	1 No.		July 2018	April 2019
Owenagarry	1 No.		Aug. 2018	June 2019
Drom West	1 No.		Oct. 2018	Aug. 2019
Ballinakilla Lower	1 No.		Dec. 2018	Oct. 2019
Meanus	1 No.		July 2018	May 2019

House Acquisitions since the start of the year

<u>Location</u>	<u>No of dwellings</u>	<u>Type of dwellings</u>	<u>Month of purchase</u>
The construction of the turnkey project in Milltown was completed in early June and all 13 houses have now been acquired.			
The purchase of 6 houses in the South & West M.D. is progressing.			

5 Maintenance/Improvement of Housing Stock

Since 1st January, 2018, 568 No. requests for repairs have been received for the South & West Municipal District.

6 Housing Adaptation /Housing Aid for Older People Grants

Since 1st January, 2018, 61 No. grants have been allocated in the South & West Municipal District.

7 Bedroom Extensions

Since 1st January, 2018, no bedroom extensions have been allocated in the South & West Municipal District.

Houses in Milltown

Cllr. M O'Shea referred to the Housing report and asked what is the delay in commencing the construction of the houses in Milltown.

Mr. M O'Donoghue replied that the scheduled commencement date for the houses in Milltown is not until 2019. The documentation is currently with the Department where the council is waiting for the project to go to Tender stage.

(b) Questions for Housing & Corporate Service

Cathaoirleach N Moriarty moved Question no 1 on behalf of Cllr. S. Fitzgerald

1. Cllr. S. Fitzgerald: How many houses in the Dingle, Lispole, Castlegregory, Annascaul and Baile an Fheirteigh through the different initiatives by way of building, purchasing or leasing have been acquired by Kerry County Council in the years 2016 and 2017?

Reply: The numbers for these areas are as follows :

Leasing 2016/2017: Total 7

2 x Castlegregory

3 x Dingle

2 x Ballyferriter

Purchasing 2016/2017: Total 4

4 x Lispole

There were no properties constructed in these areas in 2016/2017.

The market conditions in Dingle are extremely challenging and the Council is attempting to pursue all options to secure properties or lands in that area,

Cathaoirleach N Moriarty moved Question no 1 on behalf of Cllr. S. Fitzgerald.

2. Cllr. P. Connor-Scarreen: What is the position in relation to the transition houses in South & West Kerry.

Reply: Due to the increased numbers of people who are presenting as homeless to the Homeless Information Unit over the past number of months and the difficulties we are experiencing in endeavouring to source suitable accommodation for them, a number of properties were made available throughout the County, from our own stock, to act as Short Term Transitional Emergency Accommodation supported by Kerry County Council. These properties are occupied by families, in the most part, while another source of accommodation is being sourced by them and for them. The properties are designated short term emergency accommodation only and will be placed back into stock as soon as possible.

06.07.18.05 Operations Health & Safety Directorate

5 (a) To note update report from the Operations, Health & Safety Directorate

It was agreed to note the following report.

South and West Kerry Municipal District Meeting – 6th July 2018

Update Report from the Director of Operations, Capital Infrastructure & Safety

1. Roads / Transportation

Design and Construction works on the following projects over the next two months

National Roads

National Secondary Pavement and Minor Works – Road Widening and Realignment - Design

N70 Sneem to Blackwater Bridge (Ankail to Doon) Road Project -2018 Allocation- " 100k:-

- Design and Preparation of EIAR is ongoing. It is anticipated that the CPO/EIS will be published in Q3 2018, subject to TII approval.

N70 Glanbehy Bridge Improvement Scheme - 2018 Allocation " 100k:-

- Three options have been identified and are being appraised.
- Consultation will take place on the proposals in Q3 2018.

N70 Creamery Cross

- Consultation on the proposals is underway
- The Part 8 process will commence in Q3 2018.

N70 Waterville to Ballybrack

- Design is complete. Preferred Option chosen. Public Consultation held in March 2018, Positive local feedback received from most attendees. Some issues raised which are being addressed.
- The Part 8 Publication to commence in Q3 2018 subject to the necessary approvals.
- Savills appointed as Land Valuers for the scheme.

N70 Brackaharagh

- The preliminary design is complete and preparation for Part 8 is substantially complete.
- Part 8 will be published on 5th July 2018.

N70 Castlemaine to Milltown

- Early consultation underway with stakeholders.
- Public Consultation on route options to follow in July 2018.

N72 Pavement Improvements and Road widening between Killorglin Bridge and Anglont-" 150k

- A preliminary design has been developed to carryout pavement strengthening as well as providing a footpath/cycle track along this 2.3km section of road. Land requirements and constraints are being examined before consultation takes place in Q3 2018. As part of this process structural consultants will be required.

N86 Dingle to Annascaul & Gortbreagoge to Camp -2018 Allocation- " 4M:-

- Land acquisition is progressing.

N86 Ballynasare and Ballygarret -2018 Allocation- " 0.2M:

- A consultant will be appointed in Q3 2018 to prepare the detailed design and Contract Documents for this next phase of the N86.

National Secondary Pavement and Minor Works – Road Widening and Realignment - Construction

N86 Lispole to Ballynasare Lower & Ballygarret to Camp -2018 Allocation- " 0.5M:

- Construction is ongoing and progressing well.
- Works at Camp are approaching overall completion. The traffic diversion remains in place at Banogue and pavement construction on the embankment is about to commence. Pavement Construction is ongoing at Lispole. Accommodation works are well advanced. The works are due to be complete in July/August 2018.

N70 Kilderry Bends -2018 Allocation- " 0.5M:-

- Site works are progressing well
- This is an 18 month contract with works due to be complete in mid 2019.

Kerry, Cork & Clare Bridge Rehabilitation Contract B - 2018 Allocation

- Construction is ongoing and on programme at Ballynamona Upper Bridge on the N70.
- Works are due to be complete in 2018.

**National Secondary Pavement and Minor Works
Pavement overlay and associated works**

Status of Projects at Pre-Construction Stage

<i>Road No.</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Length (m)</i>	<i>Current Allocation</i>	<i>Comment</i>
N70	Dromavally to Mill Road, Killorglin.	1,300	" 100,000	The replacement of the water main on the Tralee Road is being undertaken at present. It is being programmed that the main contract works will commence by end Q3 2018. N.B. TII have recently confirmed that this scheme has now been extended to incorporate the section of the N70 from Kennedys Cross to Bansha.
N70	Dromquinna	500	" 600,000	Detailed design has been completed.

Status of Projects at Design Stage

Road No.	Location	Length (m)	Current Allocation	Comment
N70	Waterville to River Inny Bridge	6,000	" 3,500,000	A detailed design is being developed to carry out pavement strengthening on this section of the Ring of Kerry.
N71	Carhoomengar to Kenmare	5,100	-	N.B. TII recently approved this scheme to proceed to design stage. The Council will be proposing to TII that safety measures including the provision of a footpath to Ard Bhearna are included in the scheme. However, the overall scheme may well be undertaken in 2 phases with the section to Ard Bhearna being Phase 2 to allow time for statutory procedures to be completed.

Regional and Local Roads

Restoration Improvement Programme Restoration Maintenance Programme

An update in relation to the above programmes is outlined in Appendix A.

Specific Improvement Grants

<i>Description</i>	<i>Allocation</i>	<i>Status</i>
Realignment of the L-11653, Low Road at Rossbeigh	" 701,106 (including loan)	These works are now substantially complete.
Dingle Inner Relief Road - Phase 4	" 1,800,000	The construction phase of the scheme has commenced and 100% completion by Q2, 2019 is being targeted.

Other Road and Public Area Works Programmes

Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Clár

An update in relation to the works scheduled to the above programmes is included in Appendix B.

All Areas

Councillor Specific Municipal District Operations Works.

Drainage maintenance, pothole and patch repairs.

2. Capital Infrastructure

South Kerry Greenway

Documentation for the planning application and CPO is practically completed and a pre-application consultation meeting has been held with An Bord Pleanála.

It is intended to lodge the planning application and CPO with An Bord Pleanála in this month (July) subject to the close out of the pre-application consultation meeting with the board.

When the Planning Application and the CPO are lodged a statutory public consultation phase will commence. Full details will be publicised as to where information on the project can be viewed and how to make submissions on the application to An Bord Pleanála. Anyone affected by the proposed greenway can contact the CIU section for further information on any matter.

3. Other Operational Matters

Piers and Harbours Fishery Harbour and Coastal Infrastructure Development Programme 2018

" 150,000 allocated to continue the stabilisation of Ballinskelligs Pier. Tenders are due back on the 19th July 2018.

Public Lighting Report regarding Maintenance

No. of faults reported since last meeting: 6

No. of faults repaired within 12 working days (since last meeting . incl. routine maintenance): 63

No. of faults repaired outside 12 working days: 0

Outstanding Repairs not completed within 12 working days . Spreadsheet giving details attached in Appendix C.

Charlie O'Sullivan

Director of Operations, Capital Infrastructure & Safety

APPENDIX A Restoration Improvement Programme 2018

Caherciveen Restoration Improvement Programme 2018

Road Number	Road Description	Work Category	Length (m)	Est Cost	Works Scheduled
R-565	Aghagadda to Aghanboy	RR	1,100	" 219,450	Being Tendered.
L-4010	Doory towards Mastergeehy	RR	1,000	" 135,000	Strengthening in July.
L-11595	Coomatloukane (End of Bunavalla Pier road)	RR	800	" 68,000	Strengthening in August.
L-7800	Riverview Estate, Cahersiveen	RR	436	" 93,013	Being Tendered.
L-11632	Killeenleigh Cross towards Bunadreen	RR	900	" 99,000	Strengthening in July.
L-4010	Derreen to Gortatlea	RR	1000	" 112,148	Strengthening in July.
L-11913	Foilduff (Foilmore Church)	RI	950	" 95,000	Strengthening in July.
L-11518	Ducalla to Allagheemore	RI	765	" 66,957	Strengthening in August.
Totals			6,951	€888,568	

Dingle Restoration Improvement Programme 2018

Road Number	Road Description	Work Category	Length (m)	Est Cost	Works Scheduled
R559	Cloosmore Cross - Ballymore Cross	RR	1,020	" 126,780	Complete
R-560	Aughacasla Cross to Kelly Height Cross	RR	750	" 90,750	Sept 2018
L-8036	Ballybowler Cross to Lisargan Cross	RR	880	" 77,436	Substantially Complete
L-8065	Ardrow Cross to Top of Maum	RR	900	" 67,320	Substantially Complete
L-8059	Coumduff Cross - Coumduff Lake Car Park	RR	900	" 65,340	Substantially Complete
L-8058	Acres	RR	1,190	" 95,795	Substantially Complete
L-8066	Annascaul East Cross - Village Speed Limit	RR	350	" 67,375	Complete
L-5005	Feoghanagh Bridge Cross - Kilquane South Cross	RR	700	" 80,500	Sept 2018
R-550	Four Cross Roads - Teer Cross	RR	634	" 72,975	Sept 2018
R559	Strand St. Dingle	RR	363	" 143,715	Complete
L-12193	Gortanedin Cross to Gortanedin	RR	500	" 22,420	Sept 2018
Totals			8,187	€910,406	

Kenmare Restoration Improvement Programme 2018

Road Number	Road Description	Work Category	Length (m)	Est Cost	Works Scheduled
L-11197	Forge Road	RI	1,000	" 99,000	Strengthening in August.
L-11684	Direenaclaurig	RI	1,000	" 99,000	Strengthening in August.
L-4054	Killaha	RI	1,000	" 99,000	Being Tendered
L-7548	Dromroughty	RI	950	" 74,812	Strengthening in August.
R-568	Sneem	RI	800	" 143,000	Being Tendered
R-569	Kilgarvan Village	RI	400	" 111,000	Being Tendered
L-4043	Slieveadubh	RI	950	" 81,678	Strengthening in August.
L-11683	Bocar	RI	1,300	" 97,500	Strengthening in August.
L-4046	Direen	RI	600	" 60,280	Strengthening in August.
Totals			8,000	€865,270	

Restoration Maintenance Programme

Cahersiveen Restoration Maintenance Programme					
Road Number	Road Description	Work Category	Length (m)	Est Cost	Works Scheduled
R-566	Ballard Lower, Ballinskelligs	RM	1,500	" 47,850	Surface dressing in Jul / Aug.
L-4011	Derrineden, Dromid	RM	2,500	" 41,625	Surface dressing in Jul / Aug.
L-7537	Garryglass to Kilmackerrin	RM	2,750	" 42,075	Surface dressing in Jul / Aug.
L-4007	Bahaghs to Srugreana	RM	1,740	" 45,432	Surface dressing in Jul / Aug.
L-7521	Inchintrea to Ballynahowmore	RM	2,100	" 33,075	Surface dressing in Jul / Aug.
L-7520	Coulagh to Cahemamon, Kells	RM	2,925	" 47,371	Surface dressing in Jul / Aug.
Totals			13,515	€257,428	

Dingle Restoration Maintenance Programme					
Road Number	Road Description	Work Category	Length (m)	Est Cost	Works Scheduled
R560	Kilmore Cross to Baile Dubh Bridge	SR	1,200	" 39,600	Surface Dressing in July
L-5014	Magherabeg	SR	1,000	" 27,000	Surface Dressing in July
L-12193	Gortanedin Cross to Gortanedin	SR	500	" 6,750	Surface Dressing in July
L-12219	Ardcanaght Cross to Ardcanaght	SR	1,500	" 23,625	Surface Dressing in July
L-12188	Shanahill	SR	1,250	" 19,688	Complete
R559	Coumeenole Cross to New Road	SR	500	" 13,750	Complete
R559	Dun Chaoin Cross to An Clasach	SR	400	" 11,000	Complete
L-5003	Teach na Féile Cross - Baile Beag Cross	SR	2,000	" 49,500	Complete
L-8039	Ventry Village Cross to Caherard Cross	SR	1,300	" 29,250	Complete
L-8037	Knocknahow Cross to Mullenaglemlig	SR	1,200	" 18,900	Complete
L-8049	Ballincolla Cross to Ballyoughteragh North Cross	SR	1,300	" 24,495	Surface Dressing in July
Totals			12,150	€263,558	

Kenmare Restoration Maintenance Programme					
Road Number	Road Description	Work Category	Length (m)	Est Cost	Works Scheduled
R-571	R571, Cuhig	RM	2,220	" 79,308	Surface Dressing in July
R-569	R569, Morleys Bridge	RM	2,500	" 94,875	Surface Dressing in July
L-11620	L11620, Slievenashaska	RM	470	" 9,500	Surface Dressing in July
L-11622	L11622, Lomanagh	RM	3,300	" 66,851	Surface Dressing in July
Totals			8,490	€250,534	

APPENDIX B

Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure / Clár / Town and Village Renewal . Grant Funded by Department of Rural and Community Development
Schemes currently being advanced by Operations

Rural Recreation Projects funded and description		Grant aid received	Expected date of completion of project	Notes
Killorglin	Killorglin Loop Walk Development	" 120,000 + " 100,000 from TII	Q2, 2018	Scheme has been extended significantly and now incorporates a TII Safety Scheme at Laharan. Works are nearing completion.
Milltown	Milltown Heritage and Recreation Trail	" 100,000	Q3, 2018	Discussions with landowners are underway.
Caragh Lake	Caragh Lake Amenity Development	" 100,000	Q3, 2018	Grant provides for upgrade of the public right of way to the lake and funding for a study in relation to provision of a Pier and Slipway.

APPENDIX C

Job Ticket ID	Defect Description	Unit Number	Postal Street Name	Date Reported	Reason
3166	Lamp Out	1553	Ballydavid	13/12/2017	Fault being investigated
3173	Lamp Out	5077	WATERVILLE	16/01/2018	Fault being investigated
3182	Lamp Out	4626	Carhan road caherciveen	16/01/2018	Fault being investigated
3200	Lamp Out	1641	Church avenue	16/01/2018	Fault being investigated
3266	Lamp Out	4363	MARKET STREET CAR PARK KILLORGLIN Spur	16/01/2018	additional traffic management required
3267	Lamp Out	1477	John Street Dingle	17/01/2018	Fault being investigated
3303	Lamp Out	1533	Murreagh	17/01/2018	Fault being investigated
3304	Lamp Out	1406	Strand Street Dingle	17/01/2018	additional traffic management required
3366	Lamp Out	1408	Strand Street Dingle	17/01/2018	additional traffic management required
3367	Lamp Out	1483	Off John Street Dingle	22/01/2018	Fault being investigated
3463	Lamp Out	1342	R559	22/01/2018	Fault being investigated
3464	Lamp Out	4	Knocklyne estate	22/01/2018	Fault being investigated
3465	Lamp Out	4327	Line Mill Road Killorglin	22/01/2018	Fault being investigated
3466	Lamp Out	4225	Tralee Road Killorglin	22/01/2018	Fault being investigated
3470	Lamp Out	5115	Waterville cottages	23/01/2018	Fault being investigated
3490	Lamp Out	5617	KILLARNEY RD Kilgarvan	23/01/2018	Fault being investigated
3491	Lamp Out	5235	Sea view estate	23/01/2018	Fault being investigated
3552	Lamp Out	5229	sportsfiels road sneem	23/01/2018	Fault being investigated
3553	Lamp Out	28	Village Firies	23/01/2018	Fault being investigated
3554	Lamp Out	27	Village Firies	23/01/2018	Fault being investigated
3555	Lamp Out	47	R561	23/01/2018	Fault being investigated
3556	Lamp Out	48	R561	23/01/2018	Fault being investigated
2630	Lamp Out	49	R561	12/02/2018	Fault being investigated

5(b) Notice of Motions

1.Cllr. M. Cahill: That Kerry County Council give a detailed progress report in regards to the realignment of the Killorglin to Killarney Road out as far as the old Liebig Factory. Will the Council expedite the consultation process with landowners for the acquisition of lands for a new footpath and Cycleway facility adjacent to this very busy and dangerous section of the Ring of Kerry Road, as this will greatly benefit the 300 plus jobs and the new Killorglin Centre of Excellence that is currently under construction on this site which was recently acquired by FEXCO. What is the estimated cost of this major project for Mid and South Kerry, when is it anticipated that work will commence and how long will it take to complete the project.

REPLY: Kerry County Council is progressing this project as a Minor Improvement Scheme, and accordingly an Option Selection Report and Design Report will be required. A consultant is currently being procured to undertake an environmental and structural appraisal which will inform the design process. It is expected that consultation will be initiated in Q3 2018. The timing of the commencement of construction will be determined by the outcome of EIA/AA screening, TII approvals and availability of funding. It is expected that the duration of the project construction would be 6 to 8 months. The estimated cost of the project is " 2.5m.

Cllr. M Cahill welcomed the reply.

2.Cllr. M. Cahill: That Kerry County Council acquire additional lands as a matter of priority for a Burial Ground in Beaufort as Churchtown Burial Ground is almost at full capacity, with only a handful of plots remaining to be allocated.

REPLY: Churchtown Burial Ground has 50 grave plots remaining and is expected to be full in 6 years. Kerry County Council are actively seeking land for a Burial Ground in Beaufort.

Cllr. M. Cahill noted the response and stated that it can be upsetting for bereaved families and asked that funding would be made available in Budget 2019 for the acquisition of land.

Mr. M. O' Donoghue replied that the council would welcome any assistance from landowners.

Cathaoirleach N Moriarty moved Nom no 3-6 on behalf of Cllr. S. Fitzgerald.

3. Cllr. S. Fitzgerald: Will Kerry County Council please liaise with TII to get them to resurface the section of the N86 at Gleann na Gealt which is in a very deplorable and shocking state.

REPLY: This section of road is in the Tralee Municipal District.

4. Cllr. S. Fitzgerald: Will Kerry County Council line the car park adjacent to the public toilets at Strand Street, Dingle.

REPLY: The surfaced area around the public toilets in Dingle is unmarked and is used for parking at present, accommodating up to 11 cars. Having examined the matter, line marking this area will not increase its capacity.

5. Cllr. S. Fitzgerald: An ndéanfaidh an Comhairle Contae an sean reilig i gCill Cúan, Baile na nGall a ath choiriú agus a ghlanadh suas?

5.Cllr. S. Fitzgerald: Will Kerry County Council tidy up and clean the old burial ground at Cill Cúan, Ballydavid?

FREAGRA: Deanfaidh Comhairle Contae Chiarraí an sean reilig i gCill Chuain a ghlanadh taobh istig do choicíos.

REPLY: Kerry County Council will arrange in the next 2 weeks for a full tidy up and clean the old burial ground at Cill Cúan, Ballydavid.

6. Cllr. S. Fitzgerald: When will the Local Improvement Scheme (LIS) list which is being put together at the moment be made public?

REPLY: A Graduate Engineer has been assigned full time to assess in excess of 800 Local Improvement Scheme applications that have been received by the Council. A priority list will need to be in place by Q1 2019 to facilitate any submission to the Department of Community and Rural Development that may be required under the 2019 programme of that Department.

Cathaoirleach N Moriarty moved Nom no 7-9 on behalf of Cllr. P. Connor-Scarteen.

7. Cllr. P. Connor-Scarteen: That Kerry County Council provide a lawnmower and funding for the upkeep to Dromnenvane Estate Residents Association.

REPLY: The Operations and Housing Departments will examine this request. It may be possible to provide a grant to the Residents Association from the Housing Department's Estate Management Fund to facilitate purchase of a lawnmower.

8. Cllr. P. Connor-Scarteen: What is the procedure for getting single and double yellow lines outside businesses throughout the Municipal District.

REPLY: To introduce fully enforceable parking prohibitions indicated by single and double yellow lines requires the introduction of parking bye-laws that could be applied to the particular street. It is proposed to introduce new parking bye-laws on a phased basis in each of the scheduled towns in this Municipal District. This work will commence with the development of a parking strategy for Dingle in Q4 2018.

9. Cllr. P. Connor-Scarteen: When will the N71 road from Kilkeana to Kenmare be resurfaced.

REPLY: As outlined in the Update Report, Transport Infrastructure Ireland recently approved this scheme to proceed to design stage. The Council will be proposing to TII that safety measures including the provision of a footpath to Ard Bhearna are included in the scheme. However, the overall scheme may well be undertaken in 2 phases with the section from Kenmare to Ard Bhearna being Phase 2 to allow time for statutory procedures associated with the traffic calming elements to be completed.

10. Cllr. D. McCarthy: To ask Kerry County Council if there is any flood relief plan for Sneem?

REPLY: The OPW is the lead government agency dealing with Flood Risk Management in Ireland. Sneem was not included as one of the 300 areas included under the OPW's CFRAM Programme; consequently, there are no current plans to provide a flood relief scheme in Sneem.

11. Cllr. D. McCarthy: Will Kerry County Council be introducing new legislation regarding hedge cutting.

REPLY: It is a matter for central government to amend existing legislation regarding hedge cutting. The Council could write to the relevant Department in relation to this issue. This is a matter for resolution by the Members.

12. Cllr. D. McCarthy: To ask Kerry County Council to allocate funds for road improvement works from Blackwater Pier to the main road.

REPLY: The resurfacing of this road may be considered for inclusion in the new 3 year Restoration Improvement Programme that has recently been announced by the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport.

13. Cllr. D. McCarthy: To ask Kerry County Council to put in place more signage reminding drivers to drive on the right side of the road.

REPLY: There is signage informing motorists to drive on the right hand side of the road located at strategic locations throughout the County such as at Kerry Airport. This request would generally apply to national roads and it will be forwarded to Transport Infrastructure Ireland for the Authority's consideration.

Cllr. D. M. Carthy said that there is a significant number of foreign tourists driving on our roads and asked that signage would be erected outside prime locations in the county such as outside Avoca.

14. Cllr. N. Moriarty: Can we place bike stands at prominent positions in Caherciveen as a pilot in light of the existing need for those who are cyclists both local and tourists and moreover in preparation of the finalisation of the South Kerry Greenway?

REPLY: The installation of bicycle racks and potential locations will be examined and considered by Kerry County Council in consultation with local community groups. These works would be suitable for CSMDO allocations.

Cathaoirleach N Moriarty requested that an estimate would be prepared.

15. Cllr. N. Moriarty: There are several Man-holes in the centre of the main street in Caherciveen that need to be re-fitted, can this be done as a matter of urgency?

REPLY: The Operations Department in co-operation with Irish Water will carry out short term repairs to the existing manhole covers over the next two weeks. Full replacement of the manhole covers will be undertaken in Q4 2018.

Cathaoirleach N. Moriarty welcomed the response.

16. Cllr. N. Moriarty: Can we place clear and eye-catching directional signage in Caherdaniel for their excellent new playground?

REPLY: The provision of additional signage would be suitable for a CSMDO allocation. An estimate will be prepared upon request.

Cathaoirleach N Moriarty requested that an estimate would be prepared.

17. Cllr. M. O' Shea: To ask will Kerry County Council seek funding to put in place a traffic calming system in Castlemaine.

REPLY: The Operations Department has had detailed meetings with Transport Infrastructure Ireland regarding how funding for safety related schemes such as traffic calming are prioritised and allocated to Local Authorities. The TII has introduced a technical standard, HD 15 Network Safety Ranking, into the Design Manual for Roads and Bridges and this standard deals with road safety measures.

TII HD15 Network Safety Ranking requires the TII to carry out annual assessments of the national road network to identify High Collision Locations. These locations are subsequently analysed by the TII's Regional Safety Engineer. If an engineering solution is required, then the locations are forwarded to the Local Authority who then carry out a Feasibility Report in relation to the possibility of a safety engineering solution.

This section of the N70 National Secondary Route has not been identified as a priority location under the formal process described in HD 15. The standard does allow Local Authorities to submit locations for examination where there would be a high incidence of road traffic accidents recorded on the TII database and which may not have been identified by the TII analysis. The Road Design Office will examine the most up to date accident statistics on this section of the N70. However, statistics from 2005 to 2013 are available for public viewing on the RSA website at <http://www.rsa.ie/RSA/Road-Safety/Our-Research/Collision-Statistics/Ireland-Road-Collisions/> and there were no serious or fatal accidents recorded in Castlemaine during that period that would give rise to a submission to TII.

Cllr. M O' Shea explained that the issue of speeding between the School and Community Centre was recently discussed at a Community meeting in Castlemaine. He asked if the Speed Indicator signage records the speed of individual motorists and if so does the Gardai check this.

Mr. P. Teahan replied that some Speed Indicator Signage can be programmed to record individual speed. This information can be submitted to the Gardaí if requested.

18. Cllr. M. O' Shea: That Kerry County Council would carry out a hedge cutting programme on all National Regional and Local road junctions.

REPLY: The Council does maintain hedges annually at critical junctions, at roadside verges that are in our ownership and where road improvement works are taking place to allow for safe work operations. The Council also carries out hedge cutting on critical sections of the Ring of Kerry, due to width restrictions on the route and the large volumes of tourist buses using it.

The hedge cutting of junctions on the Regional and Local Road network will be funded from Discretionary Maintenance and some of this work is underway across the MD. However, hedge cutting at junctions on the National Secondary road network is funded through the TII National Secondary Ordinary Maintenance grant which was reduced by 32% this year. This combined with increased expenditure on maintenance of pavements due to severe weather over the winter/spring period has resulted in the remaining national secondary maintenance allocation for the Municipal District being at a much lower level than in previous years. The Council has applied to Transport Infrastructure Ireland for special maintenance funding to carry out any necessary hedge cutting on National Secondary Routes. The Council will be stressing the need for this funding to be provided, if possible. However, the final decision regarding the provision of the funding is a matter for TII.

On the remainder of the public road network, hedge cutting is the responsibility of the landowner and the Council has an active policy for enforcing the provisions of the legislation.

19. Cllr. M. O' Shea: That Kerry County Council would carry out immediate road repairs in Ballynamona & Laharn Upper Casltemaine.

REPLY: This road was repaired in the past week and Kerry County Council shall consider the roads referred for Restoration Maintenance funding in 2019.

20. Cllr. D. Quigg: That this Council provide additional Bike racks/Shelters in Killorglin town centre, there is a feeling that a number of locations would be suitable, in conjunction with the local area engineer this can be discussed and hopefully progressed.

REPLY: The installation of bicycle racks and potential locations will be examined and considered by Kerry County Council in consultation with local community groups. These works would be suitable for CSMDO allocations.

Cllr. D. Quigg noted the response.

21. Cllr. D. Quigg: That this Council agree to finishing off Historic resurfacing works and upgrading footpaths and public Lighting in some of our Housing estates.

REPLY: Any works in housing estates that are in charge of the Council may be considered for inclusion in the Schedule of Municipal District Works Plan. However, the Council is constrained by the levels of Departmental grant and own resource funding available. In 2018, for example, priority was given to footpath repair on busy public streets in the MD and it was not possible to fund footpaths upgrades in housing estates. The provision of additional public lighting may be suitable for CSMDO funding provided it is compliance with the Public Lighting Policy. Finally, there may be some limited scope for inclusion of housing estate roads in the new 3 year Restoration Improvement Programme that has recently been announced by the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport.

Cllr. D. Quigg noted the reply and referred to the Iveragh Park estate where the surface of the road is unacceptable. He asked if council would consider resurfacing the road and reducing the height of the Kerb. He also asked if these works would be funded under a Traffic Calming programme.

Mr. P. Teahan relied that there is no significant funding to carry out these works. He referred to the new 3-year Restoration Improvement Programme and cautioned the members that there will be a significant request for works under this programme.

22. Cllr. J. Healy-Rae: That Kerry County Council would provide assistance to landholders who want to cut overhanging trees along the public road.

REPLY: This is a potentially complex area when Safety, Health and Welfare requirements such as supervision of sub-contractors, safety training etc is carefully considered. It is not feasible for the Council to give a general undertaking to provide assistance to individual landowners to carry out these works. Ultimately, it is the responsibility of the landowner under the Roads Act, 1993 to maintain roadside hedges and hazardous trees. There are numerous private companies providing these services and many have the necessary training and experience to work on public roads.

Cllr. J. Healy-Rae noted the response and said that he was again requesting the council to consider adopting a Hedge Cutting Scheme policy similar to what has been introduced in Co. Clare. He stated that in some locations lorries and school buses are refusing to travel down routes as the hedging and trees are so overgrown. The cost to cut down the larger trees can be very expensive and in many circumstances the farmer cannot afford the cost. He asked that the matter would be brought before the Operations S.P.C

It was agreed that the matter would be forwarded to the S.P.C. for consideration.

23. Cllr. J. Healy-Rae: That Kerry County Council would resurface Neill's Height Kilgarvan as it is in an awful state.

REPLY: The resurfacing of this road may be considered for inclusion in the new 3 year Restoration Improvement Programme that has recently been announced by the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport.

Cllr. J. Healy-Rae asked that the potholes would be filled in the interim.

(c) Questions

1. Cllr. M. Cahill: That Kerry County Council clarify some of the misinformation that has been put into the Public arena by Public Representatives and explain as to why a CPO was necessary for the South Kerry Greenway and how it is so different to the situation with the Waterford and Mayo Greenways.

REPLY: Following extensive public consultation and despite significant engagement and effort not all landowners were willing to agree to purchase by agreement of the required corridor for the South Kerry Greenway. The scale of the proposed project required significant investment of public funds and the land to be in the ownership of Kerry County Council, and therefore the permissive access model used in Mayo is not considered an appropriate mechanism in light of guaranteeing continuous access to the Greenway. The success of the South Kerry Greenway will require extensive marketing of domestic and foreign tourists who will travel to access this

amenity and considering the costs and travel planning necessary it is critical that guaranteed access will be provided. This cannot be achieved using the Mayo permissive access model.

The South Kerry Greenway differs from the Waterford Greenway in that in South Kerry the land is in the ownership of the occupying landholders. In the case of the Waterford Greenway the railway line is in the ownership of CIE and is being leased to Waterford County Council under a 20 year licence thereby guaranteeing access.

Cllr. M. Cahill thanked the Capital Infrastructure Unit for the response and said that the C.P.O. is necessary to advance the construction of the Greenway. He acknowledged that many landowners are supportive of the Greenway but it will inconvenience them. The future of the region depends on this Greenway and it is necessary that a message goes out to the public that without the C.P.O., nothing will advance.

Cathaoirleach N Moriarty moved Q 2 & 3 on behalf of Cllr. S. Fitzgerald.

2.Cllr. S. Fitzgerald: An ndéanfaidh an Comhairle Contae gach is féidir leo talamh a fháil aige Faha sa gClochan I dtreo is gcur féidir carr clos a fhorbairt.

2. Cllr. S. Fitzgerald: That Kerry County Council would do everything possible to acquire land for the provision of a car park at Faha, Cloghane.

REPLY: The Council will make contact with the landowner to determine if some lands could be acquired by agreement to extend this car park at Faha, Cloghane.

3. Cllr. S. Fitzgerald: Will Kerry County Council consider installing traffic calming measures between Quinn's Pub and the beach at Ceann Trá?

REPLY: Within the past week, Kerry County Council completed additional line marking at the eastern entrance to the village to raise awareness of the 50kph speed limit. In addition, Kerry County Council has also recently acquired land to facilitate the widening of the R559 including the provision of a footpath between Quinn's Pub and the beach at Ceann Trá. The estimated cost of these works is in excess of " 300,000 and we await a suitable funding stream to become available to progress this project to construction.

4. Cllr. P. Connor-Scarteen: Please give an update in relation to the regulation of casual trading, Kenmare.

REPLY: A notice has been published in this week's edition of the Kerryman on Wednesday, 4th July 2018 and in the Kerry Eye yesterday, 5th July 2018 giving notice that, Kerry County Council, has made the County of Kerry (Casual Trading) Bye-Laws 2018 Kenmare which will come into effect on 12th July, 2018.

All of the works necessary to facilitate the introduction of casual trading bays at Park Lane and East Park Lane and to enable casual trading to take place from the above date onwards have been put in place. This includes two new pedestrian crossings and other physical measures to assist in managing the market.

The Council has received a number of applications for casual trading licences and these are being assessed at present. It is intended to issue licences to casual traders who have met all the necessary criteria.

5. Cllr. D. McCarthy: Has there been any progress on the footpath from Brooklane to the main Killarney road?

REPLY: As outlined in the Update Report, Transport Infrastructure Ireland recently approved the N71 Kilkeena to Kenmare scheme to proceed to design stage. The Council will be proposing to TII that safety measures are included in the scheme. However, the overall scheme may well be undertaken in 2 phases with the section from Kenmare to Ard Bhearna and including this junction being Phase 2 to allow time for statutory procedures associated with the traffic calming elements to be completed. The design process will highlight the need for a footpath at this junction and it may well be the case that this matter can only be resolved through a Compulsory Purchase Order process.

Cllr. D. McCarthy noted the response.

6. Cllr. D. McCarthy: What is the time frame for getting work done once Councillors Allocation(CSMDOF) money has been allocated?

REPLY: Every effort is made to complete CSMDO works as soon as possible following the confirmation of an allocation. However, there are many factors to be taken into account when programming these works such as the timing of the main road strengthening and surface dressing programme, consents from landowners etc. The final date for completion of works is determined by financial requirements and is the end of the fourth quarter of the year.

Cllr. D. McCarthy stated that there should be a timeframe in place to allow the works to proceed.

7. Cllr. D. McCarthy: Is funding available for road improvement works from Sneem village to Foleys bridge and if so when will these works be carried out?

REPLY: Sneem to Foleys Bridge is a section of the N70 National Secondary Road. Following recent discussions with Transport Infrastructure Ireland is it likely that this section of road will be approved for a Pavement Improvement Scheme that should proceed to design stage over the next 12 months approximately.

Cllr. D. McCarthy noted the response and asked that maintenance works would be carried out on this road.

8. Cllr. D. McCarthy: What is the latest progress on the street traders in Kenmare?

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9. Cllr. N. Moriarty: In light of the recent and very successful visit of HRH, Prince of Wales and Duchess of Cornwall that provided Derrynane and South West Kerry with a golden marketing opportunity can we ensure that the approaches to Caherdaniel and specifically Derrynane House and Gardens are signed effectively, the routes made as wide and safe as possible by piping and filling drains and extending sight lines at the junctions with the N 70.

REPLY: These works may be considered for inclusion in future Schedule of Municipal District Works Plans under the appropriate grant headings. The works may also be suitable for CSMDO allocations.

Cathaoirleach N. Moriarty stated that a significant amount of land in this area is in the ownership of the O.P.W. and requested that the council would liaise with the authority.

10. Cllr. N. Moriarty: Can we have an update on the drainage issues and solutions for same at Cil Mór Graveyard, Valentia. Has the 60 meters of path way approved been laid and can KCC fund a store/shed there for maintenance equipment etc?

REPLY: The drainage pathway works at Cil Mór Graveyard, Valentia has been included in the Municipal District works programme and it is anticipated that this will commence in September 2018. The provision of a shed for this Graveyard will be included in the Burial Grounds works Budget for 2019.

The Cathaoirleach welcomed the response.

11. Cllr. M. O' Shea: To ask will Kerry County Council provide further supply of chestnut fencing for along the Maharees coastline

REPLY: Kerry County Council are not in a position to provide any additional chestnut fencing at present. These works are, however, suitable for a CSMDO Allocation and an estimate can be provided upon request.

12. Cllr. M. O' Shea: To ask will Kerry County Council investigate the ongoing flooding problem at Lyre Milltown (Details with Directorate) culvert, water is accessing the road and entering other properties)

REPLY: This matter will be investigated by the Operations Department.

13. Cllr. J. Healy-Rae: That Kerry County Council would resurface the Cullimemna Road Blackwater.

REPLY: The resurfacing of this road can be considered for inclusion in the new 3 year Restoration Improvement Programme that has recently been announced by the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport.

Cllr. J. Healy-Rae explained that this is a very busy road and asked that it would be considered in a works programme.

(a) Notice of Motion

1.Cllr. M. Cahill: That Kerry County Council request an emergency meeting with the Minister for Health, Simon Harris TD, the General Secretary of the Department of Health and the Acting Director General/CEO of the HSE at the earliest possible date with a view to addressing the Nursing crisis, the Trolley crisis in the Accident and Emergency Department and the Bed shortage crisis at Kerry University Hospital.

Reply: This is a matter for resolution by the members.

Cllr. M. Cahill stated there seems to be no solution to the Nursing and Trolley crises at KUH. Patients are waiting on corridors for several hours and in some cases days. He added that staff are working under horrific circumstances. He proposed that the resolution would issue to Mr. Simon Harris T.D. Minister for Health.

Cathaoirleach N Moriarty seconded the proposal and referred to the recent protest by nurses at the KUH which outlined the level of concern the nurses have for their patients.

2.Cllr. P. Connor-Scarreen: That Kerry County Council call upon the Minister for Justice Charlie Flanagan TD to allocate more resources to tackle crime in South & West Kerry.

Reply: This is a matter for resolution by the members.

It was unanimously agreed that the resolution would issue to Mr. Charlie Flanagan T.D. Minister for Justice and Equality.

3. Cllr. P. Connor-Scarreen: How many extra full time and temporary staff have been taken on by Kerry County Council in the South & West Municipal District.

Reply: In order to maintain staffing levels within the Engineering Areas and also provide additional resources for the carrying out of the 2018 Roadworks Programme and associated works, a total of 9 no. employees were appointed to permanent positions and a further 20 no. were recruited on a Temporary/Seasonal basis.

The breakdown of those numbers within the S&W MD is a follows:-

Caherciveen	3 no. permanent
Dingle	1 no. permanent / 11 no. Temporary/Seasonal
Kenmare	1 no. permanent / 6 no.

	Temporary/Seasonal
Killorglin	4 no. permanent / 3 no. Temporary/Seasonal

As Members are aware staffing levels on the operational programmes are primarily set and determined by the level of central government grant available for road maintenance and improvement. This is kept under on-going review.

4. Cllr. D McCarthy: To ask Kerry County council to write to the owners of Derrycunihy church (OPW) to see if it would be possible to re-open it to the public.

Reply: This is a matter for resolution by the members.

Cllr. D. McCarthy explained that Derrycunihy has huge potential and consideration should be given to converting it into a Heritage Centre or Hostel. He proposed that the resolution would issue to the OPW.

Cathaoirleach N Moriarty seconded the proposal.

5. Cllr. D McCarthy: To ask Kerry County Council write to the governing body over the driving licence services to improve efficiency in processing driving licenses.

Reply: This is a matter for resolution by the members.

Cllr. D. McCarthy stated that something needs to be done urgently to improve the time delay in the processing of driving licenses.

Cllr. J. Healy- Rae seconded the notice of motion and stated that there is also a significant time delay for a driving test, in some place up to 25 weeks. He asked that a letter would issue to Mr. Shane Ross Minister for Transport, Sport and Tourism, requesting that a dispensation would be introduced for learner drivers allowing them to drive unaccompanied providing that they have applied for their driving test and have 12 weeks of driving lessons completed.

6. Cllr. N. Moriarty: That we liaise again with all relevant authorities to allow landholders along river banks to protect their land from river erosion by clearing away excess gravel in conjunction with local contractors. Currently you are by law entitled to protect your land; however you cannot remove the gravel for commercial purposes or remove it from your land holding. Proper, effective regulation around this can result in a workable solution for all involved.

Reply: This is a matter for resolution by the members.

Cllr. N Moriarty stated that all landowners are legally entitled to protect your land. Historically famers were allowed to remove the gravel and give it to the local quarry at no extra cost to them. However, measures have now been introduced that landowners have to pay a contractor to remove the soil and it has to remain on their landholding. She proposed that a letter would issue to the relevant authority requesting that the regulations would be reviewed.

Cllr. D. Quigg Seconded the Proposal and referred in particular to the River Laune where the presence of debris is a problem.

7. Cllr. N. Moriarty: Can we please have an assurance that all the necessary admin/assessment work is carried out to allow for the development of the small council store in Waterville in the coming month or two. The proceeds from same will go along way towards further enhancing the local amenities and facilities.

Reply: The future use of this premises has been under review given its strategic location and nature of the protections in place for the structure.

It is expected that a final proposal will be completed early in the Autumn.

8. Cllr. D. Quigg: That this Council Support my motion calling for the Minister for Health to provide funding and open a Centre in Mid/South Kerry which will provide counselling to young adolescents presenting with Mental Health issues.

Reply: This is a matter for resolution by the members.

Cllr. D. Quigg stated that a request for a deputation from the members of the HSE Regional Health Forum to meet with Minister Harris was requested over twelve months ago and to date no reply has been received from the Minister. Cllr. D. Quigg stated that he was very disappointed that no reply has been received as a centre for Counselling service is urgently required in South Kerry. He proposed that the resolution would issue to Minister Harris.

Cllr. D. McCarthy seconded the proposal and said following a number of suicides in South Kerry the provision of an adolescent centre is long overdue.

9. Cllr. J. Healy-Rae: That Kerry County Council would write to the Road Safety Authority and ask them to provide a D.O.E Test Centre in South Kerry.

Reply: This is a matter for resolution by the members.

Cllr. J. Healy-Rae stated that the biggest issue here is that the Minister is ignoring the geographical size of South Kerry. Before any discussion can take place for the provision of a DOE centre, a prescribed fee of €7,500 must be paid and following this planning permission must be sought. The DOE test has become very strict on heavy vehicles with over 70% of vehicles failing the test. Subsequently this must be followed up with a retest within a certain timeframe. This can prove to be very time consuming and costly for someone living in a rural area like South Kerry where the nearest Test Centre is Tralee. Cllr. J. Healy-Rae said he is aware of two parties who are interested in setting up a facility in Killorglin and Sneem and requested that a letter would issue to R.S.A. asking that they would consider meeting with the members to discuss the provision of a facility in either of these areas and that the RSA would consider waving the prescribed fee.

It was agreed that a letter would issue to the R.S.A.

(b) correspondence

1. Reply from TII dated 23/05/2018 regarding the request to construct a new bridge in Killorglin as an alternative to Laune Bridge.
2. Reply from the OPW dated 29 th May regarding the upgrading of the piers at Dun Chaoin and An Blascaod Mór.
3. Reply From Super Int Flor Murphy dated 20 th June in regard to reviewing the opening hours at Sneem Garda Station
4. Reply from Minister Naughten dated 22 nd June regarding the request to extend high Speed Broadband in the county.
5. Reply from Mr. F McGrath Minister for Disabilities dated 28 th May regarding the future of St. Mary of the Angels, Beaufort.

(c) Matters arising from the Minutes as confirmed at 1 above

(d) Approval for the reception of Deputations

(1) On the Proposal of Cllr. M. OqShea and Seconded by Cllr. D. Quigg it was agreed that a deputation from Castlemaine Community Group would be received at a meeting of the Municipal District of South & West Kerry.

(f) Any Other Business

Brandon Car Park

Cllr. M. OqShea explained that he was contacted by three landowners in Brandon who were unable to access their animals on Sunday 01st July due to the high volume of cars parked in the car park. This car park which has only spaces for 8 cars experienced a significant number of cars parked here on the day and stated if an ambulance or Fire service had to access the mountain they would be unable to do so.

It was agreed that the Area Engineer would liaise with the landowners.

Renaming of Council Infrastructure

Cllr. D. Quigg proposed that the newly opened walk way in Killorglin would be named after Martha Fitzgerald.

Mr. M. OqDonoghue replied that there is a formal process to the naming of Council Infrastructure.

06.07.18.06(b) Reception of Deputations

It was agreed that the following deputation would attend the next meeting of the Municipal District of South & West Kerry.

Deputation from Kilgarvan Tidy Towns
Re: Issues in the village.

Requested by Cllr. J. Healy-Rae:

06.07.18.06(c) Date for next Municipal District Meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting of the members of the Municipal District of South & West Kerry would be held on Friday 28th September 2018 in Kenmare.

The meeting concluded at 12.22p.m.

Brenda Conway
Meetings Administrator

Cllr. N Moriarty
Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District
of South and West Kerry