

LIMERICK CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL
DECEMBER MEETING OF THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 21ST DECEMBER 2015

Question submitted by Councillor Elena Secas

I will ask at the next meeting when the Council is going to pilot the 30km/h speed limits concept in housing estates in the Metropolitan District.

REPLY:

It is intended to bring draft byelaws to the February Meeting of the Metropolitan District to be held on Monday, 15th February, 2015.



**Kieran Lehane,
Director,
Transport & Travel / Environment**

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I will ask at the next meeting what solutions the Council has explored for safe road crossing for children attending Milford National School in Castletroy and if the Council has considered providing a school warden service for children's safety.

REPLY:

In order to confirm the full extent of current traffic issues in the vicinity of Milford School the Council will undertake revised surveys of traffic in early 2016 along Plassey Park Road. The outputs from those surveys will allow the Council to best examine the range of suitable options for this location to enhance the safety of children crossing the Plassey Park Road from or to Milford School. It would be premature to comment on any one possible solution before then.



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LIMERICK CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL
HOME AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT
METROPOLITAN DISTRICT MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 21st DECEMBER, 2015

Question submitted by Councillor Sean Lynch

“I will ask at the next meeting for an update on the latest count to establish how many are actually sleeping rough in Limerick and what measures have been taken to ensure that we have no one sleeping rough this Christmas”

Reply:

The Limerick Homeless Action Team (LHAT) scheduled a rough sleepers count for Wednesday the 9th of December 2015. This had to be postponed due to a weather alert, it has been rescheduled for Wednesday the 16th of December.

LHAT endeavours to constantly monitor evidence of rough sleeping in Limerick. We have ongoing liaison with the Garda Síochána, Approved Housing Bodies and the HSE Emergency Department in order to identify any individuals actually, or at risk of sleeping rough. Other individuals and agencies such as members of the public, the media and elected members also aid in identifying transient rough sleeping persons. LHAT has not received any indication that there are persons consistently rough sleeping in Limerick.

The Limerick Homeless Action Team office hours are 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday. Our telephone number is 061 481212. Anyone who is homeless or at risk of homelessness is invited to present for assessment. From 5pm to 9pm, Monday to Friday, and 12pm to 4pm Saturday and Sunday, an Out of Hours Service operates, to which persons who are homeless or at risk of homelessness may present in person. An emergency telephone number 180060 6060, operates 24 hours a day.

In November, Limerick City & County Council funded the Winter Beds Initiative. Eight emergency beds are available through this initiative for individuals who present to the LHAT, which are allocated on a daily basis. This service is provided in addition to the existing hostel emergency accommodation, this provision is adequate to meet current presented needs.

it should be noted that we are always planning ahead to be prepared in the event of an increase in presentation, we are currently in discussions with a number of agencies to have contingency emergency beds in place should the need arise.


Pat Dowling
Director of Service,
Home & Community.

17th December 2015