

**CEANTAR BARDASACH CHATHAIR CHILL CHAINNIGH**  
**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF KILKENNY CITY**

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 19<sup>th</sup>  
FEBRUARY, 2016 AT 2.30 P.M.**

**Mayor, Councillor Joe Malone, Presiding.**

**Present:-**

**Councillors:** Matt Doran, Michael Doyle, Kathleen Funchion, David Kennedy, Malcolm Noonan, Patrick O'Neill, Breda Gardner.

Apologies: Peter Cleere, Andrew McGuinness, David Fitzgerald, Patrick McKee.

**Also Present:** Mr. Simon Walton, A/Director of Services, Mr. Seamus Kavanagh, A/Senior Engineer, Mr. Seamus Foley, A/Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Brian Tyrrell, Senior Executive Officer, Ms. Catherine Cooney, Staff Officer.

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**Mayor's Summons of Meeting:**

Notice dated 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2016, convening a Monthly Meeting for this date was read.

**1. Confirmation of Minutes of Meetings:**

Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 having been previously circulated was tabled for confirmation. It was:

Proposed by: Cllr. Malcolm Noonan  
Seconded by: Cllr. Matt Doran  
And Resolved

“That the minutes as presented to this meeting be and are hereby adopted.”

**2. Matters brought forward by direction of the Mayor.**

- (i) The Mayor congratulated all those involved in the success of the following recent events and upcoming events:
- Blue Light Ball – Hotel Kilkenny.
  - Opening of Teach Tom Suicide Awareness Drop-in Centre in Kilkenny.

- Best wishes to the organisers of the upcoming Kilkenny Tradfest and St. Patrick's Day Parade.
- Bennettsbridge GAA Club on their success in the Intermediate All Ireland Club Final.

### Votes of Sympathy

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

Paddy Manning, Upper Kilmurry, Thomastown, Kilkenny.  
Bob Cantwell, father-in-law of Cllr. Malcolm Noonan.

The resolution was then put to the meeting and respectfully passed in silence, all present standing.

### **3. Presentation by Marian Flannery, St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee, Kilkenny.**

Marian Flannery, Event Organiser of the Kilkenny City St. Patrick's Day Parade gave a presentation to the Members explaining the background to the festivities that will take place in 2016, the committee structure currently in place, the importance of the Parade from a tourism perspective, details of the numbers attending the Parade in recent years and the funding of the Parade.

Mr. Michael Young, Event Controller, outlined the requirements in relation to the physical organising of the event.

Members thanked Ms. Flannery and Mr. Young for their presentations and agreed that funding for the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Kilkenny City should come from the Council's central funds and the event should become a Civic Event.

Following a discussion it was agreed that the Members of the Municipal District of Kilkenny City would call on the Corporate Policy Group to discuss the matter of funding for the Parade at the next available CPG Meeting with a view to bringing a recommendation before the full Council.

### **4. Twinning Agreement with Formigine, Italy.**

Cllr. Malcolm Noonan explained the background to the twinning request from Formigine, Italy.

Members discussed the possibility of allocating funding from the General Municipal Allocation and requested information on the benefits of having a twinning arrangement in place.

**5. Roads Works Scheme 2016.**

Mr. Seamus Kavanagh advised the Members that a scheme would be drawn up and organised to meet with the Members of both Electoral Areas in the coming weeks with a view to having a Schedule of Municipal Works available for adoption at the March Monthly Meeting of the Municipal District.

**6. Land Use Proposal for Fairgreen, Callan.**

Mr. Simon Walton circulated a map of the proposals for the development of Fairgreen area in Callan, following consultation and discussions with John Lockes GAA Club and Callan Soccer Club.

Members queried the provision of public lighting, the illustration of same on the map and the provision of funding to get plan up and running. Mr. Simon Walton advised that he will come back to the Members will recommendation for funding from the Remedial Works budget and there may be a possibility of funding from the recently announced Urban and Village Renewal Scheme announced by Minister Ann Phelan.

**7. School Safety Audit and Assessment of Traffic Calming Measures adjacent to Schools.**

It was agreed to defer this item to a future meeting.

**8. Consultant's Report on in-river works in Callan.**

Mr. Seamus Foley advised the Members that the Consultants assigned to assess the in-river works are of the opinion that the works are not significant and the matter has now been referred to the Central Applications Unit of the Department of Environment, Community and Local Government for their comments.

**9. Notice of Motion in the name of Cllr. Peter 'Chap' Cleere received 5<sup>th</sup> January, 2016.**

Due to the absence of Cllr. Cleere, it was agreed to defer this item to the March Meeting.

**10. Notice of Motion in the name of Cllr. Michael Doyle received 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2016.**

Proposed by: Cllr. Michael Doyle  
Seconded by: Cllr. David Kennedy  
And Resolved

“That this Municipal Council would re-establish the Woodstock Development Committee and allow this committee to recommend and develop plans which will enhance Woodstock for the people of Kilkenny and its visitors.”

**11. Notice of Motion in the name of Cllr. Peter ‘Chap’ Cleere received 7<sup>th</sup> January, 2016.**

Due to the absence of Cllr. Cleere, it was agreed to defer this item to the March Meeting.

**This concluded the business of the meeting.**

**Signed:**

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**MAYOR**

**Date:**

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