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

**Agenda for the Ordinary Meeting of Kilkenny County Council to be held on Monday 20th July, 2015 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 20th Lúl 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 15th June, 2015 (copy of minutes attached)
3. Minutes of Special Meeting held on 26th June, 2015 (copy of minutes attached)
4. Minutes of Strategic Policy Commitee No. 5 – Environmental Protection, Water Servcies & Energy Meeting held on 14th May, 2015 (copy of minutes attached)
5. Minutes of Strategic Policy Committee No. 2 – Infrastructure Policy, Transportation, Fire and Emergency Services Meeting held on 3rd July, 2015 (copy of minutes attached)
6. **Business prescribed by Statute, Standing Orders or Resolutions of the Council.** -**Gnó forordaithe do réir Reachtaíochta, Orduithe Seasta, nó Rúin an Chomhairle.**
7. **Housing & Other Disposal - Tithíocht & Díuscairt Eile**
8. “That Kilkenny County Council hereby approves of the disposal of its interest in No. 3 Cedarwood Park, Loughboy, Kilkenny in accordance with Section 183(1) of the Local Government Act, 2001 and that the consent of the Minister for Environment is not necessary” (Notification issued to members on 8th July, 2015)
9. “That Kilkenny County Council hereby approves of the disposal of its interest in No.3 Togher Road, Urlingford, Co. Kilkenny in accordance with Section 183(1) of the Local Government Act, 2001 and that the consent of the Minister for Environment is not necessary” (Notification issued to members on 8th July, 2015).

 **(b) Corporate Affairs - Gnóthaí Corparáideacha**

1. Chief Executives Report (attached)
2. Appointment of Chief Executive Kilkenny County Council (letter attached)
3. Update on Waterford Boundary Committee
4. Service Delivery Plan Implementation Progress Report at 30th June, 2015 (report attached)
5. Fill vacancy on Kilkenny & Carlow Education and Training Board (see letter attached)
6. SPC Membership of Committees (schedule attached)

**(c ) Roads – Bóithre**

1. Waterford to New Ross Greenway (letter attached)
2. County Kilkenny Road Safety Plan 2015-2020 (report attached)
3. Funding Allocation for 30kph Speed Limits in Housing Estates. (letter attached)

**(d ) Environment – Timpeallacht**

1. Nomination of Community Representative onto the Consultative Committee on Dog Welfare and Re-homing – approval to ask the PPN to put forward a recommendation.
2. Local Authority National Water Framework Directive Office – Lead Authority Kilkenny/Tipperary County Councils
3. **Finance – Airgeadais**

Budget 2016 process

1. **Community – Pobail**

Community & Cultural Facilities Capital Grant Scheme 2015

1. **Urgent Correspondence - Comhfhreagras Práinneach**
2. **Business adjourned from a previous Meeting - Gnó ar athló ó chruinniú**

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

1. Schedule of meetings from July - September 2015 (attached)
2. Deputation – Kilkenny Tourism (September Meeting)
3. **Consideration of Reports and Recommendations of Committees of the Council - Plé ar Thuairiscí agus Moltaí ó Choistí an Comhairle:**
4. Chairman’s Report of Strategic Policy Commitee No. 5 – Environmental Protection, Water Servcies & Energy Meeting held on 14th May, 2015 (copy of report attached)
5. Chairpersons Report of Strategic Policy Committee No. 2 – Infrastructure Policy, Transportation, Fire and Emergency Services meeting held on 3rd July, 2015 (copy of report attached)
6. **Other Business set forth in the Notice convening the Meeting –**

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

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

**(i)** Conferences – Request for approval to attend as per circulated list.

(attached)

1. Summary proceedings at Conferences –

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| **Councillor** | **Date of Conference** | **Title of Conference**  |
| M.H. Cavanagh | 8th-9th May | Crime Prevention & Community Safety |
| B. Gardner | 5th-7th June | EU Support Programmes for Irish Regions  |

1. **Matters Arising from Minutes - Gnótha ag éirí as Miontuairiscí**
2. **Any Other Business - Aon Ghnó Eile**
3. **Notices of Motion - Fógraí Rúin:**

**22(15) Cllr. Tomas Breathnach – 20th June, 2015**

 “Kilkenny County Council should work with the Department of the Environment, the Southern & Eastern Regional Assembly and other local authorities of the South East to form a forum where issues of a regional nature can be progressed and to enhance the level of co-operation and co-ordination of the delivery of services for all of the people in the region”.

**23(15) Cllr. Breda Gardner – 25th June, 2015**

“That members of local minority sports groups make a presentation to Kilkenny County Council for priority provision of a sports facility to be used by minority sports in Kilkenny”.

**24(15) Cllrs. David Kennedy, Kathleen Funchion and Melissa O’ Neill -25th June,2015**

“That Kilkenny County Council will name the bridge in Thomastown the Nicholas Mullins bridge this bridge currently has no official name on it Nicholas Mullins was born and reared in the house right by the bridge this man gave his life for Ireland this would be a fitting tribute”.

**25(15) Cllr. Malcolm Noonan – 25th June, 2015**

That Kilkenny and Carlow County Councils would collaborate to seek funding to develop a ‘Fablab’ Community Enterprise Hub within a designated appropriate centre to service educational facilities; primary, secondary and third level, research and development, industry including creative industries in the region.

A **fab lab** (fabrication laboratory) is a small-scale workshop offering (personal) digital fabrication. A **fab lab** is generally equipped with an array of flexible computer controlled tools (such as a 3D printer) that cover several different length scales and various materials, with the aim to make "almost anything".

[www.enterprise-ireland.com/communityenterpriseinitiative](http://www.enterprise-ireland.com/communityenterpriseinitiative) could provide funding for such a community enterprise initiative.

**26(15)** **Cllr. Malcolm Nonoan – 25th June, 2015**

“That Kilkenny County Council would cease the use of glyphosate herbicide known as ‘Roundup’ in all public realm, roadside maintenance in urban and rural areas because of mounting evidence that the herbicide is harmful to human and animal health and to the Environment. Furthermore this Council calls on the Irish Government to ban the importation of Roundup due to its adverse impact on the environment and human health.

**27(15) Cllrs. John Brennan & Michael Doyle – 30th June, 2015**

“That Kilkenny County Council would write to the Government and ask that they would re-introduce the Tenant Purchase Scheme and to also contact “Respond” and ask them to consider offering their tenants the opportunity to own their own home if they wish to do so”.

**28(15) Cllr. Michael Doyle – 30th June, 2015**

 “That Kilkenny County Council would write to the Minister Alan Kelly calling on him to lift the embargo on local authorities employing staff and especially outdoor staff as this would greatly help and improve the current work load within the county”.

**29(15) Cllr. Patrick McKee – 2nd July, 2015**

“That Kilkenny County Council immediately undertakes the required work to establish a ‘*Wi-Fi’* facility at County Hall to allow elected members access the necessary resources that are required from time to time in the discharge of their duties. This Council notes the difficulty faced by elected members in accessing resources whilst in County Hall due to the lack of an available ‘*Wi-Fi’* connection. Furthermore, That Kilkenny County Council undertakes the necessary work to establish a facility to allow for live streaming of County Council meetings. This Council notes the importance of both openness and transparency in regard to how it carries out its work and will facilitate the public in being able to monitor the conduct and performance of their elected representatives during Council meetings by establishing a live streaming facility”.

**30 (15) Cllr. Patrick McKee- 2nd July, 2015**

“That Kilkenny County Council immediately erect signage at the Nore Linear Park informing those entering the park that Bye-Laws are in place prohibiting the entry of horses and also, informing those entering the park of the sanctions that will be imposed for breach of the bye-laws. This Council notes the bye-laws which were adopted in 2011 prohibiting such conduct and further notes the ongoing difficulties being faced by residents residing in the vicinity of the Nore Linear Park due to the illegal entry of horses and horse drawn vehicles onto the Nore Linear Park”.

**31(15) Piltown Municipal District**

“Kilkenny County Council should write to the Department of Transport and the National Roads Authority to seek a review of the Traffic Signs Manual with a specific focus on the delineation of junctions on the National Roads Network”.

**32(15) Piltown Municipal District – 6th July, 2015**

 “That Kilkenny County Council writes to the Department of Transport to seek a consistent and workable consultative arrangement with the National Roads Authority, whereby the Elected Members of Local Authorities can bring issues of concern for road users and local communities to the attention of the National Roads Authority, and which facilitates the addressing of such issues in an expeditious manner”.

**33(15) Cllrs. M. McCarthy & M. Doran – 6th July, 2015**

 “That Kilkenny County Council undertakes a survey of housing developments specifically identifying those where the public lights have not been transferred to the local authority. Thereafter that Kilkenny County Council develops a policy that provides for measures whereby public lights in such housing estates remain operational on an ongoing basis. Any costs incurred by Kilkenny County Council in bringing the public lighting infrastructure up to standard to be recouped where possible from the development bond”.

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

**10(15) Dublin City Council – 12th June, 2015**

“This Council will write to the Minister of Environment Alan Kelly stating that a BIN waiver should be introduced for people with health issues. Over 20,000 people in Ireland suffer from bowel disease and are fitted with a stoma. These people have to use their bin to dispose of these colostomy bag through no fault of their own, and with pay by weight been introduced this will be a big cost to them. There is also many other conditions that people have medical waste that has to be put in the bin”.

**11(15) Donegal County Council – 17th June, 2015**

“Donegal County Council welcomes the wage increase awarded to Dunnes Stores workers but we believe that it is now time for all employers to guarantee their employees a minimum and liveable number of hours of employment”.

**12(15) Donegal County Council – 17th June, 2015**

“That Donegal County Council supports the Irish Deaf’s Society call for Irish Sign Language to be recognised as an Official Language”.

**13(15) Donegal County Council – 17th June, 2015**

“That this Council would ensure that 30% of all social houses built or bought under the Social Housing Strategy 2020 will be located in rural areas and that this motion will be passed to all other Local Authorities”.