

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

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF DRAFT BUDGET PLAN 2017 MEETING HELD  
ON 10<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER, 2017 AT 2.30 P.M.**

**Mayor, Councillor Michael Doyle, Presiding.**

**Present:**

**Councillors:** Patrick O’Neill, David Fitzgerald, Matt Doran, David Kennedy, Breda Gardner, Joe Malone, Andrew McGuinness, Patrick McKee, Malcolm Noonan, Sean Tyrrell

**Apologies:** Peter ‘Chap’ Cleere.

**Also Present:** Mr. Martin Prendiville, Head of Finance, Mr. Tim Butler, Director of Services, Mr. Simon Walton, Senior Engineer, Ms. Emir Slattery, Senior Executive Engineer, Ms. Anne Maria Walsh, Senior Executive Officer and Ms. Catherine Cooney, Staff Officer.

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**Mayor’s Summons of Meeting:**

Notice dated 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2017 convening a Draft Budget Plan Meeting for this date was read.

- 1. Business prescribed by Statute, Standing Orders or Resolutions of the Municipal District Members for transaction at such meeting:**
  - (a) Adoption of Draft Budget Plan.**

Mr. Martin Prendiville, Head of Finance, outlined the statutory process under the Local Government Reform Act 2014, which prescribes the need to adopt a budgetary plan for the Municipal District, setting out how the General Municipal Allocation will be spent. He advised that the 2018 proposal is similar to the 2017 and therefore the amount of the General Municipal Allocation for the Municipal District of Kilkenny City for 2018 will be €580,000, as follows:

**Discretionary Roads Budget                    €500,000 (Estimate)**

Note: This Discretionary Roads Budget is subject to works being identified that are consistent with Appendix 1 of the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sports’ Memorandum on Grants for Regional and Local Roads – Revised 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2012 (circulated). A detailed programme of work will be agreed with the Area Engineer at the start of 2018, for inclusion in the 2018 Roads Works Scheme.

**Discretionary General Budget €80,000**

Note: This Discretionary General Budget can be used in any service area, the detail of which is to be discussed and agreed. Members must take into account any existing discretionary (recurring or once off) items when allocating this General Budget figure of €80,000.

Following some clarification and further discussion during which Mr. Martin Prendiville and Mr. Tim Butler responded to queries raised by Members in relation to:

- Reduction in Discretionary General Budget
- Concerns re proposed provision of €25,000 for FAI Development Officer in Council's Budget in 2018

It was:

Proposed by: Cllr. Matt Doran  
Seconded by: Cllr. David Fitzgerald

“That the Municipal District of Kilkenny City hereby adopts the following draft Budget Plan 2018:

Discretionary Roads Budget € 500,000  
Discretionary General Budget € 80,000”

A roll call vote was carried by seven votes to three, with members voting as follows:

For the Proposal: Cllrs. Michael Doyle, Matt Doran, David Fitzgerald, Joe Malone, Andrew McGuinness, Patrick McKee and Patrick O'Neill (7).

Against the Proposal: Cllrs. Breda Gardner, David Kennedy and Malcolm Noonan (3).

The business of the meeting then concluded.

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**MAYOR**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_