



Áras Chill Dara
Páirc Devoy
An Nás
Co. Chill Dara

09 Deireadh Fómhair 2026
09 October 2026

Don Chathaoirleach agus do gach ball tofa de Chomhairle Contae Chill Dara

A Bhaill Uile,

Tionólfar cruinniú míosúil na Comhairle ar **3:00 i.n.** ar an **Luan, 19 Deireadh Fómhair 2026** i **Seomra na Comhairle, Áras Chill Dara, Páirc Devoy, An Nás**, agus iarrtar ort a bheith i láthair.

The monthly meeting of the council will be held at **3:00 p.m.** on **Monday, 19 October 2026** in the **Council Chamber, Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas**, and you are invited to attend.

Le gach dea-ghuí,

Letitia Hanratty
Riarthóir Cruinnithe
Meetings Administrator



Clár Agenda

- 1. Dearbhuithe um (a) coinbhleachtaí leasa nó (b) leasanna airgid nó leasanna tairbhiúla faoi Alt 177 den Acht Rialtais Áitiúil 2001, arna leasú.**
Declarations of (a) conflicts of interest or (b) pecuniary or beneficial interests under Section 177 of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended.
- 2. Glacadh le miontuairiscí an chruinnithe mhíosúil a réachtáladh ar an 28 Meán Fómhair 2026 (ceangailte) agus an tuarascáil ar dhul chun cinn a thabhairt faoi deara (leanfar leis seo).**
To adopt the minutes of the monthly meeting held on 28 September 2026 (attached) and to note progress report (to follow).

Gnó Reachtúil Statutory Business

- 3.** To note the Chief Executive's monthly management report (copy attached).
- 4.** To fill casual vacancy in the membership of the council in accordance with Section 19 of the Local Government Act 2001 (as amended) arising from the resignation of Councillor Brendan Wyse.
- 5.** To fill vacancies on Committees following resignation of Councillor Brendan Wyse.
 - Climate Action Strategic Policy Committee
 - Protocol and Procedures Committee
 - Historic Monuments Advisory Committee
 - Drenth Community Liaison Committee (Clane Maynooth MD), and
 - Kildare Wicklow Education and Training Board.
- 6.** Cathaoirleach's Business.
- 7.** Correspondence (to follow).



8. Conferences and Training (report to follow).

Cur i Láthair Téamúil agus rúin gaolmhara
Themed Presentation and related motions

9. To receive Themed Presentation on Climate, Energy and Environment.

10. Na Comhairleoirí – Councillors Noel Connolly, Bill Clear, Mark Leigh, Anne Breen, Aoife Breslin, Angela Feeney and Rupert Heather

Go scríobhfaidh Comhairle Contae Chill Dara chuig an Aire Aeráide, Fuinnimh agus Comhshaoil agus chuig an Aire Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreacht a garraidh go dtabharfaí isteach moratóir náisiúnta ar fhorbairt ionad sonraí nua go dtí go mbeidh próiseas comhairliúcháin phoiblí curtha i gcrích agus go mbeidh treoirlínte pleanála náisiúnta do lárionaid sonraí ullmhaithe agus foilsithe. Ba cheart go n-áireofaí sna treoirlínte sin, ach gan a bheith teoranta dóibh, breithniú ar:

- gaireacht do thithe, scoileanna, ospidéal agus bonneagar ríthábhachtach eile atá ann cheana féin agus a bheidh ann amach anseo;
- na tionchair chana a eascraíonn as gaireacht do lárionaid sonraí atá ann cheana féin;
- infhaighteacht agus acmhainn seirbhísí uisce agus úsáid teicneolaíochtaí aerfhuaraithe nuair is iomchuí;
- deiseanna maidir le téamh ceantair agus aisghabháil teasa dramhaíola;
- éileamh leictreachais ag a lánacmhainneacht oibríochtúil, riachtanais bainistíochta éilimh ag tréimhsí buaictreimhsí, agus tionchair ar bhonneagar eangaí áitiúil, réigiúnach agus náisiúnta;
- riachtanais chriosaithe agus oiriúnacht suíomhanna le haghaidh forbairt ionad sonraí, ag féachaint do mhéid, scála, tionchar amhairc agus scagadh;
- gnóthachan pobail agus luach sóisialta;
- astaíochtaí carbóin, feidhmíocht aeráide, tionchair bhithéagsúlachta agus soláthar fuinnimh in-athnuaite.

That Kildare County Council writes to the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment and the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage seeking

the introduction of a national moratorium on new data centre development until a public consultation process has been undertaken and national planning guidelines for data centres have been prepared and published. Such guidelines should include, but not be limited to, consideration of:

- proximity to, and impacts upon existing and future housing, schools, hospitals and other critical infrastructure;
- the cumulative impacts arising from proximity to existing data centres;
- the availability and capacity of water services and the use of air-cooling technologies where appropriate;
- opportunities for district heating and waste heat recovery;
- electricity demand at full operational capacity, demand management requirements at peak periods, and impacts on local, regional and national grid infrastructure;
- zoning requirements and the appropriateness of locations for data centre development, having regard to size, scale, visual impact and screening;
- community gain and social value;
- carbon emissions, climate performance, biodiversity impacts and renewable energy provision.

11. Na Comhairleoirí – Councillors Brian Dooley and Rob Power

That the council includes in 2027 budget, provision to deliver a paint amnesty for households storing unwanted paint.

12. Na Comhairleoirí – Councillors Donna Phelan and David Trost

That the council sets out a multi-annual programme to accelerate the retrofitting of its housing stock, including annual targets for each municipal district and the number of homes expected to achieve a B2 energy rating or higher. That the budget requirements to prioritise these actions be outlined.

13. Na Comhairleoirí – Councillors Brian O'Loughlin and Suzanne Doyle

That the council develops a recognition scheme for business in the county that engage and support the reuse of utensils. This scheme should set a minimum standard to qualify. Businesses can opt in with a view to promoting climate action principles as a means of engaging public support.



14. An Comhairleoir – Councillor Nuala Killeen

That the council calls on the relevant Ministers, the Commission for Regulation of Utilities (CRU), Uisce Éireann, the Environmental Protection Agency and the Regional Assemblies to introduce stronger national safeguards for data centre development, protecting energy and water capacity, supporting net-zero operation and waste-heat recovery, ensuring transparency and early public consultation and delivering direct benefits to host communities.

15. An Comhairleoir – Councillor Tracey O'Dwyer

That the council outlines the total capital and operational expenditure under Section E (Environmental Services) allocated for climate action initiatives over the past financial year, specifically detailing the drawdown rate of the Community Climate Action Programme Funds and any unspent balances returned or carried forward.

16. An Comhairleoir – Councillor Carmel Kelly

That the council undertakes a feasibility study to examine the potential for installing solar photovoltaic (PV) canopy structures over council car park at the Áras Chill Dara, with a view to generating renewable energy, reducing the council's carbon footprint and contributing to the council's climate action objectives. The study should assess potential energy generation, costs, funding opportunities, payback periods, grid connection requirements and any additional benefits.

17. An Comhairleoir – Councillor Peggy O'Dwyer

That the council explores and identifies options for the environmentally safe disposal of large nitrous oxide canisters.

18. An Comhairleoir – Councillor Claire O'Rourke

That the council outlines its current position and planned implementation of the Wind Energy Strategy within the Kildare County Development Plan 2023–2029, including current wind energy developments and future opportunities for wind-generated energy in County Kildare.



19. An Comhairleoir – Councillor Pádraig McEvoy

That this Council recognises that achieving the emissions reduction targets and climate commitments set out in the statutory Local Authority Climate Action Plan requires climate considerations to be mainstreamed across all policy, budgetary and governance decisions; that, in order to support the integration of climate action throughout the Council's decision-making processes, those holding or seeking elected office should be equipped with the knowledge, skills and understanding necessary to contribute effectively to climate-informed governance; and that the Executive report on the proposed approach to the development and delivery of climate literacy, training and capacity-building measures to support elected members in the discharge of their statutory, policy-making, oversight and community leadership functions in a manner consistent with climate action legislation, carbon budgets, sectoral emissions ceilings and the Council's statutory climate commitments.

20. An Comhairleoir – Councillor Pat Balfe

That the council assesses the feasibility of a targeted pilot to help voluntary community groups reduce energy use and running costs in their community buildings, building on the existing Community Climate Action Programme and SEAI supports. The assessment should identify gaps in access to energy advice and funding, particularly for groups with limited volunteer capacity, and outline the staffing, technical support and funding required to assist a small initial cohort. That a report, including a costed proposal and potential implementation timetable, be presented to Full Council within six months.

21. An Comhairleoir – Councillor Chris Pender

That the council, recognising the increasing risk of pluvial flooding associated with more intense rainfall events and climate change, develops a countywide climate adaptation programme for surface-water flood resilience, to include a) the identification and mapping of recurring pluvial flooding locations and known drainage infrastructure deficiencies; b) an assessment of current drainage and CCTV inspection capacity, backlogs, waiting times and the criteria used to prioritise remedial works; and c) a programme of Sustainable Drainage Systems and other nature-based retrofit measures, including potential funding sources, planned investment and measurable targets for reducing recurring surface-water flooding.



22. An Comhairleoir – Councillor Kevin Duffy

That the council engages with both the Department and Uisce Éireann regarding funding options for the ongoing maintenance including necessary repairs of thirteen (13) Developer Provided Water Services Infrastructure until such time they can be remediated by UÉ.

Rúin Chomhairle Contae Chill Dara
Motions Kildare County Council

23. An Comhairleoir – Councillor William Durkan

That the council investigate the potential for alternative low cost-design for significant footpath extensions throughout the county, and identify a suitable funding stream for such, to improve active travel networks and service connectivity for affected communities.

24. An Comhairleoir – Councillor Seamie Moore

That the council provides clarity for planning applications regarding the implications for residents and the responsibilities of contractors associated with playgrounds when estates are taken in charge by the council and identifies an appropriate funding mechanism to enable Residents' Associations apply for financial support for the installation of playground equipment on existing undeveloped or vacant playground spaces within taken-in-charge estates.

25. An Comhairleoir – Councillor Tom McDonnell

That the council provides a breakdown of social housing allocations (including to approved housing bodies) by citizenship for the last 4 years.