

Minutes of Meeting of SPC 3 – Housing

Held on 5th February 2023- Teams Meeting

Present: Cllr Eamon Aylward, Cllr. Andrew McGuinness, Cllr Martin Brett, Cllr Joe Malone, Cllr Pat Fitzpatrick, Maria O'Shea, Yvonne Moriarty, Cllr. Denis Hynes, Brian Dunlop, Cllr Joe Lyons, David Shortall, KCLR, Michael Leahy, Mary Mulholland

Apologies: Lisa Morris, Mags Morrissey, Cllr Eugene McGuinness

Cllr. Eamon Aylward Chairman welcomed all.

Item 1 – Minutes of Meeting on the 5th December, 2022

Proposed by Cllr Martin Brett and seconded by Cllr. Andrew McGuinness

Item 2 – Affordable Housing

The Director of Services spoke to the members on the Affordable Housing scheme where she advised the member that Kilkenny County Council wishes to have home available under the scheme. Kilkenny will have 8 properties available for approval in May/June to be advertised.

Part 1 of the scheme is for the add. Applicants must have an application each time.

Part 2 is the order of priority for Eligible Households. Kilkenny County Council decide the type of dwelling so that one person can't buy a four-bed house and it's prioritised by date and time of applications. Applications can be received from anywhere. Furthermore, in relation to 30 per cent of the dwellings the subject of applications accepted Kilkenny County Council will prioritise households in the following order:

- Priority to be given to eligible households based on any person making the application being or having been resident in the administrative area of Kilkenny County Council for a minimum period of 5 years.
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- Priority to be given to eligible households whose current address as given in the application form is within the Municipal District of the relevant affordable scheme or within 5km of this said relevant affordable scheme.
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- Priority to be given to eligible households whose current address as given in the application form is within the Municipal District of the relevant affordable scheme or within 10km of this said relevant affordable scheme.

Contributions: Cllr Eamon Aylward and Joe Malone

The Director of Services advised the members that 70% of applications will be on first come basis and the 30% will be based on Kilkenny County Councils criteria. The Director of Services asked if they then agreed that for the eligible that applicants will have resided in Kilkenny in last five years.

Proposed by Cllr Eamon Aylward and **Seconded by** Cllr Joe Malone.

