

Minutes of Adjourned Special Meeting of Kildare County Council

Held at 2pm on Tuesday 09th June 2020

At Newbridge Town Hall, Newbridge, Co. Kildare

Members Present: Councillor S. Doyle (Cathaoirleach), Councillors, V Behan, A Breen, A Breslin, F Brett, B Caldwell, B Clear, M Coleman, A Connolly, N Connolly, I Cussen, B Dooley, K Duffy, T Durkan, A Farrelly, A Feeney, D Fitzpatrick, C Galvin, P. Hamilton, N Heavey, I Keatley, C Kelly, N Killeen, V Liston, V P Martin, P McEvoy, F McLoughlin-Healy, S Moore, J Neville, N O’Cearuil, P O’Dwyer, T O’Dwyer, C Pender, R Power, E Sammon, M Stafford, P Ward, B.Weld and B Wyse

Vacancy: One

Also Present: Mr. P. Carey (Chief Executive), Mr. E Ryan (Director of Services), Ml. Kenny (Senior Planner), Ms. A. Granville (Senior Executive Planner), Ms. M. Hunt (Meetings Administrator), and Mr. M. McLoughlin (Administrative Officer).

The Cathaoirleach welcomed everyone to the adjourned meeting and advised the members that the meeting would continue from item no. 32 on the Chief Executive’s meetings report.

M Hunt again advised the members that:

- It was taken as fact that the Chief Executive’s report on submissions received and the Chief Executive’s report on Notices of Motion received had been read,
- In considering the Variation to the Draft Variation No. 1 of the CDP 2017 - 2023 the members were obliged to act in the interests of the common good and the proper planning and sustainable development of the area,
- The members must, in accordance with the ‘Code of Conduct for Councillors’ prepared under the Local Government Act 2001, carry out their duties in a transparent manner,
- The members must follow due process and must make their decisions based on relevant considerations and in accordance with the Planning and Development Acts and that
- The members were restricted to considering the proper planning and sustainable development of the area to which the development plan relates, their statutory obligations and any relevant policies or objectives for the time being of the Government or any Minister of the Government.
- Given the significance of the matters under consideration, any conflicts of interest should be declared at this point.

Cllr. McLoughlin Healy stated, in addition to the declaration of a conflict of interest, that anyone who had been the subject of lobbying should also declare this fact.

		Proposed Motion		Resolution
	32	Cllr Mark Stafford	CE Response	

	<p>That the council incorporate into the Development Plan as part of this Variation the specific zoning of development for serviced sites as opposed to residential.</p>	<p>While Proposed Variation No. 1 does not address land use zonings in settlements, it sets out a policy for the support of a new programme for the provision of serviced sites in small towns and villages across the County. In this regard CS 4(a) states that the Council will work to “Develop in accordance with the National Planning Framework (NPO 18b) a programme for new homes in small towns and villages in association with public infrastructure agencies, local communities, housing bodies and landowners to identify lands for the provision of low density serviced sites with appropriate infrastructure throughout settlements identified as Rural Towns, Villages and Rural Settlements (as identified in Table 3.3).</p> <p>There is a significant body of work involved in surveying and identifying sites across for the purposes of serviced sites in terms of infrastructure provision etc. It is envisaged that this will form part of the overall assessment of settlements through the CDP review.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>Proposed Amendment No. 8 is adopted as proposed.</p>	<p>The members discussed the need for serviced sites.</p> <p>E Ryan advised the meeting that this was an issue to be considered as part of the next review of the CDP.</p> <p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive’s recommendation.</p>
33	<p>Cllr Tim Durkan That the Council revise upwards the core strategy</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>In accordance with the hierarchy of plans the County Development Plan must adhere to the National Planning</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept</p>

	population growth for the county once the 2021 census data is available.	<p>Framework Roadmap and RSES and therefore cannot unilaterally revise the population growth targets following the publication of the Census 2021 data. It has been practice in the past for the DHPLG to revise National and Regional population projections following the publication of the census results. The Council will take such measures if/when required to do so following the Census.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>Proposed Amendment No. 8 is adopted as proposed.</p>	the Chief Executive's recommendation.
34	<p>Cllr Tim Durkan That the Council outline the number of granted urban residential development on a site by site basis which is yet to commence and the number of units granted under each permission.</p>	<p>CE response</p> <p>The provision of a report identifying extant permissions and commencements for in excess of 50 settlements across the County is not feasible in the timeframe provided.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>Proposed Amendment No. 8 is adopted as proposed.</p>	Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation.
35	<p>Cllr Tim Durkan</p>	<p>CE response</p>	Following a discussion regarding social housing

	<p>That the Council outline the possible negative affect a reduction in population growth considered in this plan will have on the delivery of social housing units within the County.</p>	<p>It should be noted that the provision of social housing is not solely reliant on the delivery of units through Part V agreements on private housing developments.</p> <p>Kildare County Council is continuously working to provide social housing units at locations where there is an identified demand through a number of mechanisms such as Turnkey Acquisitions, which is supported by Government, Part 8 Local Authority schemes, Part V agreements and agreements with Approved Housing Bodies (AHBs). It is of relevance to note that the Council also engages in additional schemes such as Rental Accommodation Scheme (RAS), Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) and the Rent Supplement Scheme.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>Proposed Amendment No. 8 is adopted as proposed.</p>	<p>provision it was Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation.</p>
36	<p>Cllr Tim Durkan</p> <p>That the council outline the minimum and maximum social housing units that</p>	<p>CE response</p> <p>See item 35 above. It should also be noted that the provision of social housing is subject to agreements between the Council and the Housing Section and is dependent on a number of variables including demand at particular locations for particular house types.</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation.</p>

	could be delivered under the part 5 legislation if this amendment is passed on a town by town basis.	<p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>Proposed Amendment No. 8 is adopted as proposed.</p>																															
37	<p>Cllr Tim Durkan</p> <p>That the Council outline the possible negative affect a reduction in population growth considered in this plan will have on house prices within the County paying particular attention to a supply and demand model.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>The revised population projections as reflected in Variation No. 1 of the County Development Plan make provision for ca. 2,000 units per year across the county to the end of the Plan period which is significantly higher than the level of average house delivery of the ca. 1,186 units over the past 4 years (2016-2019) see table below.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>2016</th> <th>2017</th> <th>2018</th> <th>2019</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Q1</td> <td>122</td> <td>195</td> <td>244</td> <td>397</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Q2</td> <td>154</td> <td>215</td> <td>271</td> <td>393</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Q3</td> <td>142</td> <td>259</td> <td>325</td> <td>488</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Q4</td> <td>220</td> <td>316</td> <td>381</td> <td>623</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL</td> <td>638</td> <td>985</td> <td>1221</td> <td>1901</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		2016	2017	2018	2019	Q1	122	195	244	397	Q2	154	215	271	393	Q3	142	259	325	488	Q4	220	316	381	623	TOTAL	638	985	1221	1901	<p>Following a discussion on house prices and supply it was Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation.</p>
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		<p>It is also noteworthy that parts of County Kildare are among the top 5 areas for housing completions in the Country in Q1 of this year.</p> <p>While supply and demand can impact on house process it is not the only variable. This is a complex area and in fact there are too many variables that could influence houses prices, including the health of the overall economy, job rates, interest rates, capital availability, market variability, perception etc.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>Proposed Amendment No. 8 is adopted as proposed.</p>						
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39	<p>Cllr Seamie Moore</p> <p>That the Chief Executive guarantees that the adoption of Variation One changes to the CDP 2017-2023, will not bind members to agreeing NDP/RSES figures for period 2026-2031.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>The NPF and its Roadmap has set out a plan for Ireland until 2040. This seeks to encourage a more balanced form of development across the State. The net effect of this on Kildare is to provide for population increase over the plan period but at a reduced level as the NPF takes effect.</p> <p>The County Development Plan must adhere to the hierarchy of plans from the National Planning Framework at national level and to the RSES at regional level (and any amendments of them), and therefore must comply with the relevant plans at the time of preparation. In the event that these are amended by the Council will have regard to those amendments/updates.</p>	<p>The members discussed the effects of a reduction in population growth figures and the fact that the 2016 population figure could grow by 17%.</p> <p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation.</p>																									

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		Proposed Amendment No. 8 is adopted as proposed.	

	Item No.	Proposed Amendment	
	40	Proposed Amendment No. 9	Amend Section 2.11 (page 46) and Section 2.11.1 – 2.11.6 with additional sub-section to increase to 2.11.8
	41	CE Recommended Amendment	Amend typographical error in Section 2.11.4 to read ‘high levels of population growth’ as per description in RSES.
	42	Cllr Evie Sammon 2.16.2 Policies: Economic Development. It is the policy of the Council to:	CE Response It is considered that the application of the Scheme for Waiver of Rates is outside of the remit of a land use plan and therefore cannot be considered as part of this variation process.
			Resolved with 22 members voting in favour, 1 member voting against and 12 members abstaining to accept the Chief Executive’s proposed amendment.
			Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive’s recommendation.
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	<p>CS 6 Encourage and facilitate new employment opportunities which improve the cluster-specific business environment.</p> <p>Motion to insert: <i>“and to provide opportunity for the Council to use the Scheme for Waiver of Rates as per the LOCAL GOVERNMENT RATES AND OTHER MATTERS ACT 2019 where the opportunity arises.”</i></p>	<p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>Proposed Amendment No. 9 is adopted as proposed.</p>	
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	43	<p>Cllr Joe Neville</p> <p>2.16.2 Policies: Economic Development; Add “put together a detailed strategy outlining how it will assist economic cluster-specific business environment”</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>It is considered that the overall economic strategy for the county is in line with the NPF, RSES and the Kildare LECP. The strategy recognises the importance of economic clusters of Naas, Newbridge and Kilcullen and it is envisaged that these will develop in a mutually dependent way so that amenities and economies of the whole cluster are greater than the sum of the individual parts and the requirement for a strategy to address assistance for business should be addressed through any review of the LECP.</p> <p>Existing hubs within the county include the Equine Hub with Horse Racing Ireland, the Kildare Food Hib, Tourism Hubs around the Royal and Grand Canal and Barrow Blueway etc.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>Proposed Amendment No. 9 is adopted as proposed.</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive’s recommendation.</p>
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	44	Proposed Amendment No. 10	Amend text under Section 2.15 to 2.14.5 ¹ and correct clerical error in numbering relating to Section 2.14.5.	Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's proposed amendment.
Proposed Motion				
	45	Cllr Mark Stafford That the towns of Newbridge and Leixlip are reinstated as Economic Growth Towns at objective CS 5 of the Variation.	<p>CE Response</p> <p>Policy CS 5 of the Proposed Variation states</p> <p>'CS 5 Support the development of the identified strategic growth centres <u>Key Towns of Naas and</u> Maynooth, Leixlip and Newbridge as focal points for regional critical massing and employment growth'.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>Proposed Amendment No. 10 is amended as follows;</p> <p>CS 5 Support the development of the identified strategic growth centres <u>Key Towns of Naas and</u></p>	Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation.

¹ Please note numbering sequencing error in the adopted Kildare County Development Plan 2017 - 2023

			<p>Maynooth <i>and the Self-sustaining Growth Towns of Leixlip and Newbridge</i> as focal points for regional critical massing and employment growth.</p>	
46	<p>Cllr Mark Stafford</p> <p>That the words “Employment Opportunities should build on the local assets of the Settlements” at Clause 2.11.6 are replaced with “the Council will seek to supply new local employment opportunities”.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>It is proposed to amend Section 2.11.6 to address new local employment opportunities.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>Amend Section 2.11.6 as follows;</p> <p><i>Prosperous, Rathangan, Athgarvan, Castledermot and Derrinturn are rural towns that provide local service and employment functions within a largely rural economy. Employment opportunities should build on the local assets of the settlements while seeking to support appropriately scaled new local employment opportunities.</i></p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive’s recommendation.</p>	

47	<p>Cllr Joe Neville</p> <p>In addition to SO2 “Carry out a strategic Land Use, Employment and Transportation Study of north east Kildare including the Dublin Metropolitan area towns of Leixlip, (and Collinstown), Maynooth, Celbridge and Kilcock” add in “ahead of any future large-scale developments in the area.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>The preparation of a strategic Land Use, Employment and Transportation Study of north east Kildare including the Dublin Metropolitan area towns of Leixlip, Maynooth, Celbridge and Kilcock is a significant body of work which would require the input of a range of state agencies and local stakeholders and residents. The timeline for such a study is currently unknown and to restrict any future large scale development on its delivery may prejudice the development of potential new employment, educational and housing opportunities.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>Proposed Amendment No. 10 is adopted as proposed.</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive’s recommendation.</p>
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48	<p>Cllr Joe Neville</p> <p>In addition to SO2 “Carry out a strategic Land Use, Employment and Transportation Study of north east Kildare including the Dublin Metropolitan area towns of Leixlip, (and Collinstown), Maynooth, Celbridge and Kilcock” add in “An Garda Siochana and other similar stakeholders including the department of education”.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>The Council is engaged and works closely with the Department of Education and Skills to ensure adequate provision for schools is made in land use plans to cater for the projected population within settlements in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding between the City and County Managers Association and the Department of Education and Skills. The Council engages with An Garda Siochana through the Joint Policing Committee (JPC) and with other relevant stakeholders through all statutory and non-statutory plans with the relevant Government Departments being a prescribed body for consultation during the plan making process.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>Proposed Amendment No. 10 is adopted as proposed.</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive’s recommendation.</p>
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49	<p>Cllr Tim Durkan</p> <p>The development of currently zoned commercial lands at Kilcock with access to the M4 is encouraged and made a policy objective of the plan to provide local employment for Kilcock and County Kildare.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>The current KCDP 2017-2023 provides a suite of robust policies and objectives supporting the provision of local employment across the county including;</p> <p>ECD 6 Support and facilitate the development of an environment that fosters innovation, enterprise and entrepreneurship.</p> <p>ECD 7 Support and promote proposals for SME business development in centres where existing infrastructural facilities are available or where they can be provided with services and good communications.</p> <p>ECD 8 Support start-up businesses and small-scale industrial enterprises, particularly those that have a creative and innovative dimension.</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation.</p>
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			<p>ECD 9 Encourage and facilitate small indigenous industries at appropriate locations, in recognition of their increasing importance in providing local employment and helping to stimulate economic activity within small communities.</p> <p>ECD 10 Co-operate with local and national development agencies to maximise job creation opportunities and to engage with existing and future large-scale employers in order to maximise job opportunities in the county.</p> <p>The Kilcock Local Area Plan also supports, through its Economic Development Strategy and the zoning of a significant quantum of lands for employment purposes to the west of the town at Boycetown.</p> <p>In this regard, it is therefore not considered necessary to address these lands individually within the CDP.</p>	
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			<p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>Proposed Amendment No. 10 is adopted as proposed.</p>	
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Item No.	Proposed Amendment		
50	Proposed Amendment No. 11	Delete Map 2.6 Core Strategy Map and replace with revised updated Map.	Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's proposed amendment.

Item No.	Proposed Amendment		
51	Proposed Amendment No. 12	Amend text under Section 3.1, Section 3.2 and Section 3.3; Replace Table 3.1 County Kildare Settlement Hierarchy 2020 -2023,	Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's proposed amendment.

			<p>Delete and replace Map 3.1 Settlement Hierarchy map;</p> <p>Replace text under Section 3.4;</p> <p>Delete Section 3.4.1 – 3.4.4</p>	
52	Cllr Evie Sammon	<p>(a) To delete “to provide alternatives to one-off rural dwellings in the immediate rural area.” in Section 3.4.1</p> <p>(b) to delete “will also provide an alternative to one-off housing in the countryside.” in 3.6</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>This statement is provided to illustrate support for NPO 19 which highlights the need for a new programme of homes in small towns and villages as a viable alternative to one off rural dwellings. It should be noted that is not intended that this would restrict development in the rural areas but support the provision of viable alternatives within the rural towns and villages to assist in maintaining and/or increasing their vitality and viability as settlements.</p>	<p>The members discussed the wording of the phrases and their possible ambiguity and A Granville agreed to reword the text to remove any perceived ambiguities.</p> <p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive’s recommendation subject to the rewording of the text in order to remove any perceived ambiguities.</p>

			<p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>Proposed Amendment No. 12 is adopted as proposed</p>	
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Item No.	Proposed Amendment		
53	Proposed Amendment No. 13	<p>Amend Section 3.5;</p> <p>Delete Table 3.2 Housing Allocation 2016-2023;</p> <p>Delete and replace Table 3.3 Population and Housing Allocation</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's proposed amendment.</p>
54	CE Recommended Amendment	<p>Further amend Table 3.3 to reflect CE recommended changes</p>	<p>The members discussed the possibility of an additional population growth being allocated to Maynooth, the possibility of redistributing population growth throughout the county, the role of EMRA</p> <p>A Granville advised the meeting that no decision had been made regarding an additional 10,000 allocation to Maynooth.</p>

Settlement Type	Towns / Villages	2016 Census Pop	2016 Dwellings	Allocated Growth (%) 2016-2023	NPF 2026 Pop Growth	NPF 2026 Pop Growth in housing units	Population Growth from 2020 to 2023 (annualised from 2026 NPF Figures)	Dwellings Target 2020 to 2023
Key Town	Maynooth (MASP)	14,585	5,171	10.9%	4,291	1,533	1,839	657
	Naas	21,393	7,726	14.9%	5,866	2,095	2,514	898
Self-Sustaining Growth Town	Newbridge	22,742	8,260	11.6%	4,567	1,631	1,957	699
	Leixlip	15,504	5,524	10.2%	4,016	1,434	1,721	615
	Kildare	8,634	3,158	4.7%	1,850	661	793	283
	Athy	9,677	4,281	4.8%	1,890	675	810	289
Self-Sustaining Town	Celbridge	20,288	6,969	10.0%	3,937	1,406	1,687	603
	Kilcock	6,093	2,212	4.0%	1,575	562	675	241
	Monasterevin	4,246	1,706	2.6%	1,024	366	439	157
Town (Small)	Sallins	5,849	2,071	1.9%	748	267	321	114
	Kilcullen	3,710	1,401	2.5%	984	352	422	151
	Kill	3,348	1,227	1.3%	512	183	219	78
	Clane	7,280	2,741	2.4%	945	337	405	145
Town (Rural)	Prosperous	2,333	813	1.0%	394	141	169	60
	Rathangan	2,611	1,009	0.9%	354	127	152	54
	Athgarvan	1,176	373	0.7%	276	98	118	42
	Castledermot	1,475	622	0.5%	197	70	84	30
	Derrinturn	1,602	558	0.6%	214	76	92	33

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Duffy, seconded by Councillor Keatley with 24 members voting in favour 9 members voting against, and 1 member abstaining to accept the Chief Executive's proposed amendment subject to the further amendment.

Villages	Johnstown (1004), Straffen (635), Ballymore Eustace (872), Allenwood (845), Johnstownbridge (650), Coill Dubh (687), Coolearagh (384), Kilmeague (997), Caragh (882), Kildangan (470), Suncroft (735), Roberstown (669), Ballitore (556), Crookstown (129), Moone (144), Timolin (96)	10327	3105	3.7%	1,457	520	624	223
Rural Settlements	Broadford (45), Milltown, (177) Kiltel (163), Staplestown (98), Ardclough (153), Allen (62), Brannockstown (186), Twomilehouse (263), Brownstown (456), Cutbush (246), Maddenstown (141), Nurney (342), Calverstown (459), Rathcoffey (170), Narraghmore (229), Maganey/Levitstown (69), Kilmead (258), Kilberry (163)	3126	1999	1.3%	512	183	219	78
Rural Nodes	Clogherinka, Cadamstown, Kishancoe, Newtown, Tirmogham, Carbury, Timahoe, Lackagh/Mountrice, Ballyshannon, Ballyroe, Kilkea, Ellistown, Newtownmoneenaluggagh, Kildoon, Booleigh, Castlemitchell, Williamstown, Clongorey/Blacktrench, Ballyteague, Lullymore, Ticknevin, Tipperkevin & Kilina, Moyvalley, Rathmore/Edestown	56385	19068	0.5%	197	70	84	30
Rural Dwellers				8.0%	3,150	1125	1350	482
Blessington Environs		453	164	1.0%	394	141	169	60
County Total		222,504	80,158		39,370	14060	16863	6023

Include footnote to illustrate methodology for calculations as follows;

¹ *Growth projections based on 7-year period between 2020 & 2026. 7-year methodology provides for ca. 16,863 persons (6,023 housing units) over the remainder of the plan (2020, 2021 and 2022 as the plan expires in early 2023) with ca. 22,507 persons*

		<p><i>(8,038 housing units) over the remaining 4 years to the end of 2026 which anticipates ca. 2,000 units per year over the 7 years period which is considered to be a sustainable rate of growth and reasonable rate of housing delivery.</i></p> <p><i>The upcoming review of the CDP will also benefit from the data from the Census in 2021 which will provide up to date figures in terms of population growth, housing stock and occupancy rates.</i></p> <p>Include footnote to highlight NPO 68;</p> <p><i>Section 5.7 of the RSES states that ‘There is a further allowance of transition population targets in NPO 68 by way of up to 20% of the targeted growth in the city being transferred to other settlements in the MASP. This shall apply only to the three metropolitan Key Towns in the MASP namely Bray, Maynooth, and Swords and only if they can demonstrate compact growth on high capacity planned or existing public transport corridors. Any further allocation will be considered by Kildare County Council on direction from the Eastern Midlands Regional Assembly following agreement of its members.</i></p>	
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55	Proposed Amendment No. 14	<p>Amend text under Section 3.6 Development Capacity;</p> <p>Delete Table 3.4 Development Capacity in Kildare.</p> <p>* Note; Additional text under Section 3.6 as follows;</p> <p>The Settlement Strategy as detailed in Table 3.3 contains the allocated growth for each of these settlements and supersedes that which is produced in Volume 2 of the KCDP 2017-2023.</p>	Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's proposed amendment.
56	CE Recommended Amendment	<p>Amend SS 1 to remove RPGs and replace with RSES as follows;</p> <p><i>'SS 1 Manage county's settlement in accordance with the population and housing unit allocations set out in the RSES...'</i></p>	Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's proposed amendment.

		<p>Amend Section 3.6 of Proposed Variation to include the following text;</p> <p><i>The RSES also requires that much closer attention is paid to actual delivery, taking the steps that may be necessary to implement strategic planning aims, housing delivery in the immediate term and above all, avoid the hoarding of land and/or planning permissions. The zoning of lands will, therefore, through site specific infrastructural assessments, take account of the likelihood of the lands being developed and their capacity to deliver population growth targets within the lifetime of the development plan.</i></p>	
		Proposed Motion	
	57	Cllr Daragh Fitzpatrick That all towns and villages are allowed to grow to maintain	<p>CE Response</p> <p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation.</p>

	<p>schools in their hinterlands and allow people who are born and reared in these villages and areas to live there.</p>	<p>The settlement strategy of the County Development Plan strives to consolidate and encourage the future of the existing towns and villages across County Kildare through sustainable levels of growth and through continued liaison with the Department of Education in relation to the provision of new school sites and or expansion areas.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>Proposed Amendment No. 14 is adopted as proposed.</p>	
58	<p>Cllr Anne Connolly</p> <p>That Kildare County Council be mindful of present infrastructure deficiency and that no further demands be put on same.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>The zoning of all lands must now be subject to a site-specific infrastructural assessment which will apply a tiered approach to assess whether lands are ‘serviced’ or ‘serviceable’ within the lifetime of a plan in accordance with</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive’s recommendation.</p>

		<p>Appendix 3 of the NPF. The Infrastructural Assessment will inform the land use and future development strategy for each town and the overall potential for specific lands to be developed within a defined timeframe, such as the lifetime of an LAP and also identify gaps in terms of infrastructure provision which can then be linked to the development of a particular site or site(s).</p> <p>Regarding social infrastructure such as schools etc., each settlement plan and/or LAP will be informed by the preparation of a Social Infrastructure Audit which will identify capacities or lack thereof.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p>	
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			Proposed Amendment No. 14 is adopted as proposed.	
59	<p>Cllr Joe Neville That the Council clarify if the status of towns effect or impact the opportunity for strategic infrastructure in any of the towns.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>The Council through the Urban and Rural Regeneration Development Funds will seek funding to carry out a range of projects within the different settlements throughout the County and funding opportunities will continue to be explored by the Council on a 'needs' basis rather than on a designation basis. Similarly, as per Objective SO 3 in the County Development Plan the Council will facilitate the implementation of key strategic infrastructure in accordance with the Council's Capital Works Programme and subject to the availability of financial resources.</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation.</p>	

			<p>It should be noted that this Council avail of a wide range of funding opportunities including (but not restricted to);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town & Village Renewal • Rural Regeneration and Development Fund • Small-Scale Rural Projects (CLÁR) • Community Enhancement Programme • LEADER programme for Rural Development • Urban Regeneration and Development Fund • 2020 Town and Village Renewal Scheme - Accelerated Measure in Response to COVID-19. <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>Proposed Amendment No. 14 is adopted as proposed.</p>	
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60	<p>Cllr Tracey O'Dwyer & Cllr Peggy O'Dwyer</p> <p>That the council confirm that they will make adequate funding available to provide for public infrastructure given the allocated growth of 699 residential units from now until 2023 as per table 3.3 Settlement Hierarchy – Population and Housing Unit Allocation 2016 – 2023 Page 65.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>See response to item 59 above. The members are advised that funding applications for the towns of Maynooth, Newbridge, Celbridge and Naas have been made to the URDF for 2020 and for Kildare Town for RRDF.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>Proposed Amendment No. 14 is adopted as proposed.</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation.</p>
61	<p>Cllr Naoise O'Cearuil</p> <p>In order for the town of Maynooth to manage and cope with a large increase in population, that this council ensures that there are adequate school and childcare places to cater for the increase in population as part of future developments.</p>	<p>CE response</p> <p>A number of supporting reports/assessments will be prepared to inform the preparation of the (Joint) Local Area Plan for Maynooth, including a Social Infrastructure Audit and physical Infrastructure Assessment. This will</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation.</p>

			<p>examine the current availability and capacity of social infrastructure facilities (such as schools, childcare facilities, medical services, sports facilities and also water services, road capacity etc.) to determine future requirements and make recommendations on priority areas for future investment. Such assessments in advance of new development will ensure housing is delivered in tandem with the necessary social and physical infrastructure which will in turn inform the local area plan development and phasing strategy.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>Proposed Amendment No. 14 is adopted as proposed.</p>	
62		Cllr Ide Cussen	CE Response	Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation.

		<p>That Members be informed of the Infrastructural Audits which have been undertaken for their Area and their connection to the relevant Public Realm/Health Checks</p>	<p>The Infrastructure Assessment and Social Infrastructure Audits for each Settlement subject to a mandatory LAP will be published during the preparation of the LAP and all other settlement audits will be finalised in advance of the review of the CDP and made available thereafter.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>Proposed Amendment No. 14 is adopted as proposed.</p>	
63		<p>Cllr Tim Durkan</p> <p>That the Council put policy in place to strategically develop land be it residential or commercial to maximise public infrastructure gain.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>It is considered that the overall development strategy of the Kildare County Development Plan 2017-2023 and the policies and objectives set out therein, are sufficiently robust in providing a platform for delivering new development across county Kildare in tandem with necessary</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation.</p>

		<p>infrastructure both physical and social, where appropriate.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>Proposed Amendment No. 14 is adopted as proposed.</p>	
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Item No.	Proposed Amendment		
64	Proposed Amendment No. 15	Amend text under Section 3.8 and Section 3.9.	Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's proposed amendment.
65	CE Recommended Amendment	Remove reference to RPG's in SS 1 and replace with RSES.	Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's proposed amendment.
66	<p>Cllr Joe Neville</p> <p>In addition to SO 6 "Identify and retain green belt separation areas between the development boundaries of the County's towns and villages in the interest of avoiding coalescence of settlements and to retain their distinctive character and identity."</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>It is envisaged that this will form part of the overall integrated spatial plan for North Kildare that will provide for the development of this area and a network of</p>	Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation.

	That this step be taken as key component alongside all future LAPs in the County setting out the long-term town demarcation strategy.	green belts to safeguard the individual characteristics of each settlement CE Recommendation Proposed Amendment No. 15 is adopted as proposed.	
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Item No.	Proposed Amendment		
	67	Proposed Amendment No. 16	Delete & replace Table 5.2 Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's proposed amendment.

Item No.	Proposed Amendment		
	68	Proposed Amendment No. 17	Retain Table 9.2 in Chapter 9 Retail of Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's proposed amendment.

		CDP pending the full review of the KCDP.	
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Item No.	Motion		
69	<p>Cllr Naoise O’Cearuil That this Council prioritises the Royal Canal Greenway as a viable alternative for commuters and tourists to cycle to Dublin.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>It is the overall aim of the KCDP 2017-2023 to promote ease of movement within and access to County Kildare, by integrating sustainable land use planning with a high quality integrated transport system; to support improvements to the road, rail and public transport network, together with cycleway and pedestrian facilities and to provide for the sustainable development of aviation travel within the county in a manner which is consistent with the proper planning and sustainable development of the county.</p> <p>Attention is drawn to WCO 5 of the CDP which support green and blueway projects that promote walking and cycling in conjunction with the relevant organisations and bodies including: – The delivery of the Barrow Blueway by Waterways Ireland and associated works to enhance the amenity use of the river and canal area. – The delivery of</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to reject the Chief Executive’s recommendation</p>

		<p>Greenway projects as specified in the Greater Dublin Cycle Network.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	
70	<p>Cllr Naoise O’Cearuil With increased development in Maynooth, this Council commits to ensuring adequate green space along with ensuring the protection of biodiversity and wildlife.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>Kildare County Development Plan and all Local Area Plans contain policies that seek to protect local biodiversity. Habitat mapping and assessment is now a standard procedure for each LAP. Site specific biodiversity policies are contained in each plan. Each planning application is considered for its impact on biodiversity and conditions are attached which seek to protect and enhance the biodiversity on site while facilitating a balanced development. KCC is currently undertaking a phased biodiversity assessment of all KCC parks and recommendations are being made with a view to enhancing the biodiversity value of these sites.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive’s recommendation</p>

71	<p>Cllr Naoise O’Cearuil That this Council looks to secure national funding in order to progress the Maynooth Orbital routes and that large developments to the East and West of the town incorporate progression of same.</p>	<p>CE Response The Maynooth Outer Orbital has been the focus of funding applications for government funding and it is expected that this will continue to be the case.</p> <p>CE Recommendation No change.</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive’s recommendation</p>
72	<p>Cllr Joe Neville That specific consideration be given to pedestrianized areas and cycle lanes/areas as part of any new development plans or masterplans.</p>	<p>CE Response This has been an accepted part of sustainable transport and mobility policy in the past number of CDPs/LAPs/Masterplans and will continue to be the case.</p> <p>CE Recommendation No change.</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive’s recommendation</p>
73	<p>Cllr Joe Neville That the traffic study be taken on Celbridge to</p>	<p>CE Response The requirement for a Transport Strategy for each of the principal towns in Kildare is noted. These are prepared in the</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive’s recommendation</p>

	<p>assess the requirements and opportunities for traffic relief.</p>	<p>period ahead of the Local Area Plan review and informs the Council in the preparation of the new LAP. A Transport Study for Celbridge is currently being prepared to inform the Route Selection for the Second Liffey Crossing.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	
74	<p>Cllr Joe Neville That the development capacity plans include the second bridge for Celbridge.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>The project to deliver a second bridge crossing in Celbridge is currently at design stage.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation</p>
75	<p>Cllr Tim Durkan That the completion of orbital routes for the towns of Maynooth and Kilcock are given high priority status and that these projects are</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>The Maynooth Outer Orbital has been the focus of funding applications for government funding and it is expected that this will continue to be the case.</p> <p>The Kilcock orbital route is an objective of the LAP for Kilcock and will remain so. Any opportunity for the advancement of the project will be engaged with, and the</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to reject the Chief Executive's recommendation</p>

	completed within the lifetime of this plan.	<p>Council are committed to the scheme subject to the availability of the necessary resources.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	
76	<p>Cllr Tim Durkan</p> <p>That a second train station for Maynooth and a time frame for its delivery be implemented as part of the County Development Plan.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>The National Transport Authority is the state agency with responsibility for the provision of public transport services and it is an objective of the CDP under PTO 5 to ‘ Investigate, in co-operation with Irish Rail and the National Transport Authority, the provision of new railway stations in the county and the upgrading/relocation of existing stations, to rectify existing constraints in the network.</p> <p>A recent high-level meeting took place with the Chief Executive of Kildare County Council and Irish Rail to highlight the high levels issues across the county and this issue was raised.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive’s recommendation</p>

77	<p>Cllr Tim Durkan That the upgrading of the current M4 interchange in Maynooth is completed within the lifetime of this plan.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>The ‘M4 Maynooth to Leixlip’ is listed as a section of the transport network to be progressed through pre-appraisal and early planning and prioritised for delivery under the National Development Plan 2018–2027. Project Ireland 2040 (the subject of Variation No 1) lists the M4 Maynooth to Leixlip section of the national road network as a scheme that is to be progressed through the pre-appraisal and early planning stages of the project. The aim of the project is to assess the needs of the M4/N4 mainline corridor and junctions from Maynooth to Junction 5 Leixlip in terms of catering for future demand from a capacity, safety and operational perspective. The project is currently in the early stages of Phase 1, Concept and Feasibility (see image below), and Technical Advisors were appointed in December 2019 to support the delivery of the project through Phases 1 to 4. These Phases include:</p> <p>Phase 1 (Concept and Feasibility) which would determine if an intervention (project) is required and if an intervention is feasible;</p> <p>Phase 2 (Option Selection) would examine feasible options for intervention that could address the aim of the project;</p> <p>Phase 3 (Design and Environmental Evaluation) would develop the design of the preferred option from Phase 2 for further assessment including evaluation of environmental impacts; and</p> <p>Phase 4 (Statutory Processes) would include undertaking Statutory Processes.</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive’s recommendation</p>
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		<p>The project is currently in the early stages of Phase 1 (Concept and Feasibility) and will take a number of years to pass through the various steps required for Phase 1 (Concept and Feasibility), Phase 2 (Option Selection), Phase 3 (Design and Environmental Evaluation) and Phase 4 (Statutory Processes), provided it successfully progresses through each Phase. Therefore, it is not possible to give a commitment that the project will definitely progress through all the phases and it will not be possible for the scheme to be completed within the lifetime of this plan.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	
78	<p>Cllr Tim Durkan That a second M4 interchange for Maynooth and a time frame for its delivery is implemented as part of the County Development plan.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>Phase 2 (Option Selection) would examine feasible options for intervention that could address the aim of the project; this would include development of options together with completing detailed analysis of options, such as assessing capacity.</p> <p>During Phase 2 (Option Selection) public consultation events will be advertised and held to present potential options and provide an opportunity to gather feedback from the public.</p> <p>Therefore, transport options will not be identified and developed until Phase 2 (Option Selection).</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation</p>

		<p>Options will be assessed in line with Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport (DTTas) Common Appraisal Framework methodology.</p> <p>At this point in time it is not possible to say if ‘a second interchange for Maynooth’ will be identified as a feasibly option within the M4 Maynooth to Leixlip scheme. To give any commitment to an interchange or timeframe for any delivery would be premature prior to the development of the Option Selection report.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	
79	<p>Cllr Tim Durkan That the upgrading of the M4 Motorway from Leixlip to Kilcock and a time frame for its delivery is implemented as part of the County</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>As stated previously, the project is currently in the early stages of Phase 1 (Concept and Feasibility) and will take a number of years to pass through the various steps required for Phase 1 (Concept and Feasibility), Phase 2 (Option Selection), Phase 3 (Design and Environmental Evaluation) and Phase 4 (Statutory Processes), provided it successfully progresses through each Phase. Therefore, it is not possible to give a commitment that the project will definitely progress through all the phases and it will not be possible for the scheme to be completed within the lifetime of this plan.</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive’s recommendation</p>

	Development Plan.	CE Recommendation No change.	
80	Cllr Joe Neville That clarification be given on the impact of the new dwelling target on table 3.3 on the unit growth plans outlined in the Leixlip and Celbridge LAPs.	CE Response The Leixlip Local Area Plan was prepared in the context of the revised NPF and RSES population projections and provides for phasing of new housing development so as to ensure compliance with the hierarchy of plans. The level of growth for the town of Leixlip is proposed to be ca. 1,434 units to 2026 The level of growth for the town of Celbridge is proposed to be ca. 1,406 units to 2026. CE Recommendation No change.	Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation
81	Cllrs of Naas MD Insert into section 2.11.1 - Key Towns the following:	CE Response The Forward Planning Team are currently preparing the Draft Naas Local Area Plan which addresses the range of issues highlighted. A number of supporting reports/assessments are being prepared to inform the	Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation

	<p>The Council will initiate an infrastructure led strategic planning and engagement process for Naas town and surrounding areas working with councillors, relevant civic groups and appropriate public consultation processes, to support completion of the Local Area Plan process for Naas and CDP. The planning process will consider transport infrastructure, completion of the ring-road network, motorway intersection</p>	<p>preparation of the LAP including an Infrastructure Assessment to detail the capacity of physical infrastructure such as roads, water services etc. A Social Infrastructure Audit has also been carried out which has examined the current availability and capacity of social infrastructure facilities in the area, to determine future requirements and make recommendations on priority areas for future investment to ensure housing is delivered in tandem with the necessary social and physical infrastructure.</p> <p>Similarly, a Strategic Transport Strategy has been undertaken (currently on non-statutory public consultation) which will inform zoning decisions for the forthcoming LAP in tandem with solutions for improving public transport, cycling and permeability throughout the town.</p> <p>Appropriate consultation with elected members and all relevant stakeholders and interested parties will take place at all phases of the plan preparation.</p> <p>It is not considered necessary to include a statement in this regard as the LAP is mandatory and must comply with the</p>	
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	<p>upgrades, train station development, infrastructure for bus transport, walking and cycling routes and traffic design to avoid the major congestion problems. The process will address sustainability considerations and residential, retail and business planning to create a vision for a town community design for 2030 and beyond.</p> <p>Furthermore, the Council will take into account economic and business growth</p>	<p>requirements of the Ministerial Guidelines in relation to the preparation of LAPs.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	
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	in the Naas Municipal District and allow for reverse commuting into the town of Naas to be addressed if/when the need arises.		
82	<p>Cllr Ide Cussen</p> <p>That clarification be given on the Celbridge Local Area Plan concerning the fact that a significant quantum of housing in the town is dependent on the delivery of critical physical infrastructure. Ballyoulster KDA, which is also the site for</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>The requirement for the second bridge in Celbridge has been documented in the Celbridge LAP and the project to deliver same is currently underway.</p> <p>The LAP is explicit in stating that no development shall take place in Simmonstown KDA until such time as the bridge is complete. Regarding the Ballyoulster KDA, the requirement for a new pedestrian and cycle link after the initial 351 units is also a requirement of the LAP. However, this does not affect the delivery of schools. The number of units capable of being delivered on other lands within the town will allow the town to achieve its short-term housing requirements under the transitional population projections set out in the NPF and RSES.</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation</p>

	<p>up to three schools, requires a new pedestrian and cycle link from the Main Street to the Dublin Road to be delivered after the initial 351 units have been delivered. Simmonstown KDA is fully dependent on the completion of the new vehicular bridge over the River Liffey.</p>	<p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	
83	<p>Cllr Tim Durkan</p> <p>That the expansion of zoned commercial land in Maynooth</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>The zoning of land is more appropriately considered through LAPs which are informed by a local infrastructure assessment. There are significant lands zoned in the current plan for employment and R and D etc and these will be</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation</p>

	<p>with access to the M4 is made a policy objective of this plan to provide local employment for residents of both Maynooth and County Kildare.</p>	<p>reviewed in 2020 in advance of the commencement of the full review of the CDP.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	
84	<p>Cllr Tim Durkan That an infrastructure master plan is implemented for each town to coincide with residential and commercial development.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>A Social Infrastructure Audit will be carried out at local area plan and settlement plan level to inform the required social infrastructure for the projected population of each settlement.</p> <p>This will be used to inform a Sustainable Planning and Infrastructure Assessment (to be published with each LAP & CDP 2023-2029) which will examine, schools, childcare, recreation and amenity areas, water, wastewater and transport needs across the settlements to ensure land zoned is either serviced or serviceable through the life of the Plan for the projected population.</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation</p>

		<p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	
85	<p>Cllr Michael Coleman Variation No. 1 to the County Development Plan. I am opposed to Variation No. 1 of the County Development Plan. "I reject the Variation No. 1 to the County Development Plan (CDP) on its proposed amendments to the existing CDP. This Variation should be incorporated into a full review of the CDP.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>Proposed Variation No.1 of the Kildare County Development Plan is a statutory variation to align the CDP with the National Planning Framework and the Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy. The primary focus of the variation is to translate the transitional population targets sets out in the NPF Roadmap and RSES and the revised settlement designations into the Settlement Hierarchy for County Kildare to align the plan with the hierarchy of plans.</p> <p>Background work on numerous issues and research papers in are underway in preparation for the commencement of the full review of the CDP in early 2021. These papers are critical in order to inform settlement plans and other elements of the review of the County Development Plan.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	<p>It was agreed that this Notice of Motion would not be debated.</p> <p>The Notice of Motion was withdrawn.</p>

<p>86</p>	<p>Cllr Mark Stafford That the Council confirm that the review of the County Development Plan will commence immediately on the completion of this variation and indicate a strict time scale for the completion of the review.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>In accordance with the Planning & Development Acts 2000 (as amended) the Planning Authority must, no later than 4 years after the adoption of the County Development Plan, initiate a review of their CDP. The legislative timeframe for such a review is 99 weeks and involves a series of consultations with Elected Members, Prescribed Bodies, State Agencies, interest groups and the general public. The process is generally made up of 3 stages, Predraft, draft and material alterations.</p> 	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation</p>
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		<p>Notwithstanding the nearly 2 years that a Planning Authority has to prepare its development plan, there are many background and research papers that are required.</p> <p>In advance of the publication of the notice to initiate the review of the CDP, the forward planning team are currently preparing a suite of research and background documents to inform the future sustainable development of the County, including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rural Housing Policy Review Paper • Open Space Strategy • Social & Physical infrastructure Assessments for all 72 Settlements • Wind Energy Strategy • Housing Strategy or Housing Needs Demand Assessment (awaiting Ministerial guidance) • Vacant Site Surveys • Assessment of extant permissions across the county • Strategic Employment Land bank identification • Environmental Sensitivity mapping • Transport Assessments <p>Local Authorities are also awaiting the publication of Development plan Guidelines to inform the preparation of future plans by the Department.</p>	
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		<p>It is also of importance to note that Strategic Environmental Assessment and Appropriate Assessment background data collection and analysis will be required during the period in advance of the review officially commencing.</p> <p>All of the above ensure the formulation of a future development strategy for the county is evidence based and will assist the Council in identifying gaps/deficits in housing delivery and/or infrastructure both physical and social.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	
87	<p>Cllr Naoise O’Cearuil</p> <p>That this Council examines the possibility of a joint development document between Maynooth,</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>The Council, through the full review of the County Development Plan will consider the possibility of an integrated spatial plan for North Kildare. SO 2 of the CDP refers;</p> <p><i>SO 2 Carry out a strategic Land Use, Employment and Transportation Study of north east Kildare including the Metropolitan area towns of Leixlip (and Collinstown), Maynooth, Celbridge and Kilcock. The preparation of the study will have regard to existing and emerging local area plans. It is envisaged that the study will involve the</i></p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive’s recommendation</p>

	<p>Leixlip, Celbridge and Kilcock (MASP area) in order to achieve joint sustainable development targets and to ensure coordinated approaches through the various Local Area Plans.</p>	<p><i>participation of all strategic stakeholders, including the National Transportation Authority, adjoining local authorities (i.e. Meath, Fingal and South Dublin County Councils), the Regional Assembly, transportation providers, Waterways Ireland, Government Departments and Environmental Agencies.</i></p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	
88	<p>Cllr Joe Neville All future Local Area Plans have road and cycle design outlining plans in and LIHAF funding opportunities.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>It is standard practice that all Local Area Plans provide for road and cycle objectives. Regarding LIHAF funding it should be noted that this stream has been replaced with the URDF and RRDF (Urban Regeneration Development Fund and Rural Regeneration Development Fund) for which Kildare County Council has received funding for various projects across the county.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation</p>

		No change.	
89	<p>Cllr Rob Power</p> <p>That in light of recent changes to economic and social circumstances brought about by the COVID 19 pandemic the massive additional population allocation proposed through MASP that the Council moves to commence a full review of the County Development plan immediately.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>See item 3 above under Cllr Vanessa Liston regarding the additional population allocation for Maynooth and item 86 regarding background work currently underway to prepare for the full review of the CDP.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation</p>

90	<p>Cllr Seamie Moore</p> <p>There is an unhealthy trend in NDPs since 1998 to promote Kildare as a commuter County for the magnetic pulling, economically, over-stimulated Dublin Areas. This has been achieved by not supporting similar large public investments in developing Kildare. Kildare County has the 3rd highest population after Dublin and Cork and it needs a</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>Noted. This rebalance of population across the state is the basis for the National Planning Framework and Regional Spatial Economic Strategy with which the County Development Plan must now align.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	<p>Item 90, 91 and 92 were taken together.</p> <p>The members discussed the three motions and referred to the lack of 3rd level educational facilities, the electrification of the rail network, the necessity for population growth and barriers to investment.</p> <p>E Ryan informed the meeting that discussions were ongoing regarding the electrification of the Kildare rail line.</p> <p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation.</p>
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	<p>recognised designation as a Southern-Axis Economic Corridor, new third level education centres, the electrification of main line rail to Sallins-Naas-Newbridge,- Kildare and Monasterevin, increased house-building to keep prices/rents at reasonable levels & available for locals and new FDI/International business. The Kildare Planning Team have achieved a balanced</p>		
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	<p>population and housing units plan for as far as the year 2026 but the figures have been drawn forward from the allocation for the next planning stage (2026-2031).</p>		
91	<p>Cllr Seamie Moore</p> <p>There is an unhealthy trend in NDPs since 1998 to promote Kildare as a commuter County for the magnetic pulling, economically, over-stimulated Dublin Areas. This has been</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>See response to item 90 above.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	<p>Item 90, 91 and 92 were taken together.</p> <p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation</p>

	<p>achieved by not supporting similar large public investments in developing Kildare. Kildare County has the 3rd highest population after Dublin and Cork and it needs a recognised designation as a Southern-Axis Economic Corridor, new third level education centres, the electrification of main line rail to Sallins-Naas-Newbridge,- Kildare and Monasterevin, increased house-building</p>		
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	<p>to keep prices/rents at reasonable levels & available for locals and new FDI/International business. The Kildare Planning Team have achieved a balanced population and housing units plan for as far as the year 2026 but the figures have been drawn forward from the allocation for the next planning stage (2026-2031).</p>		
92	<p>Cllr Seamie Moore</p>	<p>CE Response Growth projections set out in the proposed variation are based on 7-year period between 2020 & 2026. This provides</p>	<p>Item 90, 91 and 92 were taken together.</p>

	<p>This drawing forward action leaves Kildare County with a programme of house building of less than 1000 houses per year for 2024-2025-2026 and an even worse programme of less than 400 houses per year for the five years 2026-2031. Should this situation be allowed to stand firm and uncontested it will be unsustainable and ruinous for a balanced economic</p>	<p>for ca. 16,863 persons (6,023 housing units) over the remainder of the plan (2020, 2021 and 2022 as the plan expires in early 2023) with ca. 22,507 persons (8,038 housing units) over the remaining 4 years to the end of 2026 which anticipates ca. 2,000 units per year over the 7 years period which is considered to be a sustainable rate of growth and reasonable rate of housing delivery.</p> <p>The upcoming review of the CDP will also benefit from the data from the Census in 2021 which will provide up to date figures in terms of population growth, housing stock and occupancy rates.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation</p>
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93	<p>Cllr Ide Cussen That a timeline for the Review of Local Area Plans be issued.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>The programme for review of Local Area Plans is not provided for within the proposed variation, however the Members will be aware that LAPs for Naas, Athy, Kildare Town and Maynooth are currently being prepared.</p> <p>The following is of note regarding the status of LAPs including those currently being prepared.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Town</th> <th>Expiry Date</th> <th>Status</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Athy</td> <td>2018</td> <td>Preparation of Draft LAP underway</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Celbridge</td> <td>2023</td> <td>Adopted 17/08/2017</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Clane</td> <td>2023</td> <td>Adopted 10/05/2017</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Kilcock</td> <td>2021</td> <td>Adopted 15/10/2015</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Kildare Town</td> <td>2018</td> <td>Preparation of Draft LAP underway</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Kilcullen</td> <td>2020</td> <td>Adopted 20/10/2014.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Leixlip</td> <td>2023</td> <td>Adopted 16/12/2019.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Maynooth</td> <td>2019</td> <td>RSES RPO 4.35 requires a Joint LAP between Meath & Kildare Local Authorities.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Monasterevin</td> <td>2022</td> <td>Adopted 22/02/2016</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Naas</td> <td>2017</td> <td>Draft LAP currently being prepared.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Newbridge</td> <td>2021</td> <td>Adopted 23/12/2013. 2-year extension until 22/12/2021</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sallins</td> <td>2022</td> <td>Adopted 09/03/2016.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Town	Expiry Date	Status	Athy	2018	Preparation of Draft LAP underway	Celbridge	2023	Adopted 17/08/2017	Clane	2023	Adopted 10/05/2017	Kilcock	2021	Adopted 15/10/2015	Kildare Town	2018	Preparation of Draft LAP underway	Kilcullen	2020	Adopted 20/10/2014.	Leixlip	2023	Adopted 16/12/2019.	Maynooth	2019	RSES RPO 4.35 requires a Joint LAP between Meath & Kildare Local Authorities.	Monasterevin	2022	Adopted 22/02/2016	Naas	2017	Draft LAP currently being prepared.	Newbridge	2021	Adopted 23/12/2013. 2-year extension until 22/12/2021	Sallins	2022	Adopted 09/03/2016.	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation</p>
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	94	<p>Cllr Tim Durkan</p> <p>That the Council explain in full the implications in relation to SHD's and the ability of such an application to circumnavigate the core strategy figures within our County Plan.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>The SHD process is independent to the Variation process.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	<p>Cllr Durkan withdrew this Notice of Motion.</p>
	95	<p>Cllr Tim Durkan</p> <p>That the rural housing levies policy is implemented as adopted by the member and refunds issued where appropriate.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>The implementation of the Kildare County Council Development Contribution Scheme is outside of the remit this variation.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	<p>Cllr Durkan withdrew this Notice of Motion.</p>

96	<p>Cllr Tim Durkan</p> <p>That all developer led road infrastructure projects to accompany residential development are completed as through roads prior to the occupation of any houses and that this is conditions in any grant of planning.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>The issue of applying conditions to planning permissions is a development management function and is outside of the remit this variation.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation.</p>
97	<p>Cllr Tim Durkan</p> <p>That a design and public consultation process is completed for the bypass of Alexandra Bridge in Clane within 16 months of this plan being adopted.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>A second crossing of the Liffey at Clane is subject to the availability of the necessary resources. It is not possible to identify a timescale for the scheme at this time.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	<p>Cllr Durkan withdrew this Notice of Motion.</p>

98	<p>Cllr Seamie Moore</p> <p>That the Chief Executive agrees to form a strong Kildare Development Committee to pursue all political and official avenues to raise the level of economic development and area recognition, 3rd level education, rail & public transport improvements, housing construction, population increases and serious government investment in mid-Kildare before the final review of the 2026-2031 National Development Plan arises. The need for this committee is soundly based and unfortunately highly illustrated by the unbalanced and weak outcome of the National Development Strategy for Kildare County.</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>The issue of establishing a committee is outside of the remit of a County Development Plan and is more appropriately addressed at Corporate Policy Group.</p> <p>CE Recommendation</p> <p>No change.</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation</p>
99	<p>Cllr Ide Cussen</p> <p>That the proposed Variation which is in line with NPF Project Ireland 2040 be considered in the context of the many changes that COVID19 has presented. For example Densities, NPO32 "ensure a high standard quality of life to future residents...".</p>	<p>CE Response</p> <p>The extent of changes to how communities function will undoubtedly alter as a result of Covid-19, however, it is outside of the remit of this variation to address these potential changes at this stage.</p>	<p>Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation</p>

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100	Cllr Ide Cussen That the proposed Variation considers the public transport constraints that will present in the context of COVID19.	CE Response While the issue of COVID-19 and the constraints regarding public transport use as a result are acknowledged, it is not considered that mechanisms to address such issues are within the remit of a strategic plan, however, the matter will be considered in the context of the preparation of LAPs. CE Recommendation No change.	Resolved by a majority of the members present to accept the Chief Executive's recommendation

The members discussed the legal requirements surrounding to required final resolution regarding the adoption of the variation and whether reasons for a rejection of the proposed variation were required. M Kenny advised the meeting that, if the members decided to reject the proposed variation, clear reasons needed to be stated. M Kenny further advised that the Chief Executive was obliged to notify the Office of the Planning Regulator if the members decided to reject the proposed variation.

It was **resolved** on the proposal of Councillor Keatley, seconded by Councillor McEvoy with 20 members voting in favour of the proposal - Councillors A Breen, A Breslin, F Brett, B Clear, N Connolly, Í Cussen, K Duffy, A Farrelly, A Feeney, C Galvin, P Hamilton, I Keatley, N Killeen, V Liston, V P Martin, P McEvoy, J Neville, C Pender, E Sammon and B Wyse and 19 members voting against the proposal – Councillors V Behan, B Caldwell, M Coleman, A Connolly, B Dooley, S Doyle, T Durkan, D Fitzpatrick, N Heavey, C Kelly, F McLoughlin Healy, S Moore, N Ó Cearúil, P O’Dwyer, T O’Dwyer, R Power, M Stafford, P Ward and B Weld that, following consideration of the Chief Executive’s Report on submissions/observations received in relation to the draft Variation No. 1 of the Kildare County Development Plan 2017 – 2023 as agreed and as further amended by resolutions made at the special meeting held on the 8th June, 2020 and the adjourned special meeting held on the 9th June, 2020, be adopted in accordance with Section 13 of the Planning and Development Acts 2000 (as amended).

This concluded the meeting.