#### **Kildare County Council**



Áras Chill Dara Páirc Devoy An Nás Co. Chill Dara

15 July 2022

## Don Chathaoirleach is gach ball den Chomhairle Chondae

A Bhaill Uile,

Tionólfar cruinniú míosúil den Chomhairle Chondae ar 3.00 tráthnóna dé Lúain, an 25ú Iúil 2022 i seomra na Chomhairle, Áras Chill Dara, Páirc Devoy, An Nás, agus iarrtar ort bheith i láthair.

The monthly meeting of the council will be held at **3.00 p.m.** on **Monday, 25 July 2022 in the Council Chamber**, Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas, and you are invited to attend.

Le gach dea ghuí,

Christine O'Grady C O'Grady

Meetings Administrator



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## **Agenda**

- 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 tuairiscí cruinniú bliantúil an 24ú Meitheamh 2022 (cóip ceangailte), miontuairiscí cruinniú míosúil ar an 27 Meitheamh 2022 (cóip ceangailte), miontuairiscí na gcruinnithe speisialta den chomhairle contae ar an 24ú Feabhra 2022 (cóip ceangailte) agus chun tuarascáil dul chun cinn a thabhairt faoi deara (tuarascáil le leanúint).

To adopt the minutes of the annual meeting held on 24 June, minutes of the monthly meeting on 27 June 2022 (attached), minutes of the special meeting on 24 February 2022 (attached) and to note progress report (to follow).

# Gnó Reachtúil Statutory Business

- **3.** To note the 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 at the Dominican site in Athy to Clúid, Approved Housing Body, for the provision of housing for older persons (Statutory notice of 13 July 2022 circulated previously and attached).
- **5.** To receive a quarterly update on Climate Action (report to follow).
- 6. To receive reports from members appointed to Other Bodies, pursuant to Section 141 of the Local Government Act 2001 as amended (reports to follow).

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- 7. To approve loan sanction of €10.8 million in order to provide mortgage facilities to first time borrowers under the Local Authority Housing Loan Scheme (report attached).
- **8.** To receive a report on finished, unfinished, and estates under construction (report to follow).
- **9.** Gnó an Chathaoirleach/Cathaoirleachs Business.
- **10.** Comhfhreagras/Correspondence (copies to follow).
- 11. Comhdhálacha agus Oiliúint/Conferences and training (report to follow).

# Tuarascáil agus Moltaí ó Choistí Committee Reports and Recommendations

- **12.** To receive a report from the Chair of the Water and Environment Services Strategic Policy Committee.
- **13.** To receive a report from the Chair of the Climate Action Strategic Policy Committee.
- 14. Referral from the June meeting of the Celbridge-Leixlip Municipal District Committee.

That the council outline measures it takes to mitigate high radon levels both in its housing stock and to raise awareness of the need for residents to test for radon levels particularly in high risk areas (report to follow).

# Tairisceana na Comhairle Contae Motions Kildare County Council

15. Councillors Angela Feeney, Anne Breen and Aoife Breslin

That the council supports the 'Raise the Roof' campaign, by writing to the Minister for Housing calling for urgent action, through legislation, if necessary, to address the



current housing emergency and growing levels of homelessness in the county.

### 16. Councillors Ide Cussen and Bernard Caldwell

That the council install Age Friendly Parking Bays in Aras Chill Dara and that members be given a listing per municipal district of all Age Friendly Parking Bays in Kildare County Council parking areas.

### 17. Councillors Mark Leigh and Ciara Galvin

That the council provide a breakdown of the current housing list figures for the County, including people availing of the HAP scheme.

## 18. Councillors Mark Stafford and Pádraig McEvoy

That the council considers the legal advice received on foot of the RTE Investigates programme, reflects on the learnings and evaluates options open to the elected members.

#### 19. Councillor Suzanne Doyle

That the council suspends work on the current County Development Plan as provided for within the Planning & Development (Amendment) (No.3) Bill 2021, Section 2 given the restrictions of public engagement due to Covid constraints and Covid related delay in accurate census data that has resulted in serious anomalies in the core strategy, it is prudent to await direction from likely review of NDP in order to align the core strategy and adjust the County Development Plan to accurately reflect and accommodate the population of county.

#### 20. Councillor Tracey O'Dwyer

That Kildare County Council confirms if they have made an application to the Department of Transport to avail of the funding provided specifically for the purchase of new "Safe Overtaking for Cyclists Signage" which advises motorists of the need to leave adequate space when overtaking cyclists, as outlined in circular RST 04/219 relating to new signage concerning the safe overtaking width for cyclists which was issued to all local authorities on the 19 December 2019.

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## 21. Councillor Aidan Farrelly

That the council outlines the budget allocated for renovating and reallocating it's social housing units in 2022 and what this budget equates to in the number of homes reallocated to date this year including where relevant, when these works resulted in an increase in BER, what number of reallocations it projects for the remainder of this year, how many units currently remain empty and unallocated and identify it's projections for 2023.

#### 22. Councillor Naoise Ó Cearúil

That the council establishes an emergency accommodation centre in the North of the County.

#### 23. Councillor Nuala Killeen

That the council provides a report in tabular format on the cost and number of ongoing maintenance contracts in respect of leased units and PPP and other housing pillar delivery arrangements, the number of units covered by external maintenance contracts, per town, the number of companies involved in delivering maintenance and the estimated costs planned for the next 5 years in tabular format, and to confirm which aspects of the service are covered under contractual arrangements and which are delivered in-house, to include details provided (see attached).

#### 24. Motion – Councillor Chris Pender

That in recognising the severity of the current housing crisis, the council agrees to implement a robust workflow process that comprehensively documents the actual real time unmet need of provision of housing and emergency accommodation in the community to include a) the number of homeless presentations to the housing section, whether repeat or unique, including but not limited to in person and on the phone b) how many of those presentations are in relation to new housing applications ie. have never been on a housing list before, or are homeless presentations of families that were couch surfing with termination notices filed and c) details of the outcome of the homeless presentation assessment.



### 25. Councillor Noel Heavey

That the council undertake a feasibility study with a view to running a pilot project to favour the sale of SINGLE plots rather than DOUBLE/FAMILY plots in cemeteries and graveyards under the control of Kildare County Council.

## 26. Councillor Fiona McLoughlin Healy

That the council executive clarify whether the mandatory 6 day notice of proposed amendments on the tried and tested practice, and right, to propose at the next meeting of an organisation, amendments to minutes of the previous meeting, is an overreach of this council into the normal and best practice for ensuring accurate recording of minutes of meetings.