

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LUIMNIGH



Adopted Budget

2003

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11th December, 2002.

Don Chathaoirleach and do gach Ball don Chomhairle

BUDGET 2003

A Chomhairleoir, a chara,

The Draft Budget 2003 has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act, 2001, and has been circulated within the prescribed statutory requirements.

The Council will commence consideration of the Draft Budget on Friday, 20th December, 2002, and must complete the process of adopting a Budget for 2003 within the prescribed period of 21 days beginning on that date. This, in effect, means that the process must be completed by Thursday, 9th January, 2003. This report is issued to assist the Members in their consideration of the Draft Budget and to set out the background on which it is based.

1. General

The slowdown in economic growth, both internationally and at national level, forms the background to the Draft Budget for 2003. In preparing the Draft Budget, I have endeavoured to allocate available resources on a balanced basis and, in particular, to ensure that the core areas of Council activities are provided as far as possible. The demands received from the various departments far exceeded available resources, and while I appreciate that

curtailing growth in expenditure is extremely difficult given the high expectations of recent years, it is essential in the best interests of economic and social progress.

2. Local Government Fund

At the time of writing this report, notification of the allocation to the Council from the Local Government Fund for 2003 had not been received from the Department of the Environment and Local Government. In preparing the Draft Budget, I have assumed an allocation of €17.6 million – an increase in line with inflation over the adopted figure for 2002. If the actual figure, when notified, varies from this, it will be necessary to adjust the Budget accordingly.

3. Employment

I have made provision in the Budget for the continuance of the present permanent employment levels and also for approved wage, salary and pension increases.

4. Commercial Valuation

The total estimated Commercial Valuation for the purposes of the Draft Budget is €359,000 – an increase of 1.35% over 2002. The level of increase in the Commercial Valuation has been influenced by industrial action in the Valuation Office and the slowdown in commercial development. The Minister for the Environment and Local Government has indicated that he has decided not to cap the annual rate on valuation for 2003. I have allowed for a rate increase of 7.9% for 2003. This will bring the rate to 50.6744 compared to 46.9642 for 2002.

5. Commercial Water Charges

In fixing the Commercial Water Charges for 2003, I had to take account of the Department's Water Services Pricing Policy, the impact of the Capital Works Programme and the costs associated

with the universal metering of all non-domestic users by 2006. In addition, increasing demand and higher quality standards have to be taken account of. Having regard to all of these issues, I have increased the Commercial Water Charge from €3.36 per 1,000 gallons to €4.75, with pro-rata increases in the fixed charges.

6. Refuse Collection Service

Pending the outcome of the Council's deliberations on the Refuse Collection issue, I have provided a sum of €4,405,800, including disposal costs, which will require an average countywide charge of €394 per standard bin for 2003.

7. Expenditure Requirements

The estimated expenditure for 2003 amounts to €95.330 million, an increase of €11.824 million over the adopted estimate for 2002. This level of expenditure should be adequate to maintain the Council's services and allow for improvements in certain areas.

8. Value for Money

The Council is continually reviewing all its operations to ensure maximum value for money. This policy will be continued in 2003 using the studies undertaken by the Audit Unit of the Department of the Environment and Local Government, in addition to the Council's own resources.

9. Section Reports

The following pages outline in detail the activities under each programme group.

10. Conclusion

I wish to record my appreciation, and the appreciation of all staff, for the co-operation and assistance of all the Members in achieving much progress in 2002. I look forward to continued co-operation in 2003 during which further progress can be achieved.

I also wish to record my thanks to the staff at all levels, both indoor and outdoor, for their commitment throughout the year.

The preparation of the Draft 2003 Budget required a concentrated effort and I wish to record my thanks to all the staff involved in the process.

In particular, I appreciate the work of Mr. Oliver Killeen, Head of Finance, and Ms. Noreen Fahey, Senior Executive Officer, and their staff, for bringing all the elements of the Draft Budget together.

Finally, in preparing the Draft Budget, I have taken account of increased demands from all areas of activity and I have endeavoured to balance these demands against available resources.

I recommend the Draft Budget to the Members for adoption.

Yours sincerely,

**Edmond Gleeson,
County Manager.**

Programme Group 1

Housing and Building / Tithiocht agus Togail

I am pleased to say that considerable progress has been made on the Council's building programme for 2002. A capital allocation of €22.2m was approved by the Department of the Environment and Local Government towards the housing programme. To date, 133 houses have been completed, a further 20 once-off purchases have been agreed, making a total of 153 available units. In addition, a further 169 houses are under construction at 16 locations and a further 304 houses are in planning or about to go to construction. Thus far in 2002, a total of 200 houses have been allocated, which is the highest number for many years. The voluntary housing sector continues to provide a large part of the housing need and has had a very successful year providing 70 units of accommodation, with a further 32 under construction. It is anticipated that a further 142 units will commence in 2003.

During 2002, work has commenced on priority list 3 of the major external repairs scheme of Council houses and the increased loan charges in the Budget reflect this. The Council's rented stock is now 1,707 and this will continue to grow significantly under the Building Programme. I am proposing to provide €440,300 for maintenance and repair in 2003. As the rented stock increases, the number of houses becoming vacant also increases and it is necessary to put these houses in tenantable condition before allocation, and I am proposing to increase the pre-letting repairs allocation to €213,700.

Following the adoption of the Housing Strategy in October, 2001, additional resources were provided in the 2002 Estimates towards improving estate management in Council housing estates. A Housing Services Officer was subsequently appointed in June 2002 to implement same and work carried out in 2002 included the

presentation of nine pre-tenancy training courses for tenants of new Council houses and an estate management course for Sharwood Estate, Newcastle West. Estate improvement works such as road re-surfacing, footpath improvements, fencing etc. were carried out, together with tenancy issues such as illegal dumping, tenant liaison and anti-social behaviour.

In addition to continuing the above works, it is proposed in 2003 to conduct a tenants' survey, produce a tenants' newsletter on housing issues and provide additional training for staff. I am proposing a sum of €127,000 under this heading.

Under the Integrated Strategy for Homelessness for County Limerick adopted by the Council in December 2001, a Homeless Persons' Unit is currently in the process of being established. It is expected to be in operation early in 2003. This unit will consist of existing Council staff members and two new additional members – a Community Welfare Officer and an Outreach/Resettlement Worker. The Department of the Environment and Local Government has agreed to recoup 90% of the cost of the unit to the Council. The Homeless Persons' Unit will continue as in previous years to pay monies to approved Bodies under Section 10 of the Housing Act, 1988, 90% of which is also recoupable from the Department of the Environment and Local Government. I am proposing a total allocation towards this unit of €364,000, of which 90% will be recouped from the Department of the Environment and Local Government, leaving a net cost to the Council of €36,500. The Council will continue to implement the existing Traveller Accommodation Programme which is presently being reviewed.

Over the past number of years, the Council has significantly increased the resources allocated to the Disabled Persons and Essential Repair Grants Schemes. I propose an increase for Disabled Persons Grants to €850,000 and the Essential Repairs Grant to €200,000. Of this allocation, however, it will be necessary to set aside sufficient funds to cater for the most critical applicants.

Programme Group 2

Road Transportation / Boithre

The total expenditure proposed under this programme for 2003 amounts to €29.00 million, an increase of €1.906 million over the adopted figure for 2002.

Non-National Roads (Maintenance and Improvement)

This Estimate provides an increase of €794,400 (4.3%) on the adopted Estimate for 2002. This assumes that grant levels from the Department of the Environment and Local Government will at least be the same in 2003 as in the current year.

Road Restoration Programme / Ath-chóiriú Bóithre

This programme involves major annual grant allocations from the Department of the Environment and Local Government for strengthening and surface dressing of Regional and Local Roads. This restoration programme commenced in 1995 and is based on multi-annual plans prepared by Local Authorities, which prioritise the schemes having regard to traffic volumes and road surface conditions. Since 1995, there has been a vast improvement in the condition of the non-national road network. However, there are still substantial lengths of unimproved roads, and the current level of investment must be continued. A review of the multi-annual programme was carried out in 2001 and a new programme submitted to the Department of the Environment and Local Government for the period 2002 – 2005.

E.U. Co-Finance Grants / Deontais Co-Mhaoinithe A.E.

This very important programme of grants is continuing for individual road projects which have a significant economic impact under the following headings:

- Industry
- Tourism
- Rural Development/Agriculture
- Forestry

In the current year, a grant total of €2,351,600 was received for the following projects:

- *Foynes Harbour – New Access.*
- *LP1124 Annacotty to Cappamore.*
- *LP1127 Bridge at Portnard, Cappamore.*
- *LP1223 Bridge at Kilcosgrave, Creeves.*
- *LP1329 Forestry Road at Templeathea.*
- *LP1527 Bridge near Anglesboro.*
- *LP1528 Bridge at Kilbehenny.*
- *LS5022 Forestry Road, Buffanoky (Cappamore).*
- *LS6066 Bridge near Shanagolden.*
- *LS7070 Forestry Road, Keale/Clash North.*
- *R505 Eyon Cross – Grange Cross.*
- *R507 Derraun Bridge.*
- *R521 St. Ita's Road, Newcastle West to Lacey's Cross.*
- *R522 Dromcolliher.*
- *R524 Athea.*
- *R859 Cement Roundabout to Quin's Cross Roundabout.*

This programme will continue in 2003.

Programme Group 3

Water and Sewerage / Seirbhísí Sláintíochta

The total budget for this programme is €11.438 million, which is an increase of €1.84 million over the adopted figure for 2002.

Purchase of Water / Ceannach Uisce

The Council purchases approximately 3.6 million gallons of water each day from Limerick City Council which it uses to serve Limerick City Environs and surrounding areas including Castleconnell, Ballyneety, Patrickswell, Mungret and Clarina. The City Council has indicated a substantial increase in the cost it will charge for water in 2003 and I have allowed for a payment of €1.885 million to the City Council.

Small Capital Schemes / Scéimeanna Mion- Chaipitil

I have provided a sum of €150,000 as matching funds for the Small Capital Schemes Programme in 2003. The Department of the Environment and Local Government funds 75% of the cost of Small Capital Schemes and a grant of €450,000 was provided to Limerick County Council in 2002. It is expected that a similar grant will be made available in 2003.

The Small Capital Schemes Programme is an invaluable mechanism for providing critical improvements to the water services infrastructure in the county. This year, 20 small capital schemes have been advanced under this heading, including the provision of a new water treatment plant at Abbeyfeale, development of a new water supply source at Murroe, installation of iron and manganese removal equipment at Glin, and the construction of new water mains in Bruff.

It is also hoped to proceed to construction in 2003 on a number of approved ***Serviced Land Initiative*** schemes including:-

- Mungret - Gouldavoher Surface Water Drainage Scheme
- Croom Foul and Surface Water Sewers.

Water Pricing Policy

The Department of the Environment and Local Government has produced a Water Services Pricing Policy, whereby local authorities must implement a comprehensive and transparent system of charging for public water and waste water services to the non-domestic sector. In accordance with the Government's Water Pricing Policy Framework, the following measures should be put in place:-

- Collection of capital contributions from all non-domestic users by local authorities in a structured and uniform manner.
- Application of user service charges to non-domestic users for purposes of recovering the full operating costs appropriate to such users.
- Achievement of universal metering of all non-domestic users by 2006.

The above policy will require local authorities to borrow monies to finance the non-domestic cost element of water services capital schemes and to recover this cost from non-domestic users over a period not greater than 20 years.

In order to comply with the above policy the Council will advance the provision of a universal water metering programme in 2003, and funding of the non-domestic element of major capital schemes to be provided in 2003 will have to be raised through borrowing.

Water Conservation Project

Limerick County Council received approval to the above project from the Department of the Environment and Local Government in 2001. The Water Conservation Project will identify the levels of unaccounted for water, including leakage, in the various public water supply schemes in the county in order that repairs may be carried out. The project has advanced substantially in 2002 with the establishment of the two fully-equipped leakage detection crews in January. It is estimated that approximately €200,000 has been saved to date by identification and repairs of leaks and it is hoped that further savings will be made in 2003. The Department has funded the cost of the leakage detection crews for the initial 12 months of the project which will end in January 2003 and I have allowed an amount of €300,000 to cover the cost of the leakage detection crews in the coming year.

Rural Water Programme / Clár Uisce Tuaithe

Since the introduction of devolved function under the Rural Water Programme in March 1997, the Council has spent in excess of €3.5m on new Group Water Supply Schemes and the refurbishment of existing schemes.

It is estimated that approximately €250,000 in grants will be paid in the current year towards private individual water supply wells. A similar sum has been provided for 2003.

The Council has received approval from the Department to a Design/Build/Operate project for 25 Group Water Supply Schemes with their own water supply sources. The project will involve the appointment of a contractor who will upgrade the water treatment facilities and operate these for a period of up to 30 years. The project is aimed at improving the water quality of Group Water Supply Schemes in the county.

Water Charges 2003

In order to meet the costs associated with the various initiatives outlined above, in addition to increased demand and higher quality standards, the rate per 1,000 gallons has been increased to €4.75, with pro-rata increases in the fixed charges. These adjustments are expected to yield an additional €1.073 million.

Burial Grounds / Reiligí

A total of €512,400 has been provided in the 2003 Budget under this heading. The construction of the new Castlemungret Cemetery is completed and 1,300 of the ultimate 5,000 burial plots are now available. A computerised registering and recording system is being provided to facilitate the operation of the facility.

It is intended to continue the policy of encouraging community groups to provide and manage their own burial facilities in rural parishes with grant-aid from the Council. It is hoped to advance the provision of a new burial ground in Fedamore under this heading in 2003. A policy on the future development of burial facilities in County Limerick is currently under preparation and it is hoped that this policy will be brought before the Council early in 2003.

Programme Group 4

Development Incentives and Controls / Tionscnaimh agus Rialú Forbartha

The Planning and Development Service, as with all other services, will have to be provided in a very different financial climate in 2003. This requires a very clear focus on achieving our first priority which is to meet our statutory requirements in the following areas:

1. Determine Planning Application within the statutory period.
2. Enforce the Planning Legislation within the legal timeframes provided.
3. Review the Castletroy Development Plan and the County Development Plan, both of which are required by law to be reviewed in 2003.

Under the provisions of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, a new and very exacting timeframe has been established for reviewing the County Development Plan. Each stage in the process has a legal timeframe of its own which must be met and deferral or extensions of time for these limits is not provided for. The review process is due to begin in March 2003 and, prior to this, I will be arranging a full briefing for all Members relating to the new legal requirements.

Notwithstanding the financial constraints, we will continue our programme of work to improve the Planning Service to the people of the county through extending the application of new technology to more and more of our daily tasks and through making more of our services available through the network of Area Offices.

Conservation

Provision is being made in the Budget for costs arising from the Council's policies in the area of Architectural Conservation and its enhanced role under the Built Heritage legislation. Since 1999, the sum of €700,000 has been drawn down from the Department of the Environment and Local Government by the owners of heritage properties in the county through the Conservation Grant Scheme operated by this Council. By making this provision, the efficacy of the Council's role in facilitating conservation and restoration works will be enhanced.

Community & Enterprise Function

The total expenditure under the Community and Enterprise function amounts to €482,000, which is a modest increase on the 2002 allocation. This will allow for the implementation of the Strategy for Economic, Social & Cultural Development and which will necessitate the County Council / County Enterprise Board taking the lead role in a number of actions. It will also allow for population projections to be made, which will assist in the making of the draft County Development Plan in 2003. In addition, a figure of €38,000 has been included on both the Income and Expenditure side in respect of the operations of the Community & Voluntary Forum.

Other Functions in Programme Group 4

In addition to the provision under Community & Enterprise, a number of other provisions have been made in this programme. These relate to Tourist Promotion; Urban & Village Renewal; Grants -Tidy Towns/Community Groups; Twinning of Local Authority Areas and the Rural Community Care Network. The provision for these allocations is down slightly on the 2002 provision, but will still allow for a meaningful level of activity in 2003.

Programme Group 5

Environmental Protection / Cosaint na Timpeallachta

The estimated expenditure under this programme for 2003 amounts to €26.8 million.

Waste Management

The cost of Waste Management, which includes prevention, recycling, treatment and disposal, has again increased substantially, primarily to meet waste licence conditions specified by the Environmental Protection Agency in respect of the Gortadroma landfill.

The operation of the Council's programme on waste regulation, minimisation, recycling and disposal is now self-funding in accordance with the adopted Council policy and the EU "polluter pays principle." The full cost recovery principle has enabled the Council to direct state grants, rates and other income in full towards the provision and development of the Council's other services.

Operational costs for the landfill are expected to level off next year reflecting a downturn in waste intake at the facility and the impact of investment at the landfill over the past few years.

- Operational costs for 2003 will amount to €2,314,100.
- The provision of €6,220,200 has been included to cover the cost of infrastructural development which has taken place at the landfill over the past year and the completion of those works in 2003.

- €460,000 is provided for future after care and maintenance.
- €538,200 is provided for historical loan charges.
- The local development fund is expected to generate €146,100.
- A sum of €58,300 is provided for after care and restoration of the Abbeyfeale landfill which will be undertaken in 2003.
- €267,800 has been provided towards the implementation costs of the Regional Waste Management Plan. All but €68,000 of this will be recouped from the other local authorities participating in the Plan.
- €97,000 has been provided towards the Environmental Awareness Programme.
- €228,000 has been provided towards the costs of new recycling centres at Kilmallock and Newcastle West. Proposals for these facilities have passed through Planning Part 8 procedures recently and construction works are expected to commence in 2003.
- €777,200 has been provided for the Mungret Civic Amenity site at the Dock Road. The legal challenge to the C.P.O. for this facility has recently been resolved leaving the way clear for the Council to proceed with the acquisition of the outstanding lands required for the facility.
- €507,000 has been provided for other recycling facilities including the growing Bring Bank network which now includes receptacles for glass, plastics, drink cans, food cans and newspapers.
- €119,200 has been provided for the clean-up team which was established in 2002.

Refuse Collection

The future of the Refuse Collection Service is presently being considered by the Council and a number of reports have been issued to the Members. In arriving at your decision, the following points should be carefully considered:

- Increased financial risk going forward. In my opinion, there is a serious risk going forward as the charge proposed will result in an erosion in the Council's customer base with the consequent loss in income.
- The shift in the Council's role of service provider to service regulator brought about by recent legislation.
- Conflicts arising from the Council's dependence on competitors in the refuse collection business and its role as regulator of those same competitors.
- The existence of a significant number of private service providers throughout the county, operating in a very competitive market.
- The competitive disadvantages faced by the Council in areas of marketing, procurement and flexibility of operations.

I have proposed, taking the foregoing into account, that the Council withdraw. Pending the outcome of the Members' deliberations on this issue, I have included a sum of €4,405,800, including disposal costs, in the Draft Budget. To meet these costs, an average countywide charge of €394 per standard bin will be necessary.

LITTER CONTROL

An increased provision of €298,600 has been provided for litter control, reflecting the addition of a third Environmental Control Warden in the past year and the requirements of the Litter Management Plan.

POLLUTION CONTROL

The provisions for pollution control at €737,400 and the operation of the Environmental Laboratory at €123,000 are slightly lower than last year. This will allow for the existing monitoring services to be maintained and the ongoing implementation of the Phosphorous Regulations, 1998, which commenced in the current year.

The Council has recently received notification from the Department of Environment & Local Government that the Shannon River Basin Management System project will go ahead in 2003. 100% funding is being provided by the Department.

FIRE SERVICE

Limerick County Council has six fire stations in the county with fire cover for the City Environs provided by Limerick City Council. The Council now has a total of 61 retained Fire fighters. A sum of €1,956,000 is provided for salaries, fees, pensions and allowances. €1,247,800 is provided for fire cover fees to other local authorities, with a further €160,300 towards the Regional Control Centre.

A major national review of the Fire Service was completed for the Department of the Environment and Local Government during the year. We await the Department's response on the findings contained in the report.

The issue of fire cover in the city and environs was addressed in a report prepared on behalf of both authorities by Mr. Brendan Devlin. Arising out of this report, both Limerick City and County Fire Authorities have agreed to review fire cover issues in the city and environs.

Programme Group 6

Recreation and Amenity / Caitheamh Áiseanna

Contribution - Scheme to be agreed by Members

Members will be aware that the book of estimates in previous years agreed a list of contributions (13 in all in 2002). There have been additional requests for contributions to various bodies and activities and it is considered that the most satisfactory method of dealing with these is to include an overall sum and to come back to Members in the New Year with a list of recommendations. The total provision in 2003 is €130,000, which is an increase of €15,851 on 2002. It is expected that contributions will be included for all the bodies grant-aided in 2002, though it may be necessary to make some alterations in the level of grant support.

Libraries/Leabharlanna

The network of 23 libraries in the county and its staff provides a unique community service throughout the entire county. The service has almost 18,000 readers, issues over 370,000 books per year and provides an internet service for the public in all main branch libraries.

In addition, the library service mounts a series of exhibitions, organises "Children's Book Festival" and facilitates the holding of lectures and civic events at many venues in the county. The use of the library service for Community purposes is to be encouraged.

Proposals have been developed with An Chomhairle Leabharlanna for the provision of a new Library Headquarters, Book Store and Archives in the O'Toole Building at Dooradoyle. A capital grant of €2.84m has been announced by the Department for the project.

A critical factor for the library service is the provision of adequate funding to maintain and update its bookstock and I propose a sum of €293,000 for next year. I also propose a sum of €46,300 for the Schools Library Service for the purchase of school library books, which is fully recoupable from the Department. While the proposed book fund expenditure of €2.41 per head of population is short of the Department's recommended expenditure of €3.17 per head of population, it is hoped that this target can be realistically achieved in future years.

The ongoing computerisation of the library service will be continued with the creation of a database for the Local Studies Collection, facilitating access by the public to this most valuable service.

The Branch Library Improvements Scheme will be maintained next year with the provision of a sum of €11,200 towards minor improvement works at Foynes Library.

Archives/Cartlanna

In pursuance of Section 65 of the Local Government Act, 1994, Limerick County Council has a statutory obligation to preserve and make available to the public its archives.

The cost of the Archives Service is jointly funded by Limerick County Council and Limerick Corporation. The figure shown in the budget is €94,800 for 2003.

This budget allows for the services of an Archivist to advise the Council on the organisation and preservation of its Archives and the implementation of a modern Records Management Strategy for all file/series records associated with the various functions of the County Council. It is planned in 2003 to continue the creation of a Records Management Database to allow for a streamlined approach for the administration of all public records. In addition, a key priority for the Archivist in 2003 will be to facilitate the organisation and transfer of records to the new County Hall.

Furthermore, the Archives Service provides a genealogy service for Limerick County and City based at the Granary. The business of this genealogy service continues to grow and visitor numbers and customer feedback reflect strongly the value for money offered by this service. The service is held in high regard both nationally and internationally and by Irish researchers also. The estimate allows for the continued development of this service.

Arts Office

The estimated 2003 expenditure for the County Arts Office, including salaries and arts programme, is €166,500. The anticipated income is €60,000. This estimate will allow for maintenance of the arts programme at the existing level.

County Arts Office Programme will include the following:

- ❑ School Residency Programme, which will allow school children from 10 primary schools in the county to actively engage with an artist for a minimum period of 4 weeks to a maximum of six months.
- ❑ Éigse Michael Hartnett Festival and Éigse Michael Hartnett Award.
- ❑ Writer in Residence programme will continue in 2003.
- ❑ Calendar of exhibitions featuring work of professional artists, communities and marginalised groups.
- ❑ On-going support for existing festivals in the county.
- ❑ Series of concerts in Abington Church.
- ❑ Programme of activities and residencies targeting people with special needs.

Horticulture Service

€593,800 has been provided for the Horticulture Service, an increase of €17,974 over 2002. A sum of €40,000 has been provided for Special Amenity Works, primarily at Newcastle West and Lough Gur.

Programme Group 7

Agriculture, Education, Health and Welfare

Higher Education Grants

A sum of €3.062 million has been included to meet the cost of Higher Education Grants in 2003, which is almost fully recovered from the Department of Education and Science.

Over 1,600 applications are dealt with annually, including new applications and renewals.

VEC Pensions

The estimated cost of VEC pensions for 2003 is €1.2 million, which is recouped in full from the Department of Education and Science.

Rate Abatement – Community Facilities

This Scheme, which was introduced by the Council in 1987, benefits over sixty organisations throughout the county. The estimated cost for 2003 is €48,900.

Programme Group 8

Miscellaneous Services / Seirbhísi Ilgnéitheacha

Control of Dogs Act, 1986

The estimated cost of this service for 2003 amounts to €135,900, which is an increase of €15,300 over the adopted figure for 2002.

It is estimated that the full cost of the service will be recovered in licence fees.

Provision of Accommodation

Work on the provision of the new County Hall at Dooradoyle is progressing at a satisfactory pace and is due for occupation in mid 2003. The increased loan charges reflect the current loan position and the expected drawdown during the first half of 2003.

Courthouses

The estimated cost of Courthouse Maintenance for 2003 is €149,900, which is fully recovered from the Court Services Board.

Irrecoverable Rates

The estimated cost of irrecoverable rates for 2003 amounts to €895,000, an increase of €196,600 on the adopted figure for 2002.

Central Management Charges

Remuneration

Included under this heading are salaries and employer's P.R.S.I. costs for staff not assigned to the other eight programmes. Areas included would be Finance, Human Resources, Information Systems. Included also are pension costs of former employees.

Loan Charges

The sum traditionally provided in Central Management Charges in respect of loan charges has been included this year in Programme Group 8 to meet national guidelines.

Insurance

The reduced provision under this heading reflects the fact that the Public Liability provision is now included at Programme Group level. I have been advised by the Council's Insurers that liability premiums will be increasing by 33% in the coming year. These increased premiums, which is an industry wide problem, are mainly associated with reduced investment income and increased re-insurance and other costs.

Information Systems (Computer Services)

The estimated requirement under this heading amounts to €1,193,600, an increase of €142,000 over the adopted figure for 2002. This sum includes provision for payment of levy and charges to the Local Government Computer Services Board (€100,000) for purchase of digitised maps necessary for use with the geographic information system. Also included is a sum of €100,000 to continue the Council's replacement programme for PCs and €50,000 for supporting the new Financial Management System.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I hereby certify that at the Adjourned Budget Meeting of Limerick County Council held this _____ day of _____ 2____, the Council, by Resolution, adopted for the financial year ending on the 31st day of December, 2003, the Budget set out in Tables A and B and, by Resolution, determined in accordance with the said Budget, the Rates set out in Table B to be the annual rate on valuation to be levied for that year for the purposes set out in those Tables.

Signed:

Cathaoirleach

Countersigned:

County Secretary/Meetings Administrator

Dated this _____ day of _____ 200 ____.

REVENUE BUDGET - SUMMARY
PROGRAMME GROUP 1 - HOUSING AND BUILDING

EXPENDITURE		ADOPTED 2003	ADOPTED 2002	INCREASE/ DECREASE
	<u>Local Authority Housing</u>	-	-	-
1.1.1	Maintenance Repair and Improvement	440,300	435,266	5,034
1.1.1	Maintenance Repair/ Pre-letting Repairs	213,700	203,666	10,034
1.1.1	Loan charges- External Repair Programme	271,900	295,849	-23,949
11140999	External Paint Scheme	12,700	12,697	3
11140544	Estate Management	127,000	126,974	26
11240000	Rent Collection	228,500	203,793	24,707
11622000	Loan Charges	6,000	5,968	32
11322000	Other (Fire Insurance & Mortgage Protection Ins.)	106,000	102,341	3,659
11840000	Assistance to Homeless Persons(Sec10 Hsg. Act 1988)	364,000	352,987	11,013
	<u>Assistance to People Housing Themselves</u>			
12222002/12422000	Loan Charges - Annuity Loans	1,268,100	2,084,529	-816,429
new code	Loan Charges - Income Related and Convertible Loans	174,800	190,207	-15,407
12855040	Housing Finance Agency - Previous Loan Scheme	326,200	380,921	-54,721
12722000	Loan Charges - Private Sites	8,500	8,634	-134
	Loan Charges - Shared Ownership Loans	231,200	394,000	-162,800
	Loan Charges - Shared Ownership Loans(equity)	211,800		211,800
12222003	Loan Charges - Rental Subsidy	177,500	171,415	6,085
12855021/12822020	Other (Fire Insurance & Mortgage Protection Ins.)	97,000	72,375	24,625
	<u>Assistance to People Improving Houses</u>			
13622001	Loan Charges_ Essential Repair Grants	29,700	29,966	-266
13622002	Loan Charges _ Disabled Persons Grants	32,200	32,505	-305
13522000	Loan Charges _Reconstruction Loans & Grants	1,200	27,934	-26,734
13440000	Disabled Persons Grants	850,000	740,257	109,743
13340000	Essential Repair Grants	200,000	177,763	22,237
	<u>Administration and Miscellaneous</u>			
	Direct Administration	2,210,500	1,893,560	316,940
	Apportioned - Central Management Charge	570,516	888,690	-318,174
	Traveller Support Services	240,200	218,395	21,805
18855001	Other	25,400	25,395	5
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	8,424,916	9,076,088	-651,172

PROGRAMME GROUP 1 - HOUSING AND BUILDING

INCOME	ADOPTED	ADOPTED	INCREASE/
	2,003	2002	DECREASE
<u>Government Grants</u>			
Subsidy - Homeless Persons	327,600	317,688	9,912
Subsidy - Social Worker	115,800	99,420	16,380
Grants - Disabled Persons Grants	566,700	492,658	74,042
Grants - Essential Repairs	133,300	118,086	15,214
Grants - Traveller Accommodation	40,000	54,599	-14,599
Loan Charges Rental Subsidy	177,500	171,415	6,085
<u>Goods and Services/ Own Resources</u>			
Rents / Annuities	3,070,000	2,539,476	530,524
Internal receipts - major repairs prog	271,900		
Repayments - Annuity Loans(incl T.R.S)	920,800	2,157,920	-1,237,120
Insurance	97,000	72,375	24,625
Repayments - Income Related and Convertible Loans	91,500	133,322	-41,822
Repayments - Low Rise Mortgage Scheme	21,300	64,249	-42,949
Repayments - Shared Ownership	414,100	393,619	20,481
Repayments - H.F.A. - Previous Loan Scheme	326,200	380,921	-54,721
Reconstruction	23,500		23,500
Superannuation	133,800	85,072	48,728
Private Rented Accommodation	50,500	86,342	-35,842
Halting Sites E.S.B. / Rents	16,000	16,507	-507
Apportionment of Support Income	53,591	61,328	-7,737
Other	40,300	45,711	-5,411
TOTAL INCOME	6,891,391	7,290,709	-399,318

PROGRAMME GROUP 2 - ROAD TRANSPORT AND SAFETY

EXPENDITURE	ADOPTED 2003	ADOPTED 2002
<u>Road Upkeep</u>		
National Primary Roads	978,000	1,131,337
National Secondary Roads	540,000	379,652
Non National Roads Maintenance & Improvement	19,049,000	18,251,596
Public Lighting - Maintenance	765,800	665,978
Public Lighting - Repairs Damaged Lights	20,000	12,697
Public Lighting - New Lights	63,500	63,487
<u>Road Improvements</u>		
Local Improvement Schemes(Incl admin)	296,200	271,724
<u>Road Traffic</u>		
Parking	115,600	48,885
School Wardens	110,400	95,230
Safety and Education	2,700	3,175
Road Safety Campaign	12,700	12,697
<u>Administration and Miscellaneous</u>		
Direct Administration	4,195,800	2,657,943
Apportioned - Central Management Charge	1,966,729	2,652,864
Motor Taxation	926,600	846,915
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	29,043,029	27,094,179

INCREASE/ DECREASE

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PROGRAMME GROUP 2 - ROAD TRANSPORT AND SAFETY

	ADOPTED	ADOPTED	INCREASE/
	2003	2002	DECREASE
INCOME			
<u>Government Grants</u>			
Road Fund - Upkeep	15,996,600	14,917,518	1,079,082
Motor Taxation Recoupment	926,600	846,915	79,685
Other (L.I.S. Road Safety)	262,900	243,409	19,491
<u>Goods and Services</u>			
Parking fees/Fines	240,000	126,974	113,026
Contributions to Local Improvement Schemes	36,000	28,696	7,304
Superannuation	474,100	424,727	49,373
Apportionment of Support Income	138,039	141,195	-3,156
Other	81,300	71,867	9,433
TOTAL INCOME	18,155,539	16,801,301	1,354,238

PROGRAMME GROUP 3 - WATER AND SEWERAGE			
EXPENDITURE	ADOPTED 2003	ADOPTED 2002	INCREASE/ DECREASE
<u>Water Supply</u>			
Water Supply	3,205,700	3,174,472	31,228
Water Conservation	300,000		300,000
Loan Charges Metering prog	49,000		49,000
Loan Charges Major Cap	163,300		163,300
Water Purchase (Limerick Corporation)	1,885,200	1,269,738	615,462
Water Purchase (Other Local Authorities)	210,000		210,000
Revenue Collection	293,500	230,457	63,043
<u>Sewerage</u>			
Operation and Maintenance	2,010,300	1,880,101	130,199
Limerick Main Drainage	300,000	0	300,000
Public Conveniences - Maintenance	62,000	51,551	10,449
<u>Water & Sewerage</u>			
Small Schemes Capital Contribution/ Matching Funds	150,000	253,948	-103,948
<u>Private Installations</u>			
Grants - Individual Water Supplies	250,000	253,948	-3,948
Subsidy to Group Schemes	250,000	253,948	-3,948
Group Schemes Administration	175,000	165,066	9,934
<u>Administration and Miscellaneous</u>			
Direct Administration	1,376,200	1,123,972	252,228
Apportioned - Central Management Charge	775,773	939,479	-163,706
Miscellaneous		1,270	-1,270
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	11,455,973	9,597,950	1,858,023

PROGRAMME GROUP 3 - WATER AND SEWERAGE

INCOME	ADOPTED	ADOPTED	INCREASE/
	2003	2002	DECREASE
<u>Government Grants</u>			
Group Schemes - Administration Grant	175,000	165,066	9,934
Group Schemes - Subsidy	250,000	253,948	-3,948
Grants - Individual Water Supplies	250,000	253,948	-3,948
<u>Goods and Services</u>			
Water Charges	3,663,500	2,590,266	1,073,234
Shannon Estuary Scheme- Recoupment from A.A.L.	313,700	426,251	-112,551
Fluoridation - Mid Western Health Board	36,600	35,553	1,047
Superannuation	136,100	62,217	73,883
Water Connections	141,200	137,132	4,068
Apportionment of Support Income	38,499	35,934	2,565
Other	59,000	52,059	6,941
TOTAL INCOME	5,063,599	4,012,373	1,051,226

PROGRAMME GROUP 4 - DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES AND CONTROLS

EXPENDITURE	ADOPTED 2003	ADOPTED 2002	INCREASE/ DECREASE
<u>Planning</u>			
Development Plan	50,000	63,487	-13,487
Planning Control		38,092	-38,092
Planning fee refunds	40,000		
Limerick Land Use Transportation Study		6,349	-6,349
Retail Shopping,Housing Strategy		38,092	-38,092
		0	
<u>Building control/Health & Safety</u>	390,800	319,339	71,461
<u>Industrial Development</u>			
Industrial Promotion	1,300	1,270	30
County Enterprise Board/ Soft Supports	195,000	253,948	-58,948
<u>Other Development</u>			
Tourist Promotion	53,500	63,487	-9,987
Loan Charges		52,440	-52,440
Contribution to Regional Authority	90,800	81,771	9,029
Contribution to Regional Assembly	48,000	37,965	10,035
<u>Renewal Programmes</u>			
Urban and Village Renewal	94,000	101,579	-7,579
Loan Charges Urban & Village Renewal	341,300	187,921	153,379
Grants - Tidy Towns/Community Groups	25,500	25,395	105
<u>Representational Functions (Sec.5 of 1991 Act)</u>			
	5,000	6,349	-1,349
<u>Promotion of Interest of the Local Community (Sec.6)</u>			
	15,000	19,046	-4,046
<u>Director of Community & Enterprise</u>			
Director of Community &Enterprise Function	298,000	281,882	16,118
Dir of Comm &Ent Operational Costs	131,000	126,974	4,026
Rural Community Care Network	15,000	12,697	2,303
Local Social Capital Programme		6,349	-6,349
Community & Voluntary Forum	38,000	38,092	-92
<u>Twinning of Local Authority Areas</u>			
	40,000	50,790	-10,790
<u>Administration and Miscellaneous</u>			
Direct Administration and Overheads	2,209,300	1,730,145	479,155
Apportioned - Central Management Charge	297,686	386,635	-88,949
Contribution to General Council of Co. Co.	13,500	13,967	-467
Contribution to L.A.M.A.	3,300	2,793	507
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	4,395,986	3,946,854	449,132

PROGRAMME GROUP 4 - DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES AND CONTROLS

INCOME	ADOPTED 2003	ADOPTED 2002	INCREASE/ DECREASE
<u>Government Grants</u>			
County Enterprise Board	195,000	253,948	-58,948
Community & Voluntary Forum	38,000	38,092	-92
Conservation Grant	250,000	0	250,000
Heritage Officer grant	13,000		
Goods And Services			
Planning Fees	560,000	761,843	-201,843
Income Trial Hole	130,000		130,000
Superannuation	126,300	36,441	89,859
Apportionment of Support Income	10,621	9,650	971
Commencement Notices	50,000	50,790	-790
Misc Planning(dev plans & copies perms)	24,000		
TOTAL INCOME	1,396,921	1,150,764	246,157

PROGRAMME GROUP 5 - ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

EXPENDITURE	ADOPTED 2003	ADOPTED 2002	INCREASE/ DECREASE
Waste Disposal			
Morenane - Aftercare & Rehabilitation	0	123,165	-123,165
Abbeyfeale Landfill Aftercare	58,300		
Gortadromma - Operation and Provision of Landfill	2,314,100	2,644,991	-330,891
Gortadromma - Local Development Fund	146,050	165,066	-19,016
Gortadromma - Loan Charges	538,160	538,115	45
Gortadromma - Aftercare & Rehabilitation	460,000	495,198	-35,198
Gortadromma-Development Works	6,220,115	5,079,333	1,140,782
Other Waste Costs	440,500	293,944	146,556
Waste Management Plan	267,800	63,487	
East Limerick Planning Costs	38,200	0	38,200
Environmental Awareness	97,000	84,945	12,055
Recycling initiatives	507,000	474,501	32,499
Recycling Centres- New Developments	227,990		
Civic Amenity Sites Development costs	777,160	669,152	108,008
Clean Up Operations& Abandoned vehicles	119,230	95,230	24,000
Landfill Levy	2,200,000	1,949,429	250,571
Traveller Management Costs	51,000		
Refuse Collection	2,493,300	1,532,447	960,853
<u>Burial Grounds</u>		0	
Loan Charges- Mungret Burial Ground	99,600	112,245	-12,645
Burial Ground Upkeep & Imp & Grants	412,800	241,504	171,296
Improvement - County Wide		171,669	-171,669
<u>Safety of Structures and Places</u>			
Major Emergency Plan		12,697	-12,697
Civil Defence	161,050	152,369	8,681
Water Safety	45,600	43,298	2,302
Derelict sites - see prog 6 in 2002	19,000	0	19,000
<u>Fire Protection</u>			
Salaries, Fees, Pensions and Allowances	1,955,990	1,690,148	265,842
Buildings and Equipment	277,000	353,749	-76,749
Development Work 9 (Fire hydrants)	10,000	12,697	-2,697
Fees to Other Local Authorities	1,247,800	1,041,185	206,615
Regional Control Centre	160,300	146,401	13,899
Training Programme	98,000	95,230	2,770
Insurances - Equipment & Personal Accident	24,200	20,951	3,249
Occupational Health System	15,000	15,237	-237
Major Emergency Planning	35,500	35,553	-53
Miscellaneous	148,000	116,816	31,184
<u>Pollution Control</u>			
Pollution Control & Equipment	737,400	742,289	-4,889
Operation of Laboratory & Provision of Equipment	123,000	135,989	-12,989
Litter Control	298,600	252,805	45,795
Shannon river Basin	2,000,000		2,000,000
<u>Administration and Miscellaneous</u>			
Pensions Environmental	61,940		61,940
Admin Salary	43,000		43,000
Emergency Planning	34,900		34,900
Insurance - P.L.	65,000	0	65,000
Apportioned - Central Management Charge	1,818,063	2,144,969	-326,906
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	26,847,648	21,746,804	5,100,844

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PROGRAMME GROUP 5 - ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

INCOME	ADOPTED 2003	ADOPTED 2002	INCREASE/ DECREASE
<u>Government Grants</u>			
Civil Defence	112,750	106,658	6,092
Shannon River Basin- COTRA ITEM	2,000,000		
<u>Goods and Services</u>		0	
Refuse Collection Wheeled Bins	2,493,300	1,532,447	960,853
Refuse Disposal Charges	14,225,659	10,727,128	3,498,531
Landfill Levy	2,200,000	1,949,429	250,571
Fire Fees	73,000	20,316	52,684
Fire Safety Certs	300,000	399,967	-99,967
FireLicence sec 2481	19,000		
Course Expenses	2,000		
Burial Fees - Mungret	100,000	171,415	-71,415
Burial Fees - Other	100,000	82,533	17,467
Pollution Licence Fees	69,700	60,947	8,753
TSF Fees /C1 Fees	3,700		3,700
Waste Collection Permits	51,000	38,092	12,908
Waste Permits Appl	14,800		14,800
Waste Plan	163,800		163,800
Compost Cones	40,000		40,000
Derelict Sites	5,000		5,000
Litter - fines etc	29,000	0	29,000
Water Pollutond court	5,000		5,000
Superannuation	139,000	36,315	102,685
Apportioned - Central Management Charge	169,675	129,513	40,162
		0	
TOTAL INCOME	22,316,384	15,254,760	7,061,624

PROGRAMME GROUP 6 - RECREATION AND AMENITY

EXPENDITURE	ADOPTED 2003	ADOPTED 2002	INCREASE/ DECREASE
<u>Swimming Pools</u>			
Contributions	18,000	15,237	2,763
Askeaton Pool- Loan Charges	40,000	0	40,000
<u>Libraries</u>			
Archive Service	94,800	114,911	-20,111
Operation	1,803,100	1,763,920	39,180
Purchase of Books	339,300	356,796	-17,496
Library Improvement Works Programme	11,200	25,395	-14,195
<u>Community Employment Schemes</u>			
	355,500	355,527	-27
<u>Other Recreational and Amenity</u>			
Horticultural Service	593,800	575,826	17,974
Special Amenity Works	40,000	39,997	3
Grants_ Sli na Slainte(see Prog 4)	3,500	3,809	-309
Derelict Sites see prog 5 2003	0	19,046	-19,046
Contribution -Scheme to be agreed by Members	130,000	114,149	15,851
Arts Activities	166,500	190,588	-24,088
<u>Administration and Miscellaneous</u>			
Insurance P.I.	65000	0	65,000
Apportioned - Central Management Charge	265,901	386,635	-120,734
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	3,926,601	3,961,837	-35,236

PROGRAMME GROUP 6 - RECREATION AND AMENITY

INCOME	ADOPTED 2003	ADOPTED 2002	INCREASE/ DECREASE
<u>Government Grants</u>			
Grant - Community Employment Schemes	325,000	355,527	-30,527
Grant - School Library Scheme	46,300	40,632	5,668
Grant - Arts Act	60,000	94,976	-34,976
Grant - Library Equipment		107,928	-107,928
<u>Goods and Services</u>			
Library Fines	9,400	3,809	5,591
Superannuation	77,600	30,347	47,253
Apportionment of Support Income	3,971	5,587	-1,616
Other Income(Archive)		22,855	-22,855
TOTAL INCOME	522,271	661,661	-139,390

PROGRAMME GROUP 7 - AGRICULTURE EDUCATION HEALTH AND WE

EXPENDITURE	ADOPTED 2003	ADOPTED 2002	INCREASE/ DECREASE
<u>Agriculture</u>			
Pensions - County Committee of Agriculture	12,200	11,047	1,153
Land Drainage	247,500	232,997	14,503
Loan Charges - Limerick Harbour Comm	12,400	12,443	-43
<u>Education</u>			
Vocational Education Committee/Stat Deman	34,000	33,013	987
V.E.C. Pensions	1,200,000	1,118,258	81,742
Higher Education Grants	3,062,000	2,793,424	268,576
<u>Health and Welfare</u>			
Mid-Western Health Board - Expenses	90,000	88,882	1,118
Rates Abatement - Community Facilities	48,900	48,885	15
<u>Administration and Miscellaneous</u>			
Apportioned - Central Management Charge	341,900	471,073	-129,173
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	5,048,900	4,810,022	238,878

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PROGRAMME GROUP 7 - AGR, EDUCATION HEALTH AND WELFARE

INCOME	ADOPTED 2003	ADOPTED 2002	INCREASE/ DECREASE
<u>Government Grants</u>			
Recoupment - V.E.C. Pensions	1,200,000	1,118,258	81,742
Recoupment - Higher Education Gr	3,045,750	2,777,171	268,579
<u>Goods and Services</u>			
Recoupment - Loan Limk Harbour Comm.	12,400	12,443	-43
Apportionment of Support Income	32,623	33,140	-517
Other		5,079	-5,079
TOTAL INCOME	4,290,773	3,946,092	344,681

PROGRAMME GROUP 8 - MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES

EXPENDITURE	ADOPTED 2003	ADOPTED 2002	INCREASE/ DECREASE
<u>Provision of Accommodation</u>			
Loan Charges	2,276,100	0	2,276,100
<u>Financial Management</u>			
Rate Collection	510,250	451,900	58,350
Irrecoverable Rates	897,000	698,356	198,644
Rate Refunds	75,000	57,138	17,862
Bank Charges/ Overdraft Interest	102,000	63,487	38,513
Valuation Listing Fees	75,000	50,790	24,210
<u>Elections</u>			
Register of Electors	49,500	50,790	-1,290
<u>Administration of Justice - Consumer Protection</u>			
Courthouses	149,900	128,244	21,656
Control of Dogs Act 1986	135,900	120,625	15,275
Vets Milk & Dairies, Slaughter Houses,	251,400	228,553	22,847
Coroners	104,600	76,184	28,416
Pounds / Wandering Horses	134,700	107,928	26,772
<u>Property Damage</u>			
Malicious Damage	30,000	31,743	-1,743
<u>Administration and Miscellaneous</u>			
Apportioned - Central Management Charge	418,982	320,228	98,754
Sundry Debtors	63,500	63,487	13
Insurance P.L.	65,000		65,000
Other		12,697	-12,697
<u>Chairman's Allowance</u>			
Chairman's Allowance	28,800	28,823	-23
<u>Entertainment and Associated Expenses</u>			
	20,000	12,697	7,303
<u>Expenses of Members of Local Authorities</u>	190,000	514,244	-324,244
<u>Members Representational Allowance</u>	302,900		302,900
<u>S.P.C Chairs Allowances</u>	25,400		25,400
<u>S.P.C Members Expenses</u>	26,000		26,000
<u>Representation at Conferences</u>	248,900	248,869	31
<u>Expenses of Members Attending Conferences Abroad</u>			
	6,350	6,349	1
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	6,187,182	3,273,131	2,914,051

PROGRAMME GROUP 8 - MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES

INCOME	ADOPTED 2003	ADOPTED 2002	INCREASE/ DECREASE
<u>Government Grants</u>			
Court Services	149,900	128,244	21,656
Malicious Injuries	30,000	31,743	-1,743
Dept of Agriculture Grant(Abattoirs)	216,400	194,270	22,130
Dept of Environment Control of Horses	119,700	76,184	43,516
Members Salary		292,040	-292,040
<u>Goods and Services</u>		0	
		0	
Control of Dogs Act 1986	135,900	120,625	15,275
		0	
Veteninary Fees (Abattoir)	35,000	34,283	717
Superannuation	66,500	53,202	13,298
Agency Work	63,500	63,487	13
Apportionment of Support Income	6,852	9,269	-2,417
Other	77,500	106,658	-29,158
TOTAL INCOME	901,252	1,110,005	-208,753

EXPENDITURE	ADOPTED	ESTIMATE	INCREASE/
	2003	2002	DECREASE
1. Remuneration - including Superannuation and Social Welfare Contributions of Officers Better Local Government	3,086,400	2,676,100	410,300
		0	0
2. Loan Charges	0	1,752,239	-1,752,239
3. Travelling and Removal Expenses	97,000	114,276	-17,276
4. Office Accommodation and Requisites	1,348,600	1,088,673	259,927
5. Computer Services	1,193,600	1,051,343	142,257
6. Legal Expenses	180,000	165,066	14,934
7. Insurance	115,350	900,244	-784,894
8. Membership subscriptions to Outside Bodies	6,000	12,189	-6,189
9. Partnership Projects	87,600	50,790	36,810
10. Audit	33,000	31,743	1,257
12. Staff Recruitment and Development	127,500	101,579	25,921
13. Arbitration Scheme	49,500	49,520	-20
14. Staff Training	131,000	190,461	-59,461
15. Other Expenses		6,349	-6,349
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	6,455,550	8,190,572	-1,735,022
INCOME			
Partnership Recoupment	48,900	50,790	-1,890
Grant Phase 2 F.M.S	139,700		
Contributions to Superannuation	143,272	223,982	-80,710
Other Income	122,000	150,845	-28,845
TOTAL INCOME	453,872	425,616	28,256

<i>PROGRAMME GROUPS</i>	2003		INCOME 2003		EXPENDITURE 2002		INCOME 2002	
	ESTIMATED €	ADOPTED €	ESTIMATED €	ADOPTED €	ADOPTED €	OUT TURN €	ADOPTED €	OUT TURN €
1 HOUSING & BUILDING								
1.1. LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSING	1,770,100	1,770,100	3,664,109	3,664,109	1,739,541	1,387,500	2,857,165	2,778,600
1.2. ASSISTANCE TO PERSONS HOUSING THEMSELVES	2,495,100	2,495,100	2,106,500	2,106,500	3,302,081	3,195,800	3,406,834	2,788,900
1.3. ASSISTANCE TO PERSONS IMPROVING HOUSES	1,113,100	1,113,100	723,500	723,500	1,008,426	1,094,800	610,744	449,000
1.8. ADMINISTRATION AND MISCELLANEOUS	3,046,616	3,046,616	397,282	397,282	3,026,040	3,021,600	415,966	293,600
TOTAL-PROGRAMME 1	8,424,916	8,424,916	6,891,391	6,891,391	9,076,088	8,699,700	7,290,709	6,310,100
2 ROAD TRANSPORT & SAFETY								
2.1. ROAD UPKEEP	21,416,300	21,416,300	15,996,600	15,996,600	20,504,746	21,183,000	14,917,518	15,091,900
2.2. ROAD IMPROVEMENT	296,200	296,200	298,900	298,900	271,724	336,700	272,105	297,300
2.3. ROAD TRAFFIC	241,400	241,400	241,900	241,900	159,987	287,400	126,974	167,100
2.8. ADMINISTRATION AND MISCELLANEOUS	7,089,129	7,089,129	1,618,139	1,618,139	6,157,722	5,941,800	1,484,705	1,533,400
TOTAL PROGRAMME 2	29,043,029	29,043,029	18,155,539	18,155,539	27,094,179	27,748,900	16,801,301	17,089,700
3 WATER SUPPLY & SEWERAGE								
3.1. PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY	6,106,700	6,106,700	4,155,000	4,155,000	4,674,668	4,964,700	3,189,201	2,571,900
3.2. PUBLIC/SEWERAGE SCHEMES	2,522,300	2,522,300	35,000	35,000	2,185,600	2,031,800	52,059	1,300
3.3. PRIVATE INSTALLATION	675,000	675,000	675,000	675,000	672,961	510,700	672,961	719,000
3.8. ADMINISTRATION AND MISCELLANEOUS	2,151,973	2,151,973	198,599	198,599	2,064,721	2,238,200	98,151	130,700
TOTAL-PROGRAMME 3	11,455,973	11,455,973	5,063,599	5,063,599	9,597,950	9,745,400	4,012,372	3,422,900
4 DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES & CONTROLS								
4.1. LAND USE PLANNING	480,800	480,800	990,000	990,000	465,359	559,700	812,632	1,019,800
4.2. INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT	196,300	196,300	195,000	195,000	255,217	199,700	253,948	204,600
4.3. OTHER DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION	653,100	653,100			550,558	291,400		5,100
4.4. REPRESENTATIONAL FUNCTIONS	5,000	5,000			6,349			58,700
4.5. PROMOTION OF INTEREST OF THE LOCAL COMMUNIT	497,000	497,000	38,000	38,000	485,040	436,900	38,092	3,800
4.6. TWINNING OF LOCAL AUTHORITY AREAS	40,000	40,000			50,790	54,800		-
4.8. ADMINISTRATION AND MISCELLANEOUS	2,523,786	2,523,786	173,921	173,921	2,133,541	2,002,600	46,091	146,800
TOTAL-PROGRAMME 4	4,395,986	4,395,986	1,396,921	1,396,921	3,946,854	3,545,100	1,150,764	1,438,800

<i>PROGRAMME GROUPS</i>	2003		INCOME 2003		EXPENDITURE 2002		INCOME 2002	
	ESTIMATED	ADOPTED	ESTIMATED	ADOPTED	ADOPTED	OUT TURN	ADOPTED	OUT TURN
	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
5 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION								
5.1. WASTE DISPOSAL	16,955,905	16,955,905	19,221,259	19,221,259	14,209,004	15,309,200	14,247,096	15,250,700
5.2. BURIAL GROUNDS	512,400	512,400	200,000	200,000	525,418	367,600	253,948	146,500
5.3. SAFETY OF STRUCTURES AND PLACES	225,650	225,650	117,750	117,750	208,364	184,500		86,200
5.4. FIRE PROTECTION	3,971,790	3,971,790	394,000	394,000	3,527,967	3,306,600	526,941	451,300
5.5. POLLUTION CONTROL	3,159,000	3,159,000	2,074,700	2,074,700	1,131,083	674,400	60,947	188,900
5.8. ADMINISTRATION AND MISCELLANEOUS	2,022,903	2,022,903	308,675	308,675	2,144,969	2,467,300	165,828	352,200
TOTAL-PROGRAMME 5	26,847,648	26,847,648	22,316,384	22,316,384	21,746,804	22,309,600	15,254,760	16,475,800
			26	26				
6 RECREATION AND AMENITY								
6.1. SWIMMING POOLS	58,000	58,000			15,237	24,900		600
6.2. LIBRARIES	2,248,400	2,248,400	55,700	55,700	2,261,023	2,261,500	175,224	167,100
6.3. PARKS, OPEN SPACES, RECREATION CENTRES	355,500	355,500	325,000	325,000	355,527	365,400	355,527	373,400
6.4. OTHER RECREATIONAL/AMENITIES	933,800	933,800	60,000	60,000	943,415	961,700	94,976	61,600
6.8. ADMINISTRATION AND MISCELLANEOUS	330,901	330,901	81,571	81,571	386,635	332,700	35,934	29,300
TOTAL-PROGRAMME 6	3,926,601	3,926,601	522,271	522,271	3,961,837	3,946,200	661,661	632,000
7 AGRICULTURE, EDUCATION & HEALTH & WELFARE								
7.1. AGRICULTURE	272,100	272,100	12,400	12,400	256,487	166,800	12,443	24,800
7.2. EDUCATION	4,296,000	4,296,000	4,245,750	4,245,750	3,944,695	3,934,100	3,895,429	2,330,700
7.3. HEALTH/WELFARE	138,900	138,900			137,767	4,500		-
7.8. ADMINISTRATION/MISCELLANEOUS	341,900	341,900	32,623	32,623	471,073	499,000	38,219	62,000
TOTAL-PROGRAMME 7	5,048,900	5,048,900	4,290,773	4,290,773	4,810,022	4,604,400	3,946,092	2,417,500

PROGRAMME GROUPS	2003		INCOME 2003		EXPENDITURE 2002		INCOME 2002	
	ESTIMATED	ADOPTED	ESTIMATED	ADOPTED	ADOPTED	OUT TURN	ADOPTED	OUT TURN
	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
8 MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES								
8.1. LAND ACQUISITION AND DEVELOPMENT	2,276,100	2,276,100						
8.2. PLANT AND MATERIALS								
8.3. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT	1,659,250	1,659,250	35,000	35,000	1,321,670	1,545,500	64,757	135,800
8.4. ELECTIONS	49,500	49,500	1,000	1,000	50,790	49,800		1,400
8.5. ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE/CONSUMER PROTECTIO	776,500	776,500	671,900	671,900	661,534	463,300	566,303	553,300
8.6. PROPERTY DAMAGE	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	31,743	-	31,743	300
8.7. MARKETS/FAIRS/ABATTOIRS						-		4,200
8.8. ADMINISTRATION AND MISCELLANEOUS	547,482	547,482	163,352	163,352	396,412	643,500	155,162	183,100
8.9. CHAIRMAN'S ALLOWANCE	28,800	28,800			28,823	28,823		
8.10. ENTERTAINMENT AND ASSOCIATED EXPENSES	20,000	20,000			12,697	50,000		
8.11. EXPS. OF MEMB OF L.A'S & REPR AT CONFERENCE	793,200	793,200			763,113	1,031,377	292,040	292,040
8.12. EXPS. OF MEMB ATTENDING CONFERENCES ABROAD	6,350	6,350			6,349	6,500		
TOTAL-PROGRAMME 8	6,187,182	6,187,182	901,252	901,252	3,273,131	3,818,800	1,110,005	1,170,140
TOTAL OF ALL PROGRAMME GROUPS	95,330,235	95,330,235	59,538,130	59,538,130	83,506,864	84,418,100	50,227,664	48,956,940

* YEAR 1=forthcoming financial year.

**YEAR 2=current financial year.

TABLE B

CALCULATION OF ANNUAL RATE ON VALUATION 2003

Limerick County Council

PROGRAMME GROUP

	<i>Estimated</i>	
	<i>Out Turn For 2002</i>	
<i>I. Gross Revenue Expenditure (Per Table A)</i>	<i>Col. 1</i>	<i>Col. 2</i>
	€	€
1. Housing & Building	8,424,916	8,699,700
2. Road Transportation & Safety	29,043,029	27,748,900
3. Water Supply & Sewerage	11,455,973	9,745,400
4. Development Incentives & Control	4,395,986	3,545,100
5. Environmental Protection	26,847,648	22,309,600
6. Recreation & Amenity	3,926,601	3,946,200
7. Agriculture, Education, Health	5,048,900	4,604,400
8. Miscellaneous services	6,187,182	3,818,800
TOTAL	95,330,235	84,418,100
Plus County Charge (Town/Borough Councils)		
Minus County Charge(County Councils)		
Plus provision for Debit Balance		
Adjusted Gross Expenditure (A)	95,330,235	84,418,100
 <i>II. Gross Revenue Income (Per Table A)</i>		
1. Housing & Building	6,891,391	6,310,100
2. Road Transportation & Safety	18,155,539	17,089,700
3. Water Supply & Sewerage	5,063,599	3,422,900
4. Development Incentives & Control	1,396,921	1,438,800
5. Environmental Protection	22,316,384	16,475,800
6. Recreation & Amenity	522,271	632,000
7. Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	4,290,773	2,417,500
8. Miscellaneous services	901,252	1,170,140
Total = (B)	59,538,130	48,956,940
 III. Net Expenditure (A-B)=(C)	35,792,105	35,461,160
 IV. Other Income \ Credit Balance		-
Provision for Credit Balance		-
Local Government Fund Income	17,600,000	16,336,200
Sub-Total = (D)	17,600,000	16,336,200
 V. Amount to be Levied = (C)-(D)	18,192,105	
 VI. Net Effective Valuation	359,000	355,817
 VII. General Annual Rate on Valuation	50.6744	46.9642

* YEAR 1= The forthcoming Financial Year.

**YEAR 2= The Current Financial Year.

APPENDIX 2

RATE ON VALUATION 2002

Kerry	60.53
Dun Laoghaire	58.67
Donegal	58.30
South Dublin	55.36
Roscommon	54.33
Mayo	54.28
Cork	53.50
Wicklow	53.53
Wexford	52.34
Fingal	52.11
Waterford	51.46
Longford	51.19
Clare	51.04
Kildare	50.98
Sligo	50.77
Tipperary North	49.70
Carlow	49.18
Leitrim	48.46
Limerick	46.96
Meath	46.51
Laois	46.48
Galway	44.52
Monaghan	43.22
Tipperary South	41.93
Cavan	41.81
Louth	41.12
Offaly	39.30
Westmeath	39.00
Kilkenny	36.42

APPENDIX 3

DOMESTIC REFUSE CHARGES 2002

Carlow	Privatised
Cavan	€160
Clare	Privatised
Cork	€149
Donegal	Privatised
Dun Laoghaire	€200
Fingal	€1.18 - €3.94 tag
Galway	Privatised
Kerry	€197
Kildare	€142 - €189
Kilkenny	Privatised
Laois	Privatised
Leitrim	Privatised
Limerick	€255
Longford	Privatised
Louth	Privatised
Mayo	€140
Meath	Privatised
Monaghan	Privatised
Offaly	€60
Roscommon	Privatised
Sligo	Privatised
South Dublin	€149.64
Tipperary North	Privatised
Tipperary South	€178
Waterford	€6.03 tag
Westmeath	€4.71 tag
Wexford	€95 - €200
Wicklow	Privatised