

Áras Chill Dara  
Páirc Devoy  
An Nás  
Co. Chill Dara

08 April 2019

**To the Mayor and each member of the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District**

Dear Mayor and members,

The next meeting of Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District will be held at 10.00 a.m. on Wednesday, 17 April 2019 in the council chamber, Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas and you are invited to attend.

Yours sincerely,



F. Skehan

Meetings Administrator

**Agenda (10:00 a.m.)**

1. To approve the minutes of the monthly Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District meeting held on Wednesday, 20 March 2019 and to note the progress report.
2. To receive an update on the municipal district road works.

**Committee Reports and Recommendations (10:05 a.m.)**

**Protocol Committee**

3. With regard to the upcoming local elections 2019, that this Municipal District confirm what has been agreed to in relation to areas to be kept 'poster free' so that all candidates running in the local elections can be advised accordingly (report to follow).

**Housing and Corporate Services (10:10 a.m.)**

**4. Question – Councillor Mark Lynch**

Can the council confirm what is the current percentage breakdown of persons from within and outside the European Union on either the homeless list or on any housing supports in this municipal district, and all other municipal districts for comparative purposes.

**5. Question – Councillor Mark Stafford**

Can the council advise on the number of inspections conducted on properties under the HAP and RAS schemes and the outcome of such inspections in the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District within the past 2 years?

**Roads, Transportation and Public Safety (10:15 a.m.)**

**6. Motion – Councillor Murty Aspell**

That the council carry out repairs to the road at the very top of Standhouse Lawns and replace the broken kerbs in the same area.

**7. Motion – Councillor Murty Aspell**

That the council replace the broken barrier opposite KFC in Newbridge.

**8. Motion – Councillor Joanne Pender**

That the council install a yellow box at the junction between the old road and Munster Joinery on the R401 Dunmurray Road in Kildare Town.

**9. Motion – Councillor Joanne Pender**

That the council show discretionary leniency towards appeals against parking fines made on behalf of voluntary first responders for minor parking infringements in this municipal district while attending an emergency call out.

**10. Motion – Councillor Fiona McLoughlin Healy**

That the council provide an update and identify which estates and when are to benefit from traffic calming solutions around the district.

**11. Motion – Councillor Robert Power**

That the council agree to complete footpath and resurfacing works in Moorefield Park, Newbridge so that all areas of the estate area are treated.

**12. Motion – Councillor Robert Power**

That in the event of the Naas Municipal District rejecting the Part 8 proposal for the Naas Inner Relief Road that the council put forward the best possible case to the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government for retaining the €4.5m LIHAF funding within the county with a view to tackling the chronic traffic issues in Newbridge.

**13. Motion – Councillor Morgan McCabe**

That the council synchronize the traffic lights in Newbridge to relieve congestion on the Main Street, especially at peak times.

**14. Motion – Councillor Mark Stafford**

That the council resurface Kilinthomas Lane, Rathangan.

**15. Question - Councillor Suzanne Doyle**

Can the council consider working with the Irish Stable Staff Association to deliver a pilot initiative that will equip their members with helmet cam equipment, in order to assess signage and road improvement measures that will mitigate significant risks for riders, animals and drivers in the unique environment of the Curragh?

**16. Question – Councillor Joanne Pender**

Can the council inspect the hedges on the road known as Mooney's Road or the Ring of Roseberry that runs adjacent to the back of Roseberry Hill estate where the most recent housing construction is located?

**17. Question – Councillor Joanne Pender**

Can the council remove the damaged and leaning electricity pole in Dara Park Newbridge while waiting for it to be replaced in the future?

**18. Question – Councillor Morgan McCabe**

Can the council install lighting on the pathway traversing the park in Lakeside Park similar to the lighting project in Pairc Mhuire?

**19. Question – Councillor Mark Stafford**

Can the council furnish an update on the steps being taken to improve safety at Feighcullen Cross (otherwise known as Church Cross), Rathangan?

**Environment and Water Services (11:05 a.m.)**

**20. Motion – Councillor Mark Lynch**

That the council liaises with waste providers to begin a campaign whereby school children in the municipal district have organised day trips to domestic waste recycling centres to showcase the visual impact of recycling and the issues that occur when incorrect waste recycling takes place.

**21. Motion – Councillor Mark Stafford**

That the council explain why it is presently desludging the pumping station and buffer tank at Bluetown, Allenwood North through a manhole on the public road and what steps are being taken to resolve the issue.

**22. Question – Councillor Morgan McCabe**

Can the council install a drinking water fountain beside the Skate Park in Newbridge, to reduce single use plastics?

### **Planning and Strategic Development (11:15 a.m.)**

23. To receive an update on the Vacant Sites process.
24. To consider the Community Heritage Grant Scheme 2019 allocation (report attached).
25. **Motion – Councillor Suzanne Doyle**  
That the council resolves to start the Local Area Plan process for Newbridge by no later than September of this year.

### **Economic, Community and Cultural Development (11:30 a.m.)**

26. To consider grant awards under the various grant schemes administered by the Economic, Community and Cultural Development Department (report to follow).
27. **Motion – Councillor Fiona McLoughlin Healy**  
That where it has not executed its oversight function over organisations it funds in the municipal district (and county) the council now ask that they provide an annual report of their use and governance of public monies and they be uploaded onto the council's website for public access.
28. **Motion – Councillor Mark Lynch**  
That the council outlines what progress has been made on foot of previous motions whereby appropriate grass verges in the municipal district were to be planted with shrubbery for both environmental and cost saving reasons.
29. **Question - Councillor Suzanne Doyle**  
Can the council consult with Enable Ireland and Autism Ireland to inform design and delivery of playgrounds and other relevant services in the municipal district to ensure optimum access and engagement?

**30. Question – Councillor Fiona McLoughlin Healy**

Can the council detail the action it took to reassure itself as to the governance of the Arts Centre after; a discrepancy of €63,000 was discovered between a loan recorded in the Arts Centre accounts as a loan from the council which did not appear in the council's accounts; and concerns regarding conflicts of interest were raised in the awarding of contracts by the Arts Centre?

**31. Question – Councillor Mark Lynch**

Can the council fully outline plans for the proposed new centre at Robertstown; how the significant amount of money on deposit will be used and what future engagement will occur with the wider community at Robertstown?

**Finance and IS (11:45 a.m.)**

**32. Joint Motion – Councillors Suzanne Doyle and Morgan McCabe**

That this Municipal District Committee refer the following motion to full council for approval at their next meeting; that LPT be distributed through each municipal district in an equitable manner where the division is in direct proportion to number of representatives of each municipal district.

**33. Question – Councillor Fiona McLoughlin Healy**

Can the council provide a list of the top 10 earning contractors (accumulated) across each Directorate in the municipal district together with an explanation of how the opening and tender evaluation panels are selected and a reassurance that the council has adhered to national procurement policy in the selection of these panels?