

**LIMERICK CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL**

**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF ADARE-RATHKEALE**

**MEETING TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, 8TH SEPTEMBER 2015**

**Question submitted by Councillor Emmett O'Brien**

I will ask at the next Meeting what steps are being taken by the Human Resources Department of Limerick City and County Council to employ a Supervisory Executive Engineer and Engineering Technician for the Adare Rathkeale area.

**REPLY:**

The Council is in the process of recruiting additional engineering and technical staff for operations. A number have already started and more will be starting in the coming weeks.

**Joe Delaney,  
Senior Executive Officer,  
Human Resources.  
September, 2015.**

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I will ask at the next Meeting in view of what was discussed at the last District Meeting, whether Limerick City and County Council will provide emergency funding towards the provision of essential services such as street lighting in private estates in the District not yet taken in charge by the Council.

**REPLY:**

There is a protocol in place in relation to taking in charge of private estates. Currently, Limerick City and County Council has no provision in its budget in order to provide for emergency funding to estates not in it's charge.

**Tom Gilligan,  
Head of Finance, Motor Tax and ICT.**

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I will ask at the next Meeting if consideration could be given to the substitution of L1423, from the Seven Sisters Pub to Clorhane, for L1423, Curraghbridge towards Ballylongford, on the 2016 List of Local Road Schemes in circumstances where L1423 Curraghbridge towards Ballylongford was completed during the 2015 Roads Scheme.

**REPLY:**

This work will be carried out under the 2016 Road Works Scheme

**Brian Kennedy,  
Operations Manager South and West Divisions  
September 2015**

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**Question submitted by Councillor Stephen Keary**

I will ask at the next Meeting what is the policy of Limerick City and County Council regarding the non compliance by landowners to spray or cut noxious weeds on certain lands throughout county Limerick.

**Reply**

The Approved Officers for dealing with noxious weeds under the Noxious Weeds Act are designated under the Department of Agriculture. The Council notifies the Department of Agriculture of any complaints received in relation to landowners dealing with Noxious Weeds.



**Kieran Lehane,  
Director,  
Environment & Water Services**

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**Question submitted by Councillor Tom Neville**

I will ask at the next Meeting if traffic calming measures are being erected on the N20 at Banogue and if so a detailed outline of the measures.

**REPLY:**

The N20 from Croom to the County Boundary is currently being examined to determine best strategy for potential future works. Banogue will be included in this assessment.

**Robert Gallagher  
Senior Executive Engineer,  
Travel and Transportation**

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I will ask at the next Meeting for an update on the flood relief works to be carried out on the Askeaton Ballysteen Road at Moig Askeaton.

**REPLY:**

Flood Relief Works to be carried out on the Askeaton Ballysteen Road at Moig Askeaton – Works will commence before the end of September, 2015.

**Brian Kennedy,  
Operations Manager South and West Divisions  
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I will ask at the next Meeting for an update on the replacement of rubber speed ramps in St. Mary's Park with ramps similar to the permanent ramp already erected in the estate.

**REPLY:**

The Speed ramp that was replaced in St Marys Park on the straight stretch was identified as priority in conjunction with the Gardaí. The schedule of Municipal District works does not allow for the replacement of any further speed ramps at this location. However, it is our intention to reduce the speed limit in this estate to 30 kph this year.

**Brian Kennedy,  
Operations Manager South and West Divisions  
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#### **Question submitted by Councillor Richard O'Donoghue**

I will ask at the next Meeting in relation to the proposed development at Gortadroma and following a meeting between RAGE and Cadence where video footage of the process was shown, for clarification on the opening/non-opening of Cells on the site and clarification on the percentages of inert material left after processing by the Cadence plant and materials going to landfill.

#### **REPLY:**

- 1) Cells –For Cadence Enviropower Ltd. to open any new landfill cells they would first need to obtain a waste licence from the EPA to operate the new cells.
- 2) Inert material - Cadence Enviropower Ltd has indicated that the amount of ash generated by the gasification system is less than 5% (by weight) of the total amount of waste processed.



**Kieran Lehane,  
Director,  
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**Question submitted by Councillor Richard O'Donoghue**

I will ask at the next Meeting in relation to the Council's Draft Cemeteries Bye-Laws 2015 will it be mandatory seven days per week for undertakers to seek written permission from the Council before opening a grave.

**REPLY**

The purpose of this particular requirement is to ensure that the Council is provided with accurate details of all burials in Council cemeteries to ensure that interments take place in correct plots and to allow the Council compile accurate registers of interments for records and archival purposes.

The Council acknowledges that in very limited circumstances there may be occasions when it may not be possible to secure prior written approval i.e. a death and proposed burial at week-end.

The Council will consider this proposed bye-law in the context of submissions received prior to bye-laws being submitted to the full Council for formal approval.



**Kieran Lehane,  
Director,  
Environment & Water Services**

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I will ask at the next Meeting in relation to the Council's Draft Cemeteries Bye Laws 2015, if a person wants to purchase a second grave is it proposed that the price of the second grave be set at the same price or discounted.

**Reply**

The price of graves is set by the Chief Executive as part of the financial management of the Council.

The policy of the Council is that a grave sold for immediate use is set at a fixed price, dependent on the location of the cemetery in which the grave is being purchased.

The Council charges a higher rate if a person wishes to purchase a second grave that is not required for immediate use.



**Kieran Lehane,  
Director,  
Environment & Water Services**

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**Question submitted by Councillor Kevin Sheahan**

I will ask at the next Meeting for an update in relation to the status of Deel Manor Estate, Askeaton and when it is anticipated that the Council will be in a position to take over even a part of the estate.

**REPLY:**

The Bank who hold the planning bond for this development has appointed a consultant to oversee the completion of this estate. The consultant has submitted the taking in charge documentation to the Council which is being examined. A schedule of works will then be issued to the consultant for agreement and once these works have been completed to the satisfaction of the Council the formal taking in charge process will commence. It is not possible at the present to provide a date for the taking in charge

**Signed: P. Daly,  
Director of Services,  
Economic Development and Planning.**