

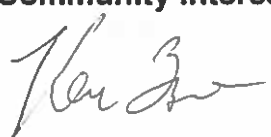
LOCAL COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SPC

Minutes of Meeting

Held at 10:00 am on Thursday 1st December 2016.

At Áras Chill Dara, Naas

Members in Attendance:

Statutory	Non-Statutory
Local Government Elected Members Cllr. Kevin Byrne (Chairperson) Cllr. Martin Miley Jnr. Cllr. Sorcha O'Neill Cllr. Carmel Kelly	Local Community Interests 

Also in Attendance: Marian Higgins (County Librarian); Simon Wallace (Senior Parks Superintendent); Ciara Gallagher (Meeting Secretary).

Apologies: Cllr. Bernard Caldwell.

1. Welcome

Cllr. K. Byrne opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

2. Minutes and Matters Arising from the Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the 15th September 2016 were approved and adopted on the proposal of Cllr. S. O'Neill, seconded by Cllr. C. Kelly and there were no matters arising.

3. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

4. Correspondence

None.

5. Progress Report

Copy of report attached. The progress report was not discussed at the meeting.

6. Update on Open Libraries

Marian Higgins handed out an information sheet about My Open Library – Kildare Library Service (copy attached) and a Local Government Management Agency document – Open Libraries Pilot Service 2014 – 2016, Report of Libraries Development June 2016 (copy attached). Ms. Higgins detailed the plans for My Open Library in Athy and further expansion of the scheme in other Libraries in the county in the future.

7. Report on Play Policy

Simon Wallace advised the committee that Dr. Carol Barron has created a questionnaire/survey which will go online next week. There have been 10 consultations in crèches and pre-schools. There has been difficulty gaining access to secondary schools due to the strike but she is hoping to finish before Christmas. Mr. Wallace will have a draft policy ready by March. Mr. Wallace also spoke of the success of Play Day which was held in September.

8. Any Other Business

There was no other business to discuss and it was agreed that the next meeting will be held on Thursday, 9th February, 2017 at 10.00 a.m.

The meeting concluded.