



**Minutes of the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District
Meeting held on 21 October 2020 in
Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas, Co Kildare**

Members Present: Councillor K Duffy (Mayor), Councillors A Connolly, S Doyle, N Heavey, F McLoughlin Healy, T O'Dwyer, R Power, M Stafford, P O'Dwyer

Apologies: Councillor Noel Connolly, Councillor Chris Pender

Officials Present: Mr J Boland (District Manager), Ms B Cuddy, (District Engineer), Mr J Murtagh (Executive Engineer), Ms M Hunt (Senior Executive Officer) Ms P Pender (A/Senior Executive Officer) Mr Stephen Cummins (A/Senior Engineer) Mr. L Dunne (Senior Executive Officer) Ms F Millane (A/Head of Finance) Mr B Leonard (Meetings Administrator) and Ms E Molloy (Meetings Secretary).

Apologies Councillor N Connolly, C Pender

KN01/1020

Minutes and Progress Report

The members considered the minutes of the monthly Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District meeting held on Wednesday 16 September 2020 together with the progress report. It was agreed that Justin Murtagh would send the members an electronic update on Taking in Charge.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Doyle, seconded by Councillor T O'Dwyer and agreed by the members that the minutes of the monthly meeting of the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District held on Wednesday, 16 September 2020 be taken as read. The progress report was noted.



KN02/1020

Matters Arising

The Mayor stated that the Progress Report was a lengthy document and suggested that items listed be reported on/removed before the next meeting. Councillor McLoughlin Healy requested that a full report be provided with assistance from the Executive on all items for the next meeting.

KN03/1020

Municipal District Roadworks

The District Engineer stated a report had been circulated to the members providing an update on roads resurfacing and footpath works, low cost accident schemes, LPT, miscellaneous works, NTA funded works and drainage.

The District Engineer Ms B Cuddy discussed with the members the proposed works by Irish Water on the Military Road (Athgarvan Road) in Newbridge, between the Lidl Supermarket and the Whitewater Shopping Centre that would require a full road closure. Ms Cuddy stated that she had refused these works to be carried out in the past but in light of the current lockdown and school mid-term break, it would be an ideal opportunity to have the works completed.

The members discussed the works and raised the following queries:

- In terms of notifications, was there an assumption that these works would be communicated through social media?
- Where exactly on the Athgarvan Road the works were to take place?
- Were the road works to be a complete road closure?
- What was the purpose of these works?
- That other road works in Newbridge were proving awkward for patients to get to doctors' surgeries and to bear this in mind for traffic management.

The District Engineer confirmed the following:



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- There would be a media campaign on Kildare FM, Facebook, Kildare County Council's social media and Kildare news slots. She also stated that there would be a two-day notice to stop works if the current lockdown lifted earlier than proposed.
- the works were to be carried out between the Lidl Supermarket and the Whitewater Shopping Centre on the Athgarvan Road.
- There would be a full road closure.
- The works were for the upgrade of the main sewer network in Newbridge which would be hugely beneficial.
- There would be full access at all times.

The District Manager informed the members that capital projects had been ongoing, that there were sewerage bottlenecks and that this was an ideal opportunity to have these works done.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor T. O'Dwyer and seconded by Councillor Rob Power and agreed by the members that these road works commence.

KN04/1020

Draft Budgetary Plan 2021

The A/Head of Finance Fiona Millane gave a quick overview of the draft budgetary plan 2021 that had already been circulated to the members. Ms Millane stated she would deal with the plan in two parts. The Budget meeting is to take place on the 23 November with a briefing on the 16 November. She stated that given the current lockdown she didn't know if these meetings could take place in person. It was likely the meeting could be done online and will know if this is possible by the following week and will advise members accordingly.

Ms Millane stated that the LPT had now been agreed, there was no change since 2020. Pay parking revenue had dropped substantially. There were concerns on rates income for 2021. There was almost €1 million reduction in rates income in 2020 due to appeals for re-evaluation. This will also impact on revenue in 2021. Salaries increased due to pay awards.



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The cost base was increasing. There were also increased costs in 2020 due to the Covid 19 pandemic.

The public lighting programme 2021 would have to put aside €9.5 million. This was not fully funded and the council would have to seek a loan for the balance. A variable expenditure reduction would affect housing maintenance grants, the council was lobbying the Department for further funding. The council would try to agree works programme by the beginning of the new year which would carry over to 2022. Pay parking surpluses would be used within the Municipal District.

The members asked the following questions:

- Can a report be provided on pay parking for the last two years, of fines issued and paid by street?

Ms Pender confirmed she would furnish a report on this.

- Can a report be provided on the financial impact made in the Municipal District by the extension of free parking?
- How are festival grants and community grants decided and that members were not given the opportunity to see what amounts were applied for and what amounts were given.

Senior Executive Officer Liam Dunne replied that grants were provided based on the historical/traditional spend over a number of years, that they generally stayed the same and were increased when there was an opportunity to do so.

- The ongoing issue with how much residents associations were receiving throughout the various municipal districts. There was a need to explain the inequity. There were commitments made before the transition from town councils to municipal districts.

Ms Millane replied that the members could reallocate line items such as LPT to residents associations.

- What savings were made during Covid over the last six months?
- The budget on street cleaning was queried

Ms Millane stated that this meeting was not to approve the budget, members could move line items but would advise against this. There would be a full street cleaning



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review in the coming year in order to streamline the service. Service levels were up and down due to Covid, 300 laptops were purchased for remote working, licences had to be purchased. The outcome would not be known until the end of the year.

- If after this meeting was there still an opportunity to move money?

Ms Millane replied no that it was the end of the process

The District Manager Joe Boland informed the members that there was €1.16m LPT available to assign to municipal districts projects. It was open to the members to use this to smooth out any issues they felt were not equitable.

Councillor Fiona McLoughlin Healy proposed that there was a reduction in local road grants by €10,000 and an increase to residents association grants by €10,000. There was no seconder for the proposal, therefore the proposal fell.

Resolved: on the proposal of Councillor Suzanne Doyle seconded by Councillor Robert Power agreed by eight of the members with Cllr McLoughlin Healy not agreeing the budgetary plan 2021 for the Kildare Newbridge MD was adopted.

KN05/1020

Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District “other community projects” LPT funding 2020

The Mayor re-iterated the part in the LPT guidelines regarding funding to be within the function/remit of the council and activities within the municipal district. Councillor Fiona McLoughlin Healy stated these guidelines were confusing as some funding has been made in the past to charities that should have been funded by the HSE. The Mayor replied that this was a grey area and was something to discuss further.

The Mayor confirmed that there were LPT nominations from three members circulated to the members (see Appendix 1) and asked if there were any other nominations. Councillor R Power, Councillor Doyle and Councillor Stafford replied they had theirs. Councillor F McLoughlin Healy replied that she was waiting for clarification. The Meetings Administrator advised that this was a matter for members to decide.



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Councillor Power confirmed the following LPT nominations:

€2,500 Caragh Celtic

€2,250 Kilcullen Community Action

€1,000 Connell Drive Residents Association

€800 Manley Hopkins Festival

€1,500 Memorial for Caragh Orphanage

€1,000 Name stone and planting for Caragh church

Councillor Power declared he was a member of the board of Caragh Community Development Association

Councillor Suzanne Doyle confirmed the following LPT nomination:

€5,000 to be allocated to the Road Safety Office to meet potential shortfall of funds for a walk to school pilot scheme that will purchase quality rain ponchos to be distributed through schools.

Councillor Mark Stafford confirmed the following LPT nomination:

€1,000 to Hope D in Newbridge a charitable organisation. Councillor Stafford accepted that funding charities might be a grey area and appreciated the support from the members.

Councillor Fiona McLoughlin confirmed the following LPT nomination:

€15,000 allocation to the introduction of webcasting for the Municipal District meetings.

Councillor Noel Heavey confirmed that he had requested €1,000 to be allocated to O'Connell Drive Residents' Association for the erection of a streetlight on the walkway between the school and O'Connell Drive. Councillor Heavey confirmed that he wished to amend this request to have the €1000 allocated to the lighting section to carry out this work. The Mayor confirmed this work would be wholly subject to assessment by the lighting section and KLIPS.

The Meetings Administrator asked for the members to confirm their LPT nominations by email.



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The Mayor requested the members 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 Peggy O’Dwyer declared she is secretary of the Newbridge Family Resource Centre and she was a member of the Clongorey and District Community Association, and also Caragh Community Development Association. Councillor Robert Power declared he was on the board of O’Connell Drive Resident’s Association.

Councillor McLoughlin Healy asked for clarity on LPT funding. The Mayor replied that it was in the LPT guidelines and he would come back to the members on that.

Resolved: The members considered the report in relation to the projects listed for LPT funding for other Community Projects (see Appendix 1) and the foregoing nominations. The report and nominations were proposed by Councillor Robert Power and seconded by Councillor Anne Connolly and agreed by all the members.

The Mayor confirmed that €65,000 was to be distributed for christmas lights to towns and villages and christmas light groups. The Mayor had circulated the proposed distribution to the members as outlined in the table below. He asked for the approval of the members.

Town/Village	Quoted Requirements	Proposed Allocation
Newbridge	€6,018.00	€6,018.00
Kildare	€146,160.00	€22,414.65
Rathangan	€6,416.00	€6,416.00
Monasterevin	€20,953.60	€15,000.00
Kilcullen	€13,766.65	€13,766.65
Milltown	€1,384.70*	€1,384.70*
	€65,000.00	€65,000.00

*Milltown’s only requirement was funding towards an ESB connection



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This was proposed by Councillor Suzanne Doyle and seconded by Councillor Anne Connolly and agreed by the members for the distribution of the christmas light fund.

There was a discussion among the members regarding the pooling of money, and other grants that groups received from the Council.

Resolved: on the proposal of by Councillor Suzanne Doyle and seconded by Councillor Anne Connolly and agreed by the members for the christmas light fund to be distributed as set out in the above table.

The Mayor confirmed that as Councillors Noel Connolly and Chris Pender were not present and no instructions were given, their motions were not considered, and their questions fell.

KN06/1020

OakTree/Cunnaberry Hill Planning Compliance Issues and snag list

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Kevin Duffy
Can the council provide an update on the OakTree / Cunnaberry Hill planning compliance issues and snag list?

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that the Development Control Section have issued the developer with a snag list of surface defects and compliance queries to be addressed. The Development Control Section is also liaising with the Roads Department regarding compliance issues/concerns with the road. The developer has begun works outlined on the surface defects snag list and staff from the Development Control Section are to meet with the developer to discuss the outstanding issues.

The report was noted



KN07/1020

Installation of Pedestrian Bridge over the Pinkeen Stream in Kilcullen

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor T O'Dwyer
That the Council examine and carry out a feasibility study to install a pedestrian bridge over the Pinkeen Stream in Kilcullen.

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

A report was received by the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that any works on the Pinkeen Stream would require a section 50 application to the OPW and discussions with Inland Fisheries. This required the appointment of a consultant to prepare same. If the OPW were agreeable to allow works to take place, a design would then be required, tender documents prepared and works tendered. There was no budget allocated at present for the appointment of consultants or the preparation of the design. If the members wished to allocate funding from the 2021 budget, the council could proceed to procure a consultant and prepare a design in early 2021.

The members discussed the motion, Councillor T O'Dwyer stated that the council were responsible for bringing the Section 50 application to the OPW and that it should have been put in place when Cnoc na Greine was being built. The District Engineer confirmed that the budget was the biggest issue and that a consultant would have to come on board once the Section 50 was granted. Councillor T O'Dwyer stated that if she pledged the remainder of her discretionary LPT fund, would it move to the next stage. The District Engineer confirmed that if the Section 50 was complete the council could look at moving it forward. The District Engineer agreed to follow up with Councillor T O'Dwyer.

Resolved: on the proposal of Councillor T O'Dwyer and seconded by Councillor Stafford with all members agreeing that the report be noted.



KN08/1020

Location for a Pedestrian Crossing on the Naas Road coming into Kilcullen

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Tracey O'Dwyer
That the council assess and identify a suitable location for a pedestrian crossing on the Naas Road coming into Kilcullen.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Tracey O'Dwyer and seconded by Councillor Power.

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that the municipal district office had examined the site in question with Traffic Management. A location had been agreed, and a design was being prepared. Subject to funding in 2021 the municipal district office were agreeable to install a pedestrian crossing at this location.

Resolved: on the proposal of Councillor Tracey O'Dwyer and seconded by Councillor Power with all members agreeing that the report be noted.

KN09/1020

Upgrade of Footpath at Ardscoil Rathangan

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Anne Connolly
That the council upgrade the footpath at Ardscoil Rathangan.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Anne Connolly and seconded by Councillor Stafford

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that this would be included for consideration under the LPT Programme for 2021, subject to agreement with the members.

Resolved: on the proposal of Councillor Anne Connolly and seconded by Councillor Stafford with all members agreeing that the report be noted.



KN10/1020

Upgrade of Footpath and Resurface of Road in the Elms Estate, Cut Bush

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Anne Connolly
That the council upgrade the footpaths and resurface the road in the Elms Estate, Cut Bush.
The motion was proposed by Councillor Anne Connolly and seconded by Councillor Suzanne Doyle

A report was received by the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that a site assessment had been carried out. This would be included for consideration under the LPT Programme for 2021, subject to agreement with the members.

Resolved: on the proposal of Councillor Connolly and seconded by Councillor Doyle with all members agreeing that the report be noted.

KN11/1020

Resurfacing of Cycle Lane on St Conleth's Bridge in Newbridge

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Peggy O'Dwyer
That the council consider the resurfacing of the cycle lane on St Conleth's Bridge in Newbridge.

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

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that there was no funding available in the 2020 budget to complete these works but can be included for consideration in the 2021 budget.

Resolved: on the proposal of Councillor Peggy O'Dwyer and seconded by Councillor T O'Dwyer with all members agreeing that the reported be noted and that these works be completed in early 2021



KN12/1020

Feasibility of providing a Pedestrian Link from Melitta Road to Curragh Edge

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Suzanne Doyle
That the council examine the feasibility of providing a pedestrian link from Melitta Road to Curragh Edge.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Suzanne Doyle and seconded by Councillor Connolly

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that a pedestrian link at this location would require some land to be acquired. If the landowners in question would be amenable to this, then a site meeting could be arranged and a costing for the proposed works be prepared.

Councillor Suzanne Doyle asked which side of the road would be preferable for pedestrians. The District Engineer confirmed that it would be the left-hand side of the road.

Resolved: on the proposal of Councillor Doyle and seconded by Councillor Connolly with all members agreeing that the report be noted.

KN13/1020

Flooding on Togher Road, Monasterevin at the entry to The Glebe Housing Estate

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Kevin Duffy
That the council investigate and rectify the flooding on Togher Road, Monasterevin at the entry to The Glebe housing estate.

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

A report was received by the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that the Council will investigate and if within the remit of the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal Office, the Council will plan to rectify this issue subject to budget availability.



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Resolved: on the proposal of Councillor Kevin Duffy and seconded by Councillor Stafford with all members agreeing that the report be noted and accepted.

KN14/1020

Level off the bump in the Nurney Road (L7055)

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Kevin Duffy
That the council level off the bump in the Nurney Road (L7055) on the approach to the M7 motorway bridge on both sides of the bridge.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Kevin Duffy and seconded by Councillor T O'Dwyer

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that the council will review this location and address the issue if within the municipal district remit.

Resolved: on the proposal of Councillor Kevin Duffy and seconded by Councillor T O'Dwyer with all members agreeing that the report be noted.

KN15/1020

Install a footpath at Newtown, Rathangan to link in with footpath at GAA Pitch

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Anne Connolly
Can the council confirm if it has any plans to install a footpath at Newtown, Rathangan, to link in with footpath at GAA Pitch?

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that there were no plans or budget at present to extend the footpath at this location, this would be included for consideration in the 2021 budget.

The report was noted.

KN16/1020

Disabled Parking Spots at Credit Union and Pharmacy in Rathangan



The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Anne Connolly
Can the council give a timeline as to when the disabled parking spots will be located at the Credit Union and at the Pharmacy in Rathangan?

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that it was proposed to include this area in the Road Improvement programme for 2021, which would include a resurface of the road and relining of road markings and this request could be examined in line with these works.
The report was noted.

KN17/1020

Pinkeen Stream

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

Following the council's site visit to the Pinkeen Stream in July and the helpful research since supplied by the Council's Environment Dept, can the Council clarify and outline the next steps required to provide a safe passage for the hundreds of children crossing the Pinkeen Stream daily - to and from Kilcullen Community Centre, the playground, the GAA pitches and Scoil Bhríde, including but not restricted to the;

- Section 50 application for the OPW to include a calculation of flow in a storm event and confirmation that the proposed structure will not impede flow;
- consultation with Inland Fisheries;
- more detailed design and costings?

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that any works on the Pinkeen Stream require a section 50 application to the OPW and discussions with Inland Fisheries. This requires the appointment of a consultant to prepare same. If the OPW are agreeable to allow works to take place, a design is then required, tender documents prepared and works tendered. There is no budget



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allocated at present for the appointment of consultants or the preparation of the design. If the members wished to allocate funding from the 2021 budget, the council can proceed to procure a consultant and prepare a design in early 2021

The report was noted.

KN18/1020

Traffic Management Plan for Kildare Town

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Suzanne Doyle.
Can the council provide a progress report on Traffic Management Plan for Kildare Town?

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that the Kildare Transport Strategy was currently on-going. It was currently anticipated that a draft Strategy would be completed by December 2020/January 2021. A second stage of public and stakeholder consultation would be undertaken once the draft Strategy was finalised. This would likely occur in Quarter 1 2021, with the Strategy to be finalised after this last phase of consultation.

Councillor Doyle asked were there any implications for reduced traffic on the plan, that six months would not be a true reflection. Mr Stephen Cummins, A/Senior Engineer confirmed that he would find out when the survey was carried out, that there were factors that had to be taken into account and that he would come back to the members.

The report was noted.

KN19/1020

Car Parking Spaces provided in Council housing estates

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Mark Stafford
Can the council confirm the number of car parking spaces typically provided in council housing estates in the Kildare/Newbridge Municipal District?

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that Kildare County Council normally requires the provision of car



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parking spaces within the curtilage of the site or convenient to the council housing estates development. The car parking standards are set out in Table 17.9 of the Chapter 17 Development Management Standards in the CDP which are as follows:

- House 2 spaces per unit.
- Apartment 1.5 spaces per unit and 1 visitor spaces per 4 apartments.

Visitor spaces for houses of 10% of all spaces provided for houses are recommended by the Kildare County Council's Roads Planning Section.

The minimum size for a car parking spaces is 2.5m * 5.0m .

Councillor Stafford stated that older estates have a deficit in car parking spaces and asked if this could be looked at again. The District Engineer confirmed that this would be a huge project to take on, it would have to be done estate by estate and the council would need a specific allocation for it.

The report was noted.

KN20/1020

Road Design projects which take into account Agricultural Vehicles and Machinery

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Mark Stafford
Can the council confirm what measures are carried out when conducting road design projects which take into account agricultural vehicles and machinery?

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety department informing the members that roads schemes were designed to comply with the latest applicable design standard such as the Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets (DMURS) for urban roads and Transport Infrastructure Irelands (TII's) design standards for suburban roads. Swept path analysis is undertaken to ensure that larger articulated vehicles and buses can negotiate junctions. As agricultural machinery typically constitutes less than 1% of general traffic, roads are not generally designed for such machinery, however the design of each project will be site specific.



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Councillor Stafford stated that he did not accept this report.

The report was noted.

KN21/1020

Palliative Care Community Social Worker for St. Brigid's Hospice, The Curragh

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Peggy O'Dwyer
That this council write to the Health Service Executive for an update regarding the status of the appointment of a Palliative Care Community Social Worker for St Brigid's Hospice, The Curragh.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Peggy O'Dwyer and seconded by Councillor Suzanne Doyle

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

Resolved: on the proposal of Councillor Peggy O'Dwyer and seconded by Councillor Doyle with the agreement of all members that Councillor Peggy O'Dwyer was to draft a letter to be sent to the HSE.

KN22/1020

Applications for ERG in this Municipal District

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Suzanne Doyle
That the council review applications for ERG in this municipal district as potential applicants for Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland deep retrofit programme and liaise with Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland on same.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Suzanne Doyle and seconded by Councillor Mark Stafford



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A report was received from the Housing department informing the members that Kildare County Council does not have a direct role in applications to SEAI by private owners for grants for energy efficiency retrofitting works but the council would make contact with SEAI to obtain information relevant to their grant schemes, particularly the scheme related to the Midland Energy Efficiency Retrofitting Programme and make this information available to members.

Councillor Suzanne Doyle stated that the council needed to make sure that as much funding as possible was captured for this and should be discussed with Ms Fiona Millane in relation to the budget. Councillor Power stated that the SEAI was a one time only application and the ERG could be a second funding. The District Manager confirmed that he would follow up on this and get back to the members.

Resolved: on the proposal of Councillor Suzanne Doyle and seconded by Councillor Mark Stafford with the agreement of all members that the report be noted and the District Manager to follow up on this report.

KN23/1020

Public Consultation on next round of LPT and Pay-Parking Funds

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

That before allocating the next round of LPT and pay-parking funds, the municipal district councillors consider a public consultation with the wider community across the district to ascertain what the wider community would like to see LPT and pay-parking funds spent on - to inform a strategy for a fair and impactful distribution of funds around the district.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Fiona McLoughlin Healy and seconded by Councillor P O'Dwyer.

The Meetings Administrator Mr B Leonard confirmed that this was a matter for the members to agree.



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The members discussed the motion and made the following points:

- That the LPT was a significant budget.
- That there has been a missing link with the community, and this was an optimum opportunity to give people a say, to ensure equality to the access of funding.
- That this was a reasonable suggestion and that there were currently guidelines on LPT.
- That the PPN were notified in 2019 by the Community Section and invitations were issued but that there was no response.
- That members had a good sense of where the needs were and have the opportunity to address the imbalances.
- That there was merit in the motion but that it was a matter for full council.
- That a secretariat would be needed to manage LPT applications.
- That there was no consultation on this and that what went to PPN was confusing. There needed to be earlier consultation and processes in place for funding.
- That this was a matter for county level that it couldn't be decided upon for a Municipal District rather than full council.
- That there could be a pilot project in Kildare Newbridge MD

Councillor Fiona McLoughlin Healy proposed an amendment to her motion

To consider a meeting to agree that before allocating the next round of LPT and pay-parking funds, the municipal district councillors consider a public consultation with the wider community across the district to ascertain what the wider community would like to see LPT and pay-parking funds spent on - to inform a strategy for a fair and impactful distribution of funds around the district.

The members present in the chamber voted on this amended motion as follows: 4 in favour, 3 against, 1 abstention



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Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Fiona McLoughlin Healy and seconded by Councillor P O'Dwyer that to consider a meeting to agree that before allocating the next round of LPT and pay-parking funds, the municipal district councillors consider a public consultation with the wider community across the district to ascertain what the wider community would like to see LPT and pay-parking funds spent on - to inform a strategy for a fair and impactful distribution of funds around the district.

was agreed with 4 members voting in favour, 3 members against, 1 member abstaining

The Mayor asked to take Item 30 before Item 29 and the members agreed

KN24/1020

Chief Executives report on the proposed addition to the Record of Protected Structures

The members considered the Chief Executives report on the proposed addition of Kildare Castle Gatehouse, Kildare Town, New Abbey House, Gate Lodge & Demesne, Kilcullen, Thatched Cottage, Carnalway, Kilcullen and Yew Cottage, Mountrice, Monasterevin to the Record of Protected Structures, Appendix 3 of the Kildare County Development Plan 2017-2023. A report was circulated to the members in advance of the meeting.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Doyle, seconded by Councillor Peggy O'Dwyer and agreed by all the members present, that the proposed additions to the Record of Protected Structures Appendix 3 of the Kildare County Development Plan 2017-2023, be approved.

KN25/1020

Update on Public Realm Projects

Ms M Hunt, Senior Executive Officer, gave the members an update of the Strategic Projects and Public Realm Team projects in the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District. A report was



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circulated to the members in advance of the meeting and Ms Hunt welcomed any questions from the members.

The following matters were raised by the members:

- clarity going forward as to where the LPT fund is allocated in Public Realm
- are there any implications for budget?
- if public consultations were required for these projects
- there was a need for regular progress reports

Ms Hunt confirmed that she had been keeping track of LPT money, that it was in a holding code and she would furnish this information in her next report. Ms Hunt also confirmed that some public consultations for projects had taken place but with the current Covid-19 restrictions these were not possible at present. Ms. Hunt said webinars were something to look at and would come back to the members on these questions.

The Mayor stated that there were five motions not heard and requested the members to let him or Members Services know if they were happy with the reports or wished to have their motions adjourned to the next Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District meeting.

The meeting concluded

These minutes were adopted at the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District meeting on 18 November 2020.

Signed: _____

Mayor

Meetings Administrator



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Appendix 1

Kildare-Newbridge MD - LPT Other Community Funding Allocation				
Item 4 - MD Meeting 21st October 2020				
Councillor	Name of Community group/project	LPT Allocation amount	Name of community group to be paid	Brief description of work/project
Cllr Anne Connolly	Umeras Peatland Park	1,000.00	Umeras Community Development Group	To support the match funding to the Just Transition Fund sanction for a feasibility study for this park.
	HOPE(D) Counselling Service	1,000.00	HOPE(D) Counselling Service	Counselling service for mental health clients.
	Allen/Feighcullen Community Alert Group	1,000.00	Allen/Feighcullen Community Alert Group	Restoration of the Gates at Feighcullen Cemetery
Cllr Anne Connolly TOTAL		3,000.00		
Cllr Peggy O'Dwyer	Newbridge Family Resource Centre	3,100	Newbridge Family Resource Centre	Family Support Programmes
	HOPE(D) Counselling Service	1,000	HOPE(D) Counselling Service Newbridge	Counselling and Support
	Kildare Youth Theatre	1,000	Kildare Youth Theatre	Performing Arts School/Theatre for Youth
	St Conleth's Parish Share Food	500	St Conleth's Parish Share Food	Supporting Community
	Newbridge Cancer Support Group	500	Newbridge Cancer Support Group	Counselling and Support Services
	Samaritans Newbridge	500	Samaritans Newbridge	Counselling and Support Services
	Newbridge Tidy Towns Association	500	Newbridge Tidy Towns Association	Maintenance and Equipment
	Newbridge Access Group	400	Newbridge Access Group	To support the group trying to make Newbridge accessible to all
	The Bridge Kilcullen	500	Camphill Communities of Ireland	Maintenance of the nature walk
	Newbridge Christmas Lights	500	Newbridge Christmas Lights Committee	To be used towards Eyre Street Christmas Lights
Newbridge Kildare Lions Club	500	Newbridge Kildare Lions Club	Annual Christmas Food Appeal	
Cllr Peggy O'Dwyer TOTAL		9,000.00		
Cllr Chris Pender	Triple P and Parent Plus program for the centre	1,350	Newbridge Family Resource Centre	Training and support for 3 staff members to deliver Triple P and the Parenting Plus Programs in the centre
	IT Support	1,500	Newbridge Family Resource Centre	Match funding to support the upgrade of technology in the centre to facilitate staff and service users
	Homework Club	250	Newbridge Family Resource Centre	Supporting the ongoing work of Newbridge FRC's homework club
	Eyre Street Expansion	2,500	Newbridge Christmas Lights Committee	Providing match funding in order to support the expansion of Christmas Lights onto Eyre Street
	The Bridge in Kilcullen	1,000	Camphill Communities	To provide support towards maintaining services
	Hope(d)	5,000	Hope(d)	Providing supports for maintaining services
	Chapel Lane Project	1,000	Connell Drive Residents Association	Maintenance, planting, development of safe school route/public walkway Chapel Lane
Cllr Chris Pender TOTAL		12,600.00		