

**Minutes of the July Meeting of Cashel Town Council held in the Council Chamber,
Civic Offices, Friar Street, Cashel on Monday 2 July 2007 at 7.30pm**

Members Present: **Councillor Martin Browne**
 Councillor Michael Browne
 Councillor Dan Dillon
 Councillor Patrick Downey
 Councillor Sean McCarthy
 Councillor Joe Moloney
 Councillor Maureen O'Donoghue
 Councillor Tom Wood

Officials Present: **Mr. Sean Keating, Town Manager**
 Ms. Mairead Ryan, Acting Town Clerk
 Mr. Tom O'Reilly, Town Engineer
 Mr. Darby Mullen, Executive Engineer
 Ms. Mary Irwin, Assistant Staff Officer

Mayor: **Councillor Eddie Bennett**

The Mayor opened by welcoming everybody to his first meeting as Mayor of the Town Council. The Manager conveyed his apologies for his absence at the Annual Meeting. He congratulated Councillor Downey on his excellent year as Mayor. He also extended his congratulations to the new Mayor, Councillor Bennett and his Deputy Mayor, Councillor Martin Browne.

Minutes of June Town Council Meeting

The Minutes of the June Town Council Meeting were proposed by Councillor Martin Browne seconded by Councillor Dillon and adopted.

Councillor O'Donoghue asked that the issue of the wall at Dean Ryan Terrace be included in the minutes and this was agreed. Councillor Martin Browne expressed his thanks to the Town Engineer regarding the footpath repairs at the Green. Councillor Wood queried when the meeting on the weight restriction would be held. The Acting Town Clerk, Mairead Ryan suggested Monday 9th July at 7.30pm for this meeting. This was agreed.

Minutes of the Annual Meeting

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting were proposed by Councillor Dillon seconded by Councillor Martin Browne and agreed.

Rent Collection

The Acting Town Clerk informed the meeting that the rent arrears at the end of June amounted to €16,900. She informed the meeting that the Revenue Collector was now back at work. Councillor O'Donoghue extended her good wishes to Mr. Christy Dunne. This was echoed by the other members.

Managers' Order:

Councillor Dillon queried Managers Order No. 17854 and in response Ms. Ryan indicated that alterations had been made to the front of the dwelling and works were requested to be ceased, as planning permission is required for these works. Councillor Michael Browne queried the wording of a refusal of planning permission issued. Ms. Ryan agreed to check this out and will respond to Councillor Browne at the meeting on Monday 9th July 2007. Councillor Michael Browne also queried Managers Order No. 17853 and a debate took place on previous issues at this location.

Planning:

The planning report was read.

Development Contribution Capital Grant Scheme 2007

The Acting Town Clerk told the meeting that there were five applications received for this funding for 2007. She said that it is expected that there will be €50,000 available in funding. She indicated that the recommendation was forwarded to the members for their consideration with the July Agenda and told them that it would need to be passed by way of resolution.

It was proposed by Councillor Michael Browne, seconded by Councillor Martin Browne and resolved: -

“That the Members of Cashel Town Council are in agreement with the recommendation on the Scheme of Capital Grants 2007 under the Cashel Town Council Development Contribution Scheme 2004-2009 as notified on 27th June 2007.”

Notices of Motion:

Councillor Tom Wood

“That the Manager outline the status of the former Hanly Farm dwelling at Upper Green due to its unsightly appearance”

A written response was issued as follows:

The current status of this property is that it is a vacant dwelling in a dilapidated condition and in the revision of our Derelict Sites survey underway at present this property will be examined for possible inclusion.

Councillor Wood asked that action be taken to ensure that this building be retained and fears that it is in danger of being demolished.

Councillor Michael Browne raised the issue of the Council Depot at Benny Ryans which he said was also very unsightly. In response the Town Engineer indicated that this is a temporary depot but efforts have been made to remove all materials from the site. This depot will be moving to a site in front of the recycling centre. Councillor Downey asked if materials could be moved to the rear of the building where possible.

There was also much criticism of the state of the halting site at Waller's Lot. Following a long discussion it was agreed to take up the issue with the County Council Housing Section with a view to having a report for the September meeting.

Councillor Tom Wood

“That measures be put in place on the approach to St. Cormac’s Cemetery from the by-pass on the day of a funeral as a safety precaution due to the density and speed of traffic in the area”

A written response was issued as follows:

As this was the subject of previous representations, the Council ordered and received delivery of a number of free standing signs which can be placed on the Clonmel approach to the cemetery at funeral times.

I wish to inform you that the Town Foreman has been instructed to erect these temporary signs at funeral times from now on.

This response was accepted by Councillor Wood, who was pleased that the above measures will be implemented.

Councillor Tom Wood

“That the Collier’s Lane now residential be properly surfaced with additional lighting provided in the area”

A written response was given as follows:

The Council are aware of a proposed large development due to be lodged with our Planning Section shortly in this area and at the planning stage the question of public lighting will be addressed. In the short term the Council will carry out patching repairs to the road surface which will be followed by a full road upgrade on completion of the proposed development.

Councillor Wood was unhappy with this response. He asked that the public lighting be looked at and that new lights be installed in the area before the winter approaches. The Town Engineer said that some works would be done in the short term and would look at the public lighting.

Conferences and Seminars:

The Conference List was noted.

Correspondence:

The Correspondence was noted.

Vote of Congratulations:

A vote of Congratulations was extended to`

Aidan O’Brien on his recent Derby success

Votes of Sympathy:

A vote of sympathy was extended to the following: -

The Fogarty Family, The Commons on the death of Denis.

The O'Dwyer Family, on the death of Michael O'Dwyer

The Peters Family, Castlelake on the death of Sean.

Brendan Morris

Other Items Raised

Councillor Martin Browne requested that the sign at Feehans Pub for the Rock of Cashel be replaced. The Town Engineer indicated that a new sign has been ordered and will be erected when it arrives.

Councillor Martin Browne asked that additional bins be provided in Friar Steet/Feehans Road corner. The Town Engineer confirmed that 22 new bins have been provided in various locations but agreed to look at that location.

Councillor Michael Browne wanted to clarify the traffic arrangements for the hotel development. The Acting Town Clerk indicated that this would be dealt with in the planning decision. In response to Councillor Wood, the Acting Town Clerk confirmed that anybody who had made a submission would not need to pay a further €20 to make a further submission.

Councillor Wood requested that the issue of flooding outside the entrance to the Cashel Palace be looked at.

The Town Engineer agreed that he would check the sewerage problem at Deerpark.

The meeting then concluded.

Signed

Mayor

Dated
