## Chairman's Report of SPC 5 Meeting - Community, Culture & Fire Services held in Meeting Room 1, County Hall on Thursday 14th March, 2024 at 10.30a.m.

- Majella Keating gave a presentation on the Creative Ireland programme and grants. A total of 35 groups, artists and organisation will benefit from the programme with a wide demographic of participants throughout Kilkenny will be engaged in creative activities.
- Anne Marie Shortall provided an update on the Community & Culture Section in relation to grants which included the Community Event Grant Scheme, Community and Cultural Facilities Capital Scheme, Commercial Premises Paint Scheme, Project Development Measure and Community Heritage Grant Scheme.
- John Collins provided an update on the Fire Services which included Capital Projects, Fire Safety Certificates, Fire Brigades Incidents, Recruitment Campaign and Primary School Programme.
- The SPC 5 went on a tour of the new Mayfair Library.