

Áras Chill Dara
Páirc Devoy
An Nás
Co. Kildare
11 April 2016

To the Cathaoirleach and each Member of the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District

Dear Cathaoirleach and Members,

The next meeting of the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, 20 April 2016, in the council chamber, Áras Chill Dara, Naas and you are invited to attend.

Yours sincerely,

M McIvor
Meetings Administrator

Agenda (10:00 a.m.)

1. To approve minutes of monthly meeting 16 March 2016 and to note progress report.

Housing (10:20 a.m.)

Questions

2. Councillor Doyle

Can we have a monthly housing report presented at the municipal district meeting, giving details of current status of all housing stock in the municipal district, under headings of Rental Accommodation Scheme (RAS), lease, council stock, new purchase, new build & voids, with average unit cost for both purchase and properties scheduled for build by the council?

3. Councillor Stafford

Does the council maintain a record of the number of applications for social housing support where a mortgage has been deemed unsustainable pursuant to a Mortgage Arrears Process (MARF) and if so how many such applications have been made in the past two years in the Kildare - Newbridge municipal district?

Roads, Transportation and Public Safety (10:25 a.m.)

Motions

4. Councillor Doyle

That a monthly status report be given to the Municipal District meeting on progress with closure of walkway through Moore Avenue.

5. Councillor Aspell

That the council re-mark all yellow boxes which were previously in the Newbridge Area that may have faded or been removed due to roadworks.

6. Councillor Pender

That Kildare County Council draw up a design to incorporate a new footpath, bus shelter and pedestrian crossing as a combined project at the main road from Brownstown to The Curragh and seek funding from the allocations from the National Transport Authority (NTA) to Kildare County Council for 2017.

7. Councillor McLoughlin Healy

That the Council give a breakdown of the (i) type (ii) number and (iii) location of new lights and signage erected in the last 2 years in the Kildare - Newbridge Municipal district.

8. Councillor Stafford

That the L3001 at Rathangan be included in the next countywide review of speed limits with a view to reducing the speed limit to 60kph between Woodlands and Ballydermot

9. Councillor Stafford

That an appropriate warning sign be erected at Feighcullen Cross, Rathangan advising of the narrow bridge at Glenaree.

Questions

10. Councillor Pender

Can we please have a update on road markings at Round Towers / Dunmurray Road as agreed by motion no 15 in September 2015?

11. Councillor Pender

Can the Council make provisions to improve the public lighting in Fire House Lane and Heffernans Lane in Kildare Town?

12. Councillor Lynch

Can this council seek solutions to the dangerous mini roundabout at The Meadows, Newbridge where traffic is speeding through the mini roundabout and advises members if this road connection between the Milltown Road and Morrinstown Road is public or private?

13. Councillor McLoughlin Healy

Can we get an update on the survey of estates in the district with respect to traffic calming/signage (following Jack's Law) that was reportedly carried out by the Council ?

14. Councillor Stafford

Can the municipal district office investigate surface water drainage issues at Sheane, (Bracknagh Road), Rathangan. There may be a drain blocked on the Kildare/Offaly border at this location?

Water Services and Environment (10:45 a.m.)

15. To consider the Residents Association grants for the Private Estates in the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District (report attached).

Question

16. Councillor Doyle

Can the waste area in St. Conleth's Cemetery, Kildare be made less unsightly through regular cleaning, use of bins to separate waste and screening?

Planning, Community and Culture (10:50 a.m.)

17. To consider the Arts grants for the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District (report attached).
18. To consider the Residents Association grants for the Local Authority Estates in the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District (report attached).

Motions

19. Councillor Doyle

That the Council re-appoint a staff member to the board of Bishopsland Childcare Facility in keeping with policy LEO 4 of the draft County Development plan, and in so doing help to secure the future of this important Integrated Service Programme initiative.

20. Councillor McLoughlin Healy

That the Council provide a list of all the organisations that registered for the PPN in the Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District.

21. Councillor Lynch

That this council makes plans and puts them in place for a landscaped public amenity site at Athgarvan running from the bridge along the river Liffey, to the edge of Athgarvan Heights toward the sewage connector. It should be noted that as a considerably large village Athgarvan currently has no public amenity site and this should be seen as a priority within the municipal district.

22. Councillor Lynch

That this council immediately writes to the relevant agency and government department to request that Newbridge is upgraded from a hinterland metropolitan area or economic cluster to a primary economic growth town for correct addition into the upcoming County Development Plan 2017 - 2023 and that a response is required as a priority to the same as there are tight deadlines for the publishing of the plan.

Economic Development, Enterprise and Corporate Services (10:55 a.m.)

Questions

23. Councillor McLoughlin Healy

Can we get an update from the Council about the status of the Old Court House site in Newbridge, including any plans for the site that would allow the insurance money be drawn down? The insurance money payable, as a result of the old Court House burning down, is yet to be drawn down, was brought to our attention as one of the reasons why the site could not be used for the location of a Skatepark.

24. Councillor Lynch

Why do Councillors have to keep chasing over and over again agreed actions to be carried out by the council such as receiving a response on the Curragh proposed National Heritage Area, the National Transport Authority bike scheme or the Coill Dubh Village upgrade plans promised months ago?