

**Minutes of the Town Rejuvenation Implementation Committee meeting held in the  
Downstairs Boardroom, Bray Town Council, Civic Offices, Main Street, Bray  
on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2008 at 5.00 p.m.**

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**Present:** Christine Flood, Joint Chairperson  
Councillor Brid Collins  
Councillor Anne Egan  
Councillor Ciaran O'Brien  
Councillor Pat Vance  
Des O'Brien, Bray Town Council  
Liam Bourke, Bray Town Council  
Liam McGarry, Bray Retailers Group  
John Mullane, Bray Retailers Group  
John Nolan, Bray & District Chamber of Commerce

**Apologies:** Mary McDermott Roe, Joint Chairperson

**1. Minutes of the meeting dated 29<sup>th</sup> July 2008**

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It was proposed by Brid Collins and seconded by Ciaran O'Brien to adopt the minutes of the meeting dated the 29<sup>th</sup> July 2008.

**3. To consider the sub-committee's reports**

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Maintenance/Cleanliness and Crime Prevention/Security – Brid Collins informed the members that she completed a walk of the town centre with Sergeant Paul Daly and Paddy Kelly. Drains and shores in the town centre area are being cleaned on a regular basis. Quinsboro Road, the carpark and surrounding laneways have all been cleaned. Sergeant Daly suggested that Seapoint Road would become a one-way system. To relieve congestion on the Florence Road, Sergeant Daly also suggested that parking be reduced to one side of the road only.

The members raised the following points:

- Residents on Florence Road need parking and the reduction of parking spaces could only be done when the carpark is in place.
- Suggest that the Florence Road become a clearway with loading bays only.
- The footpaths on Main Street should be widened and parking should only be available for disabled people.
- Florence Road – recommend that it is one way from the Main Street to the Dart station.
- There is a possibility of Ballymore providing some all day parking spaces in their section of the carpark on Quinsboro Road.
- Vevay area needs to be examined regarding parking and traffic.

It was agreed that parking and traffic issues should only be dealt with by that sub-committee.

Crime Prevention/Security – Christine Flood confirmed that she wrote to the Gardai in relation to security at the Post Office on Quinsboro Road and they replied stating that they are aware of the security issues and are liaising with An Post.

Café Proposals – Christine also confirmed that an Access Officer has been appointed for Wicklow Local Authorities and she will be dealing with disability access.

During a brief discussion regarding the various sub-committees it was agreed, subject to the Chamber of Commerce discussing it with the retailers involved, to make the following amendments:

Parking/ Traffic Issues	Retail Offering/ Retail Charter	Café Proposal/ Shop Fronts	Maintenance/ Cleanliness	Crime Prevention/ Security
Liam McGarry, Chairperson	John Mullane, Chairperson	Mary McDermott Roe, Chairperson	Pat Vance, Chairperson	Brid Collins, Chairperson
Anne Egan	Christine Flood	Ciaran O'Brien	Mary McDermott Roe	Paddy Kelly
Sean O'Neill / Liam Bourke	Ciaran Flanagan	Martin Molloy	Brid Collins	Member of An Garda Siochana
		Anne Marie Holland	Liam Bourke	
		Liz Anne Molloy	Simon Allen	
			John Nolan	

It was agreed that the Chairperson of each group would organise the sub-committee meetings before the next Rejuvenation meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2008.

#### 4. Report on Christmas Lights

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John Mullane informed the members that this report has been available since March 2008. The Christmas lights are managed by Bray Chamber of Commerce on the basis of a four year contract. The Chamber has requested three proposals from the contractor for this year, to include the costs associated with providing lights at the entrance to the town centre, Quinsboro Road and Florence Road. Events at the Civic Centre area may be scaled down with the possibility of putting the Christmas tree at this location.

It was agreed that the new proposals and budget would be submitted to the Rejuvenation Committee for approval.

Liam Bourke requested that the contractor loosen the straps around the trees on Quinsboro Road.

#### 5. Shopfront Grants

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Christine Flood confirmed that works under the shopfront grant scheme is slow. Work is almost complete on Carmels, Discount Curtains & Bedlinen, Photocraft and the old cinema building. There is a minor planning issue that the council staff are currently trying to resolve.

#### 6. Any Other Business

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Liam Bourke confirmed that Bank Of Ireland are completing some exterior works and this will result in a two month disruption affecting the footpaths.

Liam also confirmed that due to works taking place on Quinsboro Road there is a possibility that the road may be closed for a short period of time (from the Main Street end).

Anne Egan requested that meetings be held on the first Tuesday of each month. This was approved subject to agreement with Mary McDermott Roe.

Liam McGarry requested that the council examine signage and lighting at the new tattoo shop on the Main Street.

This concluded the meeting.