

CEANTAR BARDASACH CHATHAIR CHILL CHAINNIGH
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF KILKENNY CITY

MIONTUAIRISCÍ NA gCRUINNITHE DE CHEANTAR BARDASACH CHATHAIR CHILL CHAINNIGH A THIONÓLADH AR AN 14 MEAN FÓMHAIR, 2018. MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON, 14TH SEPTEMBER 2018.

Mayor, Councillor, Peter Cleere, Presiding.

Present/ I Láthair:-

Councillors/Comhairleoirí: Cllr. Andrew McGuinness, Cllr. Matt Doran, Cllr. Joe Malone, Cllr. Malcolm Noonan, Cllr. David Kennedy, Cllr. Seán Tyrrell, Cllr. Patrick McKee, Cllr. David Fitzgerald, Cllr. Patrick O'Neill, Cllr. Michael Doyle.

Apologies:

Also Present:

Mr. Tim Butler, Director of Services, Ms. Anne Maria Walsh, Senior Executive Officer, Mr. Nicolaas Louw, Senior Executive Planner, Ms. Emir Slattery, Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Declan Murphy, Executive Engineer, Ms. Amy Granville Assistant Planner and Ms. Teresa Mahon, A/Staff Officer.

Mayor's Summons of Meeting:

Notice dated 7th September, 2018, 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 13th July 2018, having been previously circulated was tabled for confirmation. It was:

Proposed by: Cllr. Andrew McGuinness
Seconded by: Cllr. Matt Doran
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 acknowledged the following recent achievements and all those involved in the following Projects/Events which he attended/will attend:

- Unveiling of the World War 1 Commemoration Memorial.

- Defence Forces Open Day and passing out parade in James Stephens Barracks.
- Entente Floral Reception in Mt. Juliet.
- Relay for Life - annual cancer awareness event.
- Fairytale Festival in Woodstock Inistioge.
- Watergate Theatre Visualisation launch and Autumn/Winter programme launch.
- Inistioge Vintage Rally.
- Graiguenamanagh Regatta, Walking Festival, Music Festival and Town of Books.
- Visit to Drakelands Nursing Home with previous Mayor Michael Doyle.
- Opening of Kilkenny Arts Festival in Butler House Gardens.
- AKA Fringe Festival music session in City Hall (Hedge Schools).
- Bahai festival closing in Kilkenny College.
- Welcomed the Hungarian Ambassador and his wife to Kilkenny as part of Arts Festival.
- Broadsheet Issue18 - poetry with the Arts Office in the Parade Tower.
- Welcome delegation from Newfoundland to Kilkenny in Rothe House.
- BOI National Enterprise Awards judging in Graiguenamanagh.
- Ordination of Rev. David MacDonnell in St. Canice's Cathedral.
- Launch of Bookville in the Arts Office.
- Presentation of Kennedy Cup soccer medals in Langtons to U14 & U16 Boys and U14 Girls.
- Launch of Lifelink programme in Butler House.
- Presentation of the Ras Na MBan cycling awards outside Kilkenny Castle.
- Camogie Homecoming
- Launch of show 'A Clockwork Orange' by KATS Theatre Group in Sullivan's on John St.
- Congratulations to all involved in Kilkenny winning the No. 1 Foodie Destination in Ireland, including the Local Authority Staff and Councillors.

The Mayor thanked the Kilkenny Minors and Kilkenny Senior Camogie Team for their valiant displays in the all Ireland Finals and wished them success for next year.

It was: Proposed by: Cllr. Joe Malone
 Seconded by: Cllr. Andrew McGuinness
 and agreed:

- 1) CCTV to be installed around the War Memorial.
- 2) Road Signage to indicate/advertise the location of the War Memorial.

Mr. Tim Butler confirmed that the Council was in discussions with the Gardai over the provision of CCTV around the City and the War Memorial was one of the areas been looked at. He also confirmed that suitable signage will be considered.

Cllr, David Kennedy spoke about the great success of the Tea Rooms in Ballyhale and suggested that similar projects should be rolled out in other rural villages.

The Mayor requested the Members to meet in Committee after this meeting is completed to discuss a housing project:

It was: Proposed by: Cllr. Andrew McGuinness
 Seconded by: Cllr. David Kennedy
 " and agreed to meet in Committee at 4.30pm"

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

Denis Molloy, Airfield Road, Holdensrath, Kilkenny
Frank Hayden, Cedarwood Avenue, Kilkenny
Thomas McPhillips, Parkview, Freshford Rd., Kilkenny
Rebecca Cantwell, 6 Westfield, Outrath Rd., Kilkenny
James O'Neill, New Road, Kilkenny

**3. Nuashonrú ar athbhreithniú ar Phlean Ceantair Áitiúil Callan
Update on review of Callan Local Area Plan.**

Mr. Nicolaas Louw, Senior Executive Planner, gave a progress update on both Callan and Thomastown Local Area Plans and the context of the plan within the Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy Roadmap under the National Planning Framework. The aim is to have the plans adopted by April 2019.

Ms. Aislinn O'Brien from SLR Consulting provided a more detailed briefing on the Callan LAP. She:

- i) Reviewed Progress and Timelines for the Plan
- ii) Provided the key considerations for preparing the Draft Plan
- iii) Described the emerging development strategy

The Members thanked Aislinn for her presentation and raised the following queries/observations:

- Status of lands where previous planning permission has expired.
- Status of zoning of lands.
- Premises that should be return to full occupancy in Callan Town Centre.
- Need to focus on Bridge Street.
- Serviced sites in around the Town Centre for private housing.
- Opportunity for developing Tourism in the Town.
- Public owned land in the Town and the development of this land.
- Role of the recently announced National Development Agency.
- Delivery of housing in Callan.
- Vacant buildings in the Town.

Ms. Aislinn O'Brien, Mr. Dennis Malone, Mr Nicolaas Louw and Mr. Tim Butler addressed all the queries. Mr. Dennis Malone explained to the Members that the Local Area Plan would be bought back to members before the plan is published.

**4. Nuashonrú ar athbhreithniú ar Phlean Ceantair Áitiúil Thomastown
Update on Review of Thomastown Local Area Plan**

Ms Amy Granville provided an update on Thomastown Local Area Plan including:

- i) The progress to date
- ii) The overview of LAP process
- iii) Pre draft public consultation process
- iv) Issues arising from the public consultation process
- v) The core strategy of the plan
- vi) What is happening next

The Members thanked Amy for her presentation and raised the following queries/observation:

- The old SuperValu site
- Housing for the elderly
- Transport and Mobility and links to Kilkenny
- Provision of a new library
- Accommodation over retail units
- Building on Thomastown Arts Festival
- Plan to clear footpaths for people with mobility problems
- Pedestrian crossing
- Links to be created with Mount Juliet to encourage tourism.

Ms. Amy Granville, Mr Nicolaas Louw and Mr. Tim Butler addressed all the queries.

**5. Phlean bainistíochta HGV
HGV Management Plan**

Mayor proposed that a Workshop in Committee be organised to discuss numerous issues including HGV Management Plan, car parking charges, bicycle parking, Arts Festival feedback and any other road concerns and that this item be adjourned until after the Workshop.

It was Proposed by: Cllr. Patrick McKee
 Seconded by: Cllr. Matt Doran
 And Resolved

“ that workshop to be arranged before the October monthly meeting”

Cllr. Noonan questioned the need for the workshop as he understood that the HGV management plan had been already agreed. Mr. Tim Butler confirmed that the workshop would give members an opportunity to consider different options and discuss issues.

**6. Bóithre
Roads**

- a) Mr. Tim Butler confirmed that the 1st stage of the LIS had been completed and claimed. Now seeking approval for 2nd stage.
- b) Mr. Tim Butler gave an update regarding Irish Water (IW) works on Patrick Street.
 - Works to recommence on 1st October.
 - IW will consult with the businesses on the street regarding individual connections.
 - Road will not be closed and works will be managed by Traffic Management (Stop/Go system).
 - Curbing of the footpath will take place in November followed by full resurfacing of the Road.

- c) Ms Emir Slattery gave a presentation on the proposed footpath link at Friarshill Housing development in Thomastown.

It was: Proposed by: Mayor Peter Cleere
Seconded by: Cllr. David Kennedy
And Resolved

“ that the proposed footpath at Friarshill housing development would proceed as outlined in the presentation”.

- d) Mr. Declan Murphy gave a presentation on Greensbridge Street footway improvement works.

- e) General road queries raised by members in relation to :

- Cross Roads in the centre of Callan
- Issues/concerns over Callan By Pass and the slip roads
- Footpath at top of Patrick Street opposite Butler House
- Cycling parking on Patrick Street
- Lights in the car park in Inistioge
- Low cost safety scheme in The Rower
- Sign on Nicholas Mullins Bridge in Thomastown
- Rock Road in Inistioge – plans for further surfacing
- Car Road – Dean Cavanagh Place – trees blocking gates
- Lane clean up in Kilkenny
- Funding for clean up & repairs after Storm Emma

Mr. Tim Butler and Ms Emir Slattery responded to all queries. Information around the application for funding for works to be carried out in Callan and the works been carried out at the Junctions off the bypass was provided. It was also stressed that the cleanup of the Lane ways in Kilkenny would only be carried out once and was not an excuse for people to dump their rubbish. The Department has still not responded to the application for funding for repairs to roads after Storm Emma.

7. Notice of Motion in the name of Cllr. David Fitzgerald received 13th July, 2018:

It was: Proposed by: Cllr. David Fitzgerald
Seconded by: Cllr. Michael Doyle

“That Kilkenny MDC prepare draft by-laws for public consultation to provide for adoption to ensure that all horse drawn vehicles are required to have a valid annually renewable vehicle road safety certificate to ensure that all horse drawn carriages including sulkies have brakes, lights, reflective strips, safety belts, licence plates for identification purposes and to provide for a horse fitness certificate to be issued by a suitably qualified veterinary surgeon for the horse pulling the vehicle, carriage or sulkie”.

Cllr. Fitzgerald provided background into reasons for bringing this notice of motion. However many of the other members felt that the majority of this motion had been

previously address in another motion that had been already passed by members. A full discussion took place.

Mayor Peter Cleere advised that he was taking a vote on it.

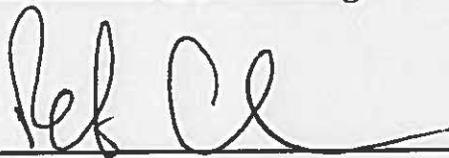
In Favour [2] Cllrs. David Fitzgerald & Michael Doyle

Against [7] Cllrs. Peter Cleere, David Kennedy, Andrew McGuinness, Matt Doran, Joe Malone, Patrick McKee, Malcolm Noonan.

The Notice of Motion therefore was not carried.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed:


MAYOR

Date:

12th October 2018