

Minutes of the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District Meeting Held on 17 June 2020 in Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas, Co Kildare

Members Present: Councillor M Stafford (Mayor), Councillors A Connolly,

N Connolly, S Doyle, K Duffy, N Heavey, F McLoughlin Healy, P O'Dwyer, T O'Dwyer, C Pender, R Power

Officials Present: Mr J Boland (District Manager), Ms B Cuddy, (District

Engineer), Ms M Hunt (Senior Executive Officer), Mr L Dunne (Senior Executive Officer), Ms S Scully, Ms V

Cooke (Administrative Officers), Ms B Loughlin (Heritage Officer), Mr B Leonard (Meetings Administrator) and Ms S

Fitzgerald (Meetings Secretary).

KN01/0620

Minutes and Progress Report

The members considered the minutes of the monthly Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District meeting held on Wednesday, 19 February 2020 together with the progress report.

Councillor McLoughlin Healy enquired about the amendments to the January minutes. The Meetings Administrator confirmed that he had not received a reply to emails issued to Councillor McLoughlin Healy on the 26 February or 6 March requesting the amendments. Councillor McLoughlin Healy requested that this matter be deferred to the July meeting.

The Mayor and the members agreed to defer the matter to the July Municipal District meeting.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Doyle, seconded by Councillor Power that the minutes of the monthly meeting of the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District held on Wednesday, 19 February 2020 be taken as read and Councillor McLoughlin



Healy's request to have the January minutes amended be deferred to the July meeting. The progress report was noted.

KN02/0620

Schedule of Municipal District Road Works

The District Engineer updated the members of the following road works in the Municipal District:

Road Resurfacing Works:

Road resurfacing completed from:

- Allen cross to black trench
- Allen cross to roadstone
- Southgreen road Kildare town

Tenders were awarded for Academy street including footpath work under the LPT program.

Tenders were issued for:

- Edenderry road Rathangan
- Naas road Kilcullen
- Milltown to Whelam cross
- LIS scheme Lattensbog

Surface Dressing would commence on 22nd of June in line with the roads program.

- L3003 Rathbride Cross to Kilmoney
- L7044 Athgarvan Pitch and Putt to Military Cemetery
- L7043 Walshestown to Military Cemetery
- L6078 Old Kilcullen
- L6080 Old Kilcullen
- L6076 Mile Mill to Knockbounce
- L2033 Gilltown Cross to Gormanstown Cross
- R401 Thomastown Cross to Clougharett
- R415 Wheelam bridge to Rathbride Cross

Miscellaneous Works:

Return to work was beginning on a phased basis post Covid 19 lockdown.

- Extensive jetting and cleaning of the surface water network across the whole Municipal District, both maintenance and reactive to the extensive flooding situation that occurred.
- Verge cutting ongoing across all areas of the Municipal District.
- Velocity patcher was in Kilcullen for the past 4 weeks, it is in Newbridge this week carrying out extensive patching repairs.
- R445 grass cutting and litter picking contract complete, contract was extended to carry out a litter pick on the R445 between Newbridge and Kildare.
- General Maintenance water cuts, patching, gully cleaning.
- Bollards erected on the green in Pairc Mhuire, Newbridge.

The members thanked the Municipal District Engineer for her update.

The report was noted.

KN04/0620

Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District Annual Meeting

The Meetings Administrator informed the members that the annual meeting would take place at 10.00 am on 15 July 2020.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Stafford, seconded by Councillor Doyle and agreed by the members that the Annual meeting would take place at 10.00 am on 15 July 2020.

KN05/0620

Laneway Linking Rosconnell Avenue to Roconnell Close

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

That the Municipal District Engineer examine the laneway linking Rosconnell Avenue to Rosconnell Close, Newbridge to determine if it would be suitable for closure.



The motion was proposed by Councillor Doyle and seconded by Councillor Stafford.

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that the council have examined the location and have had numerous representations in relation to anti-social behaviour at this location. It was a public right of way so the council would have to extinguish the public right of way, if the members were in favour, the council could start this procedure, it would include advertising the proposal and people would have the right to comment. If there were no valid objections the council would then proceed to the next step.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Doyle and seconded by Councillor Stafford that the report be noted and the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department to start the process of extinguishing the public right of way on the laneway linking Rosconnell Avenue to Rosconnell Close, Newbridge.

KN06/0620

Free Parking

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Tracey O'Dwyer.

That the council introduce a one-hour free parking initiative to all Kildare County Council operated car parks and on street parking in Newbridge town from June 2020 until October 2020 to help and support business in the town of Newbridge as they start to resume trading.

The motion was proposed by Councillor T O'Dwyer and seconded by Councillor Doyle.

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that the Roads Department had already increased the observation period from 15 minutes to 30 minutes prior to the purchase of a valid pay and display ticket and on the expiry of a valid pay and display ticket. Motorists were



already getting one-hour free parking (30 minutes either side of a purchased and displayed valid pay and display ticket). The introduction of more free parking periods would significantly reduce the turnover of available parking spaces which would have a significant negative effect on the ability of motorists and visitors to access parking spaces in order to shop and do business in the town. This would have a knock-on negative impact on business. The Roads Department would strongly recommend not introducing further free parking times.

The members discussed the following points:

- People queuing to get into shops
- This may reduce loitering therefore preventing the spread of Covid 19
- Should be uniform across the Municipal District
- Should be under an hour (45 minutes)
- Conscious of revenue generation
- Pilot project should not be in place for good and subject to review

The District Manager replied with the following:

- Any change would result in a change in by-laws, with a public consultation process which would take 30 days
- The practicality of this one-hour observation period would be difficult due to the lack of wardens
- It would be difficult to enforce
- Pay parking is not primarily about money, it is about the turnover of spaces
- Members should consider this carefully

The members agreed to amend the motion from one-hour free parking to 45 minutes free parking Councillor T. O'Dwyer agreed to amend the wording of the motion from one hour to 45 minutes.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor T. O'Dwyer and seconded by Councillor Doyle that the report be noted and the council to investigate/pursue a 45 minute free car-parking initiative.



KN07/0620

Feighcullen Cross, Allen

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Anne Connolly.

That the council address the safety concerns at Feighcullen Cross, Allen.

The motion was proposed by Councillor A Connolly and seconded by Councillor Stafford.

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that there were no planned works for 2020 at this location, and no budget, it could be included for consideration in the 2021 budget.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor A Connolly and seconded by Councillor Stafford that the report be noted and these works to be included for consideration in the 2021 budget.

KN08/0620

Re-alignment of Road Markings at Junction of the R445 and R415

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Noel Connolly.

That the council carry out re-alignment of road markings at the junction of the R445 and R415 near Tesco in Kildare Town to provide adequate marked turning lanes for traffic coming from Monasterevin and also from Kildare Village Outlet, and to provide a left turning arrow on the traffic light in front of the T-junction.

The motion was proposed by Councillor N Connolly and seconded by Councillor McLoughlin Healy.

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that the municipal district office would agree to



investigate the issue outlined, if required and subject to budget the municipal district office would develop a plan for road markings for this area.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor N Connolly and seconded by Councillor McLouhglin Healy that the report be noted and the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District Office to investigate the issue.

KN09/0620

Footpath along the R417

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Noel Connolly.

That the council extend the footpath (on the opposite side to the cemetery) along the R417 from after St Evin's Cemetery on Kill Hill ,where the current footpath ends, to the entrance to Moore Abbey Woods as there is considerable foot traffic in this area as the woods is a local beauty spot and a popular walking destination.

The motion was proposed by Councillor N Connolly and seconded by Councillor McLoughlin Healy.

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that there was no budget to extend the footpath as requested within the 2020 roads program.

Councillor N Connolly accepted there was no budget to carry out these works and requested a costing be carried out.

The District Engineer agreed to carry out a costing of the works requested. **Resolved** on the proposal of Councillor N Connolly and seconded by Councillor McLoughlin Healy that the report be noted and a costing of works to be carried out by the Municipal District Office.



KN10/0620

Flooding from The Rivers Barrow & Figile

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Kevin Duffy.

That the council prepare a report on the necessary works required to be carried out to prevent or minimise the extent of flooding that is occurring from the rivers Barrow and Figile in the townlands of Derrylea and Inchacooly, Monasterevin, including the dredging of the rivers, and the repair, rectification and maintenance of Drainage Districts channels and embankments as required under their legislative responsibilities.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Duffy and seconded by Councillor McLoughlin Healy.

A report was received from the Environment Department informing the members that following the abolition of the Barrow Drainage Board in December 2014, the Council established the Drainage Channel Maintenance Crew which consists of 2 General Operatives and a General Site Supervisor (whom we share with Offaly County Council). The works carried out by the crew include silt and vegetation management, aquatic vegetation cutting, bank protection, tree cutting, branch trimming, bridge and structure repairs. Works that affect the bed or banks of the river, such as dredging are not allowed.

In-stream works with machinery are limited to the months of July, August and September. Tree cutting was limited to between September and February. Works in watercourses that are Special Areas of Conservation (SACs) or discharge into SACs would require an Appropriate Assessment to be carried out before any works could be done. All works are carried out in accordance with the OPW Environmental Management Protocols and Standard Operating Procedures for Drainage. Maintenance Service and with the Councils own Health & Safety requirements. Other issues which could affect works include restrictions from Inland Fisheries. Ireland, such as the current restrictions aimed at minimising the impact of the Crayfish plague currently in the River Slate and River Barrow. The areas where the



drainage crew operate works were limited to drainage districts or locations where flood relief schemes had been constructed under the Local Authorities Works Act 1949. Currently, there were three drainage districts within the Kildare Municipal District. These were sections of the Barrow Drainage District, the Kildare Drainage District and the Connell Drainage District.

Maintenance was carried out on the Umeras stream in 2019 and the Cowpasture Stream in 2018 which form part of the Barrow Drainage District, the River Slate in 2018, which forms part of the Kildare Drainage District in 2018 and works were carried out by a contractor on the Connell Drainage District in 2019 as part of drainage works on the R445.

Works were proposed on the Cowpasture stream in 2020 (Barrow Drainage District) and on the Boherbaun River (Kildare Drainage District) in 2021.

The budget for these works comes from the Revenue account and is subject to budgetary constraints as well as the restrictions detailed above.

Councillor Duffy responded to the report by saying while it was a very detailed report it didn't seem to address the issues, as he wanted to get an understanding of what was happening with the rivers, the causes of the flooding and what were the long term flood alleviation plans.

The District Manager agreed to meet with Councillor Duffy to discuss the matter further.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Duffy and seconded by Councillor McLoughlin Healy that the report be noted and the District Manager to discuss the matter further with Councillor Duffy.

KN11/0620

Road Safety Assessment of the M7 Newbridge Off Ramp

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Kevin Duffy.

That this council write to Transport Infrastructure Ireland to request they undertake a road safety assessment of the M7 Newbridge off-ramp given the dangerous traffic



congestion and tailback onto the M7 motorway that occurs there on weekdays heading into Newbridge, which poses a significant risk to road users.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Duffy and seconded by Councillor McLoughlin Healy.

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that if the members agreed a letter could issue to Transport Infrastructure Ireland in this regard.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Duffy and seconded by Councillor McLouhglin Healy that the report be noted and a letter issue to Transport Infrastructure Ireland on this matter.

KN12/0620

Surface Water Drainage, Unnamed Road, Tully East

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Mark Stafford.

That the council address the problem of surface water drainage along the unnamed road at Tully East, Kildare.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Stafford and seconded by Councillor Pender.

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that the Municipal District Office would agree to discuss the issue with the councillor and arrange a site meeting if required.

Resovled on the proposal of Councillor Stafford, seconded by Councillor Pender that the report be noted and the Municipal District Office to arrange to discuss and meet with Councillor Stafford on this matter.



KN13/0620

Resurface Killinthomas Lane, Woodlands, Rathangan

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Mark Stafford.

That the council resurface Killinthomas Lane, Woodlands, Rathangan at the earliest opportunity, in recognition of the increased traffic to access an important recreational area during the Covid-19 pandemic.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Stafford and seconded by Councillor Duffy.

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that the roads program had been agreed for 2020. The council could include this for consideration as part of the 2021 roads programe subject to meeting the criteria and budget.

Resovled on the proposal of Councillor Stafford, seconded by Councillor Duffy that the report be noted and the item to be included on the 2021 roads programe.

KN14/0620

Safe Pedestrian/Cycleway from Athgarvan to the Boardwalk in Newbridge
The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Noel
Heavey.

That this council support a pilot project, to include a feasibility study, to provide a safe pedestrian/ cycleway from Athgarvan to the Boardwalk in Newbridge in a way that may be useful towards establishing other arterial greenways throughout Newbridge and other towns in our district.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Heavey and seconded by Councillor Doyle.

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that the council would, in theory, support a feasibility study



for the provision of a safe pedestrian/cycleway from Athgarvan to the boardwalk in Newbridge to benefit greenways, in general, but the Road Safety, Cycling and Sustanable Transport Officer had requested if Councillor Heavey could confirm and outline what other elements of the pilot project would be involved which included the proposed feasibility study.

The members discussed the following:

- An action group had been set up with teachers in a local school
- Previous studies had been carried out 7/8 years ago
- There was a 600-metre piece of land between Walshestown Abbey and Athgarvan which could be considered for this project
- To consider preparing an intermediate plan carried out in conjunction with the Road Safety, Cycling and Sustainable Transport Officer for a feasibility study
- This could be used as a template for more programs like this in the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District.
- COVID 19 highlighted the need for projects like these.
- Some LPT funding should be set aside so they are ready if government funding becomes available in the future
- Was it included in the Athgarvan health check?
- An application was made to Urban Regeneration Development Fund, can the members ask for this to be resubmitted as all the work is already done?
- This should be incorporated into the Athgarvan plan during the public consultation process

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Heavey, seconded by Councillor Doyle that the report be noted, the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department circulate the previous application made to the Urban Regeneration Development Fund to the members and the Sustainable Transport Officer to meet with the Action Group.



KN15/0620

Bus Shelter at Brownstown Cross

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Chris Pender.

That the council work with the National Transport Authority to install a bus shelter at Brownstown Cross.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Pender and seconded by Councillor McLoughlin Healy.

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that if the members agree a letter can be issued to the National Transport Authority in relation to the Motion.

Following a discussion, the members raised these points:

- The only way for this to go through would be using Kildare County Council funding
- A query arose whether this was on the list of bus shelters to be assessed.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Pender and seconded by Councillor McLouhglin Healy that the report be noted and a letter to issue to the National Transport Authority on this matter.

KN16/0620

Cycle Lanes in Newbridge

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Chris Pender.

That the council begin the repairing, repainting and upgrade of cycle lanes in Newbridge Town to create a safe segregated cycle lane network.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Pender and seconded by Councillor McLoughlin Healy.



A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that the municipal district office agree to look at a program of upgrading line marking within the town, this will include all existing cycle lanes.

The members discussed the following:

- There was a need for a safe segregated cycle lane.
- The route was used by children cycling to school
- Councillor Pender informed the members there was also repairs included in the motion

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Pender and seconded by Councillor McLouhglin Healy that the report be noted.

KN17/0620

Identify Cycle Projects Across the Municipal District

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Fiona McLoughlin Healy.

That the council, with a sense of urgency informed by Covid-19 and climate action commitments, identify cycle projects for across the municipal district that will help deliver the safe pedestrian and cycle infrastructure urgently needed. This should include but not be limited to a review of all public realm plans for optimum pedestrian and cycle infrastructure; the installation of bike safe/locker facilities at train stations and the delivery of safe cycle routes to schools on the Green Road, and between Caragh and Naas.

The motion was proposed by Councillor McLoughlin Healy and seconded by Councillor Pender.

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that based on the motion, a lot of funding and engagement with various stakeholders is required to undertake these projects, and they can be added to the list of projects.



Councillor McLoughlin Healy stated that she required feedback to all the content of her motion. It was noted that there was a proven demand for safe cycle lanes and following on from a motion in August 2019 that a criteria-based system would be put in place to measure demand and to show progrees month on month.

The Senior Executive Officer of the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety

Department stated he would get further clarification and come back to Councillor

McLoughlin Healy.

The District Manager confirmed he had discussed the cycle lanes with the Director of the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department and he would extend an invitation to the Director to attend the July meeting to discuss matters further.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor McLoughlin Healy and seconded by Councillor Pender that the report be noted and the District Manager to invite the Director of Roads, Transportation and Public Safety to attend the July meeting.

KN18/0620

Works at Pollardstown Cross

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Anne Connolly.

Can the council give a timeline on works to be completed at Pollardstown Cross?

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that the council is awaiting the ESB to complete changeover of lines, once this is completed, the council will commence works.

The report was noted.

KN19/0620

Works at Sheshoon Cross

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Anne Connolly.



Can the council give a timeline on works to be completed at Sheshoon Cross?

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that this location is included in this year's roads program. Works will be carried out towards the end of the year.

The report was noted

KN20/0620

Bus Shelters in Kilcullen

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Tracey O'Dwyer.

Can the council confirm that following my motion at the February meeting, that a request was sent to the National Transport Authority to carry out a suitability assessment identifying three bus shelter locations in Kilcullen and did the National Transport Authority respond?

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members a letter was sent to the National Transport Authority and a response is currently awaited.

The report was noted.

KN21/0620

Social Distancing Requirements

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

Can the council update the members on infrastructural upgrades that have taken place since February, as it pertains to social distancing requirements for cyclists, pedestrians, people with disabilities and businesses, or are planned to happen in the immediate future ie. next 2 months?

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that there are no planned works within the Municipal District.



The report was noted.

KN22/0620

Bus Shelter for Monasterevin

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Noel Connolly.

Can the council confirm if it is liaising with the National Roads Authority with a view to providing a bus shelter in Monasterevin for south bound passengers?

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that the Council is not currently liaising with the National Transport Authority but the Council will follow up on the issue.

The report was noted.

KN23/0620

WiFi4EU

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Noel Connolly.

Can the council confirm if it is making an application under the WiFi4EU initiative for the following venues (details provided) within the municipal district?

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that an application in respect of WiFi4EU has been made.

Councillor N Connolly asked if the application included the venues listed. It was agreed that confirmation would issue to Councillor Connolly on this.

The report was noted.



KN24/0620

Footpath from Kildare Town to the edge of the Curragh Plains

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Mark Stafford.

Can the council furnish a report on the proposals to construct footpaths from Kildare Town to the edge of the Curragh Plains?

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that there are no plans or budget for the requested project within the 2020 budget.

The report was noted.

KN25/0620

Progress Report on the Delivery of Bus Shelters in the Municipal District
The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Fiona
McLoughlin Healy.

Can the council provide a progress report on the delivery of bus shelters in the municipal district to include an update on the handover of land offered to facilitate a bus shelter in Kilcullen; the funding allocated by the National Transport Authority to fund bus shelters across the municipal district?

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that letters have been issued to the National Transport Authority and responses are awaited in this regard.

The report was noted.

The Mayor requested Item 28 and 29 on the agenda to be taken together. All members agreed.



KN26/0620

Ummeras Bog, Monasterevin

Item:28

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Anne Connolly.

That this council contact Bord na Móna with a view to discussing the development of Ummeras Bog, Monasterevin.

The motion was proposed by Councillor A Connolly and seconded by Councillor N Connolly.

A report from the Planning Department was received informing the members that this was a matter for the members to agree.

Item 29:

Meeting with Bord Na Mona

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Fiona McLoughlin Healy.

That the council seek a meeting with Bord Na Móna to explore opportunities for the district arising from the recent announcement by the Just Transition Commissioner of a €1.6 billion investment in just transition from a brown to a green strategy.

The motion was proposed by Councillor McLouhglin Healy and seconded by Councillor N Connolly.

A report was received from the Corporate Services Department informing members that this is a matter for the members to agree.

The members discussed the two motions together and the following points were made:



- The members would like to liase with Bord na Mona in relation to this project to move forward on the matter
- There had been a positive meeting with Bord na Mona previously
- There was funding available and the members wanted to ensure that the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District would not be forgotten about.

The District Manager stated he would engage with Bord na Mona on this matter. **Resolved** on the proposals of Councillor A Connolly and Councillor McLoughlin Healy and seconded by Councillor N Connolly that the report be noted and the District Manager to engage with Bord na Mona.

KN27/0620

Clean-up of Tenant Property

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

Can this council have a report on the number of cases where it has been necessary to assist with clean-up of tenant property, the cost of same and the number, if any, who have availed of this service from the council previously with the number of times the service was provided?

A report was received from the Housing Departing informing the members that it had been necessary to assist with clean-up of tenant properties in 12 cases since the 1/1/2020. The total cost in relation to this is estimated at €9,615 and there were no records of this assistance being provided on more than one occasion for tenants. The report was noted.

KN28/0620

Cost in Relation to Buildings and Services Closed Due to Covid 19

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Chris Pender.



Can the council confirm the financial cost in relation to buildings and services that are under the councils remit in this municipal district that are currently or were closed due to Covid-19 restrictions?

A report was received from the Library Service informing the members that the total building running costs including rent for library premises in the Kildare Newbridge Municipal District – Newbridge, Rathangan, Kildare Town, Monasterevin and Library Head Quarters are €150,215.

A second report was received from the Economic Community & Cultural Development Department informing the members that from a community point of view there had been little change in the cost of buildings and services throughout the Municipal District. Community buildings under our remit in general have a local group of volunteers, committee or board that manage the building and our caretakers agreements tend to state that any such group would take care of the day to day costs of the building.

A third report was received from the Corporate Services Department informing the members that there were no extra costs incurred when closing Newbridge Town Hall due to Covid 19, as the hall was closed the council was unable to offer it for rent so there was a loss of potential revenue for renting it out but this would not be possible to quantify.

The reports were noted.

KN29/0620

The quarterly update on Strategic Projects and Public Realm

A report was provided to the members in advance of the meeting. The Senior Executive Officer, Strategic Projects & Public Realm Team, Planning Department had discussions with members in relation to the update.

The members raised the following queries:

Was there an update on Monastervin Health Check?



- Could a pilot project in Kildare town be carried out to survey, using socially distanced measures for a two month period over the summer?
- Does the pathway in Athgarvan come under Public Realm?
- Was there any update on St Conleth's Square, Newbridge?
- Would the Senior Executive Officer, Public Realm Team, attend a meeting with the members and Bord na Mona?
- Newbridge Part 8 could this be circulated to members?
- Was there an update on the Blueway?
- How was the Town & Village Renewal application for Monastervin progressing?

Ms Hunt Strategic replied to the members as follows:

- The next step in Monasterevin Health Check would be to go on the ground to survey and public consultation was needed.
- Kildare town the Senior Executive Officer can meet with Area Engineer on this.
- The pathway for Athgarvan would be taken into the process.
- The Senior Executive Officer, Public Realm Team would attend a meeting with Bord na Mona.
- St Conleth's Square is more challenging, office space wasn't a viable option, but after Covid 19 it might be.
- There has been a positive response to developing the Cultural Quarter in Newbridge
- Developing Part 8, members would be briefed before finalizing, drawings would be sent out showing the design and concept, members could feed into this
- Irish Waterways will commence work on the Blueway project on the 15 July, 2020, the road crossing and bridge will go to procurement before the end of June.

The members thanked the Senior Executive Officer, Public Realm and Protected Structures for the update.



KN30/0620

Community Heritage Grant Scheme 2020

The members considered the Community Heritage Grant Scheme 2020 (see appendix B attached).

The District Manager informed the members that when considering grants they must declare if they had any conflicts of interest.

Ms. Loughlin Heritage, Officer, informed the members that 49 applications were deemed eligible however due to Covid 19 pandemic 3 of these applications would not be going ahead.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor McLoughlin Healy, seconded by Councillor Power and agreed by all the members, that the Community Heritage Grant Scheme 2020 for the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District be approved.

KN31/0620

Proposed deletion of B22 - 25 from the Record of Protected Structures

The members considered the Chief Executives report on the proposed deletion of B22 - 25 (House, French Furze Road, Kildare Town) from the Record of Protected Structures, Appendix 3 of the Kildare County Development Plan 2017 – 2023. (the report was provided to members in advance of the meeting).

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Power, seconded by Councillor Doyle and agreed by all members, that the prosed deletion of B22 – 25 (House, French Furze Road, Kildare Town) from the Record of Protected Structures, Appendix 3 of the Kildare County Delvelopment Plan 2017 – 2023 be approved.

KN32/0620

Town and Village Renewal Scheme

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Kevin Duffy.



Can the council confirm what projects are being considered for the Town and Village Renewal Scheme in this municipal district and how can the elected members engage with the council on potential ideas?

A report was received from the Senior Executive Officer, Strategic Projects & Public Realm Team, Planning Department informing the members that under the Town & Village Renewal Scheme 2020, Local Authorities are required to advertise for expressions of interest from towns/villages in their area and to select up to 6 proposals for development into detailed applications to be submitted to the Department of Rural and Community Development.

The development of these proposals must be done in consultation with town/village community and business interests. Full involvement by community interests and/or business interests will be an essential feature of successful projects. Furthermore, only one application can be submitted in respect of any individual town/village. However, an individual application may include several linked components to support the rejuvenation of the town/village. Where the town/village is submitted for funding under this Scheme and is also the subject of a Rural Regeneration and Development Fund (RRDF) application, the Local Authority is required to explain the rationale for submitting the application to the Town and Village Renewal Scheme and how this links with the RRDF application. The assessment and approval of all projects will have regard to a number of factors including available funding, the range, mix, quality and impact of proposed project, previous funding provided, and other relevant considerations. A call for Expressions of Interest for the 2020 scheme was advertised on the KCC Website on Friday 5 June with a closing date of Friday 3 July. The report was noted.

KN33/0620

Tidy Towns Grants 2020

The members considered the Tidy Towns grant allocation for 2020 (see appendix C attached).

The District Manager confirmed that he was aware of all tidy towns groups and that they all are operating per 'business as usual', with the exception of Suncroft whom



had plans to upgrade a local park but won't be able to spend the money until next year. On foot of this, the members agreed to amend the LPT allocation (KN03/0620) to reflect this. See notes in Appendix C for updates.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor McLoughlin Healy, seconded by Councillor Power and agreed by all the members present that the Tidy Towns Grants 2020 for the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District be approved.

KN34/0620

Grant Awards Under Various Grant Scheme 2020

The members considered the grant awards under the various grant schemes administered by the Economic, Community and Cultural Development Department (see Appendix D attached).

Members were requested to advise if their circumstances met any of the requirements under Part 15 Section 177 of the Local Government Act, as amended for members to disclose a pecuniary (i.e. financial) or other beneficial interest, of which they have "actual knowledge" that they or a connected person had in a matter that arises at a meeting of the local authority.

Councillor Duffy stated he was a member of the following groups – Monasterevin Drama Group, Monasterevin Community Centre Ltd.

Councillor Heavey stated he was a member of June Fest.

Councilor McLoughlin Healy stated she was a member Kilcullen Community Action.

Councillor T O'Dwyer stated she was a member of the Tidy Towns and Kilcullen

Community Action.

Councillor Pender stated he was a member of the Tidy Towns, Newbridge Access Group, Newbridge Asylum Seekers Support Group, Newbridge Family Resource Centre, Newbridge Christmas lights.

Councillor Power stated he was a member of Tidy Towns.



Councillor Stafford stated his children attend the Gael Scoil, his wife was a member of Rathangan Scouts and he was a member of Kildare Drama Festival.

A query was raised in relation to the €24k for Newbridge Christmas Lights, it was confirmed that the funding was for the lights.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Power, seconded by Councillor N Connolly and agreed by all the members present that the grant awards under the various grant schemes 2020 for the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District be approved (see Appendix D attached).

KN35/0620

Demand on Business Supports

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Mark Stafford.

Can the council, in light of the decision to close applications for on-line trading vouchers, furnish a report on the current demand for business supports from the Local Enterprise Office such as the on-line trading vouchers, business continuity vouchers and other supports in the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District and whether funding for these supports will be extended/reintroduced?

A report was received from the Head of Enterprise, The Local Enterprise Office informing the members that in January 2020 LEO received funding for 60 Trading online vouchers valued €150,000, The Local Enterprise Office then went back to the department in a competitive call and secured an additional 100 vouchers valued at €250,000. The Local Enterprise Office have received 192 applications as of 12 June now 32 over our existing allocation. The Head of Enterprise is in daily contact with the Department of Communication to secure additional funding under this scheme and will know success or not week of the 24 June. In the meantime, the Local Enterprise Office are continuing to accept applications but until the Head of Enterprise can secure further vouchers from the Department, she cannot approve beyond the existing 160 vouchers that LEO Kildare have.



The Business Continuity Voucher Scheme value of €2,500 each closed nationally on the 15 May. This will not be reopening as it was a time sensitive initiative. Kildare LEO had 706 applications the largest received per office outside Dublin. Given the enormous workload involved in these two particular schemes and the increased demand for mentoring / business advice and all the other services in the department the Head of Enterprise is not in a position until September to break all schemes down into Statics per Municipal District.

The report was noted.

KN36/0620

Monasterevin Community Hall

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Fiona McLoughlin Healy.

Can the council request the annual financial reports for Monasterevin Community Hall for the last 5 years from 2015 to present?

A report was received from the Economic Community & Cultural Department informing the members that as previously discussed Kildare County Council have requested bank statements and end of year accounts from 2015 -2019 for Monasterevin Community Hall. Kildare County Council have to date received end of year accounts for 2018 & 2019 along with bank statements for 2017, 18 & 19. The council have sent a reminder requesting the rest of the information and will revert to you once a response is received.

The report was noted.

The meeting concluded.



Appendix A

	Schedule of Mu Kildare Newb	ridge Mun	icipal Dist		
1	Meet	ing - June	2020 Retained	Pay Parking	Total
		Funding	LPT Funding	Funding	iotai
	Details	€	€	€	€
		350,570	1,161,204	353,093	1,864,867
	Roads Projects				
	Canal Harbour			82,000	82,000
	Pairc Mhuire			100,000	100,000
	Avondale			70,000	70,00
-	Brannockstown			60,000	60,000
	Grangemore Housing Estate			41,093	41,093
Koads	Roads Program				
8	Kildangan Bridge		100,000		100,00
-					
ŀ	Taking in Charge		75.000		75.00
ŀ	Various Estates		75,000		75,00
ŀ	Public Lighting				
ŀ	New Public Lights				
ı	Roads Sub Total	0	175,000	353,093	528,09
	Community		110,000	333,333	0_0,00
ŀ	Community Grants	65,000			65,00
ı	Other Community Projects	55,555	165,000		165,00
\sim	Christmas Lights Capital Upgrade		65,000		65,00
Community					
	Unallocated Funding		261,579		261,57
ਰ੍∣	<u>Festivals & Events</u>				
اح	Kildare Drama Festival		5,000		5,00
	Monasterevin Drama Society		1,000		1,00
ŀ	JunFest	25.222	15,000		15,00
	Community Sub Total Economic, Planning & Heritage	65,000	512,579	0	577,57
ŀ	Heritage	50,000			50,00
ŀ	Heritage Biodiversity	30,000	13,000		13,00
ا⊵	Public Realm Projects Contribution		250,000		250,00
≣∣	Shopfront Grants		10,000		10,00
잂	River Barrow Blueway		40,000		40,00
Economic	INTO Kildare		25,000		25,00
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ŀ	Twinning	16,500			16,50
	Econ Dev, Planning & Heritage Sub Total	66,500	338,000	О	404,50
	Libraries & Arts	00,500	330,000	0	404,30
aľ	Decade of Commemoration		12,000		12,00
	Music Generation		20,000		20,00
3	Libraries & Arts Sub Total	0	32,000	0	32,00
	<u>Tidy Town Groups</u>				
	Newbridge		28,375		28,37
ļ	Kildare		19,375		19,37
ŀ	Monasterevin		15,000		15,00
_	Rathangan Suncroft*		12,000 0	+	12,00
ᇙ	Milltown		7,375		7,37
Ĕ	Kilcullen		12,000		12,00
등	Caragh		5,000		5,00
ا≝	Brannockstown		3,000		3,00
Environment	Kildangan		1,500		1,50
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ŀ	Tidy Towns competitions	20 170			20,17
ŀ	Tidy Towns competitions Resident association grants	20,170 22,400			20,17
ŀ	Sponsored Litter Bins	19,000			19,00
	Environment Sub Total	61,570	103,625	0	165,19
	Playgrounds	80,500			80,50
	Darles & Landage :	77.000			
ŀ	Parks & Landscaping Recreation & Amenity Subtotal	77,000 157,500	0	0	77,00 157,50
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	TOTAL	350,570	1,161,204	353,093	1,864,86
\exists		330,370	.,		-,,
\exists	*Allocation for Suncroft Tidy Towns transferred to Unallocated Funding	330,370	.,,		-,



Appendix B

Table 1 Community Heritage Grant recommendations per MD

MD	No of Apps	Total
Athy		8,180
Celbridge		7,200
Kildare		15,820
Maynooth		7,950
Naas		2,850
County		8,000
Total		50,000

Table 2 Recommendation - Community Heritage Grant Scheme- Kildare/Newbridge

No		Name of Group	Project Details	Allocated
	File			
	No			
1	10	Milltown Tidy Towns	Constructing old mill wheel	1,200
2	15	Rathangan Tidy Towns	Rathangan Tidy Towns Phase 2 - Heritage Trail of Rathangan	
3	19	Kildare Town Community Garden	Willow weaving workshops	850
4	23	KCG Kids Community Garden	Build a mini wormery	870
5	27	Irish Peatland Conservation Council	Pollinator Enhancement Study- creation and management of wildflower meadow	1,400
6	28	Newbridge Local History Group	Photo display	1,300
7	29	Curragh Local History Group	Research and production of guide to the lesser known aspects of the Curragh Camp heritage	1,500
8	35	Kilcullen Community Action	Erect signage	1,300
9	38	Marie Hopkins	Laser engraved elevations of 6 chosen buildings in Kildare's skyline	900
10	39	Kildare Town Walking Tours	Medieval Tour	800
11	40	Old Kilcullen Area Community Association	Heritage Survey	1,500
12	48	Cill Dara Historical Society	Memorabilia Exhibition	1,300
13	51	Willow Wonder Workshops	School workshops	800
14	52	7th Kildare Rathangan Scouts	Bee hives	800
	•	Total		15,820



Table 3 Projects which have a county remit

No	File No	Name of Group	Project Details	Allocated
1	3	Kildare Branch IDHBA	Exhibition -artefacts, photos	1,300
2	7	Wild Kildare	Biodiversity resources	1,300
3	8	Irish Midlands Ringing Group	CES ringing	1,200
4	17	North Kildare Bee Keepers	Equipment	1,200
5	20	Kildare Animal Foundation	Equipment	1,500
6	24	Wildlife Rehabilitation Ireland (WRI)	Conference on wildlife crime & conserving conservation corridors	1,500
		Total		8,000

Table 4 List of all Grants allocated under Community Heritage Grant Scheme

No	Allocated MD	File No	Name of Group	Project Details	Allocated
1	Athy	12	Ernest Shackleton Autumn School	Publication of the journal 'Nimrod'	800
2	Athy	13	Athy Heritage Centre/ Shackleton Museum	Oral history & exhibition on Market House	1,130
3	Athy	22	The Old Bog Cottage	Demonstrations	800
4	Athy	25	Timolin Tidy Towns	Redesign heritage trail walking guide	800
5	Athy	41	Kildare & District Horseshoe League	Book publishing	950
6	Athy	42	Irish Military Vehicles Group	Military Vehicles Re- enactment group	900
7	Athy	45	Narraghmore Development Association	Erect signs	1,500
8	Athy	46	Scoil Bhríde, Lackagh Board of Mgmt.	Restoration of school registers	1,300
9	Celbridge	4	Leixlip Tidy Towns Association	Produce & print booklet/brochure	1,300
10	Celbridge	18	The Irish Military Heritage Foundation CLG	Talks	1,300
11	Celbridge	21	Growing Wild	Forest school	1,300
12	Celbridge	30	The Acre Project	Bee hives	1,500
13	Celbridge	33	Leixlip Community Youth Band	Equipment for exhibition in Wonderful Barn	500



14	Celbridge	53	Tea Lane Graveyard Committee	Reprint book	1,300
15	County	3	Kildare Branch IDHBA	Exhibition -artefacts, photos	1,300
16	County	7	Wild Kildare	Biodiversity resources	1,300
17	County	8	Irish Midlands Ringing Group	CES ringing	1,200
18	County	17	North Kildare Bee Keepers	Equipment	1,200
19	County	20	Kildare Animal Foundation	Equipment	1,500
20	County	24	Wildlife Rehabilitation Ireland (WRI)	Conference on wildlife crime & conserving conservation corridors	1,500
21	Kildare	10	Milltown Tidy Towns	Constructing old mill wheel	1,200
22	Kildare	15	Rathangan Tidy Towns	Phase 2 - Heritage Trail of Rathangan	1,300
23	Kildare	19	Kildare Town Community Garden	Willow weaving workshops	850
24	Kildare	23	KCG Kids Community Garden	Build a mini wormery	870
25	Kildare	27	Irish Peatland Conservation Council	Pollinator Enhancement Study- creation and management of wildflower meadow	1,400
26	Kildare	28	Newbridge Local History Group	Photo display	1,300
27	Kildare	29	Curragh Local History Group	Research and production of guide to the lesser known aspects of the Curragh Camp heritage	1,500
28	Kildare	35	Kilcullen Community Action	Erect signage	1,300
29	Kildare	38	Marie Hopkins	Laser engraved elevations of 6 chosen buildings in Kildare's skyline	900
30	Kildare	39	Kildare Town Walking Tours	Medieval Tour	800
31	Kildare	40	Old Kilcullen Area Community Association	Heritage Survey	1,500
32	Kildare	48	Cill Dara Historical Society	Memorabilia Exhibition	1,300
33	Kildare	51	Willow Wonder Workshops	School workshops	800
34	Kildare	52	7th Kildare Rathangan Scouts	Bee hives	800
35	Maynooth	2	Clane Local History Group	History Talks	800



36	Maynooth	6	Newtown Community Group	Erect a plaque & community walkway	1,300
37	Maynooth	9	Zero Waste Community Garden	Planting seeds	400
38	Maynooth	14	Maynooth Local History Group	Walk/Talk	300
39	Maynooth	32	Cloncurry Cemetery Committee	Erect heritage info board	1,400
40	Maynooth	34	Newtown National School	Bug hotel/swift boxes, compost unit	950
41	Maynooth	43	Killeighter Graveyard Committee	Typographic survey of graveyard	1,500
42	Maynooth	50	Ardclough Community Council	Digital archive of social history of Ardclough	1,300
43	Naas	1	Kill History Group	Guest speakers - heritage & history	200
44	Naas	26	Osberstown Drive Maintenance Group	Planting Pollinator friendly flowers and raise awareness of pollinators within the estate.	700
45	Naas	37	Annie Gough	Upkeep of Captain Tickle monument	450
46	Naas	44	St. Laurence's National School	Conservation & interpretation of archaeological finds	1,500
			Total		€50,000



Appendix C

	Tidy Towns Grants Allocation 2020 by MD		2020 Budget Allocation	2020 LPT allocation	Total MD
	Athy		18,545	-	18,545
	Clane Maynooth		19,620	26,500	46,120
	Celbridge - Leixlip		19,220	25,000	44,220
	Kildare Newbridge		20,170	116,000	136,17 0
	Naas		26,275	20,800	47,075
	Total		103,830	188,300	292,13 0
Athy MD	TT Crown (10)	Population Category (from TT	Proposed Budget Allocation	Proposed LPT allocation	Total
Athy MD	TT Group (10)	report)	Allocation	allocation	Total
	Athy	E (5,001 to 10,000)	12,000	0	12,000
	Castledermot	C (1,001 to 2,500)	1,895	0	1,895
	Kilmead	B (201 to 1,000)	750	0	750
	Calverstown	B (201 to 1,000)	750	0	750
	Ballitore	B (201 to 1,000)	750	0	750
	Narraghmore	B (201 to 1,000)	750	0	750
	Nurney	B (201 to 1,000)	750	0	750
	Kilkea	A (up to 200)	300	0	300
	Moone	A (up to 200)	300	0	300
	Timolin	A (up to 200)	300	0	300
	Total		18,545	0	18,545



Clane	TT Group (12)	Population Category (from TT report)	Proposed Budget Allocation	Proposed LPT allocation	Total
Maynooth	Maynooth	G (15,001 to 25,000)	7,500	5,250	12,750
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	Clane	E (5,001 to 10,000)	3,200	3,500	6,700
	Kilcock	E (5,001 to 10,000)	3,200	4,750	7,950
	Straffan	C (1,001 to 2,500)	1,240	2,500	3,740
	Prosperous	C (1,001 to 2,500)	1,240	2,500	3,740
	Coill Dubh	C (1,001 to 2,500)	1,240	2,500	3,740
	Newtown	B (201 to 1,000)	350	1,000	1,350
	Broadford	B (201 to 1,000)	350	1,000	1,350
	Allenwood	B (201 to 1,000)	350	1,000	1,350
	Robertstown	B (201 to 1,000)	350	1,000	1,350
	Kilmeague	B (201 to 1,000)	350	1,000	1,350
	Carbury	A (up to 200)	250	500	750
	Total		19,620	26,500	46,120
Celbridge	TT Group (3)	Population Category (from TT report)	Proposed Budget Allocation	Proposed LPT allocation	Total
<u>Leixlip</u>	Celbridge	G (15,001 to 25,000)	9,000	10,000	19,000
	Leixlip	G (15,001 to 25,000)	9,000	10,000	19,000
	Ardclough	B (201 to 1,000)	1,220	5,000	6,220
	Total		19,220	25,000	44,220
Wildow I	TT Commun (6.5)	Population Category (from TT	Proposed Budget	Proposed LPT	-
Kildare / Newbridge	TT Group (11) Newbridge	report) G (15,001 to 25,000)	Allocation	allocation	Total 38,375



_	Kildare	E (5,001 to 10,000)	2,700	19,375	22,075
	Monasterevin	D (2,501 to 5,000)	1,400	15,000	16,400
	Kilcullen	D (2,501 to 5,000)	1,400	12,000	13,400
	Rathangan	D (2,501 to 5,000)	1,400	12,000	13,400
	Suncroft*	B (201 to 1,000)	600	0	600
	Caragh	B (201 to 1,000)	600	5,000	5,600
	Milltown	A (up to 200)	270	7,375	7,645
	Brannockstown		600	3,000	3,600
	Athgarvan**		600	0	600
	Kildangan		600	1,500	2,100
	Total		20,170	103,625	123,79 5
	*€7,375 for Suncroft transferred to LPT unallocated funding as agreed by the members				
	**Athgarvan not a participant in Tidy Towns				
Naas MD	TT Group (5)	Population Category (from TT report)	Proposed Budget Allocation	Proposed LPT allocation	Total
	Naas	G (15,001 to 25,000)	15,000	14,000	29,000
	Kill	D (2,501 to 5,000)	3,500	1,700	5,200
	Sallins	D (2,501 to 5,000)	3,500	1,700	5,200
	Ballymore Eustace	C (1,001 to 2,500)	2,200	1,700	3,900
	Johnstown	B (201 to 1,000)	2,075	1,700	3,775
	Total		26,275	20,800	47,075
					292,13
	Overall Total				0



Appendix D

	Community Grants for approval 2020. Kildare/Newbridge M.D.							
No.	Group	Proposed Grant	Project					
1	7th Kildare Rathangan Scouts	€825	to purchase a trailer					
2	7th Kildare Rathangan Venture Scouts	€365	to purchase new equipment for climbing and camping					
3	7th Kildare Rathangan Beavers	€755	to upgrade camping equipment					
4	7th Kildare Rathangan Cub Scouts	€710	to purchase new equipment					
5	Allen Parish Senior Citizens	€1,050	to have a Christmas party in December 2020 for the elderly and vulnerable people in the parish					
6	Athgarvan Pitch & Putt Club	€1,050	to improve and develop the club for the local community, members, tourists and the general public					
7	Ballygreany, Grangebeg and Oghill Residents Association	€275	to plant a beech hedge					
8	Caragh Pastoral Council & Caragh Tidy Towns	€480	to provide a defibrillator for the village of Caragh					
9	Community First Responders Kildare Town	€375	to train people in the community of Kildare Town and surrounds with CPR and AED skills					
10	Connell Drive Residents Assoc.	€685	to maintain Chapel Lane					
11	Dunmurray Rise Residents Assoc. (Walking Tour)	€360	to organise "Get to Know your Area" Kildare Legends Walking Tour					
12	Gaelscoil Mhic Aodha Parents Committee	€500	to install outdoor play equipment and a sensory garden					
13	Kilcullen Community Action	€375	for the provision of two public seats of high quality in the Valley Riverside park					
14	Kilcullen First Responder Unit	€410	to run a training programme for the Kilcullen First Responders					
15	Kilcullen Tennis Club	€1,050	to redecorate the club house.					



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16	Kildare Town Community Garden	€590	to purchase tools, trees and plants
17	Kildare Town Men's Shed	€345	to run Kildare Men's Shed lean-to project
18	Liffey Hall Residents Association	€900	to create a community garden incorporating wild flowerbeds, walkway, gravel path, trees, bird boxes, bee boxes
19	Monasterevin & Kildangan Community First Responders	€1,200	to train the community in CPR and AED.
(Community Grants for app	roval 2020. K	ildare/Newbridge M.D.
No.	Group	Proposed Grant	Project
20	Monasterevin Baby and Toddler Group	€555	to empower the parents and children of Monasterevin through learning and play
21	Monasterevin Community Centre Ltd.	€1,200	to purchase a projector screen
22	Monasterevin Drama Group	€700	to purchase a set.
23	Monasterevin Sustainable Energy Community CLG	€1,200	to equip a public information stand to engage with local community to promote energy awareness
24	Monasterevin Youth Action	€1,050	to develop a recreational space as part of existing premises
25	Newbridge Access Group	€525	to market the Access Group with its new logo as part of the county wide access network
26	Newbridge Asylum Seekers Support Group	€650	to carry out a range of activities to support the integration, inclusion and positive mental health of people seeking asylum and residing in the Eyre Powell direct provision centre
27	Newbridge Christmas Lights	€24,000	Christmas lights
28	Newbridge Community First Responders	€1,200	to place defibrillators in four additional sites
29	Rathangan Community Association Ltd	€750	to install proper theatre curtains.
30	Rathangan Tidy Towns	€170	to run a community meadow citizen science project



31	Samaritans Kildare Newbridge Branch	€750	to erect signage
32	Sensational Kids CLG	€1,125	to provide affordable, accessible, family-centred, clinical and educational services and products to children of all abilities
33	St. Conleths CYMS Snooker Club Newbridge	€1,050	to replace the oil boiler
34	Suncroft Community Development CLG	€630	to upgrade the benches, greenery, flowers and plants around the community centre and the playground