

LIMERICK CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF ADARE-RATHKEALE
MEETING TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, 11th APRIL, 2016

4th April 2016

To: The Cathaoirleach and Each Member of the Municipal District of Adare-Rathkeale

Re: Draft Schedule of Municipal District Works - (SMDW)

Dear Councillor,

I wish to refer to previous discussions regarding the requirement to prepare a Schedule of Municipal District Works

Section 58 of the Local Government Reform Act 2014 inserts a new section 103A in the Local Government Act 2001 providing that, following the adoption of the annual budget, a schedule of proposed works of maintenance and repair to be carried out during the financial year in each municipal district shall be prepared, for adoption by the municipal district members.

The SMDW is, in effect, a plan of works that prioritises and apportions the use, within each municipal district, of funding provided in the overall local authority revenue budget for particular purposes

The SMDW in respect of the Municipal District should be formulated on the basis of the amount of funding provided for maintenance and repair in the annual budget of in respect of each relevant service division (e.g. housing, roads, amenities, street cleaning, drainage work, burial ground maintenance, etc.

Classification of items in the budget should largely determine what works and related expenditure are included in the SMDW but insofar as it may be necessary to make judgments in particular instances, it is considered that the term "maintenance" can include not only maintenance of the physical condition or fabric of items, but also more operational type matters such as grass cutting or tree pruning.

Within the level of funding available, details of the SMDW should be prepared on the basis of identified needs (taking account of relevant factors, for example, in the case of housing, age profile of stock) and priorities throughout the local authority area and taking due account of requirements in relation to standards and frequency of

maintenance work. This should be informed by details of relevant requirements which were considered in the formulation of the overall local authority budget. It will also be relevant to have regard to the pattern of works and expenditure in previous years.

It is emphasised that adoption of the SMDW per se cannot involve revision of the adopted budget.

It is essential to maximise return on investment by avoiding dilution of expenditure which could result from spreading allocations too thinly across the Municipal District each year. This could be minimised by taking a multi-annual approach where possible in the preparation of the SMDW.

Maximising value for money, overall effectiveness, and return from investment should also be a key objective in prioritising works and allocating available funding within each municipal district, along with the need to ensure appropriate balance in the allocation of resources as between urban and rural areas in the district.

Apportionment of funding on a thematic basis within the district over the life of the Council could help to this end. For example, specific housing estate(s) in one location could be prioritised for refurbishment in year one, with a commitment to undertake works in another area in subsequent years. Similarly, where an overall local authority maintenance programme is drawn up for a particular purpose (say windows and doors in local authority dwellings) which might need to extend over a number of years, the required works would be reflected in relevant annual SMDWs.

Any maintenance type functions, for example, grass cutting, planting or other maintenance of open spaces, that are carried out by means of specific purpose grants for such purposes to community groups such as tidy towns committees can be provided for, as appropriate, through the SMDW.

The GMA, which is a budgetary element providing funding for discretionary expenditure at municipal district level to be decided by the elected members in respect of each municipal district, is separate from the "strategic" budgetary funding for maintenance and repair, the utilisation of which is to be determined in the SMDW.

The Draft Schedule of Municipal District Works for the Municipal District of Adare-Rathkeale is set out at appendix 1 attached.

The approval of the Members is sought for the Draft Schedule as presented.

**Caroline Curley,
Director of Services.**

Appendix 1

ADARE RATHKEALE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT Road Works Scheme 2016			
Work Category			€
Restoration Improvement (RI) -Road Reconstruction			€1,207,270
Restoration Maintenance (RM) -Surface Dressing			€343,851
General Maintenance (GM)			€728,720
Tar Patching (TP)			€298,965
Structures (STR)			€126,000
General Municipal Allocation (GMA)			€115,000
Low Cost Safety Improvement Works (LCSI)			€72,500
General Maintenance of National Roads-N21			€247,513
Development Fund			€40,000
Severe Weather Spending			€480,685
Total Defined MD spending			€3,660,504
Winter Maintenance (WM)		€400,000 Total City and County	
Community Involvement Schemes (CIS)		€180,000 Total City and County	
Local Improvement Schemes (LIS)		€181,500 Total City and County	
Public Lighting		€2,525,401 Total City and County	
Regional Roads Surface Dressing			
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost (€)
R-518	Tinkers X towards Ballingarry village	1000	€34,800.00
R-518	Cragmore X to Curraheen (Loughane X)	210	€7,308.00
Total			€42,108

**Regional Roads
Road Reconstruction
Allocation = €252000**

Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost (€)
R-523	Reen's towards Ardagh to Rahilly's Cross	550	€99,000.00
R-521	Grouse Lodge, Ardagh	100	€18,000.00
R-519	Gortafadda (Adare To Ballingarry)	750	€135,000.00
	Total	1400	€252,000

**Local Roads
Surface Dressing**

Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost (€)
L-1236	L-1236, Askeaton to Aghalacka	1400	€37,800.00
L-1219	L-1219 Lissatotan to Kilquane	1000	€24,750.00
L-6114	L-6114 Five Roads to Croaghane (Barracks)	1000	€18,000.00
L-1421	Croagh to Knockdromin level crossing	1750	€40,000.00
L-6021	Graigeen Junction to Cappagh Community Centre	1510	€33,975.00
L-6140	Kilcoleman East to Ballyallinan South	2600	€52,650.00
L-800	Meanus	550	€10,000
L-5076	Cloghaddolarty, Fedamore	800	€18,000
L-1409	Powerfield, Fedamore	1400	€25,350
L-8606	Liskennett	844	€18,982
L-1149	Luddenmore - Roadstone to Mr Binman	900	€20,000
	Total	13754	€299,507

**Local Roads
Road Reconstruction
Allocation = €955270**

Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost (€)
L-1219	Gortroe to Kilquane	650	€67,925.00
L-6116	Five Roads Mountdavid to Cloonty	1000	€76,000.00
L-6110	Four Road Ballyhahill to Fleanmore	1000	€95,000.00
L-1423	Seven Sisters	1300	€135,850.00
L-1422	Blackabbey Adare. Ballynageal Kilgrogan Blackabbey	1000	€104,500.00
L-80392	Ballyculhane	300	€17,100.00
L-8021	Dunaman	900	€85,500.00
L-8033	Kennedy's Cross to Rintulla	765	€58,140.00
L-8003	Ballycahane Crecora	1000	€95,000
L-8059	Ballylusky, Croom	800	€53,200
L-1409	Kilderry Fedamore	956	€81,800
L-5078	Carnane towards Enaghroe	600	€57,000
L-50822	Ballinagarde cul de sac	300	€27,509
	Total	9921	€954,524

**Bridge Rehabilitation Works-
Structures (STR)**

Allocation = €126,000

Road No.	Description	Total Cost (€)
R521	Shanid Lower, Shanagolden	€30,000.00
R518	Askeaton town on River Deal	€15,000
L1221	Ballycullen, Askeaton	€6,000.00
L1227	Ballyhahill Village	€13,000
L1201	Askeaton / Ballysteen Rd.	€10,000
L1213	Rathkeale / Cloncagh Rd.	€12,000.00
L6052	Rathnasaer Rd. , Rathkeale.	€25,000.00
L6013	Don Bosco, Pallaskenry.	€15,000.00
	Total	€126,000

**Low Cost Safety Improvement
Schemes (LCSI)**

Allocation = €72,500

Road No.	Description	Total Cost (€)
L-6071	Kilcoleman: L-6071 Junction onto R521	€20,000.00
L-6070	Four Cross Junction at Ballykealy	€22,500.00
L-8606	Liskennett, Granagh	€30,000.00
	Total	€72,500

**General Municipal Allocation (GMA)
from the Travel and Transport
Budget**

Allocation = €115000

No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost (€)
1	Rathkeale Pedestrian Crossing		€35,000.00
2	Pallaskenry Footpaths outside Byrnes wall		€39,700.00
3	Replacement and repairs to footpaths, white lining, manholes and signage along High Street and Main Street Croom.		€21,450.00
4	Junction Improvement works at Cloghadoolarty, Fedamore		€8,000.00
5	Resurface and drainage on approach roads. Provide additional road markings - Crecora NS		€10,850.00
	Total		€115,000

Development Fund			
Allocation = €40,000			
No.	Description		Total Cost (€)
1	Ballyhahill footpaths		€6,000.00
2	Askeaton Footpaths		€13,000.00
3	Shanagolden Footpath - NS boundary towards Church		€10,000.00
4	Rathkeale footpaths		€11,000.00
Total			€40,000

Severe Weather Funding			
Allocation = €480,685			
No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost (€)
L-6121 & L-6123	Lisbane Drainage Works	500	€ 126,650.00
R-523	Courtmatrix Drainage Works	400	€ 42,750.00
L-1423 & L-8038	Old Kildimo to Ballycasey Drainage Works	60	€ 59,850.00
L-6150	Culvert upgrade works Ring road, Ballingarry	100	€ 33,200.00
L-8053	Castleroberts Drainage Works	50	€ 32,500.00
L-1223	Carrowbreedoge drainage remedial works	100	€ 34,375.00
L-1222	Ballylin drainage remedial works	100	€ 25,250.00
L-1219	Stoneville to Cloghdrida drainage remedial works	250	€ 56,400.00
L-6019	Kilbehy drainage remedial works	300	€ 38,400.00
L5077	Recon and drainage works at Enaghroe, Fedamore	600	€ 31,310.00
Total			€480,685

Brief summary of the above Work Categories and Allocations for the Adare-Rathkeale Municipal District:

Restoration Improvement (RI)

€1,207,270

This is a specific allocation under the Restoration Improvement Grant (RI). Many roads have deteriorated to such an extent that they require resurfacing, reshaping and strengthening to enable them to cater for the heavy vehicles and to prevent water lodging.

Restoration Maintenance (RM) €343,851

This is a specific allocation under the Restoration Maintenance Grant (RM). A large proportion of the condition of non-national roads is due to lack of proper and regular maintenance such as overlays and surface dressing. This allocation will extend the life of the pavement and delay the development of potholes, thus protecting the investment in roads. At the current level of funding the overlay and surface dressing life cycles for non national roads is up to 1:40 years.

General Maintenance €728,720

General maintenance covers a wide range of works such as verges and drainage, cleaning water channels, street cleaning, opening inlets, signage, elimination of localised flooding, junction maintenance, dealing with accidents, oil spillages, storms, emergencies and general repairs to roads and footpaths.

Tar Patching (TP) €298,965

Regular tar patching is necessary to prevent the deterioration of the road surface and substructure and in the interest of road safety.

Structures (STR) €126,000

Details of the funding made available for structures in the District is provided. The 2016 approved schemes are provided.

Low Cost Safety Improvement Works (LCSI) €72,500

The 2016 allocation provides funding to enable low cost safety improvement works on non-national roads to be carried out. The criteria for approval and grant allocation are based on accident data along with inspection of sites and discussions between the local authority and the Regional Road Safety Engineer.

Parking Management (PM) €0

This includes for disc parking operation, wages, traffic fines management system, communication equipment.

General Municipal Allocation (GMA) €115,000

Items for which expenditure is provided on a City and County at large basis

Public Lighting (PL) €2,525,401

This covers the operation, repair and maintenance of Public Lighting. The supply of energy is purchased through the National Procurement Service (NPS). The repair, replacement and maintenance of public lights are tendered separately. The above figure pertains to the whole City and County area.

Road Safety: Engineering, Promotion, Education (RS) €628,518

This includes for school wardens, road safety plan, road safety education and training. The above figure pertains to the whole City and County area.

Winter Maintenance (WM) €400,000

This provision is for the treatment of roads in severe weather in accordance with the Winter Service Plan and pertains to the whole City and County area.

Community Involvement schemes (CIS) €180,000

No grant will be forthcoming in 2016 but local authorities can set aside up to 7.5% of the RI and RM grants for CIS schemes. It is proposed to allocate the same funding as 2015. Circular RW3/2015 sets out the details of the Community Involvement Scheme. The above figure pertains to the whole City and County area.

Local Improvement Schemes (LIS) €181,500

The 2016 Road Grants allow for the allocation of up to 15% of the Discretionary Grant to be allocated to Local Improvement Schemes on private roads. An increased local contribution of 20% is now required for participating communities. Given the general pressure that exists on resources for the maintenance and upkeep of the public road system it is proposed to maintain the same allocation as 2015. The above figure pertains to the whole City and County area.

Overheads (OH)

€1,247,009

This includes for insurances (EL/PL), Health and Safety training and equipment, sick pay, holiday pay, legal costs, office expenses, etc. The above figure pertains to the whole City and County area.

Home and Social Development

The Local Authority of Limerick City & County Council was created in June 2014 with the resultant creation of new Districts. 2015 was used as the baseline for data for the new organisation. Other Housing Services, for example, assessments, allocations, rent Collection, estate Management and homeless services are not broken down per district and are serviced centrally.

There are 527 no of Council housing units within the Adare-Rathkeale District. In 2015 we received 746 no of repair requests for the area. Approximately 89% of all repair requests in 2015 were closed within the year.

Housing repairs are carried out based on need and budgetary constraints. Repairs are categorised into emergency, urgent and routine. Examples of each are listed below:

Emergency Repairs

- Fire
- Flood including significant leaks or flooding from water or heating pipes
- No electricity
- No gas
- No water
- No hot water
- No heating
- Blocked flue to open fire or boiler
- Blocked or leaking foul drains
- Unsafe access path or step

Urgent repairs

- Faulty sockets or switches
- Faulty storage heaters
- Faulty door entry system

- Partial loss of water supply
- Loose or detached banister or hand rail
- Unsafe timber flooring or stair treads
- Storm damage

Routine Repairs

- All other items of joinery, electrical, plumbing and plaster work.

Time Scales for Carrying Out Repairs

The aim is to carry out repairs within the following timescales:

Category of Repair	Timescale
Emergency	1 to 3 working days
Urgent	Within 7 working days
Routine	Within 6 working weeks

Pre letting Repairs

Vacancies: In 2015 there were 34 no of allocations to casual vacancies (including transfers)

Should a tenant wish to surrender their property, they have an obligation to provide notice to Limerick City & County Council (4 weeks) of their intention to vacate. On foot of this notice, we will carry out an inspection of the dwelling where all necessary repair works are identified. If there are no repairs required, the property will immediately be subject to relet procedures. A gas safety check will be carried out on any property that has a gas heating system, before the new tenant moves in, and an electrical safety check will be carried out to all vacant properties.

The cost of making good a vacant house varies considerable depending on the age of the house, the condition the tenant has left it in and current letting standards.

A budgetary provision for maintenance and pre lettings for 2016 has been made as follows:

Maintenance:	€152,117
Pre Lettings:	€113,919

The following Traveller specific accommodation is situated within the District:

- Rathkeale Halting Site

A budgetary provision of €8,177 has been made for Site Maintenance and Repair.

PRIVATE HOUSING GRANTS

The following private house grants are available from the Council:

HAGS- Housing Adaptation Grant Scheme:

Available to assist in the carrying out of works which are reasonably necessary for the purposes of rendering a house more suitable for the accommodation of a person with a disability who has enduring physical, sensory, mental health or intellectual impairments. The types of works available include the provision of access ramps, downstairs toilet facilities, stair-lifts, accessible showers, adaptations to facilitate wheelchair access, extensions and any other works deemed necessary. Applicable to works costing in excess of €6,000.00.

MAGS- Mobility Aids Grant Scheme:

Available to cover works to address mobility problems, primarily associated with ageing. The type of works available include: grab rails, access ramps, level access showers, and stair-lifts. Applicable to works not in excess of €6,000.00.

HOPS- Housing Aid Older People:

Available to assist older people living in poor conditions to have necessary repairs of improvements carried out. The types of works available under the scheme include: re-roofing, re-wiring, and the provision of central heating (where none exists) and the replacement of windows & doors.

The Council is required to provide 20% towards the costs of such grants with the DECLG meeting 80%. A similar provision to 2014 has been provided in 2015. Assuming DECLG approval to maximise the Council's provision, the overall spend on private house grants for 2015 is estimated as follows:

Revenue Budget Provision for Adare-Rathkeale District 2016 €67,906

Estimated Overall District Spend for Adare-Rathkeale District 2016 €339,530

SCHEDULE OF WORKS TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL DIRECTORATE FOR THE ADARE – RATHKEALE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT IN 2016

The Environment Department covers a broad range of activities including waste, litter, pollution, veterinary services, parks, playgrounds and cemeteries.

The proposed schedule of works for the Adare - Rathkeale Municipal District for 2016 may be summarised as set out here under.

Waste Regulation, Monitoring and Enforcement Expenditure

The Department of Environment, Community and Local Government has set four priorities for Waste Enforcement in 2016. These are:

1. Roll out of the Pay-by-Weight Household Waste Collection systems
2. Implementation of the enhanced Waste Tyres Producers Responsibility Initiative
3. Illegal Dumping (including fuel laundering waste dumping)
4. Implementation of the Household Food Waste Regulations and associated roll out of the brown bin.

The Council will expend €140,000 in relation to Waste Regulation, Monitoring and Enforcement Expenditure. The Environmental Department will carry out approximately 100 planned inspections in addition to investigating waste related complaints in the Adare - Rathkeale Municipal District during 2016.

Litter Team

The Litter Team is actively involved in enforcing the provisions of the Litter Pollution Act, the Waste Management Act, and Bye Laws for Household and Commercial Waste. This team carries out daily patrols, monitors high risk areas and responds to complaints received regarding the following;

- instances of littering, dumping,
- waste which is not presented for collection in a satisfactory manner,
- illegal signage,
- graffiti,
- abandoned cars,
- illegal storage of waste,
- backyard burning
- no refuse collection service in place at households/commercial premises.

The Litter Team issues fines under the Litter Pollution Act and Bye Laws for Household and Commercial Waste. It is estimated that approx 25 litter fines will be issued in 2016 in respect of the Adare-Rathkeale Municipal District.

The Litter Team issues questionnaires to householders and owners of commercial premises to establish if they have a refuse collection service in place and serves notices if no response is received. This team also monitors the accumulation of waste/litter and serves notices/directions under the Litter Pollution Act and Waste Management Act on householders and landowners to require them to keep their property free of litter/waste.

It is estimated that approx 30 notices/directions under the Waste Management Act and Litter Pollution Act will issue in Adare-Rathkeale Municipal District in 2016.

The Litter Team initiates court proceedings for non payment of fines and non-compliance with notices/directions and will take approx 10 court proceedings in 2016 in the Adare-Rathkeale Municipal district.

There is one full time Environmental Control Officer/Inspector and one inspector who works part of his time in the Adare-Rathkeale Municipal district and the approximate cost of this service is €65,000.

Cemeteries

There are approx. 250 cemeteries in Limerick. There are approx 50 cemeteries in Adare-Rathkeale Municipal District. The cemeteries budget for general maintenance works for the Adare-Rathkeale Municipal District is €25,000. The Council relies on burial ground committees and FAS/TUS/RSS schemes to carry out grass cutting and maintenance works in cemeteries. The Council allocates burial ground grants to burial ground committees. It is estimated that approx. 50 such grants will be provided in the area at a cost of €18,000.

Pollution Control Team: Discharge Licensing.

From 1st January 2014, Irish Water became the statutory body for the administration of licences to discharge to the public sewers. The Pollution Control Team works in partnership with Irish Water in this regard and a service level agreement is in place.

The Pollution Control Team carried out 30 onsite discharge licence inspections to sewers throughout the City & County in 2015, and anticipates a similar level of activity in 2016. Based on 2015 levels of activity, it is likely that 7 inspections will be carried out in the Adare-Rathkeale Municipal District in 2016.

Discharge to sewer licences are inspected on rotation, with emphasis being put on recently granted licences in order to ensure the adoption of best practices.

The total number of inspections of water licences for 2015 was 126. This included 99 administrative desktop inspections and 24 onsite visits. The Pollution Control Team undertook 8 onsite visits in the Adare-Rathkeale Municipal District in 2015, and anticipates a similar level of activity in 2016.

Discharge licensing inspections are carried out on a county wide basis. The cost of the inspection, and of any sample which the Council takes as part of that inspection,

is borne by the licence holder. This charge is invoiced in the year following the year of audit. Charges are set by way of a condition of each individual licence.

Pollution Control Team: Air Pollution.

The Pollution Control Team is responsible for the enforcement of the requirements of the Air Pollution Act 1987 and related Regulations. This includes:

- The European Union (Installations and Activities using Organic Solvents) Regulations 2012 and 2014. These Regulations control the use of solvents in dry cleaners. 12 inspections of relevant premises were carried out in 2015.
- The European Union (Paints, Varnishes, Vehicle Refinishing Products and Activities) Regulations 2012 and 2014. These regulations control the use of certain solvent-based substances in car repair installations, among other activities. During 2015, 12 inspections of premises were carried out with respect to these Regulations. It is envisaged that a similar number will be carried out in 2016.

Please take note that the managing of the Air Pollution Act (Petrol Vapour Emissions Regulations) 1997 has been transferred to the Fire and Rescue Department.

Water Quality Management

Under the EU Water Framework Directive (WFD) there is an obligation on the Council to achieve a significant improvement in river water quality. The Environment Water Quality Team undertake a programme of farm inspections and general monitoring of rivers with a view to achieving significant improvement in water quality.

This team carried out 767 farm inspections in 2015. A minimum of 500 inspections is planned for 2016.

It is envisaged that a number of these farm surveys will be undertaken in the Adare-Rathkeale Municipal District in 2016.

Septic Tank Inspections

The Water Services (amendment) Act 2012 required the registration and inspection of septic tanks and other onsite treatment systems. The EPA publishes the National Inspection Plan and based on the national priorities Limerick City & County Council identify properties to be inspected within each risk category.

Work continues in this area for 2016. Systems for inspection will be selected in accordance with the National Inspection Plan published by the EPA in February 2013. The EPA has stipulated that Limerick complete a minimum of 42 inspections by 31st December 2016. These will be carried out throughout the Metropolitan District of Limerick and the Municipal Districts at properties to be identified within each risk category. Inspections are to commence in March 2016.

Parks, Open Spaces & Green Areas

The Parks and Landscaping team in the Environment Department carries out a wide range of functions in relation to parks and open spaces. These works include tree pruning, grass cutting, hedge trimming and small maintenance and landscaping works. Grass cutting is carried out throughout the summer period and a total of 30 hectares of grass are cut. The concentration moves to tree pruning, landscaping and hedge cutting during the Autumn and Winter season when the Parks and Landscaping team carry out a mixture of planned and responsive works. Parks and landscaping will also provide assistance this year to groups engaged in activities to mark the 1916 anniversary celebrations.

The team also undertakes playground maintenance, community clean ups, round about maintenance, litter picking and waste disposal etc. and the Environment Department also provides grant aid to community groups.

The 2016 work programme in support of the activities as outlined above will involve expenditure in the amount of €125,000 (including both discretionary and nondiscretionary expenditure) in respect of Parks, Pitches and Open Spaces. €6,750 in respect of Playground Maintenance and the provision of Environment grants to Community Groups of €6,600.

Maintenance of Open Spaces Grant Scheme in Housing Developments

Limerick City & County Council will administer the maintenance of open spaces grant scheme in housing developments in 2016. There is a total budget of €61,500 to be spent across the 4 Municipal Districts. The grant is allocated on an application basis based on a number of factors including acreage of green space to be maintained, number of houses in the estate and number of applications received by the Council for the scheme.

Horse Control

Limerick City & County Council seized 343 stray horses in 2015, of which 10 were reclaimed by their owners.

The 2016 annual budget adopted by the Council in relation to Animal Welfare Services is €549,611. It is forecast that the number of animals likely to be reclaimed will be minimal.

Dog Control

The Dog Warden Service dealt with a total of 693 stray and unwanted dogs during 2015. Of these 693 dogs, 48 were reclaimed and 396 re-homed. Regrettably, it was necessary to put 249 dogs to sleep but on a positive note this reflected a reduction of 12% on 2014. It is anticipated that, due to the introduction of a dedicated facebook page in June 2015, re-homing rates will continue to improve.

Limerick Going for Gold Environment Improvement Grant Scheme

Limerick City & County Council will administer a Limerick Going for Gold Environment Improvement Grant Scheme across all four municipal districts in 2016. €76,000 is set aside in the budget for this scheme. A matching contribution is also expected from the McManus Charitable Foundation. The grant will be allocated on the basis of applications received, considered in accordance with relevant criteria. The Environment Department will also operate the Limerick Going for Gold Competition and the Local Agenda 21 Environment Partnership Fund.

Anti-litter Awareness Initiatives

The Council's Anti litter awareness Initiatives funds programmes such as anti dog litter campaigns, national spring clean, adverts in local media. There is a sum of €58,750 which will be allocated in 2016. A significant portion of this funding will be part of Limerick City & County Councils contribution to Team Limerick Clean Up.

Recovery and Recycling Facilities operation

The Environment Department is responsible for the operation of 10 Bring Centres throughout the Municipal District of Adare-Rathkeale. These centres accept glass, cans and textiles.