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### **Re: Development Fund Allocations 2020**

I set out for your attention details of the allocations from the Development Fund for 2020.

In line with Circular letter Fin 03/2009 dated 13<sup>th</sup> February 2009, from the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government, which related to the 'Control and Monitoring of Local Authorities Contribution to the General Government Balance' (GGB) it is a requirement that the proposed expenditure be in line with estimated collection for the year. Development Contributions total income of €2.3m net (excluding water services infrastructure) has been budgeted for 2020. The expenditure proposals are set out accordingly.

The Council adopted a unified Development Contribution Scheme 2017 - 2021 for the administrative area of Limerick in January 2017. The monies outlined below are a combination of receipts from this Scheme and previous schemes operated by the respective Councils.

The €2.3m figure is an estimate based on what the Council believes will be collected from development contributions during 2020. The proposals may be revised if additional funding becomes available, or if there are delays encountered in relation to any of the projects as included, or if there is a shortfall in receipts. The allocations take account of contractual requirements in relation to specific projects or where commitments have been given in respect of projects.

The Contribution Scheme dictates how the monies are to be allocated under various headings. In determining the allocations for 2020 a number of additional guiding principles were adopted namely; strategically focussed projects, continuation of existing commitments, Forward Planning costs, and geographical considerations.

The Council is in a position to allocate funding to 24 specific projects / initiatives for 2020. In addition, a general financial allocation to each of the Municipal Districts has been provided for local capital projects.

### **Assisting Communities**

A sum of €100,000 is to be made available to assist with the taking in charge of a number of housing estates throughout the city and county. This money will be used in

conjunction with monies received from the drawing down of bonds in order to bring such estates up to the minimum standards.

Account is taken of commitments given to local communities to provide funding in respect of Kildimo Community Centre, the Regional Athletics Hub in Newcastle West, and the development of the Enterprise Park in Kilmallock.

A sum of €100,000 has been made available for further works in Castletroy Park and a sum of €100,000 has been provided to commence planning for a playground / public park in Limerick City North.

A contribution to the Limerick Enterprise Development Park in Roxboro has been provided. €15,000 has been provided to replace equipment and refurbishment of MUGA facilities throughout Limerick.

### **Rebuilding Limerick**

A sum of €167,500 has been allocated for construction of the Croom Distributor Roadway. Junction improvements in the National Technological Park and in Atlas Ave., Dock Road have also been funded. An investment of €75,000 has been agreed for the Golf Links Road improvements. These investments will help solve traffic congestion in these locations.

The Abbeyfeale Public Realm Improvement works has been allocated an initial sum of €200,000. A sum of €100,000 has been made available for junction improvement works at Holy Cross.Bruff.

### **Planning for the Future**

A sum of €112,500 is provided towards Forward Planning costs which represents 5% of the estimated yearly income.

Provision has also been made for preparatory works for various infrastructural projects e.g. a tourism project in the Franciscan Church, Garryglass Masterplan, and the old Railway station houses in Barnagh and Ardagh, etc.

A number of longer term economic initiatives are also being funded under the scheme e.g. the Kantoher Enterprise Park, and the NCW Business Park.

Additional footfall counters are to be provided in the City Centre under this scheme.

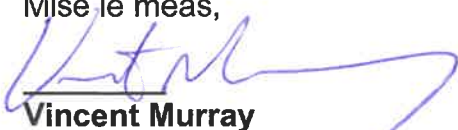
### **Quality of Life Initiatives**

A sum of €350,000 p.a. is to be made available for small infrastructural works at Metropolitan / Municipal level. Proposals consistent with the Development Contribution Scheme will be brought for consideration by the Councillors to the various meetings in due course.

Further significant investment in the Great Sothorn Greenway has been provided.

A sum of €75,000 has been provided for the taking in charge of Steamboat Quay, Limerick City.

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**Vincent Murray**  
**A/Director of Services**  
**Economic Development**

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Development Fund 2020 – Proposed Allocations**

<b>Business Area</b>	<b>Project(s)</b>	<b>Funding Proposed 2020</b>	<b>Comment</b>
<b>Transportation &amp; Surface Water</b>	Atlas Ave, Dock Road	€100,000	To facilitate a new entrance to Limerick Docks
	Croom Road	€167,500	Necessary roads infrastructure
	NTP Junction Improvements	€125,000	To ease traffic congestion in NTP/UL area
	Golf Links Road	€75,000	Road improvement project
	Groody Park & Ride	€25,000	To serve UL/NTP area
	Rathkeale House Purchase	€50,000	To facilitate road improvements
	Holy Cross Junction Improvements	€100,000	Road safety issues
	Garryglass Masterplan	€20,000	Future planning of area
	Castletroy Playground	€100,000	Improvement works
<b>Recreation &amp; Amenity</b>	Caherdavin Park /Playground	€100,000	Site identification and planning
	Muga Upgrades	€15,000	Various locations
	Regional Athletics Hub NCW	€100,000	Match Funding
	Great Southern Greenway	€100,000	Match funding
	LEDP – Sporting Limerick Office	€20,000	Supporting social enterprise
	Barnagh Station House Refurbishment	€15,000	Make building safe and secure
	Ardagh Station House Refurbishment	€15,000	Make building safe and secure
	Fullers Folly - NCW	€50,000	Tourism project
	Enterprise Business Park, Kilmallock	€150,000	Redevelopment of enterprise park
<b>Community &amp; Tourism</b>	Taking in Charge	€100,000	Various housing estates

	Taking in Charge – Steam Boat Quay	€75,000	Street improvements
	Kildimo Community Centre	€25,000	Year 2 contribution
	Kantoher Business Park	€40,000	Upgrade of facilities
	Abbeyfeale Public Realm	€200,000	Major improvement works in town centre
	Footfall Counters City Centre	€15,000	Aid to revitalisation project for city centre.
	Franciscan Friary/Church Tourism Project Feasibility	€45,000	Potential tourism project
	NCW Business Park – Feasability Study	€10,000	Identification of location for new business park
<b>Ancilliary</b>	Municipal Allocations	€350,000	€140k to Metro, €70k to each Municipal Dist. Dev Contribution Scheme projects to be agreed at District level.
	Forward Planning Costs	€112,500	5% of Projected Income
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>€2,300,000</b>	