

Minutes of April Council Meeting held on 18th April, 2016 at 3.00p.m.

Chair: Cllr. F. Doherty

Cllrs: M. Shortall, J. Brennan, P. Millea, P. Fitzpatrick, M. Doyle, M. Doran, M. Noonan, J. Malone, M. McCarthy, A. McGuinness, E. Aylward, T. Breathnach, P. Cleere, P. Dunphy, M. O' Neill, G. Frisby, B. Gardner, D. Kennedy, P. McKee, D. Fitzgerald, S. Tyrrell, P. O' Neill

Officials: C. Byrne, M. Melia, S. Walton, M. Mulholland, M. Prendiville, T. Lauhoff, M. Delahunty, K. Hanley, B. Tyrrell, D. Malone, C. Millea, C. Byron, N. Louw and A. M. Walsh

Apologies: M. H. Cavanagh.

1. Confirmation of Minutes - Dearbhú Miontuairiscí:

(a) Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of Kilkenny County Council held on Monday 21st March, 2016

Proposed by Cllr. M. McCarthy, Seconded by Cllr. G. Frisby and agreed:- "That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Kilkenny County Council held on Monday 21st March, 2016 as circulated with the agenda be and are hereby approved".

(b) Minutes of SPC 2 - Infrastructure Policy, Transportation, Fire and Emergency Services Meeting held on 4th March, 2016

Proposed by Cllr. M. Doyle, Seconded by Cllr. M. McCarthy and resolved: - "That the minutes of SPC 2 Infrastructure Policy, Transportation, Fire and Emergency Services Meeting held on 4th March, 2016 as circulated with the agenda be and are hereby approved".

(c) Minutes of Special Meeting held on 4th April, 2016.

Proposed by Cllr. D. Kennedy, Seconded by Cllr. M. Shortall and resolved: - "That the minutes of Special meeting held on 4th April, 2016 as circulated with the agenda be and are hereby approved".

Cllr. F. Doherty congratulated the following:-

- Adrian McGinley, Water Services on winning bronze medal in the 4x200m relay in the European Masters Indoor Athletic Championship in Italy.
- St. Kieran's College Senior Hurling Team who won their 21st All Ireland Colleges title
- Davie Mullins, Jockey on his great win in the Grand National.

Cllr. Doherty brought members attention to upcoming events as follows:-

- Capital of Culture
- Thomas McDonagh - Weekend - May 2016

- Event Monday and Event Easter Monday.

Cllr. Doherty wished those seeking Election to the Seanad well.

Cllr. F. Doherty extended votes of sympathy to the following:-

- To Patsy Dempsey, Roads Design Section on the death of his mother Catherine Dempsey.
- To Michael Leahy, Water Services on the death of his father Mick Leahy.
- To JJ Donnelly, Castlecomer Municipal District on the death of Pat Donnelly.
- To the family of the late Christy Leahy, Fr. Hayden Road, Kilkenny – Retired staff member
- To the family of the late Jackie Byrne, Larchfield, Kilkenny – Retired staff member.
- To the family of the late Mark Keating, The Granges, Ballyragget – Retired staff member.
- Nora Hogan, Currabehy, Mullinavat, Co. Kilkenny on the death of Liam Hogan
- Frank Cleere, Listerlin, Mullinavat, Co. Kilkenny on the death of Biddy Cleere
- Sean Hannon, Deerpark Mullinavat, Co. Kilkenny on the death of Eileen Lannon
- Margaret Power & Family, Abbey Road, Ferrybank on the death of Tom Power.
- The Fitzgerald Family, Flemingstown, Glenmore, Co. Kilkenny on the death of Joanie Power.
- Triona Hoynes, Rochestown, Glenmore, Co. Kilkenny on the death of Kitty Meaney.
- The Burke Family, Ballinacooley, Mullinavat, Co. Kilkenny on the death of Betty Burke.
- To Paddy Doherty and Siblings, Coolnaleen, Glenmore, Co. Kilkenny on the death of John Doherty
- Theresa & Jimmy Synnott, Kilivory, Glenmore, Co. Kilkenny on the death of Patrick Synnott
- Mary O' Doherty, Kilbride, Glenmore, Co. Kilkenny on the death of Paddy Culleton.
- Betty Walsh, Newtown, Kilmacow, Co. Kilkenny on the death of Paddy Walsh.
- Mick Dwyer, Ballyveria, Glenmore, Co. Kilkenny on the death of Peggy Dwyer
- Margaret Roche & Family, Drumdowney, Slieverue, Co. Kilkenny on the death of Noel Roche.
- Elizabeth Sutton, Rossinan, Mullinavat, Co. Kilkenny on the death of Seamus Sutton
- Willie Long,, Ballyveria, Glenmore, Co. Kilkenny on the death of Mary Long

2. **Business prescribed by Statute, Standing Orders or Resolutions of the Council. -Gnó forordaithe do réir Reachtaíochta, Orduithe Seasta, nó Rúin an Chomhairle.**

(a) **Housing & Other Disposal - Tithíocht & Díuscairt Eile**

- (i) Proposed by Cllr. A. McGuinness, Seconded by Cllr. P. Cleere and agreed:- “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 Property at Main Street, Ballyhale, Co. Kilkenny as identified on the attached map, to Mr. Rory Quann, Main Street, Ballyhale, Co. Kilkenny for a nominal sum of €100 and with Mr. Quann being responsible for all legal fees associated with the transfer”.

- (ii) Queries were raised by Cllr. P. McKee, B. Gardner, M. O' Neill and M. Noonan in relation to disposal of property at No. 1 Butts Green by way of lease. Concerns were raised in relation to parking and traffic management in the area, change of use from residential to community launderette and property better suited for family accommodation. Ms. Melia advised that the property was acquired for community use and the provision of community launderette would be subject to normal planning requirements.

It was proposed by Cllr. P. McKee, Seconded by Cllr. M. Noonan and agreed:- "That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, Kilkenny County Council hereby approves of the disposal of property at No. 1, Butts Green, Kilkenny, as identified on the attached map, by way of Long Term Lease to St. Canice's Community Action Ltd for a term of 99 years at a nominal rent of €1.00 per week with each party to be responsible for their own legal costs". (Notice issued to members on 4th April, 2016)

2(b) Corporate Affairs - Gnóthaí Corparáideacha

(i) Chief Executives Report

Ms. C. Byrne presented her monthly report to the members. She updated the meeting on the following:-

- St. Mary's Museum, official opening September/October 2016
- Increase in number of planning applications received
- Clean up week, work of Keep Kilkenny Beautiful was acknowledged.
- Financial position of Council.

She referred to the road projects and this will be dealt with later under the Roads Programme. A Special Meeting was held recently and most of the housing issues had been dealt with.

Contributions were received from Cllrs. T. Breathnach, P. Cleere, M. O' Neill, P. McKee, M. Shortall, P. Dunphy, M. Noonan, J. Brennan and F. Doherty. Issues raised by members related to the following:-

- N24 Carrick Road Improvement Scheme
- N78 Ballyragget to Ballynaslee Improvement Scheme
- Clarify number of units in HAP and RAS and if these are included in the overall housing need.
- Welcomed the Community E newsletter, good communication, tool for all people.
- Welcomed establishment of Local Disability Committee
- Concerns re issue of traffic fines to business unloading goods

- Welcomed progress on St. Mary's, clarify position of curator and availability of collections in Rothe House and other organisations
- Review – Castlecomer Area Plan- welcomed the opportunity of the Council to work with Leader to have a community led plan.
- Libraries – Concerns re shared services, more use being made of the libraries, development of Kilkenny library service
- Litter Management Plan, illegal dumping, use of CCTV camera, name and shame policy.

Members requested that a report be prepared on the following for the May meeting:-

- Covenant of Mayors – Commitments re sustainable energy action plan
- Proposed changes to the refuse collection

Mr. Walton responded to the queries raised on the roads projects and advised that projects will proceed to planning detail design and will progress in 2017/2018 subject to funding.

He advised that parking bye-laws are implemented in the city area and acknowledged that there are difficulties in some areas for loading/unloading.

He advised that the works will be undertaken on the N77/N78 and Ballyhimmin.

Ms. Melia advised that the units in RAS will be phased out over time. The local authority has a target of provision of HAP units of 416 in 2016. Any person in HAP is considered to have their housing need met but can still go on the transfer list.

The cap on allowances for HAP is expected to be reviewed.

Ms. Byrne advised that a report on the Covenant of Mayors will be available for the next meeting.

A presentation on the Community Information E Newsletter will be given to each Municipal District. The local authority is also availing of "Map Alerter". This will enable groups, communities and individuals to sign up to get alerts on information projects etc on a geographic basis or theme related. A presentation will be made to each Municipal District on "Map Alerter"

(i) Draft Partnership Proposal – Abbey Creative Quarter

Ms. Byrne Chief Executive referred to the following documents circulated for member's information.

- PowerPoint presentation – Abbey Creative Quarter
- Extract from Abbey Creative Quarter Master plan July 2015

- Variation No. 1 to Kilkenny City and Environs Development Plan 2014-2020.

Ms. Byrne commenced the PowerPoint presentation. She outlined in detail the following and presented a number of photos to supplement the information.

- Site purchase – agreed in May 2012
- Total area of site is 14 acres
- Current status of site – demolition ongoing
- Public consultation process – November 2013-July 2015
- Details of Masterplan Layout and vision statement for the site.
- Masterplan approved by Elected Members in July, 2015.
- Variation No. 1 to Kilkenny City and Environs Development Plan 2014-2020 adopted July, 2015
- Summary of key changes to the Masterplan following the consultation.
- Objectives outlined in the Variation No. 1.
- Overview on the current status of the site was given.
- Part 8 for Brewhouse, Riverside Garden/Linear Park/Mayfair,
- Development of low carbon energy strategy.
- Design of the Housing Scheme
- Development of Archaeological Assessment Strategy

Issues raised by members and general public in relation to:-

- vacant office space,
- funding alternatives
- traffic and HGV management
- access to the river
- housing
- economic v community uses
- cultural,
- Impact on the Watergate Theatre
- EIS
- urban design guidelines
- and in committee meeting

Mr. M. Prendiville outlined to the members the following:-

- KCC/NTMA Partnership
- Expression of Interest had been received from the NTMA in February 2015.
- Updates were provided to the Elected Members in March 2015 and May 2015. The Elected Members approved continued discussion with the NTMA to secure a long term source of funding.
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- Funding would come from the ISIF Fund which is managed by the NTMA.
- Investment required for the various elements of the project and the funding sources.
- Site Development- Public realm, urban street, Linear Park, costs and grants approved.
- Other site development – Archaeology surveys, utility services design, Energy Strategy, public realm in the environs of St. Francis Abbey, conservation strategy for the Heritage Structures to be costed.
- Housing Development at the Northern end of the Site
- Overview of the plot locations to be transferred to the Partnership, max 40% of the site may be transferred.
- Responsibilities of the Partnership, Board to be appointed and membership, Partnership structure – General Partners to manage the business.
- Kilkenny County Council will provide staff support if required to Partnership on Procurement, Project Management, finance and IT at cost.
- Responsibility for any remediation works on any environmental matters that may arise.
- Partnership Agreement to be reviewed at the end of 2 years – or agreement can be extended to 3 years, Partnership can be terminated and land will revert back to the Council.

Mr. M. Prendiville completed the presentation to the members with the following summary:-

- Partnership will provide access to a source of longer term funding
- Low/limited risk for Kilkenny County Council
- Allows Kilkenny County Council to retain an interest in the developments.
- Does not tie up Kilkenny County Council resources which are needed for mainstream activities.
- Overall Planning Framework remaining a matter for the Elected Members no change to the Framework/Masterplan as approved on 31st July, 2015.

Ms. C. Byrne recommended to the members that approval be given to the establishment of a Limited Liability Partnership with the NTMA (as controller and manager of the ISIF as outlined in the presentation) under the terms outlined.

Mr. S. Walton advised the meeting that a 3rd party submission has been made to An Bord Pleanála in relation to whether an EIS is required on the Brewhouse

redevelopment. The Chief Executive has given a commitment in report to Council on Part 8 that no development will take place under the Part 8 until Bord Pleanala has made a determination.

Mr. D. Malone advised that as part of the Variation No. 1 to the Kilkenny City and Environs Development Plan 2014-2020, work will be advanced on an archaeology assessment and urban design guidelines.

Ms. C. Byrne clarified that she had requested members to meet in committee on 11th April, 2016 to allow Councillors to get the information and ask questions and same was agreed by the members present. It was never the intention to make any decision in committee.

Ms. Byrne confirmed that no former Chief Executive or County Manager will be involved in the Partnership Board/Executive. There will be representation from Kilkenny County Council and NTMA and an Independent Chairman.

At this stage of the meeting, it was proposed by Cllr. P. Cleere, seconded by Cllr. J. Malone and agreed:- "That Standing Orders be suspended to deal with the remaining items on the agenda".

Cllr. F. Doherty thanked Ms. Byrne, Mr. Prendiville. S. Walton and D. Malone for the detailed presentation.

Contributions were received from Cllrs. P. Millea, P. O' Neill, J. Malone, M. Doran, M. Noonan, M. O' Neill, P. McKee, B. Gardner, P. Fitzpatrick, T. Breathnach, M. Shortall, P. Cleere, M. Doyle, M. McCarthy, D. Kennedy, P. Dunphy, E. Aylward, G. Frisby, A. McGuinness and D. Fitzgerald.

Members thanked the Executive for the detailed presentation and the information/help given by the executive over the last week. Site visit was very informative.

Issues/concerns raised by members were as follows:-

- Financing – massive risk for Council without Partnership, need to protect finances of Council.
- Location of Skate Pak, facilities for Older People dedicated areas for teenagers, water sports
- Welcomed mixed use – work, live, visit and play, regeneration of site.
- Initial letter of offer from ISIF- Refurbish 2 buildings – now plots 1-7
- Social Housing, isolated from site, retain area in the main site.
- Non-inclusion for community arts,
- More commercial uses cultural/heritage
- Energy Strategy, exporter of energy, who will own it
- HGV Management still an issue
- IPC licence, legacy of PCB's, remediation works

- Commitment to providing employment on the site, education opportunities
- Welcome changes following public consultation, opening up St. Francis Abbey, Riverside Walk
- Facilitate open days for public to visit site
- Membership of board
- Development of Public Realm, assist in attracting further investment in arts, tourism, cultural and creative
- Masterplan – was subject to SEA, Projects to be screened AA/EIA
- Archaeology assessment
- Liability of Council on Environmental works, agreement with Diageo outlined
- Could development levies generated from site be ring fenced
- Avail of state funding for development
- Engagement with Watergate Theatre
- Retaining 60% of site in public ownership
- Request that all documents be circulated to members.
- Consultation with communities, Comhairle na nÓg sterilising community gain on site.
- Options to sell, borrow or enter Partnership
- Land revert to Council if no development occurs
- Councillors have no say in plots identified
- Development will take 15/20 years -legacy for future generations, decisions have not been rushed to date.
- Public meeting tonight – defer decision.

It was proposed by Cllr. P. Millea, Seconded by Cllr. P. Fitzpatrick: - “That the members approve establishment of Partnership”.

It was proposed by Cllr. B. Gardner, Seconded by Cllr. D. Kennedy: - “That a decision on the Partnership be deferred for another week”.

Ms. C. Byrne responded to the queries raised and she agreed that there will be public open day when the site is transferred to Kilkenny County Council.

She advised that there is nothing in the agreement to preclude development of residential on site. Development of plots will be on a phased basis.

All new development will be subject to the planning process and development levies will apply. The Council must do Archaeology assessment first and urban design guidelines will be approved by the Council, it will take 10/15 years to develop the entire site. Consideration will be given to temporary uses on the site. Ms. Byrne advised that discussions have been held with the Watergate Theatre.

Mr Prendiville advised that the estimated annual costs for operating the Partnership would be €250,000. A large portion of this budget would be required to market the site properly. A full time manager will also be required.

The Council retained Beechamps Solicitors to advise on the draft Partnership agreement. The documents contain commercially sensitive information. He stated again that the assets/plots will revert back to the Council if there is no development by the end of year 2 or 3.

Mr. Lauhoff advised work has commenced on low carbon energy strategy. There may be capacity to export energy in due course.

Mr. Walton advised that the IPPC Licence has been surrendered.

There is a sum of money agreed with Diageo in the event of any environmental issues arising on the site.

Ms. Byrne advised that the Executive will act in good faith on behalf of the citizens and the Councillors, any concerns will be relayed to members. Plots 1 to 6 need to go into the Partnership if the partnership is to function and have capacity to borrow to carry out development. Members will be required to pass Section 183 Resolution at a future date.

Cllr. F. Doherty thanked the Executive for the responses to the issues raised.

Cllr. Doherty requested members to consider the proposal for a deferral of the decision.

It was proposed by Cllr. B. Gardner, Seconded by Cllr. D. Kennedy: - "That the decision on approving the establishment of Partnership be deferred for 1 week"

5 For:- Cllrs. B. Gardner, D. Kennedy, S. Tyrrell, M. Noonan and M. O' Neill

18 Against:- Cllrs. J. Brennan, P. Fitzpatrick, M. McCarthy, P. Millea, M. Shortall, P. Cleere, M. Doyle, A. McGuinness, P. O' Neill, M. Doran, D. Fitzgerald, J. Malone, P. McKee, E. Aylward, T. Breathnach, F. Doherty, P. Dunphy and G. Frisby.

Therefore the proposal by Cllr. B. Gardner, seconded by Cllr. D. Kennedy was defeated by 18 votes to 5 votes.

It was proposed by Cllr. P. Millea, seconded by Cllr. P. Fitzpatrick: - "That approval is given by the Elected Members to the establishment of a Limited Liability Partnership with the National Treasury Management Agency (as controller and manager of the Ireland Strategic Investment Fund), as per the Limited Liability Partnership Agreement outlined to the Elected Members.

A vote was taken.

5 Against: - Cllrs. B. Gardner, D. Kennedy, S. Tyrrell, M. Noonan and M. O' Neill

18 For:- Cllrs. J. Brennan, P. Fitzpatrick, M. McCarthy, P. Millea, M. Shortall, P. Cleere, M. Doyle, A. McGuinness, P. O' Neill, M. Doran, D. Fitzgerald, J. Malone, P. McKee, E. Aylward, T. Breathnach, F. Doherty, P. Dunphy and G. Frisby.

The proposal was carried by 18 votes to 5 votes.

Cllr. Doran acknowledged the many groups, organisations, Chamber of Commerce, who have contributed to the discussion on the development of the Abbey Creative Quarter.

(ii) Audit Committee Report - Deferred to May Meeting

(iii) Draft Annual Report 2015 - Deferred to May Meeting

(iv) Service Delivery Plan 2016 (Deferred to May Meeting)

2(c) Roads - - Bóithre

(i) Flooding

Mr. Walton referred to report circulated with the agenda. He advised that Kilkenny has been notified of a 1st tranches allocation of €3m (circular letter RW8/2016) A 2nd application will be made for schemes not provided in the 1st tranche allocation to a value of €1,654,000 costs for bridge repairs and other additional works will also be included in the next application.

(ii) Road Works Scheme 2016

Road Works Scheme for 2016 was circulated to members, discussions have been held at Municipal District Meetings and the proposed works included in the document have been agreed.

It was proposed by Cllr. P. Cleere, Seconded by Cllr. G. Frisby and agreed: - "That the Road Works Scheme 2016 be hereby approved".

2(d) Finance

(i) Annual Financial Statement

Mr. M. Prendiville presented the Annual Financial Statement for 2015. He referred the members to the income and expenditure account statement for 2015. At the end of 2015, the Council has a revenue deficit of €18,233. The total revenue expenditure for the year was €68,952,762. He advised that there were some areas where expenditure was higher than budgeted for. Additional grants

were received and there was additional income received particularly from the NPPR. He outlined the details of the area where the additional income from the NPPRP has been allocated to. Details in relation to the capital account and term loan debt was also outlined. Mr. Prendiville advised the members that the council's term loan debt on projects (with the exceptions of housing loans) will be paid off by the end of 2016.

He advised members that he is available if any member wishes to seek clarification on any aspect of the Annual Financial Statement. He recommended approval of the 2015 Accounts.

It was proposed by Cllr. A. McGuinness, Seconded by Cllr. F. Frisby and agreed:-
 "That Kilkenny County Council hereby approves of Excess Expenditure for year ending 31st December, 2015 as follows in accordance with S104(2) Local Government Act 2001":

	Housing & Building	€
A01	Maintenance & Improvement of LA Housing	777,464
A04	Housing Community Development Support	18,954
A05	Administration of Homeless Service	112,011
A06	Support to Housing Capital Programme	69,839
A07	RAS Programme	1,457,557
A09	Housing Grants	263,153
A11	Agency & Recoupable Services	<u>27,842</u>
	Subtotal	2,726,820
	Road Transportation & Safety	
B01	NP Road – Maintenance & Improvement	456,686
B02	NS Road – Maintenance & Improvement	167,573
B04	Local Road – Maintenance & Improvement	3,030,970
B08	Road Safety Promotion & Education	14,073
B10	Support to Roads Capital Programme	2,922
B11	Agency & Recoupable Services	<u>98,250</u>
	Subtotal	3,770,474
	Water Services	
C01	Water Supply	478,780
C03	Collection of Water & Waste Water Charges	52,437
C05	Admin of Group and Private Installations	86,487
C06	Support to Water Capital Programme	9,931
C07	Agency & Recoupable Services	2,866
C08	Local Authority Water and Sanitary Services	<u>21,202</u>
	Subtotal	651,703
	Development Management	
D05	Tourism Development and Promotion	227,814
D06	Community and Enterprise Function	454,097

D07	Unfinished Housing Estates	50,028
D09	Economic Development and Promotion	627,739
D12	Agency & Recoupable Services	<u>6,018</u>
	Subtotal	1,365,696
	Environmental Services	
E03	Waste to Energy Facilities Operations	21
E04	Provision of Waste to Collection Services	171,138
E09	Maintenance of Burial Grounds	35,409
E10	Safety of Structures and Places	17,512
E11	Operation of Fire Service	<u>165,123</u>
	Subtotal	389,203
	Recreation and Amenity	
F01	Leisure Facilities Operations	95,594
F03	Outdoor Leisure Areas Operations	210,466
F04	Community Sport and Recreational Development	8,005
F05	Operation of Arts Programme	17,919
F06	Agency & Recoupable Services	<u>44</u>
	Subtotal	332,028
	Miscellaneous Services	
H01	Profit & Loss Machinery Account	43,571
H05	Operation of Morgue and Coroner Expenses	17,917
H06	Weighbridges	10
H07	Operation of Markets and Casual Trading	494
H09	Local Representation & Civic Leadership	40,485
H11	Agency & Recoupable Services	<u>938,412</u>
	Subtotal	1,040,889
	TOTAL	10,276,813

It was proposed by Cllr. A. McGuinness, Seconded by Cllr. G. Frisby and agreed:- "That we the members of Kilkenny County Council hereby adopt the Annual Financial Statement for year ending 31st December, 2015".

(iii) Development Contribution Scheme

Ms. C. Byrne advised members that subject to members approval, a draft Development Contribution Scheme will be published to include for a development contribution for all types of renewable energy development. The current scheme only includes a contribution for wind farm development. It is

proposed to increase the rate of charge to €10,000 per MW. The current charge is €5,000 per MW.

It was proposed by Cllr. P. McKee, seconded by Cllr. G. Frisby and agreed:- “We the members of Kilkenny County Council approve Kilkenny County Council’s Draft Development Contribution Scheme prepared in accordance with Section 48 as amended of the Planning and Development Acts, 2000-2015”.

3. **Urgent Correspondence - Comhfhreagras Práinneach**

None.

4. **Business adjourned from a previous Meeting - Gnó ar athló ó chruinniú roimhe seo**

None

5. **Fix Dates and Times of Meetings - Dátaí agus Amanta do chruinnithe a shocrú:**

- (i) Schedule of meetings from April - June 2016 - Proposed by Cllr. G. Frisby, Seconded by Cllr. P. Fitzpatrick and agreed.

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

- (i) Chairmans Report Housing SPC 21st January, 2016 – Proposed by Cllr. M. O’ Neill, Seconded by Cllr. M. McCarthy and agreed. Report noted as read.
- (ii) Report of SPC 2 – Infrastructure Policy, Transportation, Fire and Emergency Services Meeting held on 4th March, 2016. Proposed by Cllr. M. Doran, Seconded by Cllr. E. Aylward, agreed. Report noted as read.

7. **Other Business set forth in the Notice convening the Meeting – Gnó Eile romhainn i bhFógra reachtála an Chruinnithe**

Cllr. P. Dunphy and M. O' Neill raised concerns re ongoing disruption to the Water supply in Carrigeen, Mooncoin. There is a need to get emergency repair to the fault on non-stop water leaks. Members should be notified of these disruptions.

Ms. Mulholland advised that there has been a number of disruptions due to breaks in the service network. Staff are diligent in responding to the breaks. Notifications are issued to the members as early as possible. Members asked Irish Water could attend the next meeting to discuss these issues.

Cllr. P. O' Neill requested the Chief Executive to consider purchasing items from the Bennettsbridge Museum which would be relevant to local history in order to preserve Kilkenny heritage. The items are going up for public auction shortly.

Items. No. 8 to 12 have been deferred to the May Meeting.

The meeting then concluded.

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