

Minutes of July Meeting of Cashel Town Council held in the Council Chamber,
Civic Offices, Cashel on Monday 4th July 2011 at 7.30pm.

Chair: _____ **Councillor Maribel Wood**

Members Present: _____ **Councillor Eddie Bennett**
_____ **Councillor Martin Browne**
_____ **Councillor Dan Dillon**
_____ **Councillor Eoghan Lawrence**
_____ **Councillor Sean McCarthy**
_____ **Councillor Joe Moloney**
_____ **Councillor PJ Quinlan**

Officials Present: _____ **Mr. Sean Keating, Town Manager**
_____ **Ms. Marie McGivern, Town Clerk**
_____ **Ms. Mairead Ryan, Staff Officer**
_____ **Mr. Willie Corby, Town Engineer**

Apologies: _____ **Councillor Michael Browne**

1. Minutes of Special Meeting held on Wednesday 25th May 2011

The minutes of the Special Meeting held on 25th May 2011 were adopted on the proposition of Councillor Sean McCarthy and seconded by Councillor PJ Quinlan.

2. Minutes of Annual Meeting held on 27th May 2011

The minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 27th May 2011 were adopted on the proposition of Councillor Sean McCarthy and seconded by Councillor Dan Dillon.

3. Minutes of June Meeting

The minutes of the June Meeting held on 13th June 2011 were adopted on the proposition of Councillor Sean McCarthy and seconded by Councillor Eoghan Lawrence.

4. Minutes of Special Meeting held on Thursday 16th June 2011

The minutes of the Special Meeting held on 16th June 2011 were adopted on the proposition of Councillor Dan Dillon and seconded by Councillor Sean McCarthy.

5. Annual Financial Statement 2010

The Town Clerk told the meeting that Annual Financial Statement has been prepared for 2010 in accordance with the accrual accounting procedures.

She outlined the details as follows: the Revenue Account expenditure in 2010 amounted to €3,098,545 while income amounted to €3,106,005. This left a surplus of €7,460 having accounted for the transfers to reserves. The Capital Expenditure in 2010 amounted to €0.7m while the Capital income amounted to €0.9m leaving a surplus of €0.25m. She indicated to the members that these figures for 2010 are subject to audit and copies of the AFS are available for the members. The Annual Financial Statement was agreed on the proposition of Councillor Joe Moloney, seconded by Councillor Dan Dillon.

6. Approval to Over-Expenditure 2010

The Town Clerk outlined to the meeting that while the revenue account was in surplus overall, there were elements of over-expenditure in various areas across the programmes and she would need their agreement to this over expenditure. She outlined the details of the over-expenditure to the meeting and on the proposition of Councillor Eddie Bennett; seconded by Councillor PJ Quinlan it was agreed:

“That in accordance with Section 104 of the Local Government Act 2001, excess expenditure in respect of the financial year 2010 be and is hereby approved as follows: -

Description	Amount €
	3,071.
A01 Maintenance & Improvement of LA Housing Units	75
	110.
A05 Administration of Homeless Service	00
	46,709
A07 RAS Programme	.55
	128,608
B04 Local Road - Maintenance and Improvement	.20
	3,249.
B11 Agency & Recoupable Services	89
Do	100,000
9 Economic Development and Promotion	.00
	7,537.
D11 Heritage and Conservation Services	82
	1,890.
E05 Litter Management	83
	86,336
E09 Maintenance of Burial Grounds	.54
	1,000.
E14 Agency & Recoupable Services	00
	22,492
F06 Agency & Recoupable Services	.34
	84,925
H11 Agency & Recoupable Services	.31
	485,932
Total	.23

7. Rent Collection

The Town Clerk informed the members that the rent arrears at the end of June amounted to €11,118.

8. Managers Orders

On a query from Councillor Joe Moloney regarding the manager's order for the disconnection of water supply, it was noted that 7 accounts remained unpaid. In response to Councillor PJ Quinlan, the Town Clerk indicated that the monies outstanding all related to the 2011 bills, she also stated that the bills for the metered water charges are payable on demand but added that the Council does give customers the opportunity to pay these charges by agreement by way of a monthly standing order.

9. European Charter Meeting 2011 Report – Councillor Maribel Wood

The Mayor said the EU Charter meeting was a brilliant success for the town. She began by thanking the many organisations involved such as the Town Council especially the Town Engineer, Councillors, Steering Group, Tidy Towns Committee, Volunteers, media and Gardai. She said that there was long hours put in by so many people and thanked them all for their hard work. She especially thanked the host families because without them there would have been no event. This was echoed by her fellow Councillors with the following comments:

- It was agreed to write to the Garda Superintendent thanking the Gardai for their assistance over the weekend
- There was disappointment that Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann were not featured more over the weekend
- Special thanks were extended to Sr. Mary Walsh, Dr Niall Gregory and Shaun Leahy

10. Correspondence

The correspondence was noted and supported.

11. Votes of Sympathy

There were no votes of sympathy

12. **Other Matters Raised**

a. Ramps at Rock Lane

It was agreed that the issue of bollards/ramps at Rock Lane is deferred until a meeting takes place between with the members and Town Engineer.

b.

Councillor PJ requested that a finger post sign be erected on Main Street directing tourists to the Rock of Cashel. He also asked that the works on the pedestrian crossings be finished.

c. Cormacs Cemetery

Councillor Sean McCarthy said that there is some disquiet in the town over the operation of the graveyard especially with the cemetery being open at night and he proposed that the cemetery be closed at night. This proposal was seconded by Councillor Joe Moloney. Councillor Eddie Bennett and Dan Dillon said that they were in favour of this proposal.

Councillor Eoghan Lawrence said that he agreed with this proposal but that he proposed an amendment that the cemetery be closed all the time. This proposal was seconded by Councillor Dan Dillon.

Councillor Sean McCarthy said that he was happy to withdraw his proposal and it was agreed that the cemetery would be closed on a fulltime basis. It was agreed that this arrangement would be effective immediately and the Town Clerk would notify the monumental sculptors of the new arrangements.

There being no other business the meeting then concluded.

Signed/ _____
Mayor

Dated/ _____ September 2011

Signed/ _____
Town Clerk

Dated/ _____ September 2011