

Economic Development, Enterprise and Planning Strategic Policy Committee

Minutes of meeting held at 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 25 May 2018 in Aras Chill Dara, Naas.

Cathaoirleach: Councillor Suzanne Doyle

Present: Councillors Mark Lynch, Pádraig McEvoy, Naoise Ó Cearúil, Mark Wall; Morgan McCabe, Mr. Gerry Prendergast.

Apologies: Mr. Brendan Allen

Also Present: Sonya Kavanagh, Director of Services; Peter Minnock, Director of Services; Jacqui McNabb, Head of LEO, Liam McGree, Senior planner, Veronica Cooke, A/Senior Executive Officer, Mark McLoughlin, Administrative Officer.

1. To consider draft minutes of meeting held on 23 February 2018

The minutes of the meeting held on 23 February 2018 were proposed by Councillor Wall, seconded by Councillor O’Cearúil and duly adopted.

2. Economic Development

2.1 To receive an update from Head of Enterprise

Business Support Scheme

Strategy for attracting Foreign investment

Policy on retail / attracting retail

2.2 To consider policies around rates relief scheme

3. Planning

3.1 Referral from Maynooth Municipal District

‘In view of the recent Government announcement regarding banning of diesel and petrol cars in the future, are Kildare County Council going to insist on the

installation of electric charges in planning applications for houses and apartments' [Cllr Weld]

3.2 Best Practice in design by means of an annual awards scheme

3.3 Policy on naming residential developments

3.4 National Planning Framework and Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy

4. Work Programme

The Work programme was circulate to the members.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Friday 14 September 2018.

The meeting closed.

APPENDIX 1

National Planning Framework and Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy

Copies of the Council's submissions on the National Planning Framework (NPF) and the public consultation on the forthcoming Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy (RSES) were circulated at the last meeting of the SPC on 23rd February 2018.

The NPF - Project Ireland 2040 was approved by Government and published on 16th February. Currently the Eastern and Midland Regional Assembly is preparing the draft RSES. This is being prepared in the context of the NPF. At the same time as the RSES the Assembly is also preparing a Metropolitan Area Strategic Plan for the Dublin Metropolitan Area. The Metropolitan area consists of Dublin City and County and also parts of counties Meath and Wicklow and north-east Kildare (the towns of Leixlip, Maynooth, Celbridge and Kilcock). It is expected the draft RSES and MASP will be presented to the regional assembly in early/mid June and then placed on display for public comment. The RSES will deal with issues such as future population, settlement strategy, economy and employment, climate, infrastructure, heritage and environment. Among the issues dealt with in the MASP will be the strategic development sites in the Dublin region. When the drafts are approved by the Assembly they will be placed on public display for a period of 10 weeks. Copies of the draft RSES and the draft MASP will be circulated to the members of the SPC. Kildare County Council will be making submissions on the drafts and the views of the SPC will be sought on both strategies.

APPENDIX II

24 May 2018 – Agenda Item

Audit of Development Plan Objectives

It is a general duty of a planning authority to take such steps within its powers as may be necessary for securing the objectives of its development plan (s.15(1) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended). The Act requires that the Chief Executive of a planning authority shall, not more than 2 years after the making of a development plan, give a report to the members of the authority on the progress achieved in securing the objectives of the Plan (s.15(2) of the Act). The Kildare County Development Plan 2017-2023 was made on 1 February

2017. The two year progress report should therefore be given to the elected members in January 2019.

The Council is progressing the realisation of the objectives in the County Development Plan. A list of the objectives is being compiled and will be brought to the next meeting of the SPC. It may not be possible to carry out an 'audit' of the objectives given the Forward Planning Section's workload which includes input into current national and regional planning matters in addition to county and local area planning. The two year progress report, as required by the Planning Act, will be brought to Council in early 2019 and a copy circulated to the members of the SPC.