

Minutes of the Celbridge - Leixlip Municipal District Meeting Held on Friday 17 November 2023 at 10:00 a.m In the Council Chamber, Áras Chill Dara.

Members Present: Councillor B Caldwell (Cathaoirleach), Councillors C Galvin, M

Coleman, N Killeen, V Liston, Í Cussen and Councillor J Neville

Officials Present: Ms C Barrett (District Manager), Mr R Linnane (Municipal District

Engineer), Mr S Wallace (A/Senior Parks and Landscape Officer),

Mr J Hennessey (Senior Executive Engineer), Ms S Barry

(Administrative Officer), Mr J Hannigan (Administrative Officer), Ms S Martin (Meeting Administrator), Ms J Fogarty (Meetings

Secretary) and other officials.

CL01/1123

Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of (a) conflicts of interest or (b) pecuniary or beneficial interests under section 177 of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended.

CL02/1123

Minutes and Progress Report

The Cathaoirleach noted that a notice of motion for amendments to the minutes in accordance with Standing Orders was received from Councillor Cussen who requested amendments from the October meeting. The amendment had been circulated to the members.

The members considered the revised draft minutes of the monthly Celbridge-Leixlip Municipal District meeting held on Friday, 20 October 2023 with the progress report. The members acknowledged the huge achievement and congratulated the Maynooth Access Group for coming first in their category at the IPB awards held in Armagh on the 10 November.



Resolved: On the proposal of Councillor Liston, seconded by Councillor Cussen and agreed by the members, that the minutes of the monthly meeting held on Friday, 20 October 2023 of the Celbridge-Leixlip Municipal District with the circulated amendments, be confirmed and taken as read. The progress report was noted.

CL03/1123

Municipal District Road Works

Schedule of Municipal District works - November 2023

The outdoor crews are carrying out general footpath and road maintenance works in the Municipal District area. This includes the mechanical sweeping of roads, road repairs with road patcher unit, restoring water cuts on rural roads, cutting back verges at junctions, and general repairs to footpaths and kerbs. Calls received are triaged and then assigned to a crew as appropriate.

Winter Maintenance:

The annual winter program of Jet-vacking of road gullies commenced on Monday 9 October. Works are expected to take from 6 to 8 weeks to complete. Hedge cutting operations commenced on Monday 16 October and will continue for approximately 5 weeks. All work in Celbridge/Ardclough is complete. Hedge cutting operations are now being carried out in the Leixlip area. The programme of restoration of water cuts has commenced.

Road works programme 2023

Surface Dressing – Restoration Maintenance

Surface dressing works carried out on May 29. Road from Killmacredock Roundabout to Celbridge Road at Barrogstown and Barrogstown Lane completed. Total of 3.25km of road surface dressed. 100% complete.



Road Overlays - Restoration Improvement

RI	Location	Start Date	End Date	Details
1	R149 Captains Hill and	10 July	21 July	Works 100%
	Cope Bridge			complete
2	R404 Youngs Cross to	24 July	4 August	Works 100%
	Barnhall R/A			complete
3	L5050 Catherinestown	8 August	11 August	Works 100%
				complete
4	L5056 Green Lane	28 August	31 August	Works 100%
	Westfield to Kilmacredock			complete.
	R/A			
5	L 1016 Wheatfield & L	14 August	25 August	Works 100%
	2008 Tipperstown			complete

An additional section of the R403 Celbridge to Barberstown Road in the townlands of Ardrass Upper and Ardrass Lower has been carried out from the 6 November to the 9 November. This completes the restoration improvement programme for 2023.

Footpath Restoration works:

Tender for footpath repair works in Crodaun complete and works contractor appointed. Works to commence before end of November.

Additional tender packages are currently being advertised.

Mr. Linnane advised the members that footpath works in Oldtown would be completed in 2024 as requested by Councillor Galvin. He advised that the hedge cutting would be finished in the following 3 weeks.

CL04/1123

Christmas parking arrangements

The members considered the Christmas parking arrangements in the Celbridge-Leixlip Municipal District for 2023.



Councillor Coleman proposed the following, that Celbridge-Leixlip Municipal District members agree to the provision of free pay parking over the Christmas period (with enforcement of illegal parking in place) for 3 hours per day, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on dates between 11 December to 29 December inclusive, this was seconded by Councillor Galvin.

Councillor Killeen stated that every year there was an argument over the Christmas parking, she said there were different needs and wants from the two towns and the members should address the Christmas parking arrangements in the byelaws.

Councillor Liston proposed to retain the current parking arrangements with no suspension. This was seconded by Councillor Cussen

Following a discussion between the members Councillor Colemans proposal was put to a vote.

With 3 members voting in favour, 3 voting against and one abstaining, the Cathaoirleach used his casting vote and voted against the proposal, therefore the proposal fell. There would be no suspension of parking byelaws in the Celbridge-Leixlip Municipal District for Christmas 2023.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Liston, seconded by Councillor Cussen and agreed by the majority that there will be no suspension of paid parking in the Celbridge-Leixlip Municipal District for Christmas 2023.

CL05/1123

Temporary safety measures on Kilwogan Lane

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Liston

That the council implement temporary safety measures to protect pedestrians and cyclists on
Kilwogan Lane during the darkness of the winter months, while a longer-term solution is
being worked on.

The Motion was proposed by Councillor Liston and seconded by Councillor Cussen



A report was received from the Roads Section informing the members that there are limited temporary measures that can be installed on Kilwogan Lane to improve pedestrians and cyclists safety due to limited space available. The lane is rural in character with limited carriageway and verge widths with several pinch points along its length. The Municipal District office proposes to install four sets of cyclists and pedestrian warning signs on Kilwogan Lane, two on either end and two repeaters midway along its length to alert motorists of the potential presence of cyclists and pedestrians.

Councillor Liston thanked the Transportation Department adding that she welcomed the report, stating a lot of progress had been made so that pedestrians, cyclists and people with additional needs could use Kilwogan Lanes.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Liston, seconded by Councillor Cussen and agreed by all the members that the report be noted.

The members agreed to take item 7 and 8 together.

CL06/1123

Entrance to the Canal at Cope Bridge

Item 7:

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Caldwell

That the council, in conjunction with Waterways Ireland, put in place an entrance to the

Canal at Cope Bridge to allow accessibility to the new pathway by all users.

Item 8:

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Neville

That the council examine making the area in and around Cope Bridge at the Greenway in

Confey more accessible for all users.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Caldwell and seconded by Councillor Neville.



A report was received from the Roads Section informing the members that access arrangements to the Royal Canal Greenway at this location are a matter for Waterways Ireland. A footpath is located on the eastern side of Confey Bridge and provides access to the canal. Proposals by Irish Rail to upgrade the area around the bridge are included in the DART+ proposals which are with An Bord Pleanála for consideration. Kildare County Council is working on designing the section from the Fingal County Council boundary which would include improvements along the canal at Confey Bridge, however, these will need to be the subject of a consultation process.

The members raised the following:

- People were being prevented from accessing the walkway.
- Quad Bikes and horses should not be allowed access the walkways.
- It was an issue for user.
- A simple solution would be to widen the path.
- Why were the council no longer involved the greenway?
- When doing the County Development Plan there was a talk about access for all.
- Could the use of the 'kissing gate' be investigated.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Caldwell, seconded by Councillor Neville and agreed by all the members that the report be noted.

CL07/1123

Presentation about safety issues from Parents Association

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Killeen

That this council invite a Parents Association to give a presentation to Celbridge-Leixlip

Municipal District in respect of their concerns about safety issues at their school, the need for
a lollipop person and speed mitigation issues and address their urgent relocation
requirements as their relocation has been delayed for over a decade.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Killeen and seconded by Councillor Caldwell



A report was received from the Roads Section informing the members that this is a matter for the members to agree.

Councillor Killeen stated that she had been approached by parents regarding the access of approximately 400 children who attended the school, and how there would be issues with the commencing of works there. She said it was a good idea for the Parents Association to explain the safety issues of the children themselves. She stated that she welcomed the members support on this.

Councillor Galvin stated that this motion had been raised repeatedly over the years regarding this issue.

Councillor Cussen asked what the format would be if the parents association came in. Would it be a questions and answers format, and would it be an informal meeting?

The District Manager advised the members that a details of those wishing to attend should be provided to organise when they could attend.

Mr J Hannigan explained that a deputation is to address the members and not the executive. He advised that members could ask questions but there could be no debate or decisions on the issue, members could also seek clarification from the deputation.

Councillor Neville asked could the members invite any group in?

Mr Hannigan advised that an invitation for a deputation needed to be raised as a motion from a councillor and if the members agreed an invitation would issue.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Killeen, seconded by Councillor Caldwell and agreed by all members that a letter issue to the Parents Association (details to be provided) inviting them to make a presentation to the members.



CL08/1123

Public Right of Way

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Killeen

That the council exercise their right under this legislation to compulsorily impose a public Right of Way from Leixlip to the Castletown Demesne.

https://www.lawreform.ie/_fileupload/RevisedActs/WithAnnotations/HTML/EN_ACT_2000_0030.H TM#PARTXIII-SEC206 (key part section 207, the next section)

The motion was proposed by Councillor Killeen and seconded by Councillor Caldwell

A report was received from the Roads Section informing the members that in deliberation of this motion, there are a number of important points to be considered by both Elected Members and the Executive, as follow:

Firstly, the Members have received the report recently issued by the OPW which repudiates the existence of any public right of way over the Castletown lands. This report traces the history back to 1753.

Secondly, as part of the County Development Plan process, in 2016, legal advice was received relating to the identification of a Public Right of Way across the Castletown estate in the CDP. That advice, which is legally privileged to the Chief Executive, did not support the inclusion of the identified route in that or any future County Development Plan.

Thirdly, notwithstanding the foregoing, following a request from the members, additional legal advice has been sought, to ascertain if there have been any changes in the relevant legislation, or circumstances, since 2016. This advice states that there has been no change since that already received.

Fourthly, the advice received recently also sets out the potential risks and consequences of attempting to compulsorily impose a Public Right of Way as requested by the motion.

The process set out in Section 207 appears straight forward, however, were the Council to compulsorily impose a Public Right of Way the Landowner/s have the right of appeal to An Bord Pleanála.

If the Bord upheld the imposition of the Right of Way, the Council could become involved in a Judicial Review. The attention of the Members is drawn to the case of Walsh v Sligo County Council (known as the Lissadell case) and the widely reported financial implications for the local authority.



Assuming the successful upholding of the decision after the JR the Landowner/s would be entitled to compensation in accordance with Section 200 of the Planning Act. If the amount could not be agreed the Council would also face the costs of Arbitration.

The cost to the Council could be significant, not to mention the administrative and resource requirements over several years.

In line with standing orders a motion recommending or involving expenditure shall not be considered by the Municipal District unless the Municipal District has before it at the same time a certificate from the appropriate officer setting out the estimated expenditure which would be involved by the adoption of the motion.

Fifth, the Members would also need to be mindful that a Public Right of Way would provide unrestricted access to and across the defined route, at all times, both day and night. The security of the house and domain would need to be considered in this context and any resulting requirements to protect the estate would be required in perpetuity also having significant financial implications.

Finally, the triggering of a Section 207 is an Executive Function. While this can be directed by Full Council via Section 140 of the Local Government Act, 2001, the Executive would have serious difficulties in supporting a Section 140 having regard to the potential risks to the Council and the diversion of limited resources away from the Councils projects.

Having regard to the significant and serious implications of compulsorily imposing a Public Right of Way I recommend that issue be referred, in the first instance, to the Corporate Policy Group and that their recommendations are issued to Full Council for consideration.

Notwithstanding all of the above, I want to confirm that Kildare County Council is fully committed to the protection of Castletown House and surrounding lands; this objective is well documented in both current Celbridge Local Area and County Development Plans. We are also fully supportive of the OPW in their ongoing attempts to negotiate a positive solution with the new owner of the adjoining lands.

The members made the following points:

- There had been groups working on this matter since the 1990's.
- The amended report was received the day before the meeting. Had new legal advice been received?
- What was the cost involved if the council was to go down this road?



- How could the members get a costing, would a motion need to be submitted?
- Do the members have a role outside working with the OPW.
- Traffic issues had increased in the area as a result of the closure.
- A liaison point of contact was required.

The District Manager advised the members that the new report was prepared on legal advice received. This was not given before the first Agenda Reports were issued as it was received after the reports had issued. She stated that the motion was only on the Right of Way, and that the report only laid out what could happen. She said there were two issues', a financial consequence and members should be mindful of the impact and that this could not be discussed in the public form. It was recommended that this matter be referred to CPG (Corporate Policy Group).

All members agreed to the matter being referred to CPG.

Councillor Killeen stated that there were concerns regarding a lawsuit. She said the Public Right of Way needed to be addressed, it would take a court case to resolve, help was needed to preserve Castletown House.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Killeen, seconded by Councillor Caldwell and agreed by all members present that the report be noted, and the matter be referred to CPG.

CL09/1123

Litter bin on the R449

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Coleman

That the council install a litter bin on the R449 at the bus stop opposite Applegreen on the

M4 Celbridge Interchange.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Coleman and seconded by Councillor Caldwell



A report was received from the Roads Section informing the members that the Municipal District Office propose to relocate an existing bin on the Lucan Road in Celbridge that is infrequently used and relocate at the location identified.

The members raised the following:

- Were the members expected to sit down with a map and go through which bins were being used and which ones were not, in order to relocate them?
- Maps were issued previously, and discussions had taken place on this before.
- Was this a location for a compactor bin, as per a previous motion?
- Was it up to the council to provide a bin at every Dublin Bus stop that was in operation?

The District Engineer advised the members that a survey had been done, and that he would follow up on it and bring back the information to the members. He stated that they were at capacity in relation to the number of bins that could be serviced but some bins were not being used to their full capacity, so there was an option to relocate the bin to a more suitable location.

The motion was put to a vote with 4 members voting in favour of removing the existing bin on the Lucan Road in Celbridge that is infrequently used and relocating to the R449 at the bus stop opposite Applegreen on the M4 Celbridge Interchange.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Coleman, seconded by Councillor Caldwell and with 4 members voting in favour that the bin be relocated to the R449 at the bus stop opposite Applegreen on the M4 Celbridge Interchange.

CL10/1123

Dublin Bus invitation to give feedback

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Neville

That the council invite Dublin Bus to the December Municipal District meeting to provide and give feedback on Bus Connects and other services in the area.



The motion was proposed by Councillor Neville and seconded by Councillor Caldwell

A report was received informing the members that with the agreement of the members the Transport, Mobility and Open Spaces will contact Dublin Bus as requested.

The members raised the following:

- Dublin Bus had not been to a council meeting in over 5 years.
- Members previously requested that a letter be sent to Dublin Bus asking them to attend a meeting.
- Loss of the 66A and 66B bus service.
- Two Municipal Districts had an interest, Clane-Maynooth also.
- Needed to involve the NTA, this had been on the progress report since October 2022
- Several councillors had put in motions previously in relation to this issue.
- There was no service that started in Leixlip.
- Timetable of the trains could cause issue with buses.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Neville, seconded by Councillor Caldwell and agreed by all members present that a letter be issued to Dublin Bus asking them to attend a municipal district meeting.

CL11/1123

Update from Local Link

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Cussen

Can the council provide an update from Local Link on the bus service planned between

Celbridge and Naas due to commence 2024?

A report was received from the Roads Section informing the members that the Transport for Ireland (TFI) Local Link Kildare South Dublin Connecting Ireland Programme for 2024 forecasts that the Celbridge to Naas service will go to procurement stage in Q2 2024. Should the procurement process conclude satisfactorily, TFI would expect that the service could potentially commence in Q3 2024.

The report was noted.



CL12/1123

Mapping of measures regarding the existing pedestrian/cycling routes

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Cussen

Can the council provide a report which shows the relevant mapping of measures in place
regarding the existing pedestrian/cycling routes that bring children from adjoining areas to St

Patricks NS, Hazelhatch Road, Celbridge?

A report was received from the Roads Section informing the members that the Municipal District office will produce a drawing showing the cycle and pedestrian provisions in the area around St. Patricks National School in Celbridge.

The report was noted.

CL13/1123

Removal of the unused phone kiosk

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Caldwell

Can the council provide an update on the removal of the unused phone kiosk on Main Street,

Leixlip?

A report was received from the Roads Section informing the members that a previous report was issued to the Municipal District members in October 2022 on this matter confirming that the Municipal District Engineer had contacted Eir requesting that the existing phone box be removed from the Main Street, Leixlip. Eir advised Kildare County Council that they were required by Comreg to provide pay phone services in the area and that a number of calls from that payphone were to numbers for assistance. Eir proposed an upgrade to the phone box to a new style kiosk which would require planning permission. Planning permission (22/1013) for the new kiosk, integral communication unit and digital display board was refused by the Planning authority.

The District Manager informed the members that the council had made contact with Eir and they had been advised that all kiosks would be removed.

The report was noted.

CL14/1123

Contractual penalties on contractor for failure to meet obligations

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Killeen



Can the council confirm if there are contractual penalties that can be imposed on the current street light contractor for failure to meet its obligations, given the delay in repairing street lighting in the municipal district?

A report was received from the Roads Section informing the members that current performance by our Public Lighting Maintenance Contractors is good, based on the industry standards. There are situations where lights have been out for longer periods because they require ESB input to resolve them.

There is a mechanism within the contract that allows Kildare County Council to impose penalties if there is no valid reason for non-performance.

Councillor Killeen advised that some people were waiting since June for streetlights. She stated that she would like to see the report on why the council thought the performance of the contractor was good.

The report was noted.

CL15/1123

Celbridge Pedestrian and Cycle Bridge

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Coleman Can the council provide an update on the progress of the proposed Celbridge Pedestrian and Cycle Bridge?

A report was received from the Roads Section informing the members that the project is at the detailed design stage and the consultant is arranging site investigation works to test the existing ground conditions. Discussions with adjacent landowners are continuing.

Councillor Coleman asked could the council explain what works were carried out? Did the €500k cover what had been required?

The District Manager stated that the budget should be sufficient and that the detailed design was almost complete.

The report was noted.



CL16/1123

Update when roads between Celbridge and Weston to be resurfaced

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Neville

Can the council provide an updated timeline on when the roads between Celbridge and

Weston will be resurfaced?

A report was received from the Roads Section informing the members that the following information has been provided by Uisce Éireann's contractor for these works, Coffey Construction.

Phase 1: Approx 400m of stone mastic asphalt (SMA) to be completed on Hazelhatch/Shinkeen Road – Early to Mid-January for approx. 2 days closure for Hazelhatch Road to follow.

Phase 2: Approx 1240m of SMA to be completed (Kildare and South Dublin) from Celbridge side of Youngs Cross to Adamstown Link – Early to Mid-January for approx. 6 days.

Phase 3: Approx 1300m of HRA to be completed from Applegreen to O'Hanlon Park– Early to Mid-March for approx. 7 days - closure for Loughlinstown Road to follow.

(SMA – Stone mastic asphalt wearing course, HRA – Hot rolled asphalt wearing course). The report was noted.

CL17/1123

Overgrowth on Silleacháin Lane

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Caldwell

That the council cut back the overgrowth on Silleacháin Lane from Mill Lane entrance to St

Mary's Park, Leixlip.

The Motion was proposed by Councillor Caldwell and seconded by Councillor Neville

A report was received from the Parks Section informing the members that arrangements are being made to have this completed in the next 3-4weeks.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Caldwell, seconded by Councillor Neville and agreed by the members that the report be noted.



CL18/1123

Results of the Radon testing

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Liston

Can the council outline the results of the Radon testing on the sample of homes in the

Municipal District?

A report was received by the Housing section informing the members that the council had 29 radon testing kits returned following the 3-month testing period. All test results returned were significantly below the annual average radon concentration of 200Bq/m³, above which remedial action is required.

In 2024, Kildare County Council will carry out further radon testing in properties which would be considered to be located in higher risk areas according to the latest radon mapping.

The report was noted.

CL19/1123

Report on number of rate refunds for empty premises

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Killeen

Can the council provide a report, in tabular format, on the number of rates refunds that have issued, per town, for empty premises in Leixlip and Celbridge in the last five years?

A report was received by the Finance section informing the members that the council does not provide reports on a Town by Town basis.

Vacancy relief applied for the county of Kildare over the last five years.

YEAR	STRIKE OFF AMT		
2018	€ 4,531,978.52		
2019	€ 4,791,303.34		
2020	€ 1,778,899.02		
2021	€ 3,440,681.62		
2022	€ 3,963,712.61		

Should members have queries regarding the application of vacancy relief on specific properties in their electoral areas, they should contact the rates office where vacancy relief application documentation is available for review.



The report was noted.

CL20/1123

Hedgehog friendly project

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Cussen

That a pilot hedgehog friendly school campus project be carried out in a school in Celbridge with the assistance of relevant stakeholders.

The Motion was proposed by Councillor Cussen and seconded by Councillor Liston

A report was received by the Planning section advising the members that this does not form part of the Biodiversity Officers work plan. Perhaps this is something that could be looked into as part of the municipal district LPT discussions.

Councillor Cussen advised that she had spoken with the Biodiversity Officer and would be having a meeting with the team the following week. She said there was an excellent example in the UK of a project like this.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Cussen, seconded by Councillor Neville and agreed by the members that the report be noted.

CL21/1123

Public street lighting in Kildroch

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Coleman Can the council confirm when the public street lighting in Kildroch, Celbridge will be made operational?

A report was received by the Building and Development control section informing the members that the public lighting in Kildroch, Celbridge was fully operational from the 3 November.

The report was noted.



CL22/1123

Planning and enforcement at Ryevale House in Leixlip

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Neville

Can the council provide an update on the status of planning and enforcement at Ryevale

House in Leixlip?

A report was received by the Planning section advising the members that the details of all planning applications are available on the Planning Search function on the Kildare County Council website.

With regard to enforcement action on any case the members are aware that all elements of enforcement proceedings are confidential except for information about the issue of Warning letter and Enforcement Notice as previously supplied to the members.

The report was noted.

CL23/1123

School Warden for St Patrick's Primary School

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Cussen

That the council consider the request for a School Warden for St Patrick's Primary School,

Celbridge.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Cussen and seconded by Councillor Caldwell

A report was received by the Sustainable Transport and Traffic Management section advising the members that a pedestrian controlled crossing is currently operational on the R405 adjacent to the entrance to Celbridge GAA, which leads to St. Patrick's Primary School, Hazelhatch road, Celbridge. This facility provides a safe crossing point for pedestrians, who wish to cross the road. Kildare County Council does not intend on appointing a School Warden (Lollipop Person) to be located at this location to operate in tandem with the pedestrian lights.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Cussen, seconded by Councillor Caldwell and agreed by the members that the report be noted.



CL24/1123

Letter to South Dublin Co Council about aircraft noise from Weston Airport

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Liston

That this municipal district writes to South Dublin County Council (SDCC) highlighting our
concern at disruption caused to residents as a result of aircraft noise from Weston Airport and
seeking the approved flight paths for its Weston flight school from August to October 2023 as
well as data on the actual flight paths over Celbridge during this time frame and the
associated reasons.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Liston and seconded by Councillor Killeen

A report was received from the Corporate Section advising that this is a matter for the members to agree.

The members raised the following points:

- Requested a letter to issue to SDCC requesting information as to why the noise disturbance was recurring.
- The flight school needed to adhere to flight paths.
- It was a bigger issue over the summer months, increased calls received.
- The flight paths were set by the aviation authority and the flying schools needed to adhere to them.
- How could individual pilots not adhering to the flight paths set out, be penalised?

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Liston, seconded by Councillor Killeen and agreed by the members that a letter be issued to South Dublin County Council highlighting our concern at disruption caused to residents as a result of aircraft noise.

CL25/1123

Purchase of the Parochial House, Celbridge

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Liston

Can the council confirm what the current status is on the purchase of the Parochial House,

Celbridge?



A report was received by the A/County Librarian advising the members that the purchase of the Parochial House had been delayed pending the sign off from the Office of the Charities Regulator.

The report was noted.

CL26/1123

Leixlip Christmas lights

The members considered an award of €14,000 for Leixlip Christmas lights from the community grant budget for the Celbridge-Leixlip Municipal District.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Neville, seconded by Councillor Killeen and agreed by the members that an award of €14,000 for the Leixlip Christmas lights from the community grant budget be approved.

CL27/1123

Extension to Confey Cemetery

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Caldwell
Can the council provide an update on the extension to Confey Cemetery?
A report was received from the Climate, Community, Environment and Water Section advising the members that the council are in discussion with the developer in relation to a suitable site.

The report was noted.

The meeting concluded.