

KILKENNY BOROUGH COUNCIL

County Manager's Report in accordance with Section 179 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000 on

- **Installation of Pay Parking Equipment,**
- **Car Park Markings.**

at County Hall Car Park, John Street, Kilkenny.

**For consideration by Kilkenny Borough Council at Council Meeting to
be held on 20th September, 2010.**

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Local Government Planning & Development Act 2000 to 2007

NOTICE OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT BY A LOCAL AUTHORITY.

In accordance with Part 8 of Planning and Development Regulations 2001 to 2008 and Section 179 of Planning and Development Act 2000 to 2007, Kilkenny Borough Council, having entered into an agreement with Kilkenny County Council under Section 85 of the Local Government Act of 2001, hereby gives notice of its intention to carry out the following developments at:

County Hall Car Park, John Street, Kilkenny:-

- Installation of pay parking equipment
- Car park markings.

Plans and Particulars of the proposed developments are available for inspection at the Planning Offices of Kilkenny Borough Council, City Hall, High Street, Kilkenny, from Friday 2nd July 2010, to Friday 30th July 2010, inclusive, between the hours of 9.00 a.m. and 1.00 p.m. and 2.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m., Monday to Friday.

Submissions or observations with respect to the proposed developments dealing with the proper planning and development of the area in which the development will be carried out, may be made in writing to the undersigned on or before Friday 13th August 2010.

Brian Tyrrell
Senior Executive Officer
Town Hall
High St
Kilkenny

Comhairle Buirge Chill Chainnigh Kilkenny Borough Council Planning Report



Proposed development by a Local Authority Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act 2000-2010 Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001-2010

Proposed Development

The works proposed within the grounds of County Hall, John Street are:

- The installation of pay-parking equipment, and
- The demarcation of car parking spaces.

2008 Kilkenny City and Environs Development Plan

County Hall, John Street is a Protected Structure located in the John Street Architectural Conservation Area.

County Hall is zoned 'Community Facilities', the objective of which is to protect, provide and improve community facilities. The area between County Hall and Johns Street is zoned 'General Business', the objective of which is to provide for general development.

It is an objective of the Development Plan (JSACA14) to expand the role of County Hall as a civic amenity for Kilkenny through the creation of a new park and investigate the creation of a new urban square to Johns Street, in accordance with the Kilkenny City Centre Local Area Plan.

2005 Kilkenny City Centre Local Area Plan

County Hall is located within the City Centre Local Area Plan lands. County Hall is one of 11 sites within the LAP for which an urban design framework is in place.

The following objectives refer to County Hall:

- O.U.D.10: Create a new passively supervised and secure district park as a civic amenity for the City.
- O.U.D.13; Develop the area in between County Hall and River Court Hotel retaining the existing building line and incorporating car parking.
- O.U.D.14: Secure perimeter of and access to the District Park, subject to high quality detailed design to preserve the visual amenity through use of defensive hedging and screened fencing.

Third Party Submissions

None received.

Referrals

An Taisce: No objections.

Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government: No objections subject to details of the pay stations being agreed with the Conservation Officer.

Borough Engineer: No objections.

Parks Department: No works should take place within the root protection area of existing mature trees.

Assessment

It is proposed to erect 3 pay machines within the grounds of County Hall; one adjacent to the Johns Street pedestrian entrance to the site, one at the eastern end of the Motor Tax building and one located at the main car parking area to the south of County Hall. In total, 132 car parking spaces are proposed. While the majority of these spaces are already delineated, the existing parking area adjacent to the tennis court will be formally laid out with car parking spaces.

The proposed works will facilitate the use of this existing carpark outside of normal office hours which will, in my opinion, be beneficial to the greater John Street area.

Two of the proposed pay stations are located close to trees which contribute to the character of the Protected Structure and its curtilage. It is therefore advisable that the pay stations should be located outside of the root protection area of these trees in consultation with the Parks Department.

Conclusion


The proposed development is consistent with policies and objectives of the Kilkenny City & Environs Development Plan and the City Centre Local Area Plan.

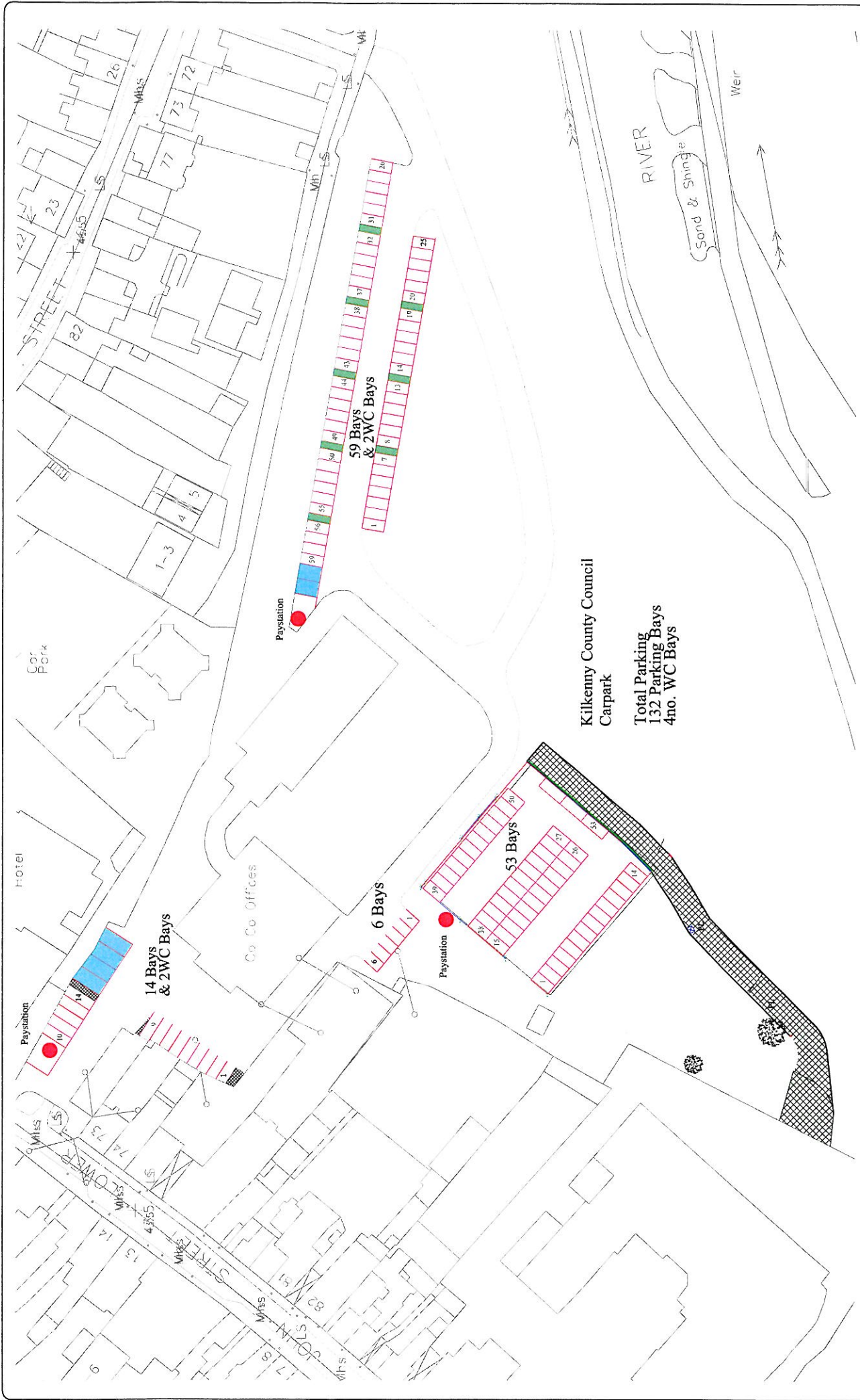
Subject to the following conditions, I consider the proposed development to be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

1. The exact location of the new pay stations should be determined in consultation with the Parks Department so that the existing trees which contribute to the setting of County Hall are not affected.
2. Adequate lighting shall be provided at pay stations in the interests of security.
3. The design of the pay stations shall be approved by the Conservation Officer.


 Jane O'Reilly
 Executive Planner

I agree with the above report and recommendation


 Denis Malone
 Senior Planner



Kilkenny County Council
Carpark

Total Parking
132 Parking Bays
4no. WC Bays

KILKENNY COUNTY COUNCIL
Comhairle Contae Chill Chainnigh
ROAD DESIGN SECTION,
1 OGAN STREET
KILKENNY



Rev	By	Date	Description

Project:	Kilkenny County Council Car Park
Component:	Layout
Title:	Location Map
Designed By:	HS
Drawn By:	HS
Checked By:	FS
File Name:	1.750
Scale:	March 2010
Date:	March 2010
Drawing No.:	KCOCH01

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County Managers/Delegated Officers Recommendation

I recommend that the Kilkenny Borough Council proceed with the proposed development in accordance with the plans made available for public inspection subject to:

- 1) The exact location of the new pay stations should be determined in consultation with the Parks Department so that the existing trees which contribute to the setting of County Hall are not affected.
- 2) Adequate lighting shall be provided at Pay Stations in the interests of security.

SIGNED:



John Mulholland
Director of Services

DATE: 15th September, 2010