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Kilkenny County Council

County Hall John Street Kilkenny



Creating Sustainable Communities and Places

Date:

9th of June 2021

TO:

AN CATHAOIRLEACH

& EACH MEMBER OF KILKENNY COUNTY COUNCIL

RE:

Proposed Columbarium Wall Garden at St. Kieran's Cemetery

Kilkenny

A Chara,

I attach a copy of a report on the proposed Columbarium Wall Garden for St. Kieran's Cemetery, Kilkenny City.

The is provided by way of mention as I expect that the project will come before the members at a subsequent Plenary meeting in Q4 2021 in accordance with the statutory Part 8 Planning process. The report includes indicative timelines for the Part 8 process along with a location and plan layout drawing for the Columbarium Wall garden.

Mise le meas,

Sean McKeown

Director of Services

Proposed Columbarium Wall Garden St. Kieran's Cemetery Kilkenny County Council Plenary Meeting June 2021

Following a presentation to the Kilkenny Municipal District Meeting in March 2020 and the positive feedback received therein, it is proposed to proceed with planning for the provision of a Columbarium Wall Garden at St. Kieran's Cemetery via the Part 8 Planning process.

A Columbarium wall is a structure used for the respectful inurnment of human remains. It houses a collection of niches designed to receive a receptacle containing the cremated remains or ashes of family members. Each niche has an individual front section incorporating a memorial plaque. The cremated remains are placed behind the plaque in a receptacle or urn designed specifically for that purpose. The memorial plaque is engraved with an inscription. Each niche can typically accommodate two cremated remains.



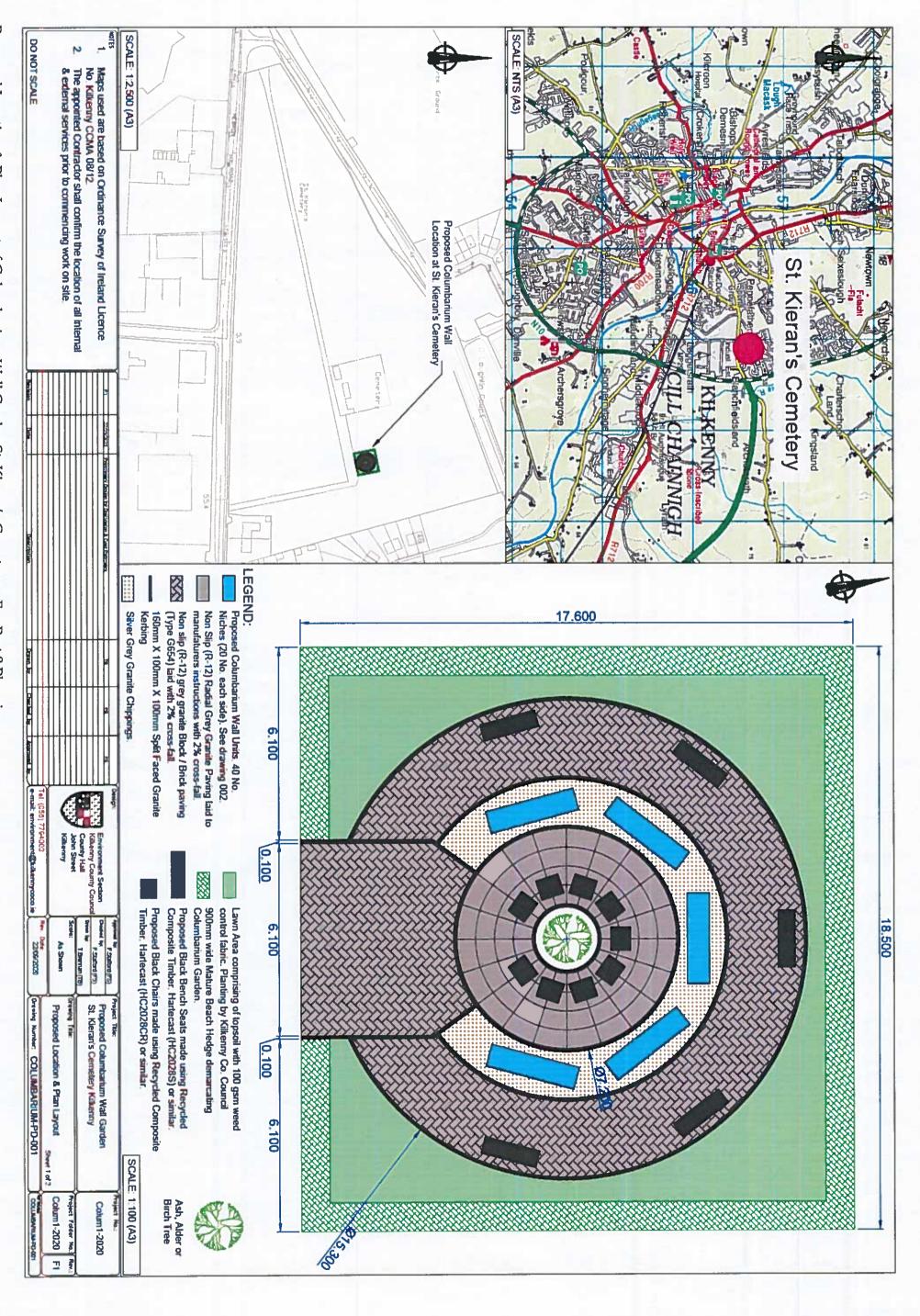
Example: Recently Opened Columbarium Wall Garden Killarney (December 2020)

The provision of a Columbarium Wall Garden would provide an alternative option to traditional burials and inurnment of ashes in grave plots, to meet the changing attitudes towards cremation and to meet the needs of families within our diverse population who have made the choice to cremate there loved ones. The proposal would also help to extend the life span of the existing cemetery for use by future generations.

The following provides an indicative timeline for the project up to years end:

- Conclude Pre-Planning & Screening Process June 2021
- Part 8 Formal Application & Publication Stage July November 2021 (20 Weeks)
- Progression of project to Tender December in 2021 will be subject to Council Decision on the Part 8 Planning & confirmation of funding into 2022.

The drawing on the next page shows the proposed location and plan layout for the garden to be progressed via the Part 8 Planning Process.



Proposed Location & Plan Layout of Columbarium Wall Garden St. Kieran's Cemetery - For Part 8 Planning