

- COMHAIRLE CHONTAE CHILL CHAINNIGH -
KILKENNY COUNTY COUNCIL

*Clár do Ghnáth-Chruinniú Chomhairle Chontae Chill Chainnigh
le reachtáil ar de Luan, 16 Meitheamh, 2025 ar a 3.00 i.n.*

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

MONDAY, 16TH JUNE, 2025 AT 3.00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY HALL, JOHN STREET & MS TEAMS

1. **Dearbhú Miontuairiscí - Confirmation of Minutes**

- (i) Minutes of Plenary Meeting of Kilkenny County Council held on Monday, 19th May, 2025 [*Minutes 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, that, in accordance with the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, Kilkenny County Council hereby approves of the disposal of its interest in a derelict house at 20 Vicar Street, Kilkenny to Ms Niamh Treacy, Ballyroe, Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny for the sum of €143,000 (*one hundred and forty three thousand euro*) with each party being responsible for their own legal costs associated with the sale. The Consent of the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage is not required." (*Notice sent to Members on the 5th June, 2025*).
- (ii) "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, that, in accordance with the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, Kilkenny County Council hereby approves of the disposal of its interest in plot of ground to the rear of no.24 Corcoran Terrace, Kells Road, Kilkenny R95 WP8A with the condition that the plot of ground being transferred will be made available to Kilkenny County Council for the provision of footpaths and future road widening purposes, if required, at any time in the future and that no compensation will be paid over at any time for the nominal sum of €10.00 (ten euro) with payment of the Council's legal fees. Plot of ground measures 57.04m² approx." The Consent of the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage is not required." (*Notice sent to members on the 4th June, 2025*)

(b) **Pleanail - Planning**

- (i) Part 8: Development of Old Health Centre at Kells, Co. Kilkenny [*Report Attached*].

(c) **Cultúr - Culture**

- (i) Creative Ireland/Cruinniú na nÓg Update [*Presentation*].

(d) **Timpeallacht- Environment**

- (i) Kilkenny County Council Burial Ground Bye Laws 2024 [Report Attached]
- (ii) Climate Action Grants Update [Presentation]

(e) **Gnóthaí Corparáideacha - Corporate Affairs**

- (i) Chief Executive's Monthly Report [Attached].

3. **Comhfhreagras - Correspondence**

- (i) Acknowledgement from Mr. Charlie McConalogue TD, Minister for Sport in relation to Notice of Motion 04-2025 regarding current transgender policy.
- (ii) Acknowledgement from Ms. Norma Foley TD, Minister for Children, Disability & Equality in relation to Notice of Motion 09-2025 regarding a shortage of community based childcare.
- (iii) Acknowledgement from Mr. Darragh O'Brien TD, Minister for Transport in relation to Notice of Motion 10-2025 regarding funding to further develop the airport.
- (iv) Acknowledgement from Mr. James Browne, T.D., Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage in relation to Notice of Motion 11-2025 regarding increased funding to speed up deliver of Wasterwater Schemes under the Small Town & Villages Programme.

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].

6. **Plé ar Thuairiscí agus Moltaí ó Choistí an Comhairle - Consideration of Reports & Recommendations of Committees of the Council**

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**

12 (25) Cllr. Maurice Shortall

"To ask the Housing Minister James Browne to provide clarity on the housing grants for elderly people when it pertains to heating. The advised eco solutions (biomass oil) are not available in counties like Kilkenny and second hand oil burners are not a viable solution. Vulnerable elderly in our community are being forgotten about."

13 (25) Cllr. Andrew McGuinness & Cllr. Mary Hilda Cavanagh

"In recognition of the uncertainty caused by the absence of an up-to-date national policy/regulation, this Council calls on the Minister to introduce a temporary pause on all large-scale onshore wind farm developments, pending the finalisation and adoption of revised Wind Energy guidelines/regulation."

14 (25) Cllr. Seán Ó hArgáin

Kilkenny County Council states its abhorrence of the continuing humanitarian emergency in Gaza, brought about by the genocidal actions of the Israeli Government, led by Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and his Government. This Council notes and agrees with the description of the Israeli Government's actions as 'war crimes' by Taoiseach Micheál Martin and by Tánaiste Simon Harris as 'genocide' and a 'blatant violation of international humanitarian law.' Along with Uachtarán na hÉireann, Michael D. Higgins, they have clearly spoken on behalf of the Irish people.

We again condemn the actions of Hamas on October the 7th, 2023 and call for the immediate release of all Israeli hostages held by them.

The reaction of Israel, however, has been catastrophic. The murder of over 53,000 Gazan citizens, over a third of whom were children, is one of the worst death tolls of any conflict in the 21st Century. Israel's stated objective to now permanently occupy the Gaza strip and its two-month blockade of all humanitarian aid and food to the area are in utter breach of all international law. On behalf of the people of Kilkenny, we demand an immediate ceasefire and the immediate allowing in of food and medical supplies.

Until a permanent ceasefire is declared and delivered on by the Israeli Government, we will not invite or welcome any visits by the Israeli Prime Minister or any Israeli diplomatic representatives to our City and County.

We also request that the Ambassador of Palestine to Ireland, Dr. Jilian Wahba Abdalmalid be invited to address our Council as she has done in other Councils."

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**