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MEETING TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 6TH MARCH 2019

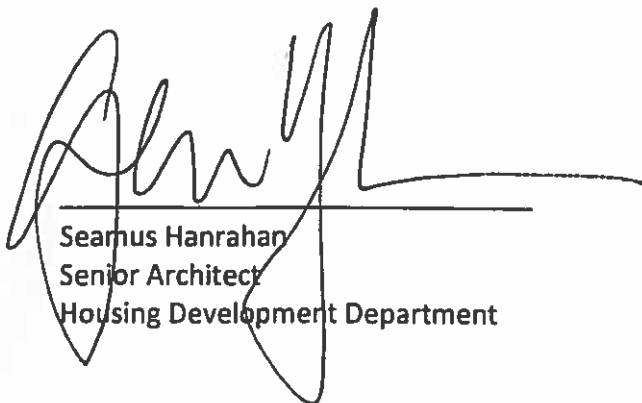
Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor J. Scanlan

I will move at the next Meeting our Authority reinstate the arrangement that was in place under our Old County Authority, whereby paint was provided to tenants and local authority communities who undertook the task of applying the paint themselves

Response to Notice of Motion

The proposed motion to provide tenants and community groups with materials, including paint cannot be reintroduced due to changes in the insurance environment. The Council's Health and Safety Section consulted with Irish Public Bodies previously who advise this practice cannot be facilitated on liability grounds.

However, the Council is currently in the initial stages of examining the feasibility of introducing of a 'Self Help Scheme' similar to the scheme operated by Kildare County Council, which if adopted, will enable tenants to carry out minor maintenance works on council properties, in conjunction with an appropriate inspection regime by council staff.



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28th February 2019



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**Limerick City and County Council
Meeting of the Municipal District of Newcastle West
6th of March 2019**

Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor M.Collins

I will move at the next Meeting that Limerick City & County Council provide Public Wi-Fi access for the towns of Newcastle West and Abbeyfeale.

Reply:

We have included in our plans for 2019 the deployment of high-quality Public WiFi in town centre locations in Newcastle West and Abbeyfeale as part of the roll-out of WiFi4EU scheme funded by the European Commission and with the match-funding financial support of the Department of Rural and Community Development.

The European Commission launched in 2017 the WiFi4EU initiative which promotes free access to Wi-Fi connectivity for citizens in public spaces including parks, squares, public buildings, libraries, health centres and museums in municipalities throughout Europe. The WiFi4EU initiative provides municipalities with the opportunity to apply for vouchers to the value €15,000. The vouchers are to be used to install Wi-Fi equipment in public spaces within the municipality that are not already equipped with a free Wi-Fi hotspot.

As of 4th of March 2019 we have secured through our ICT Department four vouchers under this scheme, one for each Metro and Municipal Council in Limerick City and County. In addition, the Department of Rural and Community Development has committed to providing up to €15,000 in funding to each Local Authority for every WiFi4EU voucher that they receive.

We suggest that the installation of Public WiFi will be prioritised based on two criteria:

- The town population
- The technical feasibility of the installation. In some locations it could be easier and faster to access existing communications infrastructure (e.g. the Council WAN Network or the Smart CCTV infrastructure).

We are currently in the process of conducting a technical feasibility study in relation to the exact towns and locations where high-quality WiFi can be deployed including Newcastle West and Abbeyfeale and we will provide updates to the Council in due course.

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Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor J. Sheahan

I will move at the next Meeting that Limerick City and County Council immediately put in place a footpath to Kilfergus estate in Glin in order to provide safe access on foot to the estate.

REPLY:

A survey has been carried out at the above location and in order to have the minimum required road and footpath width, land take is required.

It is proposed to discuss the land take matter with the relevant landowners.

**Ben Noonan,
Senior Executive Engineer,
Newcastle West Municipal District.**

1st March, 2019