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## Kilcock Community Research begins Tuesday October 4th !

### Kilcock, September 27th 2011:

The Kilcock Community Integrated Services Programme (ISP) is supported by the Kildare County Development Board Plan 2009-2012 and is welcomed by the Kilcock community. The ISP ultimately wants to support the development of Kilcock as a vibrant, strong sustainable place to live.

The ISP aims to bring together key stakeholders- representatives of services provided by the state, local business representatives, community voluntary sector groups/organisations, and local people living in Kilcock. They will work together to agree on how all sectors can work together to develop the town.

To help inform the future work of the ISP, independent consultants Burtenshaw Kenny Associates (BKA) were contracted to carry out **research and a plan for Kilcock**. This research and planning process is underway, led by Susan Bookle of BKA.

The following is taking place:

- Assessing statistical information to clarify the profile of people who currently live in Kilcock
- Gathering information on the services, facilities, infrastructure, opportunities and plans that currently exist for Kilcock
- Gathering the views of a cross section of people who live, provide services, run businesses and represent Kilcock
- Developing an action plan 2011-2013

The final plan is due for completion in early December.

Consultations with key interests are currently taking place.

Susan, the BKA researcher, will be holding a consultation meeting with representatives of the local community on Tuesday next 4<sup>th</sup> 7.30-9.30 in St. Cocas Hall (Scouts Hall). This opportunity should not be missed as it offers a chance for residents and key leaders within Kilcock to feedback on a range of issues such as what it is like to live in Kilcock, the services and supports available, the strengths and challenges facing community/voluntary groups.

This is an important consultation and good attendance is important to capture the views of the people who are living and leading communities. It will be followed by similar meetings with business interests, state agencies, elected representatives and policy makers. All of these views will help inform the analysis and the final plan. So it is really important to hear your views next Tuesday. To confirm attendance



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