

CEANTAR BARDASACH CHATHAIR CHILL CHAINNIGH
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF KILKENNY CITY

MIONTUAIRISCÍ AR IMEACHTAÍ AN CHRUINNITHE MHÍOSÚIL A TIONÓLADH
AN 12 Ú EANAIR 2024 AG 2.30PM

*MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING
HELD ON 12th January, 2024 at 2.30*

Mayor, Councillor Joe Malone Presiding.

Present/ I Láthair:-

Councillors/Comhairleoirí: Cllr. Martin Brett, Cllr John Coonan, Cllr. Maria Dollard, Cllr David Fitzgerald, Cllr. Andrew McGuinness and Cllr Eugene McGuinness.

Also Present: Mr. Tim Butler Director of Services, Ms. Anne Maria Walsh Senior Executive Officer, Mr Ian Gardner, Senior Engineer, Mr Brendan Sheahan, Executive Engineer, Ms Breda Maher, Senior Staff Officer and Martina Walsh, Staff Officer.

MAYOR'S SUMMONS OF MEETING:

Notice dated 4th January, 2024 convening a Monthly Meeting for this date was read.

1. A dhaingniú Miontuairiscí Cruinnithe - Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting:

- (i) Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 8th December, 2023 having been previously circulated were tabled for confirmation.

It was:

Proposed By: Cllr Andrew McGuinness

Seconded By: Cllr Martin Brett

And Agreed:

"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 brought forward the following:

- Commended Kilkenny on its top 5 position in the IBAL awards.
- Held a Civic Reception for All Ireland Senior Club Camogie Champions Dicksboro on 8th December, 2023.
- Wished Tullogher Rosbercon, Thomastown & O'Loughlin Gaels GAA Clubs success in the upcoming All Ireland finals.
- Civil Defence Awards night held in County Hall to honour the volunteers.
- Blessing of the Crib Ceremony on 22nd December.
- Blessing of the Christmas Tree at the parade held 24th December.
- Commended all involved in the Fire Works display on 22nd December.

3 Bóithre- Monthly Roads Update

Mr Ian Gardner, Senior Engineer gave a presentation to the Members on Road Works undertaken since the December Meeting as follows:

- Nuncio Road & Bohernatounish Road Zebra Crossings.
- Roll out of E-Bike Stands at Bennettsbridge Road & Leggettsrath.
- Update on provision of Bus Shelters - 9 in total.
- Drainage Works – Dunningstown Road, Francis Terrace & Glendine Heights.
- Foothpath Repairs – Riverside Drive.
- Loreto Park tree Pruning.
- Flooding alleviation - Ballyfoyle Road.

Mr Gardner also advised that the Parking Management amendments would come into effect on Monday 15th January and new signage has been erected at the Parking locations.

The Members thanked Mr Gardner for his presentation.

Issues raised as follows:

- Timeframe on the completion of Bus Shelter at O'Loughlin Road.
- If there is a proposal for Bus Shelter at Hebron Park.
- Incorrect signage on O'Loughlin Road Bridge for height measurement.
- Automatic release for flooding on O'Loughlin Road.
- Surface Water Drainage needed on Glendine Road.
- Anti-Social behaviour at Skatepark.
- Possibility of moving Tractor Runs to outskirts of the City to avoid damage to footpaths/bollards in the City Centre.
- If there is a Tree Planting programme in place.
- Litter problem at Riverside Park .
- Possibility of hedge planting on the Dunningstown Road.
- Completion date for footpath improvements at Archers Crescent.
- Number of fines issued for unauthorised parking in Assessible Parking Bays
- Statistics on use of E-Bikes and a report on the use of the City bus service.
- New parking charges adversely affecting commuter parking.

Mr Gardner addressed all the issues raised.

He advised that reports will follow on the usage of E-Bikes and City Bus Service and the number of fines issued for illegal parking in Assessible Parking bays.

With regard to the matter of the new Parking charges Mr Gardner informed the Members of options for long term parking in both public and privately owned car parks within the City and that a report will issue outlining these options.

4. Fógraí Rúin - Notices of Motion:

1(24) ; Proposed by Cllr John Coonan.

Seconded by Cllr Andrew McGuinness & agreed:

“That the Members of Kilkenny City Municipal District be furnished with an up to date report on the proposed realignment and associated works on the N77 Road from Dunmore to the Kilkenny City ringroad roundabout” .

Cllr Coonan spoke on this motion and Mr Tim Butler advised that a report would be imminent.

2(24) ; Proposed by Cllr John Coonan.

Seconded by Cllr Cllr Martin Brett and agreed:

“ That Kilkenny County Council consider addressing drainage issues at Glendine Woods, Glendine, & Glenbawn, Castlecomer Road, Kilkenny to enable this amenity to be used by the residents and the Community it serves” .

Cllr Coonan spoke on his motion and Mr Gardner advised that the Parks Department would be consulted on this matter.

3(24); Proposed by Cllr Martin Brett

Seconded by Cllr Andrew McGuinness and agreed :

“That Kilkenny Municipal District explore all avenues to extend the pathway on Dunningstown Rd all the way as far as Hillcrest in the interest of safety.”

Cllr Martin Brett spoke on this motion and Mr Butler advised that funding will be requested but may be difficult to obtain.

That concluded the business of the Meeting.

Signed: _____

MAYOR

Date: _____