

Áras Chill Dara
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Co. Kildare
3 April 2017

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

Dear Mayor and Members,

The next meeting of Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, 12 April 2017 in the council chamber, Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas and you are invited to attend.

Yours sincerely,

K. Keane
Meetings Administrator

Agenda (10:00 a.m.)

1. To approve the minutes of the monthly Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District meeting on Wednesday, 15 March 2017 and to note progress report.
2. To receive a deputation from June Fest, Newbridge.
3. To receive an update on the municipal district road works.

Housing and Corporate Services (10.10 a.m.)

Adjourned Motion

4. Councillor Power

That the council provide details of the plans to develop Tankardsgarden, Newbridge.

Motions

5. Councillor Lynch

That the council advise us of the current status of the agreement whereby on the sale of the Department of Defence Magee Barracks site in Kildare town, that the council would receive either 10 acres of the site or the value thereof which would be €1.64 million. The land has been sold in full so the issue of the money remains. It has been over year since the sale and no sums of money have been handed over by the Department, and if no commitment dates have been made for payment of same that this council calls on the Minister and Department to honour longstanding commitments of community gain from the sale of the site.

Question

6. Councillor Doyle

Does the Housing Section have a facility to make exceptional rental allowances in particular cases of high maintenance tenancies?

Roads, Transportation and Public Safety (10:20 a.m.)

Adjourned Motion

7. Councillor Kennedy

Due to recent incidents in Newbridge that the council get a costing etc. of setting up CCTV around the taxi rank at Michael Murphys.

Motions

8. Councillor Aspell

That the council carry out road surfacing works and road markings at Maddenstown Cross.

9. Councillor Power

That the council outline its' priorities for the Kildare-Newbridge area under the Capital Programme and if an approximate cost could be provided for each project.

10. Councillor Power

That a detailed account be provided of the councils' plans to carry out improvement works at the village in Newbridge.

11. Councillor McLoughlin Healy

That the council explain why additional infrastructure is being added to ESB poles in Newbridge, especially in light of the decabling policy contained within both the Town Development Plan and the councils' policy on public lighting.

12. Councillor Stafford

That the council will commit to improving the streetscape in Kilmeague in the same manner as previously conducted in Allenwood and Robertstown, whilst acknowledging the villages' unique features.

13. Councillor Stafford

That the council will apply a surface dressing to Togher Road, Robertstown.

Adjourned Questions

14. Councillor Power

In view of the fact that the area outside St. Conleths Church in Newbridge becomes very slippery after frost, can the council consider replacing the surface with a safer one?

15. Councillor Power

Can the council provide details in relation to the planned development of Eyre Street and the adjoining streets in Newbridge?

Questions

16. Councillor Aspell

Is it possible to carry out an audit on the amount of polls in our municipal district area that don't have any signage on them and have them removed?

17. Councillor Lynch

Can the council carry out safety and improvement works at Allen Crossroads (Milltown to Kilmeague road) with consideration given to a roundabout as a safety feature and a report on same?

18. Councillor Power

If following the traffic survey on the Suncroft Road which showed that a high number of vehicles travelled in excess of the 50kph speed limit, what plans have the council to make the road safer.

19. Councillor Doyle

Can we facilitate estate improvement works at Melitta Park, Kildare town?

20. Councillor McLoughlin Healy

Can the council review their report of the most recent traffic survey completed in Suncroft village (with consideration given to material provided)?

21. Councillor Stafford

Can the council confirm that it will replace the wooden post and rail boundary fence at Doorley Park, Rathangan with a more permanent boundary?

22. Councillor Stafford

Can the council furnish an update on the steps being taken to address the road safety issues that arise along the L7081 in Robertstown from Mylerstown Cross to Healys' Bridge to include but not limited to the erection of appropriate signage and reducing the speed limit?

23. Councillor Pender

What public lighting improvements would be required to provide adequate traffic calming to alleviate the issues of speeding in Suncroft?

Water Services and Environment (11:00 a.m.)

Motion

24. Councillor Aspell

That improvement works be carried out at the Newbridge Cemetery car park, to include new boundary wall, surface improvements and signage.

Planning and Strategic Development (11.05 a.m.)

Motion

25. Councillor Doyle

That we receive a progress report on taking in charge of both Loughminane and The Plains/Collaghknock estates in Kildare.

Economic, Community and Cultural Development (11:10 a.m.)

26. To consider the Arts Act Grants for the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District. (report attached).

27. To consider receiving a deputation from Ballyteague GAA.

Adjourned Motion

28. Councillor Power

That the council draw up a town centre improvement plan for Rathangan to include de-cabling and the provision of public art, with the aid of an outside consultant and initiate public consultation with the local traders and residents in order to seek national public investment when available.

Motions

29. Councillor Lynch

That the council uses its' Community Section to work with K Leisure to explore releasing the swimming pool trust money held in good faith by the trust, on behalf of the people of Kildare town, to build a swimming pool in the area. Smaller towns such as Portarlinton and Athy have extremely successful pool facilities and public leisure centres despite being a fraction of the population of the Newbridge-Kildare local

electoral area (LEA) and the six figure community fund collected should be attempted to be utilised by this council and its affiliates to progress a swimming pool for the area.

30. Councillor Doyle

That all Tidy Towns payments be confirmed with the committee and payments made promptly in order to facilitate their work programme in order to maximise outcomes for adjudication.

31. Councillor McLoughlin Healy

That the council provide details of council funding provided to the Riverbank over the last five years including the amount and the terms and conditions applied to such funding.

32. Councillor McCabe

That the council look into securing a favourable insurance rate for community events, as group quotes might be of better value to all. The current situation of individual quotes is working out very costly for community groups.

Questions

33. Councillor Lynch

What is the progress of a public amenity site along the River Liffey at Athgarvan?

34. Councillor McLoughlin Healy

In light of looming rates increases for many local businesses can the council help counter the reduction in incomes and possible business closures by asking the Local Enterprise Office (LEO) to investigate the potential for a Business Improvement District (BID), or similar initiative, in conjunction with the newly formed Kildare Chamber of Commerce and Newbridge and Kildare Towns to encourage business growth in both towns?

35. Councillor McCabe

Can the council look at installing and maintaining an illumination system for the Town Hall in Newbridge? The success of the St. Patricks' week illumination was noted and appreciated by the town?

Finance and IS (11:40 a.m.)

Question

36. Councillor Power

Can the following figures be provided, the total amount of rates due in the Kildare-Newbridge area each year since 2012, the amount received for each of those years and what expectation has the council of collecting the amounts due?