

- COMHAIRLE CHONTAE CHILL CHAINNIGH -
KILKENNY COUNTY COUNCIL

*Clár do Ghnáth-Chruinniú Chomhairle Chontae Chill Chainnigh
le reachtáil ar de Luan, 16 Eanáir, 2023 ar a 3.00 i.n.*

**AGENDA FOR THE ORDINARY MEETING
OF KILKENNY COUNTY COUNCIL**

MONDAY, 16TH JANUARY, 2023 AT 3.00 P.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY HALL, JOHN STREET, KILKENNY & MS TEAMS

1. Dearbhú Miontuairiscí - Confirmation of Minutes

- (i) Minutes of December Plenary Meeting held on Monday, 19th December, 2022 [copy of Minutes attached].
- (ii) Minutes of SPC1 Meeting: Economic Development, Enterprise Support, Tourism, Planning & Development Policy held on Thursday 6th October, 2023 [Report Attached]

**2. Gnó forordaithe do réir Reachtaíochta, Orduithe Seasta, nó Rúin an Chomhairle
Business Prescribed by Statute, Standing Orders or Resolutions of Council**

(a) Tithíocht & Díuscairt Eile - Housing & Other Disposal

- (i) "Notice is hereby given, that at a meeting of the Council to be held after the expiration of 10 days from the date of this notice, it is the intention of Kilkenny County Council, in accordance with the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, Kilkenny County Council hereby approves of the disposal of its Freehold interest in Property at Upper White Bridge, Kilkenny to Michael Foley, Terry Foley, Denis Foley and David Foley, the Per Reps of Mary Foley, Deceased, Upper White Bridge, Kilkenny for the nominal sum of €10.00 (ten euro) with the Purchaser being responsible for all legal costs associated with the sale, including those of Kilkenny County Council. The Consent of the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage is not required." (Notice sent to Members on 3rd January, 2023).

(b) Pleanail - Planning

- (i) Taking in Charge: Final [TC101] Whitehall, Paulstown, Co. Kilkenny [Report Attached]

(c) Airgeadas- Finance

- (i) Capital Three Year Programme 2023-2025 [Report To Follow]

(d) Gnóthaí Corparáideacha - Corporate Affairs

- (i) Chief Executive's Monthly Report [Report Attached]
- (ii) Service Delivery Plan 2023 [Report Attached]

(e) Economic Development - Forbairt Eacnamaíoch

- (i) Abbey Quarter Update [Presentation]

(f) Pobol Cultúr - Community & Culture

- (i) Sports Partnership Strategy [Presentation]

3. **Comhfhreagras - Correspondence**
4. **Gnó ar athló ó chruinniúroimhe seo - Business Adjourned from a Previous Meeting**
5. **Dátaí agus Amanta do chruinnithe a shocrú - Fix Dates & Times of Meetings**
 - (i) Schedule of Meetings [Report Attached].
 - (ii) Approve venue for February Plenary Meeting.
6. **Plé ar Thuairiscí agus Moltaí ó Choistí an Comhairle Consideration of Reports & Recommendations of Committees of the Council**
 - (i) Report of SPC1 Meeting: Economic Development, Enterprise Support, Tourism, Planning & Development Policy held on Thursday 6th October, 2023 [Report Attached]
7. **Gnó Eile romhainn i bhFógra reachtála an Chruinnithe - Other Business set forth in the Notice convening the Meeting**
8. **Oideachas agus Oiliúint - Education & Training**
9. **Gnótha ag éirí as Miontuairiscí - Matters Arising from Minutes**
10. **Aon Ghnó Eile - Any Other Business**
11. **Fógraí Rúin - Notices of Motion**

19 (22) Cllr. Peter Cleere

"I request Kilkenny County Council to provide in tabular format, per Municipal District for the previous 3 years, the amount of social housing applicants that have refused offers of a Council house across the County "

01 (23) Cllr. Fidelis Doherty

"I am calling on Kilkenny County Council to ensure that gates at agricultural openings on the county's roads network do not pose a serious risk to vehicular traffic as many are positioned with the gates opening out onto roads, as opposed to being directed into fields/access points."

02 (23) Cllr. Tomás Breathnach

"That Kilkenny County Council writes to the Department of Education, Department of Environment, Climate & Communications and to the Department of Transport to give full recognition to the role of school transport in facilitating safe access to schools for our pupils and students, including safety in the vicinity of school entrances and, as a measure to reduce the numbers of motor vehicles on our roads with a consequent reduction in emissions to increase funding for school transport as a practical measure to combat climate change."

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

01 (23) Kerry County Council

"That we Killarney MD write to the relevant Ministers requesting that when the Ukrainian Refugees return home, when it's safe to do so, that we would retain their current accommodation for the homeless and those on our Local Authority Housing List, where possible. If passed, I request this would be circulated to all other Local Authorities."

02 (23) Cork County Council

"That Cork County Council would write to the Minister for Housing, Local Government & Heritage of Ireland to express concern at the proposed Planning & development Bill coming before cabinet this week which will limit local Councillors' powers. The proposed bill seeks to change the term of the County Development Plan to ten years which is far too long. Members also agreed to circulate the letter to all local authorities as well as LAMA and AILG."

03 (23) Cork County Council

"That Cork County Council would write to the Government and the Minister for Finance to reintroduce an income tax credit scheme to incentivise and encourage many more Irish people to take out personal health insurance cover while also preserving the existing rebate of up to €200 at the point of purchase."

04 (23) Cork County Council

"That Cork County Council would write formally to the Minister for Transport requesting that his Department (Department of Transport) would contribute financially to the LIS Scheme (*Local Improvement Scheme*). Presently, all funding comes from the Department of Community & Rural Development. The anomalies in the scheme in which there must be two active farmers on the scheme and people have to reapply. It was also agreed that a copy of this letter would be circulated to the Minister for Community & Rural Affairs."

05 (23) Monaghan County Council

"That this Council calls on the Minister for Health, Department of Health and the HSE to put in place proper, sensitive procedures to avoid any future retention of a baby's organs, at post-mortem, without the express permission of the parent, to request that:

- Clear, written communication on consent forms be discussed with families at the time of death/prior to post-mortem taking place
- Best practice models be examined from other countries to ensure the Irish system is fit-for-purpose & with proper oversight
- Communication of post-mortem results be respectful and delivered by meeting with assigned medical professional - clear definition of this process should immediately become standard procedure for all hospitals
- Post-mortem documentation should include a clear, concise and fully completed document for families
- In cases where organs need to be retained; reasons must be clearly explained and a swift timeframe for their return must be communicated to parents.

Monaghan County Council demand that an investigation take place into the cases outlined by Primetime (RTE) on 3rd November 2022 and any other similar case that were not highlighted and that:

- Families who have had organs from their baby retained, be informed of what was taken and why, and what happened to the organs. These families should be afforded an in-person meeting to be given details.
- An independent inquiry takes place to determine why Consultant A was continuously used as a private pathologist after being found to be negligent in his former public-sector pathology role. This inquiry should also find reason as to why earlier recommendations, made by independent reviews, were not implemented.
- Clarification is needed on whether Consultant A is still conducting perinatal post-mortems."

06 (23) Meath County Council

"Meath County Council calls on the Government to amend the Electricity Regulation Act and associated legislation to allow for the consideration and possible implementation of nuclear power generation in Ireland."