

Áras Chill Dara Páirc Devoy An Nás Co. Chill Dara

11 April 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 20ú Aibreán 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, 20 April 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 16ú Márta 2022 a faomhadh (ceangailte), míosúil de Cheantar Bardasach Chill Dara-Droichead Nua Specialta an 30ú Márta 2022(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, 16 March 2022 (attached), the special meeting Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District held on Thursday, 30 March 2022 (attached) and to note
- **3.** To receive an update on the municipal district road works.

the progress report (to follow).

- **4.** To agree and approve any remaining allocation of the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District Members Nominations 2021.
- To agree and approve remaining LPT 2022 allocations for the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District.

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

Building and Development Control

6. To consider the taking in charge of Togher Wood, Monasterevin (report to follow).



7. To consider the taking in charge of White Abbey Court, Kildare Town (report to follow).

8. Motion – Councillor Anne Connolly

That the council supply the meeting with an up-to-date list of housing estates within the municipal district awaiting to be taken in charge, date of application and present position on this list.

Roads

- **9.** To receive an update on the Sustainable Transport and Active Travel Team projects.
- **10.** To receive an update on Roads Design projects progressing or due to commence in the municipal district.

11. Motion – Councillor Peggy O'Dwyer

That Kildare County Council consider a connectivity pedestrian crossing to access the walking route towards the Curragh Racecourse as the present crossing is very close to the roundabout.

12. 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.

13. 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.



14. Motion – Councillor Noel Heavey

That the council provide a report on the provision of the Southern Relief Road and the Second Bridge for Newbridge to include information on options being considered for possible public/private partnership(s), options for financing the work necessary to bring the plan to Part 8 public consultation stage and the likely time frame to bring the project to Part 8 public consultation stage.

15. Motion – Councillor Kevin Duffy

That the council include the final laying of the top road surface coat between Kildangan National School and Kildangan GAA which has been unfinished for several years as part of the Rural Roads program.

16. Motion – Councillor Kevin Duffy

That the council freshen up the line marking and install green bollards at the Mullaghroe Crossroads, Rathangan Road, Mountrice to improve visibility and safety.

17. Motion - Councillor Mark Stafford

That the council carry out the necessary repairs and maintenance work at Allen Cross particularly where the road is unravelling in sections approaching the junction.

18. Motion – Councillor Mark Stafford

That the council construct a footpath at Leinster Street, Rathangan at the Rath and liaise with the landowner regarding a replacement boundary at this location.

19. Question – Councillor Peggy O'Dwyer

Can the council confirm if there has been any opportunity to consider a traffic management plan to improve safety on the Morristown Bridge in Newbridge?



20. Question - Councillor Tracey O'Dwyer

Can the council, having regard to a motion I raised at the May 2021 Municipal District Meeting asking for a feasibility study to be carried out at the junction of Lakeside Park and Allenview Heights Newbridge, identify a suitable location for a pedestrian crossing and provide an update on when the feasability study is likely to commence?

21. Question - Councillor Suzanne Doyle

Can the council confirm if Dara Park and Elm Park, Kildare Town are on the programme of works for footpath improvements?

22. Question - Councillor Suzanne Doyle

Can the council provide a progress report on the delivery of the footpath link to the Curragh on Melitta Road?

23. Question – Councillor Noel Connolly

Can the council outline what progress is being made with regard to the relocation of Monasterevin Fire Station?

24. Question - Councillor Mark Stafford

Can the council confirm if there are any proposals to replace the parking metres in Kildare Town which appear to be malfunctioning with increasing frequency in the past six months?

25. Question - Councillor Mark Stafford

Can the council furnish an update on any progress on the discussions with CRH plc regarding the car park and pedestrian access to the Hill of Allen?



Tithíocht agus Seirbhísí Corporáideach Housing and Corporate Services (11:25 a.m.)

26. Motion – Councillor Suzanne Doyle

That the council provide a report on the number of FOI requests received from 2019 to date that relate to this municipal district, the number of people these emanate from and the call on resources to service same.

27. Motion - Councillor Peggy O'Dwyer

That the council, following the recent unauthorised encampment of vehicles in Newbridge, confirm what measures they are planning to take to prevent this happening again.

28. Motion - Councillor Tracey O'Dwyer

That given the excessive length of time that some people in the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District are waiting to be allocated a house or apartment, the council, as an emergency one-off measure to help address the crisis, allow people move into vacant units that are currently listed for minor maintenance works on the understanding that these works will be carried out after they move in.

29. Question – Councillor Chris Pender

Can the council confirm the reservation policy for Newbridge Town Hall and how the needs of Community Groups versus commercial enterprises are balanced against each other, including costings and pricing structure for same?

30. Question - Councillor Noel Connolly

Can the council confirm when will the Part 8 process begin for housing units to be built in Monasterevin and Kildangan?

31. Question – Councillor Noel Connolly

Can the council confirm what are its various departments plans for works to be carried out in Dara Park, Newbridge in 2022?



Pleanáil agus Forbairt Straitéiseach Planning and Strategic Development (11:45 a.m.)

- **32.** To receive an update on Public Realm projects.
- **33.** To receive an update on proposed Tree Preservation Order (TPO) at Caragh, Co. Kildare.
- 34. To receive a presentation from the Planning Department on Alchemy Developments (Kilcullen) Limited for a stage 3 SHD development at lands at Riverside, Newbridge, Co. Kildare (report circulated previously and attached).

35. Motion – Councillor Suzanne Doyle

That the council provide details of what retail space within the Kildare Retail Outlet Village is devoted to sale of food and beverages, and what are the plans to deliver meaningful permeability to Kildare town centre from the Kildare Retail Outlet Village.

36. Motion – Councillor Noel Heavey

That as an alternative to losing 9 parking spaces along Main Street and to support continuity for sustainable traffic as proposed in the Pilot Sustainable Traffic Plan for Newbridge, the council gives serious consideration to siting proposed 'parklets' on wide enough' footpaths as a better option from multiple perspectives.

37. Question - Councillor Tracey O' Dwyer

Can the council provide a detailed update on the status of each element within the Newbridge Cultural Quarter project outlining, what stage the project is at, what elements are ready to start and a sequential timeline for each element thereafter?

38. Question – Councillor Chris Pender

Can the council confirm if there are any alterations to the landscaping plan for the link from Belin Woods to Liffey Linear Park including the provision of a boardwalk and if so, what processes did these go through?



39. Question – Councillor Noel Heavey

Can the council confirm if there is to be variation from the pedestrian connectivity infrastructure from Liffey Linear Park to Liffey Walkway along the length of Belin Woods Estate as originally authorised in the planning permission granted to Ardstone ref 18302141 for development of these lands in Newbridge?

40. Question – Councillor Anne Connolly

Can the council confirm that pre-planning meetings are still taking place and in particular, for one off houses in this municipal district?

Seirbhísí Uisce, Comhshaol agus Gníomhú ar son na hAeráide Environment, Water Services and Climate Action (12:15 a.m.)

41. Question – Councillor Kevin Duffy

That the council provide an update and timeline on the repair of the cemetery wall in Suncroft?

Forbairt Gheilleagrach, Pobail agus Cultúrtha Economic, Community and Cultural Development (12:20 a.m.)

- **42.** To consider Community, Festival and Resident Association grant awards assessed by the Economic, Community & Cultural Development Department for 2022 for the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District (report to follow).
- **43.** To approve the Arts Awards and Bursaries for 2022 for the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District (report to follow).



44. Motion – Councillor Tracey O'Dwyer

That Kildare County Council actively engage with local youth community groups in Newbridge with a view to offering out and making better and more frequent use of both the Riverbank Theatre and Newbridge Town Hall.

45. Question – Councillor Peggy O'Dwyer

Can the council provide an update on progress on the site location for the playground in Newbridge?

46. Question - Councillor Anne Connolly

Can the council confirm when the improvements works due to take place in Rathangan playground will be carried out?

47. Question – Councillor Noel Connolly

Can the council confirm what works are planned in playgrounds in the Municipal District in 2022?