



Minutes of the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District
held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, 18 February 2026
in the Council Chamber

Members Present: Councillors N Heavey (Mayor), P Balfe, N Connolly, S Doyle, P O'Dwyer, T O'Dwyer, B O'Loughlin, T McDonnell, C Pender.

Online: Councillor R Power.

Apologies: Councillor K Duffy.

Officials Present: Ms E Hanlon (District Manager), Mr M McLoughlin (A/Director of Service), Mr C De Brí (District Engineer), Mr P McDonald (Senior Executive Engineer), Mr S Wallace (A/Senior Parks and Landscaping Officer), Ms C Whelan (Administrative Officer), Ms M Richardson (Meetings Administrator), Ms KA O'Brien (Meetings Secretary) and other officials.

KN01/0226
Declarations of Interest

Declarations of (a) conflicts of interest or (b) pecuniary or beneficial interests under section 177 of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended.

There were no declarations of interest.

KN02/0226
Minutes and Progress Report

The members considered the minutes of the monthly Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District meeting held on 21 January 2026 and the progress report was noted.



Resolved: on the proposal of Councillor T O'Dwyer, seconded by Councillor Connolly and agreed by all members present that the minutes of the monthly Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District meeting held on 21 January 2026 be taken as read and the progress report be noted.

KN03/0226

Municipal District Road Works

The members received an update on the municipal district road works

Works Programme

Restoration Improvement:

2026 programme of works to be developed when funding allocation received.

Restoration Maintenance:

2026 programme of works to be developed when funding allocation received.

Local Property Tax (LPT)/Paid Parking:

Works continuing on the footpath works contract which includes the following locations:

Sex's Road, Newbridge.

Brownstown, The Curragh.

R415 and R445 Kildare Town.

Church View, Suncroft.

Great Connell, Newbridge.

Rathbride, Road Kildare.

Elm Park, Kildare Town.

Brownstown, The Curragh, Elm Park, and the R415/R445 in Kildare have been completed. Works are currently ongoing on the footpath at Rathbride Road in Kildare.

Footpath improvement works in Kilcullen commenced in January and are currently ongoing.

Newbridge

Works done do not include our day-to-day litter picking emptying bins, clearing of lanes and general maintenance of Newbridge Town and small villages around Newbridge.

Patching: Newbridge Golf Course Lane, Cutbush, Clowning's, Harbour Road, Suncroft school lane and Suncroft Community Complex grass verge was also removed and the lane was swept.



Pothole repairs: Athgarvan, Rosetown, Tesco Junction and Main Street Newbridge.

Drainage: Tullyeast and Boherguy.

Watercuts: Maddenstown to Kildare Road, Tullyeast and Loughbrown.

Town works: Cleared ivy on the Ring of Roseberry Road

Signs: Replaced one pole and sign at Curragh Racecourse.

Sweeper: Three days a week.

Flood Response: Staff spent nearly two weeks working around Roseberry, Clongorey and Barretstown Road, clearing drains and deploying sandbags, day/ night checks on River Liffey and drain levels.

Kildare/Monasterevin

Works done do not include our day-to-day litter picking emptying bins clearing of lanes and general maintenance of Kildare/Monasterevin town and small villages.

Patching: Melitta Road, Curragh Chase, R445 Cherryville, R445 Whitesland, Rathbride Road, Old Green Road, Ballykelly and R414 Nurney Road.

Hedge cutting: Hedges were trimmed back at Rathbride (Kildare Town Football Club), Assumpta Villas, R445 Whitesland and R445 Kildare Village Junction

Jetting: Rathbride Road, Dunmurray Road and Kildangan Village.

Holding tanks emptied: Rathbride and Maryville.

Town Works: Work got underway for the St Brigids festival in Kildare Town, including installation of barriers and pedestrian walkways. Repaired traffic lights at Passlands Monasterevin. Road edge delineators were installed at on the R445 at Garda Station.

Sweeper: One day a week.

Kilcullen:

Works done do not include our day-to-day litter picking emptying bins, clearing of lanes and general maintenance of Kilcullen and small villages.

Pothole Repair: Browns Lane, Two Mile House, Green Avenue, Ladytown Cul De Sac, Carnalway Church and Brannockstown.

Hedge Cutting: Ladytown, Park Lane, Osberstown and R448 Knockbounce.

Drainage: Knockanlin and Kilcullen Main Street and other areas with flooding.



Bollards: Installing cast iron bollards near Sunbury Close

Sweeper: One day a week.

Flood Response: Continuous monitoring and checks of River Liffey and drain levels along with deployment of sandbags to potential flooding locations.

Rathangan

Works done do not include our day-to-day litter picking emptying bins, clearing of lanes and general maintenance of Rathangan Town and small villages.

Patching: Blacktrench and Clongorey.

PotholeRepairs: Russellstown, L7084, Blacktrench, Kilmoney North and South, Thomastown West, Mount Pleasant, Clonglorey, R401, Newtown Road, Edenderry Road, Cussline Bridge, Feighcullen, Glebe, Umbra and Mount Prospect.

Watercuts: Blacktrench, Pond Road, Kilmoney South and Thomastown.

Hedge cutting: Cutting back of over growing branches from footpaths and edging of paths removal of waste, Newtown Road, Yellowlough and Bracknagh Road.

Jetting: Rathangan Demesne Estate, Tannery Park, Doorley Park and Kilmoney.

Bollards: Milltown.

Signs: Miltown, Moores Well, Rathbride and Kilmoney.

Sweeper: One day a week.

The members thanked the team in the Municipal District Office for their sterling work with the flooding issues in Newbridge. They said the team on the ground were pro active and did tremendous work.

The report was noted.



Items 4 and 6 were taken together

KN04/0226

LPT Schedule of Works 2026

The members acknowledged the hard work that had been done by Ms E Hanlon and the Mayor in bringing this forward for approval.

Councillor T O'Dwyer informed the members that the funding allocated to Teach na Daoine Kilcullen would be committed for one more year of funding of €60,000.

Councillor Heavey requested that the St Patricks Day Festival funds would be released now if agreed by the members.

Councillor Pender informed the members that it was his understanding that once the members had voted and agreed at a meeting funds could be drawdown. The District Manager informed the members that the minutes had to be approved first in most cases as this was a record of what was decided at the meeting so an allocation could not be made until the minutes were approved.

	Project Details	KCC Central Funding €	Pay Parking Funding €	Retained LPT Funding €	Budget spend to date	Total
		€ 4,162,429.00	€ 386,186.00	€ 1,341,711.00		€5,890,326.00
	Pay Parking			€ 386,186.00		
	1% Increased Rates			€ 202,310.00		€202,310.00
				€ 1,930,207.00		€6,092,636.00
Roads	Roads/Footpath Projects					
	Roads Footpath Programme		€ 386,186.00			
	Local Road Maint (excl pay parking)*	€ 2,539,975.00				
	Footpaths	€ 68,335.00				
	Traffic Calming	€ 21,625.00				
	Signage	€ 21,625.00				
	Street Cleaning	€ 850,000.00				
	Footpaths in Rathangan			€ 60,000.00		
	Public Light Improvements			€ 50,000.00		
	Members Allocations for MD Roads - MD Office			€ 706,186.00		
	Traffic Calming Athgarvan - MD Office			€ 50,000.00		
	Roads Sub Total	€ 3,501,560.00	€ 386,186.00	€ 866,186.00		€4,367,746.00
Parks	Parks					
	Parks & Landscaping	€ 161,605.00				
	Public Realm Maintenance	€ 164,000.00				
	Playgrounds	€ 100,000.00				
	Tree Works Programme			€ 20,000.00		
	Capital Projects - Recreation/Amenity			€100,000.00		
	Parks Sub Total	€ 425,605.00		€120,000.00		€545,605.00
Libraries	Kildare Library Service					
	Newbridge Library, County Archives & Cultural Centre Capital Project			€300,000.00		
	Music Generation			€10,000.00		
	Libraries Subtotal	€0.00		€310,000.00		€310,000.00



Community	Community				
	Community Grants - General Projects	€65,000.00			
	Contribution to Kildare Heritage	€50,000.00			
	Festival Grants	€25,000.00	€20,635.00		
	Specific Festival Grants - €71500 - as follows:				
	St Patrick's Day Newbridge		€5,000.00		
	St. Patrick's Day Monasterevin & Monasterevin Gordon Bennett		€9,500.00		
	June Fest		€15,000.00		
	Kildare Derby Festival		€20,000.00		
	Rathangan Drama Festival & Bluebells & Buskers		€5,000.00		
	Halloween Kildare		€5,000.00		
	Manley Hopkins Festival (Newbridge)		€12,000.00		
	Rathangan Festival		€10,000.00		
	Residents Association Grants	€31,480.00	€50,000.00		
	Brigid Spirit of Kildare Festival		€20,000.00		
	Community Text Alert		€4,000.00		
	Teach na Daoine, Kilcullen, Redevelopment of Older Persons Centre		€60,000.00		
	Christmas Lights - €21868 - as follows:				
	Christmas Lights Kildare		€7,500.00		
	Christmas Lights Kilcullen		€3,696.00		
	Christmas Lights Rathangan		€5,546.00		
	Christmas Lights Monasterevin		€5,126.00		
	Community Subtotal	€171,480.00	€258,003.00		€429,483.00
Sports Partnership	Sports Partnership				
	Sports Partnership		€25,000.00		
	Sports Partnership Subtotal		€25,000.00		€25,000.00
	Accessibility-Health & Safety				
	Kildare Inclusivity Festival		€5,000.00		
	Accessibility-Health & Safety Subtotal		€5,000.00		€5,000.00
	Corporate Services				
	Coiste Gaeilge		€5,000.00		
	Corporate Services Subtotal		€5,000.00		€5,000.00
	Economic Development				
Economic Development	Shop Front Grants		€10,000.00		
	Economic Development Subtotal		€10,000.00		€10,000.00
Environment	Environment				
	Sponsored Litter Bins	€16,435.00			
	Tidy Towns Competitions	€47,349.00			
	CCTV Development		€20,000.00		
	Tidy Towns - €101,460 - as follows:				
	Newbridge Tidy Towns		€25,832.00		
	Kildare Tidy Towns		€16,974.00		
	Monasterevin Tidy Towns		€13,141.00		
	Rathangan Tidy Towns		€10,513.00		
	Suncroft Tidy Towns		€6,245.00		
	Milltown Tidy Towns		€6,245.00		
	Kilcullen Tidy Towns		€10,513.00		
	Caragh Tidy Towns		€5,354.00		
	Brannockstown Tidy Towns		€2,664.00		
	Ballysax/Cutbush Tidy Towns		€2,664.00		
	Kildangan (Community Development Group)		€1,315.00		
	Environment Subtotal	€63,784.00	€121,460.00		€185,244.00
Public Realm	Public Realm				
	Public Realm - Rathangan		€30,000.00		
	Public Realm Subtotal		€30,000.00		€30,000.00
Building Control	Building Control				
	Taking in Charge of Estates		€75,000.00		
	Building Control Sub Total		€75,000.00		€75,000.00
Balance	Remaining balance to be decided by Members				
	Balance to be decided by Members		€104,558.00		
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	TOTAL	€4,162,429.00	€386,186.00	€1,930,207.00	€5,988,078.00
	Balance	€0.00	€0.00	€	€104,558.00



Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Pender, seconded by Councillor T O'Dwyer and agreed by all members present that the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District Schedule of Works 2026 be approved with the commitment for one more year of funding of €60,000 to Teach na Daoine, Kilcullen and the funds for the St Patricks Day Festival be released now.

KN05/0226

Residual LPT Allocations

- **Councillor T O'Dwyer proposed to allocate**
 - €800 through the Community Department to support the Kilcullen Brigid 1500 Committee for an Oral Preservation project on Military Heritage in Kilcullen including the Army, Naval and Air Corps dating from the 50's to current day incorporating interviews from 15 male and female military personnel of all rank. The project will be launched in March and will also be open to the public during heritage week later in the year.
- **Councillor Doyle proposed to allocate**
 - Reallocation of €100,000 of the 2025 LPT allocated for the provision of a skatepark in Kildare Town to the provision of a Community Centre in Kildare Town as the skatepark has not been delivered and Community section have requested funding for the provision of a community centre in Kildare Town.
- **Councillor Balfe proposed to allocate**
 - €800 to the age friendly coordinator for programmes with the Suncroft Retirement Group.

Resolved on the proposals of Councillors T O'Dwyer, Doyle and Balfe and seconded by Councillor P O'Dwyer that the proposed above allocations be approved.



KN06/0326

Division H Service H09 - H0909

To agree allocation of €203,010 from adopted Budget 2026 (General Municipal Allocation - Division H Service H09 - H0909).

Resolved on the proposals of Councillor Pender, seconded by Councillor T O'Dwyer and agreed by all members present that General Municipal Allocation - Division H Service H09 - H0909 be approved.

KN07/0226

Kinneagh Cross

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor T O'Dwyer
That the council considers installing public lighting at Kinneagh Cross, The Curragh.

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

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that the request for public lighting at Kinneagh Cross has been assessed, and the location is classified as Category B – Area of Low District Brightness (rural).

In accordance with the Council's Public Lighting Policy, the request has been logged into the Kildare Lighting Infrastructure Priority Schedule (KLIPS) Register.

For Category B locations:

- Infill lighting may only be considered where existing infrastructure is readily available.
- New or additional lighting will only be considered where engineering measures for vulnerable road users are being installed.
- Any such assessment falls within the remit of the Municipal District Engineers.
Public lighting, where deemed appropriate, will only be installed as part of a wider engineering solution, with lighting considered the final measure rather than a standalone intervention.

Councillor T O'Dwyer informed the members that this request came to her from An Garda Síochána in Kilcullen, and they felt that this junction would be safer with some lighting as currently



there is no public lighting at this busy junction. She said from a safety perspective that An Garda Síochána and first responders were responding to accidents at this junction using the lights from vehicles as there was no additional lighting. Councillor T O'Dwyer said she believed the council had a duty of care if the request was coming from An Garda Síochána and asked that an onsite meeting between Kilcullen Gardaí and a member of the Sustainable Transport Team be arranged to establish the concerns and what action might be taken to address those concerns.

Mr P McDonald informed the members that it would be highly unusual to rank lighting in a rural area, and this location would be rural. Councillor T O'Dwyer informed the members that the junction of Floods Cross has lighting and felt this junction should be an exception.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor T O'Dwyer and seconded by Councillor Pender that the report be noted.

KN08/0226

K Leisure

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor P O'Dwyer
That the council reviews how best to prohibit parking on the footpath on Station Road near K Leisure, Newbridge.

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

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that the Transportation Department is not aware of illegal parking at this location as it is outside the parking bye-law area. However, if members contact the parking section with the days and times the alleged illegal parking offences are taking place, the matter will be investigated by the council's traffic warden.

Councillor P O'Dwyer informed the members that K Leisure was a very busy facility with limited parking onsite and people were parking on the footpath outside. She said that the Disability Access Group had pictures showing the way cars were parking. Councillor P O'Dwyer said that K



Leisure and the Health Centre had contacted her about this issue. She said that a shop beside K Leisure was due to open soon and hoped this might help the situation as vehicles would no longer be able to park on the path at this area.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor P O'Dwyer and seconded by Councillor T O'Dwyer that the report be noted.

KN09/0226
Toughers Bus Stop

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

That the council considers some improvements at the bus stop on the grass surface at Toughers on health and safety grounds while the permanent new infrastructure is awaited.

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

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that A design for a new signalised pedestrian crossing and improvement in the bus stop infrastructure at this location has been prepared, and a public consultation process will be commenced in the next 4-6 weeks. Undertaking any works at this location in advance of the completion of the consultation process may infer a bias in the process and would result in duplicate expenditure. Finally, a funding allocation for these works has not been agreed at present.

Councillor P O'Dwyer informed the members that this issue had been raised previously. She said a bus shelter had been installed on one side of the road but on the opposite side where she was referring to nothing had been done and people are stepping off and waiting on the bus in muddy conditions with no lighting.

Councillor Pender informed the members that the council could alleviate the problem with some light and concrete for people to stand on. He said a bus station in Toughers had been brought up previously.

Councillor T O'Dwyer advised that the members had previously asked for a bridge over the 4 lanes to help with this issue and was told this was not feasible but the council are willing to put a



pedestrian crossing across four lanes of traffic which she said felt was not safe. She asked if the council had looked at, or explored, a bus depot at Toughers to serve both sides of the road. Mr P McDonald informed the members that he believes that a bus depot was explored and proposed costings were done but this seemed to have been discontinued. He said the preference from the members seemed to be a single bus stop on one side. He said he would go back to the team and explore this option of making one bus stop at Toughers on the southside. Councillor P O'Dwyer informed the members that this junction needed to be looked at and a bus depot created here.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor P O'Dwyer and seconded by Councillor T O'Dwyer that the report be noted.

KN10/0226
Liffey Bridge

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor McDonnell
That the council ensures the lights on the left hand side of the Liffey Bridge travelling to Naas, which are currently not working, are repaired.

The motion was proposed by Councillor McDonnell and seconded by Councillor Heavey

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that these lights are no longer operational and cannot be repaired. A consultant has been appointed to manage the upgrade of the existing boardwalk, and the replacement of the low-level street lighting can be included in the scope of the project.

Councillor T McDonnell asked who the consultant on this project was. Mr P McDonald informed the members that this was Daragh Conlan.

Councillor P O'Dwyer asked that it be noted that the person providing the report should attend the meeting.



Councillor Pender informed the members that these lights have been broken for a long time and when you put in a CRM about this issue you just get the same answer as that which was given in the report.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor McDonnell and seconded by Councillor Heavey that the report be noted.

KN11/0226
McDonald's fast-food Drive-thru

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor McDonnell
That the council reviews traffic management at the entrance to McDonald's fast food drive-thru in Newbridge.

The motion was proposed by Councillor McDonnell and seconded by Councillor Doyle
A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that Vehicular traffic entering the site can on occasions block back onto the R445 lane for traffic travelling to Newbridge Town Centre. This issue relates to the management of traffic within the site and the drive-through facility.

A site visit with the Traffic Management Section Team can be arranged to explain the limitations on the junction's operation.

Councillor McDonnell informed the members that this entrance was constantly causing traffic jams. He said the way the drive thru is laid out only allows a few cars which was causing backup of traffic onto the main road. He said he felt the entrance to the drive-thru should have been delivered to the back entrance and this would help with the flow of traffic on the main road.

The members raised the following points:

- This area was always problematic.
- Planning Department needs to keep an eye on this if any amendments were to be made.
- If reversed the queue would cause issues for the residential area.
- An Garda Síochána need to be onsite when there were traffic jams.



- The residents in the Crescent never wanted McDonald's there.

Councillor Pender informed the members after the blaze in 2023 he did approach McDonalds about changing the entrance to the drive thru.

Councillor McDonnell informed the members that this needed to be looked at but not from the Crescent estate side. He said there were other options.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor McDonnell and seconded by Councillor Doyle that the report be noted.

KN12/0226 **Centre Car Parking Strategy Kilcullen**

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor T O'Dwyer
That the council outlines the steps taken to commence the town centre car-parking strategy for Kilcullen, noting that while the original 12-month timeframe was not a strict deadline, it was identified as a high-priority short-term action intended to protect the primacy of the town centre.

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

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that the Transport Department are finalising draft parking bye-laws for Kildare Town and are in the process of preparing plans for Athy. Parking bye-laws for Kilcullen are under consideration and will advise the members of a potential timescale as soon as available. The parking warden will continue to monitor compliance with road traffic regulations in the interim.

Councillor T O'Dwyer informed the members that in the Kilcullen Settlement Plan it was an objective Under ST KL88 to consider alternative town centre parking solutions and investigate the feasibility of such proposal with the preparation of a parking strategy for the town within 12 months of adapting the plan and her motion was asking for an update on what steps have been taken to commence this objective for a parking strategy for Kilcullen. She said bye laws may form part of the discussion and welcomed the bye laws, but the strategy was to identify alternative parcels of



land that could either be purchased or leased to provide a public car park in Kilcullen to service the lower part of Kilcullen near the cinema and Heritage Centre and the small business owners that operate. There have been significant financial incentives to reduce dereliction in town centres by turning over the shop back into residential, which is to be commended however in small towns like Kilcullen, without a public car park this is having a negative effect on small towns and small local business and couple that with drive options on the approach road to every small town, if parking is not easily available people will drive through a town because we all want convenience.

All the plans in the Kilcullen Settlement Plan have been completed and been currently working on should be live documents otherwise what was the point of them. She asked that the council put out an expression of interest to landowners that may be willing to work with the council.

Councillor Pender informed the members that he supported this motion as it has been brought up numerous times in many different ways. Additional parking was needed as businesses were being affected. He said people with mobility issues had nowhere to park outside businesses. He said this needed to be progressed. Councillor Doyle informed the members that data needed to be provided to see what the ratio was for parking spaces and population. She said car parking was essential.

Mr M McLoughlin informed the members that the council would try engaging with landowners but said that land does come at a cost.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor T O'Dwyer and seconded by Councillor P O'Dwyer that the report be noted.

KN13/0226 **Lackagh Village**

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Balfe

That the council carries out an assessment of the road surface at Lackagh Village, with particular regard to its current condition, safety, accessibility, and suitability for vehicular and pedestrian use, and that, following this assessment, the necessary resurfacing works be included in the Council's 2026 Plan of Works.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Balfe and seconded by Councillor Connolly



A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that the Municipal District Office will complete an assessment of the road surface at this location and consider it for resurfacing subject to sufficient funding being available.

Councillor Balfe informed the members that this village had a small community with a big school. He said there were approximately 170 students attending the school in this village. Councillor Balfe said the conditions on the road leading into the village were causing safety concerns for pedestrians. He said remedial work had been done but did not last long. He said he would like to see long term work being done.

Councillor Connolly informed the members that the bus was struggling on this rural route due to the bad conditions. He said it had been patched so many times and welcomed any action.

Councillor O'Loughlin informed the members that this was affecting the school in the area as people are avoiding sending their children there because of the road.

The District Engineer informed the members that his team would review the area.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Balfe and seconded by Councillor Connolly that the report be noted.

KN14/0226

Togher Road, Monasterevin

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Balfe

That the council carries out an assessment of Togher Road, Monasterevin with particular regard to the presence of commercial, residential and childcare facilities in the area and that appropriate traffic calming measures be put in place to improve safety for both pedestrians and road users.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Balfe and seconded by Councillor Connolly

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that the Municipal District Office will assess existing line marking and signage along the Togher Road in Monasterevin to determine if additional traffic calming measures are warranted.



Councillor Balfe informed the members that he acknowledged that the engineer had been out at this site. He said it was a bad bend with a creche on the bend. He said that people are standing on the road slowing down cars while people are dropping or collecting from the creche. He asked if the municipal district office could look at calming the traffic as it would help pedestrians and vehicles.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Balfe and seconded by Councillor Connolly that the report be noted.

KN15/0226
Glebe Lane

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor O'Loughlin
That the council resurfaces Glebe Lane (locally known as Kenny's Lane) Rathangan.

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

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that the Municipal District Office does not currently have funding to resurface Glebe Lane, however maintenance will be carried out to address existing potholes in the interim.

Councillor O'Loughlin said this lane surface has suffered damage over the years due to frost and rain. He hoped that there would be a view at a long term plan for this lane but was happy that the potholes would be addressed in the interim.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor O'Loughlin and seconded by Councillor T O'Dwyer that the report be noted.

KN16/0226
St Conleth's Bridge

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Pender
That the council reviews traffic signal timings and sequencing at St Conleth's Bridge and other signalised junctions across the district, to:



- a) Assess pedestrian crossing times and phasing to ensure safe and adequate crossing for all users.
- b) Examine vehicle timings, peak performance, queue lengths, congestion, and traffic flow impacts.
- c) Provide councillors with current timing plans and the underlying traffic and pedestrian data, including raw source data where available.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Pender and seconded by Councillor P O'Dwyer

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that each set of signal controlled pedestrian crossings and signal controlled junctions across County Kildare have built in safety timings programmed into the traffic controller. The safety timings are based on certain parameters including pedestrian crossing distance, distance between stop lines, junction clearance times etc. Each pedestrian crossing/junction is assessed using industry standards and technical guidance documents. The traffic signals in Newbridge are controlled by an Urban Traffic Control (UTC) system called SCOOT (Split Cycle Offset Optimisation Technique). The town is divided into various SCOOT Regions where the SCOOT model co-ordinates and controls the junctions within the region to maximise efficiency and reduce journey times etc. The SCOOT model receives data from SCOOT nodes or detectors placed at locations with the SCOOT network. The nodes send data packets to UTC/SCOOT system a cloud based server which then models the data and modifies the junction timing accordingly in real time.

Councillor Pender informed the members that he was not given that data he had requested. He said the people with disabilities have contacted him to say that they do not have enough time when crossing the roads and the timing was not working on the ground for people. He said he was told before this would be looked into but was not. Councillor Pender said he had recently stood watching the traffic at the bridge in Newbridge and saw one side letting more cars through the traffic lights than the other side. He said one car had got stuck at the traffic lights three times from the college side. He said he wanted to see the timings and the rest of the data.



The members raised the following points:

- It creates a bottleneck when there was school traffic
- The timings at traffic lights comes up with the disability access groups
- The bridge is a pinch point for traffic with the schools
- It was a difficult junction but was assured that everything had been tried through the SCOOT system

Mr P McDonald informed the members that he was proposing to sort out the crossing at the school first through the Safe Routes to School Scheme subject to NTA funding which was planned and would put in standard signalised crossing and see when this was up and running how it was working.

Councillor Pender asked for the data sets from the SCOOT system. He said that he was not asking to change the whole of Newbridge, but he said one area highlighted to him was the traffic lights at Newbridge Silverware where there were four lanes to cross instead of two and changing the timing from five seconds to seven seconds could help make a difference to some people.

Mr P McDonald informed the member that he would get the data requested.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Pender and seconded by Councillor P O'Dwyer that the report be noted.

KN17/0226 **Solar Public Lighting**

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

That the council examines a pilot of wall mounted, wired or solar public lighting in areas with limited footpath width, including Eyre Street, Newbridge and surrounds, to:

- a) Identify suitable locations where columns restrict pedestrian space.
- b) Assess technical, safety, planning, and cost implications.
- c) Report back with recommended pilot sites, estimated costs, and funding options.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Pender and seconded by Councillor P O'Dwyer



A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that as a result of frequent requests for public lighting, Kildare County Council established the Kildare Lighting Infrastructure Priority Schedule (KLIPS) to ensure that all lighting proposals are assessed in a fair, open, and transparent manner. Requests are ranked under KLIPS based on criteria including residents affected, traffic volumes, technical feasibility, network availability, and cost.

The request to examine a pilot of wall-mounted, wired or solar public lighting will be added to the KLIPS register and assessed in accordance with this process.

In order to allow the Public Lighting Section to accurately assess the proposal and develop indicative costs, the council requests that the Councillor submit location maps clearly identifying the specific streets and exact points where alternative lighting is proposed. Site-specific information is required to assess feasibility, safety, planning constraints, and costs. Once this information is received, the proposal can be progressed and reported in line with KLIPS criteria.

Councillor Pender informed the members that the light poles on Eyre Street were exceedingly large and were taking up half the footpaths. He asked that the council explored wall mounting lights on the narrow street especially areas with no footpaths. He said he felt that a pilot scheme did not belong on the KLIPS system.

Councillor P O'Dwyer informed the members that there were access issues on the narrow footpaths on Eyre Street due to light poles and bins. She said they had used the solar light system in Caragh and would be interested in seeing it done.

Mr M McLoughlin informed the members that this was extremely challenging as private properties would have to be used to put the lights up. He said solar public lights don't last and it also depends on the time of the year to when they turn off and on.

Councillor Pender said that the Master Plan for Newbridge was coming up and changes could be explored through this.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Pender and seconded by Councillor P O'Dwyer that the report be noted.



KN18/0226
Local Link

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Heavey
That the council, in conjunction with Local Link, provides local councillors all information available regarding re-establishing shuttle bus services for Newbridge.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Heavey and seconded by Councillor Pender

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that the matter has been referred to Local Link Kildare South Dublin, and a reply will issue to the members once received.

Councillor Heavey informed the members that he was not happy with this report and said it was a big issue for people getting around Newbridge from estates. He said there needed to be movement on this. He asked how the members engage with Local Link.

Councillor Pender informed the members that he supported shuttle buses and was part of the Newbridge Settlement Plan and the NTA would have to fund Local Link. He said he had been in contact with the NTA regarding orbital buses. He said there was a lot of onuses put on Local Link especially if there not getting the funding. He said joined up thinking was needed.

Councillor Doyle informed the members that a scoping exercise needed to be done. She said Newbridge needed this and modal shift would be a game changer for Newbridge.

She advised that Alan Kerry from Local Link would need to put a feasibility study forward.

Mr M McLoughlin informed the members that the department was meeting with the NTA regarding Local Link.

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



KN19/0226

Taking In Charge of the Cul de Sac Road at Kilbelin

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillors Heavey and P O'Dwyer

Can the council provide an update on the request for the Taking In Charge of the cul de sac road at Kilbelin, Newbridge?

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that the Transport Department are willing to engage with the owner of this road, which is private property, to discuss the potential for making this a public road in accordance with the Roads Act, 1993. Any proposals to make this a public road will require the Council to:

- Satisfy itself that the road is of general public use
- Consider the financial implications for the authority of the proposed declaration
- Advertise in accordance with regulations that it is proposed to declare the road to be a public road.

The report was noted.

KN20/0226

Carnalway Bridge

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor T O'Dwyer

Can the council confirm if a survey has been carried out on Carnalway Bridge following the recent collision during icy weather and advises on recommendations and next steps?

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that Kildare County Council have arranged for the damage to the bridge parapet to be repaired by our bridge contractor as soon as possible. As many of the existing capstones will be used during the repair as possible.

Councillor T O'Dwyer accepted the report and acknowledged that the council were working on the bridge.

The report was noted.



KN21/0226

Gormanstown Church

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor T O'Dwyer

Can the council confirm if the non-slip surface for the bend at Gormanstown Church R413 previously raised in March 2022 has been considered and included in the works programme for 2026?

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that this section of road was surface dressed in recent years which has improved the skid resistance of the road surface. The Municipal District Office will review the signage and line marking at this location to determine if improvements are required.

Councillor T O'Dwyer informed the members that on a point of clarification, the section of road at Gormanstown Church had not been resurfaced in recent years and the council may be thinking of different roads and she would take this offline.

The report was noted.

KN22/0226

Cul de Sac off Station Road at Piercetown

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor McDonnell

Can the council confirm if the cul de sac off Station Road at Piercetown, Newbridge has been included in the 2026 works programme?

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that the cul-de-sac off Station Road at Piercetown will be assessed for future road surfacing, however there is currently no funding in place to resurface this road.

The report was noted.



KN23/0226
Rathbride Road

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Balfe

Can the council provide details of any plans that are in place to connect the existing public footpaths along the Rathbride Road in Kildare Town to include all completed, in progress and future works to achieve this plan?

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that footpath construction works have recently commenced along the Rathbride Road to link Curragh Beag housing estate with the Curragh. Kildare County Council are not currently in a position to construct a new footpath to the south of Curragh Beag due to third party ownership.

The report was noted.

KN24/0226
Housing Estates Taken in Charge

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Balfe

Can the council outline the procedures for housing estates that are taken in charge in this municipal district to have traffic calming measures and signage placed within their developments.

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that the delivery of traffic calming measures in residential developments are considered on a case by case basis. The Transport Department are presently embarking on a project to erect signage in advance of the implementation of the 30kph speed limit in residential developments (Jake's Law). It will not be feasible to include traffic calming measures as part of this process.

Councillor Balfe said he asked for the procedures on how to address this. He asked do the council go to individual cases or do the residents come to the council.

The District Engineer informed the members that the residents can come to the council and to the members and they can put it forward.

The report was noted.

KN25/0226 **Pay Parking**

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

Can the council provide, for each of the past five years, the income generated in the municipal district from pay parking charges and from parking fines and detail the annual costs of operating and enforcing the scheme, including contract values, duration, and contractor details.

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that the apportioned expenditure figures comprise costs associated with Kildare County staff salaries and wages, enforcement activities, cash collection services, parking meter maintenance, administrative support provided by the subcontractor, legal fees, the provision of the parking permit system, and the operation of the online payment system. The income includes the pay and display (cash, card, parking app) and permits as well as parking fines.

Newbridge - Kildare MD	2021		2022		2023		2024		2025	
Description	Actual Income	Actual Expenditure	Actual Income	Actual Expenditure	Actual Income	Actual Expenditure	Actual Income	Actual Expenditure	Actual Income	Actual Expenditure
Expenditure		586,697		656,763		666,643		716,573		835,424
Pay Parking Income	575,152		647,702		723,707		743,969		734,905	
Parking fines	188,815		266,960		295,080		439,810		432,740	
Totals	763,967	586,697	914,662	656,763	1,018,787	666,643	1,183,779	716,573	1,167,645	835,424

The report was noted.

KN26/0226 **Pay Parking Review**

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

Can the council provide an update on the pay parking review for Kildare Town with a schedule for delivery?



A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that it is anticipated that the draft parking bye-laws will be out for public consultation before the end of Quarter 1 2026.

The report was noted.

KN27/0226
Irish Rail Bridges

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

Can the council provide a report on Irish Rail Bridges within the municipal district that have been identified as needing upgrades including details of what engagement is taking place with Irish Rail to progress this matter and clarify who has been tasked to monitor and pursue resolution of same?

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that there are two bridges in both Kildare Town and Newbridge that require upgrades to facilitate further development. There are also several other bridges and underpasses across the Municipal District that could be considered for upgrade after these initial four. Kildare County Council are engaging with Irish Rail to progress the delivery of these four bridges and this is being managed by the Roads Capital Projects Team.

The report was noted.

KN28/0226
Clearing Drains on Public Roads and Estates

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Power

Can the council outline the current process for clearing drains on public roads and estates that have been taken in charge in this municipal district, including how members of the public can suggest problem areas and what current timelines for resolution are?



A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that the Municipal District Office carries out routine maintenance of road drainage in housing estates which have been taken in charge by Kildare County Council. Any locations considered to be problem areas can be highlighted to the Municipal District Office by members of the public.

The report was noted.

KN29/0226
Southern Relief Road

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Heavey
Can the council provide an update on plans to progress the Southern Relief Road to include provision of a second bridge in Newbridge?

A report was received from the Transportation Department informing the members that the Roads Capital Projects Team are working to finalise tender documents for the appointment of a consultant to deliver this project and are also awaiting confirmation of funding from the Department of Transport for 2026.

The report was noted.

The members asked for standing orders to be suspended to discuss the allocation of monies approved in the budget.

On the proposal of Councillor Pender, seconded by Councillor T O'Dwyer and agreed by all members that standing orders were suspended.

KN30/0226
Temple Mills Estate

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor O'Loughlin
That the council prunes the trees along the roadways in Temple Mills Estate, Rathangan. While the trees are still relatively young the lower hanging branches are in the way of higher jeeps and vans.



The motion was proposed by Councillor O'Loughlin and seconded by Councillor Balfe

A report was received from the Parks Department informing the members that the trees will be pruned as part of the next programme of works in the municipal district. This will take place second half of 2026.

Councillor O'Loughlin informed the members that he recognised that the trees were young and the branches that were hanging were about 5cm in diameter. He said he welcomed the report, but he said that some residents have taken it upon themselves to cut back these branches and were doing damage and asked if the pruning could be done earlier.

Mr S Wallace informed the members that if an opportunity comes available, he will do this.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor O'Loughlin and seconded by Councillor Balfe that the report be noted.

KN31/0226
Brigadier Frank Conroy

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Connolly
Go dtógfadh Comhairle Contae Chill Dara leacht cuimhneacháin oiriúnach i gCill Chuillinn chun comóradh 90 bliain ó bhás an Bhriogáidéara Idirnáisiúnta Frank Conroy a cheiliúradh.
That the council commissions a suitable memorial in Kilcullen to commemorate the 90-year anniversary of the death of International Brigadier Frank Conroy.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Connolly and seconded by Councillor Pender

A report was received from the Corporate Services Department informing the members that Kildare County Council's Civic Memorial Policy <https://kildarecoco.ie/YourCouncil/Publications/Corporate/CivicMemorialPolicy/> sets out the process and criteria by which the council will consider the commemoration of events or individuals who have shaped the county, either by the naming of infrastructure or by the installation of monuments, memorials or plaques in the public domain. A funding stream would have to be



identified. Such projects are invariably progressed by a community group. A plaque to Frank Conroy has previously been mounted in Kilcullen.

Councillor Connolly informed the members that Frank Conroy was a native of Kilcullen. On 13 December 1936 Frank Conroy left for Spain on the Dun Laoghaire-Holyhead ferry with about twenty-five other Irish volunteers. 15 days later he arrived in Cordoba where he was killed at the age of 22 along with five others. He said Christy Moore unveiled a plaque in the Kilcullen Heritage Centre and took to the stage and sang a song that actually names Frank Conroy in it. Councillor Connolly said he would work with the committee to see if a memorial could be erected to commemorate the 90-year anniversary in memory of Frank Conroy.

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

KN32/0226 **Council-Owned Buildings**

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Power
That the council provides a list of council-owned buildings in the municipal district suitable for rooftop solar and an implementation plan to roll out installations under existing SEAI or national schemes.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Power and seconded by Councillor Connolly

A report was received from the Property Management Department informing the members that Kildare County Council has prepared a draft schedule of buildings in Kildare County Council's control or ownership within the municipal district. Considering the number of buildings involved a discussion will be undertaken with each section involved and an initial feasibility study undertaken to establish the suitability of the building to receive a PV installation'



Councillor Power informed the members that he would like to see a report on this and whatever time it would take he would happily wait. He suggested that maybe the council could come back to the members and put this into policy. He said he felt this should be implemented into schemes. Councillor O'Loughlin informed the members that he would like to see movement on this. Councillor Pender informed the members that Kildare County Council needs to take the lead on this scheme and needs to take priority.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Power and seconded by Councillor Connolly that the report be noted.

KN33/0226 **Derelict Sites Register and Compulsory Purchase**

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Connolly
Go ndéanfaidh Comhairle Contae Chill Dara gach beart lena n-áirítear cur leis an gclár láithreán tréigthe agus ceannach éigeantach chun an mhaoín (sonraí curtha ar fáil) a thabhairt ar ais in úsáid.

That the council takes all action including addition to the derelict sites register and compulsory purchase to bring the property (details supplied) back into use.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Connolly and seconded by Councillor Pender

A report was received from the Housing Department informing the members that the Derelict Sites team has been in contact with the owners of this property.

Part of the site is currently in use, and the owners have provided information on plans for the rest of site. The Team will continue communication with the owners and monitor progress.

Councillor Connolly informed the members that this was a substantial Georgian house and could be seen on BuildingsofIreland.ie and it would be a shame to see it deteriorating.

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



KN34/0226

Social and Affordable Housing Units

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

An féidir leis an gComhairle a leagan amach cén méid tithíochta sóisialta agus inacmhainne a bhfuiltear ag súil leis a sheachadadh sa Cheantar Bardasach i 2026?

Can the council outline the expected delivery of social and affordable housing units in the municipal district in 2026?

A report was received from the Housing Department informing the members that the Chief Executives report provides a monthly update on the status of the capital schemes.

The Part V requirement, providing for the delivery of social and affordable houses, is added as a condition on any grant of Planning Permission in accordance with the requirements of section 94(4) and section 96(2) and (3) (Part V) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, unless an exemption certificate shall have been applied for and been granted under section 97 of the Act, as amended.

Planning permissions for housing development on lands purchased on or after 1 August 2021 has a 20% Part V requirement. A 10% Part V requirement applies where land has planning permission or was purchased between 1 September 2015, and 31 July 2021 and planning permission is granted before 31 July 2026. On Lands where there is a 20% Part V requirement at least 10% of the Part V provision must be used for social housing units and the remainder may be used for affordable housing, which can be affordable purchase, cost rental or both.

The report was noted.

KN35/0226

Market Square, Kildare Town

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

Cén dul chun cinn atá á dhéanamh leis na hOibreacha Feabhsúcháin Réimse Poiblí atá Beartaithe do Chearnóg an Mhargaidh, Baile Chill Dara?

Can the council provide an update on progress with the Proposed Public Realm Improvement Works to Market Square, Kildare Town?

A report was received from the Strategic Projects and Public Realm Department informing the members that the Public Realm works at Market Square received Part 8 planning in 2024. We are currently engaging with the Consultants to progress the detailed design while we address funding shortfall to bring the project to construction stage.

The report was noted.

Items 36 and 40 were taken together

KN36/0226 Recreation and Amenity Levies

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

Can the council provide a report on the recreation and amenity levies portion collected on residential development in our municipal district, broken down geographically and annually over past 5 years?

A report was received from the Finance Department informing the members that A split between development contributions collected on residential and commercial development is not available. Please see below the amount of development contributions collected for community, recreation, amenity, public realm and economic development in the Kildare Newbridge Municipal District annually for the last 5 years.

Development Contributions Collected	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Total
K/N MD Comm/Rec/Pub Realm/Econ Dev	1,790,188	2,594,726	1,424,966	2,353,300	1,561,765	9,724,946

Councillor Doyle informed the members she should have asked for figures on what was spent and any funds still available. Councillor McDonnell asked if the money collected was only spent in Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District.

The District Manager informed the members that development contributions collected through community, recreation, amenity, public realm and economic development in the Kildare-Newbridge



Municipal District area is only spent in this municipal district area. All other development contributions are spent county wide.

The report was noted.

KN37/0226
Electronic Notice Boards

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

That the council advances a pilot project to install electronic notice boards in this municipal district to include a protocol that outlines how they should be used and managed.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Doyle and seconded by Councillor Pender

A report was received from the Strategic Projects and Public Realm Department informing the members that Strategic Projects and Public Realm (SPPR) has a full works programme which includes the delivery of two large construction projects to commence in the coming months i.e., Newbridge Library and Archives, and Clane Library. Funding has also been announced for Phase 2 of the Grand Canal Greenway and the delivery of that also falls to the SPPR Team. SPPR also provide technical assistance to our Community, Library, and Parks Departments with several of their projects also included in our works programme. SPPR do not have the resources required to carry out a pilot project to consider the installation of electronic notice boards across the municipal districts, however, we are willing to consider the proposal as projects progress across the municipal districts.

Councillor Doyle informed the members that this was brought up at Community SPC before. She said she felt this was not a big cost and maybe Public Realm could incorporate this into the project in Kildare Town. She said it would be helpful as an information portal and could advertise an expression of interest to manage this screen.

The member raised the following points:

- This scheme needs to be delivered.



- Newbridge Library currently has a mini notice board.
- Newbridge have tourist information boards, but they are mainly always blank.
- People who are not digitally skilled would still be able to be kept up to date with what was happening in the area.
- Rathangan did have one but due to the location it never took off and stopped being used.
- Athy have one and it might be helpful to look at how this was being delivered and managed, this might help Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District.

Councillor Pender informed the members that LPT monies were allocated to tourist/mapping for the Newbridge area, if this could be identified to see if it was spent

Councillor Doyle asked if Members Services could find out who installed and was managing the Athy notice board as this might help determine a cost and how it could be delivered. She asked that this be put on the progress report.

Resolved on the proposal of Councillor Doyle and seconded by Councillor Pender that the report be noted and the item be added to the progress report.

KN38/0226
Dara Park, Newbridge

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

Can the council outline the need for repeated jetting works of sewage drains in Dara Park, Newbridge?

A report was received from the Corporate Services Department informing the members that the matter will be referred to Uisce Éireann with the members agreement.

It was agreed by the members to refer this question to Uisce Éireann.

The report was noted.



KN39/0226
Flood Relief Scheme

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

Can the council detail flood mitigation funding received and spent in Newbridge to date, including under the Minor Flood Mitigation Works and Coastal Protection Scheme, specifying the works and locations funded, intended or achieved flood risk outcomes, any preparatory works linked to a future Flood Relief Scheme, and any interim works or funding applications currently planned?

A report was received from the Environment Department informing the members that a proposed measure for providing flood protection in Newbridge was identified in the Office of Public Works' (OPW) Flood Risk Management Plans, which were adopted by the council in July 2018. This measure includes channel improvements and the construction of embankments. The development of this measure into a Flood Relief Scheme forms part of the OPW's Tranche 2 delivery programme. The council is currently progressing the schemes listed in Tranche 1 for Kildare. Flood Risk Management is working with the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District Engineer to identify any possible interim measures that may be progressed. However, it is important to ensure that any interim measures do not jeopardise delivery of the full scheme.

Councillor Pender asked for clarification on the following points:

- The amount of funding provided
- How much had been spent
- What works had been done

Ms C Whelan inform the members that she would bring the questions back to Ms O'Brien and get the answer for the members.

The report was noted.

Item 40 was taken with item 36**KN40/0226**
Community Fund

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor McDonnell

Can the council confirm how much money is in Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District Community Fund?

A report was received from the Finance Department informing the members that please see below the amount of development contributions collected for community, recreation, amenity, environment, open spaces, public realm and economic development in the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District annually for the last 5 years. Development Contributions collected are used to fund the provision of community, economic development, environment, open spaces, public realm, parks, and recreation and amenity facilities in the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District as outlined in the Capital programme.

Development Contributions Collected	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Total
K/N MD Comm/Rec/Pub Realm/Econ Dev	1,790,188	2,594,726	1,424,966	2,353,300	1,561,765	9,724,946

The report was noted.

The Mayor informed the members that Ms E Hanlon was stepping down as District Manager, and this was her last meeting. He acknowledged her hard work and cooperation with him and the members throughout her time as District Manager.

The members also thanked Ms E Hanlon for been an excellent District Manager and advised they always knew where they stood with her. They said that her guidance and knowledge was very helpful especially in the preparation of the LPT Schedule of Works.

The meeting concluded.