**KILKENNY COUNTY COUNCIL - COMHAIRLE CHONTAE CHILL CHAINNIGH**

**Agenda for the Ordinary Meeting of Kilkenny County Council to be held on Monday 10th February, 2014 at 3.00 p.m. in Council Chamber, County Hall, John Street, Kilkenny.**

**Clár do Ghnáth-Chruinniú Chomhairle Chontae Chill Chainnigh le reachtáil ar de Luan 10th Feabhra ar a 3.00 i.n. i Seomra na Comhairle, Halla an Chontae, Sráid Eoin, Cill Chainnigh.**

1. **Confirmation of Minutes - Dearbhú Miontuairiscí:**
2. Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of Kilkenny County Council held on Monday 20th January, 2014 (copy of minutes attached).
3. Minutes of Statutory Budget Meeting held on 6th January, 2014 (copy of minutes attached)
4. Minutes of Callan Electoral Area Meeting held on 3rd December, 2013 (copy of minutes attached)
5. Minutes of County Council Audit Committee Meeting held on 18th November, 2013 (copy of minutes attached)
6. Minutes of Joint Policing Committee Meeting held on 6th January, 2014 (copy of minutes attached)
7. Minutes of Special Meeting held on 13th January, 2014 (copy of minutes attached)
8. Minutes of Special Meeting held on 20th January, 2014 (copy of minutes attached)
9. Minutes of Joint Special Meeting held on 28th January, 2014 (copy of minutes attached)
10. Minutes of Piltown Electoral Area Meeting held on 28th January, 2014 (copy of minutes attached)
11. **Business prescribed by Statute, Standing Orders or Resolutions of the Council.** -**Gnó forordaithe do réir Reachtaíochta, Orduithe Seasta, nó Rúin an Chomhairle.**
12. **Housing & Other Disposal - Tithíocht & Díuscairt Eile**

“That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, Kilkenny County Council hereby approves of the disposal of its interest in property at Russellstown, Attanagh, Co. Laois, measuring .2020 hectares, as outlined on the attached map, to Michael O’Brien, Russellstown, Attanagh, Co. Laois, for the nominal sum of €500, with each party being responsible for their own legal costs associated with the sale.” (Notification issued on 27th January)

1. **Roads – Bóithre**
2. Notification of Grant Allocations for Non National Roads (attached)

**(ii)**  Part 8 Advisory Memo re N24 Mooncoin Village Road Reconstruction (To follow)

**(iii)** Part 8 Advisory Memo re Ossory Pedestrian Bridge (To follow)

**(iv)** “We the members of Kilkenny County Council approve the initiation of proceedings for the taking in charge of the Public Road/Roundabout/Footpaths only at Road No. (Old N25) & LS 7559 Belmont Road in accordance with Section 180 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended by Section 59 of the Planning & Development Act 2010”. (notification attached)

1. **Corporate - Gnóthaí Corparáideacha**

**(i)**Annual Report of the Kilkenny County Council Audit Committee for 2013 (attached)

**(ii)** Agree date for Presentation of Amenity Grant Allocations to Community Groups

1. **Water Services - Seirbhísí Uisce**

Part 8 for new Pumping Station at Ballyhimmin, Castlecomer as part of Castlecomer Sewerage Scheme. (to follow)

1. **Planning – Pleanail**

Extension of appropriate periods for Local Area Plans for Callan, Castlecomer, Graiguenamanagh, Thomastown and Ferrybank (report attached)

1. **Presentations**
2. Presentation – The Watershed at 4.30p.m.

**(ii)** Presentation - Rothe House at 5.00p.m.

1. **Urgent Correspondence - Comhfhreagras Práinneach**

**4.     Business adjourned from a previous Meeting - Gnó ar athló ó chruinniú**

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**5.    Fix Dates and Times of Meetings - Dátaí agus Amanta do chruinnithe a shocrú:**

* + - 1. Schedule of meetings from February - April 2014 (attached)

1. **Consideration of Reports and Recommendations of Committees of the Council - Plé ar Thuairiscí agus Moltaí ó Choistí an Comhairle:**
2. Chairman’s Report of Callan Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on 3rd December, 2013 (copy of report attached)
   * + 1. Chairmans Report of Piltown Electoral Area Meeting held on 28th January, 2014 (copy of report attached)

**7. Other Business set forth in the Notice convening the Meeting -**

**Gnó Eile romhainn i bhFógra reachtála an Chruinnithe**

**8.        Education & Training – Oideachas agus Oiliúint**

1. Conferences – Request for approval to attend as per circulated list.

(to follow )

1. Summary proceedings at Conferences – to follow

**9.       Matters Arising from Minutes - Gnótha ag éirí as Miontuairiscí**

**10.      Any Other Business - Aon Ghnó Eile**

**11.     Notices of Motion - Fógraí Rúin:**

**1(14) Cllr. Fidelis Doherty**

“ To seek of Kilkenny County Council to initiate the facility of acquiring the names of students who turn 18 while in secondary school to be included in the Register of Electors in order to facilitate their inclusion on the County’ Register of electors so that they can vote when the next opportunity occurs”.

**2(14) Cllr. Malcolm Noonan**

“That Kilkenny County Council condemns the practice of below cost selling of vegetables; fruit, milk and other agricultural produce by retail multiples in Ireland where food is being sold below the cost of production and as a loss leader. We request that the Minister for Agriculture and Minister for Trade and Enterprise would bring to Government proposals to regulate the grocery retail sector in Ireland to protect Irish farm jobs and independent retailers from such distorting and unjust practices”.

**3(14) Cllr. M. O’ Brien & T. Prendergast**

“That this Council’s commitment in the Local Area Plans to link Knocktopher to Ballyhale by footpath be accelerated because NRA investment in that regard has now created a potential road safety issue”.

**12. Notices of Motion from other local authorities seeking support of Kilkenny County Council County   Council - Fógraí i dtaobh Rúin ó Údaráis Áitiúla eile ag lorg tacaíochta ó Chomhairle Chontae Chill Chainnigh:**

**1(14) Leitrim County Council – 18th December, 2013**

“That Leitrim County Council calls on the Government and Minister Phil Hogan to withdraw their proposal to introduce a levy on all vacant commercial premises. The pending Local Government legislation, which is due to come into effect in 2014, refers to changing the current process of waiving 100% of the commercial rates on business properties that are vacant and proposes to introduce a levy of 50% of the full rates payable on all properties that are vacant. This new proposal is referred to in “Part 5, Section 31” of the pending legislation. This proposal, to bill all vacant commercial properties in Leitrim and all over the country at 50% of the full rates payable, is unacceptable and unthinkable”.

**2(14) South Tipperary County Council – 16th January, 2014**

“I call on the Ministers for Finance, Education and Social Welfare to immediately review the flat fee of €833.00 introduced in the October Budget for apprentices attending Institutes of Technology. This fee is a barrier to training. To support the development of a skilled technical workforce in County Tipperary, I call for the fee to be waived”.