



Áras Chill Dara

Páirc Devoy

An Nás

Co. Chill Dara

20 June 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 30ú Meitheamh 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, 30 June 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 an 26ú Bealtaine 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 26 May 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 the disposal of freehold interest pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended (Statutory notice of 16 June 2025 circulated previously and attached) as follows
 - i. Industrial Unit 19/Site 10 (Eircode W12 WND30)
 - ii. Industrial Unit 19A/Site 10A (Eircode W12 Y886)
5. To consider proposed date for a Special Meeting to afford potential candidates for presidential nomination the opportunity to present to the members and to consider proposed date for a Special Meeting to consider motions for presidential nomination.
6. To consider Audit Committee Charter (report attached).
7. To note Audit Committee Annual Report 2024 (report attached).
8. To consider Audit Committee Work Programme (report attached).



9. To consider request from Councillor Heather regarding membership of the 'EU Local Councillors Network.
10. Gnó an Chathaoirleach/Cathaoirleachs Business.
11. Comhfhreagras/Correspondence (copies to follow).
12. Comhdhálacha agus Oiliúint/Conferences and training (report to follow).

Tairisceana na Comhairle Contae

Motions Kildare County Council

13. Councillors Aoife Breslin, Anne Breen and Rupert Heather

That the members immediately seek a meeting with the Minister for Housing and the Department of Housing and Local Government following the announcement that the National Development Finance Agency (NDFA) have been instructed by the Department not to proceed to award the contract for PPP Bundle 3. Also, the Department's decision to initiate a review of PPP Bundle 4 – to 7 which will have a very serious impact on the delivery of social housing in Kildare.

14. Councillor Peggy O'Dwyer

That the council provides details on the function of the cameras on traffic lights and confirms if there is an alert mechanism if they are faulty or not working.

15. Councillor Peter Melrose

That the council support the provision of a mobile sensory unit and a mobile accessible toilet for future events run by or in association with Kildare County Council that exceed an estimated footfall of 3,000 attendees, to be run as a pilot project with a view to extending to events of 500 attendees or more.



16. Councillor Nuala Killeen

That Kildare County Councillors agree to commence a public participation aspect to the Municipal District Meetings for 2026 to permit organisations to present to their municipal district on issues that concern them that are relating to council functions.

17. Councillors Chris Pender

That the council engages with relevant stakeholders, including the South Western Regional Drugs and Alcohol Task Force, Cuan Mhuire, Youth for Peace Hostel, the Peter McVerry Trust, all Approved Housing Bodies operating within the county, and any other appropriate organisations, to identify a suitable property or properties that can be used to support individuals transitioning from addiction treatment into independent living; a) that the council prioritise properties located near existing support services or accessible public transport links to ensure continued engagement with recovery programmes; b) that the council explore funding opportunities and available schemes, such as the Capital Assistance Scheme, to support the acquisition or adaptation of such properties; and c) that a report on this engagement, including any potential locations identified and barriers encountered, be brought to the Housing SPC within an agreed timeframe.

18. Councillor Seamie Moore

That the council writes to the National Development Planners and East Midland Regional Authority on behalf of the elected members, asking them to consider the creation of a new town in mid Kildare, whilst at the same time designating a new Economic Corridor between Naas & Newbridge, along the commuter catchment route of the M7/M9 and the Dublin-Cork Rail Line, on an axis between Kilcullen and Rathangan. This would reduce the indicative expectation of future population overload of Naas and Newbridge and allow community amenities and community infrastructure facilities to be developed in those already overpopulated towns.



19. Councillor Donna Phelan

That the council clarifies the role of the County Kildare Access Network (CKAN), and its role in engaging with local disability and inclusion advocates operating across the county. In particular, does CKAN actively liaise with and support grassroots initiatives and groups who are working directly with communities on the ground?

20. Councillor Tracey O'Dwyer

That the council increases its support for the months of May and June in towns and villages that enter the Tidy Towns competition by prioritising road sweeping, cleaning of path verges, particularly on approach roads and paths to towns and villages to further enhance Kildare's overall results in Tidy Towns and support the volunteers involved.

21. Councillor Pat Balfe

That the council agrees to write to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage requesting a review of the recent changes to the Housing Aid for Older People Grant scheme, specifically the exclusion of funding for the purchase of new fossil fuel boilers, such as oil or gas boilers, effective from 1 January 2025, and further:

- a. To express concern that the current grant criteria may disproportionately affect older people and low-income households, who may not have the financial means to install new heating systems, even if partially funded by a grant.
- b. To request that the Minister consider reinstating support for like-for-like boiler replacements in cases where full system upgrades are not financially viable or technically feasible for the applicant.
- c. To advocate for a balanced approach that ensures the transition to sustainable energy sources does not inadvertently disadvantage vulnerable populations, particularly during the winter months when reliable heating is essential.

22. Councillor Mark Leigh

That the council writes to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to urgently request the publication of updated Wind Energy Development Guidelines.



23. Councillor Noel Connolly

Go scríobhfadh Comhairle Contae Chill Dara chuig an Aire Tithíochta, Oidhreacht agus Rialtais Áitiúil á iarraidh air polasaí a cheapadh agus a roinnt do na Comhairle uile maidir le creidmheas as an am a chaitear ar an liosta tithíochta don pháirtí a fhágann teach teaghlaigh atá faoi úinéireacht na Comhairle i gcás briseadh síos caidrimh.

That the council writes to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage asking him to formulate and share a policy to all Councils in relation to credit for time spent on the housing list for the partner that leaves an allocated Council owned family home in the event of a relationship breakdown.

24. Councillor Bill Clear

That the council provides an update on progress made to date to change the council fleet of vehicles to Electric Vehicles, confirm if tenders have been sent out and the expected timeframe for completion of the process.

25. Councillor Claire O'Rourke

That, following the welcome introduction of the 60 km/h speed limit on Rural Local Roads in February this year, the council provides a progress report on the introduction of the 30 km/h speed limit in urban areas and when is it anticipated that a definition of urban areas be available to enable the council to progress this.