

CEANTAR BARDASACH CHATHAIR CHILL CHAINNIGH
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF KILKENNY CITY

**MIONTUAIRISCÍ NA gCRUINNITHE DE CHEANTAR BARDASACH CHATHAIR
CHILL CHAINNIGH A THIONÓLADH AR AN 13 DEIREADH FOMHAIR, 2017**
**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON, 13TH
OCTOBER, 2017**

Mayor, Councillor Michael Doyle, Presiding.

Present/ I Láthair:-

Councillors/Comhairleoirí: Peter ‘Chap’ Cleere, Andrew McGuinness, Matt Doran, David Fitzgerald, Breda Gardner, Joe Malone, Malcolm Noonan, David Kennedy.

Apologies/Leath Scéal: Peter ‘Chap’ Cleere, Patrick O’Neill, Sean Tyrrell, Patrick McKee.

Also Present: Ms. Anne Maria Walsh, Senior Executive Officer, Mr. Seamus Kavanagh, A/Senior Engineer, Mr. Shane Aylward, A/Senior Executive Engineer, Ms. Emir Slattery, Senior Executive Engineer and Ms. Catherine Cooney, Staff Officer.

Apologies/Leath Scéal: Mr Tim Butler

Mayor’s Summons of Meeting:

Notice dated 9th October, 2017, 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 22nd September, 2017 having been previously circulated was tabled for confirmation. It was:

Proposed by: Cllr. David Fitzgerald,

Seconded by: Cllr. David Kennedy

And Resolved

“That the minutes as presented to this 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:

- Reception for ARÍS Celebration Choir.
- 25th Anniversary of Signing of UN Convention of Childrens Rights.
- Launch of “Be Well” booklet for young people and their families by Comhairle na nÓg.
- Launch of Lions Club Christmas Hamper Appeal.
- Stella O’Connor from Inistioge who for the bridge in Inistioge to be lit up in aid of childhood cancer and raised €3,200.
- Event in Good Shepherd Centre to mark world homeless day.
- Autumn Tale Event in Woodstock Gardens.
- Launch of World Mental Health Week.
- Congratulations to all Tidy Towns Groups in Kilkenny on their fantastic results in the Tidy Towns Competition.

Following a discussion on Tidy Towns Groups in Kilkenny, it was agreed to request a representative from the Environment Department to attend the next Municipal District Meeting for a review of Tidy Towns in the Municipal District.

3. Cur i láthair ag SIRO SIRO Presentation.

Representatives from SIRO gave a presentation on SIRO’s 100% fibre broadband which is a joint venture between ESB and Vodafone and is being rolled out in major urban centres including Kilkenny City resulting in an investment of €450m in broadband services.

Following the presentation, Members expressed their appreciation on the update and raised concerns/queries in relation to:

- Provision of broadband in rural areas.
- Reinstatement of footpaths/roads following the laying of new ducting, if required.
- Look at small market towns such as Thomastown.
- Future phases of project.

Members requested that a copy of the presentation be circulated following the meeting.

4. Cur i láthair ar Céadfhreagróirí Pobail i gCathair Chill Chainnigh. Presentation on Community First Responders in Kilkenny City.

A representative from Community First Responders Ireland and the National Ambulance Service gave a presentation to the meeting on the role of the Community First Responders, the connection with the National Ambulance Service and survival rates.

Members expressed their thanks for the presentation and made the following contributions in relation to same:

- Lifetime of AED units.
- Connection with Community Groups.
- Location of AED units.
- Provision of training.

Members suggested the location of AED units in public realm areas in the City and agreed to discuss suitable locations with Mr. Seamus Kavanagh, A/Senior Engineer.

5. Bóithre Roads

All Members welcomed Ms. Emir Slattery to the position as Area Engineer, acknowledged the commitment of Mr. Shane Aylward while in the role of Senior Executive Engineer in the Thomastown/Callan area and wished him well in his future career.

Members also expressed their appreciation to Mr. Seamus Kavanagh for his dedication to the role of Senior Engineer for Kilkenny City and Environs over the last couple of years and wished him well in his future career.

Queries were raised by Cllr. Matt Doran, Cllr. David Kennedy, Cllr. Andrew McGuinness, Cllr. Breda Gardner and Cllr. David Fitzgerald in relation to the following issues:

- Footpath from Ennisnag to Stoneyford.
- Dangerous junction in Callan and safety on Callan Bye Pass.
- Signage and lighting at Callan Road Works.
- Driver Feedback Signs for National School in Ballyhale and low cost safety measures to be put in place in 2018.
- Improvements to Ballyfoyle Road, Radestown Lane and Ballyda Lane.
- Footpaths at Ossory Park, Kilkenny.
- Timeline for the completion of works on Callan Road.
- Resurfacing/repairs on old Brownstown Road from the Golf Links Road.
- Provision of lighting and signage at Sevenhouses.

Mr. Shane Aylward and Mr. Seamus Kavanagh responded to all queries raised.

6. Fógra Foriarratais in ainm an Comh. Andrew McGuinness, dar dáta 31 Lúnasa, 2017. **Notice of Motion in the name of Cllr. Andrew McGuinness received 31st August, 2017:**

It was:

Proposed by: Cllr. Andrew McGuinness

Seconded by: Cllr. David Fitzgerald

And agreed

“That Kilkenny County Council introduce bye laws to create enforceable parking restrictions at Archersfield, Kilkenny, to resolve the problem of continuous indiscriminate parking endured by the residents who are regularly blocked into their own drive ways and worried about access in the event of an emergency. That minor physical

measures (suggestions provided by residents) be taken in conjunction with existing parking spaces to help prevent indiscriminate parking and that relevant signage be provided.”

Mr. Seamus Kavanagh advised that the Council are currently reviewing the Bye Laws and this area will be included in the revised Bye Laws and it is proposed to bring the revised Bye Laws before the Members at the December meeting for consideration.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed:

MAYOR

Date:
