

LIMERICK CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF CAPPAMORE KILMALLOCK
MEETING TO BE HELD ON THURSDAY, 21st MARCH 2019

**To: The Cathaoirleach and Each Member of the Municipal District of
Cappamore-Kilmallock**

Re: Draft Schedule of Municipal District Works - (SMDW)

4th March 2019

A Chomhairleoir, a chara,

I wish to refer to previous discussions regarding the requirement to prepare a Schedule of Municipal District Works.

Section 58 of the Local Government Reform Act 2014 inserts a new section 103A in the Local Government Act 2001 providing that, following the adoption of the annual budget, a schedule of proposed works of maintenance and repair to be carried out during the financial year in each municipal district shall be prepared, for adoption by the municipal district members.

The SMDW is, in effect, a plan of works that prioritises and apportions the use, within each municipal district, of funding provided in the overall local authority revenue budget for particular purposes

The SMDW in respect of the Municipal District should be formulated on the basis of the amount of funding provided for maintenance and repair in the annual budget in respect of each relevant service division (e.g. housing, roads, amenities, street cleaning, drainage work, burial ground maintenance, etc.

Classification of items in the budget should largely determine what works and related expenditure are included in the SMDW but insofar as it may be necessary to make judgements in particular instances, it is considered that the term “maintenance” can include not only maintenance of the physical condition or fabric of items, but also more operational type matters such as grass cutting or tree pruning.

Within the level of funding available, details of the SMDW should be prepared on the basis of identified needs (taking account of relevant factors, for example, in the case of housing, age profile of stock) and priorities throughout the local authority area and taking due account of requirements in relation to standards and frequency of maintenance work. This should be informed by details of relevant requirements which were considered in the formulation of the overall local authority budget. It will

also be relevant to have regard to the pattern of works and expenditure in previous years.

It is emphasised that adoption of the SMDW per se cannot involve revision of the adopted budget.

It is essential to maximise return on investment by avoiding dilution of expenditure which could result from spreading allocations too thinly across the Municipal District each year. This could be minimised by taking a multi-annual approach where possible in the preparation of the SMDW.

Maximising value for money, overall effectiveness, and return from investment should also be a key objective in prioritising works and allocating available funding within each municipal district, along with the need to ensure appropriate balance in the allocation of resources as between urban and rural areas in the district.

Apportionment of funding on a thematic basis within the district over the life of the council could help to this end. For example, specific housing estate(s) in one location could be prioritised for refurbishment in year one, with a commitment to undertake works in another area in subsequent years. Similarly, where an overall local authority maintenance programme is drawn up for a particular purpose (say windows and doors in local authority dwellings) which might need to extend over a number of years, the required works would be reflected in relevant annual SMDWs.

Any maintenance type functions, for example, grass cutting, planting or other maintenance of open spaces, that are carried out by means of specific purpose grants for such purposes to community groups such as tidy towns committees can be provided for, as appropriate, through the SMDW.

The GMA, which is a budgetary element providing funding for discretionary expenditure at municipal district level to be decided by the elected members in respect of each municipal district, is separate from the “strategic” budgetary funding for maintenance and repair, the utilisation of which is to be determined in the SMDW.

The Draft Schedule of Municipal District Works for the Municipal District of Cappamore Kilmallock is set out at appendix 1 attached.

The approval of the Members is sought for the Draft Schedule as presented.

Is mise le meas,

**Seán Coughlan,
Director of Services.**

Appendix 1

CAPPAMORE KILMALLOCK MUNICIPAL DISTRICT Road Works Scheme 2019	
Work Category	€
Restoration Improvement (RI) -Road Reconstruction	2,538,571
Restoration Maintenance (RM) -Surface Dressing	500,938
Supplementary Restoration Maintenance (SRM) – Surface Dressing	197,312
Drainage Works	200,000
General Maintenance (GM)	985,975
General Maintenance Safety (GMS)	109,553
Parking	40,093
Footpath Repairs (FR)	80,000
Tar Patching (TP)	460,215
Bridge Rehabilitation (STR)	55,000
Low Cost Safety Improvement Works (LCSI)	234,000
General Municipal Allocation	290,000
Total Defined MD Spending	5,691,657

- Winter Maintenance (WM) €578,198 Total City & County.
- Community Involvement Schemes (CIS) – In 2018, a 2 year grant allocation of €356,000 was issued for 2018 and 2019, most of which was expended in 2018. Limerick City & County Council are currently identifying schemes that will be included in the 2019 programme. An allocation of €86,751 has been made to Limerick City and County for 2019.
- Local Improvement Schemes (LIS) – The Department for Rural and Community Development (DRCD) issued ring fenced funding for LIS. €384,092 has been approved for 2019 for Limerick City and County.
- Public Lighting €2,460,000.00 Total City & County.
- National Road HD 28 Sites – €400,000 – Locations requiring Skid Resistance Improvement to be identified and agreed with TII.
- Declassified National Road Grant – €1,000,000 – In accordance with Circular RW 1/2019, €1,000,000 has been made available for the upkeep of declassified national roads across Limerick City and County, locations to be agreed with Department of Transport.
- An allocation of €328,000 has been made by TII for Capital Maintenance Works 2019 for national roads across Limerick City and County.

CAPPAMORE-KILMALLOCK MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

Road Works Scheme 2019

Regional Roads Surface Dressing Allocation = €228,722

Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost (€)
R515	Treanlewis	800	€26,400.00
R515	Ballinasculla Bridge	1000	€33,000.00
R516	Bruff Rugby Club - Hospital	1500	€44,924.00
R512	Cullamus	1300	€42,448.00
R516	Hospital - Emly Road	1400	€42,350.00
R505	Bog Road	1200	€39,600.00
Total		7200	228,722

Regional Roads Road Reconstruction Allocation = €1,179,490

Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost (€)
R512	Main Street Kilmallock	850	€314,500
R518	Main Street Bruree	1000	€370,000
R513	Main Street Knocklong	320	€130,240
R513	Ballycahill Hospital	200	€30,400
R513	Ballylanders	250	€42,750
R662	Galbally	200	€26,600
R505	Grange Cross towards the Welcome Inn	700	€145,000
R513	Caherconlish Main Street	500	€120,000
Total		4020	1,179,490.00

Local Roads Surface Dressing Allocation = €469,528

Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost (€)
L1549	Dromacommer	800	€19,800.00
L15492	Athlacca South	510	€9,180.00
L1140	Patrickswell School	700	€15,750.00
L1509	Ballycahill	1500	€27,000.00
L1510	Ballinahinch Elton	1500	€27,000.00
L1516	Ballylanders - Kilfinnane	1200	€27,000.00
L1506	Ballydaly Bulgaden	1800	€28,350.00
L5075	Ballingoola	1100	€14,850.00
L1536	Gortnacrank	1000	€24,750.00
L1548	Tullerboy	950	€21,375.00
L1504	Quarry Road	1200	€29,700.00
L1571	Riversfield	1300	€25,873.00
L1539	Garryfine	660	€14,850.00
L1125	Collins Cross towards Abinton	1300	€35,100.00
L1136	Cross of Cooga towards Gortavalla	800	€16,200.00

L5036	Gortnakisteen	1900	€34,200.00
L5050	Barna to Templebraden	1500	€33,750.00
L5014	Coolnahilla	500	€9,000.00
L5093	Greenane to Uncle Tom's	1600	€32,400.00
L5095	Ballyadam	1300	€23,400.00
Total		23120	469,528.00

**Local Roads
Road Reconstruction
Allocation = €1,359,081**

Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost (€)
L5058/L1156	Main Street Killeely	480	€142,080.00
L8609	Dromin	350	€29,925.00
L1539	Ballyteige Upper	800	€68,400.00
L1504	Quarry Road	400	€34,200.00
LT80001	Knocknascorw Kilbehenny	800	€45,600.00
LT15191	Kileen (off Galbally Road)	800	€45,600.00
L1502	Barrons Cross - Kilballyowen	400	€45,600.00
L8527	Ardrahin	750	€57,000.00
L1507	Knockainey Road Hospital	750	€71,250.00
LT15052	Gormanstown Bruff	400	€22,800.00
L8521	Knocklong Church	350	€33,250.00
L15162	Rappulagh Kilfinnane	400	€30,400.00
L15311	Ballinlyna Upper	700	€39,900.00
L1139	Herbertstown	300	€39,900.00
L8504	Ballyhaukish	1000	€57,000.00
L8544	Darragh	300	€22,800.00
L1536	Gortnacrank	250	€26,125.00
L5030	Foilaclera	800	€50,000.00
L5133	Nicker towards Pallasgreen	800	€57,106.00
L5049	Ballyneety South to Farranafina	1500	€70,000.00
L5038	Boleens X to Longford Bridge	1000	€50,000.00
L5027	Dromsally	900	€30,000.00
L5043	Ballybeg- Moanihila, Oola	1000	€50,000.00
L1135	Sunville to N24	350	€84,000.00
L1133	Medical Centre to St Michaels Tce, Moore Street	600	€73,145.00
L50302	Hunt's Hill Reenavanna	900	€33,000.00
L50481	Garrisson	500	€20,000.00
L50883	Ballysallagh	500	€20,000.00
L50361	Cooga Upper	200	€10,000.00
Total		18280	1,359,081.00

**Bridge Rehabilitation Work
Structures (STR)
Allocation = € 55,000**

Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost (€)
L1131	Abbinton Bridge	N/A	€45,000
L8504	Ballyhaukish Bridge	N/A	€10,000
Total			€55,000

Low Cost Safety Improvement Schemes (LCSI) Allocation = € 234,000			
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost (€)
R512	Glenosheen Village	N/A	€54,000
R506/L1161/L1123/L1125	Five Cross Roads Murroe	N/A	€60,000
R512	Grange Cross	N/A	€30,000
R513	Lynchs Corner, Caherconlish	N/A	€90,000
Total			€234,000
Drainage Works Allocation = €200,000			
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost (€)
R515	Milltown, Kilmallock	180	€20,000
R515	Ballinvana, Martinstown	100	€15,000
R515	Thomastown	100	€15,000
L8527	Ardrahin, Galbally	200	€15,000
L1572	Kilfinnane	250	€20,000
L5059	Ballyloundash	400	€30,000
L1549	Athlacca South	400	€30,000
R505	Technical College Cappamore	300	€20,000
R505	Doon Rd Cappamore	100	€15,000
L1126	Mongfune	100	€20,000
Total			€200,000

Brief summary of the above Work Categories and Allocations for the Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District:

Restoration Improvement (RI) €2,538,571

This is a specific allocation under the Restoration Improvement Grant (RI). Many roads have deteriorated to such an extent that they require resurfacing, reshaping and strengthening to enable them to cater for the heavy vehicles and to prevent water lodging.

Restoration Maintenance (RM) €500,938

This is a specific allocation under the Restoration Maintenance Grant (RM). A large proportion of the condition of non-national roads is due to lack of proper and regular maintenance such as overlays and surface dressing. This allocation will extend the life of

the pavement and delay the development of potholes, thus protecting the investment in roads. At the current level of funding the overlay and surface dressing life cycles for non national roads is up to 1:40 years.

Supplementary Restoration Maintenance (SRM) €197,312

This is new specific allocation in 2018 under the Supplementary Restoration Maintenance Grant (SRM) for surface dressing works only. A large proportion of the condition of non-national roads is due to lack of proper and regular maintenance such as overlays and surface dressing. This allocation will extend the life of the pavement and delay the development of potholes, thus protecting the investment in roads. At the current level of funding the overlay and surface dressing life cycles for non national roads is up to 1:40 years.

Drainage Grant €200,000

This grant may be used for the alleviation of road drainage problems either through new works or remedial measures. There are 10 schemes in the Cappamore Kilmallock District in 2019.

General Maintenance €985,975

General maintenance covers a wide range of works such as verges and drainage, cleaning water channels, street cleaning, opening inlets, signage, elimination of localised flooding, junction maintenance, dealing with accidents, oil spillages, storms, emergencies and general repairs to roads and footpaths.

General Maintenance Safety (GMS) €109,553

General maintenance safety monies will be used to cover a wide range of works such as road markings, road studs, road signs and general upkeep of roads in the city and county which will improve road safety.

Footpaths Repairs (FR) €80,000

An allocation of €80,000 has been made for footpath maintenance and repair in the Municipal District of Cappamore Kilmallock.

Tar Patching (TP) €460,215

Regular tar patching is necessary to prevent the deterioration of the road surface and substructure and in the interest of road safety.

Bridge Rehabilitation**€55,000**

There are two schemes under this heading in Cappamore/Kilmallock this year.

Low Cost Safety Improvement Works (LCSI)**€234,000**

The 2019 allocation provides funding to enable low cost safety improvement works on non-national roads to be carried out. The criteria for approval and grant allocation are based on accident data along with inspection of sites and discussions between the local authority and the Regional Road Safety Engineer. There are currently four schemes in the Cappamore Kilmallock District.

Parking Management (PM)**€40,093**

This includes for disc parking operation, wages, traffic fines management system, communication equipment.

General Municipal Allocation (GMA)**€290,000**

This allocation has been agreed at Municipal District level.

Items for which expenditure is provided on a City and County at large basis

Public Lighting (PL) €2,460,000

This covers the operation, repair and maintenance of Public Lighting. The supply of energy is purchased through the National Procurement Service (NPS). The repair, replacement and maintenance of public lights are tendered separately. The above figure pertains to the whole City and County area.

Road Safety: Engineering, Promotion, Education (RS) €628,518

This includes for school wardens, road safety plan, road safety education and training. The above figure pertains to the whole City and County area.

Winter Maintenance (WM) €578,198

This provision is for the treatment of roads in severe weather in accordance with the Winter Service Plan and pertains to the whole City and County area.

Community Involvement schemes (CIS) €86,751

Community Involvement Schemes (CIS) – In 2018, a 2 year grant allocation of €356,000 was issued for 2018 and 2019, most of which was expended in 2018. Limerick City & County Council are currently identifying schemes that will be included in the 2019 programme. An allocation of €86,751 has been made to Limerick City and County.

Local Improvement Schemes (LIS) €384,092

The Department for Rural and Community Development (DRCD) introduced ring-fenced funding for LIS Limerick City & County Council has received a Grant of €384,092 in 2019. Schemes are currently being identified by Limerick City and County Council for inclusion in the 2019 programme.

Overheads (OH) €1,434,492

This includes for insurances (EL/PL), Health and Safety training and equipment, sick pay, holiday pay, legal costs, office expenses, etc. The above figure pertains to the whole City and County area.

General Maintenance of National Roads (LIS) €258,493

An allocation of €258,493 has been made by TII for Capital Maintenance Works 2019 for national primary and secondary roads across Limerick City and County.

Capital Pavement Maintenance €328,000

An allocation of €328,000 has been made by TII for Capital Pavement Maintenance for 2019.

HD28 Sites

National Road HD 28 Sites – €400,000 – Locations requiring Skid Resistance Improvement to be identified and agreed with TII. **€400,000**

Declassified National Roads

€1,000,000
Declassified National Road Grant – €1,000,000 – In accordance with Circular RW 1/2019, €1,000,000 has been made available for the upkeep of declassified national roads across Limerick City and County, locations to be agreed with Department of Transport.

Work Category –Social Development

Housing Maintenance

Limerick City & County Council manages an expanding Social Housing portfolio which is expected to exceed 5200 properties in 2019. The range of properties is extensive which is highlighted by the fact that over half the Councils Housing stock was built before 1985. In terms of managing the Housing Maintenance function across 4 Municipal District Areas, we must highlight that 66% of the entire housing stock is located within the Metropolitan District. The remaining 34% of housing stock is located between the Newcastle West, Adare-Rathkeale and Cappamore-Kilmallock Districts. Total requests for Housing Maintenance in Cappamore Kilmallock area during 2018 was 1,261 (8.4% of all overall total of 14,991).

In terms of Housing Maintenance Service Delivery we have a broad range of solutions. In each area we have small but effective direct labour teams who respond directly to the needs of our Tenants who report Service Requests with a range of sources from the Area Offices, Customer Services and Operations Services. The result is uniform in each Service Request point of contact, the Request is added to the Customer Relationship System and assigned to the correct Maintenance Team.

Housing repairs are carried out based on need and budgetary constraints. Repairs are categorised into emergency, urgent and routine. Examples of each are listed below.

Emergency Repairs (within 24 Hours)

Fire	Water Leaks	No Electricity	No Mains Water
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Urgent Repairs (within 1-3 Days)

Blocked Flue in Open Fire	Blocked Foul Drains	No Hot Water	No Heating
Faulty Sockets	Faulty Switches	Faulty Storage Heater	Faulty Door Entry System
Banister or Hand Rail Loose or Detached	Storm Damage	Partial Loss of Water Supply	Unsafe Floor Boards or Stair Treads
Damaged Path/Steps			

Routine Repairs (within 1-3 Weeks)

Other Electrical Works	Other Joinery Works	Plaster Works	Other Plumbing Works
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BUDGET Allocation 2019

Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District 745 Properties (15% of housing stock)

	2019
Maintenance	€ 202,376
Re-lettings	€ 87,998
Halting Sites	€ 3,500
Totals	€ 293,874

Planned Works

Heating Servicing

Also, in 2019 the Budget of €100,000 has been allocated to ensure that Heating Systems County Wide are working effectively and safely. This is an important area and ensures that the Council maintain heating system guarantees, some that currently run for 10 years which represents a long term savings to the Council.

Planned Maintenance / Heating Systems Replacement

Many of our Tenants have Heating Systems that are outdated and highly inefficient by current standards. €200,000 has been allocated for the replacement of heating systems County Wide. The scheme will operate on a priority needs basis initially

An additional provision of €300,000 has been adopted for the initial implementation of the proposed planned maintenance programme, which will be developed further following the finalisation of the ongoing consultation process with members and housing engineers.

Private Housing Grants

Private Housing Grants consist of the following:-

Housing Adaptation Grant Scheme – HAGS

Mobility Aids Grants Scheme – MAGS

Housing Aid Older People – HOPS

These grants have not yet been released for 2019, however, it is expected that the amounts will be similar to those in 2018. The total 2018 Revenue grant allocation for the Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District was €540,000. The Council is required to provide 20% towards the cost of such grants with the DoHPLG meeting 80%.

Parks and Landscaping

The Parks & Landscaping Team carries out a wide range of functions in relation to parks and open spaces. These works include tree pruning, grass cutting, hedge trimming and small maintenance and landscaping works. Grass cutting of 29 hectares takes place between March and October with 1 No grass collection planned for the 1st cut in March 2019. During the Autumn and Winter period, works are concentrated on tree pruning and planned and responsive works.

The budget includes for maintenance and upkeep at Lough Gur and Clare Glens. The allocated budgets for 2019 are as follows:

- Lough Gur - €70,000
- Clare Glens - €5,600

The budget also allows for responses to service requests from the Customer Relationship System. In 2018, 43 number service requests were received from the Customer Relationship System.

The 2019 allocation for Parks and Landscaping for the Cappamore Kilmallock Municipal District is €118,200

Cemeteries

There are approx 88 cemeteries in the Kilmallock Cappamore Municipal District. An allocation of €22,500 has been allocated in 2019.

It is intended that this extra allocation of funding will be used for the replacement and improvement of footpaths in the cemeteries, and for maintenance and upkeep of historic walls.

Street Cleaning

The Street Cleaning budget for the City and County for 2019 is €791,000. This provides for a schedule of routine cleaning for specific routes in the city and county area. The budget also provides for litter bin maintenance and collection.

Recycling Facilities

There are 65no bring banks in the City and County. The 2019 budget is €155,000. The budget provides for collection and maintenance of all sites.

Civic Amenity Sites

There are 3 Civic Amenity Sites in Mungret, Newcastle West and Kilmallock operated by a Contractor. The 2019 budget for the operation of the 3 Civic Amenity Sites is €265,000.

Other Environmental Schemes

Limerick Going for Gold Environmental Improvement Grant & Competition 2019

Limerick City & County Council again invites applications for the Limerick Going for Gold Environmental Improvement Grant & Competition 2019

This grant scheme aims to assist with Environmental Improvement works undertaken by non-profit making organisations working within Limerick City and County areas.

The Limerick Going for Gold Environmental Improvement Grant is 50% funded by the JP McManus Charitable Foundation. The Limerick Going for Gold Competition prize fund is 100% funded by JP McManus Charitable Foundation.

Grant Scheme for Maintenance of Open Spaces in Housing Developments for 2019.

Limerick City and County Council will again invite applications for the Grant Scheme for Maintenance of Open Spaces in Housing Developments for 2019. This Scheme is designed to assist residents in the maintenance of open spaces in their estates by providing funding towards grass cutting.