

## **CEANTAR BARDASACH CHATHAIR CHILL CHAINNIGH** **MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF KILKENNY CITY**

**MIONTUAIRISCÍ NA gCRUINNITHE DE CHEANTAR BARDASACH CHATHAIR CHILL CHAINNIGH A THIONÓLADH AR AN 13<sup>th</sup> SAMHAINE 2020. MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON, 13<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2020. THE MAYOR REQUESTED 4 ELECTED MEMBERS TO ATTEND THE MEETING IN PERSON TO FULFILL THE REQUIREMENTS IN LEGISLATION WITH THE REMAINING MEMBERS JOINING THE MEETING REMOTELY VIA MS TEAMS.**

**Mayor, Councillor, John Coonan, Presiding.**

**Present / I Láthair:-**

**Councillors/Comhairleoirí:** Cllr. Eugene McGuinness, Cllr. Andrew McGuinness, Cllr. David Fitzgerald, Cllr. Maria Dollard.

**Present Via Teams / I Láthair via Teams:-**

**Councillors/Comhairleoirí:** Cllr. Joe Malone, Cllr. Martin Brett.

**Apologies:** Mr. Ian Gardner City Engineer

**Also Present :**

Mr. Tim Butler, Director of Services, Ms. Anne Maria Walsh, Senior Executive Officer, - Via Teams Mr. Brendan Sheahan, Executive Engineer, Ms. Teresa Mahon, Staff Officer.

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### **Mayor's Summons of Meeting:**

Notice dated 6<sup>th</sup> November, 2020, convening a Monthly Meeting for this date was read.

#### **1. A dhaingniú Miontuairiscí Cruinnithe. Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting:**

Minutes of monthly meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2020, having been previously circulated was tabled for confirmation. It was:

Proposed by: Cllr. Andrew McGuinness  
Seconded by: Cllr. David Fitzgerald  
And Resolved

“That the minutes as presented to the meeting be and are hereby adopted”.

#### **2. Cúrsaí thabhairt ar aghaidh ordú ón Méara Matters brought forward by direction of the Mayor.**

The Mayor:

- Launched his Christmas fund stating that the Lions Club and Alone will be the beneficiaries this year .
- Thanked the people of Kilkenny for continuing to adhere to Covid restrictions.

### **Votes of Sympathy**

The Members joined with the Mayor in offering a Vote of Sympathy to the families of the following recently deceased:

Joan Fitzgerald, Hawthorn Avenue, Ardnore, Kilkenny.  
Seamus Dunlop, Walkin Street, Kilkenny.  
Sarah Dobbyn, Lyrath, Dublin Road, Kilkenny.

Sympathies were also extended to Mr. Ian Gardner, Senior Engineer on the passing of his Aunt.

### **3. Ábhar Reachtuíl agus glacadh le Baun-Orduite Nua.** Statutory Matter and adoption of new Standing Orders.

Ms. Anne Maria Walsh advised the Members that the amended Standing Orders and Appendix 1 had been circulated to them earlier. The purpose of which is to allow for remote meetings of Kilkenny County Council, Municipal Districts and its sub-committees in light of the designation of the Local Authority in the Civil Law and Criminal Law Act 2020. Appendix 1 is based on the template provided by the Department and adapted for use in Kilkenny. A 2-page document on the proposed amendments to the Standing Orders was also circulated to Members and included changes to Standing Order no.6. on the holding of meetings, Standing Order no. 13a on declaration of interests, Standing Order no. 15 on the notices of motion and Standing Orders no.59 and 61 on attendance of public and media at meetings.

Ms. Walsh recommended that the Members adopt the changes to the Standing Orders including Appendix 1 which will allow for future meetings to held remotely.

The Members raised queries in relation to the physical location of meetings, works on City Hall and live streaming. Mr. Butler and Ms. Walsh responded to members.

It was	Recommended by:	Cllr. David Fitzgerald
	Seconded by:	Cllr. Andrew McGuinness
	And agreed by all	

*“We, the Municipal District of Kilkenny city, in pursuance of the powers vested in us under Part 6 (Sections 44 to 47 inclusive) and Paragraph 16 of Schedule 10 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and of every and any other power hereunto enabling, hereby make the undermentioned Standing Orders for the regulation of our proceedings and business, other than proceedings the regulation of which is provided for by or under Statute”.*

#### 4. Athbhreithniú ar Fhodhlíthe Trádala

## Review of Casual Trading Bye-Laws.

Mr. Butler reminded Members that they had agreed to review/redraft and put on public display the Casual Trading Bye-Laws which were last adopted in 2013. The draft takes into account changes agreed including area for trading, general trading hours on a Thursday, Saturday/Sunday trading, Mayor's Walk usage, weekend activity and licences.

Ms. Walsh confirmed that the draft will be circulated to Members before it goes on public display. After the period of public display Members can adopt the bye-laws with or without amendments.

The Members raised queries on Busking Bye-Laws, outdoor seating area's, insurance and loss of car parking spaces, and parking facilities for bicycles and motor bikes. Mr. Butler responded to Members. The draft Busking Bye-Laws were deferred pending clarification on enforcement. He confirmed that all local business had been consulted around the provision of outdoor seating and the Council will continue to engage with them.

A recommendation is being sought to allow artist to exhibit on the Mayor's Walk and traders on the Parade to trade on weekends of 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> ,12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> of December.

It was Recommended by: Cllr. Andrew McGuinness  
Seconded by: Cllr. Eugene McGuinness  
And agreed by all

“to allow artist to exhibit on the Mayor’s Walk and traders to trade on the Parade for weekends of 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> of December”.

## 5. Nuashonrú ar Thionscadail Bóithre.

## Update on Road Projects

Mr. Brendan Sheahan, Executive Engineer provided a report for Members detailing road work updates for November. The report included information on pavement works, John Street resurfacing, improvement works, maintenance works and traffic calming. He also provided the Members with details on additional seating provided, Christmas preparation, new bollards for cycle lanes, and detail of the audit being carried out on car roads at back of houses. Members thanked Mr. Sheahan for the detailed report. The Members raised queries in relation to the analysis on the car roads, Callan Road roadworks update and resurfacing of footpath at Castle Gardens. All queries were replied to by Mr. Sheahan and requests for works noted.

## 6. Aon Ghnó Eile

Any Other Business

The Mayor, Councillor John Coonan thanked all in attendance.

**This concluded the business of the meeting.**

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**MAYOR**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_