

Áras Chill Dara Páirc Devoy An Nás Co. Chill Dara

19 March 2021

Don Chathaoirleach is gach ball den Chomhairle Chondae

A Bhaill Uile,

Tionólfar cruinniú míosúil den Chomhairle Chondae ar 3.00 tráthnóna dé Lúain, an 29ú Márta 2021 ar Foirne Microsoft, agus iarrtar ort bheith i láthair.

The monthly meeting of the council will be held at **3.00 p.m.** on Monday, 29 March 2021 on Microsoft Teams, and you are invited to attend.

Le gach dea ghuí,

Christine O'Grady C O'Grady

Meetings Administrator



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Agenda

1. Chun miontuairiscí cruinniú míosúil an 22ú Feabhra 2021 deara (cóip ceangailte) agus chun tuarascáil dul chun cinn a thabhairt faoi (tuarascáil le leanúint). To adopt the minutes of the monthly meeting on 22 February 2021 (attached) and to note progress report (report to follow).

Gnó Reachtúil

Statutory Business

- **2.** To note Chief Executives monthly management report (copy attached).
- 3. To consider the disposal of lands pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended (Statutory notices of 02 March and 09 March 2021 respectively, circulated previously and attached).
 - i. Disposal of Land at Osberstown, Naas, Co. Kildare.
 - ii. Disposal of Land at Suncroft, Curragh, Co. Kildare.
- 4. To consider the disposal of lands pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended (Statutory notice of 12 March 2021, circulated previously and attached).
 - iii. Disposal of 0.011 hectares of land at Palmerstown, Naas, Co. Kildare.
- **5.** To consider and approve the Annual Service Delivery Plan 2021 (report to follow).
- **6.** To appoint external nominees to the Local Community and Culture Strategic Policy Committee (report attached).



Tithíocht agus Seirbhísí Corporáideach

Housing and Corporate Services

- 7. Gnó an Chathaoirleach/Cathaoirleachs Business.
- **8.** Comhfhreagras/Correspondence.
- **9.** Conferences and training (report to follow).
- **10.** To receive a presentation from Kildare Fáilte.

Bóithre, Iompar agus Sábháilteacht Poiblí Roads, Transportation and Public Safety

11. To note the Roadworks Programme 2021 (report attached).

Forbairt Gheilleagrach, Pobail agus Cultúrtha Economic Development, Community and Culture

- **12.** To consider and approve the draft Kildare County Council Community and Festival Grants Scheme Policy (report attached).
- **13.** To consider and approve the draft Kildare County Council Twinning Grant Guidelines and Policy (reports attached).

Tuarascáil agus Moltaí ó Choistí Committee Reports and Recommendations

14. Referral from Protocol and Procedures Committee

To consider amendment to Standing Orders for Full Council (report attached).



15. Referral from Athy Municipal District Committee

That we the members of the Athy Municipal District Committee call on the Government to establish a Commission of Investigation into County Homes including the former County Home, Athy, to provide a full and account of what happened to women and children during the period from 1920 to their abolition and to allow them access the redress scheme and all supports.

Tairisceana na Comhairle Contae Motions Kildare County Council

16. Adjourned Councillor Veralouise Behan

That the council create space in their County Development Plan to support the planning and development and residential log and modular homes using either predominantly prefabricated, renewable materials, and repurposed modular units, such as shipping containers.

17. Adjourned Councillor Vanessa Liston

That the council invites the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NWPS) to give a presentation to council on their proposals and work plan for habitat management of bogs and wetlands in Kildare over the coming 2 years.

18. Adjourned Councillor Chris Pender

That the council write to the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment, and The Minister for Housing Local Government and Heritage stating that international trade agreements, such as Comprehensive and Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) providing a right to multinational corporations to take recourse against the State outside of ordinary legal systems, should be fully and properly scrutinised by a Joint Oireachtas Committee allowing for a discussion on the impacts of such agreements, with reference to the provision of Local Authority Services and the impact on such services provision before any Dáil vote on ratification.



19. Adjourned Councillor Anne Breen

That the council consider running a pilot project to provide a range of free sanitary products in council-owned buildings.

20. Adjourned Councillor Aidan Farrelly

That the council confirms the number of estates in County Kildare which have had their bonds/insurance expire and the total figure of unrecoupable monies associated with these estates, and the proposed actions to progress taking in charge these estates.

21. Adjourned Councillor Colm Kenny

That the council request the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to update legislation to include schools and community buildings in the exemptions from planning permission for the installation of solar panels that cover less than 50% of the rooftop (which commercial, industrial buildings, etc. all benefit from already) through use of a Statutory Instrument.

22. Adjourned Councillor Fiona McLoughlin Healy

That the council celebrate International Women's Day this year by commemorating great Kildare female writers and options might include any or all of the following; Talks from current Kildare female writers; Maynooth University Event; Involve students schools - prize for short stories; Online writing workshop with Kildare writer/s; Online Concert with Kildare Female songwriters.

23. Adjourned Councillor Bill Clear

That the council contact the relevant Government departments to request that councillors be allowed avail of the Cycle to Work Scheme.

24. Councillors Nuala Killeen, Aidan Farrelly, Bill Clear and Chris Pender

That as Section 183 of the Local Government Act, is one of the most important reserved functions delegated to elected members: Kildare County Council opposes the provisions in the Land Development Agency 2021 Bill (to be enacted) which overrides the decision making of elected members regarding the transfer or sale of public land by a Bill that would further undermine local democracy and the work of our



council executive in the proper planning of our county and our local communities and that the council writes to the Minister for Housing and Local Government demanding an immediate halt to the progression of the Land Development Agency Bill 2021, asking the Minister to engage in consultation with Local Authorities' representation groups.

25. Councillors Anne Breen, Aoife Breslin, Angela Feeney, Ciara Galvin

That the council rejects the provisions contained in the Land Development Agency 2021 Bill published by the Government removing the role of the elected members of Local Authorities in approving the transfer or sale of lands, to the Land Development Agency and communicates this decision to the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

26. Councillors Peggy O'Dwyer and Tim Durkan

That the council give a full update in relation to noise reducing measures on all motorways in county Kildare as outline in the third Noise Action Plan 2019-2023 to include the following; installation of noise reducing tarmac, installation of noise reducing barriers, installation of natural noise reducing measures (trees) and a timeline and completion date for all proposed improvement measures

27. Councillor Evie Sammon

That the council outlines the environmental and ecological damage caused by unauthorised quarries and the measures they are taking to address unauthorised quarries in Kildare.

28. Councillor Peter Hamilton

That the council prepares a Decarbonized Zone strategy for Kildare based on the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage circular of February 2021 including proposed locations for decarbonised zones based on the national criteria for selection, and complementary strategies for low carbon towns and villages in Kildare.

29. Councillor Naoise Ó Cearúil

That the council consults with Dublin City Council and Fingal County Council to extend the Dublin Bikes scheme along the Royal Canal as a commuting option as



with new Hybrid bicycles in the Dublin Bikes fleet, it makes this option possible to a wider range of people.

30. Councillor Noel Connolly

That with a view to launching an infill plan to build homes for single people whilst having regard to maintaining sufficient green areas, Kildare County Council will survey all land it owns or controls in existing developments to build such homes and will also invite private developers and Approved Housing Bodies to bring forward proposals to do the same, on lands not owned by Kildare County Council.

31. Councillor Mark Leigh

That the council pauses the payment of rent by all sports clubs that have a leasehold with the Council, during the pandemic.

32. Councillor Íde Cussen

That the council carries out a review of the existing legacy funding/services that have carried forward from Town Councils to Municipal Districts since 2014 to address funding inequities that exist between Municipal Districts and within Municipal Districts, to date.

33. Councillor Noel Heavey

That this council provide a report to include reasons for, amounts of money involved, and commitments entered into for whatever period, to do with 'Legacy Funding;' and/or any other anomaly that exists when funding Municipal District programmes in our county up to now, as a precursor to reform of funding for each Municipal District based on an equitable formula (e.g. number of councillors in each municipal district)

34. Councillor Vanessa Liston

That the council implement an equality impact assessment process as part of the development stages of all council plans and policies.

35. Councillor Fiona McLoughlin Healy

That the relevant Directors and Chair of the Audit Committee present to and allow elected members to ask for explanations for the findings of the recently published



Local Government Auditor report (as opposed to the LGA opinion); and in preparation for the engagement with the elected members, that the council provide the relevant materials including whatever asset register and register of land banks was provided to the LGA, and any other material that would be helpful in fully informing members ahead of the discussion of the report.