



Comhairle Chontae Chill Chainnigh
Kilkenny County Council

NOTICE OF CONSIDERATION OF A SCHEME FOR THE ABATEMENT OF RATES IN RESPECT OF VACANT PROPERTIES

Section 9 of the Local Government Rates and Other Matters Act 2019 makes specific provision that elected members of a local authority may make a scheme providing for the abatement of rates in respect of vacant properties, and that such a scheme shall be approved at the local authority budget meeting, concerning the local financial year to which the scheme shall apply.

Kilkenny County Council will consider a scheme providing for abatement of rates in respect of vacant properties, applying in the 2026 local financial year.

Kilkenny County Council welcomes written submissions from the public on this matter specifically covering the potential effects of a scheme providing for the abatement of rates in respect of vacant properties on businesses, individuals and on local authority services.

Submissions must be received by 31st July 2025 and be sent to Rates Vacancy Abatement Scheme, Finance Dept, County Hall, John St., Kilkenny or financegroup@kilkennycoco.ie .

Mr. Tim Butler,

Deputy Chief Executive

Dated: 2nd July 2025