Kildare County Council



Áras Chill Dara Páirc Devoy An Nás Co. Chill Dara

21 May 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 31ú Bealtaine 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, 31 May 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. Fógra um leasanna airgeadais nó leasanna tairbhúla faoin alt 177 den Acht Rialtais Áitiúil 2001, arna leasú.
 - Declaration of pecuniary or beneficial interests under Section 177 of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended.
- 2. Chun miontuairiscí cruinniú míosúil an 26ú Aibrean 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 26 April 2021 (attached) and to note progress report (report to follow).

Gnó Reachtúil

Statutory Business

- **3.** To note Chief Executives monthly management report (copy attached).
- **4.** To consider the disposal of lands pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended:
 - 5 Priory Village Calverstown by way of lease pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended (Statutory notice 10 May circulated previously and attached).
 - II. 0.025ha at Barnhall Leixlip, to Irish Water for the purposes of an extension of the existing pumping station (Statutory notice 20 May circulated previously and attached).



- To consider and adopt the Draft Annual Report 2020 including the Progress Report on the Annual Service Delivery Plan 2020 and to note the 2020 Progress Report on the Corporate Plan 2019 – 2024 (reports to follow).
- **6.** To consider and adopt Draft Casual Trading Selection Policy (report to follow).
- 7. To consider and adopt Draft Standing Orders for Strategic Policy Committees (report to follow).
- 8. To pledge support for the "Royal Sites" Application for inclusion on the UNESCO World Heritage Tentative List in association with Meath, Westmeath, Roscommon & Tipperary County Councils and Armagh Craigavon Banbridge Borough Council.
- **9.** Gnó an Chathaoirleach/Cathaoirleachs Business.
- **10.** Comhfhreagras/Correspondence.
- **11.** Conferences and training (report to follow).

Tuarascáil agus Moltaí ó Choistí Committee Reports and Recommendations

12. Motion referral from Athy Municipal District Committee

That the council provide funding to commemorate all those buried in St Marys Cemetery Athy. This fund will enable the design and construction of a suitable memorial to the memory of all those sadly neglected souls, that died in Athy's Workhouse and County Home.



13. Report referral from the Protocol and Procedures Committee

To consider Draft Standing Orders for Petitions to the Cathaoirleach (report to follow).

- **14.** To receive a report from the Chair of the Climate Action Strategic Policy Committee.
- **15.** To receive a report from the Chair of the Environmental Services and Water Strategic Policy Committee.

Tairisceana na Comhairle Contae Motions Kildare County Council

16. Councillors Ciara Galvin and Anne Breen,

That the Local Enterprise Office seek a briefing from the IDEAS Institute in relation to workplace innovation, education and research and from SIPTU in relation to workplace democracy, to establish how these could foster innovation in Kildare based enterprises.

17. Councillors Aoife Breslin and Angela Feeney

That Kildare County Council calls on the Government to urgently introduce legislation that prevents foreign investment funds from bulk buying in new housing developments in our county.

18. Councillors Aidan Farrelly, Nuala Killeen, Chris Pender, Bill Clear

That Kildare County Council requests a briefing for members with the Minister for Housing to address the transparency of housing delivery under the five pillars of social housing delivery and the role of state-backed private investor funds in purchasing housing developments in Kildare.



- 19. Councillors Joe Neville, Tracey O'Dwyer, Evie Sammon and Tim Durkan
 That Kildare County Council pauses any negotiations with third parties on large
 scale leasing (greater than 10 units) until further information is received from
 Government regarding legislation related to this function.
- 20. Councillors Carmel Kelly, Veralouise Behan, Anne Connolly, Michael Coleman, Suzanne Doyle, Paul Ward, Brian Dooley and Bernard Caldwell That following the introduction on the 1 March 2019 of Bye-laws for the Regulation and Control of Waste Management (Segregation, Storage and Presentation of Household and Commercial Waste) within the county, that the council now provides a report which includes
 - a) The number of fixed penalty notices/fines have been issued to Households in respect of 2.1 (Obligation to participate in a Waste Collection Service) and
 - b) The number of fixed penalty notices/fines have been issued in respect of 2.8 (Additional Provisions Householders not availing of Kerbside Collections Service where documentation, including receipts was not produced as proof that waste was removed and managed in a manner that conforms to these byelaws)

21. Councillor Noel Connolly

That Kildare County Council immediately adapt its housing allocation policy to allow credit for time spent by a person on the housing list and within a tenancy, where in the event of relationship breakdown, they have had to resign their interest in a tenancy.

22. Councillor Peter Hamilton

That the council revises the speed review recommendations to separate all elements related to implementing the 30km speed limits in housing developments in support of 'Jake's law' from the general recommendations in the speed limit review, in order to allow the passing and implementation of these proposals without further delay.



23. Councillor Fiona Mc Loughlin Healy

That the council writes to the Minister for Justice Heather Humphreys and the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform Michael McGrath asking that the elected members of local authorities be specifically included and named as being protected by the Protected Disclosures Act when the EU Whistleblowers Directive is transposed into domestic law in December. The EU Whistleblower directive yet to be transposed into our domestic law expands the definition of employee/worker beyond that of the Irish Whistleblowers Legislation to include not only workers and self-employed and contractors/subcontractors but also 'Shareholders and Persons belonging to the administrative, management or **supervisory** body of an undertaking, including non-executive members, as well as volunteers and paid or unpaid trainees'. International Best Practice suggests that Whistleblowers protection should cover all individuals working in the public or private sector, irrespective of the nature of their working relationship and whether they are paid or not. The EU directive clearly intends to extend the protection and attempts to list all workers not previously protected eg volunteers, and we ask that the omission of local elected members be corrected by the Ministers as part of the process of transposing the EU Directive into law.

24. Councillor Fintan Brett

That Kildare County Council enhances its support to Green Kilometre groups by providing dedicated secure areas for storage of rubbish awaiting collection, the provision of visibility warning signs to groups collecting on local roads with live traffic and arranges and supports multi department coordinated litter picks with Green Kilometre groups on regional roads where traffic volumes deem the roads unsuitable for normal type Green Kilometer litter picks.

25. Councillor Mark Leigh

That in light of the expansion of the Kildare Dog Pound, the council outlines what plans it has to increase resources for it and its services.



26. Councillor Kevin Duffy

That the council undertakes a review of the cemetery charges and associated fees, the council's expenditure against the revenue (capital and operating expenditure) and compares these charges with other relevant county councils (North and South) to determine whether the current fees and fee structure are still reasonable or whether alternative models should be considered.

27. Councillor Brendan Wyse

That in preparation for the new Code of Practice for Domestic Waste Water Treatment Systems (DWTTS) which comes into effect in June 2021, the council carries out the following:

- Creates a guidance document which outlines common issues relating to the DWWTS selected for proposed developments, and the various alternative systems that can be installed
- Commits to ensuring that planning applicants have the opportunity to propose an alternative DWWTS by means of further information, where the site characteristics are deemed unacceptable for the originally proposed DWWTS.
- Creates a detailed standard operating procedure (SOP) for the inspection of trial holes and recording of the same. The SOP should ensure that the length of time a trial hole has been open is taken into account when assessing mottling.

28. Councillor Vanessa Liston

That the council provides an update on progress and a timeline for publication of the new Kildare Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan.

29. Councillor Seamie Moore

That the council outlines what additional programmes it offers to encourage greater integration into our communities, local organisations and representative groups of the many new migrants, refugees and people from a wide range of overseas origins who now form a very welcome part of our communities. This is in addition to the acknowledged provision of housing supports and also recognises the great efforts and 'easing in' of integration of the education system, sports groups and general employment services.