

**Minutes of Monthly Meeting of Kildare County Council**  
**held at 2.00p.m on Friday, 18 December 2015**  
**at Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas, Co Kildare**

**Members Present:** Councillor B Weld (Mayor), Councillors A Breslin, A. Breen, F. Brett, K. Byrne, B. Caldwell, D. Callaghan, R. Cronin, I. Cussen, M. Dalton, S. Doyle, T. Durkan, D. Fitzpatrick, B. Hillis, I. Keatley, P. Kennedy, A. Larkin, P. McEvoy, J. Lawless, M. Lynch, S. Moore, T. Murray, J. Neville, N. O'Cearuill, F. O'Loughlin, S. O'Neill, F. O'Rourke, J. Pender, R. Power, S. Power, D. Scully, M. Stafford, M. Wall, P. Ward and B. Young

**Apologies:** Councillors J. McGinley, F. McLoughlin-Healy, M. Miley, T. Redmond.

**Also Present:** Mr. P Carey, Chief Executive, Messrs E. O'Sullivan, T. McDonnell, P. Minnock. N. Morrissey, J. Boland (Directors of Services), Ms. E. Hanlon (Head of Finance), Ms. A. Aspell (Meetings Administrator) and other officials.

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**01/1215**

**Reflection**

Councillor Willie Crowley, a member of Kildare County Council since June 2014, was involved in a very serious accident last Tuesday night and he is in a critical condition in Naas Hospital. The Mayor called to the hospital on behalf of the members and staff to offer support to his wife Claire and extended family. He asked the members to remember Councillor Crowley in their prayers. Following reflection, the Mayor said that, with the members' agreement, he would proceed to the statutory business of the meeting and that he would then adjourn all other business until the January meeting.

**02/1215**

**Adoption of minutes**

The council considered the minutes of the Budget meeting on 23 November 2015 and the monthly meeting of 30 November 2015 together with the progress report.

**Resolved:** on the proposal of Councillor McEvoy, seconded by Councillor Caldwell, that the minutes of the Budget meeting of 23 November 2015 be adopted.

**Resolved:** on the proposal of Councillor Wall, seconded by Councillor Larkin, that the minutes of the monthly meeting of 30 November 2015 be adopted and the progress report noted.

### **03/1215**

#### **Disposal of Land**

##### **0.6748 ha of land at Collinstown, Carbury, Co. Kildare.**

The council considered the statutory notice dated 26 November 2015 which had been circulated to the members pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001 signifying intent to transfer of 0.6748ha of land at Collinstown, Carbury from Kildare County Council to Mr William Walsh, Collinstown, Carbury for the sum of €5,000.

**Resolved:** on the proposal of Councillor Fitzpatrick, seconded by Councillor Caldwell, that pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001, the Council consent to the disposal of the land in accordance with the statutory notice dated 26 November 2015.

##### **0.0895 ha. of land at Allenwood, Naas, Co Kildare**

The council considered the statutory notice dated 26 November 2015 which had been circulated to the members pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001 signifying intent to transfer of 0.0895 ha of land at Allenwood, Naas from Kildare County Council to Mr Thomas Carroll, Allenwood Naas in exchange for the transfer of 0.0994 ha of land to Kildare County Council for the sum of €100 plus the transfer of 0.0994 ha. of land from Mr Carroll to Kildare County Council.

**Resolved:** on the proposal of Councillor Fitzpatrick, seconded by Councillor Caldwell, pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001, the Council consent to disposal of the land in accordance with the statutory notice dated 26 November 2015.

##### **0.444 ha. of land at Site A Celbridge Industrial Estate, Celbridge**

The council considered the statutory notice dated 1 December 2015 which had been circulated to the members pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001 signifying intent to transfer of 0.444 ha of land at Site A Celbridge Industrial Estate, Celbridge from Kildare County Council to J Carey, Distributors Ltd for the sum of €6,000.

**Resolved:** on the proposal of Councillor Fitzpatrick, seconded by Councillor Caldwell, pursuant to Section 183 of the Local government Act 2001, the Council consent to the disposal of the land in accordance with the statutory notice dated 1 December 2015.

**0.251 ha. of land at Site B Celbridge Industrial Estate, Celbridge**

The council considered the statutory notice dated 1 December 2015 which had been circulated to the members pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001 signifying intent to transfer of 0.251 ha of land at Site B Celbridge Industrial Estate, Celbridge from Kildare County Council to J Carey, Distributors Ltd for the sum of €9,000.

**Resolved:** on the proposal of Councillor Fitzpatrick, seconded by Councillor Caldwell, pursuant to Section 183 of the Local government Act 2001, the Council consent to the disposal of the land in accordance with the statutory notice dated 1 December 2015.

**13 The Avenue, St Patrick's Park, Celbridge, Co Kildare (conversion of shared ownership loan to annuity loan)**

The council considered statutory notice dated 7 December 2015 which had been circulated to the members pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001 signifying intent to dispose of the current value of the rented equity (up to and in line with inflation) at the date of the redemption of the Shared Ownership Loan on the property at 13 The Avenue, St Patrick's Park, Celbridge, Co. Kildare.

**Resolved** on the proposal of Councillor Fitzpatrick, seconded by Councillor Caldwell, that pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001, the council consent to disposal of the land in accordance with the terms set out in the statutory notice.

**33 The Paddocks, Crookstown, Ballitore, Co. Kildare (conversion of shared ownership loan to annuity loan)**

The council considered statutory notice dated 7 December 2015 which had been circulated to the members pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001 signifying intent to dispose of the current value of the rented equity (up to and in line with inflation) at the date of the redemption of the Shared Ownership Loan on the property at 33 The Paddocks, Crookstown, Ballitore, Co. Kildare.

**Resolved** on the proposal of Councillor Fitzpatrick, seconded by Councillor Caldwell, that pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001, the council consent to disposal of the land in accordance with the terms set out in the statutory notice.

**23, Block A Thornhill Court, Celbridge, Co. Kildare (conversion of shared ownership loan to annuity loan)**

The council considered statutory notice dated 7 December 2015 which had been circulated to the members pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001 signifying intent to dispose of the current value of the rented equity (up to and in line with inflation) at the date of the redemption of the Shared Ownership Loan on the property at 23 Block A, Thornhill Court, Celbridge, Co. Kildare.

**Resolved** on the proposal of Councillor Fitzpatrick, seconded by Councillor Caldwell, that pursuant to Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001, the council consent to disposal of the land in accordance with the terms set out in the statutory notice.

**04/1215**

**Management Report**

The members noted the monthly Management Report.

**05/1215**

**Local Economic and Community Plan 2016 – 2021**

The Mayor informed the members that the Local Economic and Community Plan 2016-2021 has been considered at length by the Local Community and Development Committee [LCDC], the Economic Development, Enterprise and Planning Strategic Policy Committee and each Municipal District and he stated that the Plan is now before the members for formal adoption.

The Eastern and Midland Regional Assembly has considered that, in line with Section 66C of the Local Government Act 2001, the Kildare County Draft Local Economic and Community Plan satisfies the requirements in terms of consistency with the core strategy and the objectives of the Kildare County Development Plan, consistency with the Regional Planning Guidelines and the integration and coordination of the economic and community elements of the plan.

Councillor Doyle expressed thanks on behalf of the members to all those involved in the preparation of this document.

**Resolved:** on the proposal of Councillor Doyle, seconded by Councillor Wall, with all the members in agreement, the Local Economic and Community Plan 2016 – 2021 was adopted.

**06/1215**

**Age Friendly County Strategy**

The Mayor asked Councillor Byrne, Chair of the Local Community and Cultural Strategic Policy Committee to introduce the strategy.

Councillor Byrne informed the members that the strategy had been considered at length by the Local Community and Cultural Strategic Policy Committee and discussed at each Municipal District. He thanked the team who were involved in the preparation of this document and recommended the strategy to the members for adoption.

**Resolved:** on the proposal of Councillor Byrne, seconded by Councillor Keatley, with all the members in agreement, the Kildare Age Friendly County Alliance Strategy 2016 – 2018 was adopted.

**07/1215**

**Audit Report for Year Ended 31 December 2014**

The Mayor asked the members to consider the Statutory Audit Report from Mr. Maurice O'Neill, Local Government Auditor dated 21 October 2015 for the year ended 31 December 2014 together with the statement from Mr. Denis Doherty, Chairperson of the Audit Committee of Kildare County Council.

**Resolved:** on the proposal of Councillor O'Cearuil, seconded by Councillor Power, with all the members in agreement, the Audit Report for the year ended 31 December 2014 was noted.

**08/1215**

**Shopfront Scheme/Town Improvement Scheme**

The Mayor welcomed this initiative to financially assist and support independent business owners to improve the appearance of their shop fronts/commercial properties and he asked the members to note and approve the scheme.

**Resolved:** on the proposal of Councillor O'Cearuil, seconded by Councillor Caldwell, with all the members in agreement, the scheme was approved.

The Mayor concluded the statutory business of the meeting and adjourned all other items until the January meeting of Kildare County Council.

The Mayor on his own behalf and that of the members congratulated Mr. Eamonn O'Sullivan, Director of Services on his appointment to the post of Chief Executive of Monaghan County Council. Mr. O'Sullivan is due to take up his new position in January 2016 and the members wished him well.

The meeting concluded.

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