27th August 2026

To: The Chair and Each Member of the Planning, Enterprise & Economic Development Strategic Policy Committee

Dear Chair and Members,

A meeting of the Economic Development, Enterprise & Planning Strategic Policy Committee has been arranged for **Thursday 3rd of September 2026** in the Committee Room, Level 2, Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park commencing **at 3pm.**

AGENDA

1. Declarations of (a) Conflicts of Interest or (b) pecuniary or beneficial interests under section 177 of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended.
2. To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on the 17th of June 2026.
3. To receive an update on the Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy (RSES)
4. To receive update on Serviced Sites Scheme.
5. To discuss the Referral from Full Council Meeting on childcare (see attached)
6. To receive a Progress Report on the Local Economic Community Plan (LECP) actions.
7. Correspondence.
8. Any Other Business.
9. To note - Schedule of 2026 Meetings agreed –19th of November 2026 (location Athy Food Hub)

Kind regards



Mary Mc Carthy

Meetings Administrator

Date	Councillor	Motion
25th April 2025	Cllr. Suzanne Doyle	That elements of the Guidance document for planning authorities with regard to Childcare facilities dated 2001, be replaced by the development of a county set of recommendations of best practice, that have regard to the delivery of quality sustainable childcare in our communities. Key requirement for change being the recommendation ratio of one creche per seventy-five units, that is a flawed concept, misinforming planning decisions to the detriment of a fast-growing County with one of the youngest demographics in the State. That in the interim we adopt a policy by resolution of this meeting that all planning decisions for the provision of childcare facilities should immediately seek to have an appropriately scaled model (at a minimum of 80 children) to ensure sustainability and efficiencies that can deliver the necessary regulatory standards for quality childcare in County Kildare.