

## Key stages for the Brewery site to date

### April 2012

Kilkenny Local Authorities announced details of an agreement with Diageo to **purchase the Smithwick's Brewery Site**.



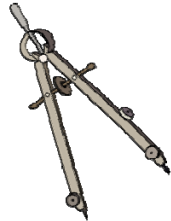
### May 2012

A public meeting was held by the Mayor in the Town Hall. Approximately 100 people attended an open session to discuss the future of the site, amongst other issues.



### Dec 2012- Feb 2013

In conjunction with the Department of Arts Heritage and Gaeltacht and the Royal Institute of Architects in Ireland (RIAI), a range of architects, planners and other property experts were invited to participate in a **colloquium** on the future of the site. An [Urban Design Review Report](#) was published as a result. The presentations from all participants are available [here](#).



### May 2013

A special Joint Meeting of Kilkenny Borough Council and Kilkenny County Council was held to outline the results of that Urban Design Review. Following the colloquium and urban design review, **tenders for consultants** to prepare a Masterplan were issued.

### July 2013

**Reddy Architecture and Urbanism were appointed** to prepare a Masterplan. At a joint meeting of the County Council and the Borough Council, the decision was made to retain and refurbish the Mayfair and Brewhouse buildings and to temporarily retain the Maturation building.

### November 2013

A [draft Masterplan document](#) was published in November 2013 and submissions were received by the Council up to 13<sup>th</sup> December. A public meeting was held in the Town Hall on the 5<sup>th</sup> November presenting the draft Masterplan. 38 submissions were received to the draft Masterplan from members of the public and statutory authorities.

## November 2014

A [Chief Executive's report](#) was brought to the County Council in November 2014. This recommended the retention of the Mayfair & Brewhouse buildings, the creation of a linear park by the River Nore, the creation of a street to link Bateman Quay and the Central Access Scheme and to engage in further public consultation to revise the Masterplan.

## March 2015

A [Consultation Report](#) with [Appendices](#) was published. A Vision Statement and suggested Guidelines were put forward. The report also included a suite of recommendations on the process, such as completing a detailed archaeological strategy, environmental assessments and to hold a further feedback public event.

## June/July 2015

The [Proposed Variation](#) and the [Draft Masterplan](#) and associated environmental assessments were placed on public display on the 23<sup>rd</sup> June for a period of 4 weeks. An informal public information evening was held in The Maltings, Tilbury Place, Kilkenny on Thursday the 25<sup>th</sup> of June 2015.

[Chief Executive's Report on submissions received to the Proposed Variation No. 1 of Kilkenny City & Environs Development Plan 2014-2020](#) and [Chief Executive's Report on submissions received to the Draft Masterplan for the Abbey Creative Quarter](#) published on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2015.

## January 2015

'[The Brewery: Re-Visioning](#)' – this was a public consultation exercise focusing on Visioning the area and Guidelines to implement the vision.



## May 2015

A [Feedback and Public Engagement event](#) was held on the 16<sup>th</sup> of the May 2015. A [Report on Feedback and Public Engagement Event](#) was published on the 25<sup>th</sup> May 2015.

The Draft Masterplan was approved for public display on the 27<sup>th</sup> of May 2015 by the Council. A proposed Variation to the Kilkenny City & Environs Development Plan 2014-2020 to enshrine high level principles for the Masterplan area was approved to proceed to public consultation.

### 31<sup>st</sup> July 2015

[Variation No. 1](#) and the [Masterplan](#) were **adopted** at the Special Council Meeting held on 31<sup>st</sup> July.

### 15<sup>th</sup> February 2016

Part 8 for Brewhouse building approved by Council. Report available [here](#).

Part 8 for Riverside Garden approved by Council. Report available [here](#).

### 18<sup>th</sup> July 2016

Part 8 for Mayfair building approved by Council.  
Report available [here](#).

### November 2016

Tender for “Urban Design Criteria and Recommendations for Development Code for the implementation of the Abbey Creative Quarter Masterplan” was advertised on the eTenders website on the 21<sup>st</sup> November 2016.

Conservation Team appointed for the development of the Mayfair Building and adjoining City Walls.

### February 2017

Loci Consultants appointed to carry out the “Urban Design Criteria and Recommendations for Development Code for the implementation of the Abbey Creative Quarter Masterplan”.  
Procurement process commenced for contractor to construct the Brewhouse development.

### March 2017

Procurement process commenced for contractor to construct the Riverside Garden project.

Archaeological contractor appointed to carry out archaeological test excavations on the site of the Riverside Garden.

### April 2017

Public Consultation event for the “Urban Design Criteria and Recommendations for Development Code for the implementation of the Abbey Creative Quarter Masterplan”.