



**Minutes of the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District  
held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, 20 November 2024  
in the Council Chamber**

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**Members Present:** Councillors P O'Dwyer (Mayor), P Balfe,  
N Heavey, T McDonnell, T O'Dwyer, B O'Loughlin, C Pender, R Power

**Remote Attendance:** Councillors K Duffy, S Ní Raghallaigh

**Apologies:** Councillor S Doyle

**Officials Present:** Ms E Hanlon (District Manager), Mr M McLoughlin (Senior Executive Officer), Ms B Cuddy (District Engineer), Mr D Hodgins (Senior Engineer), Ms S Farrar (Administrative Officer), Mr G Hooban (Executive Engineer), Ms T Devlin (Administrative Officer), Mr J Hannigan (Meetings Administrator), Ms KA O'Brien (Meetings Secretary) and other officials.

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**KN01/1124**

**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.

**KN02/1124**

**Minutes and Progress Report**

The members considered the minutes of the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District meeting held on 16 October and the progress report was noted.

**Resolved:** on the proposal of Councillor T O'Dwyer, seconded by Councillor Pender and agreed by all members present that the minutes of the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District meeting held on 16 October 2024 be taken as read and the progress report be noted.



## **KN03/1124 Municipal District Road Works**

The members received an update on the municipal district road works.

**Restoration improvement and restoration Maintenance projects are now complete including:**

- Curragh Camp
- Rathbride Road, Kildare Town

**National Transport Authority (NTA):** Works commenced on Bride Street, with safe routes to schools funding for upgrade of footpaths, installation of pedestrian crossings and overlay of road.

**R445 Dublin Road Kildare / Planning upgrades:** Upgrade to footpaths on Dublin Road, Kildare R445, including the widening of footpaths, installation of tabletop ramps.

**Routine Maintenance by Kildare Newbridge Municipal District staff.**

### **Kildare:**

Drainage: Flood issues were eased at Ummeras, Barraderra, Dunmurray Road and at the graveyard in Kildare Town.

Patching: The roads were patched at Ummeras, Beechpark Kildare Town, Malones Lane, Rathmuck, Dunmurray Road, Kildare Town. Poles were erected and ramp signs fitted at Rathbride,

Repaired signage at Passbridge, Monasterevin.

### **Kilcullen**

Pothole Repairs: Brannockstown to Carnal way cross, Browns Lane, Two Mile House, Corbally Cross, Whitehall Cross to Ballysax, Thornton, Grangebeg and Cannycourt. Cleaning Footpath: Sunnyhill and entrance to Cnoc na Gréine.

Washing Road Signage: Thompsons Cross, Milemill Cross and Brannockstown Village.

Grass Cutting Junctions: R448 Kilcullen Naas Road.

Sweeping Leaves: Kilcullen, Brannockstown, Two Mile House, Caragh for drainage purposes.



Gully Cleaning: Brannockstown Village.

Replacing road signage Sunnyhill.

## **Rathangan**

Sweeping: Footpaths in Rathangan.

Litter Picking and Empty Bins: Pothole Repairs Works: Blacktrench, Edenderry Road

Signage Washed and Maintenance Work: Kildare Road and R414 Monasterevin Road R401 to Edenderry Road and Edenderry Bog Road.

Patching Works: Boston Hill L300

Road Sweeping: Rathangan Town

Signs Wash and Maintenance Work: Ellistown Road, Kildare Road, Rathbride Road. Patching Works: Boston Hill L3002

Litter Picking and Empty Bins: Rathangan Town

Pothole Repairs Works: Kildare Road, Rathbride Cross Road, Mountprospect

Road Signs Wash and Maintenance Work: Boston Hill Road, Milltown Town to Newbridge, Rathbride Cross to Milltown

Patching Works: Boston Hill L3002

Sweeping: Blacktrench Road, Feighcullen Cross to Allen Cross.

Signs Installation: Hill of Allen (concealed entrance, chevrons on R401 and Barrestown Road)

Bollards Replacement Works: Milltown Town shop entrance.

Water Cuts: Clonbullogue Road

Sweeping: Footpaths Rathangan Town.

Signs Installation and Replacement: Barrestown Road, Blacktrench Road.

Water Cuts: R414 Barnaran Road.

## **Newbridge**

Litter -Emptying Bins- Day to day litter picking, emptying bins, clearing of lanes and general maintenance of Newbridge Town and the small villages around the Newbridge Municipal District Area.

Footpath: 12 drop kerbs were installed in Pairc Mhuire with tactical paving and 2 bollards each side to prevent cars parking.

Hedge Cutting: Piercetown, Rossconnell and Sexton Road.

Replaced Broken Bollards: Dara Park.

Replaced Broken Poles: Brownstown, Walshestown , Barretstown Road and Boherguy.

New stop sign on the Military Road, Curragh and a new children at play sign Barretstown Road.

Leaf Cleaning: This is on-going in the town from Main Street, around the College, Liffey Hall and Green Road.

Cleaning of benches at graveyard and another near college.

Councillor T O'Dwyer informed the members that she had seen in the report that the works commenced on Bride Street, with safe routes to schools funding and she asked if she could get a list of this funding scheme. She also informed the members that she wanted to thank the Municipal District Office and the Environment Department on the work they did to prevent a bonfire taking place in Avondale estate Kilcullen this year it was the first time in 60 years and the residents were very happy. Councillor P O'Dwyer informed the members that in the municipal district road works it mentioned the cleaning of benches at graveyard and another near college but she wanted to acknowledge that there was also the installation of the benches in these areas in conjunction with the local access group and wanted to thank the municipal district office for this and members of the public were also complimenting them.

The report was noted.

#### **KN04/1124** **Milltown**

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillors Balfe and Pender  
That the area engineer meets with both Councillors at Milltown to discuss a number of concerns expressed by residents from the Village.

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

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that the Municipal District (MD) office have carried out in the region of €50,000 of upgrade works in Milltown in 2024, including a new footpath, upgrades to the existing footpaths around the school / graveyard, installation of bollards for safety of pedestrians. As part of this there

were extensive meetings with the locals. The MD agree to meet in early 2025, if Councillor Balfe and Councillor Pender wish to set up same.

Councillor Balfe informed the members that Milltown took pride in tidy towns and the heritage of Milltown. He said they were extremely grateful for the new footpath in the area but had some concerns. Councillors Balfe and Pender said they looked forward to meeting with the district engineer in Milltown in the new year.

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

**KN05/1124**  
**Langton Cross/Morrinstown**

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor P O'Dwyer  
That the council assesses the junction at Langton Cross/Morrinstown to determine if a right-hand filter lane onto the L7036 (The Oaks) can be introduced or the light sequence altered to allow a right turn.

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

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that increasing the capacity for vehicular traffic at signalised junctions is not supported by the policies set out in national and local documentation. The widening of the carriageway at this location for turning traffic would introduce longer or additional crossing points for pedestrians which conflicts with the Road User Hierarchy set out by the Department of Transport and National Transport Authority.

Notwithstanding the above, any proposal for this junction would be expensive as additional land would be required with a consequential impact on the mature trees at the junction. Unfortunately, it would not be possible to amend the signal sequence without a direct impact on the capacity for other improvements at the junction, without substantial engineering works. There is no budget allocation to cover the cost of such improvements.

Councillor P O'Dwyer informed the members that she would like to invite Mr D Hodgins over to the area to observe the area in question to see the traffic congestion. She said she lived in this area before so knows personally what it was like. Councillor Pender informed the members that there had been over 2,000 comments on the need for filter lights at this junction. He said he understood the modal shift was important. He said that there was a false filter light there which was giving people an indication that it was just not working which was making people annoyed. Mr D Hodgins informed the members that he would arrange an onsite visit. He said it was complicated and difficult to communicate to the public. Traffic Management in this area was difficult especially at this time of the year. He said he would look at trying to solve this issue.

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

#### **KN06/1124**

#### **Accessibility Audit Kildare Town**

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Ní Raghallaigh  
That the council carries out an accessibility audit in Kildare Town with a view to improving the town for our older people and those living with disabilities.

Go ndéanfaidh an Chomhairle iniúchadh inrochtaineachta i mBaile Chill Dara chun an baile a fheabhsú dár ndaoine aosta agus dóibh siúd atá ina chonaí le míchumais.

The motion was proposed by Councillor Ní Raghallaigh and seconded by Councillor Pender

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that Kildare County Council can carry out an accessibility audit in collaboration with age friendly and the local access group to identify possible areas for improvement.

Councillor Ní Raghallaigh informed the members that local people in this area had identified issues especially from Loughminane to Tesco's. She also said the Station Road was another area that needed an accessibility audit. Councillor Ní Rathallaigh said the path on the corner of the Kildare House Hotel was another issue as it had a telegraph pole in the middle of the path.

**Resolved** on the proposal of Councillor Ní Raghallaigh and seconded by Councillor Pender that the report be noted.

**KN7/1124**  
**Cycle Lanes Newbridge**

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor McDonnell  
That the council removes the cycling lanes in Newbridge, Main Street.

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

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that the temporary scheme on Main Street, Newbridge was designed and constructed to the relevant national design standards and these documents are publicly available. Kildare County Council made amendments to the layout over a number of months taking into account legitimate concerns by the public and elected members. The scheme was the subject of Road Safety Audits undertaken by a third-party service provider. The legislative background for the public consultation process is set out in the Road Traffic Act 1994. Details of the consultation can be found at <https://consult.kildarecoco.ie/en/consultation/section-38-road-traffic-act-1994-proposed-temporary-cycle-seating-infrastructure-along-main-street>.

The National Transport Authority has funded the design of a permanent scheme along Main Street and this process is currently at the preliminary design stage.

There is no precedent for the removal of a cycle track in County Kildare and there is no policy context within which the removal would be in accordance with. To remove the facility would not be in line with established national and local policy, including the current County Development Plan. Furthermore, the removal would remove the level of safety for cyclists afforded by segregation along Main Street and the consequences of this deterioration in safety to the public would be borne by those making that decision. Finally, the National Transport Authority may seek reimbursement of the capital cost of the scheme, should it be removed.

Given the above, the Executive does not recommend the removal of the cycle track along Main Street Newbridge and does not intend to remove them.

Councillor McDonnell informed the members that he felt the cycle lanes were dangerous. He said he had seen people open their car doors onto the cycle lane and the cyclist crashing into them. He said the width of the roads in Newbridge Town were not appropriate for cycle lanes. He suggested maybe having cycle lanes only on one side of the road. He said that vehicles coming out from the GAA car park and turning right do not have the visibility to get across the road due to the cycle lane pushing the car spaces out further. He asked if the department could remove car spaces at this exit as it would help give vehicles more clearance to turn right. Councillor Heavey queried the number of cyclists using the cycle lanes. Councillor P O'Dwyer asked Mr D Hodgins if the cycle lanes would be part of the Newbridge Area Transport Assessment. Mr D Hodgins informed the members that he would look at this suggestion and confirmed that cycle lanes would be part of the Newbridge Area Transport Assessment.

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

#### **KN08/1124**

#### **Yellow Box Morrinstown Estate**

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor T O'Dwyer  
That the council carries out a needs assessment for a yellow box between the traffic lights at Morrinstown Cross, Newbridge and the pedestrian crossing lights at Highfield Estate, Newbridge to ensure access to Morrinstown Estate is maintained at all times.

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

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that the Kildare Newbridge Municipal District office policy is only to install yellow boxes where a public road meets a public road, not at housing estate entrances.

Councillor T O'Dwyer informed the members that she had checked with other municipal districts on the policies for yellow boxes. She said she felt that if there was a real need found the decision should be determined on merit and not by policy. A pedestrian crossing had been recently installed at this crossing and was very busy with traffic and unfortunately people are not allowing other vehicles to get out of these estates. Could the municipal district observe this area for a



while? The district engineer informed the members that the municipal district would have a look at this area.

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

**KN09/1124**  
**Crash Barriers**

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Doyle  
That the council invests in a supply of crash barriers to be made available for local community events and festivals in this municipal district.

The motion was proposed by Councillor P O'Dwyer on behalf of Councillor Doyle who was not in attendance and had authorised this prior to the meeting and seconded by Councillor Pender

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that Local Property Tax (LPT) investment would be required for this; Kildare County Council can discuss as part of the 2025 LPT budget with agreement from the Councillors.

**Resolved** on the proposal of Councillor P O'Dwyer on behalf of Councillor Doyle who was not in attendance and had authorised this prior to the meeting and seconded by Councillor Pender that the report be noted.

**KN10/1124**  
**Department of Defence**

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Balfe  
That this council write to the Department of Defence to highlight the issue of damage being caused by livestock to properties and resultant stress being experienced by residents of Curragh Downs, Curragh View and Orchard Park. This damage is being caused as a result of the lack of measures in place to control and prevent access to these areas.

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

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that with the members agreement, Kildare County Council will write to the Department of Defence in relation to this motion.

Councillor Balfe informed the members that the residents in the mentioned states were upset with the damage the livestock were causing to the green areas and gardens. He said that it was prohibiting young people using the green areas in the estate due to fouling of the livestock. He said that residents had pride in their gardens but were being deflated by the damage that the livestock were doing to their gardens. He informed the members that he had personally written to the Department of Defence regarding this issue with just got a standard response. He asked for the members support in writing a letter from the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District. He felt that this was a health and safety risk for young children using the green areas due to the fouling of the livestock.

**Resolved** on the proposal of Councillor Balfe and seconded by Councillor Pender and agreed by all members present that a letter would written to the Department of Defence in relation to this motion and the report be noted.

**KN11/1124**  
**Barrettstown - Clongorey Bog Road**

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor Heavey  
That the council outlines its plan to deal with the serious subsidence of the Barrettstown - Clongorey Bog Road.

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

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that the Municipal District office agree to assess for inclusion on the roads program, as outlined that this is a bog road and by nature is very susceptible to subsidence, due to the swelling and drying out nature of the bog. A Restoration Improvement Allocation will solve the problem for a period, but it will subside again.

Councillor Heavey informed the members that this road was liable for subsidence but local people living in this area need to use this road to get in and out of town, Repair of this road was needed but asked if road signage could be erected to make people aware of the uneven surfaces on this road as it was not just only local people living in the area using this road. He asked if specialised speed limits could be implemented along this artery as far as Kelly's Corner. The District Engineer informed the members that subsidence was a big issue along this road. When the weather was hot it caused the road to shrink and when it was cold it caused movement. She said the municipal district office would examine it and would consider installing uneven surface signage.

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

**KN12/1124**  
**Bus shelters**

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor P O'Dwyer  
Can the council provide an update on a previous motion requesting bus shelters on both sides of the road near St Conleth's school and Newbridge Parish Church and confirming where they are on the list?

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that Kildare County Council is awaiting the appointment of a new staff member to progress bus stop infrastructure improvement works. When this occurs, the team will review and examine the list of existing bus stops across the county and produce a priority list, broken down by Municipal District area.

Councillor P O'Dwyer asked for clarification if the bus shelter in question were on the list. Mr D Hodgins informed the members that they were on the list.

The report was noted.

**KN13/1124**  
**Scoil Na Naomh Uilig**

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

Can the council confirm if there are plans to schedule works at Scoil Na Naomh Uilig, Richardstown following the recent meeting with the NTA re road safety measures?

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that the above location is not included on the current programme of Safe Routes to Schools but can be considered for future schemes, funding permitting. The Transport Department are working with a developer on the delivery of pedestrian crossings at the Roseberry Roundabout and it is anticipated that these works in conjunction with the municipal district office will be delivered in early 2025.

Councillor P O'Dwyer informed the members that it was not the Safe Routes to Schools she was asking about. Funding was indicated at the last NTA meeting.

The report was noted.

**KN14/1124**  
**Allenview Heights**

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

Can the council confirm if there are plans to list Allenview Heights, Newbridge on the path works programme for 2025 following the removal of trees to facilitate path upgrades at this location in 2022?

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that the Municipal District Office will be preparing the footpath tender early in 2025 and will include the above for consideration.

Councillor T O'Dwyer informed the members that this area really needs to be considered as the trees were removed for this reason.

The report was noted.

**KN15/1124**  
**Traffic Audit**

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

Can the council provide an update on any decisions that have been made in relation to the recent traffic audit carried out at the R445/R417 junction in Monasterevin, in particular the areas of St Paul's Secondary School and Fitzpatrick's Filling Station and Shop?

A report was received from the Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department informing the members that Kildare County Council has appointed a consultant to progress the design of the Monasterevin Active Travel Scheme which includes consideration of the junction mentioned. The team is preparing the necessary documentation to submit to the National Transport Authority (NTA) for discussion and agreement. When an agreed design is available, this will be published for a statutory public consultation process.

The report was noted.

**KN16/1124**  
**Cherry Avenue**

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

Can the council provide an update in relation to the Cherry Avenue Project in Kildare Town?

A report was received from the Parks Department informing the members that a tender is being prepared to carry out detail design based on the Masterplan for the site. It is planned to have the tender competition completed by early 2025 and the design completed by Q3. Further progression beyond this will be dependent on the completion of the detail design and the costs associated with it.

The report was noted.

**KN17/1124**  
**Recreational Amenities**

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

Can the council provide a progress report on the plans to develop recreational amenities at Lakeside Park, Dara Park, Highfield to include timelines?

A report was received from the Parks Department informing the members that a masterplan is required for the amenity lands in Lakeside Park. This will be considered for next year's works

programme, but any timeframes will have to be considered in the context of completing existing commitments first.

The report was noted.

**KN18/1124**  
**Peter McVerry Trust**

The members considered the following motion in the name of Councillor T O'Dwyer  
That the council works with Peter McVerry Trust, Newbridge to identify a more suitable location in the municipal district for the homeless service users that require long term assisted accommodation.

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

A report was received from the Housing informing the members that Supported Temporary Accommodation for Homeless individuals is provided at the facility in Michael Garry House in Newbridge by the Peter McVerry Trust on behalf of Kildare County Council. There are currently no long-term supported accommodation options in Kildare however this is identified as a Key Added Value Action in the 2024-2026 Mid East Regional Homelessness Action Plan which was adopted by the Members in March 2024. The provision of this form of supports will require significant collaboration, investment and input from the HSE, the Council and the service providers and options for Key Value Actions of the 2024-2026 plan are being actively considered by the members of the Regional Homelessness Forum at quarterly meetings.

Councillor T O'Dwyer informed the members that over the past five years she had been observing this location and had concerns over this homeless centre on Eyre Street. She said she had met and talked with residents and the workers in this premises and in her opinion the Peter McVerry Trust model was not working in this area.

Councillor T O'Dwyer raised the following points:

- This was a temporary homeless house, and the workers are not qualified to deal with addiction challenges

- This was to provide temporary and short-term accommodation for up to 6 months for people but that was not the case, and some residents were there longer
- A complete review was needed
- The council need to review long term assistance
- When you think of Peter McVerry Trust, you tend to associate it with substance abuse which was not the case for everyone that utilises these services
- The Peter McVerry Trust, Newbridge does not provide wrap-around services, they can refer them on to other agencies/services
- The HSE should be stepping in not the council
- The particular model offered by Peter McVerry Trust does not work for the Newbridge branch.
- That with the members agreement that this item would be put on the agenda for the first Local Safety Community Partnership meeting

Councillor Pender informed the members that this building was a small place. It was good to see that the members did not demonise people with addiction /homeless issues. The Housing First Model worked well in Finland but the problem in Ireland was that it was completely underfunded and not resourced. The McVerry House in Newbridge was not in the right location. Councillor Heavey informed the members that the Peter McVerry House was not just for people with issues, but some were just homeless. Ms S Farrar informed the members that there was an array of different people in this location and each case was different. She said that there was no alternative location at the moment. The council's intention was to make sure they helped people transition into long term accommodation. The Housing First does work in some instances but does need a lot of support, it also provides wrap-around services for people in emergency accommodation. Ms S Farrar informed the members that the Housing Department would be happy to facilitate a meeting with the members at the Peter McVerry House in Newbridge.

**Resolved** on the proposal of Councillor T O'Dwyer and seconded by Councillor Pender and agreed by all members present that this item be put on the agenda for the first Local Safety Community Partnership meeting and that the report be noted.

**KN19/1124**  
**St. Patrick's Park**

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Pender  
Can the council provide an update on the current status of St. Patrick's Park in Rathangan, including progress on recent developments or any outstanding issues that need to be addressed?

A report was received from the Housing Department informing the members that tender assessment is complete, and a contractor recommended. The Stage 4 has been submitted to the Department for the approval. We anticipate Stage 4 budget approval within the next few weeks and thereafter to issue of the Letter of Acceptance to the successful tenderer.

The report was noted.

**KN20/1124**  
**Monastery in Newbridge**

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor McDonnell  
Can the council provide an update on plans for the future use of the monastery in Newbridge?

A report was received from the Housing Department informing the members that the Council intend developing the site and house for age-friendly housing with the provision for a community use that compliments the proposed housing scheme.

The report was noted.

**KN21/1124**  
**Liffey Lodge**

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Heavey  
Can the council confirm if there are plans to consult with the local community to determine the future use of Liffey Lodge building in Newbridge for community use?

A report was received from the Housing Department informing the members that once a proposal has been developed and prior to seeking statutory approval, Kildare County Council Architects Section will engage with the Local Community and Municipal District members. It is hoped to erect signage at the front of the site in the next few weeks that will broadly outline the intent for developing age-friendly housing and an associated community element on the site.



The report was noted.

**KN22/1124**  
**The Shell House**

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Heavey  
Can the council confirm if the building known locally as The Shell House on the intersection of Curragh//Kilcullen/Two-milehouse Roads near Athgarvan School is on the Derelict Sites Register?

A report was received from the Housing Department informing the members that this building is entered on the Derelict Sites Register as DS-2023-21- Summerhill House and Stables, Blackrath, The Curragh, Co. Kildare.

The report was noted.

**KN23/1124**  
**Taken in Charge**

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor Pender  
Can the council provide a detailed list of estates that are currently taken in charge in this municipal district, those in the process of being taken in charge, and any estates where issues have been identified that are delaying or preventing the taking in charge?

A report was received from the Building and Development Control Department informing the members that a list of estates taken in charge in the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District is listed below. Development Control maintain an up-to-date listing of all estates taken in charge on the Building and Development Control section of the website.

An update on estates not taken in charge is a scheduled item for the Full Council meetings in January and July of each year. Development Control will begin preparing this report for submission to the Full Council in January 2025.

**Estates Taken in Charge in Kildare-Newbridge MD (as at 08.11.2024)**

<b>Town/Village</b>	<b>Name of Estate</b>
Athgarvan	Athgarvan Heights
Athgarvan	Eyrefield Estate
Athgarvan	Eyrefield Lawns
Athgarvan	Forge Hill
Athgarvan	Liffey Mill



Athgarvan	Millford
Athgarvan	Old Mill Race
Athgarvan	Rosemount Court
Brannockstown	Grangemore
Brannockstown	The Grange
Brownstown	Curragh Downs
Brownstown	Curragh View
Curragh	Brownstown Manor (Phase 1)
Cutbush	Dun Cullinn
Cutbush	The Elms
Kilcullen	Bishop Rogan Park
Kilcullen	Castlemartin
Kilcullen	Cnoc na Greine
Kilcullen	Cnoc na Gréine Woods
Kilcullen	Esker Lea
Kilcullen	Hermitage Park
Kilcullen	Laurel Wood
Kilcullen	Luí na Gréine
Kilcullen	Moanbane Park
Kilcullen	Sunbury Close
Kildangan	Abbotts Wood
Kildangan	Cluain Dara
Kildangan	Fassagh
Kildangan	Kildangan Manor
Kildangan	The Courtyard
Kildangan	The Paddocks
Kildangan	Woodlawn Grove, Kilberry
Kildare	Beechgrove Estate
Kildare	Bishopsland
Kildare	Cluain Aoibheann, Newtown
Kildare	Curragh Finn
Kildare	Dara Park Estate
Kildare	Drumcree Court
Kildare	Dunmurray Court
Kildare	Dunmurray Rise, Bishopsland
Kildare	Farrenberg Glebe
Kildare	North Glebe
Kildare	Rathbride Close
Kildare	Rathbride Estates
Kildare	Ruanbeg Manor
Kildare	The Plains / Curragh Plains / Coolaghknock Green, Avenue, Park, Close, Drive and Gardens



Kildare	White Abbey Court
Kildare	Whiteabbey Lawns
Kildare	Elm Grove
Monasterevin	Ard Evan
Monasterevin	Brook Lawns
Monasterevin	Hopkins Haven
Monasterevin	Moore Abbey Court
Monasterevin	Old Mill Race
Monasterevin	River View, Main Street
Monasterevin	Ros Glas Avenue
Monasterevin	Togher Grove
Monasterevin	Togher Wood
Monasterevin	Woodview
Newbridge	Ailesbury Park
Newbridge	Ballymany Manor
Newbridge	Baroda Court
Newbridge	Barrettstown Lawns (Phase 1)
Newbridge	Barrettstown Lawns (Phase 2)
Newbridge	Barrettstown Meadows (Phase 1)
Newbridge	Barrettstown Meadows (Phase 2)
Newbridge	Belmont Green
Newbridge	Cedarwood Park
Newbridge	Clongownagh Milltown
Newbridge	College Farm
Newbridge	College Grove
Newbridge	College Orchard
Newbridge	Connell Drive
Newbridge	Curragh Grange (Excluding 1-12 The Park)
Newbridge	Grange Heights
Newbridge	Great Southern
Newbridge	Greenmount Park
Newbridge	Hawthorn Close
Newbridge	Keadeen Park
Newbridge	Kilbelin Park
Newbridge	Langton Park
Newbridge	Liffey Drive
Newbridge	Liffey Hall
Newbridge	Millfield Close
Newbridge	Millfield Manor (Hazlewood)
Newbridge	Millfield Manor Extension
Newbridge	Moore Avenue
Newbridge	Moorefield Crescent
Newbridge	Moorefield Drive
Newbridge	Moorefield Park

Newbridge	Mount Carmel
Newbridge	Old Connell Weir
Newbridge	Pinewood Close
Newbridge	Rathcurragh Lodge (including Tracey Meadows)
Newbridge	River Court
Newbridge	Riverside Grove
Newbridge	Riverside Park
Newbridge	Roseberry & Raymond Court
Newbridge	Roseberry Hill (Phase 1)
Newbridge	Roseberry Hill (Phase 2)
Newbridge	Ryston Close
Newbridge	Sarsfield Drive
Newbridge	Seven Springs
Newbridge	Standhouse Lawns and Rise
Newbridge	The Grange & The Priory
Newbridge	The Oaks
Newbridge	Wellesley Manor
Rathangan	Annsboro View
Rathangan	Ballyderrig
Rathangan	Doctors Court
Rathangan	Doorley Court
Rathangan	Doorley Park
Rathangan	Pomeroy Park
Rathangan	Preston Brook
Rathangan	Tannery Wharf
Rathangan	Temple Mills (Phase 1)
Rathangan	Woodview
Rathangan	Yellow Lough Park
Suncroft	Church View
The Curragh	Clorane Brook, Ballyfair
Two Mile House	Dowdingstown Lawns (Cluain Aoibhinn)
Two Mile House	Stephenstown Lawns

The report was noted.

**KN24/1124**  
**Rickardstown**

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

That the council works collaboratively with Snigs Brogan Park/Newbridge Hotspurs, Rosconnell Community Centre, InSync Youth Services, An Garda Síochána, Newbridge, Foróige, the local school, and other relevant services and stakeholders to develop a targeted multi-agency approach for the Rickardstown area. This approach should focus on addressing local needs and challenges,

enhancing community engagement, and supporting positive social and recreational activities to improve overall quality of life for residents. Through a coordinated and sustained partnership, the goal is to create a safe, vibrant, and supportive environment for all residents of Rickardstown.

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

A report was received from the Community informing the members that a needs analysis is currently being completed for Rosconnell, by the Kildare County Council Community Development team. As part of the analysis, consultations are being held with various agencies including Insync, Foroige and An Garda Síochána. Kildare County Council Community Development team is leading a number of community initiatives within the Rosconnell Estate with An Garda Síochána and Kildare Sports Partnership. The Community Development team will participate in any multi-agency network that is established in the Newbridge area.

Councillor Pender informed the members that he had spoken to people in this area and believed across the board supports were needed. It was good to see that that there was a positive outcome for this area. The area needs a holistic needs/approach and to work with the community to see what they want to happen not what we think they need. It was important that people had supports not just the young children but to target all. Recently a young woman's group had been set up. Ms T Devlin informed the members that a significant amount of work was happening in this area with several community initiatives happened or happening. The Community Developments Worker needs to build up trust with the residents. She said she was happy to participate in any talks that the members might be aware of to help. A needs analysis was being conducted at this time.

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

**KN25/1124**  
**Moorehille Wood**

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor T O'Dwyer  
Can the council provide a progress report on the most recent engagement with Uisce Eireann Legacy Team to agree a plan to resolve the wastewater issues for Moorehille Wood, Brannockstown?

A report was received from the Water Services Department informing the members that Moorehille Wood estate is one of the Developer Provided Infrastructure (DPI's) schemes listed under Schedule 6, Part B relating to legacy issues in the Support Service Agreement between Kildare County Council and Uisce Eireann. The Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage has indicated remediations of the DPI's is the responsibility of Uisce Eireann and this question should be sent to Uisce Eireann to establish where it lies within UE's schedule of works. In the interim, Development Control continue to arrange the ongoing tankering of wastewater from this development.

Councillor T O'Dwyer informed the members that she did not accept this report as Kildare County Council are tankering sewage from this area. She asked for clarification on how much the tankering was costing Kildare County Council. Mr Hooban informed the members that a procurement had been done under the framework and it was costing the council €500 a week plus vat.

The report was noted.

#### **KN26/1024 Newbridge Irish Festival Week**

The members considered the following question in the name of Councillor McDonnell  
Can the council confirm what supports it can provide to a committee set-up to create a Newbridge Irish Festival Week involving the promotion of Irish culture, thus encouraging expatriates to return for such a Festival?

A report was received from the Community Department informing the members that grant funding is available through the Festival Grant Scheme which opens in January 2025. The Community Team is available to meet with the organising committee and assist with any issues they may experience in lodging the funding application and offer advice and relevant support.

Councillor McDonnell asked for clarification that a committee had to be set up first then the committee could apply for funding. The Meetings Administrator informed the members that this was correct.

The report was noted.



The meeting concluded.