

Áras Chill Dara Páirc Devoy An Nás Co. Chill Dara

09 May 2022

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

A Bhaill Uile,

Tionólfar an chéad cruinniú eile Cheantar Bardasach Chill Dara-Droichead Nua ar 10:00 maidin Dé Céadaoin, an 18ú Bealtaine 2022, i seomra na Chomhairle, Áras Chill Dara, Páirc Devoy, An Nás, agus iarrtar ort bheith i láthair.

The next meeting of Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, 18 May 2022, **in the Council Chamber**, Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas, and you are invited to attend.

Yours sincerely,

Karen Keane

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Meetings Administrator



Clár Agenda (10:00 a.m.)

- Fógra um leasanna airgeadais nó leasanna tairbhúla faoin alt 177 den Acht Rialtais Áitiúil 2001, arna leasú.
 - Declaration of pecuniary or beneficial interests under Section 177 of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended.
- 2. Chun miontuairiscí cruinniú míosúil Ceantar Bardasach Chill Dara-Droichead Nua an 20ú Aibreán 2022 a faomhadh (ceangailte) agus an tuairisc tuarascáil ar dhul chun cinn a thabhairt faoi ndeara (le leanúint).
 - To approve the minutes of the monthly Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District meeting held on Wednesday, 20 April 2022 (attached) and to note the progress report (to follow).
- **3.** To receive an update on the municipal district road works.
- **4.** To discuss the Capital Programme 2022-2024 (report attached).
- 5. To consider the report on public consultation and the making of Casual Trading Bye Laws for the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District (report to follow).
- **6.** To consider receiving a deputation from the Newbridge Reverse the Changes Group regarding the temporary cycle lane in Newbridge.



Bóithre, Iompar agus Sábháilteacht Poiblí Roads, Transportation and Public Safety (10:20 a.m.)

Roads

7. Adjourned Motion - Councillor Chris Pender

That the council carry out a public lighting audit of the laneways and streets in Newbridge identifying where the council is responsible for providing lighting and where private management companies are responsible.

Motion – Councillors Tracey O'Dwyer, Chris Pender, Peggy O'Dwyer, Fiona McLoughlin Healy, Noel Heavey and Rob Power

That following a formal written update to the Kildare-Newbridge Councillors, Kildare County Council issue a Press Statement to include a complete map showing all proposed cycleways in Newbridge and the connectivity between them, public and councillor feedback received to date, actions taken on foot of this feedback and next steps for this project.

9. Motion - Councillor Rob Power

That the council consider suitable road safety improvements for Caragh village centre including the refurbishment of ramps and the introduction of appropriate zebra crossings and/or lights.

10. Motion – Councillor Peggy O'Dwyer

That the council examine the possibility of using a Traffic Light Controlled Management System at Victoria Bridge, Thomastown, Caragh.

11. Motion – Councillor Suzanne Doyle

That the council examine mitigation measures to improve safety of the bad blind bend just beyond Newtown Cross en route to Athy and begin to examine long term measures to align the road as provided for through previous planning permission.



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12. Motion - Councillor Mark Stafford

That the council install traffic calming measures on the R415 approaching the bad bend at Braillstown Commons, Kildare.

13. Motion – Councillor Mark Stafford

That the council add the local road L7008 Mount Prospect to the county boundary at Kiltaghan North, Rathangan to the resurfacing programme.

14. Motion – Councillor Anne Connolly

That the council assess potential locations for additional off-street parking for residents of New Street, Rathangan.

15. Motion – Councillor Kevin Duffy

That the council consider including the final stretch of 200 metres of pathway along the R445 from Skirteen bridge past the Hazel Hotel into Monasterevin to improve safety and promote active travel and connectivity between the Barrow Blueway and the Town Centre as either part of the Barrow Blueway or NTA active travel program.

16. Question – Councillor Anne Connolly

Can the council confirm if there are plans to put in place a footpath from Newtown Cross, Kildare to Cluain Aileann Estate, Newtown, Kildare?

17. Question – Councillor Anne Connolly

Can the council confirm if there are any plans to upgrade the footpaths at Ard Bhride, Suncroft?

18. Question - Councillor Mark Stafford

Can the council confirm the number of on street car parking spaces that have been removed in Newbridge and Kildare Town over the past 5 years as a result of public realm works, emergency covid-19 response and installation of cycle lanes and other traffic measures?



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19. Question - Councillor Kevin Duffy

Can the council provide an update on the rectification of the public street lights in Church View Estate, Suncroft as there is still an on-going issue with several lights not working?

20. Question - Councillor Tracey O'Dwyer

Can the council confirm if any progress has been made regarding the widening of the Athgarvan Road from the traffic lights junction in Athgarvan back towards the wider section on the approach road to Newbridge, to make safe this dangerous pinch point in particular near the Crash Repair Centre along this section of road?

21. Question – Councillor Tracey O'Dwyer

Can the council confirm if it has plans to address the ongoing flooding and drainage issues along the Lurg Lane, Athgarvan?

22. Question - Councillor Peggy O'Dwyer

Can the council confirm when the vacant engineers post will be filled in the Kildare Newbridge Municipal District which has been vacant for a considerable time?

23. Question - Councillor Rob Power

Can the council outline the process to allow for the removal of five parking spaces on Cutlery Road to improve traffic flow at the junction; a suggestion that is being brought forward by local businesses?

24. Question – Councillor Fiona McLoughlin Healy

Can the council circulate the most recent draft Traffic Management Plans/designs for Newbridge that were drawn up by the NTA - a process discussed and endorsed by municipal district councillors - which the council subsequently rejected and which triggered the council taking responsibility for the design back in house?



Tithíocht agus Seirbhísí Corporáideach Housing and Corporate Services (11:15 a.m.)

25. Question - Councillor Noel Connolly

Can the council confirm to what extent dogs are allowed in public buildings and facilities in this municipal district and whether there are plans to make these areas more dog friendly?

26. Question - Councillor Kevin Duffy

Can the council provide any update on the status of 14 vacant units in Old Mill Race, Monasterevin including whether the council is purchasing or leasing them from the developer and when they would be available for allocation?

Pleanáil agus Forbairt Straitéiseach Planning and Strategic Development (11:20 a.m.)

27. To consider the Community Heritage Grant Scheme 2022 allocation for the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District (report to follow).

28. Adjourned Motion – Councillor Chris Pender

That the council engage with the relevant authorities to remove, repurpose, purchase or upgrade the public telephone booths throughout Newbridge Town that have fallen into complete disuse or disrepair.

29. Motion – Councillor Fiona McLoughlin Healy

That the council address the queries and concerns of Liffey Hall residents arising from the Glenveigh development on the adjacent Athgarvan road, including the rationale for removal of shrubbery at Liffey Hall in the last 12 months and the dumping of weeds and rubbish at entrance to the estate, the regular discolouration of tap water each time water is pumped for use by the development and clarification as to when and if a



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roundabout is going ahead at the junction between the Athgarvan and Liffey Hall roads.

30. Question – Councillor Peggy O'Dwyer

Can the council provide details of the maintenance and management of the recent parklets installed in Newbridge, in particular the plants?

Seirbhísí Uisce, Comhshaol agus Gníomhú ar son na hAeráide Environment, Water Services and Climate Action (11:45 a.m.)

31. To consider the proposed grant allocations for Tidy Towns groups for 2022 (report to follow).

32. Motion – Councillor Suzanne Doyle

That the council explore potential sources of additional funding both private and public to create synergies that will enhance grant opportunities, innovation for climate change and improve competition results for our tidy towns groups in the municipal district.

33. Question – Councillor Noel Connolly

Can the council confirm what plans are in place for flood relief works in the municipal district?

34. Question - Councillor Mark Stafford

Can the council confirm the number of licences/seizure notices issued in the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District since the commencement of the Control of Horses Byelaws, 2016?



Forbairt Gheilleagrach, Pobail agus Cultúrtha Economic, Community and Cultural Development (12:05 p.m.)

35. Motion – Councillor Noel Connolly

That Comhairle Contae Chill Dara liaise with Coillte, the OPW and other relevant bodies to erect signs to improve the awareness around ticks causing Lymes Disease at our scenic areas, public bogs, woodlands and other suitable areas in this municipal district.

36. Motion – Councillor Noel Connolly

That Comhairle Contae Chill Dara consider the purchase of the former Bank of Ireland premises on Dublin Street, Monasterevin for use as a shared services centre.

37. Motion – Councillor Tracey O'Dwyer

That the council identify potential buildings in Kilcullen that could be developed into a Youth Space where young people can meet for a game of table tennis or pool and hang out with their friends in a comfortable indoor space, possibly a building that Kildare County Council owns or a vacant building and to put out an ask for a shared space to address the lack of youth specific programmes in Kilcullen.

38. Question – Councillor Fiona McLoughlin Healy

Can the council clarify the date by which the lease between the council and Sarsfield's GAA and Newbridge United for the land at Rickardstown is expected to be finalised, and access to the site permitted?

39. Question - Councillor Kevin Duffy

Can the council issue the members with the proposed tree pruning schedule, to include locations and timings for the forthcoming program in this municipal district?