## MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CARRICK ON SUIR MUNICIPAL DISTRICT HELD IN THE DISTRICT CHAMBER, NEW STREET, CARRICK ON SUIR AT 12:00 ON THE 18 JANUARY 2023.

In the Chair:

Cllr. D. Dunne

**Members Present:** 

Cllr. K. Bourke

**Members attending** 

remotely:

Cllr. M. Fitzgerald, Cllr. I. Goldsboro, Cllr. K. O'Meara.

**Apologies:** 

Mr. Jonathan Flood A/Senior Executive Planner

Attending from Carrick on Suir MD

Mr. B Beck, A/Director of Services; Ms. M O'Gorman, Meetings Administrator; Mr. W Corby, District Engineer; Ms. H. Cahill,

Staff Officer;

Attending from Roads

**Directorate:** 

Mr. Liam Brett, Senior Engineer.

## 1.0. Welcome and Introduction

Item 1.1.

Summons and Prayer:

The summons was taken as read

• Cllr. I. Goldsboro contacted Meetings Administrator prior to the meeting to state that she was unavoidably detained, but would join the meeting as soon as possible.

## 2.0. Consideration of Reports and Recommendations

Item 2.1
Part 8 Consent - P8.22.06
Consideration of Chief
Executive's Report
regarding Railway to
Carrick on Suir Town
Centre Active Travel
Scheme 2022.

At the December 2022 monthly MD meeting held on the 15 December 2022, the members considered the Chief Executive's report and recommendation pertaining to the proposed Active Travel Scheme linking the Carrick on Suir Railway Station with the Town Centre. Arising from concerns raised at that meeting in relation to the design of the junction at Cregg Road – Park View/Ash Park, the Members requested that the 'raised table' element be re-examined by the consultants. They also requested that the District Engineer would discuss those plans with the owners of the houses adjoining the junction in an effort to alleviate their concerns.

Mr. Brian Beck A/Director presented Drawing <u>121259-SK-03 PL1</u> which contained

- (a) a proposed raised table for traffic calming purposes,
- (b) 5 new gulleys proposed in addition to the 3 existing gulleys,
- (c) 2 of the existing gulleys to be replaced with double gulleys,
- (d) a proposed footpath extension on the western side of Cregg road to protect rear garden of No 9 Parkview from run-off storm water entering at the gate.

Mr. Beck then presented Drawing no. <u>121259-SK-05 PL1</u> which depicted a coloured high-friction surface treatment in place of the proposed raised table, noting that neither design was incompatible with the environmental screening processes undertaken as part of the Part 8 Process.

Following discussion of same, the District Engineer indicated that the difficulties experienced by householders at Parkview were attributed in the main to groundwater, notwithstanding the prevalence of run-off from Cregg Road. Reporting on his meeting the previous evening with the householder(s) involved, wherein he presented the proposed extra defences incorporated in the design, he stated that regretfully, the householder(s) remained unconvinced. Mr. Corby had indicated that the Council was not in a position to guarantee that a raised table or indeed any other engineering solution would prevent flooding at this location in the future. He advised that the raised platform was intended to slow down traffic and improve pedestrian safety and suggested that it would be regrettable if it were to be omitted.

Cllr. K. Bourke, thanked the Director and District Engineer for their efforts to meet the councillors' and householders' concerns and understood that it was not possible to provide the guarantees sought in this instance. He queried whether it was possible to eliminate the raised table while implementing the other design measures - additional gulleys, double gulleys, protective footpath - as contained in the first drawing, along with the high-friction surface depicted in the second. He also requested that consideration be given to providing suitable public lighting on the northern side of the Town Park as part of this scheme, noting that the absence of same created unsafe conditions for persons walking in darkness.

Cllr. D. Dunne, Cathaoirleach expressed his support for the measures suggested by Cllr. Bourke, and having discussed the matter further, the District Engineer and the A/Director confirmed that these items could be incorporated by way of condition in the context of the Members' reserved function on the matter.

It was proposed by Councillor K. Bourke and seconded by Cllr. D. Dunne,  $\,$ 

"That having considered the Chief Executive's Report in accordance with Section 179 (4) (a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 for the Carrick on Suir Railway to Town Centre Active Travel Scheme 2022, the Carrick on Suir Municipal District hereby decides that the proposed development be carried out in accordance with the Chief

Executive's Recommendation, subject to the following conditions –

- (a) Exclusion of proposed raised table contained in Drawing <u>121259-SK-03 PL1</u> at the junction of Parkview/Cregg Road and replacement of same with high-friction surface as depicted in Drawing <u>121259-SK-05 PL1</u>.
- (b) Drainage layout in Drawing <u>121259-SK-03 PL1</u> to be maintained, and
- (c) Public lighting to be provided along the northern boundary of the Town Park in such manner as to minimise disruption to wildlife."

At this juncture, Cllr. I. Goldsboro joined the meeting remotely [12:36] and Mr. Beck updated her in relation to the proposed resolution.

The Meetings Administrator then conducted a roll call in relation to the proposal and there voted as follows:

Record of voting	For	Against
Councillor K. Bourke	For	
Councillor D. Dunne	For	
Councillor M. Fitzgerald	For	
Councillor I. Goldsboro	For	
Councillor K. O'Meara	For	

The Meetings Administrator duly deemed the motion to be carried unanimously.

This concluded the business of the meeting. [12:40]

District Administrator.

Cathaoirleach.

26 January 2023