



14 April 2025

## **Extract from Minutes**

**AY16/0325**

### **Part 8 Report for Ardrew Halting Site, Athy**

The members considered the Chief Executive's Part 8 report for the proposed development at Ardrew Halting Site, Athy, Planning Ref No. P82024.03

Ms A Dutczak gave a presentation to the members outlining the following:

- Proposed works included:
  - Refurbishment of existing two Day Houses,
  - Proposed five new Group Housing Units
  - One three-bed unit suitable for five people and four five-bed, age friendly units suitable for nine people.
  - Replacement of Caretaker Unit
  - Associated landscaping and groundworks.
- There were five submissions
  - Two from Kildare County Council internal departments.
  - Two from prescribed bodies.
  - One from a member of the public.

The members raised the following points:

- Thanked Ms A Dutczak for the presentation.
- What was the timeline for the project?
- Would there be a change to the entrance as there were currently visibility issues.
- The councils response time to antisocial behaviour needed to be addressed, improved reaction time would be a comfort to other residents.
- There were issues with items being thrown over the wall of the site.

- Was the day house adaptable for future needs/requirements etc could be used as housing?
- Would the residents be living on site during the works?

Ms A Dutczak advised that:

- The intention was to have a more open feel to the entrance and it would have better visibility from the road.
- Hopeful to go out to tender this summer and be on site by the end of 2025. This project would be carried out in stages. The plan was to build the group houses first, then refurbish the day house.
- Proposed to build a 2.4 metre boundary wall to address the issue of items being thrown over the wall.
- Residents would remain living on site while works were being carried out, it would be up to the contractor to manage the site but there would be little disturbance to the residents while the first phase of works was completed.

Mr P Henderson added that the day house could be turned into accessible housing in the future.

Councillor Breslin thanked the architects department for their work and advised that a new development for Athy was very welcome.

**Resolved** on the proposal of Councillor Dooley, seconded by Councillor Behan and agreed by all members present that the Chief Executives Part 8 report for the Proposed Andrew Halting Site, Athy, Planning Ref No. P82024.03 be approved.

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*I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true extract from the minutes of the monthly meeting of Athy Municipal District held on 10 March 2025.*

  
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Corporate Services