

Limerick City and County Council

March 2016 Council Meeting

MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 14th MARCH 2016

Question submitted by Councillor C. Prendiville

I will ask at the next Meeting is there any exemption or discounted standing charge for water rates available for charities and voluntary organisations who are struggling on reduced budgets.

Reply to Question:

There is no exemption or discount available for water charges to charities and voluntary organisations.

Irish Water has now the statutory responsibility for providing and developing water services throughout Ireland. Limerick City and County Council provide on an agency basis the billing and collection function for this local authority area and therefore any exemption or discount on water charges has to be approved by Irish Water.

Sean Coughlan

A/Head of Finance

LIMERICK CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL

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I will ask at the next Meeting how many Council-owned houses are there currently boarded up or unoccupied, broken down by Municipal District.

REPLY:

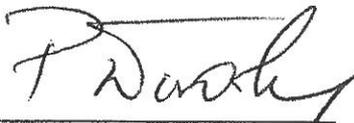
	Adare-Rath	Cap-Kilm	Metro	NCW	Regen
Casual Vacancies	2	5	4	1	28
Major Refurb.	0	0	14	1	12
Sched Demol.	0	0	0	0	55
Total	2	5	18	2	95

Metropolitan Area Major Refurbishments (14);

Ten units at Bourke Avenue. A proposal was sent to the Department for approval for major refurbishment works under the long term void/derelict units scheme in December 2015.

Two units at Hassetts Villas. A decision to demolish and replace or refurbish is currently being made by our Design & Delivery team.

Two units in Ballygrennan are flats over shops. A review will be carried out on the commercial/residential configuration of these units going forward.



Pat Dowling,
Director of Service,
Home & Community.

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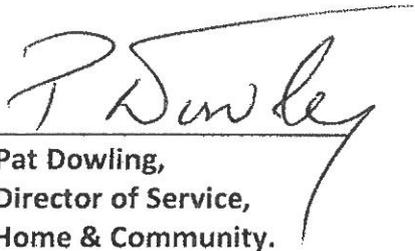
Question submitted by Councillor R. O'Donoghue

I will ask at the next Meeting, in view of the homeless crisis nationally and the housing shortage, for a comprehensive list of vacant or unoccupied local authority houses in Limerick.

REPLY:

The current number of casual vacancies in each electoral area is as follows;

Adare / Rathkeale	2
Cappamore / Kilmallock	5
Metropolitan District	4
Newcastle West	1


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Question submitted by Councillor Richard O' Donoghue

I will ask at the next Meeting if extra funding and staffing can be allocated to combat the serious deterioration of this Authority's rural roads infrastructure.

REPLY:

The funding for roads infrastructure maintenance comes from both Council funds and national funding sources. The Council recently received notice of an additional €4m of funding for roads following the severe winter rainfall and flooding.

The decisions on the Council element of road funding is made each year by the Council at the annual budget.



Kieran Lehane,

**Director,
Transport & Travel / Environment**

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Question submitted by Councillor P. Keller

I will ask at the next Meeting how many people are currently working for the Council or its connected companies through JobBridge and Gateway Schemes.

Reply to Councillor Keller

There are currently 18 No. persons on placement through the Jobbridge Internship Scheme.

There are currently 47 No. participants employed on the Gateway Scheme.

Signed:



Sean Coughlan
Acting Head of
Finance