



Áras Chill Dara

Páirc Devoy

An Nás

Co. Chill Dara

17 April 2025

Don Chathaoirleach is gach ball den Chomhairle Chondae

A Bhaill Uile,

Tionólfar cruinniú míosúil den Chomhairle Chondae ar 3.00 tráthnóna dé Lúain, an 28ú Aibreán 2025 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, 28 April 2025 in the Council Chamber, Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas**, and you are invited to attend.

Le gach dea ghuí,

Letitia Hanratty

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Meetings Administrator



Clár Agenda

1. Fógra um (a) leasanna coinbhleachtaí nó (b) leasanna airgeadais nó leasanna tairbhúla faoin 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. Chun miontuairiscí cruinniú míosúil ar an 31ú Márta 2025 (cóip ceangailte) agus chun tuarascáil dul chun cinn a thabhairt faoi deara (tuarascáil le leanúint).
To adopt the minutes of the monthly meeting held on 31 March 2025 (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 nomination to the Environmental and Water Services Strategic Policy Committee (report to follow).
5. Gnó an Chathaoirleach/Cathaoirleachs Business.
6. Comhfhreagras/Correspondence (copies to follow).
7. Comhdhálacha agus Oiliúint/Conferences and training (report to follow).



Tairisceana na Comhairle Contae

Motions Kildare County Council

8. Councillor Chris Pender and Pat Balfe

That Kildare County Council writes to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to urgently request a review and increase in the funding allocated to the Tenant in Situ scheme, which operates under the Second-Hand Acquisition Programme. Given the increasing demand on the scheme and the critical role it plays in preventing homelessness, it is essential that adequate resources are made available to ensure local authorities can act quickly and effectively where a tenant is at risk of losing their home due to a property being placed on the open market.

9. Councillor Aoife Breslin

That this Council calls on the Minister for Housing to provide additional funding under the Secondhand Acquisition Programme 2025 to Kildare County Council to ensure that the Council can commence acquiring properties when tenants have recently received Notice to Quit under the Tenant in Situ Scheme. Furthermore, given the changes recently announced for the Buy and Renew Scheme where now it has to be funded through the Secondhand Acquisition Programme ~~this~~ **the** Council will be unable to purchase properties under the Secondhand Acquisition Programme 2025.

10. Councillor Noel Connolly

Go soláthróidh an Chomhairle tuarascáil do na comhaltaí ar fheidhmiú na scéime ceannaigh in situ do thionóntaí, lena n-áirítear ach gan a bheith teoranta dóibh seo a leanas:

1. Líon iomlán na bhfálacha a ceannaíodh in 2024 agus costas iomlán na bhfálacha, agus go sonrúfar, astu sin, líon iomlán na bhfálacha tionónta-in-situ in 2024 agus costas iomlán na bhfálacha sin
2. Líon na n-iarratas ó thionóntaí in situ in 2024 a cuireadh ar sos go dtí gur deimhníodh an leithdháileadh caipitil do 2025, agus an líon díobh a cheannófar anois le leithdháileadh caipitil 2025, mar aon leis an gcostas iomlán a bheidh orthu sin



3. An líon iomlán de na hiarratais sin nach rachaidh chun cinn a dheimhniú, agus an méid airgid a bheidh fágtha ó leithdháileadh 2025 tar éis déileáil le hiarratais 2024 a dheimhniú.

That the Council provides a report to the members on the operation of the tenant in situ purchase scheme, including but not limited to the following:

1. Total acquisitions purchased in 2024 and total cost of these acquisitions and from within this the total number of tenant-in-situ acquisitions in 2024 and total cost of these acquisitions.
2. Number of 2024 tenant-in-situ applications paused until 2025 capital allocation was confirmed and the number of these that will now be purchased with the 2025 capital allocation and the total cost of these.
3. Confirmation of the total number of these that will now not proceed and what remains from the 2025 allocation when the 2024 overhand is dealt with.

11. Councillor Veralouise Behan

That Kildare County Council installs Lyme disease information and warning signage in all public parks and playgrounds to advise of the dangers of Lyme Disease and the steps to take to minimise the risk of contracting this chronic condition.

12. Councillor Suzanne Doyle

That elements of the Guidance document for planning authorities with regard to Childcare facilities dated 2001, be replaced by the development of a County set of recommendations of best practice, that have regard to the delivery of quality sustainable childcare in our communities. Key requirement for change being the recommendation ratio of one creche per 75 units, that is a flawed concept, misinforming planning decisions to the detriment of a fast growing County with one of the youngest demographics in the State. That in the interim we adopt a policy by resolution of this meeting that all planning decisions for the provision of childcare facilities should immediately seek to have an appropriately scaled model (at a minimum of 80 children) to ensure sustainability and efficiencies that can deliver the necessary regulatory standards for quality childcare in County Kildare.



13. Councillor Donna Phelan

That the council follows the direction of the Houses of the Oireachtas which achieved 'As I Am Autism-Friendly Accreditation' in 2023 for Leinster House, making it the world's first Autism-Friendly parliament and considers including an objective in the next 'County Kildare Access Strategy' for Kildare County Council to gain 'As I Am Autism-Friendly Accreditation' for the Áras Chill Dara headquarters.

14. Councillor Tracey O'Dwyer

That the council explains the difference between the Council owned Cairde App and the MapAlert systems and outline why two system are required to deliver alerts and notifications.

15. Councillor Peggy O'Dwyer

That Kildare County Council adopts the text alert scheme to report misuse of accessible parking bays similar to what is already in place in Gorey, Lucan and Rathfarnham.

16. Councillor Evie Sammon

That Kildare County Council adopts a policy requiring licensed events with over 5,000 attendees to use recyclable cups, aiming to reduce single-use plastic waste.

17. Councillor Peter Melrose

That the council aligns its documents with the NDA guidance on accessible documents.

18. Councillor Ger Dunne

That the council provides an update on Vacant Homes Schemes, namely the Buy and Renew Scheme, the Repair and Leasing Scheme and the Long Term Leasing initiative to include what funding is available to operate these schemes and what support is available from the council to applicants.



19. Councillor Seamie Moore

That members would support a submission to the Protocol Committee, the Agenda Appeals Committee and the Chief Executive that a review of the scope of the conditions of acceptance of motions for Plenary Meetings, should be reviewed and widened to allow at least one motion per meeting on matters of national importance in order to reflect a position of public concern from public representatives.

20. Councillor Bill Clear

That the council requests the K-Hub Network – Kildare’s Innovation and Co-Working Space – to consider making meeting rooms available to community groups at no cost or at a reduced rate, in recognition of the fact that these facilities have been partly funded through the Local Property Tax.

21. Councillor Claire O’Rourke

That the council invites the Office of Public Works (OPW) to present their plan for heritage restoration and development in County Kildare to the members at full council.