

LIMERICK CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF ADARE-RATHKEALE
MEETING TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY,
5TH DECEMBER, 2017

Question submitted by Councillor Ciara McMahon

I will ask at the next Meeting if Limerick City and County Council has a disability access plan for all towns and villages in the Adare-Rathkeale District. In particular I am asking in relation to Ballyhahill village, is there a specific disability access plan for this village in light of new footpaths etc.

REPLY:

Footpath repair works were carried out during the year in Ballyhahill. Works of this nature should be carried out having regard to 'Recommendation for Site Development Works for Housing Areas' which refers to footpaths being 'dished at crossing-points and at all road junctions and vehicular access, to facilitate the disabled and others'.

Universal design principles are incorporated into all public realm and built environment projects. All new development, including housing must have regard to accessibility issues in the context of design, building and management of buildings and spaces so that they can be readily accessed and used by everyone, regardless of age, size, ability or disability.

It is the policy of Limerick City and County Council to ensure that its public realm is universally accessible and the annual budget for the Council provides funding for upgrading and improvement of footpaths in this regard.

Gerard O'Connor
A/Senior Executive Engineer,
Operations and Maintenance Services.

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Question submitted by Councillor Adam Teskey

I will ask at the next Meeting how many successful prosecutions have been made by this authority with regards to temporary dwellings being illegally parked within this District.

REPLY:

Six successful prosecutions for unauthorised caravans were taken by Limerick City and County Council in the Adare - Rathkeale Municipal District in 2016. So far in 2017 eleven Enforcement Notices have been issued in respect of unauthorised caravans, seven of these notices have been complied with and the other four have been referred for prosecution. It is expected to have these four cases before Newcastle West District Court on 5th December 2017.

Signed: Stephane Duclot,
A/Senior Planner,
Planning and Environmental Services
4th December, 2017

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I will ask at the next Meeting what is the update in relation to Cappagh Cross with regard to the improvements and improvements of signage at this location.

REPLY:

Limerick City and County Council have been in contact with the Insurer last week with regards the incident at Cappagh Cross. We will be again furnishing them with the costs associated and photos of the location. Once funding is granted the works will be carried out immediately. The vehicle involved in the accident was a hire car and a number of insurance companies are involved, hence the delay.

**Kevin Murphy,
A/Senior Executive Engineer,
Service Operations West Division,
29th November, 2017**