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**Limerick City and County Council**

**Meeting of Metropolitan District of Limerick**

**19<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

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**Question submitted by Cllr. J. Leddin**

I will ask Limerick Metropolitan Council how many applications have been approved, how many declined, under the Government's Rebuilding Ireland Home Loans and how many applications have been made over the last two years.

**Reply:**

Figures up to 31/10/2018 regarding Rebuilding Ireland Homeloan since introduction of the scheme in February 2018 for all of Limerick City and County.

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|------------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Number of applications received | 138 |
| 2. Number applications approved    | 27  |
| 3. Number of applications refused  | 51  |

**Note:** The balance of 60 applications include applicants awaiting decision, applications cancelled or withdrawn and applications where we are still awaiting further information.

**Rob Lowth**  
A/Senior Executive Officer  
Housing Support Services

## MEETING OF THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2018

### Question submitted by Cllr. J Leddin

I will ask at the next meeting how many times has the CPO legislation been used to acquire land or property in the last four years.

### Reply:

Six residential properties were acquired by CPO by Limerick City and County Council to take the said properties out of dereliction.

Land was acquired by CPO during 2018 to construct a slipway on the western side of the existing pier at Ringmoylan, Pallaskenry, Co. Limerick.

Jayne Leahy  
Head of Property Services

Date: 13th November 2018

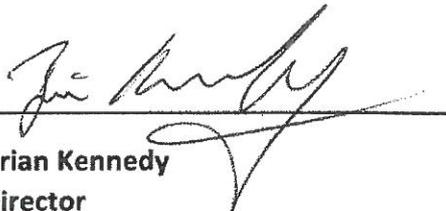
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**METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK**  
**MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 19th NOVEMBER 2018**

**Question submitted by Councillor S. Lynch**

I will ask at the next meeting for a timeline on when the legal issues are going to be resolved in relation to the taking in charge of Steamboat Quay.

**Reply**

Limerick City and County Council is currently engaged with property owners in Steamboat Quay, to resolve issues around roads and public open spaces, following a request from businesses and residents in Steamboat Quay to take the roads and public spaces in charge. It is difficult to put a timeline on when these matters will be resolved, but the Council will be endeavouring to resolve the matter in 2019.



**Brian Kennedy**

**Director**

**Physical Development Directorate**

**16 November, 2018**



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### Question submitted by Councillor M. McCreesh

I will ask at the next meeting that following a parliamentary question to Minister Eoghan Murphy seeking the amount of unpaid development levies due by local authority (39297/18), Limerick City and County Council (LCCC) was listed as having €4,392,782 for development levy debtors as at 31/12/2016.

Could you please now provide a breakdown of the development levies included in this amount for Limerick City and outline how much of this figure will be recovered.

### REPLY:

While every effort will be made by the Council to collect €4,392,782 referred to in the question above, a bad debt provision of €3,187,163 has been made leaving net short-term debt of €1,205,619. This provision is a prudent measure in line with best accounting practice.

The Council pursues outstanding contributions through continuous active debt management.

**Signed:**           **Stephane Duclot,**  
                          **A/Senior Planner,**  
                          **Planning & Environmental Services**  
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### Question submitted by Councillor M. McCreesh

I will ask at the next meeting can the process of tracking offset arrangements for development contributions be outlined with regard to ensuring the implementation of agreed offsets.

### **REPLY:**

Offsets refer to works which a developer does over and above what is required by the terms of the planning permission and which benefit the local authority and for which the developer seeks a reduction on the contributions due to the value of the works done.

There are a number of aspects of the offset process, which have to be managed to ensure satisfactory outcome to any offset proposal.

The cost of works which are to be offset against development contributions to be agreed by parties prior to those works commencing. This offset agreement between the Council and the developer should be given effect by signing of a legal agreement between both parties. This agreement to cover cost of works, arbitration (if needed) and Council access to works during construction.

No new offset proposals have been received since the inception of Planning & Environmental Services in early 2016 and no offset proposals are currently being monitored by the department.

**Signed:**            **Stephane Duclot,**  
                          **A/Senior Planner,**  
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**Question submitted by Councillor M. McCreesh**

I will ask at the next meeting how many offset arrangements are currently being tracked for development levies.

**REPLY:**

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**Question submitted by Cllr. John Costelloe**

I will ask the Council how many voids there are in the Metropolitan area and how many are currently being refurbished.

**Response to Question**

There are currently 107 Voids in the Metropolitan area which can be categorized as follows;

58 require major refurbishment while the remainder are casual vacancies.

Most casual vacancies require minor works which are undertaken on an on-going basis by our Housing maintenance staff.

At present 33 properties in the Metropolitan area have been approved for Voids funding.

This work is on-going, with 13 homes completed and the remainder either ready to go on-site or with works being specified and costed.

It is the intention of Limerick City and County Council to submit additional properties for Voids funding.



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Aoife Duke  
Director of Service  
Housing Development

15<sup>th</sup> November 2018

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**Question submitted by Cllr. John Costelloe**

I will ask the Council, following the recent announcement of €1.4 million funding for the refurbishment of vacant Council properties, I would like to know the status of this funding and what the plan is to fast track these refurbishments.

**Response to Question**

Limerick City and County Council have received funding to carry out works on 70 Void properties in the City and County.

The current status of works is as follows;

Area	Approved	Complete	On-site	Works Scheduled (Tender Work Complete)	Tender Stage	Pre - Tender
Rathkeale NCW	25	4	7	2	8	4 - spec'd
Cappamore Kilmallock	12	6	1	2		3 - spec'd
Metro	33	13		2		18- Spec'd
	<b>70</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>25</b>

The works are being carried out by a mix of direct labour and contractors to fast-track the delivery of additional homes.

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