

**COMHAIRLE CONTAE FHINE GALL
FINGAL COUNTY COUNCIL**

**BALBRIGGAN/RUSH-LUSK/SWORDS AREA COMMITTEE MEETING
(Services B – Strategic & General Matters)**

THURSDAY 8th OCTOBER 2026

ITEM NO. 19

Upgrade of Area - Kenure Park - Rush

Question: Councillor E. Dockrell

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to upgrade the area in front of Kenure Park, which is an objective of the Rush Town Centre First Plan per Page 46?”

Report:

Town Centre First Plans are drafted in accordance with the National Town Centre First Policy. Town Centre First represents a new approach to the development of Ireland’s towns where local communities and local businesses are central to reimagining their own towns for the future.

Town Centre First Plans are non-statutory plans which are devised by the community in conjunction with the local authority. In line with national policy, projects or actions contained within Town Centre First Plans are indicative of the types of future amenities the town would like to have to become more viable and attractive places in which to live, work, socialise and run a business.

The delivery of these actions is led by the Town Team within each town supported by active working groups. Funding to deliver these projects is not accounted for in the relevant local authorities Capital or Revenue budgets. The funding for the delivery of a project is subject to appropriate national funding streams through central government.

Conservation works are due to commence on the gates of Kenure Park shortly. Once completed, consideration can be given to the potential upgrade of the area in front of the park, taking into account the area's relationship to a recorded protected structure and that structure's significant heritage value. Consideration will also be required to determine what is feasible to manage and maintain on an ongoing basis. On completion of this process, potential funding streams for any agreed works could be explored for implementation of this programme.

Source of Reply: Declan Ryan, Senior Executive Officer, Economic, Community and Cultural Development.