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Adare Rathkeale Municipal District

District Engineer's Report



Adare Rathkeale Municipal District Meeting

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1. Annual Statement

2020 has been a very difficult year, it started with exceptionally high rainfall through the month of February, followed by a countrywide lockdown due to the global pandemic in March. Our working methodologies had to change drastically to mitigate for the risks associated with Covid 19. Despite all this, our staff have delivered on a very ambitious programme of works and great progress has been made on strategic projects that will benefit the District into the future. Some highlights include:

- The ongoing development of the Limerick Greenway,
- the extension of the Public Sewer and resurfacing works on the Rathkeale road in Adare, as well as the completion of River looped walk,
- Significant Road reconstruction and footpath improvement works in Rathkeale and Ballingarry,
- Traffic Calming and Village Centre enhancement works in Shanagolden and Croom
- Rectification of Coastal Erosion issues at Foynes Yacht Club.
- Development of the New Distributor Road in Croom.
- Kilcornan Traffic Calming Works

Funding has been secured for the following projects which will progress next year:

- Foynes Marine Cove Culvert and Flood Prevention Works
- Rathkeale River Walk
- Askeaton Public Realm study
- Askeaton Undergrounding of Over Head Services
- Adare Fountain Refurbishment
- Adare CFRAMS
- Banogue Traffic Calming

Applications for funding have been made for the following projects:

- Askeaton Looped River Walk
- Rathkeale Inner Relief Road
- Croom Village Centre Carparks

I take this opportunity to thank all of the staff of Adare Rathkeale Municipal District for their continued hard work and professionalism and indeed the wider staff of Limerick City and County Council for all they have done to progress projects within this District. I also thank the Elected Members for their support and vision in identifying and progressing works to benefit this District. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

2. Update on Schedule of MD Works

ADARE RATHKEALE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT				
Road Works Schemes 2020				
Regional Roads				
Road Reconstruction				
Allocation € 786,601				
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost €	Status
R518	Rathkeale - Danahers Cross to Cois Deel	525	€254,000	Works Substantially complete
R518	Ballingarry - Rylands to Grotto	500	€400,334	Works Complete
R521	Shanagolden Main Street Jn	200	€50,000	Works Substantially Complete
R516	Croom Main Street Jn	100	€20,000	
R521	Shroolane Trench Reinstatement	450	€32,262	Works Complete
R521	Corbally Bends	130	€30,005	Works Complete
Total		1,905	€786,601	

Regional Roads				
Surface Dressing				
Allocation € 136,785				
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost €	Status
R521	Cosgraves Cross towards Kate Dalys-Section 1	1,200	€46,200	Works Complete
R523	Reens to Ardagh	1,930	€63,690	Works Complete
R512	Ballyneety to Manister Rd	815	€26,895	Works Complete
Total		3,945	€136,785	

Local Roads				
Surface Dressing				
Allocation € 505,583				
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost €	Status
L1422	Samco Jn to Kilgrogan Jn	1,200	€29,700	Works Complete
L1423	Shauntraud Jn Carnane	800	€19,800	Works Completed
L1201	Askeaton to Moig RM	1200	€29,700	Works Completed
L6066	Bartholemews	2100	€47,250	Works Completed
L1221	Ballycullen to Askeaton	1200	€27,000	Works Complete
L1423	Capparoe to Monanooag RM	1395	€34,526	Works Complete
L1203	Callow Jn towards Cheps Cross	1300	€32,175	Works Complete
L1208	Lynchs Shop to Dollas	1,500	€40,500	Works Complete
L1408	Crecora Jn to Bawnacouma Jn	1,300	€32,175	Works Complete

L1408	Crecora to Shanaclough Jn	980	€21,402	Works Complete
L1208	Ballingarry to Croom Road from R519 Jn to kilmacow X Part 2	2,077	€51,405	Works Complete
L1420	Caherass Jn Towards Adare	1,450	€39,150	Works Complete
L8004	Manister School to Mortgage	2,000	€31,500	Works Complete
L1416	N21 Banogue Jn towards Maigue Bridge	1,100	€27,225	Works Complete
L8003	Manister School to Kilcurly	1700	€42,075	Works Complete
	Total	21,302	€505,583	
Local Roads Road Reconstruction Allocation € 1,042,376				
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost €	Status
L12143	Rylands Estate	200	€42,759	Works Complete
L1227	Ballyhahill to Gaa Field Jn	1550	€125,550	Works Complete
L1227	Shanagolden to Cloonaclohesy Depot	1200	€108,000	Works Complete
L1423	Capparoe to Monanooag RI	760	€75,240	Works Complete
L8065	Shangrove	1166	€94,446	Works Complete
L8016	Ballymacscreedeen East	300	€41,177	Works Complete
L1418	Croom Concrete Road	1300	€117,000	Works Complete
L1421	Lisaleen Road From Lantern Lodge	1242	€130,638	Works Complete
L8606	Morenane to Liskennett	1200	€133,920	Works Complete
L6110	Fleanmore Cross to Four Cross Roads	874	€86,526.00	Works Complete
L1201	Askeaton to Moig RI	880	€87,120.00	Works Complete
	Total	10,672	€1,042,376	

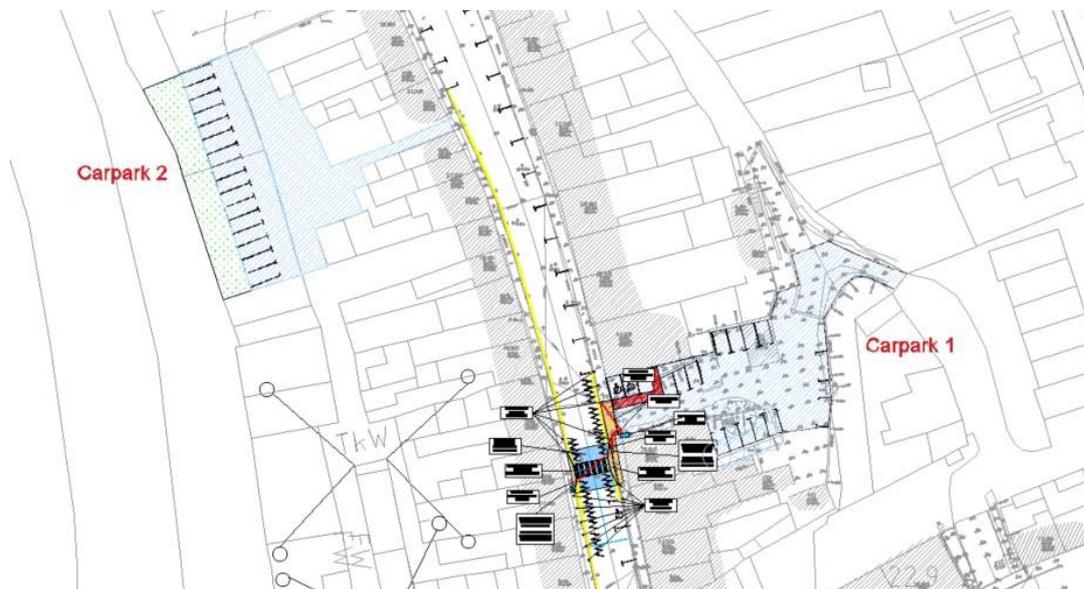
Low Cost Safety Improvement Schemes (LCSI) Allocation €112,000				
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost €	Status
R521	Shanagolden main Street Jn		50,000	Ongoing
R511	Kelliher's Cross on the R511		12,000	Complete
R516 / L1478	Croom Junction Improvements		50,000	Ongoing
	Total		€112,000	

Drainage Works Allocation € 200,000				
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost €	Status
R521	Corbally		60,000	Works completed
L6106	Loghill Middle Road		20,000	Complete
R523	Courtmatrix		50,000	Works Substantially Complete
L6114	Knockpatrick		20,000	Complete
R518	Danaghers Cross		50,000	Complete
Total			€200,000	

Bridge Rehabilitation Allocation € 245,000				
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost €	Status
L6150	Ballingarry Bridge, Ballingarry		85,000	Awaiting Section 50 Approval from the OPW, Construction to be carried out in 2021.
L6119	Shanid Upper		50,000	Complete
L1406	Doneen Bridge Crecora		25,000	Complete
L12341	Glenbane West Cul De Sac		50,000	Inspection and Design works were delayed due to Covid 19 restrictions, works are now scheduled for 2021.
L60891	Mohernagh		10,000	Inspection and Design works were delayed due to Covid 19 restrictions, works are now scheduled for 2021.
L1239	Lisgordan Kilcolman		25,000	Works Complete
Total			€245,000	

3.2 Croom

Croom Traffic Management Project



Extensive consultation has been held with Community and Business Interests in relation to the Croom Traffic Management Plan. The main points raised by these interests are:

1. Additional Parking in Town Centre Area required due to removal of parking at one side of the street.
The Municipal District is currently surveying the areas adjacent to the old bank building and adjacent to the post office to design additional parking in these areas. An application has made to fund these from the Town and Village Renewal Scheme.
2. 2 Hour parking required in the Town Centre Area
Byelaws have been drafted for this and will be advertised in the New Year. The adoption of these Bye Laws is a reserved function of the District Members.
3. Disabled Parking Spaces required.
The final design includes Disabled Parking Spaces at the recommended rate of 1 in 20.

Traffic Calming and Junction Improvement Works are nearing completion.

Croom Distributor Road

Works are progressing on the Croom Distributor road, the upper levels of the roadway, kerbing and bituminous pavements, are currently underway.

Croom Future Development

A new Local Area Plan for Croom was agreed this year. Extensive Consultation has also been held with Croom community representatives, topics discussed included Town Centre Renewal, Parking, Proposed Extension to the Enterprise Centre and possible Public Realm Study.

3.3 Adare

Walkway Dunraven to the River Maigue

These works were completed mid summer, and this route has become a very popular walking route as it completes a looped walk from the Station Road via the river and back via the Dunraven to the Adare Heritage Centre.



Pope's Quay

Solicitors for Limerick City and County Council are currently finalising negotiations with the Dunraven Estate to secure ownership of the lands required for this development. LCCC will seek to incorporate this project into the proposed CFRAMS works in Adare.

Walkway to the GAA Pitch along the Blackabbey Road

LCCC are currently in negotiations with a landowner which will provide the required lands for a substantial amount of this walkway.

Contactless Water Font, Adare Heritage Centre

A contactless water fountain is to be installed at the Adare Heritage Centre in the coming few weeks. Preparatory works have been completed and the drinking fountain will be installed shortly.

Adare Sewer Extension and Resurfacing Works

These works were completed in the early part of the year, with the resurfacing completed in the first 2 weeks of lockdown. Works were completed efficiently and ahead of schedule.

Adare Community Involvement

Numerous meetings have been held with community representatives in Adare. This forum has been very effective in identifying and prioritising works.

3.4 Rathkeale

Traffic Management

A meeting was held with the Gardaí in relation to required Traffic Management changes for Rathkeale. The following changes are proposed:

1. Introduction of a one way street on Pound Lane, in the direction away from Main Street.
2. Reversal of direction on the one way street between Bank Place and the Square.
3. Additional Double Yellow Lines at the upper end of Bank Place, Loading Bay at the Plumbing Supplies Shop.
4. Removal of single yellow lines throughout the town and replacement with Double Yellow Lines or marked parking spaces where space permits.
5. Introduction of double yellow lines on both sides of Lower Main Street between the junctions of New Road and New Line Road.

A drawing of the proposed changes has now been completed and has been circulated to the members and community interests for their views on the proposed changes

It was also agreed to close the Pepperd's Lane/ Main Street Junction to traffic from the 16th of November 2020 to the 15th of January 2021.

Rathkeale Inner Relief Road

An application has been made to the Department of Transport for funding to develop the proposed inner relief road through the Mart Site.

Footpath links

Funding has been secured to widen and surface the Riverside Walkway connecting the Greenway to the Bus stops on Lower Main Street. Works are also soon to commence on new footpaths connecting to the Slí na Sláinte on the Castlematrix road.



Rathkeale Library Pedestrian Crossing

This pedestrian crossing is now complete.

Ballywilliam Road and Footpath Scheme

This difficult piece of work is now substantially complete and is a great enhancement to the area.

Footpath link Library to Tadhg O'Connors

Works on this are likely to proceed in the final quarter of the year.

Rathkeale Promotion

Meetings have been held with Community Groups to promote a positive message about Rathkeale. Team Rathkeale have also been provided with mapping to identify areas for possible improvement. From this mapping they have identified looking for additional benches and litter bins. A Rathkeale Attractions map has also been created it is hoped that this map (when modified to fit the Design Palette) can be included at the confluence of the Greenway and Riverwalk.

3.5 Ballingarry

The Mall TVR Project

Consultants have advised that final designs are now complete. A meeting to confirm requirements is scheduled for later this week, tendering will commence soon afterwards if everything is in order.

Road and Footpath Reconstruction Rylanes to the Grotto

Footpaths and resurfacing works are now complete. A raised table junction at Rylanes will be completed shortly, and lining will be completed.

Footpath link to Playground

An application has been made under TVRS to connect the playground to the town centre. This was unsuccessful. Other funding sources will now be explored.

3.6 Askeaton

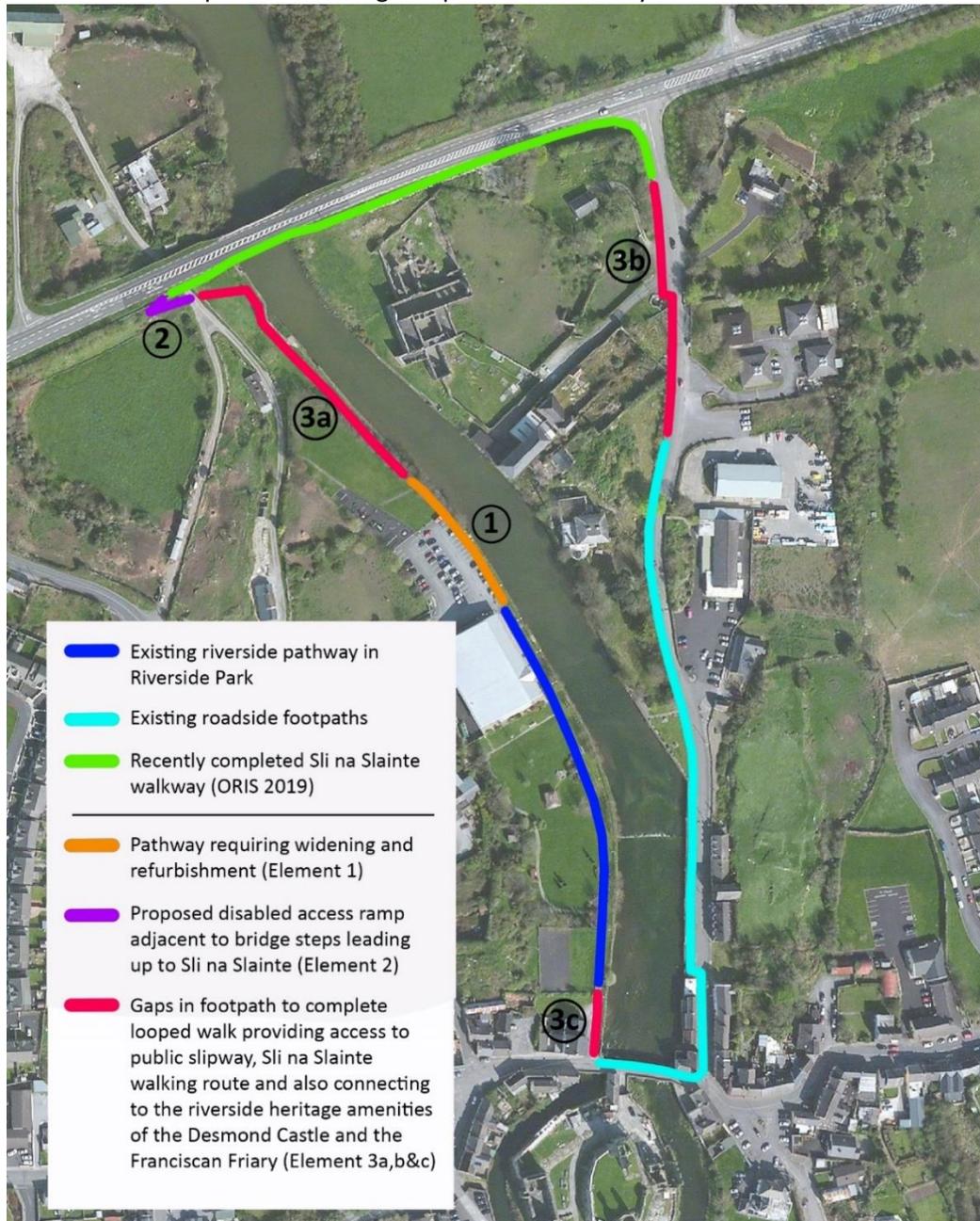
Askeaton Town Centre TVR Project

A Consultant has been appointed to conduct a Public Realm Study in Askeaton. The results from this study will determine the Town Centre Improvement works in the town. Initial meetings have been held with this consultant, stakeholder engagement will commence before Christmas.

A Briefing Document for the appointment of Consultants to Design and Construct the Undergrounding of Services in Prominent areas of the town as well as enhancing Public Lighting was sent to tender, no tenders were received. An alternative strategy of a Design and Build Project will now be explored.

Askeaton Riverside Looped Walk

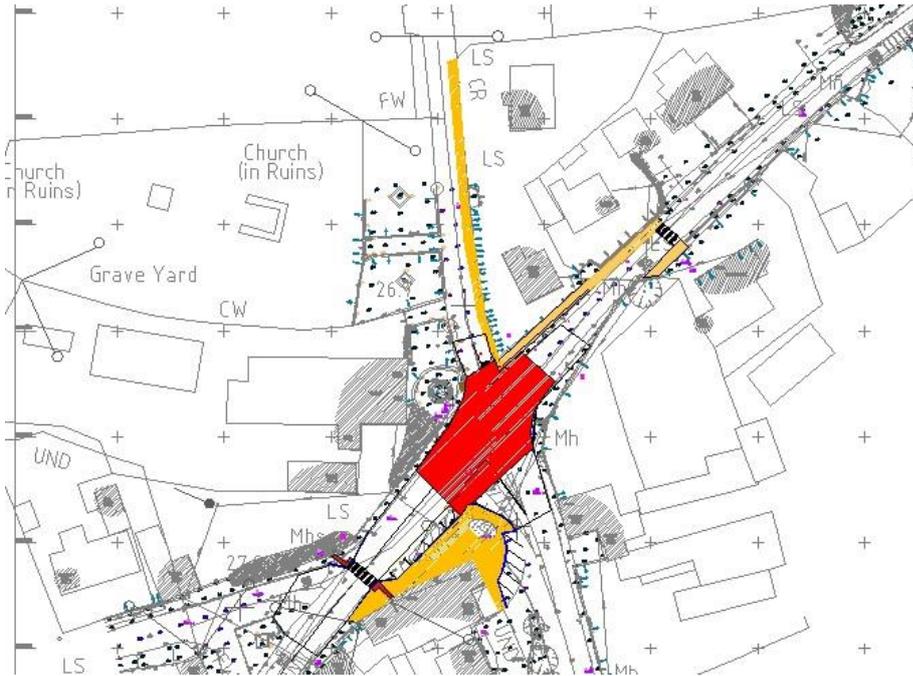
An application will be made this year under ORIS to fund the River Walk extension to the Slí na Sláinte and to loop this to existing footpaths on the Quay.



3.7 Shanagolden

Shanagolden Low Cost Safety Works

The Plaza area and footpath works are largely complete, final raised table junction works expected this week. This project has been very well received, it creates a village centre and provides connectivity to local essential services within the village, including the shop and garage at the Foynes end and the Community Centre.



3.8 Fedamore

LCCC has made an application for traffic calming funding in the village of Fedamore under the Low Cost Safety Scheme.

3.9 Ballyhahill

The Gerald Griffins GAA Club was successful in their Clar application for funding. This will allow them to resurface their carpark.

4 GMA Updates

Cllr Richard /John O'Donoghue	€45,000
Nominations 2020	
Ballyneety Community Development	2,000
Croom Park	6,000
Croom United	2,000
Scouts Den Croom	1,000
Granagh Ballingarry GAA	3,000
Pallaskenry Development Association	2,500
Chawkes Cross Road Improvements	3,000
Ballingarry Town Park	1,000
Ballingarry Development Association	1,000
Ballysteen Carnegie Library	3,000
Banogue GAA Community Field	2,000
Castle Rovers	2,000
Manor Fields, Adare	3,000
Granagh National School Parents Association	1,000
Croom GAA Club	1,000
Rathkeale Steering Committee	1,000
TOTAL	34,500

Cllr Bridie Collins	€45,000
Nominations 2020	
Crecora Manister GAA	1,000
Abha Bhan Parish Park	2,000
Manor Fields Recreational facility	5,000
Tom Madigan community Field	3,000
Public Lighting Sli na Slainte Croagh	10,197
Public Fountain Restoration Adare	20,000
Rathkeale Tidy Towns	500
Pallaskenry Development Association	2,500
Rathkeale Steering Committee	800
TOTAL	44,997

Cllr Stephen Keary	€45,000
Nominations 2020	
Convex Mirrors Foynes Corrigg	130
Coolcappa Monument Cleaning	545
Ballinakill Development Group	3,500
Pallaskenry Development Association	2,500
Public Lighting Killaheen Reens 3	8,000
Ballysteen Carnegie Library	2,500
Gerald Griffins GAA Club	2,000
Ballingarry Community Park	2,000
Abha Bhan Parish Park Ltd	2,000
Signage & Road maintenance	1,100
Kilbradren Burial Ground	2,000
Public Road Signage	3,800
Rathkeale Community Council Welcome Centre Tourist Office	1,500
Rathkeale Community Council Community Shop	1,500
Coolcappagh Community Development	2,500
Foynes Aviation Museum	4,000
Rathkeale Steering Committee	1,000
Rathkeale Riverside Walkway	2,000
Shanagolden Community Council	1,500
Croagh National School	1,000
Pallaskenry National School	1,000
TOTAL	46,075

Cllr Adam Teskey	€45,000
Nominations 2020	
Shountrade AFC	10,000
Road Maintenance	10,000
Celtics Basketball	1,000
Askeaton Catholic Church	5,000
Coolcappagh Community Hall	3,000
Ballysteen Carnegie Library	3,000
Raheen Residents Associations	2,000
Cappagh Community Garden	500

Rathkeale Tidy Towns	1,000
Front Line Workers Rathkeale Community Council	500
Ballyhahill Development Association	3,000
Irish Palatine Museum	1,000
Rathkeale Steering Committee	1,000
Rathkeale Riverside Walk	2,000
Colaiste na Trocaire Rathkeale Lights	1,500
TOTAL	44,500

ClIr Kevin Sheahan	€45,000
Nominations 2020	
Deel Manor Residents	2,000
Askeaton St Pats Day Parade	1,000
Ballysteen National School Parents Association	2,000
Dernish Avenue Residents Assoc Foynes	1,500
Pallaskenry Development Association	2,500
Ballysteen Carnegie Library/ Ballysteen Development	3,000
St Marys Church /Fr Sean Long PP Askeaton	5,000
Askeaton Civic Trust	5,000
Askeaton Tennis Club	4,000
Abha Bhan Parish Park Ltd	2,000
Askeaton GAA	4,000
Kilbraden Burial Ground	2,000
Gerald Griffins Resource Centre	2,000
Tennis Club Askeaton	2,000
Foynes Community Council	1,000
Rathkeale Community Council	1,000
Askeaton/Ballysteen GAA Club	1,000
Lime Kiln restoration, Loughill	1,000
Christmas Crib in the Adare-Rathkeale MD Office	2,000
TOTAL	44,000

Cllr Emmett O'Brien	€45,000
Nominations 2020	
Pallaskenry Community Development Association	2,500
Ballysteen Carnegie Library	3,000
Ballyvareen Estate Kildimo	1,170
Pallaskenry Scout Troup	2,500
Kildimo Pallskenry GAA	5,000
Ringmoylan Security Gate	2,000
Ballysteen Parents Association	2,000
Kilcornan NS	2,500
Pallaskenry NS	2,500
Kildimo NS	2,500
Speed Ramps Refurbishment Ballyvareen Kildimo	4,000
Picnic Benches Ringmoylan	2,000
Manor Fields Adare	3,000
Cilluragh Burial Ground	4,000
Footpath Repair Pallaskenry	4,000
Kilcornan Burial Ground	1,500
TOTAL	44,170