

**Minutes of the June Meeting of Cashel Town Council held in the Council Chamber,
Civic Offices, Friar Street, Cashel on Monday 11th June 2007 at 7.30pm**

Members Present: Councillor Eddie Bennett
Councillor Martin Browne
Councillor Michael Browne
Councillor Sean McCarthy
Councillor Joe Moloney
Councillor Maureen O'Donoghue
Councillor Tom Wood

Officials Present: Ms. Clare Curley Acting Town Manager
Mr. Seamus Maher, Town Clerk
Mr. Tom O'Reilly, Town Engineer
Mr. Darby Mullen, Executive Engineer
Ms. Mairead Ryan, Staff Officer

Mayor: Councillor Paddy Downey

Apologies: Councillor Dan Dillon

Minutes of May Town Council Meeting

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

Councillor Wood enquired if there were any developments regarding the meeting with the Chamber of Trade and Tourism. The Town Clerk confirmed that he had met with the Chamber and discussed the issue of CCTV. The Chamber indicated that they would examine the proposal.

Rent Collection

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that the rent arrears at the end of May amounted to €16,850. He said that the increase had arisen as the Revenue Collector was on sick leave.

Managers' Order:

Councillor Michael Browne queried the further information requested regarding the planning application at Scoil Chormaic on the Golden Road.

Planning:

The planning report was read.

Broadband Part VIII

The Town Clerk referred to the Managers Report circulated with the Agenda for their consideration and approval. In response to a query, the Acting Town Manager indicated that works had commenced in Tipperary Town and the Contractor was working to schedule and the Town Council was satisfied with the quality of work.

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

“That the Manager’s Report under Section 179 (3) (a) of the Planning & Development Act 2000-2006 regarding proposed development of Co-location unit at Main Street Car Park, Cashel, Co Tipperary and associated works in connection with Metropolitan Area Network (MAN) (broadband installation) be accepted by Cashel Town Council and agree to proceed with the proposed development as advertised on 6th April 2007 subject to archaeological monitoring during excavation works”

Taking in Charge – Woodlawn Estate

The Town Clerk told the meeting that the estate had been completed to the satisfaction of the Council and it was now proposed to take the Woodlawn Estate in Charge. The members welcomed this proposal. It was proposed by Councillor Martin Browne, seconded by Councillor Tom Wood and resolved: -

“That the Woodlawn Housing Estate be taken in charge by Cashel Town Council in accordance with the Roads Act 1993”

Proposed Weight Restriction on HGVs through Main Street

It was agreed to reschedule this meeting and notify the members accordingly.

Change of Date for Annual Meeting

It was agreed that the Annual Meeting would be rescheduled to Monday 25th June 2007.

Motions for AMAI Annual Conference

The Town Clerk indicated that motions for the AMAI conference needed to be received by 30th June 2007.

Notices of Motion:

Councillor Tom Wood

“That this Council supports the Cashel Church of Ireland Cathedral chapter in seeking help towards re-roofing the Cathedral and restoration of the chancel ceiling at a cost of €2million”

Councillor Wood asked that the Council support this work that is being undertaken on the Cathedral. He asked that the members and officials would meet with the group and discuss their future plans. The motion was supported by Councillors McCarthy, Martin Browne, O’Donoghue and the Mayor.

Councillor Tom Wood

“That the Manager update the members on the number of vacant Local Authority houses in the town and explain why houses in Spafield Crescent are not yet allocated”

A written response was issued as follows:

There is currently one vacant Local Authority house in Cashel. Allocations have been made for five houses, as notified to Members on the 5th June 2007. The remaining vacant house at 62 Spafield Crescent was fire damaged and it is intended that work will commence on this over the next two weeks.

Councillor Wood accepted this response. He was pleased to note that work is commencing on No. 62 Spafield Crescent.

Councillor Tom Wood

“That the Manager update the Members on the situation re providing facilities for St. Patrick’s Brass Band at the former National School on The Green”

A written response was given as follows:

The Council currently provide temporary facilities for the band at City Hall and this will continue in the short term until more suitable accommodation becomes available. The Council has carried out a preliminary assessment of the current condition of the old school at the Green and find that it will cost between €150,000 to €200,000 to carry out satisfactory repairs and bring to a suitable condition.

In view of the foregoing the Council are reviewing the situation with regard to the future use of the school building/site and the members will be updated shortly with the outcome.

The Council would encourage the band to make alternative long-term arrangements for accommodation.

Councillor Wood said that he was very concerned about this response and the future accommodation of the Brass Band. He also expressed concerns about the vacant building, which is a cause of concern for the residents in the area. Councillor Martin Browne supported the motion and asked that something be done with the building urgently.

Councillor Wood requested that a meeting be arranged with the committee of the Brass Band as soon as possible.

Conferences and Seminars:

The Mayor told the meeting that he had just returned from the Annual Meeting of the EU Charter of Rural Communities and was pleased to announce that Cashel would host the meeting in 2011.

This was welcomed by the members and they congratulated the Mayor for his efforts.

Correspondence:

The Correspondence was noted.

Vote of Congratulations:

A vote of Congratulations was extended to

Fr Conor Hayes on the occasion of his Silver Jubilee

Votes of Sympathy:

A vote of sympathy was extended to the following: -

The Bourke Family of William Street

The Doyle Family of The Rock

The meeting then concluded.

Signed

Mayor

Dated
