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

**Agenda for the Ordinary Meeting of Kilkenny County Council to be held on Monday 16th September, 2013 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 16th Méan Fomhair 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 July, 2013 (copy of minutes attached).
3. Minutes of Joint Meeting of Kilkenny County Council and Kilkenny Borough Council held on 15th July, 2013 (copy of minutes attached)
4. Minutes of SPC 3 Environmental Policy, Fire Services and Emergency Planning Meeting held on 4th September, 2013 (copy of minutes attached)
5. Minutes of Rural Water Monitoring Committee Meeting held on 25th June, 2013 (copy of minutes attached)
6. Minutes of Meeting of Local Traveller Accommodation consultative committee Meeting held on 11th July, 2013 (copy of minutes attached)
7. Minutes of Piltown Electoral Area Meeting held on 12th July, 2013 (copy of minutes attached)
8. **Business prescribed by Statute, Standing Orders or Resolutions of the Council.** -**Gnó forordaithe do réir Reachtaíochta, Orduithe Seasta, nó Rúin an Chomhairle.**
9. **Roads – Bóithre**
10. “That the County Council of the County of Kilkenny in exercise of the powers conferred on them by Section 11 of the Roads Act 1993 and in compliance with Section 180 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 as amended by Section 59 of the Planning & Development Act, 2010, hereby declares the road at Maudlin Court, Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny to be a public road”. (notification attached)
11. “We the members of Kilkenny County Council approve the initiation of proceedings for the taking in charge of 37 Residential Units at Kylemore, Fiddown, Piltown, Co. Kilkenny in accordance with Section 180 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 as amended by Section 59 of the Planning & Development Act 2010”. (notification attached)
12. “We the members of Kilkenny County Council approve the initiation of proceedings for the taking in charge at Millbanks Grove, Rosbercon, Co. Kilkenny in accordance with Section 180 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 as amended by Section 59 of the Planning & Development Act 2010”. (notification attached)
13. “We the members of Kilkenny County Council approve the initiation of proceedings for the taking in charge of (30 House Development) at The Meadows, Callan, Co. Kilkenny in accordance with Section 180 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 as amended by Section 59 of the Planning & Development Act, 2010”. (notification attached)
14. **Planning – Pleanail**

Part 8 Local Government (Planning and Development) Regulations 2001-2013 Ballyragget Urban and Village Renewal. (report attached)

1. **Roads – Bóithre**

Roads Programme Update

1. **Water Services – Seirbhísí Uisce**

Water Services Programme Update

1. **Housing - Tithíocht**

 Housing Report (attached)

1. **Finance - Airgeadais**

June 2013 Finance Overview

1. **Economic Development**

Milk Expansion Report

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 September - November 2013 (attached)
			2. Agree date for Joint Special Meeting - Diageo Site.
			3. Agree date for Special Meeting to consider Thomastown Urban and Village Renewal Part 8 Report and Recommendations
1. **Consideration of Reports and Recommendations of Committees of the Council - Plé ar Thuairiscí agus Moltaí ó Choistí an Comhairle:**
2. Chairpersons Report of SPC 3 Environmental Policy, Fire Services and Emergency Planning Meeting held on 4th September, 2013 (copy of report attached)
3. Chairpersons Report on Rural Water Monitoring committee Meeting held on 25th June, 2013 ( copy of report attached)
4. Chairpersons Report on Piltown Electoral Area Meeting held on 12th July, 2013 (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.

(list will be circulated at meeting)

* + - 1. Summary of proceedings at Conferences have been received from

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| **Councillor** | **Date of Conference** | **Title of Conference** |
| Jane Moran             | 5th – 7th July, 2013 | Mental Health and Well Being Skills for Elected Members |
| M.H Cavanagh | 12th – 13th July, 2013 | Climate Change Policy towards 2050 |
| John Brennan | 19th – 20th July, 2013 | Taxing Goods and Services |
| Tom Maher | 26th – 28th July, 2013 | ‘Future is Food’ - Employment Opportunities in Artisan Foods |
| Pat Dunphy | 2nd – 4th August, 2013 | Rural Crime Prevention and Detection Conference. |

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

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

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

**4(13) Cllrs. M. Fitzpatrick, M. O’Brien & J. Brennan**

“Kilkenny County Council in keeping with the objective of making Kilkenny County a fair employment area agrees with and endorses the right of all employees to be represented individually and/or collectively by a trade union if they so wish.

We would expect and encourage all employees and their representative organisations in Kilkenny County to fully recognise this basic fundamental Human Right and so not intimidate, harass or threaten the continued employment of those exercising this right”.

**5(13) Cllrs. T. Breathnach, T. Maher, J. Coonan and M.H. Cavanagh.**

“That Kilkenny County Council supports the campaign of the Restaurants Association of Ireland to keep the VAT rate for tourism and hospitality at 9% into 2014 and beyond”.

**6(13) Cllr. M. Fitzpatrick**

“The Council recognises that the trafficking, exploitation and abuse of women and girls is taking place in Kilkenny and throughout the country as a direct result of prostitution”.

**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:**

**20(13) Limerick City & County Council – 12th July, 2013**

“That Limerick County Council calls on the Minister for Education and Skill, Mr. Ruairi Quinn, T.D., and the Department of Education to allow some choice based on the old second level school catchment areas and tradition when it comes to assessing school transport eligibility, especially in areas where it is cost neutral and if agreed, that this motion would be circulated to all other local authorities”.

**21(13) Carrickmacross Town Council – 16th July, 2013**

“That Carrickmacross Town Council notes that a significant piece of immigration reform legislation is currently due to come before the US House of Representatives. This has the potential to positively transform the situation for the estimated 50,000-70,000 undocumented Irish people in the United Stated. That we hereby agreed to write to Congressman John Boehner, Speaker in the US House of Representatives commending this legislation and encouraging its approval by Congress”.

**22(13) Monaghan County Council – 16th July, 2013**

“In light of the Government’s improved financial situation, that this Council calls on the Minister for Social Protection in increase all Old Age Pensions to match the inflation rate over the last three years”.

**23(13) Waterford City Council – 18th July,** **2013**

Waterford City Council commends the 10 former workers from Waterford Crystal in respect of their pensions, welcomes of the decision of the European Court of Justice, recognises the European Court of Justice has found the former Government failed in its obligations to the workers, accepts that the judgement must go back to the High Court

but calls on the Government not to drag its heels on the issue. This Council also calls on the Government to compensate all former workers of Waterford Crystal and to transpose into Irish law the 2008 EU Directive and insure it gives protection to all Irish workers and their pensions in the future.”

**24(13) Waterford City Council – 18th July, 2013**

“That Waterford City Council recognizes that the trafficking, exploitation and abuse of women and girls is taking place in Waterford and throughout the country as a direct result of prostitution. That Waterford City Council believes human rights abuses can be ended by targeting the demand for prostitution by introducing laws which make it an offence to pay for sex and is seeking such laws. We note the success of similar laws in other European countries. That Waterford City Council will convey its views to the Minister for Justice.”

**25(13) Offaly County Council – 19th July, 2013**

“That Offaly County Council supports the radical reform of Seanad Eireann”

**26(13) Offaly County Council – 19th July, 2013**

“That Offaly County Council write to the Minister for Health to highlight the importance of Community Care and the role of the Public Health Nurse”.

**27(13) Clones Town Council – 30th July, 2013**

“That Clones Town Council calls on the Minister for Health Dr. James Reilly, TD to confirm that discretionary medical cards will not be withdrawn from cancer patients who are not considered terminally ill”.

**28(13) Macroom Town Council – 1st August, 2013**

“That Macroom Town Council calls on Minister Phil Hogan to write to all town Councils explaining the breakdown of exact savings that are to be made by the proposed abolishment of Town Councils”.

**29(13) Limerick City & County Council – 16th August, 2013**

“That, Limerick County Council calls on the Government to carry out a serious review of its present policies on Free Legal Aid making a substantial contribution themselves; and that have been means-tested as eligible for Free Legal Aid, applicants would select from a panel of the legal profession, directly employed by the State on a fixed annual salary; and that recipients of Free Legal Aid should have the cost associated with this aid paid back through the following ways:- (i) if in receipt of Social Welfare, a weekly deduction should be taken from same, (ii) if a property owner, a charge should be put on this property which could be collected with interest if that property is sold in the future, or handed down”.