KILKENNY COUNTY COUNCIL - COMHAIRLE CHONTAE CHILL CHAINNIGH Agenda for the Ordinary Meeting of Kilkenny County Council to be held on Monday 18th of April 2011 at 2.30 p.m. in Council Chamber, County Hall, John Street, Kilkenny.

Clár do Ghnáth-Chruinniú Chomhairle Chontae Chill Chainnigh le reachtáil ar an Luan 18th Aibrean ar a 2.30 i.n. i Seomra na Comhairle, Halla an Chontae, Sráid Eoin, Cill Chainnigh.

1. Confirmation of Minutes - Dearbhú Miontuairiscí:

- (a) Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of Kilkenny County Council held on Monday 21st of March 2011 (copy of minutes attached)
- **(b)** Minutes of Forward Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 25th November, 2010 (copy of minutes attached)
- (c) Minutes of Kilkenny Electoral Area Meeting held on 1st March, 2011 (copy of minutes attached)
- (d) Minutes of Thomastown Electoral Area Meeting held on 8th March, 2011 (copy of minutes attached)
- **(e)** Minutes of SPC 5 Meeting Arts, Culture, Heritage, Tourism and Education Meeting held on 16th March, 2011 (copy of minutes attached)
- (f) Minutes of Strategic Policy Committee No. 2 Infrastructure, Transportation, Water Services & Other Policy Issues Meeting held on 25th March, 2011. (copy of minutes attached)
- 2. <u>Business prescribed by Statute, Standing Orders or Resolutions of the Council.</u>
 <u>Gnó forordaithe do réir Reachtaíochta, Orduithe Seasta, nó Rúin an Chomhairle.</u>

(a) Corporate Affairs - Gnóthaí Corparáideacha

Address by Minister Phil Hogan.

(b) Roads - Bóithre

Road Safety – Mid Term Review of the Kilkenny Road Safety Plan 2007-2012 (report attached)

(c) Finance- Airgeadas

Update on the Watershed's operation – Presentation by Dermot Gaynor.

"That Kilkenny County Council hereby approves the conversion of Long Term Debt of €7,100,000 owing to it by Kilkenny Local Authorities Leisure Complex Ltd into Ordinary Share Capital and Premium of equivalent amount".

(d) Housing - Tithíocht

Housing Report for First Quarter 2011 (report to follow)

Construction of a group housing scheme consisting of 10 single storey dwellings, community centre, playground, re-alignment of 140m of County Road L6696-13 and associated site works at Wetland/Poulgour, Co. Kilkenny (report to follow)

3. <u>Urgent Correspondence - Comhfhreagras Práinneach</u>

4. <u>Business adjourned from a previous Meeting - Gnó ar athló ó chruinniú roimhe seo:</u>

5. <u>Fix Dates and Times of Meetings - Dátaí agus Amanta do chruinnithe a shocrú:</u>

Schedule of meetings for April – June (attached)

6. <u>Consideration of Reports and Recommendations of Committees of the Council - Plé ar Thuairiscí agus Moltaí ó Choistí an Comhairle:</u>

- (a) Report on SPC 1 Forward Planning & Development Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 25th November, 2010 (copy of report attached)
- (b) Report of Kilkenny Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on 1st March, 2011 (copy of report attached)
- (c) Report of Thomastown Electoral Area Meeting held on 8th March, 2011 (copy of report attached)
- (d) Report on SPC 5 Meeting Arts, Culture, Heritage, Tourism and Education Meeting held on 16th March, 2011 (copy of report attached)
- (e) Report on Strategic Policy Committee No. 2 Infrastructure, Transportation, Water Services & Other Policy Issues held on Friday 25th March, 2011 (copy of report attached)

7. Other Business set forth in the Notice convening the Meeting - Gnó Eile romhainn i bhFógra reachtála an Chruinnithe

8. Education & Training

Conferences – Request for approval to attend as per circulated list. Summary of proceedings at Conferences have been received from

Councillor	Date of Conference	Title of Conference
Matt Doran	4 th -6 th March	Employment Law & Insurance Issues
Pat Dunphy	18 th -20 th March	Effective Time & Priority Management
Fidelis Doherty	24 th -25 th March	Rebuilding Confidence in Urban & Rural Communities.

9. Matters Arising from Minutes - Gnótha ag éirí as Miontuairiscí

10. Any Other Business - Aon Ghnó Eile

11. Notices of Motion - Fógraí Rúin:

5(11) Cllr. Malcolm Noonan

"That Kilkenny County Council would call on Government to recognise Travellers as a distinct ethnic group as recommended by the UN Committee for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, thereby bringing the traveller community into the ambit of various protections in international agreements and within the Irish state".

6(11) Cllr. Malcolm Noonan

"In light of the accident at the Fukushima Nuclear Power Plant in Japan, that Kilkenny County Council calls upon the Irish Government to object to the British Government over the construction of its new generation of nuclear power plants on the west coast of Britain."

12. <u>Notices of Motion from other local authorities seeking support of Kilkenny County Council County Council - Fógraí i dtaobh Rúin ó Údaráis Áitiúla eile ag lorg tacaíochta ó Chomhairle Chontae Chill Chainnigh:</u>

6(11) Monaghan Town Council.

"That this Council calls on the newly elected Government and particularly it's Taoiseach to ensure the preservation of our first official language and promote its prominence in the education system".

7(11) Monaghan Town Council

"Due to the substantial exodus of our people as a result of our country's employment crisis, that the incoming Government would instigate a system of granting the Irish Diaspora the right to vote in Irish Elections".

8(11) Leitrim County Council

"I ask Leitrim County Council to write to the Minister for Education and Skills, Mr. Ruairi Quinn not to introduce the proposed changes to the Primary School Transport Scheme arising from the last Budget 2011. These changes will impose considerable financial hardships and inconvenience on parents and pupils living in rural areas".

9(11) Leitrim County Council

"I seek the support of my fellow councilors in asking that Leitrim County Council write to the Minister for Finance, Mr. Michael Noonan requesting that he meet with representatives of the Quinn Group at the earliest opportunity in order that they may present their proposal concerning Quinn Insurance for the safe guarding of almost 6,000 jobs for this region and the potential creation of an additional 1,800 jobs over the next 7 years".