

Áras Chill Dara
Páirc Devoy
An Nás
Co Kildare
13 February 2015

Do'n mhéara is gach ball de'n Chomhairle Chondae

A Bhaill Uile,

Tionólfar cruinniú míosúil de'n Chomhairle Chondae ar 2.00 tráthnóna dé Lúain, an 23 Feabhra 2015, i seomra na Chomhairle, Áras Chill Dara, Páirc Devoy, An Nás, agus iarrtar ort bheith i láthair.

The monthly meeting of the council will be held at 2.00 p.m. on Monday, 23 February 2015 in the council chamber, Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas, and you are invited to attend.

Le gach dea ghuí,

A. Aspell
Meetings Administrator

**Clár
(Agenda)**

1. Chun miontuairisci chruinnithe an 26 Eanáir 2015 a ghlacadh agus chun tuarascáil dul chun cinn a thabhairt faoi ndeara.
To adopt minutes of monthly meeting of 26 January 2015 and to note progress report.
(copy attached).

**Gnó Reachtúil
(Statutory Business)
General**

2. To approve disposal of the following land:
 - 0.0656 ha of land at Rye River, Commons East, Kilcock, Co Kildare
(Statutory notice already circulated).
3. To make appointments to Strategic Policy Committees.
4. To note monthly management report (report attached).

Roads, Transport and Public Safety

5. To consider the Special Speed Limit Bye Law for the R448 at Prumplestown/Knockagee, Castledermot, County Kildare (report attached).

Housing, Community and Cultural Services

6. To note draft Decade of Commemorations 2013-2023 (report attached) (2:20 p.m.)
7. To receive presentation from Child and Family Agency [Tusla] on Local Area Pathways (2:40 p.m.).
8. Housing Action Programme 2015 (report to follow).
9. Gnó an Mhéara/Mayor's Business.
10. Comhfhreagras/Correspondence.

11. Comhdhálacha agus Traenáil/Conferences and Training

Moltai o Choisti
(Committee Reports and Recommendations)

12. Protocol Committee

To consider webcasting of council meetings (report attached).

13. Maynooth Municipal District

That an invitation be extended to the National Transport Authority to come to address the full council on their plans to put a number of bus routes in County Kildare out to tender.

Tairsceanna Láithreach (Feidhmeanna na Comhairle Contae)
Current Motions (Kildare County Council Functions)

14. Councillor Fiona O'Loughlin

That the council adopt a strict policy around the issue of dogs fouling footpaths and public spaces in terms of signage, disposal facilities and deterrents.

15. Councillor Seamie Moore

That the council introduce a two year 50% reduction of planning levies for first time buyers of houses that are built and purchased between 31 March 2015 and 31 March 2017 to assist home buyers get started with new homes and expedite the return of employment in the construction industry.

16. Councillor Suzanne Doyle

That this council prioritise the provision of an out of hours homeless service and in line with commitments made at the adoption of the budget that a dedicated housing sustainment service be set up to assist in supporting those facing housing crisis due to property repossession or sale.

17. Councillor Fintan Brett

That the council seek additional funding for local roads in Kildare due to the increasing traffic volume associated with commuter belt status.

18. Councillor Fiona McLoughlin-Healy

That the council outline any impediments to giving traffic wardens, powers to enforce other laws including but not exclusive to, litter and dog-fouling. Giving traffic wardens the power to enforce the law across traffic, litter and fouling would reduce overall costs and result in cleaner walking routes and communities.

19. Councillor Joanne Pender and Councillor Willie Crowley

That the council inserts a clause in their Service Level Agreements with homeless service providers in the county to include the condition that an out of hours referral service is provided for persons seeking emergency accommodation.

20. Councillor Darren Scully

That this council enter into negotiations with our public toilet providers to agree a more favourable contract which has been achieved by other local authorities.

21. Councillor Brendan Young

This council acknowledges that the current procedure for the allocation of approximately €1.66 million (€332,000 per municipal district) in retained Local Property Tax is problematic in as much as there is a lack of general public awareness, input or consultation on the allocation of these funds resulting in their disbursement according to individual proposals by councillors raising possible accusations of cronyism or that grants are awarded according to councillors preferred projects. In the interest of transparency and openness, the council resolves to publicise in future the availability of funding from the retained Local Property Tax for use on local projects and services, rather than national infrastructure which has historically been or should be funded from central exchequer funds, and to allocate those funds according to agreed criteria such as, for example, the criteria for the allocation of grants under the community, culture, festival, heritage or residents association grant schemes albeit with provision for larger grants or bigger projects.

22. Councillor Mark Lynch

That this council acknowledges that the M7/M9 road widening and improvement scheme is a critical infrastructure project for the county and that we call on the NRA and the Minister of Transport, Tourism and Sport to follow through on commitments and commence the works as a priority project. This road improvement will not only benefit Kildare but the wider country including local and multi-national businesses and improving journey times and road safety for Kildare residents.

23. Councillor Thomas Redmond

That the council amend the homeless policy to allow people who present as homeless be helped regardless of which county they have come from.

24. Councillor Ide Cussen

To ensure party representation in financial matters of the council that I be allowed join the Finance Committee.

25. Councillor Reada Cronin

That this council develop an e-commerce strategy with our Local Enterprise Office and in partnership with relevant stakeholders to ensure local businesses are maximising the full potential of online sales.

26. Councillor Robert Power

That the council outline the 2015 allocation set out by the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport for non-national roads and footpaths in Kildare and where such a figure has been identified, that this be broken down by local electoral area.

27. Councillor Joe Neville

That this council resolve to set up a grant scheme for sports clubs in the county. This scheme would be especially targeted at smaller clubs with limited access to funds with grants to be capped at €2,000 a year per group. This would ensure a fair and equitable spread of funding to a wide variety of clubs.

28. Councillor Mark Stafford

That the council confirm that all of the projects funded pursuant to the Regional and Local Grant Scheme including additional funding under the Restoration Improvement Grant as well as the Community Involvement Scheme and NTA grants for 2014 were completed and the council has the requisite resources and manpower to carry out the relevant schemes scheduled for 2015 particularly in light of additional projects sanctioned from Local Property Tax funds.

29. Councillor Martin Miley Jnr

In light of the change of government policy to withdraw bus services on many routes in Kildare, that we formulate policy through our SPC's to ensure that adequate bus services are returned on main corridors throughout our county.

Adjourned Motions (Non-Kildare County Council Functions)

Tairsceanna Curtha Siar (Nach feidhmeanna na Comhairle Contae iad)

30. Councillor Reada Cronin

That this council writes to Minister for Environment, Community and Local Government requesting to bring Wind Turbine Regulation Bill 2014 to committee and remaining stages at the Oireachtas.

31. Councillor Ide Cussen

As the motion requesting government and Irish Water to cease charging for water and concentrate on dealing with leaks was carried in November, that this council informs Irish Water of the motion and seeks clarification from them that they are dealing with the ongoing leakage in Kildare in this event.

32. Councillor Thomas Redmond and Councillor Sorcha O'Neill

That this council calls for a delegation from the management of Naas General Hospital to meet with the council to explain the level of overcrowding noting that one nursing union has stated dangerous conditions for both staff and those receiving treatment. This council would like assurances from the management that all possible means are being used to rectify this situation for our constituents.