



KILDARE ECONOMIC FORUM

#FORWARD24



MODERATOR

JIM POWER
Leading Economist & Author

KILDARE BUSINESS OWNERS!

Want to better know and understand the decisions that will be affecting your business in 2024?

Then don't miss #Forward 24 Economic Forum hosted by Kildare County Council and in association with County Kildare Chamber as we discuss the economic challenges and ambitions of our county.



MAIREAD HENNESSY
President
County Kildare Chamber



SONYA KAVANAGH
Chief Executive Officer
Kildare County Council



LEO CLANCY
Chief Executive Officer
Enterprise Ireland



JUSTIN GLEESON
Director
AIRO

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2023

8:30AM TO 12.30PM

(REGISTRATION FROM 7:45AM)

OSPREY HOTEL,

NAAS, CO. KILDARE, W91 X40K.

ENTRY IS FREE

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IMELDA REY
Director
Grant Thornton

AGENDA

Guiding us for the day will be economist Jim Power, who will moderate each session and facilitate an engaging Q&A with each speaker and the audience

7:45 - 8:30	Event registration, Networking, Refreshments & Information Stands
8:30 - 8:35	<u>Economic Forum Opening and Welcome</u> Sonya Kavanagh Chief Executive Officer - Kildare County Council
8:35 - 8:50	<u>Presentation and Economic Analysis</u> Jim Power Leading Economist & Author
Session 1	
8:50 - 9:10	Presentation - <u>'Mapping, Demographics & the changing Economic statistical data of Co-Kildare'</u> (Ref: Census 2022) Justin Gleeson Director - All-Ireland Research Observatory Maynooth University
9:10 - 9:50	Panel Discussion: <u>'Keeping pace of service delivery in a growing economy & highlights from Kildare Economic Strategy 2025 & Outlining key projects to be delivered in County Kildare'</u> (Moderated by Jim Power) Sonya Kavanagh Chief Executive Officer - Kildare County Council Celina Barrett Director of Service - Transport, Mobility & Open Spaces Marian Higgins Director of Service - Climate, Community, Environment & Water Annette Aspell Director of Service - Housing & Regeneration Alan Dunney Director of Service - Planning, Enterprise, Economic Development & Emergency Services
9:50 - 10:05	Q&A Session 1 (From the audience)

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Session 2

10:05 - 10:25	<p>Presentation: <u>'Enterprise Ireland's ambitious vision for the next decade'</u> Leo Clancy Chief Executive Officer - Enterprise Ireland</p>
10:25 - 10:50	<p>Panel discussion: Business owners/managers across LEO Kildare & Enterprise Ireland's client base discussing how to access supports (Moderated by Jim Power)</p>
10:50 - 11:00	<p>Q&A Session 2 (From the audience)</p>
11:10 - 11:30	<p>Networking Break</p>

Session 3

11:30 - 11:50	<p>Presentation - <u>'Acquiring and Retaining the Best'</u> Imelda Rey Director - People and Change Consulting - Grant Thornton</p>
11:50 - 12:10	<p>Panel discussion: <u>Business owners/Managers on the changing face of the workplace</u> (Moderated by Jim Power)</p>
12:10 - 12:20	<p>Q&A Session 3 (From the audience)</p>

12:20 - 12:30	<p><u>Closing remarks</u> Mairead Hennessy President - County Kildare Chamber</p>
12:30	<p>Event end</p>

THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING