



**Minutes of the Clane-Maynooth Municipal District Meeting
held on Friday 06 June 2025 at 10.00 a.m.
in the Council Chamber**

Members Present: Councillors D Fitzpatrick (Cathaoirleach), T Durkan, W Durkan, P Melrose, P McEvoy, P Mulroe, D Phelan, P Ward, A Feeney.

Apologies: Councillor B Wyse

Officials Present: Ms. M Higgins (District Manager), Mr M McLoughlin (Senior Executive Officer) Mr C Buggie (Municipal District Engineer), Mr Donal Hodgins, Senior Engineer, Ms E McGrath (A/Administrative Officer) Mr K Kavanagh (Senior Executive Officer), S Martin (Meetings Administrator), Mr A Foran (Meetings Secretary) and other officials.

CM01/0625

Declaration of Pecuniary or Beneficial Interests

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

CM02/0625

Minutes and Progress Report

The members considered the draft minutes of monthly Clane-Maynooth Municipal District meeting held on 06 May 2025 and to note the progress report.

Councillor T Durkan asked for an update in relation to progress report item CM 18/1122 Part 8 for the Celbridge Road, Maynooth and if the preferred route was feasible, as it includes private residences, a petrol station and state buildings.



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Mr D Hodgins, Senior Engineer, Sustainable Transport & Traffic Management, noted that an updated Option Selection Report has been received and is being discussed with the National Transport Authority. Any compulsory purchase of land presents one of the biggest challenges to any project as the Council must demonstrate a "need" for the lands and not just that the land is "wanted". Any discussions with landowners cannot commence until a statutory Part 8 process has started.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor T Durkan and seconded by Councillor McEvoy and agreed by all members present that the minutes of the monthly Clane-Maynooth Municipal District meeting held on 02 May 2025 be taken as read. The progress report was noted.

CM03/0625

Municipal District Road Works Programme

The crews are carrying out patch repairs and general maintenance on the roads in the Municipal District. The crews have also been cutting high grass at junctions to ensure sightlines are maintained. Surface Dressing commenced on the 28th of May in the district. Unfortunately, this process is very weather dependent, which has resulted in slower progress than we would have wished.

Councillor McEvoy noted that from a climate point of view, changing weather patterns mean that for the past few years there has been good weather in early spring followed by rain, and if monies for works could be made available and works started earlier, it may help with getting works finished.

Mr C Buggy (Municipal District Engineer) noted that if resources were available earlier it would help with the long-term plan for road works but also noted that works are not held up by rain alone, but low night-time temperatures are a factor in how asphalt cools and hardens, and this is a consideration also.

The report was noted.



CM04/0625

Capital Programme 2025-2027

Councillor Fitzpatrick enquired if there were any questions or comments from members.

Councillor McEvoy noted that in relation to discussions around the Capital Programme that sustainable travel should be kept in mind and a Clane playground review take place with a view to renew or replace equipment.

Councillor Fitzpatrick noted that there has been a need for a Playground in Derrinturn for many years and if this could be progressed on lands already owned by Kildare County Council that this would be preferable.

The discussion concluded.

CM05/0625

Date and Venue for the Annual Meeting.

The members agreed that the next Annual meeting would take place in the Council Chamber before the next Clane Maynooth Municipal District Meeting on July 4, 2025.

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Transport, Mobility and Open Spaces

Transport

CM06/0625

Section 38- Bus Stop 132991, Broadford, Co. Kildare

To note Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act 1994 -Installation of 1 New Bus Shelter at the following location: Bus Stop 132991, Broadford, Co. Kildare (West-bound).

The report was noted.



CM07/0625

Section 38- Scoil Bhríde, Straffan - Safe Routes to School Scheme

To note Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act 1994- Scoil Bhríde, Straffan - Safe Routes to School Scheme.

The report was noted.

CM08/0625

Maynooth Greenway Completion Date

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Phelan.

That the council ensures that the company who is tendered to complete the Greenway Maynooth is contacted to ensure this opens fully in time for the Entente Florale judging process on July 12.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Phelan and seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick.

A report was received from the Transport Department informing members that Glás Civil Engineering Limited are the contractors working on the Royal Canal Greenway Scheme from Louisa Bridge, Leixlip to Maynooth Harbour. Construction works on the full extent of the project are expected to be completed by the end of June 2025. However, this is a complicated civil engineering contract and under the terms of the contract, any guarantees to the request cannot contractually be provided.

Councillor Phelan thanked the Department for the report and enquired if there are penalties as part of the contract in relation to works not completed on time.

Mr D Hodgins Senior Engineer Transport noted that a new clause cannot be inserted into the contract without incurring financial consequences. It was also noted that in relation to penalties, there were several reasons why delays could occur, for example the discovery of a live wire during works, which would mean additional works would need to be carried out by the ESB. This would delay the project and would be outside the control of the contractor and so would not incur a penalty. The contractor is aware of the timeline required in relation



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to finishing the project and that there is goodwill on the part of the contractor in relation to this.

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

CM09/0625

Footpath Works Rathcoffey

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Phelan.

That the council explores extending the footpath past the metal barriers at the traffic lights on the Rathcoffey Road, as there are houses on that side of the road which have no footpath to walk on once people leave their houses.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Phelan and seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick.

A report was received from the Transport Department informing the members that there is insufficient width available to extend the footpath past the metal barrier to link up with the footpath further along the road. There are existing pedestrian traffic signals at each location where the footpath ends which allow people to cross the road to the footpath on the opposite side.

Councillor Phelan noted that contact is being made by residents in relation to safety and this issue. Land in this area is for sale and if sold a more comprehensive look in relation to footpaths would be needed.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Phelan seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick and agreed by all members that the report be noted.

CM10/0625

Road Markings and Improved Sight Lines Donadea

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor W Durkan.

That the council improves the junction of the L-10091 with L-1009 adjacent to Donadea Forest Park, to include road markings and improved sight lines.

The motion was proposed by Councillor W Durkan and seconded by Councillor T Durkan.



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A report was received from the Transport Department informing members that the Municipal District Engineer has requested that the road markings at this location be renewed by the appointed line marking contractor. The existing adjoining property boundaries do not allow for the sightline to be improved without land take.

Councillor W Durkan noted that these are roads surrounding Donadea Forest Park. These roads have a huge level of traffic as this area is a popular tourist destination and road markings, and the cutting of plant material would help with sight lines. Councillor W Durkan thanked the Department for the report.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor W Durkan seconded by Councillor T Durkan and agreed by all members that the report be noted.

CM11/0625

Pencil Bollards Moyglare Road, Maynooth

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Feeney
That the council installs pencil bollards on the footpath on the Moyglare Road opposite the Boys National School to prevent car parking on the cycle lane and footpath.
The motion was proposed by Councillor Feeney and seconded by Councillor McEvoy.

A report was received from the Transport Department informing members that the Municipal District Engineer will arrange for pencil bollards to be installed at this location in the coming weeks.

Councillor Feeney thanked the Department for the report and noted that driver behaviour was unfortunately the issue here.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Feeney seconded by Councillor McEvoy and agreed by all members that the report be noted.

CM12/0625

Traffic/Pedestrian Surveys, Prosperous

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Mulroe.



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That the council carries out a full traffic survey in Prosperous to gather data on traffic flow, density, parking turnover and pedestrian movements in order to better inform infrastructure and planning.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Mulroe and seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick.

A report was received from the Transport Department informing members Kildare County Council does not have the in-house capability to carry out the requested surveys and does not have the funding or staff available to manage an outside consultant to carry out these surveys.

Members noted the following:

- There have been several near-misses in Prosperous.
- It is difficult for those with accessibility issues to move around.
- The area is too car-focused and given over to traffic.
- Surveys will need to be carried with a view to future Infrastructure and Planning.
- Crossroads in Prosperous is an area of concern.
- Lots of confusion in relation to right of way at this crossroads.
- Would feeder lights be an option for the traffic lights at the crossroads.
- Need to find a way to support and empower communities.

Mr C Buggy (Municipal District Engineer) noted that the traffic lights are designed to keep traffic flowing, and feeder lights would impact traffic flow. The junction will be upgraded as part of the schoolworks, and these upgrade timescales cannot be altered.

Councillor Mulroe thanked the Department for the report and noted that the surveys would be a good way in which to measure traffic density and flow, parking turnover and pedestrian movements, as small communities in rural areas like Prosperous are extremely busy with traffic and these levels need to be determined.

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



CM13/0625

Signage, Ballinagappa, Clane

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor McEvoy.

That the council examines options to install an advisory "concealed entrance" sign on the L1023 Ballinagappa Road approaching Ard Cluainn, Clane, and for improved sightlines.

The motion was proposed by Councillor McEvoy and seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick.

A report was received from Transport Department informing members that the Municipal District Engineer will assess this request and, if deemed appropriate, signage will be installed.

Councillor McEvoy informed members that that an advisory sign may help with awareness of the speed limits on the approach to this urban area as driver behavior means that a collision may happen.

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

CM14/0625

Definition posts, Celbridge Road, Maynooth

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Melrose.

That this council installs junction definition posts (green bollards) at the junction of Ballygoran View/R405 Celbridge Road, Maynooth.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Melrose and seconded by Councillor Feeney.

A report was received from the Transport Department informing members that the Municipal District Engineer will arrange for junction definition bollards to be installed at this location in the coming weeks.

Councillor Melrose thanked the Department for the report and noted that it was also important to keep grass/foliage maintained at junctions to aid sightlines and noted that it is important to be proactive in this regard due to increased traffic flow.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Melrose and seconded by Councillor Feeney and agreed by all members that the report be noted.



CM15/0625

Traffic Calming Measures, Moyglare, Maynooth

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Melrose.

That the council considers traffic calming measures up to and including road markings in Moyglare Village, Maynooth, under Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act 1994 in the interests of emergency vehicle access and pedestrian and driver safety.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Melrose and seconded by Councillor T Durkan.

A report was received from the Transport Department informing members that the Municipal District Engineer will meet with Councillor Melrose at this location to identify the issues and possible solutions.

Members noted the following:

- Parking in Maynooth is becoming more of an issue.
- Some businesses who have free parking areas in the town have now employed clamping services.
- Emergency vehicles may have restricted access in case of an emergency in this area as a result of parking on bends and in other areas.
- Cars cannot be allowed to block up estates, cars parked on both sides of roads here.
- Need engagement with Maynooth University in relation to this.
- Approximately 5000 students travel to Maynooth for University.
- Maynooth University have a responsibility under the Climate Act to decrease car usage and encourage travel by bus or train.
- Other travel options need to be examined.

Mr. C Buggie, Municipal District Engineer, noted that if double yellow lines are used, they would restrict parking for residents. Cars parked on bends should be ticketed and we will engage with the Community Warden in relation to this. Mr. C Buggie informed members that he was happy to meet with Councillor Melrose in Maynooth to explore this issue.

Councillor Melrose noted that it would be appropriate to meet during the academic term to get a better overview of the problems here.



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Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Melrose seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick and agreed by all members that the report be noted.

CM16/0625

Repairs to Armco Barrier at Rathcoffey Church

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor T Durkan.

That the Council repairs the armco barrier at Rathcoffey Church which was recently damaged.

The motion was proposed by Councillor T Durkan and seconded by Councillor W Durkan.

A report was received from Transport Department informing members the Municipal District office will organise the repair of this barrier as part of a bundle of works in the coming months.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor T Durkan, seconded by Councillor W Durkan and agreed by all members that the report be noted.

CM17/0625

Speed Review, Abbeyfield Estate, Kilcock

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Ward.

That the Council conducts a speed review test at Abbeyfield Estate, Church Street in Kilcock.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Ward and seconded by Councillor Fitzpatrick.

A report was received from the Transport Department informing members that the Municipal District Engineer will arrange for a speed survey to be carried out in the coming weeks.

Councillor Ward welcomed the report and informed members that speeding is an ongoing issue in this area and whilst a Garda speed camera/van alleviated the issue for a while, a speed review now would inform as to whether the issue still persists or not.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Ward, seconded by Councillor T Durkan and agreed by all members that the report be noted.



CM18/0625

Review Road Signage/Markings, Derrycrib

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Ward.

That the council undertakes to review the road signage/road markings at Derrycrib, on the road between Roches Pub and Connolly Pub, Ballagh on the L1017 due to road safety issues.

A report was received from the Transport Department informing the members that the Municipal District Engineer will assess this request and, if deemed appropriate, signage will be installed.

Councillor Ward thanked the Department for the report and noted that signs covered with foliage was an issue in this area.

The report was noted.

CM19/0625

Maynooth Eastern Ring Road Tender Process

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Phelan.

Can the council elaborate on who requested the several extensions on the Stage 2 Tender Process for the Maynooth Eastern Ring Road that was highlighted in the Chief Executives Report this month?

A report was received from the Transport Department informing members that one extension to the tender return date was granted following the receipt of several requests from potential tenders for an extension due to the builders' holidays in April which fell within the original tender period. This request was granted following careful consideration to ensure that enough competitive tenders were received.

Councillor Phelan asked can an estimated finish date for the project be provided.

Mr M McLoughlin, Senior Executive Officer noted that from start to finish a project like this could take eight years.



The report was noted.

CM20/0625

Mill Street Maynooth Works Timeline

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Feeney.
Can the Council provide an update on the ongoing Mill Street Maynooth works, the continuation of the project past the undeveloped section that connects Mill Street to the Moyglare Road to include projected timelines?

A report was received from the Transport Department informing members that the Mill Street Active Travel Scheme will complete a “missing link” on the Maynooth North / South Active Travel Corridor. The scheme was granted Part 8 Planning as part of the larger North /South Corridor in 2015. Glas Civil Engineering have been awarded the contract following a competitive tender process and are currently progressing the works contract.

The improvements being delivered include:

- Improved pedestrian and cycle facilities on both sides of the street.
- Upgraded pedestrian crossings.
- Enhanced bus stop facilities.
- A new pedestrian footbridge adjacent to the existing bridge over the River Lyreen.

The scheme is being progressed on a phased basis throughout 2025 with works forecast to occur on the phases and dates outlined below:

- Southeast Mill Street – Q1/Q2 2025
- Southwest Mill St: Q2 2025
- Junction Main St: Q3 2025
- Northwest Mill St: Q3/Q4 2025
- Northeast Mill St: Q4 2025/2026

The section connecting Mill Street to Moyglare Road will be the final section to be delivered as Kildare County Council are currently in active negotiation with the landowners adjacent to this section.

Councillor Feeney thanked the Department for the detailed report and noted that a number of items at today’s meeting focused on speeding and that the continuation of the project



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past the undeveloped section that connects Mill Street to Moyglare Road would be a great success.

Mr D Hodgins, Senior Engineer informed members that the contract does not include works at the church and the section connecting Mill Street to Moyglare Road will be the last section to be delivered as Kildare County Council are in negotiation with the landowners adjacent to this section.

The report was noted.

CM21/0625

Update - Link Road from Mullen Park to the Celbridge Road

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Feeney.

Can the Council provide an update as to when the Link Road from Mullen Park to the Celbridge Road will open?

A report was received from the Transport Department informing members that an update on the opening date for this section of road has been requested from the developer and will be circulated to the members once it is available.

Councillor Feeney noted that it is incredible to think that this is not open and noted that Clause 15 of Planning Permission 18/761 states this should be concluded before the first dwelling is in place.

Mr M McLoughlin, Senior Executive Officer noted that good progress is being made here and there is active engagement.

The report was noted.

CM22/0625

Progress on the Clane Safe Routes to School Project

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor McEvoy.

Can the council outline progress on the Clane Safe Routes to School project?



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A report was received from the Transport Department informing members that the scheme drawings for the proposed Clane Safe Routes to School Scheme, including the proposed permeability link from the Ballinagappa Road to the Prosperous Road, have been prepared and individual meetings with most of the relevant stakeholders have taken place in the last month, a joint meeting between the relevant stakeholders and Kildare County Council is to take place in the next two weeks to progress the scheme.

Councillor McEvoy asked that Kildare County Council meet all parties before the meeting.

The report was noted.

CM23/0625

Planned Improvements at Dag Welds

The members considered following question in the name of Councillor McEvoy
Can the council outline progress on planned improvements at the Dag Weld's R409-R403 junction?

A report was received from the Transport Department informing members that the design drawings for the first phase of this junction are currently being finalised and will be circulated to the Municipal District members in June.

The report was noted.

CM240625

Jakes Law Implementation Clane Maynooth Municipal District

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Melrose
Can the council confirm a timeline for the rollout of Jake's Law implementation and appropriate signage in this Municipal District?

A report was received from the Transport Department informing members that Kildare County Council Sustainable Transport Section are currently developing a booklet of maps for the statutory public consultation exercise related to the implementation of a 30km/h speed limit (Jakes Law) in housing estates taken in charge by Kildare County Council. It is anticipated that the public consultation exercise will go ahead for a six-week period commencing in late June/early July 2025.



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Members will be consulted in advance of the public consultation exercise.

Kildare County Council is liaising with the Department of Transport in relation to the availability of funding required to facilitate the erection of 30 km/h signage at the entrances to housing estates taken in charge by Kildare County Council.

The report was noted.

CM25/0625

As Councillor Wyse was not in attendance this report fell.

CM26/0625

School Zones Safety Markings Clane Maynooth Municipal District

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor T Durkan
To ask for a progress report and completion date on the school zones safety markings throughout the Municipal District

A report was received from the Transport Department informing members that School Zone markings are completed at 85% of the schools in the district with the remainder to be completed in the coming weeks.

The report was noted.

CM27/0625

Start Date for Eastern Orbital Route in Maynooth

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor T Durkan.
Can the Council confirm a start date for the Eastern Orbital Route in Maynooth.

A report was received from the Transport Department informing members that the Tender Evaluation Phase is currently underway for the Maynooth Eastern Ring Road project. A start date for the commencement of construction will be advised in due course once this phase is complete and the preferred tenderer has been identified.



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Councillor T Durkan noted that funding was secured for this in 2017 and acknowledged that that the Tender Evaluation Phase is underway and asked when this process will be complete.

Mr M McLoughlin, Senior Executive Officer advised that a contractor should be on site before the end of the year and clarified that the project was not fully funded by LIHAF and would be part-funded by Kildare County Council.

The report was noted.

CM28/0625

Public Light, Connaught Street, Kilcock

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Ward.

Can the Council provide an update on the provision of the new public light on Connaught Street near Ledwill Park Estate, Kilcock.

A report was received from the Transport Department informing members that Kildare County Council Public Lighting Section has assessed the request for an additional light near Ledwill Park Estate under the KLIPS criteria (Kildare Lighting Infrastructure Priority Scheme). A quotation for the proposed lighting design has been obtained. The team is currently liaising with the Maynooth Municipal District office regarding project funding. Subject to funding approval, installation is expected to take place in Quarter 3 2025.

Councillor Ward noted that this is an ongoing issue and asked when will the light be installed.

Mr C Buggy Municipal District Engineer informed members that funding has been allocated, a Purchase Order has been raised and are awaiting the start date.

The report was noted.

CM29/0625

Communications Board Prosperous Playground

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor W Durkan.



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Can the council investigate the communications board in Prosperous Playground with a view to fixing the broken QR code link?

A report was received from the Parks Department informing members that the QR code issue will be investigated and fixed.

Councillor W Durkan thanked the Parks Department for the report and noted that he would like to commend Kildare County Council on the on the Communication Board, which is a great resource for the community.

The report was noted.

CM30/0625

Housing Stock Clane Maynooth 2020-2025

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor W Durkan.

Can the Council provide an overview of the volume of social housing stock provided by Kildare County Council in the Clane-Maynooth Municipal District in the 2020 -2025 period, and outline projections for future supply.

A report was received from the Housing Department informing members that there have been 659 units provided in the Clane Maynooth MD since 01/01/2020.

290 units were provided through Part V, Turnkey, Direct Sales and Capital Projects.

369 units were provided through Leasing and Approved Housing Body Programmes.

The current projections are 106 further units to deliver by year end 2026.

Councillor W Durkan thanked the Housing Department for the report and noted that these were solid numbers and good to see good volumes as this is an important issue for members of the public.

The report was noted.

CM31/0625

Taking in Charge of Cushalla, Allenwood (ref DC3431)

The members considered the Taking in Charge of Cushalla, Allenwood (ref DC3431)



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Background: Cushalla, Allenwood is a development of 20 units granted planning permission under planning reference 99/629, 00/1065. It is now proposed to take Cushalla, Allenwood, Co. Kildare in charge on foot of a request by Developer which was received on 4 May 2016. A map outlining the area to be taken in charge is appended to this report.

Report: The proposal to take in charge Cushalla, Allenwood, Co. Kildare, and associated map was on public display from 1 April 2025 to 30 April 2025, inclusive. The end of the statutory period for observations on the proposal was 14 May 2025. One submission was received. The submission related to a parcel of land purchased from the Developer by the property owner of no.1 Cushalla. This purchase was subsequent to grant of planning and records on Land Direct have not yet been updated to support this. The property owner has, however, provided valid documentation to support proof of purchase. The taking in charge boundary has been amended to reflect this information and is appended to this report. On the 14 April 2025 Kildare County Council received Úisce Eireann approval to proceed the taking in charge process. Under agreement E-KE-0170 the potable water and foul network infrastructure will be taken in charge by Úisce Eireann. The Development Control Section: (i) is satisfied that the roads in this development are of general public utility, (ii) has considered the financial implication for the authority of the proposed declaration, and (iii) confirms that the estate is at a Taking in Charge standard.

Recommendation: Having regard to the above, it is recommended to the Members of the Clane/Maynooth Municipal District, in accordance with Section 180 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) and Section 11 of the Roads Act, 1993, to Docusign Envelope ID: BABEF9C9-379A-4649-BB11-C33C87456831 take in charge those areas of Cushalla, Allenwood, Co. Kildare outlined on the appended map.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Fitzpatrick seconded by Councillor McEvoy and agreed by the members that Cushalla, Allenwood (ref DC3431) be taken in charge.

CM32/0625

Taking in Charge of Ballyshannon Manor, Derrinturn (ref DC3613)

The members considered the Taking in Charge of Ballyshannon Manor, Derrinturn (ref DC3613)



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Background: Ballyshannon Manor is a development of twenty-six houses granted planning permission under planning reference 04/555. It is proposed to take the Ballyshannon Manor estate in charge as requested by the developer, which was received on 14/01/2015. A map outlining the areas to be taken in charge is appended to this report. The lands pertaining to Ballyshannon Manor will be vested in the local authority should the estate be taken in charge by the Elected Members. The proposal to take Ballyshannon Manor, Derrinturn, Co. Kildare in charge was on public display from Tuesday, 25th March 2025 to Wednesday, 23rd April 2025 inclusive. The end of the statutory period for observations on the proposal was Wednesday 7th May 2025. No submissions were received during the statutory period. Uisce Éireann has been consulted and confirmed approval to proceed with taking in charge. The Development Control Section: (i) is satisfied that the roads in this development are of general public utility, (ii) has considered the financial implications for the authority of the proposed declaration, and (iii) confirms that the estate is at a Taking in Charge standard. Docusign Envelope ID: 220CA6DE-56A9-46F1-A06C-B51260B5F399 Kildare County Council Page 2 of 2.

Recommendation: Having regard to the above, it is recommended to the Members of the Clane/Maynooth Municipal District, in accordance with Section 180 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) and Section 11 of the Roads Act, 1993, to take in charge those areas in Ballyshannon Manor, Derrinturn, Co. Kildare outlined on the appended map.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Fitzpatrick, seconded by Councillor McEvoy and agreed by the members that Ballyshannon Manor, Derrinturn (ref DC3613) be taken in charge.

CM33/0625

Maynooth Mainstreet Masterplan

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Phelan
Can the council confirm when the Maynooth Mainstreet Masterplan is going to public consultation as there is already a vision for Maynooth Mainstreet published on the council website under the Climate Action Section.



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A report was received from the Strategic Projects and Public Realm Department informing members that there is no Maynooth Main Street Masterplan and previous reports given to the Members were in relation to the Maynooth Town Renewal Masterplan. The Maynooth Town Renewal Masterplan project has commenced, with a 12-month delivery programme, and is currently at stage one of the design. The Strategic Projects and Public Realm Team, together with the project Consultant Team, are hosting a stand at 'Picnic in the Park' on 15th June 2025, as a public consultation piece for stage one of the project.

The report was noted.

CM34/0425

As Councillor Wyse was not in attendance this report fell.

CM35/0625

Kilcock Local Area Plan

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Melrose
Can the council confirm if the Kilcock LAP has been formally extended under Section 19 (d) of the Planning and Development Act 2000-2014, a preferred timeline for its review, and if there are any extenuating criteria, including rapid population growth, that may accelerate this process.

A report was received from the Planning Department informing members that as advised to the Elected Members at a briefing on the 22nd of January 2025 (and in response to a question in the name of Cllr T Durkan for the May Municipal District meeting), revised legislation relating to the plan making process is imminent (Planning and Development Act, 2024) and this is further outlined in the recently published Planning and Development Act 2024 Implementation Plan [March 2025] prepared by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

Until specific dates are advised regarding the commencement of Part 3 (Plan making) of the Planning and Development Act, 2024, no schedule for the review of extant LAPs is available. The Forward Planning team will continue to provide timely updates to the Elected Members on the progression of the commencement of the new Act.



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The Kilcock LAP has not been formally extended as it did not meet the necessary legislative provisions of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended). Councillor Melrose thanked the Planning Department for the report and noted that we must ensure to work proactively for the sustainable growth and expansion of Kilcock.

The report was noted.

CM36/0625

Clane Maynooth Tidy Town Proposed Grant Allocations for 2025.

To consider the proposed Tidy Town grant allocations for 2025.

Councillor McEvoy excused himself and left the chamber for this item due to a conflict of interest in relation to this item.

The members considered the proposed Tidy Town Grant Allocations for 2025 for the Clane-Maynooth Municipal District.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor T Durkan, seconded by Councillor W Durkan and agreed by the members that the proposed Tidy Town Grant Allocations for 2025 for the Clane-Maynooth Municipal District be approved.

CM37/0625

Clane Maynooth Proposed Cemetery Committee Grant Allocations for 2025.

To consider the proposed Cemetery Committee Grant Allocations for 2025.

The members considered the proposed Cemetery Committee Grant Allocations for 2025 for the Clane-Maynooth Municipal District.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor W Durkan, seconded by Councillor Feeney and agreed by the members that the proposed Cemetery Committee Grant Allocations for 2025 for the Clane-Maynooth Municipal District be approved.

CM38/0625

Columbarium Wall in Mainham Cemetery, Clane

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor W Durkan



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That the council installs a Columbarium Wall in Mainham Cemetery, Clane in order to suitably cater for future local need.

The motion was proposed by Councillor W Durkan and seconded by Councillor T Durkan.

A report was received from the Environment Department informing members that with the members agreement, and subject to available capital funding, the council will include provision of a Columbarium Wall in Mainham Cemetery in its Works Programme for 2025/2026.

Councillor W Durkan noted that Kildare County Council needs to look at how future needs are catered for. Mainham Cemetery needs a Columbarium Wall as it is an important resource for the community with a high level of density and enquired if provision can be made in the Capital Programme.

Councillor T Durkan noted that this needs to be road mapped and provided to members.

Mr. K Kavanagh, Senior Executive Officer, informed members that other cemeteries that require a Columbarium Wall could be identified and provided if not in 2025 than in 2026.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor W Durkan seconded by Councillor T Durkan and agreed by all members that the report be noted.

CM39/0425

Community Creche Clane Maynooth Municipal District

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

That the council, in partnership with Kildare County Childcare Committee, provides a Community Crèche in this Municipal District to serve the growing childcare needs of families.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Feeney and seconded by Councillor Melrose

A report was received from the Community Department informing members that the provision of childcare services does not fall within the remit of Kildare County Council.

Members noted the following:

- Some of the highest fees for this are in Kildare.



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- There is a scarcity of spaces.
- Councillors want to engage with users and bring back solid information to them.
- We need to be proactive in relation to community creche spaces.
- Advice on this issue would be appreciated and necessary.

Ms. Marian Higgins, District Manager, noted that Kildare County Council are conscious of this issue. As a member of the Kildare Children and Young Person Services Committee she will raise the matter. She further outlined that childcare has been identified as an area of need in the Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP) alongside the need for more Family Resource Centres (FRC). In the recent call for FRC proposals the LCDC and Kildare County Council have provided letters of support for two Kildare applications.

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

CM40/0625

Water and Wastewater Services in Clane Maynooth Municipal District

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Mulroe
That the council outlines its role in and responsibility for the management of environmental public health issues relating to water and wastewater services in this Municipal District.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Mulroe and seconded by Councillor Melrose.

A report was received from the Environment Section informing members that the Environment Section role is in relation to water pollution, the HSE would be the Authority in relation to Public Health and the EPA license the Wastewater Treatment Plants in the County.

Councillor Mulroe informed members that this motion was brought as a result of a number of issues in Prosperous, one being a rat infestation which was eventually sorted out, but residents were told that it was an Irish Water and/or Kildare County Council and/or the HSE issue with no clear guidance as to who should deal with the issue and this caused unnecessary delays and confusion. This showed a gap in information as to who takes responsibility.



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Mr C Galvin, Senior Engineer, informed members that Uisce Éireann have ultimate responsibility in relation to public water issues and the HSE have responsibility for public health. Kildare County Council have a role with rural water supply and septic tanks.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Mulroe seconded by Councillor Melrose and agreed by all members that the report be noted.

CM41/0625

As Councillor Wyse was not in attendance this report fell.

CM42/0625

Expansion of Laraghbryan Cemetery Maynooth

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor T Durkan.

That the Council gives a timeline and completion date for the expansion of Laraghbryan Cemetery Maynooth.

The motion was proposed by Councillor T Durkan and seconded by Councillor W Durkan

A report was received from the Community and Enterprise Department informing members that there are no immediate plans to extend the cemetery at Laraghbryan, Maynooth.

Current figures indicate that capacity is deemed adequate for the next 5/6 years.

Laraghbryan also has a Columbarium Wall with spaces available.

However, to ensure adequate burial space for the future, a suitable location that could accommodate an additional cemetery has been identified on a two-hectare site situated to the north of the existing cemetery at Laraghbryan on lands zoned 'Community and Education'. The members will be aware that it is an objective (ref HCO9.1) of the recently adopted Maynooth and Environs Joint Local Area Plan 2025-2031 "to support the development of an additional cemetery on zoned lands at Laraghbryan to the immediate north of the existing cemetery, subject to detailed design and environmental assessment".

Councillor T Durkan noted that there may not be 5 or 6 years capacity and noted that he is aware of Kildare County Council owned adjacent lands and is conscious of the fact that we may run out of space and should be ready if more space is needed.



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Ms. Marian Higgins noted that a broader analysis of the capacity of graveyards will help to fill in the bigger picture while being conscious of the population rise within the last 40 years.

Mr. K Kavanagh, Senior Executive Officer, informed members that there are no extension plans currently but that he is happy to meet with Councillor Durkan to progress this issue.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor T Durkan and seconded by Councillor W Durkan and agreed by all members that the report be noted.

CM43/0625

As Councillor Wyse was not in attendance this report fell.

The Meeting concluded.