

Áras Chill Dara
Páirc Devoy,
An Nás,
Co. Kildare
13 April 2017

Do'n mhéara is gach ball de'n Chomhairle Chondae

A Bhaill Uile,

Tionólfar cruinniú míosúil de'n Chomhairle Chondae ar 2.00 tráthnóna dé Lúain, an 24 Aibreán 2017, i seomra na Chomhairle, Áras Chill Dara, Páirc Devoy, An Nás, agus iarrtar ort bheith i láthair.

The monthly meeting of the council will be held at 2.00 p.m. on Monday, 24 April 2017, in the council chamber, Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas, and you are invited to attend.

Le gach dea ghuí,

M McIvor
Meetings Administrator

**Clár
(Agenda)**

Chun miontuairisci chruinnithe an 27 Mairt 2017 agus chun tuarascáil dul chun cinn a thabhairt faoi ndeara.

To adopt minutes of the monthly meeting on 27 March 2017 and to note progress report.
(copies attached)

**Gnó Reachtúil
(Statutory Business)
General**

1. To receive a presentation from the Alcohol Health and Wellbeing Alliance (AHA) Campaign.
2. To note the Audit Committee Annual Report 2016 (copy attached).
3. To note monthly management report (copy attached).

Environment and Water Services

4. To receive a report from the Chair of the Environmental Services and Water Strategic Policy Committee.

Finance and IS

5. To note the Annual Financial Statements for 2016 (copy attached).
6. To approve over-expenditure for the year ended 31 December 2016.
7. Gnó an Mhéara/Mayor's Business.
8. Comhfhreagras/Correspondence.

9. Conferences and training (report to follow).

Moltai o Choisti
(Committee Reports and Recommendations)

10. Athy Municipal District

Athy Municipal District at their March Municipal District meeting agreed to refer the following motion to full council. That this committee calls on the Minister for Health to immediately make the Orkambi drug available to the sufferers of cystic fibrosis whom request it.

Tairsceanna Láithreach (Feidhmeanna na Comhairle Contae)
Current Motions (Kildare County Council Functions)

11. Councillor McLoughlin Healy

That where the council donates tax-payer money to registered Charities, the council checks that the intended recipient is compliant with the Charity Act 2009. As per the Charity Regulator's website-the larger the charitable organization the greater the level of detail required by the Charity Regulator. As a council we are duty bound to ensure tax-payers' money is wisely and effectively distributed by allocating solely to organisations who comply with the minimum reporting requirements prescribed by law. (The council may wish to insert a monetary value or level at which the imperative to check compliance kicks in).

12. Councillor Doyle

That we seek a presentation from relevant department/departments on initiatives to roll out the proposed National Broadband Scheme, with a view to examining how to optimise this welcome initiative, and if some degree of flexibility might be permitted and furthermore seek as a matter of urgency funding to support the appointment of a dedicated officer to co-ordinate and progress this critical infrastructure.

**Tairsceanna Láithreach (Nach feidhmeanna na Comhairle Contae iad)
Current Motions (Non-Kildare County Council Functions)**

13. Councillor Redmond

That Kildare County Council urges the Minister for Health to abandon the proposal to means test home help care.

14. Councillor McCabe

That this council calls on the Minister for Agriculture and the Minister for Finance to reinstate stable yards to Agricultural use as distinct from its' new status as Leisure use for rateable valuation. The new designation has increased rates excessively and as a consequence will have a detrimental effect on jobs and on the racing industry which is very important to County Kildare.

15. Councillor Cussen

That members request that County Kildare actively implement the Alcohol Test Purchasing Scheme.

16. Councillor Lynch

That the members reject the current process of calculating business commercial rates; it does not take ability to pay into account, omits the fact that the retail sector on high streets is struggling, that town and village centres have and continue to be decimated in regards to retailing and it does not take the realisation of online shopping into account which is having a detrimental effect on the high street towns and villages. Also, that as the council has no direct say on the matter we call on the Taoiseach, the Minister for Finance and the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government to immediately review the revaluation process before more businesses are lost and our main streets are further decimated. One example of a fairer process could be to calculate rates based on rent paid or profit/ turnover on a self-declaration basis on the Revenue Online System (ROS).

17. Councillor Young

That Kildare County Council rejects domestic water charges, since they are a step towards the commodification of an essential ingredient of life. Leaks and waste can be reduced by district metering. We call on all parties who share that view to support the

recommendations made by the Oireachtas Committee on the Funding of Water Services on April 6 to reject so called excess use levies and mandatory metering of new housing; to oppose stealth measures for domestic water charges; and to support the proper funding of water services from progressive, general taxation.

18. Councillor Moore

That the members and Kildare County Council, honour the military men from the Dublin Fusiliers Regiment who were killed whilst on service abroad in World War 1 and those from the Irish Defence Forces who were killed on active duty overseas with the United Nation Peace Corps, who each answered the call to serve that military duty from their base in The Army Barracks in Naas, also remembered as Devoy Barracks, now Áras Chill Dara, by erecting a memorial plaque, before the end of 2018, jointly commemorating their memories and their ultimate sacrifices, perhaps including their names, on the Archway and Clock Tower Building, through which they marched to their eternal response.

19. Councillor Pender

Given the ruling of the European Court of Human Rights in 2014 that the absolute ban on Trade Unions within the French Armed Forces breached their human rights; In supporting the campaign by the Wives and Partners of the Irish Defence Forces, and also recognising that Kildare is home to The Defence Forces Training Camp (DFTC) and The Department of Defence, the members of Kildare County Council call on the Minister for Defence to support the rights of the Defence Forces through legislation to gain access to the industrial relations mechanisms in this state to negotiate terms of pay and working conditions.