

**Minutes of the Town Rejuvenation Implementation Committee meeting held in the
Downstairs Boardroom, Bray Town Council, Civic Offices, Main Street, Bray
on Tuesday 18th December 2007 at 5.00 p.m.**

Present: Dermod Dwyer, Chairperson
Councillor Anne Egan
Councillor Ciaran O'Brien
Councillor Pat Vance
Des O'Brien, Bray Town Council
Sean O'Neill, Bray Town Council
Triona Irving, Bray Town Council
Liam McGarry, Bray Retailers Group
John Mullane, Bray Retailers Group
Mary McDermott Roe, Pizarro Developments Ltd

Apologies: Councillor Bríd Collins
Christine Flood, Bray Town Council
Jason Cooke, Bray & District Chamber of Commerce

1. Minutes of the meeting dated 20th November 2007

The minutes were agreed and confirmed by all members present.

2. Update on the Shopfront Grant Scheme

Triona Irving informed the members that a total of ten planning applications had been received for the scheme. Eleven applicants have formally accepted the grant allocation.

Dermod Dwyer requested that a follow-up telephone call be made to the applicants in January 2008.

3. Update on Paint the Town scheme

Mary McDermott Roe stated that there is approximately two weeks of painting left but progress was halted due to the Christmas period. She also circulated a costing report and confirmed that she is likely to be under budget when the scheme is completed.

She requested written confirmation from Ballymore Properties regarding their contribution to the painting scheme. Des O'Brien agreed to talk to Ballymore Properties regarding this matter.

Mary also highlighted the need for a maintenance programme under the painting scheme.

5. To consider the Budget Report

Triona Irving circulated the current budget report to the members.

Mary McDermott Roe suggested putting money aside for Christmas lights in 2008. She also stated that a plumber will be required in March for the irrigation system for the hanging baskets

6. To agree a format for a discussion about Business Investment Districts (BIDS)

It was agreed that forty minutes would be set aside at the beginning of the next meeting dated 22nd January 2008 to discuss the BID's process.

7. Monthly Cleanliness Audit Report

Dermod Dwyer stated that he was delighted to see progress being made and he congratulated all the staff involved.

Sean O'Neill informed the members that a contractor had been appointed to put down the tree bases however this will not be done until January due to staffing problems.

Anne Egan and Pat Vance raised the issue of poor service from the ESB regarding public lighting in the town.

Sean O'Neill stated that four new lights have been ordered for Main Street. He further stated that he is still investigating lighting for the bridge.

Dermod Dwyer requested that the report on the bridge lighting including visual images be circulated in advance of the next meeting.

8. Any Other Business

Due to the Bray Town Council Budget Meeting on the 8th January 2008, it was agreed that the next Rejuvenation meeting would take place on 22nd January 2008.

Dermod Dwyer expressed his disappointment that the interim review evening had been hijacked. He stated that he felt the Wicklow Times covered this well.

Liam McGarry suggested that a footfall survey be carried out next year. Dermod Dwyer stated that this is an issue for the Chamber of Commerce.

Dermod suggested that under the Bray Town Centre plans, units or kiosks should be placed along the bridge to join Main Street.

Chairperson, Dermod Dwyer thanked all members for their hard work during the year and wished everyone a Happy Christmas.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed: _____
CHAIRPERSON

Signed: _____
TOWN CLERK

Dated: _____