

*Press Release*

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## **Council announces ambitious Service Delivery Plan.**

Kilkenny County Council has announced its service delivery plan for 2016. The plan sets out a comprehensive work programme across the broad range of Council services that it intends to provide in 2016, mainly by direct labour, but also by contracts, service level agreements and shared services with other Local Authorities.

Ambitious programmes have been put in place for Roads & Transportation, Flood Prevention, Water Services, Economic Development & Tourism, Planning & Conservation, Environmental Protection, Heritage & the Arts, Library Services, Community & Culture, Amenity, Sport & Recreation, Fire Services, Energy, Older People & Age Friendly, Children & Younger People, Financial Management & Customer Services development

Colette Byrne, Chief Executive, has identified the next Phase of Kilkenny's Medieval Mile, the preservation of the Kilkenny County Boundary, the development of the Diageo site & the future Planning & development of Kilkenny City as amongst the key strategic issues facing the Council.

The Chief executive paid tribute to the work being done by the Elected Members and expressed her appreciation for the dedication and hard work of her staff across the Organisation. *"I am confident", she said, "that given the abilities and spirit of co-operation that is consistently shown by elected members, the nominees to the various committees and by staff that we should be in a position to meet the challenges that lie ahead"*.

Full details of the Councils Service Delivery Plan are available on the Councils website [www.kilkennycoco.ie](http://www.kilkennycoco.ie).

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