

Regulation of Lobbying Act 2015

The [Regulation of Lobbying Act 2015](#) came into effect on 1 September 2015. It provides that certain people who are carrying on lobbying activities must register with the [Standards in Public Office Commission](#) and must provide information about their lobbying activities.

The Register of Lobbying is maintained by the Standards in Public Office Commission and publicly accessible at www.lobbying.ie

The Register of Lobbying includes information about:

- Who is lobbying
- On whose behalf is lobbying being carried out
- The issues involved in the lobbying
- What is the intended result of the lobbying
- Who is being lobbied

Designated Public Officials:

The person being lobbied is a Designated Public Official. They include:

- Ministers and Ministers of State
- TDs and Senators
- MEPs for constituencies in this State
- Members of local authorities
- Special Advisers
- Secretaries General and Assistant Secretaries in the Civil Service
- Chief Executive Officers and Directors of Services in Local Authorities

Further Information:

More information on the Regulation of Lobbying Act 2015 can be found at www.lobbying.ie



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Kildare County Council

Designated Public Officials of Kildare County Council

Chief Executive

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Director– Climate, Community, Environment and Water

Marian Higgins (mhiggins@kildarecoco.ie).

Director Planning, Enterprise, Economic Development and Emergency Services

Alan Dunney (adunney@kildarecoco.ie)

Head of Finance, Digital Services, Innovation and Governance

Eileen Hanlon (ehanlon@kildarecoco.ie)

Director Housing and Regeneration

Annette Aspell (aaspell@kildarecoco.ie)

Director Corporate, People and Cultural Services

Eoghan Ryan (eryan@kildarecoco.ie)

Acting Director Transport, Mobility and Open Spaces

Celina Barrett (cbarrett@kildarecoco.ie)

Elected Members

Section (6) (1)(d) of the Act provides that [members of local authorities](#) are regarded as Designated Public Officials also.

Transparency Code

In line with the [Transparency Code](#) and the [Code of Conduct](#) for Councillors, please find the following information related to Kildare County Councils Strategic Policy Committees (SPC's)

SPC meetings documents can be viewed at on Kildare County Councils webpages. for [Strategic Policy Committees](#).

Note: Following local elections in June 2024, as is statutorily required, Kildare County Council is making a new SPC Scheme for the formation of Strategic Policy Committees. Public consultation on this matter is ongoing and ends on September 2, and thereafter the making of a new Scheme and the nomination and appointment of members occurs. The above webpages will be updated accordingly.