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Limerick City
& County Council

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ANNUAL BUDGET

Year Ended 31 December 2021



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16th November 2020

TO: THE MAYOR AND EACH MEMBER OF LIMERICK CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL

Annual Budget for the year

1st January 2021 to 31st December 2021

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Introduction

The Draft Budget for the financial year ending 31st December 2021 has been prepared, circulated to Members and public notice of the Budget Meeting placed in the press, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 2001 as amended by the Local Government Reform Act 2014.

Circular Fin 14/2020 refers to the prescribed period that applies for the holding of the 2021 Budget meeting for Local Authorities as follows; 2nd November 2020 to 30th November 2020. It was agreed by the Members at the September Council meeting to hold the statutory Annual Budget Meeting on Friday 27th November 2020 at 10am, at Limerick Racecourse, Greenmount Park, Patrickswell, Co Limerick. Section 103 of the Local Government Act 2001 as amended by the Local Government Reform Act 2014 provides that the Budget must be adopted within a period of 14 days beginning on the day on which the local authority budget meeting meets. The Budget therefore must be adopted by 10th December 2020.

Budget Process

The budget process for the preparation, consideration and adoption of the budget requires statutory compliance with a number of steps, which can be summarised as follows:

Step 1 - Decision by the Council on the adjustment factor to the Local Property Tax (LPT) following a public consultation process. This decision was made at the Council Meeting on the 28th September to leave the LPT adjustment factor at the 2020 levels.

Step 2 - Allocation of the General Municipal/ Metropolitan Allocation (GMA). The Draft Budgetary Plan was considered at the following meetings:

Metropolitan District of Limerick	19 th October
Adare / Rathkeale Municipal District	21 st October
Cappamore / Kilmallock Municipal District	15 th October
Newcastle West Municipal District	21 st October

Step 3 - Consultation with the Corporate Policy Group (CPG) and adoption of the Draft Budget by Council. Budget Strategy presented to CPG Meeting held on the 21st September with further meetings held on the 12th October and 16th November. The Statutory Budget meeting is scheduled for 27th November with a budget workshop with Councillors to be held on the 20th November.

Step 4 - Consideration and adoption of the schedule of Municipal works by each of the Metropolitan / Municipal Districts. These meetings will be convened in early 2021 following the adoption of the Budget.

Step 5 - Consideration and adoption of the Service Delivery Plan. The 2021 Service Delivery Plan will be presented to Council at the January 2021 Council meeting.

Through consultation with the Corporate Policy Group and consideration of the views of Council as expressed through the different stages of the budgetary process, in particular as expressed through the meetings of the Municipal/ Metropolitan Districts, the budget as presented considers this feedback in a reasoned and balanced manner.

At the Statutory Budget Meeting, the Members will be asked to make the following decisions:

- Adopt the Budget with or without amendment
- Determine the Annual Rate on Valuation (ARV)
- Determine the proportion of Rates Refund applicable on vacant commercial premises.

National Economic Outlook

The Irish economy suffered a severe shock in the first half of this year, unique in origin and unprecedented in both speed and scale. The containment measures necessary to limit the transmission of Covid-19 had a dramatic impact on Irish economic activity in the second quarter and, notwithstanding the rebound evident in the third quarter, recovery remains far from complete. Indeed, the third quarter bounce-back has bypassed some sectors altogether. The positive impact of this bounce-back has been partially negated by the need to reintroduce Level 5 Covid 19 restrictions nationally from midnight 21st October for 6 weeks.

For this year, the Department is projecting (on a Covid-adjusted basis) a fall in employment of 320,000 (c.14 per cent) resulting in an average unemployment rate of just under 16 per cent. For next year, the increase in employment is projected at 150,000 (7.6 per cent); much of this is mechanical, in that it reflects the effects of the large fall in the second quarter of this year. An annual unemployment rate of 10.3 per cent is in prospect for next year.

For next year, Budget 2021 provides for voted expenditure of €87.8 billion, an increase of 17.4 per cent compared with that envisaged at the beginning of the year

The main channel through which a disorderly UK exit is expected to impact on the Irish economy next year is via trade, with tariff and non-tariff barriers weighing on exports, and thereafter passing-through to domestic demand with a lag. A disorderly exit also results in lower activity in the UK and elsewhere, further reducing the demand for Irish exports. The impact on the more traditional manufacturing sectors could be severe, especially if tariff and non-tariff measures on their UK-sourced intermediate inputs led to production shortages. The impact on exports from the multinational sector is assumed to be fairly modest, as these are less reliant on the UK market and less responsive to short-term fluctuations in global demand – the current very strong growth in exports of pharmaceuticals and computer services being a case-in-point. In aggregate terms, export growth of 1 per cent is expected next year, around 4 percentage points below what would be expected under a deal scenario.

Against this exceptionally difficult backdrop, National Budget 2021 is designed to limit the economic fall-out from the pandemic and from the severe bilateral trade disruption with the UK. At an aggregate level, the short-fall in private demand will be partly offset by increased public demand: public expenditure will exceed revenue by 5.7 per cent of GDP next year, with the gap being financed by additional public sector borrowing. In monetary terms, this amounts to a budget deficit of around €20½ billion next year.

More specifically, National Budget 2021 involves a (net) budgetary package of around €17¼ billion, the majority of which is being allocated to expenditure. Capital expenditure under the National Development Plan will increase to over €10 billion, the largest amount that has ever been allocated to public capital spending. Covid-related expenditure will amount to €8½ billion, while a ‘recovery fund’ – including for Brexit-contingency purposes – is being established, as provided for in the *Programme for Government*

Table 1 below outlines the main economic and fiscal variables underlying the Department of Finance's budget for 2021.

<i>Variable - % change (unless stated)</i>	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
<i>Economic Activity</i>					
Real GDP	4.3	8.2	5.6	-2.4	1.7
Real GNP	0.0	6.5	3.4	-2.9	1.6
Modified domestic demand	-	-	3.3	-6.1	4.9
<i>Prices</i>					
Core HICP	0.1	0.2	0.9	-0.3	0.4
<i>Balance of Payments</i>					
Current account (per cent of GDP)	8.5	10.6	-11.3*	5.2	10.7
<i>Labour Market</i>					
Total Employment ('000)^	2,075	2,258	2,323	2,004	2,156
Employment	2.8	2.9	2.9	-13.7	7.6
Unemployment (per cent)	6.3	5.8	5.0	15.9	10.3
<i>Public Finances (per cent of GDP)</i>					
General government balance	-0.3	0.1	0.5	-6.2	-5.7
Gross debt (per cent of GNI)			95.6	107.8	114.7
Net debt position (year-end)	61.2	54.9	49.4	55.6	60.3

Table 1: Summary of Main Economic and Fiscal Variables (per cent change (unless stated))

*Current Account Balance 2019 distorted by large-scale on-shoring of Intellectual Property assets & Other Globalisation factor.

Source: Department of Finance Economic and Fiscal Outlook Budget 2021, p.5

Local Outlook:

At the start of 2020 all indicators were showing that our local economy was growing and performing well. Limerick's internationalisation was continuing with a new brand launched to help win further indigenous and foreign investment and reflect our resurgence as a thriving economic and visitor destination.

In March, everything changed as Covid-19 spread across the world and caused unprecedented disruption. The pandemic has brought the fastest and deepest contraction in the national and local economy since the financial crisis.

At its peak, 45% of workers in the city and county were reliant on the Pandemic Unemployment Payment (PUP) or Temporary Wage Subsidy Scheme (TWSS).

Reflecting the national lockdown, passenger numbers through Shannon Airport fell by 99% with huge knock-on impacts for tourism and commerce across the Mid-West. Combined with restrictions on mobility, footfall in Limerick City Centre collapsed by over 80% compared to normal levels during the lockdown in early Summer.

In response to the pandemic and its effects on the business community, the council implemented its Covid Recovery Plan providing crucial support to local businesses through the Restart Grant and Restart Grant Plus with up to €25,000 in direct cash payments for those impacted by Covid-19. Limerick Local Enterprise Office assisted local businesses with over €3m in grant aid, business continuity grants worth €1.25m and over €0.5m in online trading vouchers.

Through its digital platform Limerick.ie, the local authority launched a free virtual marketplace called Limerick.ie/Shop to help retailers trade while their doors were closed, and connect Limerick consumers with local suppliers for their shopping needs. Together with a promotional 'Shop Limerick, Save Livelihoods' campaign, the initiative went live three weeks after the decision to create the online platform was made. On Limerick.ie/Shop, the public could browse and buy from home-grown Limerick businesses, buy a local business voucher, find out about local neighbourhood food deliveries or where they can order a take-out from a favourite restaurant.

More than 230 businesses across the City and County signed up and more are still joining with a Christmas 2020 marketing campaign imminent. The council also ran a very successful domestic tourism marketing campaign including 50 reasons to visit Limerick city and county in 2020 to encourage people living in other regions to staycation in Limerick during Summer 2020.

Limerick City and County Council established a COVID-19 Community Response Team— a strong network of over 1700 committed volunteers ready to deal with calls and referrals and provide a wide range of support to those in need. An operations centre was set up with a freephone “Community Call” number, open 8am–8pm, 7 days a week. At the height of the restrictions, Limerick’s Community Call was dealing with almost 1000 calls a week from older and vulnerable citizens.

Addressing physical and mental health well-being continues to be a key focus for the local authority with the Library Services partnering with local mental health and community health care services to provide books and other materials to patients in acute units at hospitals, and to care facilities for vulnerable people to support positive mental health during isolation. In addition to support for older people and medically vulnerable people, the local authority introduced a series of measures to help encourage more cycling and walking, all adhering to the public health guidelines as part of the Covid 19 mobility plan. Certain streets were closed to vehicular traffic at certain times during the week to encourage active transport and provide more space for outdoor activities, and traffic was reduced on other routes on a pilot basis. Parklets were built, outdoor dining facilitated and new cycle lanes introduced to encourage more sustainable modes of transport.

Limerick City and County Council’s response throughout 2020 and as we face into 2021 is aimed at building future resilience and strengthening interagency linkages and partnerships that will be maintained in the future.

In our local economy, there are now signs of recovery. The number of workers accessing income subsidies has fallen significantly from peak and activity is recovering slowly in the retail sector. Pre the introduction of level 5 restrictions in October 2020, footfall in the city centre was just 22% off its pre pandemic levels. As remote working becomes more attractive, a network of co-working spaces across the Mid-West will launch in December 2020 as a response to this.

Consolidation rather than growth is a key focus as we prepare for 2021. After a projected contraction this year due to the impact from Covid-19, the economy should rebound as global demand recovers. Fiscal stimulus and liquidity-boosting measures should also support a rebound in domestic activity. A prolonged health crisis and a potential no-deal Brexit cloud the outlook, however.

We look forward to brighter days ahead in 2021 when we hope that public health measures ease and Limerick can slowly get back to normal. Limerick City and County Council is spending nearly €10m in the immediate term on sustainable transport projects while the Limerick-Shannon Metropolitan Area Transport Strategy provides a long-term

roadmap for sustainable mobility in the city and county. The Covid 19 crisis has brought great challenges but there are also opportunities to re-imagine Limerick and its economy as we move into the recovery phase. Limerick's €180m Project Opera is set to finally get underway, master planning commences for the Cleeves site and the re-development of O'Connell Street is set to bring significant improvements to the city centre.

The creation and retention of employment and enterprise diversification in the Limerick region continues to be a priority and the council will continue to use its resources and property assets to facilitate job creation next year. The Council is confident that overall investment in Limerick will continue to grow during 2021.

Budget Strategy & Objectives

The Draft Budget has been prepared on the principle of a "balanced budget" based on the overall level of resources available to the Council and the requirement to meet statutory, contractual, legal and other obligations. It incorporates the decisions made by the Council in relation to the Local Property Tax and General Municipal/ Metropolitan Allocations. Under the Local Government Act, 2001 as amended, the Draft Budget is required to set out the expenditure necessary to carry out the functions of the Council and the income estimated to accrue to the Council.

The key objectives of the 2021 Budget are set out below:

1. Community Development Directorate to provide a stronger focus on a number of interrelated areas around support to communities:

- Engagement and advice to communities on grant schemes and other Council led support measures including:
 - Covid-19 assistance
 - Leading at a local level on the Government's 'keep well' campaign
 - Facilitating the work of the LCDC
 - Securing maximum level of funding from national funding calls
 - Continue and where possible enhance our programme of supports to our communities
- Revitalisation of our urban areas and villages through a stronger focus on addressing dereliction, vacancy and delivering public realm improvements.
- Delivering new and enhanced sports and recreational facilities including the Great Southern Greenway and Newcastle West Regional Athletics Hub.
- Delivering a cultural and arts programme for the benefit of the Citizens of Limerick and visitors to our City and County and supporting an arts and creative sector impacted by Covid-19.
- Scaled back support for festivals and events recognising Covid-19 restrictions.
- Supporting the recovery of the Limerick Tourism Sector and driving the implementation of the Limerick Tourism Development Strategy.
- Strengthening the role our libraries, gallery & museum play in enhancing the quality of life of our Citizens.

2. Dedicated Housing Development directorate with priority on the following areas

- Continue our Planned Maintenance Programme to leverage additional sources of funding.
- Maintain resources for the maintenance budget to meet the ongoing demands of our social housing stock and provide match funding to address voids, dereliction and vacant properties.
- Develop key sites in our ownership identified for social and affordable housing.
- Build on the impact of additional resources in Estate Management and Tenancy Enforcement.
- Increased resources in the area of Homelessness and managing services through Covid-19.
- Creating a tenure mix from the outset in our own social housing stock & turnkey developments.
- Continue to support the Regeneration Programme (Physical, Social & Economic).
- Deliver on targets as set out in Rebuilding Ireland.
- Maximise the output of Approved Housing Bodies as a key delivery mechanism.

3. Economic Development:

- Increase the pace of economic investment and job creation in the City and County and aim to return to 2019 levels.
- Advance the economic Revitalisation of our City Centre and Towns and continue to address the crisis in the retail sector.
- Review the Limerick City and County Development Plans and prepare the first Development Plan for Limerick City and County Council.
- Ensure that Limerick is at the forefront in targeting European funding & investment.
- Lead a digital strategy that will lay the foundation for a 'Smart & Greener Limerick Region'.
- Advance construction work on key development sites such as 'project Opera' and advance planning for Cleeves, Mungret Housing and the Living Georgian City Housing Demonstration Projects.
- Continue to promote and develop the Limerick Brand and Limerick as a destination for investment, socialise, work and reside.
- Deliver the Local Enterprise Office programme of supports for the SME sector as they recover from the impact of Covid.
- Formally launch and expand 'HAPPEN' the mid-west co-workspace platform and complete capital works to E-Hubs in Abbeyfeale and the Digital Collaboration Centre in Cecil Street.

4. Physical Development:

- To continue to invest in the rural and urban infrastructure through the delivery of the 2021 Schedule of Municipal District Works subject to the availability of national funding.
- Progress key infrastructure projects to provide momentum to the economic growth in Limerick and the Mid-West which has stalled due to the Covid-19 pandemic. These projects will also assist in optimising Limerick's position adjacent to Maritime and Aviation routes in a post Brexit environment.
- Set up a new project office to expedite the delivery of sustainable projects identified in the draft Limerick Shannon Metropolitan Area Transport Strategy in conjunction with the National Transport Authority.
- Protect the natural and built environment for Limerick City and County including the progression of the CFRAMS programme in conjunction with the OPW.
- To continue to work towards our 2030 climate change targets and to meet the objectives of the Water Framework Directive and the Climate Action Plan.

5. HAP Shared Services Centre

- Deliver 2021 targets set for HAP shared service and continue to provide a quality service while actively looking to implement innovative solutions to deliver further efficiencies.

6. Continue to seek efficiencies in service provision, cost reduction and value for money.

Outturn 2020

In presenting the Annual Budget for the year ended 31 December 2021 to Council, I wish to take this opportunity to summarise the financial position of Limerick City and County Council. The Annual Financial Statement of Limerick City and County Council for the year 2019 shows the accumulated balance on the Revenue Account is in a credit position of €833,703. I have reviewed the up to date position and I am satisfied that every effort will be made to break-even on the Revenue Account for 2020 despite challenges faced by the Council with the Covid-19 global pandemic; however there is pressure on a number of income heads and ongoing controls on expenditure are in place. The impact of the windfarm appeals has been highlighted to members during 2019 and this could impact adversely in achieving a balanced outturn. The 2021 draft Budget reflects the need to continue a strong financial management ethos while making every effort to meet the ever increasing demands on the services of Limerick City and County Council.

Analysis of Expenditure Requirements 2021

The total estimated expenditure included in the Draft Budget for 2021 amounts to €857.234 million, an increase of €31.83 million on the adopted figure for 2020. The growth in the HAP transactional Shared Service Center accounts for the majority of this increase. As this expenditure is matched by an increase in corresponding income, it has no net effect on the Budgetary Provisions. The following Table 2 depicts Revenue expenditure by Division.

Division	Draft Budget 2021	Adopted Budget 2020
A - Housing & Building	€44,770,339	€39,690,353
A - HAP Shared Service Centre	€659,239,948	€641,786,083
B - Road Transport & Safety	€49,136,641	€44,249,403
C - Water Services	€16,152,091	€15,911,668
D - Development Mgt	€22,691,165	€20,770,097
E - Environmental Services	€34,938,741	€33,399,584
F - Recreation & Amenity	€14,189,388	€14,458,951
G - Agri, Ed, Health & Welfare	€1,349,894	€1,380,672
H - Misc Services	€14,765,389	€13,761,452
	€857,233,596	€825,408,263

Table 2: Analysis of Expenditure by Division

The following chart gives a breakdown of expenditure by each division.

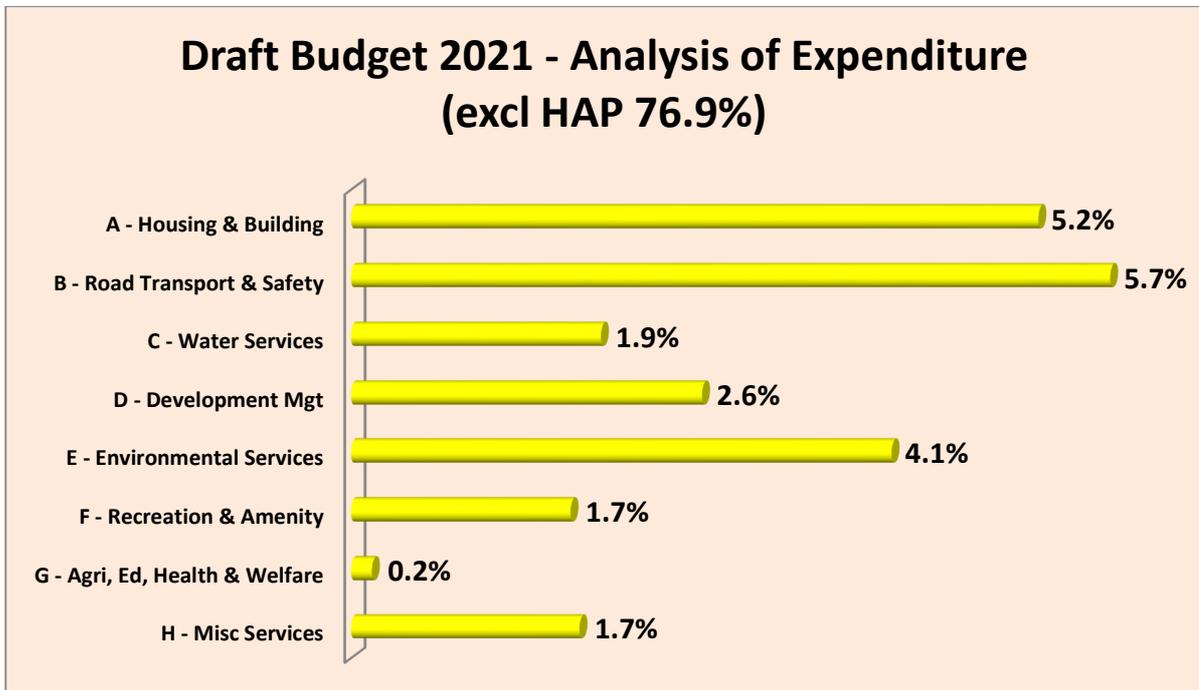


Chart 1: Analysis of split of Expenditure (excl HAP) by Division

The following bar chart shows the estimated expenditure for Draft Budget 2021 for each Division, with comparative figures for 2020:

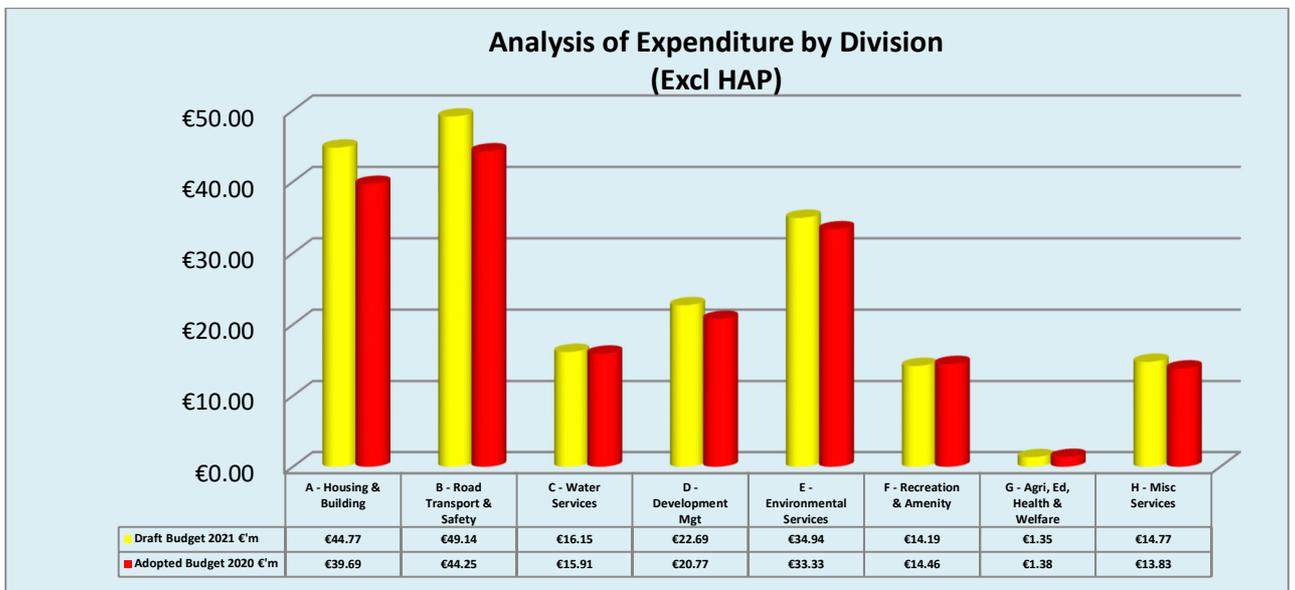


Chart 2: Analysis of Expenditure (excl HAP) by Division - Draft Budget 2021 versus Budget 2020

Analysis of Income 2021

The level of expenditure shown above, at €857.234 million, will be financed from the following sources:

Source	Amount
1. Local Property Tax	€19,944,377
2. Commercial Rates	€59,279,419
3. Grants & Subsidies (net of HAP)	€65,283,391
4. Goods & Services (net of HAP)	€53,573,535
Sub Total Income (Excluding HAP)	€198,080,722
1. HAP Differential Rent	€156,923,916
2. HAP Subsidy from DHPCLG	€502,228,958
Sub Total HAP	€659,152,874
Total including HAP	€857,233,596

Table 3: Analysis of Draft Budget 2021 Income

The following Pie chart highlights the % split by income category excluding HAP.

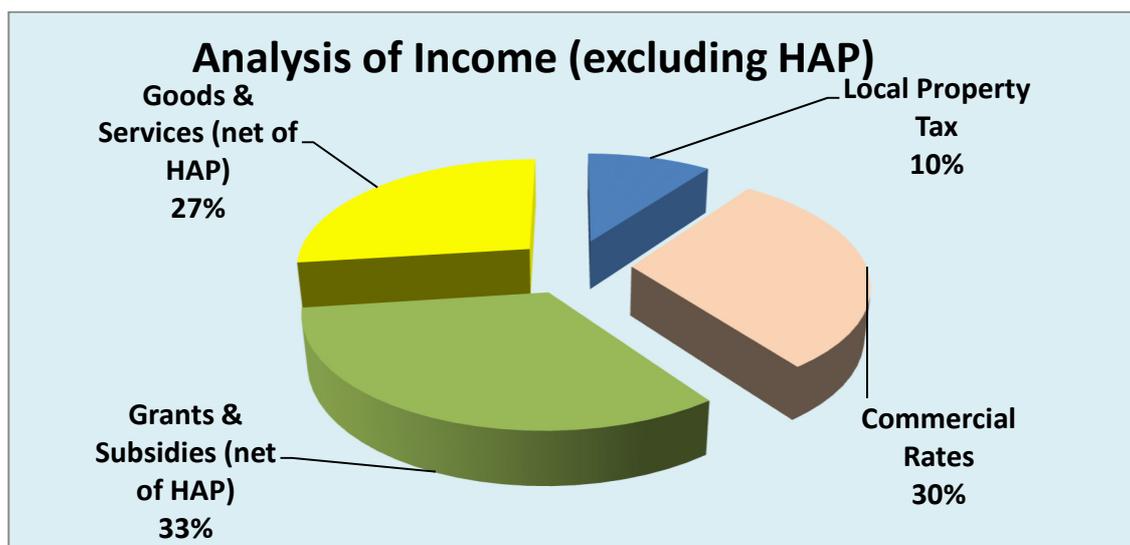


Chart 3: Analysis of Draft Budget 2021 Income (excluding HAP)

67% of the Council's income (excluding HAP) is now generated locally through Commercial Rates (30%), LPT (10%) and Goods & Services (27%).

Comparative figures for Budgets 2021 and 2020 are shown hereunder.

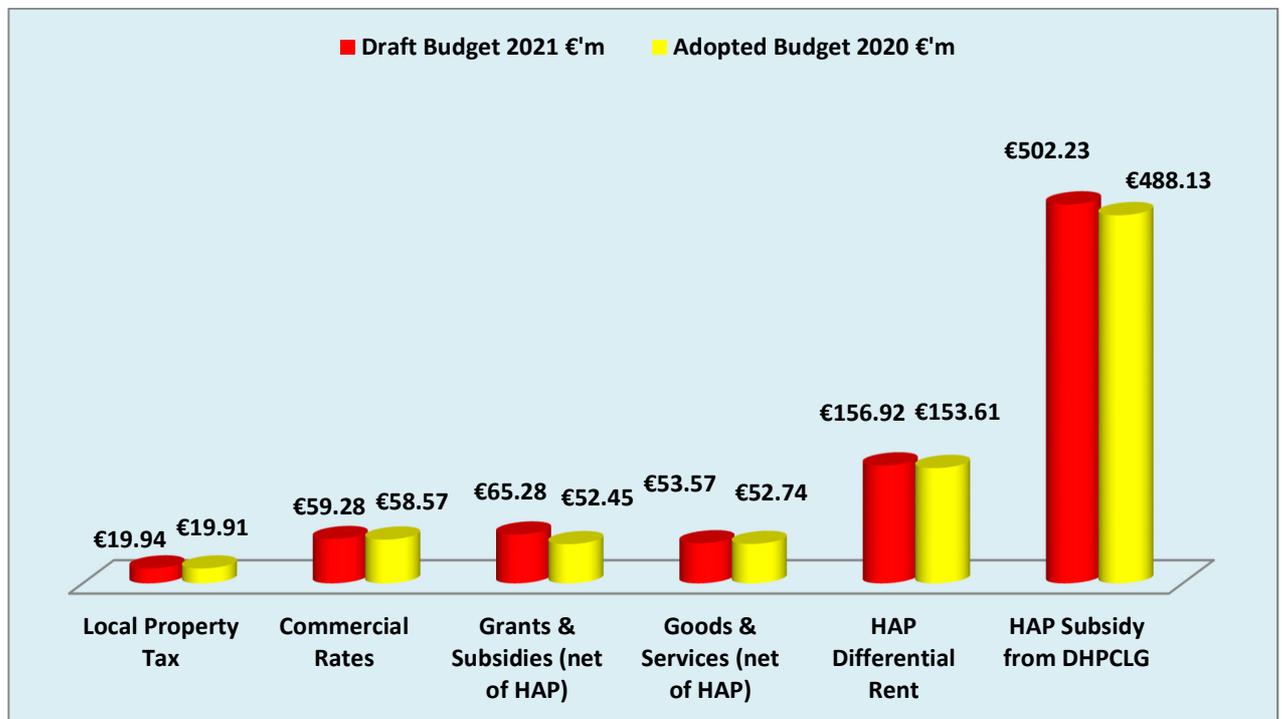


Chart 4: Analysis of Income: Draft Budget 2021 v's Budget 2020

Goods and Services Income

Good and Services income excluding HAP income for Draft Budget 2021 is €53.57m and is noted in Table D. This includes income headings such as income from single differential rent scheme of €15.95m for Budget 2021 (increase of €950k on Budget 2020). Income from Irish Water is also accounted for under this heading with Budget 2021 at €12.7m. Other income sources noted under Goods and Services that are lower than Budget 2020 due to Covid-19 factors include

- Planning Fees with income of €0.69m noted for Budget 2021 (compared to €0.89m in Budget 2020).
- Parking Fines & Charges with income of €1.93m noted for Budget 2021 (compared to €2.38m in 2020).

One key assumption noted in Budget 2021 is that compensation from central Government will be received in 2021 for loss of income in Goods and Services due to Covid-19 restrictions (this compensation is noted under Grants & Subsidies for €1.05m).

Grants and Subsidies Income

Grants and Subsidies income excluding HAP income for Draft Budget 2021 is €65.28m and is noted in Table E. Some of the key income sources under this heading include:

- Road Grants are assumed to remain at 2020 levels.
- Assumption that compensation from central Government will be received in 2021 for loss of income in Goods and Services due to Covid-19 restrictions (Parking Fines & Charges, Planning Fees): €1.05m.
- Compensation for increases in rates of pay and PSPR resulting from the unwinding of FEMPI legislation and increases in pay and pensions relating to the Public Sector Stability Agreement noted at €5.1m in Draft Budget 2021 (increase of €0.83m compared to 2020 due to pay increases in 2020).

It's important to acknowledge recent correspondence received from Minister Darragh O'Brien TD and Minister Peter Burke TD outlining the Government's support for the local government sector both in terms of delivery of government priorities and particularly, in respect of the exceptional leadership shown through the response to the Covid-19 pandemic. The correspondence further outlined that "in the context of the 2021 budget process", the Ministers "would ask that elected members be mindful of the significant commitments made and fulfilled by Government in 2020 and to carry forward the aforementioned constructive approach to your budget adoption process". A full copy of this correspondence is available in *Appendix 1* of this report.

Local Property Tax Allocation 2021

Local Property Tax (LPT) is now a key funding source for Local Government replacing the General Purpose Grant funding allocation. The initial allocation under this funding heading was confirmed as €17,554,464. The basis of this funding is an allocation of 80% of the LPT collected from property owners in the City and County and retained by the Local Authority with the remaining 20% being paid into an equalisation fund from which payments are made to Counties not achieving a level of funding equivalent to the 2013 General Purpose Grant (GPG) through their own LPT receipts.

The Local Government Reform Act 2014 and associated Regulations permits the Members of the Council to vary the Rate by a maximum increase or decrease of 15%. The Council

decided to adjust the LPT rate upwards by 15% in 2021 equating to an increase of €2,389,912.

The 2021 allocation from the Local Property Tax and the calculation provided by the DHPLG on the basis of this allocation is set out in **Table 4** below:

Limerick City and County Council - 2021 LPT Allocation	
LPT 100%	€15,932,749
LPT 20% to Equalisation Fund	(€3,186,550)
=> LPT 80% Retained Locally	€12,746,199
Distribution from Equalisation Fund	€4,808,265
Original LPT Allocation	€17,554,464
15% increase in LPT rate	€2,389,912
Revised LPT Allocation 2021	€19,944,376

Table 4: LPT Reconciliation

The 15% LPT variation for 2021 of €2,389,912 has been allocated to provide additional resources for the delivery of the following services as follows:

Svc	Service Description	LPT 15% Allocation 2021
B03 & B04	Own Resource element of Local & Regional Roads including Capital Investment New Plant to Deliver efficient Local resources	€778k
E0601	Street cleaning	€220k
B0601 & B0602	Traffic Management	€200k
D0901	Urban and rural Regeneration	€550k
F0301	Maintenance of Parks, Pitches & Open Spaces	€140k
F0201	Library Service	€50k
E1101	Fire Service	€100k
D05	Additional GMA for 2020	€200k
D0501	Tourism Development & Promotion	€151k
Total		€2,389k

Table 5: Allocation of additional resources

Commercial Rates

Commercial Rates is a significant contributor to the total budgeted income for the Council and it is vital to the level of service delivery that income from this source is maximised. In this respect it is critically important that the Valuation Office reverts promptly with new valuations during 2021. Limerick City and County Council will continue to ensure that all commercial properties in the City and County are included on the rates records and are properly rated.

Due to COVID-19, 2020 has been a very challenging year for the Council's Ratepayers. But supports from central government (listed below) have aided businesses.

- **Restart Grant:** Equivalent to the Rates Bill for 2019 with a minimum payment of €2,000 and maximum payment of €10,000
- **Restart Grant Plus:** Equivalent to the Rates Bill for 2019 with a minimum payment of €4,000 and maximum payment of €25,000
- **30% Additional Top-Up Payment**
- **9 Month Rates Waiver**
- **Local Authority support schemes (SME & Tourism)**

Examples of business supports are as follows:

	Example 1	Example 2	Example 3	Example 4	Example 5
Rates Value	€ 500	€ 5,600	€ 12,000	€ 16,000	€ 25,000
Restart Grant 1	€ 2,000	€ 5,600	€ 10,000	€ 10,000	€ 10,000
Restart Plus Grant	€ 4,000	€ 5,600	€ 12,000	€ 15,000	€ 15,000
30% additional top-up	€ 1,200	€ 1,680	€ 3,600	€ 4,500	€ 4,500
9 month Rates Waiver	€ 375	€ 4,200	€ 9,000	€ 12,000	€ 18,750
9% SME Grant	€ 45	€ 504	€ 1,000	€ 1,000	€ 1,000
Total Value of direct supports	€ 7,620	€ 17,584	€ 35,600	€ 42,500	€ 49,250
If wet pub additional 40%	€ 1,600	€ 2,240	€ 4,800	€ 6,000	€ 6,000
Total Value of Direct Supports (Wet Pub)	€ 9,220	€ 19,824	€ 40,400	€ 48,500	€ 55,250

The Valuation Office carried out a full revaluation of commercial properties in Limerick City and County areas in 2014. The principal of the revaluation process exercise was that it is revenue neutral ((i.e. no financial loss or gain to the Local Authority). Limerick City and County Council has, however experienced significant erosion of its commercial rates income as a result of these appeals with a loss to date of €1.18m per annum. There are six outstanding appeals from Windfarms to be adjudicated by the Valuation Tribunal which could result in further financial losses from reduced Commercial Rates of €600k per annum (arrears of €3.5m), bringing potential losses to €1.7m per annum. Limerick City and County Council are the first Local Authority to object to a decision of the Valuation Tribunal.

This financial loss in Commercial Rates for 2021 due to the windfarms' appeals, has been part mitigated by the Council receiving some Rates buoyancy in Commercial Rates rather than as compensation from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government.

Vacant Property Scheme 2021

Section 31 of the Local Government Reform Act 2014 gives the power to the members of local authorities to vary the level of rates refunds that apply in individual local electoral areas within the overall administrative area of the local authority.

Article 29 of the Local Government (Financial & Audit Procedures) Regulations 2014 provides that the decision to alter the rate of refund should be decided at the statutory annual budget meeting and that the rate of refund decided in respect of the relevant local electoral area shall apply to eligible persons for the year to which the budget relates. The budget has been framed on the basis the refund rates on vacant property noted in **Table 6** below.

The following amended vacant property scheme is proposed to continue in 2021:

Band	% Refund
Up to €2,856 Annual Rate Demand	100%
€2,857 to €11,376 Annual Rate Demand (with payment of 50% required)	50%
€11,377 to €57,024 Annual Rate Demand (with payment of 75% required)	25%
Over €57,025 Annual Rate Demand (with payment of 90% required)	10%

Table 6: Proposed Vacant Property Scheme 2021

Small and Medium Business Support Scheme 2021 (SME Scheme)

The proposed Small and Medium Business Support scheme will pay a financial support to occupiers of commercial properties with a total annual commercial rate bill of up to and including €25,000 but not less than €1 in 2021. The proposed % support for 2021 rates is 9% subject to a maximum refund of €1,000 which will be subject to a number of terms and conditions, including 25% of arrears must be paid in year 1 to qualify for the scheme with a payment plan in place over years 2 to 4 for the remaining arrears.

Tourism Sector Support Scheme 2021

The Proposed Tourism Sector Support Scheme for 2021 will be a financial support/reduction to occupiers of commercial properties directly linked to the Tourism Sector. In order to qualify, the total annual Commercial Rates liability must be in excess of €25,000 (Businesses with a Rate Demand less than €25,000 already qualify for the SME Scheme 2021) and is subject to a number of terms and conditions. The support grant payment which is aimed specifically at the Tourism and Hospitality Sector will be set at 4% of the total Rates, including arrears, up to a maximum grant payment of €5,000, for 2021 subject to the Scheme being approved by the Council.

Business & Retail Incentive Scheme 2021

The Proposed Business & Retail Incentive Scheme for 2021 will continue to be available for businesses in all towns and villages across Limerick City and County Council. The scheme is intended to address property vacancy rates, improve streetscapes and to support the business community.

Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) Transactional Shared Service Centre

The Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) is the principal platform for underpinning the provision of housing support in Ireland. HAP is a form of social housing support provided by all Local Authorities under the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2014. The availability of HAP enables all Local Authorities to provide housing support to over 58,000 households with a long-term housing need, including many long-term Rent Supplement recipients.

The key business processes delivered on behalf of the Local Authorities by the HAPSSC are (1) Tenancy Processing, (2) Weekly Tenant Rent Run, (3) Monthly Landlord Payment, (4) Tax Clearance Certificate Compliance, (5) Tenancy Amendments, (6) Debt Management, (7) Recoupment Management and (8) Stakeholder Reporting.

During the Covid 19 pandemic, the HAPSSC has continued to support over 58,000 active HAP tenancies and minimised risks that could result in a disruption of the services offered by the Scheme.

The HAPSSC will process circa 15,000 new tenancies in 2021 and process €659 million in payments to HAP landlords and collect €156 million in differential rent from HAP tenants. The HAP Shared Services Centre is ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management System certified.

General Municipal/ Metropolitan Allocation 2021

Circular Fin 08/2015 referred to the Local Government (Financial and Audit Procedures) (Amendment) Regulations (S.I.363 of 2015), which amends the Local Government (Financial and Audit Procedures) Regulations 2014 by providing that the meeting at which Municipal/ Metropolitan members consider the draft budgetary plan must conclude no later than 10 days prior to the local authority budget meeting.

Following the adoption of the budget a schedule of proposed works of maintenance and repairs to be carried out during 2021 in each Municipal/ Metropolitan District will be prepared for consideration and adoption by the Municipal/ Metropolitan District Members.

The draft budget has included a general Municipal/ Metropolitan allocation of €1.403m in total for district members, which will provide a focus and clarity as regards how the elected members want to account for the expending of monies within their area.

Workforce

Recruitment of staff within the Organisation will continue and in particular will focus on the replacement of staff following retirements, promotions and departures.

As a major employer in the region, it is important that we provide employment opportunities to the communities we serve. The Graph below shows our overall numbers at present and the number of retired staff, which will rise significantly towards the end of 2020.

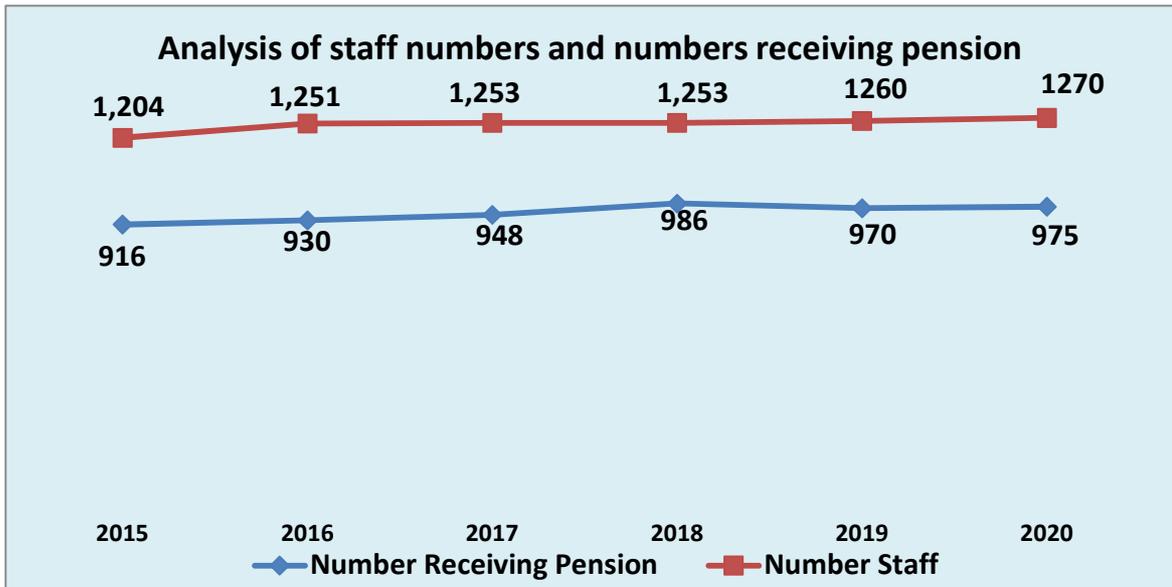


Chart 5: Analysis of staff numbers and number receiving pensions 2015-2020

Business Improvement Department:

Our Public Service 2020 provided a policy framework to build on previous reforms and Limerick City and County Council has a dedicated Business Improvement team to embed this framework into our organization. The Business Improvement department provides support to the organisation in the assessment of service delivery for efficiency and effectiveness. The team assists in mapping and standardising processes ensuring the organisation is producing value for money services that provide the best customer experience.

Involving the public in the design of their services is key in producing accessible services. Customer engagement is sought online and during citizen feedback sessions and it is this citizen participation that will continue to shape our services.

Data is also critical in informing our ability to make evidence based decisions. Our internal CRM system is connected to our Service Catalogue which allows the Council to assess the demand for our services, see where there are gaps and allows the Council to be proactive in deciding budgets and resource allocation that will meet our citizen demands.

The Human Resource Department, in partnership with Business Improvement Department, launched an employee communications mobile app “Council Connect” in April of 2020. This was undertaken as part of the Council’s communication strategy with colleagues during the current pandemic. The app has provided all colleagues, both office based and outdoor based, with access to diverse information such as Covid 19 policies, HR policies, weather alerts, Sports and Social information etc..

Irish Water

The Budget provides for the ongoing Service Level Agreement (SLA) arrangements with Irish Water as Limerick City and County Council provides water services on behalf of the national water authority. The Budget includes provision for the expenditure associated with the operation of the SLA and for the recoupment of these costs from Irish Water.

Capital Budget 2021-2023

In accordance with Section 135 of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended the Local Government Reform Act 2014, please find attached a report on the programme of capital projects proposed by Limerick City and County Council for the 3 years 2021 to 2023.

A key element of the Capital Programme over the coming years is delivering on the Limerick 2030 plan. Council members agreed to the raising of a working capital loan in

2014 of €32m and in 2017 approved loans of €170m from the European Investment Bank and Council of Europe Development Bank to help fund this programme. In 2020, with the commencement of the Opera Project, the Council requested and received the first drawdown of €25m from the EIB. Also, The Rural Regeneration & Development Fund (RRDF) and the Urban Regeneration & Development Fund (URDF) will provide funding opportunities for the Council to develop strategic projects.

Given the fact that we are proposing allocations over 3 years, it would be unrealistic to suggest that these allocations are definitive and are subject to funding being available in future years. Capital projects by their very nature are flexible rolling plans which involve an annual review and possible adjustment. Below please find a summary of potential spend and source of funding for the 3 year capital plan 2021 to 2023.

Capital Expenditure 2021 -2023	Grant funded	Loan funded	Development Levy Funded	Revenue Funded	Other (Land Sales / Contributors)
€m	€m	€m	€m	€m	€m
772.79	606.71	113.27	15.42	13.78	23.62

Table 7: Summary Capital Plan 2021-2023

Chart 6 profiles the Capital Expenditure for each of the three years:



Chart 6: Summary Capital Plan 2021-2023 by year

Covid-19

Since the beginning of the Covid-19 Pandemic, Limerick City and County Council has continued to deliver all essential services to the public.

In March a Covid Crisis Management team was established and this group have met regularly and ensured that the Council's strategic aims are met. These include following national advice to contain spread of COVID-19, showing leadership to staff and public as well as protection to the Health, Safety and Welfare of Staff, Councillors and Customers.

The Covid Community Response Team, supported by our Customer Services Department, provided an invaluable support structure to local communities.

A range of Covid-19 safe work practices have been rolled out and adopted by staff to minimise the risk of infection. In this regard continuing to adhere to public health advice is of utmost importance.

Council Meetings have also adapted to the circumstances with full Council meetings moving to Patrickswell Racecourse to ensure adequate social distancing and a safe environment for staff and Elected Members, while many other meetings have moved online.

Directly Elected Mayor:

Mr. Peter Burke TD, Minister of State for Local Government and Planning received the final report of the Implementation Advisory Group (IAG) on 22nd October 2020 into the establishment of the role of Directly Elected Mayor with executive functions for Limerick City and County. In arriving at its report, the Group, which is representative of the main stakeholders in Limerick and was chaired by Mr. Tim O'Connor, consulted widely with the business community, academic institutions, public service providers, and community and political representatives in Limerick.

The Minister has indicated that the report, along with legislative proposals, will be submitted for consideration by Government in the coming weeks and to the Oireachtas shortly thereafter, with a view to the holding of a mayoral election in Limerick in 2021. No budgetary provision has been made in the 2021 budget for a Directly Elected Mayor on the basis that the report recommended that any additional mandate must also have additional means to deliver

Conclusion

The Council, since its inception in 2014, has positioned itself as an ambitious, innovative proactive and engaged organisation to serve the people of Limerick. The transition to a directly elected mayor with executive powers is a fundamental change in local government and will again require significant cultural change within the organisation.

The proposed Draft Budget for 2021 will maintain existing services to a high standard and ensure that Limerick City and County Council fulfils its statutory and regulatory obligations.

The demand for services across Limerick continues to grow and this is matched by an increase in public expectation. Our Customer Service is connected to our service catalogue, which allows us to access the demand for services, see where the gaps are and allow us to be proactive in allocating budgets and staffing levels that align with our citizen demands.

Limerick City and County Council will also facilitate economic development by progressing key capital projects including Urban and Village Renewal while also marketing Limerick as a great place to live, visit and do business.

During 2020, the Council again had to react to unforeseen events such as the Covid-19 global pandemic, which demonstrated the professionalism, commitment and determination of staff to manage the impact of these events.

The crisis highlighted the true nature of public service in communities across Limerick. Faced with the challenge of social distancing, and with many of our staff working from home, we had to deliver support and bring novel solutions to complex problems posed by the new realities of lockdown.

With the strategic direction of our newly launched Limerick brand clear, it acted as a springboard to unite Limerick and it became the impetus behind the highly successful local initiatives we ran during lockdown. Moreover, unity was vital as we sought to protect the small businesses at the heart of our communities.

Again it was a partnership approach and a clear vision that let us move quickly and an engaged community has given us the clarity, focus and energy to move forward and make a difference.

And I believe it is this united confidence, sense of identity and momentum that forecasts a brighter future for Limerick as we plan for 2021.

The draft 2021 budget has been prepared with no proposed increase in Commercial Rates ARV (Annual Rate on Valuation), and reflects the decision by elected members to increase rate of Local Property Tax (LPT) to keep at the 2020 level. This increase will enable the Council to further improve service delivery.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Mayor and the Elected Members for their assistance and support, particularly the Members of the Corporate Policy Group in preparing this budget.

I also wish to express my appreciation to the Management Team and their own teams for their commitment and hard work in preparing this document. The coming year will again be challenging, but it will offer significant opportunities.

I look forward to the full support of the Members at the Statutory Budget Meeting to be held Friday 27th November 2020.

Dr Pat Daly
Chief Executive

Division A

Home & Building



(Pictures Clockwise from Top Left): 1. Archaeological restoration of historic Clonshire Church. 2. Works underway as part of LIHAF funding in Mungret. 3. Winners at the Irish & Design Awards. 4. Griffin Bros Contractors signing contracts for the construction of 20 new social housing units in Hospital. 5. Aerial view of development in Rathbane. 6. Housing construction in Patrickswell.

Delivery of homes, in line with the targets set under the 'Rebuilding Ireland Action Plan for Housing and Homelessness', continues. The pace of delivery and identifying the next phase of suitable land on which to build, continues to be a challenge.

Social Housing Supply since Government targets were set

Current housing targets under 'Rebuilding Ireland: Action Plan for Housing and Homelessness' from 2018 to 2021 are significant at 1,365 homes. The target blend is as follows:

- 67% New-Build: 915 (610 to be provided by LCCC and 305 to be provided by Approved Housing Bodies);
- 20% Acquisitions: 273;
- 13% Lease: 177.

Limerick City and County Council are actively pursuing all delivery streams (new-build, acquisition and leasing) to provide a social housing pipeline in the City and County, and are working where possible to exceed the targets outlined.

New-Build

New Build delivery includes the following delivery streams:

- SHIP (Social Housing Investment Programme) Construction;
- Regeneration Construction;
- CAS (Capital Assistance Scheme) Construction;
- CALF (Capital Advance Leasing Facility) New Build;
- Part V.

Given the finite nature of sites in our ownership we will need to consider the purchasing land on the private market in suitable areas.

Turnkey developments are a welcome source of additional housing. In 2020. The Housing Development Directorate proposed a policy for tenure mix in turnkeys to ensure sustainable neighbourhoods of mixed incomes to support local shops and services. This policy was endorsed at the Home and Social Development SPC. This means that in any given scheme 50% is dedicated to affordable homes, 30% dedicated to social-rental homes including disability and older persons' needs and 20% dedicated to private homes.

Where the Turnkey option is not available we are seeking to negotiate an optional increase to the Part V delivery numbers, taking the opportunity at design stage to request that the homes are built to accessible lifetime homes standards.

NZEB (Near Zero Energy Buildings) now forms part of the design process for all new homes, having come into force on 1st November 2019. This means that any dwelling now receiving planning permission should meet the NZEB standard.

Monthly updates on our Housing Projects will be provided to our Councillors across the Municipal/ Metropolitan Districts throughout 2021.

Acquisitions

Housing Acquisitions continue to be an effective housing delivery mechanism; however, the funding of such acquisitions must be balanced against the funding commitments of the build programme being delivered in parallel. Our Urban and Village Renewal Department focus on houses that are vacant for long periods, the renovation and occupancy of which will bring wider benefits to the particular street or town. Acquisition of houses includes the following delivery streams:

- Acquisitions General;
- Acquisitions Buy and Renew;
- CAS Acquisitions;
- Part V Previously Occupied;
- CALF Previously Occupied.

Leasing

Leasing delivery includes the following delivery streams:

- Long term lease;
- Repair and lease;
- Local Authority Availability Arrangement;
- Payment and Availability Arrangements;
- Mortgage to Rent.

In a bid to increase the supply of homes for our housing applicants, a campaign to raise awareness of the various leasing options open to property owners was launched during 2020 and will continue into 2021.

Limerick Regeneration Framework Implementation Plan

The elected Members of Limerick City Council approved the Limerick Regeneration Framework Implementation Plan (LRFIP) in February 2014. During 2021, Housing Development will hold information sessions for members on next steps in delivering the vision for the regeneration areas, i.e. to create safe and sustainable communities of opportunity where people of all ages enjoy a good quality of life, a decent home and a sense of pride about their place.

The delivery of well-serviced and attractive neighbourhoods is key.

Social Regeneration

The Social Intervention Fund (SIF) continued to target the key themes as set out in the adopted Limerick Regeneration Framework Implementation Plan (LRFIP). In 2020 an Independent Assessment Panel reviewed all projects and approved those providing outcomes that meet objectives of the LRFIP.

The allocation of funding to grass-roots community organisations is very important as the projects come directly from the local level (volunteer-led) and are highly appreciated and visible in local regeneration communities.

Projects supporting youth and families with complex needs continue to be supported in a bid to foster social inclusion. Referrals come from statutory agencies with most projects co-funded by other statutory bodies. Economic development initiatives will target such groups and encourage participation in training and employment opportunities.

Grants to schools and other services for education and learning have been maintained. The evidence indicates that additional support into programmes delivered in schools or out-of-school services (after school programmes, summer camps, therapeutic services offered to children in schools) is contributing to the achievement of better educational outcomes for children in regeneration areas / from disadvantaged social backgrounds. These outcomes include better educational attainment, improved school attendance, improved retention in second level education and improved behaviour.

Economic Regeneration

One of the key objectives for economic regeneration is the development of sustainable pathways to employment through capacity building and training.

To deliver on this objective a Jobs Co-Ordinator for the Regeneration areas is now in place. Their role is to create strong links between employers, training agencies, such as LCETB, and those seeking employment. Permanent employment is part of the permanent solution.

Moyross Training Facility (MTF) - The Bays, continues to build on the success of the Hospitality Education and Training Centre (HETC) in Roxboro, and is set to become a centre of excellence for training. We continue to work with other training providers who will introduce participants to the formal LCETB structures and from there to employment.

Physical Regeneration

The LRFIP, adopted in February 2014, outlines that the Local Authority targets the delivery of 593 new homes and refurbishment of 1,504 existing homes. Following a review of the

Demolition and Retention Strategies in all four regeneration areas in 2018, the requirement for 593 new homes was reduced to 549 new homes. As at September 2020, the following progress has been made:

New Build Construction:

- Nearly 50% completed;
- 251 new homes approved by the DHPLG

Thermal Upgrade Programme

As at September 2020, the following progress has been made in relation to the thermal upgrade programme:

- 1051 units complete thermally upgraded to a BER rating of 'C';
- 90 units on site;
- 304 units in preparation.

As part of the strategic approach to housing delivery, some of the critical infrastructural projects to improve quality of life include connectivity and environmental improvements to create connected communities. These projects range from large-scale infrastructure projects such as the Coonagh-Knockalisheen Road project (currently under construction) to a new District Play Area and Park for St Mary's Park / King's Island (Part 8 Planning received September 2018), completed in 2020.

Environmental improvement projects are currently underway in Regeneration areas and through the continued delivery of replacement social housing schemes and key environmental improvement projects, the existing physical environment of all of the regeneration areas will significantly improve.

Demolition Programme

The demolition programme continues in the four Regeneration areas. As part of the adopted LRFIP in 2014, 606 dwellings were proposed to be demolished to make way for accessible, compact and connected neighbourhoods to existing services and shops. The Demolition and Retention strategy is continuously reviewed with the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage. The latest review, which concluded in January 2020, sees a total of 341 dwellings to be demolished.

Affordable and Mixed-Tenure Housing- Serviced Sites Fund

The Serviced Site Fund is designed to allow a Local Authority to complete enabling infrastructure to facilitate the delivery of affordable homes on land in their ownership.

During 2020, a dedicated Serviced Site Fund team was established. The five sites are progressing at pace to masterplan, viability assessment and in time to a formal Part 8 process. Limerick City and County Council are keen to progress its first cost rental

affordable homes scheme on these sites. A detailed consultation process will take place with our Council and all stakeholders and, subject to Serviced Sites fund approval criteria, will result in attractive, integrated housing options for the people of Limerick and those who wish to set-up home here.

Pilot for Affordable Self-Build Plots on Council Land

In 2020, endorsement was gained at the Home and Social Development SPC to pilot a scheme which allows for an affordable self-build scheme on Council owned land. The Council will make plots affordable by discounting the land value of the plot to enable a household to apply for an affordable mortgage for the self-build construction element. The pilot will take place in Adare, where the land value for discount is high. The scheme aims to provide an attractive alternative to a one-off house. The results of the pilot will be assessed and lessons learnt will be recorded to allow for replication of this scheme in other towns and villages in the County.

Refurbishment

The Local Authority refurbish and renovate our own vacant stock based on the budget allocated.

At the point of vacancy houses are inspected and categorized based on the level of works required. A high proportion of houses are turned around by our own Operations and Maintenance crews, with other houses that require higher budgets put forward to Voids funding where appropriate.

Long Term Voids

During 2020, Limerick City and County Council received approval for two tranches of Voids funding from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government. Funding for the emergency refurbishment of 50 units, as a result of the initial Covid-19 response was received. This amounted to €0.564m. These units have been returned to stock and grant funding has been drawn down. An additional allocation for a further 56 properties was received as part of the July 2020 Government Stimulus package. These units are being completed via a mix of direct labour and contractors, and the maximum grant available for these units will be €0.982m. LCCC fund the balance of both of the Voids schemes from own resources, in line with the standard voids funding model.

Homeless Services

Homelessness is currently at the highest level in the history of the Irish State. Locally Limerick City & County Council have experienced unprecedented levels of homeless presentations of the past 4 years. The number of homeless cases at the end of September 2020 is as follows: Individuals- 134, and Families- 27 (37 Adults and 41 Children). The Homeless Action Team in Limerick continues to operate a multidisciplinary team, staffed

by operational clinical staff from the HSE, Support Staff from the Approved Housing Body Sector, Welfare Services from the Department of Employment Affairs & Social Protection and Accommodation / Case Managers from the Local Authority. In 2020 the focus on the Prevention of Homelessness has become as important as the delivery of accommodation services, which will remain the case in 2021. In this regard engaging with those who are at risk of becoming homeless is critical. The roll-out of Family Hubs, the expansion of the Place Finder Service, Housing First, Street Outreach Service and Co-Living Project has added to the service options available and our ability to respond to the issue of homelessness in the Region.

Housing Assessments & Allocations

Housing applications continue to increase with over 1,080 applications submitted in the first 9 months of 2020.

The statutory SSHA (Summary of Social Housing Assessment) is completed on an annual basis. This updated information informs the Housing Support Services Department of applicants changing circumstances, which in turn informs the priority needs of allocation.

Housing Allocations have also increased in 2020 in spite of the Covid-19 global pandemic. In the first 9 months of 2020, 272 houses have been allocated.

Traveller & Housing Welfare Unit

The Traveller Accommodation Programme for 2019 - 2024 was adopted by the elected members of Limerick City and County Council in September 2019. The new programme sets out to accommodate 105 Traveller families over its lifetime.

The Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee (LTACC) was formed in September 2019. The LTACC is made up of Public representatives, Traveller representatives and Council Officials, who meet four times a year. The LTACC advise Limerick City and County Council Senior Management on issues of Traveller Accommodation and report to the full Council as required.

Limerick City and County Council provide a bi-monthly Traveller Housing Clinic in Merchants Quay, where Traveller housing applicants or tenants can seek assistance with queries regarding accommodation issues, no appointment required.

Private Rented Inspections

A total of 621 inspections took place on 583 properties (approx) up to the 30th September 2020 under the Housing (Standard for Rented Houses) Regulations 2017.

- Total HAP: 334
- Total RAS: 241
- Total Private & Others: 46
- Notice of Works: 270
- Improvement Notices: 27
- Prohibition Notices: 3

Due to Covid 19 restrictions, inspections ceased during the year but recommenced in September- restrictions will continue to impact on our ability to carry out inspections.

Housing Adaptation Grants

Limerick City and County Council manages three types of grants for people with disability or mobility issues and housing aid for the elderly. To date in 2020, a total number of 291 grants have been issued with total monies amounting to €1,524,050.59. This years budget was €3,385,125 of which €677,025 is from own resources.

To ensure the works approved meets the current and future needs of the applicant we use the services of an independent Occupational Therapist.

The Disabled Person Grant (DPPG) allows persons to make alterations or modifications to their home- works include ramps, level access shower, stair lift and extensions where necessary. To date we have completed works on 30 properties totalling €270,660. The budget for this year is €920,833 of which €92,083 is from our own resources.

2016 Tenant (Incremental) Purchase Scheme

Since its launch in 2016 the Tenant (Incremental) Purchase Scheme has seen 108 applications progress to Stage 2 of the process. A large volume of applications have been returned to applicants due to arrears on their rent account or because the reckonable income is less than €15,000. In 2019, nineteen property sales have been completed at a value of €1,482,915 to LCCC. In 2020 to date, ten property sales have been completed at a value of €709,480 to LCCC.

Rebuilding Ireland Home Loan

Since the scheme was announced on the 1st February 2018, there have been 281 applications received up until 30th September 2020. To date:

- 35 Applications have been withdrawn/cancelled
- 2 Awaiting additional information from applicant
- 51 Applications rejected at the initial stage- based on DHPLG criteria
- 181 RIHL applications have been sent to the Housing Agency for assessment

Of the RIHL applications returned by the Housing Agency, the Credit Committee has approved 115, 53 have been rejected by the Credit Committee and 13 applications are awaiting a decision. The number of applications is down on 2019 levels, as a direct result of the Covid 19 pandemic. Significant interest in the scheme is expected in 2021.

Community Sustainment/Estate Management

This area of work is comprised of three main strands: (i) provision of supports to improve quality of life and develop community spirit within Council housing estates (ii) dealing effectively with issues of anti-social behaviour and breaches of tenancy generally and (iii) provision of welfare service for vulnerable tenants. It is imperative that we engage proactively with our tenants on the ground effectively using the additional staff that have been assigned to this important area.

The Community Sustainment Unit comprises of a Senior Community Sustainment Officer and four Community Sustainment Officers. Each Officer has responsibility for specific areas within the Metropolitan and Municipal Districts of the Council.

Their main role is to connect with people in the communities, establishing trust through clear and open communication. Visible enforcement is recognised as an integral part of Community Sustainment. The Officers will continue to encourage and support members of the community to engage with the Council, and other relevant authorities and agencies, and foster a sense of “ownership” of their estates.

Rents

Since the start of 2019, the Rents Unit has been engaged in a process of confirming incomes and family composition of the more than 5,300 tenancies managed by the Council. This intensive piece of work has been conducted in parallel with the introduction of the Single Differential Rent Scheme during 2020.

Downsizing/Rightsizing

The Housing Development Directorate gained endorsement in 2020 at the Home and Social Development SPC to introduce a private downsizing scheme in the City and County. In addition, during 2021 we will review Council tenancies in our own housing stock and look to harness interest in a model that would see a number of residents from a particular

area elect to move to a smaller more manageable home nearby. This will involve the identification of an appropriate site in the area to allow the new build to take place. Given the sensitivity around such issues, such projects can only progress where we have the prior agreement of the tenant and with the approval of our Council.

Housing Assistance Payment (HAP)

Limerick City and County Council continue to operate the HAP Scheme since its roll out in 2014. There are currently 2,425 active HAP tenancies in County Limerick, which represents almost 5% of the national tenancies (excluding Dublin Regional Homeless Executive tenancies). The HAP unit is currently averaging 9 new set-ups and 40 amendments per week. Housing Assistance Payment is a financial support provided by the Council with the contract between the tenant and the landlord.

Rental Accommodation Scheme (RAS)

Limerick City and County Council currently has 1,261 RAS tenancies. RAS differs from HAP in that the contract is tri-party. The Council has a direct responsibility for the RAS tenant, with all of the challenges this brings in the current formidable rental market. Two support workers operate within the Unit offering assistance in securing accommodation and providing tenancy support to the RAS tenant.

Division B

Road Transport & Safety



Pictures Clockwise from top left –1. Work continuing on the road linking Croom and the new secondary school building. 2. Advance works on exact route of Limerick Northern Distributor Road Coonagh to Knockalisheen. 3. One of the new fleet vehicles purchased from funds ringfenced from the Local Property Tax. 4. New parklet on Catherine Street being enjoyed by the people of Limerick. 5. New Limerick Shannon Metropolitan Area Transport Strategy launched. 6. Limerick City Centre getting deep clean as part of Guiding Limerick Covid-19 measures.

Revenue Expenditure

The budget for Road Transport and Safety is made up of grants from the Department of Transport, (DoT), Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII), the National Transport Authority (NTA) and from the Council's own resources. Grant allocations will not be notified until early in 2021.

As members are aware there has been under-investment on road maintenance as well as on new road investment in recent years. In addition, severe weather has impacted on the road infrastructure. This has placed pressures on the road infrastructure, particularly at local road level. The continuing emphasis will have to be on maintaining existing assets, while continuing to invest in new works. Expenditure will be targeted at maintaining the strategic road network, having regard to traffic volumes and the strategic importance of routes. In this regard, works anticipated include for minor overlay and reconstruction works, surface dressing, general maintenance, tar patching, drainage, footpath repairs, bridge maintenance & rehabilitation and road safety improvement schemes. Specific details of works to be carried out will be confirmed when grant announcements are made.

Provision is made for Winter Maintenance services (salting of roads and footpaths) as required and as set out in the Council's Winter Service plan.

The Council will continue to examine the delivery of services to ensure greater efficiencies are achieved across all operational areas.

Capital Expenditure

A number of capital schemes have been progressed in 2020. A contractor has been appointed for the Coonagh to Knockalisheen Distributor Road (Phase 2). Construction will commence in late 2020 and will continue through to mid-2023. Part 8 Planning was secured for the Mungret (LIHAF) Road Scheme (Phase 2) with a view to appointing a contractor in 2021. Construction of the Croom Distributor Road commenced in 2020 and is scheduled for completion in December 2020. A contractor has been appointed for the construction of Phase 1 of the O'Connell Street project. Works will commence in January 2021. Limerick City and County Council and Clare County Council continued to progress the Limerick Northern Distributor Road in conjunction with the Department of Transport. A Part 8 application for Atlas Avenue, Dock Road will be lodged in Q4 2020.

Sustainable Transport Schemes

A contractor for the construction for the Castletroy Urban Greenway was appointed in 2020 and construction will commence in late 2020. Part 8 applications for the Limerick Institute of Technology to City Centre Cycle Lane, the Plassey Park Road Junction Scheme and the Castletroy Link Road will be lodged in Quarter 4 2020.

Planning for the development of the UL to NTP Annacotty, Raheen Roundabout to Quinn's Cross Roundabout, Fr. Russell Road, Parnell St. to Clare St., Condell Road to Arthur's Quay, Mill Road, St. Nessan's Road/Dooradoyle Road Sustainable Transport Measures will be progressed in 2021.

The Mid West National Road Design Office continues to progress key major infrastructural projects in the region in partnership with the participating local authorities and Transport Infrastructure Ireland. Some of the schemes currently being progressed by the office include the M/N20 Cork to Limerick, Foynes to Limerick (Including Adare Bypass), N21 Newcastle West Bypass, N21 Abbeyfeale Bypass, N24 Cahir to Limerick Junction, in addition to other major, minor, pavement and safety schemes. These schemes are being progressed either through the use of third party technical advisors or by in-house design expertise.

Parking Places (Amendment) Bye-Laws in relation to parking fees for electric vehicles were adopted by the Metropolitan District of Limerick, the Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock and the Municipal District of Newcastle West.

Limerick-Shannon Metropolitan Area Transport Strategy

The draft Limerick Shannon Metropolitan Area Transport Strategy (LSMATS) was launched in September 2020 and went out for public consultation in September/October 2020. This strategy examines how sustainable transport can be delivered in Limerick and will guide investment decisions. It builds on previous transport studies carried out and sets out proposed actions and measures for delivering infrastructural development and policy.

The full extent of capital works will be reported on as part of the 2021 Road Works Programme after the extent of the 2021 grants become available.

Division C

Water Services



Pictures Clockwise from top left – 1. The end product for many of the water process. 2. Castleconnell – one of areas in line for flood relief investment. 3. Old sewer culvert running underneath Limerick. 4. River Shannon - provide quality water for all. 5. The water treatment plant at Clareville. 6. Lifebuoys serve a life-saving purpose around Limerick.

Water Services

The Water Services budget now largely covers the payroll costs for 139 full time staff equivalents and central management charges that will be recouped from Irish Water. Materials, equipment, services, plant hire and energy are now primarily purchased through the Irish Water procurement system and, therefore, no longer appears on the Council's expenditure system.

Rural Water Programme

The Council will continue to manage the Rural Water Programme in 2021. The estimated expenditure on Private House Well Grants and paying subsidies to Group Water Schemes is €1m and €1.685m respectively. A recent change to the Private House Well Grants has increased the maximum grant to €5,000 (up from €2,031). There is also an additional sum of €1,000 available for water treatment works. This has resulted in an almost threefold increase in our estimated expenditure. These grants will be fully recouped from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

The Council will also continue to operate a capital programme for transitioning Group Water Schemes to public sources and the extension or development of new schemes. The current multi-annual Rural Water Programme relates to the period 2019-2021 and it represents a shift away from the previous block grant allocations to scheme/project specific allocations. The allocations include for a sum of €768,900 over the three-year period, with approximately €164,500 being spent in 2020. These allocations will provide grant aid of up to 85% to Group Water Schemes to improve their networks. The Groups themselves provide the remaining 15%.

Capital Grants for 100% of eligible expenditure are also available to Group Water Schemes to improve water quality and water management. An amount of €715,098 has been allocated over the three-year period. The Council expenditure in all of these areas is fully recoupable from the Department.

Remediation of Domestic Lead Grant

Provision has been made for €30,000 in 2021. This grant is 100% recoupable from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage. Grant applications in 2020 have remained at low levels with just two applications received to date. The average grant paid is just below €3,900. It is planned to advertise the availability of this grant in 2021.

Division D

Development Management



(Clockwise from Top Left): 1. Redevelopment of buildings in Limerick Georgian Neighbourhood. 2. Odyssey Studios overall Limerick winners in the National Enterprise Awards. 3. Memorandum of Understanding between Limerick City and County Council, HSE, CIE and the Land Development Agency for developing the Colbert Station Quarter. 4. Limerick Development Plan begins its 99 week timeline. 5. New Limerick Brand launched in New York as part of internationalising Limerick. 6. Contracts signed to begin demolition on Opera Site.

Economic Development & Limerick 2030 Economic & Spatial Plan

The creation / retention of employment and enterprise diversification in the Limerick region continues to be a priority and the Council must continue to use its resources and property assets to facilitate job creation. Limerick has seen over 18,000 jobs and €3.1b in investments announced since the launch of the Limerick 2030 Economic and Spatial Plan in 2013. 2020 has been a very difficult year for investment but notwithstanding this in excess of twelve hundred jobs have been announced for Limerick from January to November 2020 with €0.7b of associated investment. The majority of these job announcements have come from the expansion of existing businesses here in Limerick. The four business units within the Directorate (Trade & Investment, Innovate Limerick, the Local Enterprise Office, and Limerick Twenty Thirty DAC) work closely with local, regional, national and international business and investment community to promote Limerick as a location for commerce and business. The IDA's Advanced Manufacturing Centre in Castletroy is under construction. It will be completed in 2021 and will be significant attractor of business activity for the future. The Council is confident that overall investment in Limerick will continue to grow during 2021.

In response to the COVID pandemic and its effects on the business community the Council implemented its COVID Recovery Plan which included business supports to business through the LEO Office, the Rates Waiver Scheme, Business Continuity Grants, Restart Grant, etc. Retail in the City and County was specifically targeted for specific measures which included designing, creating and improving retailers' on-line presence. In addition, a new on-line shopping platform, Shop Limerick was developed and implemented with over 250 businesses listed. Temporary road closures, outdoor tables & chairs licensing and the construction of parklets and build-outs also assisted the hospitality and retail sectors to re-open in Summer 2020.

Limerick Twenty Thirty Strategic Development DAC (Designated Activity Company)

The Opera Site in Limerick City Centre, which was acquired by Limerick City Council in 2011 after a previous plan to develop it collapsed in the crash, will be transformational for the city and region. The Opera Site will be developed over a six-year period, starting with a six-month demolition programme in Q4 2020. The demolition and build will cost circa €180m and take shape over a six-year period. It is fully funded thanks to commitments from the European Investment Bank and the Council of Europe Development Bank.

The site will be capable of employing up to 3,000 people across a 450,000 sq. ft. campus accommodation and, like Gardens International, it will again have a high bar in terms of sustainability and architectural standing, with the project being developed to LEED Gold and Nearly Zero Energy Building (NZEB) standards.

2021 will also see further steps taken on the Cleeves Riverside Quarter project, with the appointment of consultants to assist in its development pending. The project will then move onto the actual planning stage, with a planning application targeted for late 2021.

The Cleeves Riverside Quarter is an iconic site of approximately 10 acres located on the northern bank of the River Shannon in Limerick city centre. It is zoned 'City Centre Area' in the City Development Plan, and deemed suitable for a number of uses including commercial, residential and educational. In terms of scale, Cleeves will be one of the biggest city centre developments outside of Dublin.

2021 will also see progress on another key project in the Limerick Twenty Thirty programme, the Mungret Park development. Currently at master-planning stage, a planning application is set to be lodged in 2020 for the first phase of this residential project

Innovate Limerick

Innovate Limerick has been approved planning permission to build an extension to Engine, Cecil Street. This extension will house the Digital Collaboration Centre (DCC). The DCC will accommodate industry collaborative projects in an agile manner responsive to business needs through proof-of-principle applications via a community of co-located experts. It will present new business model opportunities in an emerging growth market.

Innovate Limerick through Film in Limerick continues to support productions shooting in the Mid-West and the Regional Film Manager is working with various agencies to facilitate the relevant training to support the current needs of the film industry including training to prepare aspiring and emerging filmmakers for employment in the screen industries. A number of new training and project development initiatives have been rolled out

“Happen” is a network of high-quality co-working spaces in the Midwest of Ireland, which spans across Limerick, Tipperary, Clare and Kerry and aims to create a better work life balance in the regions, cities towns and villages.

Innovate Limerick is to create an E-Hub in Abbeyfeale following the successful purchase of the former bank building in the West Limerick Town. The E-Hub will become a central community space and will include high-speed broadband, fit out of a co-working space, meeting rooms and a training room to facilitate business start-ups and training. A design team has been appointed and the construction phase of the project has commenced.

Upgrade works to Rathkeale Enterprise Centre have been fully completed and the centre now houses four companies with up to 80 people currently employed. The remaining units are attracting a lot of interest and we anticipate the building will be fully occupied in the near future.

Local Enterprise Office

The Local Enterprise Office (LEO) is funded by the Department of Business Enterprise and Innovation under the European Regional Development Programme through a service level agreement between Enterprise Ireland on behalf of the Department and Limerick City and County Council. In 2020, the LEO organized and hosted over 155 training and development courses, workshops and Webinars with over 2,100 participants. Over 155 individuals also availed of LEO's Virtual Mentoring Programme in 2020. In addition, LEO approved grant aid in 2020 for over 1,098 businesses/companies to the value of over €3m. Approvals consisted of 13 Feasibility grants, 9 Priming grants, 14 Business Expansion grants, 8 Technical Assistance for Micro Exporters grants, 454 Trading Online Vouchers & 600 Business Continuity Vouchers.

The job creation potential associated with Measure 1 grant aid approvals in 2020 will see the creation of 205 new jobs in the small business sector in Limerick City and County over the next 3 years.

In 2020 as in previous years, the Council will make a contribution to the pay costs of the LEO.

The assistance provided will also lead to additional jobs being created in the sector in 2021 and 2022. In 2021 LEO's Training and Development programmes will be provided over 1,200 training places for owner managers of small business in Limerick. These will include Start your own Business, Management Development, LEAN for Micro, Social Media Skills Training, workshops & webinars.

The Student Enterprise Programme will involve over 1,000 students in 20 secondary schools in the City and County.

2021 will be a very important year for small business as the position regarding Brexit becomes clear and LEO will provide information and assistance to business to help them overcome difficulties and to capitalise on opportunities that may arise as a result.

The Mid West Regional Enterprise Plan (REP)

The Mid West Regional Enterprise Plan launched in February 2019, identifies the Council as a significant stakeholder in the plan delivery. The plan is designed to support enterprise growth and job creation through collaborative initiatives. A new REP Programme Manager has taken up duty.

The Mid-West Plan identifies five Strategic Objectives, with actions to: enable a Digital Economy and make the Mid-West Ireland's leading Smart City-Region; achieve a step-change in progress toward a Low Carbon Economy in the region; continue to develop workforce skills and talent and enhance the attractiveness of living and working in the

Mid-West; develop the Region's capacity to deliver economic growth; and build a coordinated Regional messaging brand for consistent communication.

All agencies responsible for the development and promotion of Limerick must continue to work closely so as to ensure that the progress made in recent years is built on and in this regard, Limerick City and County Council looks forward to playing a central role in such efforts.

Forward/Strategic Planning

To date in 2020, Forward/Strategic Planning have delivered the Croom Local Area Plan 2020 - 2026 and have advanced the preparation of the Southern Environs Local Area Plan to draft stage, as well as extending the life of both the Adare and Askeaton Local Area Plans. The Section has initiated the preparation of the first Limerick Joint City and County Development Plan and has recently completed the first consultation stage of the process. A Supplementary Contribution Scheme for the development of Road infrastructure in Mungret was prepared and placed on public display. In addition to the above, Forward/Strategic Planning section continue to represent the Council on the Atlantic Economic Corridor Task Force and provide ongoing policy advice for a number of strategic projects and have prepared submissions on national policy guidance documents.

The key piece of work for the Forward/Strategic Planning unit for the remainder of 2020 and 2021 is the review of the Limerick City and County Development Plans and the preparation of the first Joint Development Plan for Limerick. The plan will set out the strategic spatial framework for the City and County from 2022 to 2028 and will involve significant research and analysis work and extensive consultation with Elected Members, internal and external stakeholders and the public. A Building Height Strategy for the City, a Housing Strategy for Limerick, a review of the Limerick 2030 Spatial and Economic Plan and a joint Retail Strategy for Limerick and the Limerick Shannon Metropolitan area will be prepared to inform the Development Plan.

2021 will also see the completion of the proposed Southern Environs Local Area Plan and the commencement of a new Local Area Plan for Rathkeale, as well as the preparation of a new Development Contribution Scheme. The team will also be responsible for finalising the delivery of a Social and Economic Model for large scale projects and the co-ordination of the Urban Regeneration and Development Funds for 2021.

A partnership between the Land Development Agency, Limerick City & County Council, CIE and the HSE has been formed to plan for the creation of a new neighbourhood on a 50-hectare site currently owned by state agencies known as the Colbert Quarter. Design options for the site were published in 2020 and will be advanced during 2021.

Forward Planning submitted two local authority applications and two local authority supported applications for funding under the national Urban Renewal Development Fund in 2020:

- LCCC Project 1 - World Class Waterfront - total cost of project €500 million - URDF sought €158.63 million
- LCCC Project 2 - The Liveable Limerick City Centre Initiative - total cost of project €97 million - URDF sought €56.8 million
- Project 3 – Multi Events Entertainment Centre – total cost of the project €35 million - URDF ask of €10m
- Project 4 - Colbert Station Upgrade (New Bus Station) - €17 million project with €8.5m ask from URDF and the remainder funded by NTA.

Decisions on these projects are expected late 2020 early 2021.

Urban Innovation

The Urban Innovation department is in its second year of operation and continues to focus on supporting innovation to enable new urban services and products to transform urban living and working to reach the challenges of climate change and the digital economy. Our team runs a number of initiatives aimed at revitalising Limerick's historic Georgian Neighbourhood, Newtown Pery, through collaboration with our citizens.

Urban Innovation have begun work on the Living Georgian City Programme - an historic City Centre revitalization process which is being piloted in Limerick's Georgian Neighbourhood with a view to replication in other neighbourhoods and towns in Limerick and elsewhere in Ireland. It is an innovation programme testing out new models of living in Ireland and new ways of engaging with citizens on the design and use of their shared public spaces. The programme is supported by the Urban Regeneration and Development Fund (URDF) and is a rolling 4-year programme. The key element of the programme is a Housing Demonstration project for the provision of affordable community housing in two properties in LCCC ownership. It also includes a Laneways Demonstration Project for the upgrading of 5 laneways. Lastly, it includes a suite of strategic reports aimed at developing an overarching historic core revitalisation strategy which can be incorporated into local and national policies and which will help to align financial measures to sustain and expand the programme.

Urban Innovation is leading the Urban Development and Citizen Engagement Platforms for Limerick's EU Horizon2020 funded +CityxChange project. The project, which is in its second year, focuses on the transition to a positive energy smart city which creates more energy than it uses. We are enabling collaboration with people by running 'City Engage' Weeks and establishing an 'Observatory' for citizen sourced data to gather citizen's ideas

on how best to make the clean energy transition. As part of the development of a Citizen Innovation Lab run with our partners in third level institutions and industry, we are trialling new engagement methods that can be integrated into policy and project development going forward. We are capturing the ideas of the wider community to develop innovative solutions to help us collectively change our attitudes and behaviour.

We are providing a testbed for the development of a new product to provide more efficient and economic solutions to upgrading traditional buildings for modern fire safety requirements. The process is supported through Enterprise Ireland's Small Business Innovation Research Grant. We have supported the winners of that open call to start a new digital property tech company, Safecility, to further develop the product that they have prototyped and tested in the Georgian Innovation District in the last year. We also run the Living City Initiative Tax Incentive 'one stop shop' clinics to actively engage with property owners to promote refurbishment and optimize usage of historic properties.

Limerick Marketing and Communications

Marketing & Communications successfully declared a bold ambition for internationalising Limerick with the unveiling of a first-ever Limerick brand positioning and international marketing campaign. **'Limerick: Atlantic Edge, European Embrace'** was unveiled in January 2020 becoming the first major branding of the City and County to promote it nationally and globally as a destination for inward industry investment, tourism, education and for people to live and work in. The creation of the Limerick brand by global creative agency M&C Saatchi involved key inputs from a range of stakeholders, from members of the public and business community during early-stage focus groups through to students of LIT's Limerick School of Art & Design. The creative process also saw a number of local companies, including True Media, Limerick Printmakers, Treaty City Brewery, and Limerick Chocolate Shop, engaged by Limerick City and County Council, while Ireland's largest marketing communications company, Core Media, was involved in rolling out the programme nationally and internationally with a bespoke media buying campaign across traditional and social media.

A major multi-market campaign, 'Percentages', was a cornerstone of the programme which aimed to quantify Limerick's combination of edginess and friendliness. The character and culture of Limerick was also articulated through a roll-out of Limerick 'heroes', which saw inspirational people tell their stories on video and become faces of the campaign to amplify the sense of edge and embrace that typifies the City and County.

With the onset of the pandemic, the focus changed to the domestic market and Limerick's reveal as an emerging and great value tourism option on Ireland's 'Atlantic Edge' was accelerated with the launch of its biggest ever tourism campaign. The new campaign was designed to encourage people living in other regions of Ireland to staycation in Limerick.

Called 'Limerick 50 Days of Summer', it set out a compelling menu of 50 reasons to visit the City and County and the local authority created an exciting competition that saw 50 people win a unique Limerick experience on the Wild Atlantic Way over five weeks.

A new Covid-19 initiative Limerick.ie/Shop was also launched where local retailers were given a timely boost in the face of the Covid-19 crisis with the official launch of a free unique online platform to help them trade while their doors are closed, and connecting Limerick consumers with local suppliers for their shopping needs. The virtual marketplace developed by local authority in partnership with Limerick Local Enterprise Office and Limerick Chamber provided an opportunity for hundreds of retailers across the City and County to showcase their online offering with the development of the one-stop platform on the local authority's website, Limerick.ie. Together with a promotional 'Shop Limerick, Save Livelihoods' campaign, the initiative went live today just three weeks after the decision to create the online platform was made.

Marketing & Communications led on all the messaging around the pandemic, particularly in relation to economic supports and the Community Call. Marketing & Communications continued to improve communication channels across and outside the organisation with a particular focus on corporate reputation.

Two Limerick Economic Monitors were published where Limerick's economic and fiscal status was analysed and tracked, against key economic indicators including employment, enterprise, investment, housing, consumer sentiment, and commercial property.

A key objective for 2021 is the continued implementation of the new brand and management of our corporate reputation. It means sharing Limerick's new identity in a way that is consistent, reliable and manageable. The brand campaign will be rolled out with an integrated marketing and communications programme throughout 2021. The ongoing campaign will amplify Limerick's FDI, Tourism and Education messaging through cohesive, high-reach and awareness driving channels; key to ensuring that awareness built during the launch campaign is maintained. Marketing & Communications will continue to work closely with all directorates within the Council to get our message out into the public arena to drive the narrative around the work we are doing.

Tourism Development

Limerick City and County Council have worked to deliver the objectives of the Limerick Tourism Development Strategy in what has been a difficult year for the industry and this will remain a priority area in 2021.

Limerick City and County Council continue to work with Fáilte Ireland to leverage funding for schemes such as Platforms for Growth, Regional Festivals Grant Scheme and deliver on the objectives of the Wild Atlantic Way Gateway and Region. A visitor experience development plan has advanced in 2020 to motivate visitors to stay longer and spend more in the region, extend the length of the season, promote the concept of slow travel, sustain and increase job creation in the local area, protect the special environmental, cultural and linguistic character of the region and align to the Wild Atlantic Way brand and target markets.

In 2020, LCCC appointed consultants for services for the Limerick Wayfinding, Orientation and Place Making Strategy. The aim of this plan is to enhance the visitor experience and drive visitation and economic impact by pointing people to the areas the city wants people to see, explore and experience and connecting existing visitors to discover more. It is envisaged that work will commence on site in 2021, partly funded through Failte Irelands Destination Towns Funding Programme.

Limerick City has been designated as a destination hub in the River Shannon Tourism Masterplan as one of the main destination hubs along the river Shannon. LCCC Tourism Development Department in 2021 will work with Waterways Ireland to further advance, in partnership with other key stakeholders, tourism on the River Shannon within the Limerick Region. This will include the commissioning of a feasibility study to consider how accessibility to the river can be further maximised, under the actions for the River Shannon Tourism Masterplan.

Work will continue at Lough Gur following the opening of the Solstice Park playground and upgrade to the public toilets and work on the installation of public lighting at the lakefront will be complete in Q4 of 2020. An invitation to tender for the preparation of options/feasibility study to enhance the visitor facilities and amenities at Lough Gur is currently underway, appointment is expected in Q4 of 2020 with the work to commence in 2021.

As part of the West Limerick Tourism Gateway project LCCC has purchased Fullers Folly in Newcastle West as a strategic investment with a view to developing a tourism experience of scale. A feasibility and options report is currently being prepared and will be completed in 2021.

Work continued on the Great Southern Greenway with the resurfacing contract awarded in 2020 and an anticipated opening for Summer 2021. In tandem with the resurfacing programme of works a number of ancillary projects are underway to enhance the user experience including the purchase of Ardagh and Barnagh Station Houses with a view to developing them as signature experiences and discovery points on the Greenway. In 2020 funding was received through the Carbon Tax fund for funding to prepare an options and feasibility study for extending the GSGL from Rathkeale to Adare and Patrickswell to Limerick City. It is envisaged that the consultants will be appointed in early 2021 with a view to having a report by mid 2021.

LCCC will continue to plan and prepare for the Ryder Cup, now moved to 2027 and funding provision of €30,000 is included in Draft Budget 2021.

Business & Retail Incentive Scheme

The Business & Retail Incentive Scheme supported the opening of a number of new retail and businesses during 2020. The growth in the number of new retail openings in Limerick Centre is encouraging and continues to grow businesses. The scheme has supported the opening of new businesses and retail outlets in Newcastle West and Kilmallock also. It is anticipated that interest and take-up in the scheme will continue to grow during 2021.

The Council continues to work with Retail Excellence Ireland, Retail Ireland, and Limerick Chamber of Commerce and other local stakeholders in developing a vibrant City Centre.

Limerick City Centre Re-vitalisation

In 2020 the Council appointed a dedicated City Centre Re-vitalisation Officer to work with stakeholders to develop a vibrant and attractive City Centre. A post COVID plan for the City Centre will be developed in conjunction with interested groups over the next number of months.

Development Management

The balanced sustainable development of Limerick City and County is at the core of the development management process. The noticeable increase in development activity during 2019 has continued into 2020.

The Planning Authority has seen an increase in the number of planning applications received during 2020 when compared to the same period in 2019. A total of 1,115 planning applications were received up to 31st October 2019 compared to 1,161 applications for the same period in 2020. Requests for pre-planning meetings and advice also continued to be busy with 347 requests received up to end of October 2020.

The Planning Enforcement section continued to follow up on complaints of unauthorised development with 303 complaints received to date.

Six housing estates throughout Limerick were taken in charge during 2020 and a similar number are expected to be taken in charge in 2021.

Architectural Heritage and Conservation

Conservation of our built heritage assets provides high quality places and areas of character where we live, work, and rest. In 2020, through various mechanisms, a total of €234,000 was allocated for appropriate restoration and reconstruction works in Limerick by the Department of Culture, Heritage, and the Gaeltacht.

The breakdown of the allocated monies, and the funding mechanisms, are as follows:

- Historic Structures Fund:- €41,000
- Built Heritage Investment Scheme:- €118,000
- July Stimulus Package:- €75,000

Projects assisted include sympathetic repair of historic windows, conservation and appropriate restoration of the former Railway Station at Barnagh for future use as a tourist amenity, through to projects which brought vacant buildings back into use as dwellings.

Experience and research have demonstrated that each Euro allocated to the specialist field of architectural conservation generates in excess of €4 of economic activity. Consequently, the 2020 investment in Limerick will have generated at least one million of commercial engagement by both skilled craftspeople and general contractors.

Property and Community Facilities Department

2020 saw the transfer of the Property Services Department to the Community Development Directorate to form a new Property and Community Facilities Department.

Vacancy and Dereliction

An enhanced response to Urban and Village renewal including addressing vacancy and dereliction is supported by Limerick City & County Development Plans, Local Area Plans and the Limerick Local Economic & Community Plan.

To date in 2020 there has been over 500 inspections on derelict and vacant properties. Improvements to properties are being secured through informal engagement with owners, notices issued under the Derelict Site Act and compulsory acquisition of sites.

Rural Regeneration Funding

Limerick City & County Council secured funding of €2.5 million under the Rural Regeneration and Development Fund (RRDF). This funding will enable Limerick City &

County Council to address dereliction in five keys towns and villages by bringing properties back into reuse through Housing Demonstrator Projects.

Asset Transfer to Limerick Twenty Thirty

2020 saw the disposal of both The Cleeves and Salesian School sites to Limerick Twenty Thirty who are in the process of Master planning the development of these two adjoining sites.

Property Revenue Income

During 2020 the Council continued to maximize its revenue income from its Building assets:

- General Motors is in occupation of two floors of the Dooradoyle Corporate building
- Lissanalta House is home to Irish Water, the Mid-West National Road Design Office and the Limerick/Cork motorway design team, funded by Transport Infrastructure Ireland.
- Part of Mungret College is occupied by the Mungret Community School while their new facility is being progressed on lands being disposed of to them on the Mungret site. 2020 /2021 will see the school extend its occupation into part of the old Mungret College which has been extensively renovated for this purpose.

Property Acquisitions

2020 saw the acquisition of many residential properties under the Social Housing Investment Program as well as Part V acquisitions, Regeneration House Purchasing program, Buy and Renew scheme and via the Derelict properties acquisition program.

Kilmallock Business Park was acquired during 2020, including 2 buildings and 8.5 acres of land.

Property Disposals

Many significant disposals have been negotiated / concluded during 2020 which will provide valuable income for the Council to fund future strategic capital investment in Limerick.

Decanting

The Opera Development has now received planning permission to proceed. Consequently there has been a requirement to decant both the Granary Building and the Patrick Street offices. New City centre locations have been identified and the teams involved will be relocated once the refurbishment works have been completed.

Future Planned Development

Property Services is continuing to review its holding of buildings and lands in both the City and County. Work to improve the automation of the Council's Property Interest Register is continuing and a system upgrade is being developed. It is hoped to have a new system in place by early 2021.

Division E

Environmental Services



Pictures Clockwise from top left – 1. Promoting the Confidential Shredding event for businesses and households. 2. TLC6 held a photographic competition. This is one of the winning images. 3. Illegal dumping continues to be a problem. This CCTV evidence was used as part of care in which two cousins were convicted. 4. Launch of TLC 6 showing what was collected in previous events. TLC6 was unfortunately a victim of the Covid-19 pandemic. 5. 'Let It Bee' campaign highlighting the areas being left grow to promote the importance of pollinators. 6. Use a 2Go Cup to cut down on waste and single use items.

Climate Action

The Council adopted the Limerick City and County Climate Change Adaptation Strategy in July 2019 in accordance with the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development Act 2015.

Provision has been made in Budget 2021 to advance studies and schemes which will allow the Council to prepare to meet the targets set out under national climate change policy, including building the resilience of the organisation to respond to climate change events, the promotion of green infrastructure and biodiversity, increased energy efficiency and emissions reduction targets.

The Council, in conjunction with the National Roads Management Office, will begin the retrofit of all public lighting heads with energy efficient LED lighting heads in 2021/2022, as part of Region 1 of the national scheme. A loan will be required to fund this scheme, which will be funded by the savings accrued as a result of the installation of the LED lighting. Provision has been included in the budget for the annual repayment of this loan.

ISO 50001 – Energy Management Standard

Limerick City and County Council achieved accreditation to the ISO 50001 Energy Management Standard in January, 2020.

Flood Relief Schemes

The Council received approval from the Government in May 2018 for Flood Risk Management Plans under CFRAMS (Catchment Flood Risk Assessment & Management) in Limerick City and Environs, Athea, Castleconnell and Rathkeale in the amount of €60M. The Council adopted the plans in July 2018. Design teams have been appointed for the Castleconnell and Athea Schemes, and the tender for the procurement of a design team for the Limerick City and Environs Scheme will be completed by the end of 2020. Approval has been received from the Office of Public Works for Limerick City and County Council to proceed with the Adare Flood Relief Scheme. The Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) for the Kings Island Flood Relief Scheme was lodged in 2019 and we await the outcome of the statutory approvals process.

Water Framework Directive (WFD)

The emphasis for the WFD team in 2021 will be on carrying out investigative assessments to identify specific pressures on waterbodies which are deemed at risk of not meeting their status objectives under the WFD. The team will work with sectoral interests to resolve any pressures identified which are impacting on water quality.

The team will also actively support the Local Authority Water Programme (LAWPRO) teams, in particular the Local Authority Support and Advisory (LAWSAT) team which is co-located with the Water Framework Directive team in Merchant's Quay.

2021 will see the adoption of a new River Basin Management Plan for Ireland which will run from 2021 to 2027. The Council's WFD team will input into the selection of priority water bodies in County Limerick for inclusion in this plan.

The Physical Development Directorate will also actively engage with the planning of river enhancement works and will liaise with other state agencies and community groups to ensure these plans are delivered.

Noise Action Planning

A third Noise Action Plan for the county was adopted in 2018 by Chief Executive's Order and covers the period from 2018 to 2023. This plan looks at noise from major roads only and does not deal with other noise sources, such as neighbourhood noise or industrial noise. It introduces new planning policy measures aimed at preventing additional members of the community being exposed to excessive noise, through the adoption of Good Acoustic Design principles and compliance with WHO guidelines. There is also a strong emphasis in the plan on identifying potential solutions in areas where noise is currently deemed excessive. This has entailed developing in-house noise modelling capabilities. Finally, the plan recognises "Quiet Areas" which offer amenity value to local residents to be identified and designated for protection. The Council will be working with community interests and citizen scientists to identify potential quiet areas using the Hush City smart phone app.

Air Quality

The Physical Development Directorate will continue to monitor air quality in the City and will ensure that data is made available to the public. The data from these monitors will be used to identify air quality issues in the city and will support the development of policies to improve air quality where it is deemed to be unsatisfactory. The Council will also look at opportunities to engage citizen scientists in monitoring air quality around the City and County.

Non-Native Invasive Species

The Council will continue with the development of the Council's strategy for dealing with non-native invasive species. The Smart Phone application for reporting Invasive Plants is now available and more than 1,500 occurrences of invasive species in the City and County have been reported via the app. In 2021, a major upgrade of the app is planned which will move it to a new platform which will allow for more flexible data input and easier access to data by the public.

The Council will continue to support the development of capacity to deal proactively with certain invasive species such as Japanese Knotweed and Giant Hogweed.

European Green Leaf 2020

In recognition of its commitment to environmental and sustainability issues, Limerick was awarded the title of European Green Leaf City 2020 along with Mechelen in Belgium. The Council had planned an ambitious programme of events during 2020, however, due to Covid 19 many of these had to be postponed. Several of the postponed events, including Ireland Buzzing: International Conference on Pollinator Conservation, will be held in 2021 as online events.

To replace the planned events, a series of webinars was held aimed at raising awareness and providing exemplars of best practice around the Biodiversity and Land Use, Climate Change and Energy Performance, Sustainable Urban Transport, Waste and the Circular Economy, Air Quality and Noise and Water. Due to the success and popularity of this series it is planned to continue them into 2021.

URBACT Health and Greenspace

Limerick is one of eight partner cities who are working together to share and experience best practice so as to develop Health Responsive Integrated Action Plans which will look at how local greenspace can be used to address a range of health related issues such as Heat Stress; Air Quality and Noise; Physical and Mental Wellbeing; Lifestyle, Social Interaction and Physical Activity.

Horizon 2020 Go Green Routes

The €10.5m Horizon 2020 GO GREEN ROUTES project, which will be led by the Health Research Unit at University of Limerick, aims to transform both environmental and human health and will comprise almost 40 partner organisations. The project will run for four years, commencing in September 2020.

Advancing mental health and well-being, the project's components will focus on nature-based enterprise, sustainable physical activity and digital, cultural and knowledge innovation. A knowledge ecosystem with urban communities will raise awareness about links between human and environmental health.

Limerick is one of six "Cultivating Cities" involved in this project. The others are Burgas, Lahti, Tallinn, Umea and Versailles. The consortium will cultivate technological and nature-based solutions for health across these six cities and lay a foundation for future implementation in "Seed Cities" (Munich, Germany, the Murcia region of Spain and in the Gzira municipality of Malta). The project also has partners in China, Mexico and Georgia, enabling a global knowledge exchange.

Environmental Awareness

The Environment Awareness Officer continues to deliver environmental initiatives in line with national policy and the Southern Regional Waste Management Plan 2015-2021, the

Council's Litter Management Plan and with Limerick's European Green Leaf City programme of events. These initiatives include the An Taisce Green Schools programme together with a variety of environmental initiatives to increase environmental awareness. It is important to secure behavioural change in waste management & prevention, resource efficiency and litter. The National Tidy Towns Competition encompasses all of these issues and provision has been made to continue support for groups involved in Tidy Towns.

Tidy Towns

The Council's Annual Tidy Towns Seminar took place in February 2020. Promoting improvement and enhancement of the local environment is a primary objective of the Council. Enhanced community involvement in the maintenance of local areas is delivered through the public spirit and initiative of community groups, tidy towns committees, residents' associations and local businesses. This community spirit comes to the fore for initiatives such as the TLC Campaign, National Spring Clean and the Limerick Going for Gold Environmental Improvement Grant & Competition. In 2021 the Council will continue to support Tidy Towns Groups to assist them in their efforts to further improve their local areas. Unfortunately the national Tidy Towns Competition was postponed in 2020 due to Covid 19. Groups were advised that if they were carrying out any work that they were to follow national guidelines at all time.

Limerick Going for Gold

The Council facilitated Limerick Going for Gold Environment Improvement 2020 Grant payments to TidyTowns and community groups across the City and County. These grants are 50% funded by the JP McManus Charitable Foundation. Groups were advised to follow HSE Covid related guidelines at all times. The Limerick Going for Gold Competition was postponed in 2020 due to Covid 19.

Litter and Waste Management.

The Council's Litter Team includes five Environmental Inspectors / Control Officers who investigate litter incidents, and carry out regular patrols in the City and County, take enforcement action, and liaise with landowners / householders and businesses with regard to litter / waste prevention and control.

The Council has issued 289 on-the-spot fines to date in 2020. Over 1,100 complaints / queries have been resolved in 2020 and a total of 3,224 inspections have been undertaken by enforcement staff. Similar activity levels are expected in 2021.

Grant assistance in 2020 from the Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment (DCCA) under the Anti-Dumping Initiative (ADI) has been used to clean / remediate severely littered public sites and to undertake targeted awareness work.

Activities in waste enforcement have been strengthened in recent years by cooperation at a regional level, which is supported by grant assistance from the Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment. Priority work areas include responding to complaints, investigations, inspections and the issue of authorisations under the various provisions of Waste legislation.

Producer recycling initiatives involving various regulatory schemes designed to meet national recycling targets are enforced including Packaging, Batteries and Waste Electrical (WEEE) items.

Environmental Enforcement Actions

Across the spectrum of Environmental legislation, 40 Prosecutions were initiated to date in 2020. A total of 77 Directions were issued by our Authorised Officers, and 88 Statutory Notices issued either by Registered Post or by affixing to the relevant site. The Department issued 211 warning letters to date in 2020.

Street Cleaning

The Council continue to provide a year round street cleaning service. The City service has been extended into areas of Raheen/Dooradoyle and out the Dublin Road towards Castletroy. This has led to greater efficiencies in the service. Further efficiencies will continue to be sought in the City and Metropolitan area with the street cleaning vehicles.

Deep cleaning of the City streets is carried out 3 times per year by contracting out washing of the streets. This contract service will discontinue from 2021, as the Council have purchased a Street Washer, that will be available as demand required and therefore provide a much better, improved service for the City. The Council has also purchased equipment for cleaning street furniture and litter bins.

Sugar CRM facilitates tracking of some of the street cleaning works in particular illegal dumping. This continually improves the service, by removing waste in a timely fashion as notified by the public. Bonfire nights continue to be a challenge for the Council. SUGAR CRM IT system provides assistance in pinpointing locations for removal of waste in advance of the bonfire night.

The Council works with a considerable number of stakeholders, Limerick City Traders including Tidy Towns groups, Limerick Civic Trust and Community Groups throughout the year. In particular, the Street Cleaning Team facilitates clean ups by Tidy Towns Groups and Community Groups by collecting and removing waste as required.

Recovery and Recycling Facilities Operations.

The Council currently operates three recycling centres at Mungret, Kilmallock and Newcastle West. The Council also operates a green waste facility at Mungret Civic Amenity Site. This continues to be a popular service to the public.

Mungret recycling centre is popular with householders and small businesses located in and around Limerick City as it provides recycling options for a range of materials and garden waste. The centre has the largest bottle bank in the county, with multiple bottle banks for clear, green and brown glass along with banks for drink and food cans.

The Council operates 65 bring bank sites in towns and villages throughout the City and County. The bring banks allow for recycling of glass and metals, clothes banks are provided at approximately 30 locations. The service is contracted out and improvements are being sought in terms of cleanliness and illegal dumping at these sites.

Air, Noise, Water Pollution and Public Health

A total of 209 complaints were closed in the nine months to the end of September, 2020 with 285 having been received. 193 inspections were completed over the same period. At least 36 septic tank inspections have been scheduled under the National Inspection Plan for the final three months of the year. 8 Authorisations were issued to the operators of Vehicle Refinishing Installations.

Burial Ground Services

Limerick City and County Council manages approximately 255 cemeteries, of which 62 of these are active. Limerick City and County Council provides assistance in the management of cemeteries by Maintenance Committees who each receive an annual grant of €350.

The Council is actively sourcing a suitable site at present for the development of a new graveyard in Abbeyfeale. A suitable site has been identified in Dromcollogher for a new cemetery and development of this site will progress subject to funding. Maintenance, conservation and repair works continue to be carried out in our cemeteries by Limerick City and County Council staff with assistance by Limerick Civic Trust as and when required.

The Council will also seek to develop a Columbarium Wall in one of its city cemeteries to reflect the growing demand for alternative forms of burial.

Southern Region Waste Management Office

Limerick City and County Council is a joint lead-authority with Tipperary County Council for the Southern Waste Region and through the Southern Region Waste Management Office is responsible for the implementation of Southern Region Waste Management Plan 2015-2021. The current plan is being evaluated and will be replaced with a National Waste Management Plan for the Circular Economy next year.

The Southern Region Waste Management Office co-ordinates a range of waste prevention, waste minimization and priority waste initiatives through the ten local authority areas in the region. The Regions also monitor capacity for waste processing on a quarterly basis and it is clear that capacity in the Region and in Limerick will remain quite limited in 2021. Highlights are REUSE Month in October, and the virtual roadshows highlighting waste target achievements in each of the member local authorities. The SRWMO continues in the efforts to influence consumption patterns, behaviours and trends using the www.mywaste.ie as the go to platform for all your waste queries. The Regions will ensure that the platform is at the centre of new initiatives and policies. (Website & National campaigns are funded by DCCA).

Limerick City and County Council Fire Service

A sum of approximately €16.617m is provided for the Operation of Fire Service and €0.8m for Fire Prevention (E12) in 2021. Of the €16.617m spent on the operation of the Fire Service, almost 50% of this is expended on the wages of the whole time and retained fire-fighters (complement of 140 in the seven Fire Stations).

Provision is made for the ongoing maintenance of the 7 fire stations and the maintenance of fire fighting and rescue equipment in these fire stations. This includes provision for the inspection and replacement of personal protective equipment. A sum of €0.388m is included for fire appliance and equipment maintenance and fuel. This includes provision for the new TETRA communications system for the fire service.

The Council has a statutory responsibility to ensure that all fire service personnel are properly trained. This year the budget for the training of fire service personnel is €0.4m.

The Fire Service is certified by the NSAI to OHSAS 18000 for Health and Safety as well as ISO9001:2000 Quality Management Standard. This certification was again maintained in 2020.

Provision is included in the budget to implement the Major Emergency Management requirements of the national Major Emergency Management framework including the maintenance and testing of the helpline system, provision of the crisis management and the local co-ordination centres, provision of text messaging services and exercises. This also includes the maintenance of the local authority co-ordination vehicle.

Income from the Fire Service consists largely of receipts in respect of attendance at fires and other incidents and Fire Safety Certificates. While it would be preferable not to have any charges for attendance at fires, this is not realistic in the context of funding generally available to the City & County Council as the provision of other services would be adversely affected.

Plans for 2021 include expanding the rollout of national Standard Operating Guidelines (SOGs) in the service and continuing the development of the pre-fire planning programme. Limerick City & County Council is the contracting authority for the provision and maintenance of a national fire alerting communications system.

Limerick City and County Council Civil Defence

An expenditure cost of over €270,000 is included in the budget to cover, salaries, training, travel and maintenance of the extensive list of equipment and buildings.

An income figure of €144,500, is included which is primarily obtained as grant aid.

Plans for 2021 include the operation of new Sonar equipment for search and rescue operations, completing the fit out of the new Civil Defence HQ as well as enhancing Limerick Civil Defence's profile within the City and County.

Division F

Recreation & Amenity



Pictures Clockwise from top left –1. Newly acquired Limerick Lace shawl belonging to Kitty Kiernan one of the main treasures to be found in Limerick Museum. 2. The Mushroom Book, one of the most treasured pieces in Limerick City Gallery of Art to be included in a major exhibition about mushrooms at London. 3. The Barnagh Tunnel along the Great Southern Greenway Limerick. 4. New playground and adult exercise area in St Mary’s Park. 5. An outdoors wonderland at Ballyhoura. 6. Wild Flowers in the Corbally Meadow.

Parks and Landscaping

The Council manages and maintains 22 no Parks and Amenities throughout the City and County. The importance of the Council's Parks and Amenities and in general green spaces were highlighted in 2020 as a result of Covid 19. The numbers using all facilities increased significantly. The Council also maintains 14 no Playgrounds, 3 Skateboard Parks, 6 Adult Exercise Equipment and 6 Multi Use Games Areas.

The Council continues to provide grass cutting and tree pruning services to the City and County. There are significant demands by the public through SUGAR CRM IT system for maintenance to trees which are largely conditional on the resources and funding available. The 2020 grass cutting contract extended to providing designated trial biodiversity areas in the Metropolitan District and in the Demesne, Newcastle West.

Summer and winter bedding, flower tiers and hanging baskets "Bridges in Bloom" are provided at various locations to enhance our City. The Nursery at Corbally provides the flowers from seedlings and work continues for a number of months until the June Bank Holiday weekend when the tiers and baskets are distributed throughout the City.

Expressions of Interest were sought in 2020, for the sponsorship of roundabouts in the Metropolitan Area. A number of companies expressed an interest and these projects are being progressed.

Trees are provided for residents' associations and members of the public during National Tree Week. The Council staff are on hand to provide advice and assistance to residents' associations, community groups, green schools, Tidy Towns and Going for Gold contestants.

It should be noted that the development of additional facilities, and the taking in charge of additional estates, places an ever-increasing demand on the Council in relation to maintenance and operational budgets and resources.

Operation of the Library Service

The Library Service is one of the most widely used public services provided by the local authority. It serves the public through its City/County network of branch libraries, a mobile library service, a school's library service and the local history department. It will work to increase membership and use in 2021.

A strong collection of books and other learning resources are the core of a good library service.

In 2021, the library will continue to implement three major national library initiatives:

- Right to Read Campaign, Supporting Literacy
- Healthy Ireland at the Library, Promoting Health and Wellbeing
- Work Matters at the Library, Supporting Business and Employment

To support these initiatives, a comprehensive book fund is required to develop and strengthen collections and provide for an additional targeted spend in these areas, including an enhanced collection of eResources and online services which continue to be a great success with the public.

Limerick City and County Library Service will continue to develop its Outreach Programmes in 2021. These programmes concentrate on developing a relationship between the library service and the public and promote a sense of ownership of the library through activities and visits, in person and online.

The year-long programme of cultural and community events will include lectures; workshops; music performances; children's events; the Summer Reading Challenge; book clubs; and a series of exhibitions.

Decade of Commemoration Events

Limerick City & County Council will continue to support a series of commemoration events as part of the National Decade of Commemoration. A Commemoration Programme will be run in 2021 focusing on significant events in Limerick. In particular, the centenary of the Murdered Mayors in March will be one of the most important commemorations of the year. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, many of these commemorative events will now be run online as in 2020.

Limerick Museum

Limerick Museum aims to develop a number of partnerships with other cultural institutions and the education sector in 2020. In addition to expanding its tourism potential, Limerick Museum will also develop its outreach programme. It is intended to organise a timetable of regular visits to the Museum from primary and post-primary schools. Limerick Museum will also develop outreach to other groups such as older people, the unemployed and the 'New Irish' communities. Limerick Museum will also continue to develop the heritage potential of Limerick lace. It is hoped to hold a lace conference in partnership with other cultural institutions and to loan examples of Limerick lace to other public venues.

Limerick City Gallery Of Art

Limerick City Gallery of Art (LCGA) will continue to make a pivotal contribution to the cultural life of Limerick City and County. Through a dynamic programme of exhibitions and related events it will continue to engage with its audience and reach out to new

audiences. LCGA also plays an important part in the cultural offer of the City with many tourists availing of free admission.

Archives

LITe – Limerick Information Transformation e Programme will deliver a fully compliant digital records management system for Limerick City and County Council. The system will provide governance to digital documents to ensure that digital records are managed from creation to destruction in a system that supports ease of use, collaboration and compliance. Automated retention and digital preservation are key components to provide a resilient platform for digital workplace to underpin the delivery of services to our customers based on a Local Government Information Classification Scheme (LOGICS). Procurement for the system components and design and testing will allow the programme for full roll out by early 2021.

Culture and Arts Department

Creative Ireland

Creative Ireland is the Government's Legacy Programme for Ireland 2016 – a five-year initiative, from 2017 to 2022 - which places creativity at the centre of public policy. A number of projects were planned and delivered during 2020 as a result of the investment from the Department.

The Creative Ireland Programme encourages cross-departmental collaboration and Limerick's case served as an example of such successful joint effort to improve service delivery in the area of culture and creativity.

Made in Limerick Grants 2020

These grants were offered as part of the Limerick Creative Ireland Programme to deliver activities taking place in 2020. This grants scheme consists of three strands; Strand 1. Creative Minds: Nurturing and supporting creative practitioners, Strand 2. Creative Citizens: People creating and accessing culture at their doorstep and Strand 3. People, Places, Networks: Enhancing our local cultural and creative infrastructure – Spotlight on Heritage. The assessment panel met on Friday 17th of April 2020. Fifteen applications were submitted, and twelve applications were recommended for funding, with a total of €34,670 being awarded to a diverse range of high quality projects and events.

Cruinniú na nÓg

Cruinniú na nÓg, a national day of creativity for children and young people, took place on 13th June 2020. Children and young people were invited to take part in a range of events and workshops delivered by Limerick Culture and Arts Office, in partnership with Fresh Film. As part of the Government's #InThisTogether campaign, the Creative Ireland Programme and RTÉ presented Cruinniú na nÓg online. Nationally 500 workshops, webinars, classes and performances took place. Limerick events and workshops were

available on a National and International level. RTÉ also broadcasted live on the 13th and showed a prelude to this year's events on Friday June 12th on Nationwide. People were able to engage both on RTE and through Limerick.ie with workshops remaining available to view over the duration of the summer.

Youth

A number of projects supported the ambitions of the Creative Youth Plan published by Creative Ireland. The East Limerick Filmmakers, ELF, was a pilot project for a Youth Film Collective based in Castletroy. This project assembled a group of 10-14 engaged young filmmakers (13-18) and delivered a ten week programme of masterclasses and project development culminating in the production and screening of two short films developed by members of the group. The Training Smart Initiative with Rachel Sheil and the Limerick Youth Dance Company (LYDC) invited Irish and international teachers to Limerick, to deliver specialised dance, circus & movement-play workshops.

Limerick City and County Council Culture and Arts activities fall under four key strategic areas

These areas are;

- 1. Supporting Artists and Key Strategic organisations*
- 2. Rural Arts and Excellence*
- 3. Young People, Children and Education*
- 4. Festivals and Events*

1. Supporting Artists and Key Strategic organisations

International Mobility Award 2020

Due to travel restrictions in relation to COVID-19, these awards were suspended after the first iteration.

Tyrone Guthrie Bursary 2020

Limerick City and County Council invited applications for the Tyrone Guthrie Bursary 2020. The Tyrone Guthrie Centre at Annaghmakerrig is a residential workplace and residency programme in Ireland for artists of all disciplines. There were six applicants and three bursaries were awarded.

Grants under the Arts Act 2020

This scheme offers grant funding to projects that stimulate public interest in the arts, promote the knowledge, appreciation and practice of the arts or assist in improving the standards of the arts. The total fund for 2020 was €20,000. There were fifty two applications for funding, of which twenty nine were successful.

Words Ireland National Mentoring Programme 2020

Limerick City and County Council in partnership with Words Ireland, offered an opportunity to a Limerick writer for a structured mentoring programme. The successful mentee for the Words Ireland National Mentoring programme was Peter Delaney.

Individual Arts Bursary Awards Scheme

Limerick City and County Council invited applications from professional artists who wish to be considered for a Bursary of up to €4,000 for the development of work/professional skills. Artists based in Limerick City and County Council's administrative area, or operating substantially within Limerick City and County were eligible to apply for a Bursary in any art form, including Visual Arts, Circus, Dance and Literature. Seventeen applications were received in the open call, with the panel recommending funding to ten successful applicants totaling €20,000.

Dolores O'Riordan Music Bursary

Dolores O'Riordan, singer, songwriter and lead vocalist with The Cranberries, was one of Ireland's most enduringly popular artists. This bursary, now in its second year, is an award to honour her memory and to support a Limerick professional musician to develop their career. Limerick City and County Council invited applications from professional musicians who wish to be considered for a Bursary of up to €4,000 for the development of work/professional skills. The panel recommended the allocation of €4,000 funding to Shane Serrano of the band Foxjaw.

Limerick Short Film Bursary

The Mid-West Short Film Scheme will support new and emerging film writers, directors and producers from across Limerick, Clare and Tipperary with a number of short films commissioned in 2020/21. This new scheme is a partnership between Arts Offices in Limerick, Clare and Tipperary, Innovate Limerick / Film in Limerick and Limerick and Clare Education and Training Board. The total investment from Limerick Culture and Arts Office is €20,000.

Limerick Theatre Bursaries 2020

Limerick Culture and Arts Office announced an open call for the Limerick Theatre Bursaries Awards Scheme, in partnership with the Lime Tree Theatre & Belltable. This provides an enhanced support to the sector, as a response to COVID-19. There are three Limerick Theatre Bursaries available, up to a maximum value of €5,000 each, with a total budget of €15,000 available in this grant scheme. The closing date for applications was Monday 2nd November 2020. Ten applications were submitted.

Supports to Artists

Limerick City and County Council provide support to organisations and operate a portfolio of properties, including Artists' supports, the Artists' Apartments, John's Square, James Street Artists' Studios and Arts Studios Cappamore.

Limerick's Residential Artist Apartments Scheme

There were twenty applicants to the open call for the Limerick's Residential Artist Apartments, 1-2 John's Square, for which six apartments were available. The assessment panel met to assess the applications on Friday 9th October and all applicants were notified of the panel's decisions.

Limerick's Artists' Studios Scheme

There were three applicants submitted in response to the open call to avail of the single studio available in the James Street studio complex. The panel met to assess the applications on Friday 9th October and all applicants were notified of the outcome of this process.

River Residencies, Arts Council, Invitation to Collaboration

This is a collaborative initiative led by Limerick Culture and Arts Office and Ormston House in partnership with Cavan Arts Office, Clare Arts Office and Tipperary Arts Office, co-funded by the Arts Council of Ireland through An Invitation to Collaboration award. The River Residencies offer an opportunity for artists and communities to learn about the River Shannon. An open call has taken place. The Limerick residency will take place in Glin in 2021, focusing on bringing high quality engagement with artist and communities.

Visual Artists Ireland, Professional Development with the Arts Offices of Clare, Limerick and Tipperary

The three Arts Offices of Clare, Limerick and Tipperary are working in partnership to bring a shared suite of Visual Artists Ireland training to artists. This year's topics include Festivals, Child Protection, Creative Proposal Writing and Percent Applications and Delivery. Due to COVID-19 this is delivered primarily online, or through blended learning.

2. Rural Arts and Excellence

Eigse Michael Hartnett

The Éigse Michael Hartnett Literary & Arts Festival 2020 took place in Newcastle West and online at the beginning of October. It went live online at 7pm on Thursday 1st October with performances and readings streamed throughout Friday and Saturday, October 2nd and 3rd. Videos of this year's festival offering remain available online to watch on www.eigsemichaelhartnett.ie.

The Éigse Michael Hartnett Annual Poetry Award 2020 is an award of €4,000. During the festival in October, the award was presented to this year's winner, Eva Bourke, for "Seeing

Yellow”, published by Dedalus Press. The Michael Hartnett Annual Poetry Award is a key part of the Éigse Michael Hartnett Festival. This year the prize is for English language submissions.

Castleconnell Autumn Concerts

The Castleconnell Autumn Concert Series is presented by RTÉ Lyric FM’s Liz Nolan. The three concert performances are Kevin Jansson (piano), Eamonn Mulhall and Niall Kinsella and The Esposito Quartet (with the National String Quartet Foundation). Due to COVID-19, the 2020 concert programme is delivered through a new approach of filmed and audio recording. The first recording with Kevin Jansson was broadcast nationally on RTE Lyric FM’s Full Score Programme on October 21st and the second concert with Eamonn Mulhall and Niall Kinsella is scheduled for broadcast on RTE Lyric FM.

Sliabh Luachra Residency

This was initiated through the Invitation to Collaboration Scheme, led by Cork County Arts Office and in partnership with Kerry County Arts Office and Limerick Culture and Arts Office. The purpose of the project is to promote the musical heritage of Sliabh Luachra, build capacity among local organisations for artistic growth, develop supporting partnerships and sustain and develop local social and cultural networks, preserve and make available musical artefacts and support cultural and creative tourism to the region. Musician Eoin O’Sullivan has been appointed Musician in Residence for 2020/2021.

3. Young People Children and Education

Artist in Schools

The Artist in Schools programme works to develop opportunities for engagement for young people through involvement in culture. The Artists in Schools Programme aims to achieve this by placing professional creative practitioners in a primary school setting to enhance and diversify pupil’s creative education and is supported by the Arts Council of Ireland.

In response to Covid-19 the Artists in Schools Programme for 2020/21 has been remodelled, and Limerick Culture and Arts Office are working in partnership with Music Generation Limerick City. Music Generation Limerick City have developed an innovative LiveStream Model, in response to COVID19. This programme has been offered to all 26 National Schools in the Newcastle West Municipal District, to engage children and young people in rural county Limerick.

Integrated Dance Programme

The aim of this project is to introduce participants to dance as an art form whilst facilitating active and productive engagement in dance activities amongst disabled and

non-disabled participants. The Integrated Dance Programme is delivered by Mary Hartney. In the academic year 2019-2020 the programme worked with 5 schools, with 294 transition year students and 36 service users and 10 children from West Limerick Service users, 2 of the children's friends and 8 transition year volunteers. Workshops were suspended in March due to COVID-19 and the model adapted as Transition Years cannot participate in the programme.

The County Limerick Youth Theatre

The County Limerick Youth Theatre weekly workshops for the DynaLyts (2nd-6th class) and CoLYTS (secondary school students) commenced for the new term on January 21st at the HoneyFitz Theatre, Lough Gur. Shane Hickey O'Mara has been appointed as Artistic Director of the County Limerick Youth Theatre. Programmed workshops began in Autumn in adherence to COVID-19 restrictions.

4. Festivals and Events

Festival and Events Grants Scheme 2020/2021

This grant scheme provides support for the delivery of objective two of the Limerick Cultural Strategy - To grow the physical and human resources, infrastructure and support for staging large-scale interventions, performances, festivals and productions. Limerick City and County Council announced an Open Call for applications to the Limerick Festivals and Events Open Call Grant Scheme 2020-2021 via an online portal, on the 13th of May, to close on Wednesday the 24th of June. Fifty-five applications were received with a total ask of €709,387 spread across the 3 streams of the scheme. Thirty-seven applications were recommended for funding, totaling €245,000.

Limerick Festivals and Events Strategy 2020-2030

The development of a strategy for festivals and events in Limerick has been ongoing during 2020 with appointed consultant, Festivals and Events International. In Q1 extensive research was undertaken following in depth stakeholder engagement and consultations.

The development of this strategy is part of the actions under the Limerick 2030 Strategy, Limerick Tourism Strategy and Limerick Cultural Strategy to support the ongoing transformative revitalisation of Limerick, as aligned with the new Limerick Edge and Embrace Brand.

Delivery of Civic Festivals

Five civic festivals fall under the remit of Limerick City and County Council; i) St. Patrick's Day, ii) The International Marching Band Championships iii) Riverfest iv) Culture Night and v) Christmas in Limerick.

i) St Patrick's Festival

Ireland's St. Patrick's Festivals were cancelled by National Government on the 10th March due to the COVID -19 situation. Limerick had been selected as a Tier 1 partner with Failte Ireland to promote Ireland's St. Patrick's Celebrations. This 3 year agreement with Failte Ireland aims to position Ireland as the only place to be in the world for St. Patrick's Day, addressing strategic visitor growth, regional and seasonality objectives. To this end, Limerick City and Council received €15,000 from Failte Ireland to support the promotion of Limerick as a tourist destination during St. Patrick's Week.

ii) International Band Championships

It was decided in light of the St. Patrick's festival cancellation, that the 50th Anniversary Celebrations for the International Band Championships also be postponed.

iii) Virtual Riverfest

A virtual Riverfest 2020 took place in collaboration with Marketing and Communications programming a feast of entertainment over the May Bank Holiday featuring live music, food, and fashion. The highlight of the programme was a live-streamed performance by Limerick Band Hermitage Green at Dolans Warehouse on Saturday night. The performance received an overwhelming response with 79,070 views and over 48,000 engagements. Other highlights included: a virtual barbecue cook off in aid of Cliona's Foundation; Limerick's firefighting chef; Paul Knapp also cooked up a storm with some sizzling barbecue recipes for the long weekend; and Celia Holman Lee supported local Limerick retailers with a virtual fashion segment reminding onlookers that they can still purchase from their favourite stores online.

iv) Culture Night Limerick / Oíche Chultúir

Limerick Culture Night went digital for 2020 with a wide range of events for the public to see and interact with online on Friday 18 September. Artists and cultural organisations in Limerick presented 30+ events and activities to showcase what they do all year round. Limerick Culture & Arts Office was delighted to be able to support this adapted programme of events, taking place both live and digitally for young and old to enjoy.

v) Christmas in Limerick and Light up Limerick

The Christmas in Limerick programme in 2020 is focusing on creating a sense of Christmas together with an emphasis on sharing the festive spirit with families, supporting local businesses and celebrating our Christmas traditions. Audiences will be reassured that Christmas in Limerick celebrations are going ahead and there are plenty of reasons to shop local and support the local economy during the festive season.

The Programme includes the Walking in a Window Wonderland Trail, with the twelve windows of Christmas to tell the story of sending the letter to the North Pole, ending with the opening of the presents on Christmas morning. The trail begins at the Post Office, Cecil Street, with 'Santa's Post Box'. Additional investment in Christmas lights, with new features at Cruises Street, Arthurs Quay Park, Catherine Street, Denmark St and Festoon lights along the broad walk between the two bridges will create a Festive atmosphere to encourage shoppers and visitors into the city. Christmas trees will be installed at O'Connell Street and Upper William Street and festive features will enhance both parklets.

International Partnerships European Projects

Limerick secured participation in Creative Europe funded projects in the latest round of funding with support from the Limerick City and County Council Strategic Fund. They are:

- Ormston Houses' 'Artist-Run Network Europe' and Irish Aerial Creation Centre's 'Island Connect'. Limerick Culture and Arts Office was successful as associate partners in the application Collective Moves: Libertalia Labs and Performances. Collective Moves will see the formation of a new partnership between three past and future European Capitals of Culture, an ECoC candidate city, a Borough of Culture and two cultural organisations.

Limerick Culture and Arts Office are an associate partner on School of Participation, led by Walk the Plank (UK) and TRAINART led by consorzio marche spettacolo (Italy). Both of these projects are in progress, with delays due to COVID-19 and online and blended approaches to learning being implemented.

- The European Outdoors Arts Academy, School of Participation builds on the legacy of the School of Spectacle and will develop and deliver five 'School of Participation' 8 day training schools, which will be presented in five partner cities between 2018 and 2020. This time-frame has been extended.
- TRAINART aims to give new skills to cultural operators/artists, to strengthen their business models, by focusing on two particular fields: (1) management models of cultural spaces and (2) artistic interventions in nonconventional contexts. The project focuses on cultural spaces that serve a diverse audience base.

UL Hospitals Arts Committee

Limerick Culture and Arts Office are working in partnership with UL Hospitals Arts Committee on a loans exhibition of c.45 works from our art collection. COVID-19 has delayed this project. A site visit is scheduled with The Irish Museum of Modern Art: IMMA to organise loans for 2021.

Helium Arts

Helium Arts are delivering their programme for children and young people with chronic illnesses. Limerick Culture and Arts Office are members of their Advisory Committee and have supported the Helium Arts Limerick Creative Health Hub through the Limerick City and County Council Strategic Fund.

Arts as an Intervention for Maternal Wellbeing

Limerick Culture and Arts Office are a member of the Interagency steering group for this project at University Maternity Hospital, Limerick, and are supporting the project thorough the Limerick City and County Council Strategic Fund.

Larger Scale Funding Streams for Local Communities

During 2020, the Tourism Development Department will be submitting applications to the Department of Rural and Community Development for funding under the RRDF third call and the ORIS (Outdoor Recreational Infrastructure Scheme) for further infrastructural works on the Great Southern Greenway in West Limerick and projects proposals for development of the Foynes Flying Boat Museum.

Key Funding Streams for Local Communities

During 2020, the Council's Urban and Rural Community Development Department worked in cooperation with the Tourism Department in the Community Development Directorate to commence implementation of projects that were approved for funding under the Rural Regeneration and Development Fund (RRDF): namely, infrastructural works on the Great Southern Greenway and the West Limerick Tourism Gateway. In terms of other large-scale capital funding streams in 2019, two proposals were submitted to the Department of Transport Tourism and Sport under the Large Scale Sports Capital Infrastructure Fund (LSSIF). Both proposals were successful. The projects are for the construction of a Regional Athletics Hub in Newcastle West (grant of some €1.256 million from the LSSIF towards the construction costs) and for emergency works to deal with flooding issues at Askeaton Pool and Leisure (€627k in grant funding). In Quarter 4 2020 and into 2021, the URCD will continue to identify projects suitable for larger-scale investment funding streams under the National Planning Framework: Ireland 2040 and will lead on the development and submission of applications to such programmes.

In 2020, following successful applications to the Department of Rural and Community Development for CLAR and the Town and Village Renewal Scheme, an allocation of €484,060 was approved for 15 towns and villages in Limerick.

Local Community Development Committee (LCDC)

The Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) continued to oversee the development of community programmes and funding streams in 2020 and has been proactive in its functions. The Limerick Local Economic & Community Plan 2016-2021

(LECP), as a guiding policy document was key in the delivery of these functions. In addition to the strategic role of the Committee the LCDC oversaw the delivery of specific community and social inclusion funding programmes. These include the EU LEADER Programme which is informed by the Rural Local Development Strategy (LDS) and the Social Inclusion & Community Activation Programme (SICAP).

The LCDC has continued to meet remotely despite Covid19 restrictions and this ensures that all funding streams continue to be progressed and delivered upon for Limerick. Since the start of the year, up to and including August 2020, a further 96 projects have been approved under the LEADER Programme bringing the total value of allocated funding to €5.336 million.

The LCDC monitors the implementation of the Social Inclusion & Community Activation Programme (SICAP) in Limerick with a budget of €2.251 million per annum from 2020 (with the Department of Rural and Community Development applying a 5% increase to the annual budget in 2020 compared with earlier years). The LCDC tendered the programme in three lots across Limerick and the lots received finance based on population and level of need (deprivation index) as follows:

- Limerick West Rural (21-1) West Limerick Resources Ltd - €539,242
- Limerick Urban (21-2) Paul Partnership - €1,276,321
- Limerick East Rural (21-3) Ballyhoura Development Ltd - €435,426.

In 2020, the LCDC continued to monitor and administer the programme to tackle poverty, social exclusion and long-term unemployment through local engagement and partnership between disadvantaged individuals, community organisations and public sector agencies. In each annual period, mid-year reviews and end of year reviews are conducted by the LCDC SICAP Sub-Committee and by Pobal – the national implementation agency of SICAP across all areas in the state – to verify that programme performance is in line with the tender approved and with SICAP 2018-22 requirements. The mid-year review in 2020 showed good performance of the programme in all three areas of Limerick in the challenging conditions of Covid-19. Within the parameters of the SICAP programme, adaptations and changes have been made so that the programme can continue to meet the needs of those most at risk of social exclusion. Performance of SICAP in Limerick in both urban and rural areas during 2020 was verified by Pobal to be in line with expectations and meets all requirements under the national programme.

The LCDC also, on behalf of the Department of Rural & Community Development allocated funding under the Community Enhancement Programme during 2020. The Community Enhancement Programme provides funding to community groups across Ireland to enhance facilities in disadvantaged areas. Under the first tranche of funding

the LCDC agreed that priority given to projects that engage with Tidy Towns with a focus on bio-diversity, access to outdoor and green space, enhancement to develop outdoor space/amenities and other adaptations that may be needed as a result of Covid 19. The second tranche of funding became available under the Government's July stimulus package, and targeted measures that stimulate local economies, while enhancing facilities in disadvantaged areas in a manner consistent with Limerick's Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP) 2016-2021. It provides support to local community and voluntary groups to deliver small-scale capital projects such as upgrade of Community Buildings, Community Centres, Kitchen/Food preparation upgrades, Disability access works, Improvements to toilet/shower/changing facilities, Energy efficiency / heating upgrades or other repairs and improvements. In total, the LCDC allocated €277,655 to 80 groups under CEP.

Public Participation Network (PPN)

The Council continues to support the effective functioning of the PPN in line with its role in representation of specific interests, bringing together the community & voluntary sector, Social Inclusion and Environment sectors and supporting their participation in the decision-making process. A provision of €80,000 has been included to cover the running costs of the PPN, comprised of a central grant of €75,000 and Council funding of €30,000 to deliver an agreed work-plan. There are 26 Public Participation Network representatives sitting on Council Committees and a further 6 PPN representatives will be considered for ratification by the full Council before December 2020 to fill vacant seats.

Age Friendly Limerick Programme

Age Friendly Limerick recognises the great diversity among older people and promotes their inclusion in all areas of community life. It respects their decisions and lifestyle choices and anticipates and responds to related needs and preferences. In Limerick, we are aware that our population of older people is increasing year on year, and that there will be an increasing demand on services into the future. We also acknowledge that older people today have higher expectations to be involved, to be heard and to be included in decisions that directly affect them. While it is necessary to plan for services, we are also focusing on the opportunities that an ageing society will bring. Older people are a resource for their communities and their inclusion will enrich the whole community. In 2020, the implementation of the Age Friendly Strategy continued, although it was slightly curtailed by COVID. The work undertaken will serve to strengthen the Age Friendly Programme in Limerick, giving greater opportunities for collaborative engagement between all stakeholders. It will continue to build strong working relationships and ensure that the Age Friendly Programme continues to work to greatest effect, in collaboration with the older people of Limerick.

Healthy Limerick

Healthy Limerick is an initiative of the LCDC. It aims to improve health and wellbeing by ensuring that all sectors are aware of and collaborate to achieve a Healthy Limerick, working through the social determinants approach to health. A Healthy Limerick Co-ordinator is employed by the Local Authority as part of a funding and resourcing partnership with the HSE. In 2020, funding was again received to implement Healthy Ireland initiatives locally. Additionally, funding relating to mental health initiatives was made available and a number of initiatives were funded under a Healthy Limerick grants scheme. A draft "Play & Recreation Policy" was presented to the Community, Leisure and Cultural Strategic Policy Committee and the "Not Around Us" campaign was launched in 2020. The "Not Around Us" promotes an environment where it is easier for those who smoke to quit and stay quit and to help de-normalise smoking for the next generation. "Not Around Us" supports the national Tobacco Free Ireland policy and action plan at a local level. Limerick City and County Council is leading this initiative in partnership with a range of stakeholders.

New Communities

Work is continuing on the implementation of 'Belonging to Limerick: Limerick City and County Integration Plan 2018-22' launched by the Limerick Integration Working Group in late 2018. The plan places an emphasis on diversity advantage and the positive contribution migrants bring to places and regions of destination. The Integration Working Group has established sub-groups to undertake the implementation of each of the five themes identified in the plan, Language, Education and Lifelong Learning; Access to Public Services; Information, Advice and Direct Support Services; Intercultural Awareness; Active Citizenship and Supporting Communities. Along with supporting migrant integration work at both local and national level, Limerick City & County Council continues to be a contributing member of the EU Intercultural Cities Programme.

Comhairle na nÓg

Comhairle na nÓg are child and youth councils and are active in every Local Authority area throughout the country. Under Goal 1 of the National Children's Strategy (2000) 'Children will have a voice in matters which affect them and their views will be given due weight in accordance with their age and maturity'.

Limerick City and County Council is the link between young people and decision makers and ensures the young people's views are listened to and have influence. Limerick City and County Council also plays a key role in creating awareness about Comhairle and the topics currently worked on in the local area. Comhairle na nÓg is supported through an annual national grant of €20,000 to develop young people's participation in local Comhairle and a national Dáil na nÓg. They hold a yearly AGM with delegates from

Secondary schools across the city and county, at which nominations for election to the Comhairle are sought.

COVID 19

In mid-March, the Limerick COVID Community Response was initiated. The Response management team, put in place a structure that would support our communities through the COVID 19 pandemic. A Freephone call line was established that provided access to both physical and softer supports for older people and the medically compromised who were shielding from the virus. This initiative continues, and is supported by more than 1,700 volunteers from sporting groups, state agencies, community and voluntary groups and individuals alike. The Council continues to roll out COVID 19 Government initiatives across Limericks communities and maintains the operation of the Freephone service.

Limerick City and County Council was allocated funding of €88,883 during 2020 by the Government for groups and organisations directly involved in the Community Call Response in Limerick. Over 60 groups received funding for a range of services being provided such as meals on wheels, services for migrants, children, the elderly, services for victims of domestic abuse, travellers and health and wellbeing projects. The funding allocated acknowledges all the hard work that community organisations across Limerick continue to carry out during the COVID-19 pandemic and their contribution towards supporting the people of Limerick.

Sport and Leisure

Provision has been made to support sports and leisure facilities in the City and County including Grove Island Leisure Centre, Askeaton Leisure Centre and Rathbane Golf Course. While individual management arrangements are in place for each facility, provision is made for ongoing maintenance and investment in equipment to protect the Council's assets for the long term. The Council will continue to work in partnership with sport's national governing bodies to encourage the development of, and participation in, sport and recreation in Limerick City and County. The Council will continue to enhance the delivery of sport and leisure facilities in 2021. The development of the new Regional Athletics Hub in Newcastle West is in progress with works due to commence on site in early 2021. The development of a Sports and Recreation Strategy is nearing completion. This strategy will guide the investment toward areas where an under-investment in facilities is identified.

Limerick Sports Partnership

In 2020 Limerick Sports Partnership (LSP) secured funding to the value of €1,400,000 (includes Core, Education, Dormant Accounts and programme funding) from multiple funders to assist with its operations and programme delivery. Key funders are Sport

Ireland, LCETB YP Fund, HSE, Limerick City and County Council and the Dormant Accounts programme. These funds are utilised by the LSP staff team comprising of 9 staff.

The three key functions of the LSP are to Inform, Educate and Enable individuals and communities to engage in physical activities. The aim is to increase participation numbers by 1% annually and decrease sedentary behavior by 0.5% annually. In 2020 over 20,000 participants engaged in programmes, events and education initiatives throughout the year. This figure is down on 2019 due to face to face engagement during COVID restrictions.

The LSP is facilitating two Community Sports Hubs which host part time and full-time facilitators in Croom and Garryowen. These Hubs will have an investment of €450,000 over a 5-year period promoting physical activity and enhancing local amenities. In 2020 we were also successful in securing €175,000 for an Active Cities project in association with Dormant Accounts. This will be a 3-year project with funding supports for a 3-year period. LCCC and UL are key partners on this project

The Limerick Sports Partnership Strategic Plan 2016-2020 has been developed in partnership with our Stakeholders and Partners and identifies the requirements of the various targeted groups throughout Limerick. We will continue to provide quality targeted programmes together with providing information on the various recreation and physical activity amenities that exist in Limerick. The National Physical Activity Plan and the National Sports Policy are key strategies that also shape the LSP Operational Plan

We endeavor to tackle the health inequalities coupled with providing education and training to sporting clubs and community groups so that proper Governance is in place in club structures. Sport and Physical Activity is key to supporting physical and mental well-being.

Division G / H / J

Agriculture, Education, Health, Welfare & Support Services



Pictures Clockwise from top left – 1. Olympics-bound hockey star Róisín Upton being named as Limerick Person of the Year 2019. 2. Two great Limerick Ladies – Celia Holman Lee and Sr Phyllis Donnellon recipients of Civic Receptions. 3. A new Community Bus provided by Limerick City and County Council and An Garda Síochána for use throughout Limerick. 4. Culture Night 2020 was online but remained an important date in the cultural life of Limerick. 5. Mayor Michael Collins launching the tenth Limerick Lifelong Learning Festival, which moved online this year due to Covid-19. 6. Members of the new Limerick PPN Secretariat.

Food Safety

The Council provides the Food Safety Regulatory Service under contract to the Food Safety Authority of Ireland (FSAI) in relation to particular categories of meat processing premises. FSAI is the national competent authority in this area. The premises include abattoirs, meat cutting and manufacturing premises and cold stores. Currently 19 such premises are supervised by our veterinary staff, including six abattoirs. Official controls are risk based and include the approval of suitable establishments, inspections, audits and the laboratory analysis of food samples in accordance with the National Residue and Microbiological Control Programmes. All food animals processed at the abattoirs must undergo a veterinary inspection before and after slaughter. As heretofore, the net cost to the Council of providing the Food Safety Service is recouped from the FSAI and this is reflected in this budget.

Control of Horses

The Council continues to enforce the Control of Horses Bye-Laws, 2017, and works actively with all stakeholders in relation to reducing the difficulties communities face as a result of stray and abandoned horses. The vast majority of seized horses are rehomed to animal charities. The Council received grant aid for an Equine Education Therapy Programme for Limerick. Veterinary Services are working with the Limerick Office of Regeneration, Moyross Development Company, the Garda, Irish Horse Welfare Trust, University of Limerick, local schools and residents to develop the Programme. This multi-agency Programme involves training and educating young people in horse husbandry, grooming and advocating for responsible horse ownership. The aim of the Education Programme is to help to train the participants with a view to enhancing their employment opportunities. The Programme is running successfully for the last few years, in six schools in Regeneration areas – Corpus Christi Primary School (PS), Moyross; Our Lady of Lourdes P.S., Ballinacurra Weston; St. Mary's P.S., Bishop Street; St. John the Baptist, Garryowen; Thomond P.S, Ballynanty; and Le Chéile Primary School, Southill. In addition to the Schools Programme, a citywide group has been sourced through Garda Youth Diversion Projects across Regeneration areas and St. Augustine's School. There is no additional cost to Veterinary Services, as the cost will be recouped from the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine.

Control of Dogs

The Council continues to operate a Dog Shelter at Mungret. Extended opening hours and the dedicated dog shelter Facebook page have strengthened the Council's links with rescue organisations and the general public and has increased the number of lost dogs being reunited with their owners. It also assists the Council in re-homing additional dogs. All dogs are required to be micro-chipped and registered on an approved national database. There are four approved national databases and this facilitates the

enforcement of dog control legislation. The Council implemented a Dog Licence Awareness Programme throughout 2020 and has proactively pursued dog licence renewals resulting in significantly increased revenue. The aim of the campaign is to raise awareness about the requirement for dog owners to hold a dog licence and has generated an increase in the number of dog licences issued across the City and County. The Council maintains a register of Dog Breeding Establishments and the Veterinary Services staff conduct a programme of regular inspections.

School Meals Grant

Limerick City and County Council continues to facilitate the School Meals Programme for 14 DEIS schools in disadvantaged urban areas. Provision has been made for the continuance of this programme which receives funding under the Urban School Meal Scheme through the Department of Social Protection. Budget provision for Budget 2021 is Euro 133,000 which is 50% funded.

Customer Services

Customer Services continues to manage all frontline channels of customer interaction with adherence to the principle of 'first point of contact resolution, where possible'. Customer Services manages in excess of 55% of calls to our call centre in line with this principle. There will be continued support in 2021 to our elected members through the work of specific Account Managers, a dedicated phone line for the Members and improved and enhanced process with continued technical improvements. This will ensure appropriate updates and that requests are closed within determined timelines. There will be a continuation on the close working with Operations and Maintenance Services to ensure a streamlined approach to case updates and responses to our elected members and our customers. There will continue to be a strong focus on Customer Services as a positive culture across the Organisation.

Information and Communications Technology (ICT)

ICT has been recognised as a critical component for the successful delivery of services and ICT Strategy will enable the Council to build on these successes and use ICT to deliver a new model of Local Governance and Service delivery in a more efficient and integrated manner. The Council will adopt technology that supports and innovates, delivering Customer focused services, at times and locations that best suit the Citizen and Business.

ICT provides the Infrastructure that hosts all of Limerick City & County Councils' systems, and provides file storage, security, email, communications, disaster recovery, Office Productivity Suite, and the ICT Service Desk which supports all of Limerick City and County Councils' Members, and Staff.

The 2021 ICT budget provides for the usual non-discretionary expenditure, these include the Councils' contribution to the LGMA, Communication Costs for our data links to Area offices, Libraries, Fire Stations etc. and support and maintenance for software being used by the Council.

During 2021 ICT will continue to implement Capital projects included in the ICT Capital Infrastructure Programme, these include:

- Implement a Security Operations Centre (SOC) and Network Operations Centre (NOC).
- Upgrade How our Phone System connects to the PSTN from PRI to SIP.
- Continue PC replacement programme, rollout 150+ new Desktops.
- Continue Upgrade of Server Operating System from Windows Server 2008 to Windows Server 2016 (68 Servers).
- Continue Upgrade PC Operating System from Windows 7 to Windows 10.
- Continue Database Migration from SQL Server 2005 and 2008 to SQL Server 2017.
- Providing Cyber Security awareness and induction training to users.
- Provide an efficient ICT Service Desk.

Digital Strategy

Limerick Digital Services provides the foundation for Limerick as a Smart Sustainable City, acknowledged for its digital technologies to empower communities, enable sustainable social and economic growth and to improve the overall quality of life for its people.

The digital strategy (2017- 2020) is collaborative with key stakeholders from 27 organisations, implemented across 7 operational and 3 supporting programs included in the Smart Limerick Roadmap and requires buy in from local, regional and national stakeholders. This the edge in #HowLimericks Edge and Embrace City Brand, demonstrating how data and technology can advance and customise service offerings. Positioning the region as an innovative technologically advanced contemporary proposition which attracts and supports investment.

Via the implementation of the strategy, Limerick has reached a new level of digital maturity, which has been evident during the ongoing pandemic. Smart Limerick City Region acknowledged for its stellar capability in the provision of digital services was able to pivot and provide work from home capability to its staff, communication and connectivity for citizens, and supports to businesses and the region's economy.

The Limerick Digital Strategy progress to date stands at 65% of the 125 projects either complete or in progress, while the remaining 35% of projects will be considered for implementation in the Digital Strategy 2.0 based on the changing landscape. Design

thinking workshops with an amalgamation of different interest bodies across 6 pillars have set the foundation for what will need consideration in the next iteration of the strategy. Smart Limerick has grown its online audiences exponentially and uses new media two way communication model to engage, with extensive research done this year on digital exclusion to map who may be left out of this conversation. 2020 has brought attention to the requirement for digitised and automated services, and people's behaviour has changed exponentially. Revising our strategy in line with the new patterns of living and restrictions on physicality brings opportunity; our collaborative approach will bring results.

Data Protection

The Data Protection Act 2018, inter alia, transposed into Irish law Directive (EU) 2016/680 (The Law Enforcement Directive) on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by competent authorities for the purposes of prevention, investigation, detection or prosecution of criminal offences or the execution of criminal penalties, and on the free movement of such data. The Law Enforcement Directive sets out the obligations on the Council, as a competent authorities that act as controllers of data in this category, and the rights of data subjects in relation to this data and restrictions on such rights.

The General Data Protection Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (GDPR) came effective from the 25th May 2018 and is concerned with the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data. The GDPR places an obligation on the Council to be transparent in its handling of personal data; to collect the data for specified explicit and legitimate purposes; to ensure that the data is adequate, relevant and limited to that purpose and is accurate and kept up to date; kept for no longer that is necessary and kept secure. The Council must be in a position to demonstrate compliance with these requirements and afford the data subjects their rights in relation to their data, as set out in the GDPR and the Data Protection Act 2018.

The Council has a range of policies and procedures to ensure compliance with the above data protection legislation, with this area being kept under constant review.

Health and Safety

To standardise health and safety Limerick City and County Council has developed a singular safety statement and safety management system manual which has been awarded the National Adult Literacy Agency's Plain English Mark.

The safety management system endeavours to provide a one-stop-shop where health and safety information can easily be accessed and used. The safety management system and supporting documentation underpins Limerick City and County Council's intention to meet its obligations with regard to safety, health and welfare in the workplace.

The Health and Safety unit continued to develop and communicate Covid 19 specific measures and guidance since March of this year to all staff.

Corporate Services and Governance

The Corporate Services and Governance section provide a range of support services to the management, staff and Elected Members including meetings administration for all Council and Metropolitan Committees and the Joint Policing Committee. Corporate Services and Governance also provide full administration support to the Office of the Mayor. The governance role involves promoting and supporting good governance practices across the organisation to facilitate better-informed and strategic decision making as well as the efficient and effective use of resources. Corporate Services and Governance manages and co-ordinates key governance areas including the Risk Management, Internal Audit Committee, General Data Protection Policy , governance oversight of the Council's ten Associated Companies and Health and Safety. Corporate Services and Governance is also responsible for the maintaining of Limerick's Register of Electors as well as the archives and records management service including the LITE programme, which is delivering a streamlined digital records management system to all departments.

SECTION 2

ADOPTED ANNUAL BUDGET
2021

TABLES A-F

TABLE A - CALCULATION OF ANNUAL RATE ON VALUATION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR

Summary by Service Division	Expenditure €	Income €	Budget Net Expenditure 2021 €	%	Estimated Net Expenditure Outturn 2020 €	%
Gross Revenue Expenditure & Income						
A Housing and Building	704,010,287	700,892,295	3,117,992	3.9%	2,279,428	2.9%
B Road Transport & Safety	49,136,641	29,006,577	20,130,064	25.4%	20,096,096	25.6%
C Water Services	16,152,091	15,857,926	294,165	0.4%	305,183	0.4%
D Development Management	22,691,165	9,559,796	13,131,369	16.6%	12,821,645	16.4%
E Environmental Services	34,938,741	9,106,122	25,832,619	32.6%	24,945,958	31.8%
F Recreation and Amenity	14,189,388	849,167	13,340,221	16.8%	13,043,798	16.6%
G Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	1,349,894	617,955	731,939	0.9%	723,000	0.9%
H Miscellaneous Services	14,765,389	12,119,962	2,645,427	3.3%	4,189,381	5.3%
	857,233,596	778,009,800	79,223,796	100.0%	78,404,489	100.0%
Provision for Debit Balance	-	-	-			
ADJUSTED GROSS EXPENDITURE AND INCOME	(A)	778,009,800	79,223,796		78,404,489	
Financed by Other Income/Credit Balances						
Provision for Credit Balance		-	-			
Local Property Tax		19,944,377	19,944,377			
SUB-TOTAL	(B)		19,944,377			
AMOUNT OF RATES TO BE LEVIED	(A)-(B)		59,279,419			
Value of Base Year Adjustment						
AMOUNT OF RATES TO BE LEVIED (GROSS OF BYA)	(D)		59,279,419			
Net Effective Valuation	(E)		221,439,711			
GENERAL ANNUAL RATE ON VALUATION	(D)/(E)		0.2677			

TABLE B: Expenditure and Income for 2021 and Estimated Outturn for 2020

Division & Services	2021				2020			
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
A Housing and Building								
A01 Maintenance/Improvement of LA Housing Units	11,967,100	11,967,100	1,577,426	1,577,426	11,223,868	11,605,254	1,555,280	1,947,832
A02 Housing Assessment, Allocation and Transfer	969,559	969,559	19,637	19,637	888,961	887,438	17,761	16,749
A03 Housing Rent and Tenant Purchase Administration	1,459,611	1,459,611	16,018,840	16,018,840	1,327,071	1,325,189	15,069,243	15,567,836
A04 Housing Community Development Support	996,113	996,113	32,375	32,375	786,630	785,263	29,748	28,893
A05 Administration of Homeless Service	8,378,632	8,378,632	7,424,426	7,424,426	6,665,523	8,384,437	5,814,286	7,533,741
A06 Support to Housing Capital Prog.	4,084,859	4,084,859	1,491,298	1,491,298	3,850,392	3,855,589	1,314,160	1,310,949
A07 RAS and Leasing Programme	12,540,461	12,540,461	12,562,556	12,562,556	10,652,175	12,474,286	10,638,800	12,461,340
A08 Housing Loans	993,539	993,539	530,263	530,263	934,668	958,600	485,595	510,501
A09 Housing Grants	1,148,167	1,148,167	9,677	9,677	1,035,839	1,034,856	6,702	6,258
A11 Agency & Recoupable Services	2,232,298	2,232,298	2,072,923	2,072,923	2,325,226	2,333,353	2,072,974	2,072,971
A12 HAP Programme	659,239,948	659,239,948	659,152,874	659,152,874	641,786,083	598,738,432	641,845,465	598,646,199
Division A Total	704,010,287	704,010,287	700,892,295	700,892,295	681,476,436	642,382,697	678,850,014	640,103,269

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	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
B Road Transport & Safety								
B01 NP Road - Maintenance and Improvement	2,676,360	2,676,360	2,175,359	2,175,359	2,135,793	2,647,048	1,661,332	2,174,888
B02 NS Road - Maintenance and Improvement	769,709	769,709	556,493	556,493	698,339	876,260	497,174	676,551
B03 Regional Road - Maintenance and Improvement	13,808,141	13,808,141	8,814,104	8,814,104	11,114,783	13,891,003	5,901,108	8,797,964
B04 Local Road - Maintenance and Improvement	21,609,798	21,609,798	14,054,321	14,054,321	20,131,012	21,719,188	12,551,549	14,050,632
B05 Public Lighting	3,376,104	3,376,104	8,765	8,765	3,137,704	3,136,903	4,421	8,383
B06 Traffic Management Improvement	1,662,128	1,662,128	284,345	284,345	1,660,742	1,664,961	311,727	339,886
B07 Road Safety Engineering Improvement	740,778	740,778	402,547	402,547	684,620	983,741	367,980	669,444
B08 Road Safety Promotion/Education	759,014	759,014	15,651	15,651	826,706	780,494	17,893	16,705
B09 Car Parking	1,471,697	1,471,697	1,969,505	1,969,505	1,474,975	1,381,705	2,423,437	1,471,817
B10 Support to Roads Capital Prog.	1,376,588	1,376,588	28,157	28,157	1,119,704	1,098,166	23,992	22,400
B11 Agency & Recoupable Services	886,324	886,324	697,330	697,330	1,265,025	1,718,813	1,119,738	1,573,516
Division B Total	49,136,641	49,136,641	29,006,577	29,006,577	44,249,403	49,898,282	24,880,351	29,802,186

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Division & Services	2021				2020			
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
C Water Services								
C01 Water Supply	8,845,413	8,845,413	8,845,413	8,845,413	9,256,283	9,246,667	9,256,283	9,243,904
C02 Waste Water Treatment	3,684,122	3,684,122	3,684,122	3,684,122	3,656,549	3,682,420	3,656,549	3,681,446
C04 Public Conveniences	160,082	160,082	5,000	5,000	140,480	140,467	5,008	5,008
C05 Admin of Group and Private Installations	2,809,815	2,809,815	2,690,732	2,690,732	2,118,577	2,118,269	1,972,909	1,972,649
C06 Support to Water Capital Programme	546,647	546,647	546,647	546,647	588,050	587,495	588,050	587,147
C07 Agency & Recoupable Services	86,012	86,012	86,012	86,012	131,729	131,549	131,729	131,530
C08 Local Authority Water and Sanitary Services	20,000	20,000	-	-	20,000	20,000	-	-
Division C Total	16,152,091	16,152,091	15,857,926	15,857,926	15,911,668	15,926,867	15,610,528	15,621,684

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Division & Services	2021				2020			
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
D Development Management								
D01 Forward Planning	1,735,289	1,735,289	183,349	183,349	1,581,134	1,598,350	181,064	179,334
D02 Development Management	2,696,163	2,696,163	752,036	752,036	2,390,703	2,421,553	945,589	627,596
D03 Enforcement	948,548	948,548	64,854	64,854	786,513	789,000	61,015	60,018
D04 Industrial and Commercial Facilities	29,359	29,359	20,123	20,123	9,212	29,175	124	20,116
D05 Tourism Development and Promotion	2,161,263	2,161,263	25,814	25,814	2,250,207	2,190,838	25,270	24,251
D06 Community and Enterprise Function	1,579,774	1,579,774	295,800	295,800	1,227,858	1,321,573	162,663	302,142
D07 Unfinished Housing Estates	149,111	149,111	2,825	2,825	121,257	121,046	2,271	2,120
D08 Building Control	195,410	195,410	10,640	10,640	190,526	190,391	10,568	10,431
D09 Economic Development and Promotion	9,018,871	9,018,871	4,943,622	4,943,622	7,988,834	40,472,272	3,297,589	35,806,924
D10 Property Management	1,376,048	1,376,048	798,581	798,581	1,444,037	1,450,629	1,067,835	1,076,613
D11 Heritage and Conservation Services	311,940	311,940	171,163	171,163	314,189	307,555	171,248	171,044
D12 Agency & Recoupable Services	2,489,389	2,489,389	2,290,989	2,290,989	2,465,628	2,485,135	2,271,000	2,275,283
Division D Total	22,691,165	22,691,165	9,559,796	9,559,796	20,770,098	53,377,517	8,196,236	40,555,872

TABLE B: Expenditure and Income for 2021 and Estimated Outturn for 2020

Division & Services	2021				2020			
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
E Environmental Services								
E01 Landfill Operation and Aftercare	615,678	615,678	105,665	105,665	691,079	689,657	106,300	106,081
E02 Recovery & Recycling Facilities Operations	631,853	631,853	228,649	228,649	580,863	598,779	228,441	228,379
E03 Waste to Energy Facilities Operations	293,295	293,295	401,479	401,479	302,125	302,065	401,724	401,610
E04 Provision of Waste to Collection Services	326,696	326,696	-	-	326,840	326,798	-	-
E05 Litter Management	1,063,522	1,063,522	295,296	295,296	1,061,600	1,055,083	295,740	294,858
E06 Street Cleaning	5,083,519	5,083,519	85,364	85,364	5,051,895	4,947,740	87,520	81,712
E07 Waste Regulations, Monitoring and Enforcement	724,452	724,452	486,228	486,228	647,165	630,832	484,550	483,625
E08 Waste Management Planning	1,595,989	1,595,989	1,214,137	1,214,137	1,116,845	1,112,062	715,126	714,209
E09 Maintenance of Burial Grounds	1,482,028	1,482,028	720,297	720,297	1,390,850	1,389,206	802,156	800,885
E10 Safety of Structures and Places	571,567	571,567	150,867	150,867	554,513	625,862	150,727	150,314
E11 Operation of Fire Service	16,617,531	16,617,531	1,623,358	1,623,358	16,090,236	16,048,099	1,583,757	1,600,371
E12 Fire Prevention	803,676	803,676	410,849	410,849	719,959	719,587	509,030	218,032
E13 Water Quality, Air and Noise Pollution	1,103,889	1,103,889	52,143	52,143	1,007,418	990,437	50,578	49,358
E14 Agency & Recoupable Services	3,940,046	3,940,046	3,331,790	3,331,790	3,773,196	3,771,925	3,221,155	3,217,740
E15 Climate Change and Flooding	85,000	85,000	-	-	85,000	680,000	-	595,000
Division E Total	34,938,741	34,938,741	9,106,122	9,106,122	33,399,584	33,888,132	8,636,804	8,942,174

TABLE B: Expenditure and Income for 2021 and Estimated Outturn for 2020

Division & Services	2021				2020			
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
F Recreation and Amenity								
F01 Leisure Facilities Operations	808,613	808,613	-	-	808,138	903,089	-	-
F02 Operation of Library and Archival Service	6,407,888	6,407,888	131,888	131,888	6,167,494	6,181,048	129,088	123,002
F03 Outdoor Leisure Areas Operations	3,645,565	3,645,565	48,296	48,296	3,503,849	3,472,064	40,264	54,092
F04 Community Sport and Recreational Development	533,020	533,020	151,798	151,798	592,765	613,078	205,463	205,186
F05 Operation of Arts Programme	2,787,064	2,787,064	517,185	517,185	3,379,753	2,811,024	562,424	561,129
F06 Agency & Recoupable Services	7,238	7,238	-	-	6,952	6,904	-	-
Division F Total	14,189,388	14,189,388	849,167	849,167	14,458,951	13,987,207	937,239	943,409

TABLE B: Expenditure and Income for 2021 and Estimated Outturn for 2020

Division & Services	2021				2020			
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
G Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare								
G01 Land Drainage Costs	219,855	219,855	3,134	3,134	212,493	212,506	2,367	2,210
G02 Operation and Maintenance of Piers and Harbours	10,000	10,000	5,000	5,000	15,000	15,000	5,000	5,000
G04 Veterinary Service	983,030	983,030	546,321	546,321	959,817	961,257	568,450	567,524
G05 Educational Support Services	134,000	134,000	63,500	63,500	190,341	190,269	84,349	84,293
G06 Agency & Recoupable Services	3,009	3,009	-	-	3,021	2,995	-	-
Division G Total	1,349,894	1,349,894	617,955	617,955	1,380,672	1,382,027	660,166	659,027

TABLE B: Expenditure and Income for 2021 and Estimated Outturn for 2020

Division & Services	2021				2020			
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
H Miscellaneous Services								
H01 Profit/Loss Machinery Account	3,295,554	3,295,554	2,711,417	2,711,417	2,873,686	3,031,803	2,303,639	2,461,005
H02 Profit/Loss Stores Account	214,686	214,686	162,913	162,913	202,889	202,713	162,417	162,256
H03 Administration of Rates	6,976,977	6,976,977	334,414	334,414	6,125,591	30,956,792	231,248	25,075,606
H04 Franchise Costs	231,946	231,946	2,999	2,999	198,733	204,928	2,054	1,951
H05 Operation of Morgue and Coroner Expenses	426,622	426,622	6,003	6,003	430,674	430,739	5,924	5,531
H06 Weighbridges	21,456	21,456	-	-	23,266	21,944	-	-
H07 Operation of Markets and Casual Trading	15,708	15,708	40,285	40,285	15,630	15,592	40,284	40,265
H09 Local Representation/Civic Leadership	1,828,773	1,828,773	40,637	40,637	1,991,658	1,795,857	29,545	39,584
H10 Motor Taxation	999,931	999,931	93,359	93,359	902,804	902,936	90,735	89,690
H11 Agency & Recoupable Services	753,736	753,736	8,727,935	8,727,935	996,522	799,571	6,289,023	6,297,606
Division H Total	14,765,389	14,765,389	12,119,962	12,119,962	13,761,453	38,362,875	9,154,869	34,173,494
Overall Total	857,233,596	857,233,596	778,009,800	778,009,800	825,408,265	849,205,604	746,926,207	770,801,115

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Table D

ANALYSIS OF BUDGET INCOME 2021 FROM GOODS AND SERVICES

Source of Income	2021 €	2020 €
Rents from Houses	173,370,117	169,279,716
Housing Loans Interest & Charges	448,155	486,155
Parking Fines & Charges	1,926,700	2,378,019
Irish Water	12,694,790	13,088,923
Planning Fees	691,500	891,500
Landfill Charges	139,500	139,500
Fire Charges	1,081,659	1,160,000
Local Authority Contributions	3,412,445	3,304,652
Superannuation	2,033,008	2,033,004
NPPR	350,000	450,000
Other income	14,349,577	13,133,883
Total Goods & Services	<u>210,497,451</u>	<u>206,345,352</u>

Table E

ANALYSIS OF BUDGET INCOME 2021 FROM GRANTS & SUBSIDIES

	2021 €	2020 €
Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage		
Housing and Building	524,815,261	507,783,452
Water Services	2,893,680	2,173,680
Development Management	2,566,635	2,515,440
Environmental Services	1,038,280	539,030
Miscellaneous Services	6,161,826	4,278,550
Sub-total	537,475,682	517,290,152
Other Departments and Bodies		
TII Transport Infrastructure Ireland	25,127,343	20,135,987
Defence	144,500	144,500
Education	-	20,000
Arts Council	262,500	238,500
Transport	315,000	350,000
Enterprise, Trade & Employment	3,861,922	2,176,314
Other	325,402	225,402
Sub-total	30,036,667	23,290,703
Total Grants & Subsidies	<u>567,512,349</u>	<u>540,580,855</u>

Table F - Expenditure				
Division A - Housing and Building				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2021		2020	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
A0101 Maintenance of LA Housing Units	7,359,031	7,359,031	7,169,418	7,172,420
A0102 Maintenance of Traveller Accommodation Units	771,069	771,069	690,417	680,417
A0103 Traveller Accommodation Management	471,831	471,831	356,120	756,120
A0104 Estate Maintenance	172,000	172,000	172,000	172,000
A0199 Service Support Costs	3,193,169	3,193,169	2,835,913	2,824,297
A01 Maintenance/Improvement of LA Housing Units	11,967,100	11,967,100	11,223,868	11,605,254
A0201 Assessment of Housing Needs, Allocs. & Trans.	667,084	667,084	603,706	603,706
A0299 Service Support Costs	302,475	302,475	285,255	283,732
A02 Housing Assessment, Allocation and Transfer	969,559	969,559	888,961	887,438
A0301 Debt Management & Rent Assessment	453,270	453,270	362,179	362,179
A0399 Service Support Costs	1,006,341	1,006,341	964,892	963,010
A03 Housing Rent and Tenant Purchase Administration	1,459,611	1,459,611	1,327,071	1,325,189
A0401 Housing Estate Management	240,000	240,000	112,214	112,214
A0403 Social and Community Housing Service	38,000	38,000	38,000	38,000
A0499 Service Support Costs	718,113	718,113	636,416	635,049
A04 Housing Community Development Support	996,113	996,113	786,630	785,263
A0501 Homeless Grants Other Bodies	7,400,000	7,400,000	6,200,000	7,400,000
A0502 Homeless Service	520,000	520,000	-	520,000
A0599 Service Support Costs	458,632	458,632	465,523	464,437
A05 Administration of Homeless Service	8,378,632	8,378,632	6,665,523	8,384,437
A0601 Technical and Administrative Support	1,956,081	1,956,081	1,582,425	1,582,425
A0602 Loan Charges	611,794	611,794	762,664	762,664
A0699 Service Support Costs	1,516,984	1,516,984	1,505,303	1,510,500
A06 Support to Housing Capital Prog.	4,084,859	4,084,859	3,850,392	3,855,589
A0701 RAS Operations	9,912,000	9,912,000	8,813,500	9,912,000
A0702 Long Term Leasing	2,193,080	2,193,080	1,390,400	2,114,900
A0799 Service Support Costs	435,381	435,381	448,275	447,386
A07 RAS and Leasing Programme	12,540,461	12,540,461	10,652,175	12,474,286
A0801 Loan Interest and Other Charges	659,946	659,946	537,532	562,832
A0802 Debt Management Housing Loans	183,399	183,399	230,543	230,543
A0899 Service Support Costs	150,194	150,194	166,593	165,225
A08 Housing Loans	993,539	993,539	934,668	958,600

Table F - Expenditure

Division A - Housing and Building

Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2021		2020	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
A0901 Housing Adaptation Grant Scheme	723,256	723,256	630,000	630,000
A0999 Service Support Costs	424,911	424,911	405,839	404,856
A09 Housing Grants	1,148,167	1,148,167	1,035,839	1,034,856
A1101 Agency & Recoupable Service	2,067,923	2,067,923	2,069,463	2,069,463
A1199 Service Support Costs	164,375	164,375	255,763	263,890
A11 Agency & Recoupable Services	2,232,298	2,232,298	2,325,226	2,333,353
A1201 HAP Operation Costs	655,370,053	655,370,053	638,081,462	595,020,403
A1299 HAP Service Support Costs	3,869,895	3,869,895	3,704,621	3,718,029
A12 HAP Programme	659,239,948	659,239,948	641,786,083	598,738,432
Division A Total	704,010,287	704,010,287	681,476,436	642,382,697

Table F - Income

Division A - Housing and Building

	2021		2020	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Income by Source				
Government Grants & Subsidies				
Housing, Local Government & Heritage	524,815,261	524,815,261	507,783,452	479,215,871
Other	170,000	170,000	70,000	170,000
Total Government Grants & Subsidies	524,985,261	524,985,261	507,853,452	479,385,871
Goods & Services				
Rents from Houses	173,370,117	173,370,117	169,279,716	158,078,092
Housing Loans Interest & Charges	448,155	448,155	486,155	486,155
Superannuation	359,189	359,189	353,188	329,748
Other income	1,729,573	1,729,573	877,503	1,823,403
Total Goods & Services	175,907,034	175,907,034	170,996,562	160,717,398
Division A Total	700,892,295	700,892,295	678,850,014	640,103,269

Table F - Expenditure

Division B - Road Transport & Safety				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2021		2020	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
B0101 NP - Surface Dressing	211,900	211,900	231,577	211,900
B0102 NP - Pavement Overlay/Reconstruction	470,000	470,000	-	470,000
B0105 NP - General Maintenance	1,481,516	1,481,516	1,417,489	1,481,516
B0106 NP - General Improvements Works	300	300	300	300
B0199 Service Support Costs	512,644	512,644	486,427	483,332
B01 NP Road - Maintenance and Improvement	2,676,360	2,676,360	2,135,793	2,647,048
B0201 NS - Surface Dressing	105,641	105,641	60,944	105,641
B0204 NS - Winter Maintenance	-	-	-	-
B0206 NS - General Maintenance	446,544	446,544	431,500	566,494
B0299 Service Support Costs	217,524	217,524	205,895	204,125
B02 NS Road - Maintenance and Improvement	769,709	769,709	698,339	876,260
B0301 Regional Roads Surface Dressing	755,884	755,884	461,181	910,787
B0302 Reg Rd Surface Rest/Road Reconstruction/Overlay	6,882,800	6,882,800	5,047,800	6,751,158
B0303 Regional Road Winter Maintenance	558,954	558,954	555,408	558,954
B0305 Regional Road General Maintenance Works	348,376	348,376	549,778	346,373
B0306 Regional Road General Improvement Works	1,643,574	1,643,574	965,231	1,431,673
B0399 Service Support Costs	3,618,553	3,618,553	3,535,385	3,892,058
B03 Regional Road - Maintenance and Improvement	13,808,141	13,808,141	11,114,783	13,891,003
B0401 Local Road Surface Dressing	2,881,686	2,881,686	1,929,556	2,854,566
B0402 Local Rd Surface Rest/Road Reconstruction/Overlay	6,505,604	6,505,604	7,259,588	7,026,062
B0404 Local Roads Bridge Maintenance	106,975	106,975	106,761	106,975
B0405 Local Roads General Maintenance Works	4,376,618	4,376,618	4,232,718	3,623,053
B0406 Local Roads General Improvement Works	1,459,000	1,459,000	403,990	1,614,000
B0499 Service Support Costs	6,279,915	6,279,915	6,198,399	6,494,532
B04 Local Road - Maintenance and Improvement	21,609,798	21,609,798	20,131,012	21,719,188
B0501 Public Lighting Operating Costs	1,800,000	1,800,000	1,600,000	1,600,000
B0502 Public Lighting Improvement	1,154,256	1,154,256	1,150,000	1,154,256
B0599 Service Support Costs	421,848	421,848	387,704	382,647
B05 Public Lighting	3,376,104	3,376,104	3,137,704	3,136,903
B0601 Traffic Management	334,665	334,665	336,604	334,665
B0602 Traffic Maintenance	367,580	367,580	367,580	367,580
B0603 Traffic Improvement Measures	103,000	103,000	103,000	132,500
B0699 Service Support Costs	856,883	856,883	853,558	830,216
B06 Traffic Management Improvement	1,662,128	1,662,128	1,660,742	1,664,961

Table F - Expenditure

Division B - Road Transport & Safety

Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2021		2020	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
B0701 Low Cost Remedial Measures	396,900	396,900	361,500	396,900
B0702 Other Engineering Improvements	45,000	45,000	45,000	311,500
B0799 Service Support Costs	298,878	298,878	278,120	275,341
B07 Road Safety Engineering Improvement	740,778	740,778	684,620	983,741
B0801 School Wardens	374,780	374,780	418,863	375,212
B0802 Publicity and Promotion Road Safety	25,220	25,220	25,220	25,220
B0899 Service Support Costs	359,014	359,014	382,623	380,062
B08 Road Safety Promotion/Education	759,014	759,014	826,706	780,494
B0901 Maintenance and Management of Car Parks	208,024	208,024	82,551	82,551
B0902 Operation of Street Parking	76,000	76,000	76,000	76,000
B0903 Parking Enforcement	831,645	831,645	876,604	786,604
B0999 Service Support Costs	356,028	356,028	439,820	436,550
B09 Car Parking	1,471,697	1,471,697	1,474,975	1,381,705
B1001 Administration of Roads Capital Programme	84,885	84,885	182,582	160,082
B1099 Service Support Costs	1,291,703	1,291,703	937,122	938,084
B10 Support to Roads Capital Prog.	1,376,588	1,376,588	1,119,704	1,098,166
B1101 Agency & Recoupable Service	803,885	803,885	1,203,509	1,657,488
B1199 Service Support Costs	82,439	82,439	61,516	61,325
B11 Agency & Recoupable Services	886,324	886,324	1,265,025	1,718,813
Division B Total	49,136,641	49,136,641	44,249,403	49,898,282

Table F - Income

Division B - Road Transport & Safety

Income by Source	2021		2020	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Government Grants & Subsidies				
TII Transport Infrastructure Ireland	25,127,343	25,127,343	20,135,987	25,597,293
Total Government Grants & Subsidies	25,127,343	25,127,343	20,135,987	25,597,293
Goods & Services				
Parking Fines & Charges	1,926,700	1,926,700	2,378,019	1,428,019
Superannuation	314,205	314,205	312,890	292,124
Other income	1,638,329	1,638,329	2,053,455	2,484,750
Total Goods & Services	3,879,234	3,879,234	4,744,364	4,204,893
Division B Total	29,006,577	29,006,577	24,880,351	29,802,186

Table F - Expenditure				
Division C - Water Services				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2021		2020	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
C0101 Water Plants & Networks	3,830,831	3,830,831	4,185,855	4,185,855
C0199 Service Support Costs	5,014,582	5,014,582	5,070,428	5,060,812
C01 Water Supply	8,845,413	8,845,413	9,256,283	9,246,667
C0201 Waste Plants and Networks	1,869,519	1,869,519	1,889,757	1,919,757
C0299 Service Support Costs	1,814,603	1,814,603	1,766,792	1,762,663
C02 Waste Water Treatment	3,684,122	3,684,122	3,656,549	3,682,420
C0401 Operation and Maintenance of Public Conveniences	159,192	159,192	139,443	139,443
C0499 Service Support Costs	890	890	1,037	1,024
C04 Public Conveniences	160,082	160,082	140,480	140,467
C0501 Grants for Individual Installations	1,000,000	1,000,000	280,000	280,000
C0504 Group Water Scheme Subsidies	1,600,000	1,600,000	1,600,000	1,600,000
C0599 Service Support Costs	209,815	209,815	238,577	238,269
C05 Admin of Group and Private Installations	2,809,815	2,809,815	2,118,577	2,118,269
C0601 Technical Design and Supervision	-	-	-	-
C0699 Service Support Costs	546,647	546,647	588,050	587,495
C06 Support to Water Capital Programme	546,647	546,647	588,050	587,495
C0701 Agency & Recoupable Service	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
C0799 Service Support Costs	81,012	81,012	126,729	126,549
C07 Agency & Recoupable Services	86,012	86,012	131,729	131,549
C0802 Local Authority Sanitary Services	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
C08 Local Authority Water and Sanitary Services	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Division C Total	16,152,091	16,152,091	15,911,668	15,926,867

Table F - Income

Division C - Water Services				
Income by Source	2021		2020	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Government Grants & Subsidies				
Housing, Local Government & Heritage	2,893,680	2,893,680	2,173,680	2,173,680
Total Government Grants & Subsidies	2,893,680	2,893,680	2,173,680	2,173,680
Goods & Services				
Irish Water	12,694,790	12,694,790	13,088,923	13,118,923
Superannuation	255,456	255,456	283,925	265,081
Other income	14,000	14,000	64,000	64,000
Total Goods & Services	12,964,246	12,964,246	13,436,848	13,448,004
Division C Total	15,857,926	15,857,926	15,610,528	15,621,684

Table F - Expenditure

Division D - Development Management

Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2021		2020	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
D0101 Statutory Plans and Policy	1,127,770	1,127,770	1,059,356	1,078,170
D0199 Service Support Costs	607,519	607,519	521,778	520,180
D01 Forward Planning	1,735,289	1,735,289	1,581,134	1,598,350
D0201 Planning Control	1,678,734	1,678,734	1,456,995	1,491,021
D0299 Service Support Costs	1,017,429	1,017,429	933,708	930,532
D02 Development Management	2,696,163	2,696,163	2,390,703	2,421,553
D0301 Enforcement Costs	589,182	589,182	466,223	469,723
D0399 Service Support Costs	359,366	359,366	320,290	319,277
D03 Enforcement	948,548	948,548	786,513	789,000
D0401 Industrial Sites Operations	23,744	23,744	3,718	23,718
D0499 Service Support Costs	5,615	5,615	5,494	5,457
D04 Industrial and Commercial Facilities	29,359	29,359	9,212	29,175
D0501 Tourism Promotion	1,852,630	1,852,630	1,951,524	1,893,129
D0599 Service Support Costs	308,633	308,633	298,683	297,709
D05 Tourism Development and Promotion	2,161,263	2,161,263	2,250,207	2,190,838
D0601 General Community & Enterprise Expenses	1,143,391	1,143,391	723,157	818,115
D0602 RAPID Costs	64,000	64,000	79,000	79,000
D0603 Social Inclusion	12,905	12,905	51,722	51,722
D0699 Service Support Costs	359,478	359,478	373,979	372,736
D06 Community and Enterprise Function	1,579,774	1,579,774	1,227,858	1,321,573
D0701 Unfinished Housing Estates	85,885	85,885	68,083	68,083
D0799 Service Support Costs	63,226	63,226	53,174	52,963
D07 Unfinished Housing Estates	149,111	149,111	121,257	121,046
D0801 Building Control Inspection Costs	83,400	83,400	83,400	83,400
D0802 Building Control Enforcement Costs	70,121	70,121	67,083	67,083
D0899 Service Support Costs	41,889	41,889	40,043	39,908
D08 Building Control	195,410	195,410	190,526	190,391
D0901 Urban and Village Renewal	1,305,006	1,305,006	1,794,844	1,757,829
D0902 EU Projects	20,000	20,000	42,378	42,378
D0903 Town Twinning	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
D0905 Economic Development & Promotion	2,466,830	2,466,830	2,672,386	2,763,527
D0906 Local Enterprise Office	3,944,542	3,944,542	2,352,969	34,785,602
D0999 Service Support Costs	1,267,493	1,267,493	1,111,257	1,107,936
D09 Economic Development and Promotion	9,018,871	9,018,871	7,988,834	40,472,272

Table F - Expenditure

Division D - Development Management

Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2021		2020	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
D1001 Property Management Costs	1,051,843	1,051,843	1,067,999	1,075,816
D1099 Service Support Costs	324,205	324,205	376,038	374,813
D10 Property Management	1,376,048	1,376,048	1,444,037	1,450,629
D1101 Heritage Services	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
D1102 Conservation Services	69,407	69,407	68,572	68,572
D1103 Conservation Grants	130,337	130,337	130,337	130,337
D1199 Service Support Costs	111,196	111,196	114,280	107,646
D11 Heritage and Conservation Services	311,940	311,940	314,189	307,555
D1201 Agency & Recoupable Service	2,290,989	2,290,989	2,271,000	2,290,989
D1299 Service Support Costs	198,400	198,400	194,628	194,146
D12 Agency & Recoupable Services	2,489,389	2,489,389	2,465,628	2,485,135
Division D Total	22,691,165	22,691,165	20,770,098	53,377,517

Table F - Income

Division D - Development Management

	2021		2020	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Income by Source				
Government Grants & Subsidies				
Housing, Local Government & Heritage	2,566,635	2,566,635	2,515,440	34,609,788
Enterprise, Trade & Employment	3,861,922	3,861,922	2,176,314	2,301,314
Total Government Grants & Subsidies	6,428,557	6,428,557	4,691,754	36,911,102
Goods & Services				
Planning Fees	691,500	691,500	891,500	576,500
Superannuation	224,503	224,503	213,738	199,552
Other income	2,215,236	2,215,236	2,399,244	2,868,718
Total Goods & Services	3,131,239	3,131,239	3,504,482	3,644,770
Division D Total	9,559,796	9,559,796	8,196,236	40,555,872

Table F - Expenditure

Division E - Environmental Services

Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2021		2020	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
E0101 Landfill Operations	398,028	398,028	466,713	466,713
E0103 Landfill Aftercare Costs.	79,930	79,930	79,930	79,930
E0199 Service Support Costs	137,720	137,720	144,436	143,014
E01 Landfill Operation and Aftercare	615,678	615,678	691,079	689,657
E0201 Recycling Facilities Operations	575,651	575,651	535,502	551,502
E0202 Bring Centres Operations	24,572	24,572	18,031	18,031
E0204 Other Recycling Services	-	-	-	-
E0299 Service Support Costs	31,630	31,630	27,330	29,246
E02 Recovery & Recycling Facilities Operations	631,853	631,853	580,863	598,779
E0301 Waste to Energy Facilities Operations	270,720	270,720	277,453	277,453
E0399 Service Support Costs	22,575	22,575	24,672	24,612
E03 Waste to Energy Facilities Operations	293,295	293,295	302,125	302,065
E0406 Contribution to Waste Collection Services	310,000	310,000	310,000	310,000
E0407 Other Costs Waste Collection	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
E0499 Service Support Costs	13,696	13,696	13,840	13,798
E04 Provision of Waste to Collection Services	326,696	326,696	326,840	326,798
E0501 Litter Warden Service	265,488	265,488	302,910	272,910
E0502 Litter Control Initiatives	342,368	342,368	312,368	342,368
E0503 Environmental Awareness Services	98,217	98,217	98,217	98,217
E0599 Service Support Costs	357,449	357,449	348,105	341,588
E05 Litter Management	1,063,522	1,063,522	1,061,600	1,055,083
E0601 Operation of Street Cleaning Service	3,439,236	3,439,236	3,444,487	3,346,314
E0602 Provision and Improvement of Litter Bins	278,175	278,175	278,175	278,175
E0699 Service Support Costs	1,366,108	1,366,108	1,329,233	1,323,251
E06 Street Cleaning	5,083,519	5,083,519	5,051,895	4,947,740
E0701 Monitoring of Waste Regs (incl Private Landfills)	486,655	486,655	429,862	413,862
E0702 Enforcement of Waste Regulations	27,000	27,000	27,000	27,000
E0799 Service Support Costs	210,797	210,797	190,303	189,970
E07 Waste Regulations, Monitoring and Enforcement	724,452	724,452	647,165	630,832
E0801 Waste Management Plan	124,014	124,014	121,593	121,593
E0802 Contrib to Other Bodies Waste Management Planning	1,269,145	1,269,145	754,522	754,522
E0899 Service Support Costs	202,830	202,830	240,730	235,947
E08 Waste Management Planning	1,595,989	1,595,989	1,116,845	1,112,062

Table F - Expenditure				
Division E - Environmental Services				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2021		2020	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
E0901 Maintenance of Burial Grounds	934,308	934,308	947,231	940,231
E0999 Service Support Costs	547,720	547,720	443,619	448,975
E09 Maintenance of Burial Grounds	1,482,028	1,482,028	1,390,850	1,389,206
E1001 Operation Costs Civil Defence	272,203	272,203	279,651	279,651
E1002 Dangerous Buildings	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000
E1003 Emergency Planning	25,000	25,000	14,800	86,459
E1004 Derelict Sites	42,524	42,524	40,434	40,434
E1005 Water Safety Operation	91,207	91,207	79,005	79,005
E1099 Service Support Costs	128,633	128,633	128,623	128,313
E10 Safety of Structures and Places	571,567	571,567	554,513	625,862
E1101 Operation of Fire Brigade Service	11,007,066	11,007,066	10,673,766	10,738,351
E1103 Fire Services Training	400,000	400,000	450,000	350,000
E1199 Service Support Costs	5,210,465	5,210,465	4,966,470	4,959,748
E11 Operation of Fire Service	16,617,531	16,617,531	16,090,236	16,048,099
E1201 Fire Safety Control Cert Costs	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
E1202 Fire Prevention and Education	26,193	26,193	26,193	26,193
E1203 Inspection/Monitoring of Commercial Facilities	-	-	-	-
E1299 Service Support Costs	757,483	757,483	673,766	673,394
E12 Fire Prevention	803,676	803,676	719,959	719,587
E1301 Water Quality Management	766,226	766,226	691,627	682,127
E1302 Licensing and Monitoring of Air and Noise Quality	33,000	33,000	33,000	33,000
E1399 Service Support Costs	304,663	304,663	282,791	275,310
E13 Water Quality, Air and Noise Pollution	1,103,889	1,103,889	1,007,418	990,437
E1401 Agency & Recoupable Service	3,190,601	3,190,601	3,082,808	3,082,808
E1499 Service Support Costs	749,445	749,445	690,388	689,117
E14 Agency & Recoupable Services	3,940,046	3,940,046	3,773,196	3,771,925
E1501 Climate Change and Flooding	85,000	85,000	85,000	680,000
E15 Climate Change and Flooding	85,000	85,000	85,000	680,000
Division E Total	34,938,741	34,938,741	33,399,584	33,888,132

Table F - Income

Division E - Environmental Services

	2021		2020	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Income by Source				
Government Grants & Subsidies				
Housing, Local Government & Heritage	1,038,280	1,038,280	539,030	1,134,030
Defence	144,500	144,500	144,500	144,500
Other	91,902	91,902	91,902	91,902
Total Government Grants & Subsidies	1,274,682	1,274,682	775,432	1,370,432
Goods & Services				
Landfill Charges	139,500	139,500	139,500	139,500
Fire Charges	1,081,659	1,081,659	1,160,000	891,659
Superannuation	555,423	555,423	546,807	510,518
Local Authority Contributions	3,412,445	3,412,445	3,304,652	3,304,652
Other income	2,642,413	2,642,413	2,710,413	2,725,413
Total Goods & Services	7,831,440	7,831,440	7,861,372	7,571,742
Division E Total	9,106,122	9,106,122	8,636,804	8,942,174

Table F - Expenditure				
Division F - Recreation and Amenity				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2021		2020	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
F0101 Leisure Facilities Operations	655,250	655,250	655,250	750,250
F0103 Contribution to External Bodies Leisure Facilities	136,500	136,500	136,500	136,500
F0199 Service Support Costs	16,863	16,863	16,388	16,339
F01 Leisure Facilities Operations	808,613	808,613	808,138	903,089
F0201 Library Service Operations	3,643,765	3,643,765	3,533,826	3,540,824
F0202 Archive Service	215,868	215,868	165,674	165,174
F0204 Purchase of Books, CD's etc.	254,385	254,385	244,385	244,385
F0299 Service Support Costs	2,293,870	2,293,870	2,223,609	2,230,665
F02 Operation of Library and Archival Service	6,407,888	6,407,888	6,167,494	6,181,048
F0301 Parks, Pitches & Open Spaces	2,550,320	2,550,320	2,470,198	2,438,859
F0302 Playgrounds	40,500	40,500	40,500	40,500
F0399 Service Support Costs	1,054,745	1,054,745	993,151	992,705
F03 Outdoor Leisure Areas Operations	3,645,565	3,645,565	3,503,849	3,472,064
F0401 Community Grants	343,500	343,500	323,500	343,500
F0404 Recreational Development	113,384	113,384	165,285	165,285
F0499 Service Support Costs	76,136	76,136	103,980	104,293
F04 Community Sport and Recreational Development	533,020	533,020	592,765	613,078
F0501 Administration of the Arts Programme	1,016,813	1,016,813	1,065,024	1,065,024
F0502 Contributions to other Bodies Arts Programme	659,353	659,353	688,955	658,955
F0503 Museums Operations	286,389	286,389	275,190	275,190
F0505 Festivals & Concerts	403,355	403,355	900,152	360,152
F0599 Service Support Costs	421,154	421,154	450,432	451,703
F05 Operation of Arts Programme	2,787,064	2,787,064	3,379,753	2,811,024
F0699 Service Support Costs	7,238	7,238	6,952	6,904
F06 Agency & Recoupable Services	7,238	7,238	6,952	6,904
Division F Total	14,189,388	14,189,388	14,458,951	13,987,207

Table F - Income

Division F - Recreation and Amenity

Income by Source	2021		2020	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Government Grants & Subsidies				
Arts Council	262,500	262,500	238,500	238,500
Total Government Grants & Subsidies	262,500	262,500	238,500	238,500
Goods & Services				
Superannuation	153,883	153,883	155,654	145,324
Other income	432,784	432,784	543,085	559,585
Total Goods & Services	586,667	586,667	698,739	704,909
Division F Total	849,167	849,167	937,239	943,409

Table F - Expenditure				
Division G - Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2021		2020	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
G0102 Contributions to Joint Drainage Bodies	174,644	174,644	174,644	174,644
G0199 Service Support Costs	45,211	45,211	37,849	37,862
G01 Land Drainage Costs	219,855	219,855	212,493	212,506
G0201 Operation of Piers	10,000	10,000	15,000	15,000
G02 Operation and Maintenance of Piers and Harbours	10,000	10,000	15,000	15,000
G0401 Provision of Veterinary Service	-	-	-	-
G0402 Inspection of Abattoirs etc	206,727	206,727	199,623	204,623
G0404 Operation of Dog Warden Service	266,054	266,054	266,530	266,530
G0405 Other Animal Welfare Services (incl Horse Control)	263,400	263,400	263,155	263,155
G0499 Service Support Costs	246,849	246,849	230,509	226,949
G04 Veterinary Service	983,030	983,030	959,817	961,257
G0501 Payment of Higher Education Grants	-	-	22,000	22,000
G0502 Administration Higher Education Grants	-	-	25,472	25,472
G0507 School Meals	133,000	133,000	133,000	133,000
G0599 Service Support Costs	1,000	1,000	9,869	9,797
G05 Educational Support Services	134,000	134,000	190,341	190,269
G0699 Service Support Costs	3,009	3,009	3,021	2,995
G06 Agency & Recoupable Services	3,009	3,009	3,021	2,995
Division G Total	1,349,894	1,349,894	1,380,672	1,382,027

Table F - Income

Division G - Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare

Income by Source	2021		2020	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Government Grants & Subsidies				
Education	-	-	20,000	20,000
Transport	315,000	315,000	350,000	350,000
Other	63,500	63,500	63,500	63,500
Total Government Grants & Subsidies	378,500	378,500	433,500	433,500
Goods & Services				
Superannuation	16,955	16,955	17,166	16,027
Other income	222,500	222,500	209,500	209,500
Total Goods & Services	239,455	239,455	226,666	225,527
Division G Total	617,955	617,955	660,166	659,027

Table F - Expenditure

Division H - Miscellaneous Services

Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2021		2020	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
H0101 Maintenance of Machinery Service	226,238	226,238	185,519	185,519
H0102 Plant and Machinery Operations	2,334,568	2,334,568	2,010,766	2,169,579
H0199 Service Support Costs	734,748	734,748	677,401	676,705
H01 Profit/Loss Machinery Account	3,295,554	3,295,554	2,873,686	3,031,803
H0201 Purchase of Materials, Stores	103,514	103,514	87,030	87,030
H0202 Administrative Costs Stores	27,902	27,902	28,286	28,286
H0299 Service Support Costs	83,270	83,270	87,573	87,397
H02 Profit/Loss Stores Account	214,686	214,686	202,889	202,713
H0301 Administration of Rates Office	962,655	962,655	867,697	852,336
H0302 Debt Management Service Rates	130,000	130,000	130,000	130,000
H0303 Refunds and Irrecoverable Rates	5,321,652	5,321,652	4,641,266	29,487,631
H0399 Service Support Costs	562,670	562,670	486,628	486,825
H03 Administration of Rates	6,976,977	6,976,977	6,125,591	30,956,792
H0401 Register of Elector Costs	128,575	128,575	99,190	105,398
H0402 Local Election Costs	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
H0499 Service Support Costs	83,371	83,371	79,543	79,530
H04 Franchise Costs	231,946	231,946	198,733	204,928
H0501 Coroner Fees and Expenses	341,941	341,941	337,079	337,079
H0599 Service Support Costs	84,681	84,681	93,595	93,660
H05 Operation of Morgue and Coroner Expenses	426,622	426,622	430,674	430,739
H0601 Weighbridge Operations	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
H0699 Service Support Costs	20,456	20,456	22,266	20,944
H06 Weighbridges	21,456	21,456	23,266	21,944
H0702 Casual Trading Areas	10,653	10,653	10,521	10,521
H0799 Service Support Costs	5,055	5,055	5,109	5,071
H07 Operation of Markets and Casual Trading	15,708	15,708	15,630	15,592
H0901 Representational Payments	748,602	748,602	781,397	781,397
H0902 Chair/Vice Chair Allowances	72,000	72,000	74,515	74,515
H0904 Expenses LA Members	364,033	364,033	460,900	330,200
H0905 Other Expenses	147,750	147,750	167,000	130,000
H0906 Conferences Abroad	20,000	20,000	50,000	20,667
H0907 Retirement Gratuities	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000
H0908 Contribution to Members Associations	18,250	18,250	17,000	18,250
H0999 Service Support Costs	428,138	428,138	410,846	410,828
H09 Local Representation/Civic Leadership	1,828,773	1,828,773	1,991,658	1,795,857

Table F - Expenditure

Division H - Miscellaneous Services

Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2021		2020	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
H1001 Motor Taxation Operation	161,237	161,237	161,237	161,237
H1099 Service Support Costs	838,694	838,694	741,567	741,699
H10 Motor Taxation	999,931	999,931	902,804	902,936
H1101 Agency & Recoupable Service	449,417	449,417	647,278	450,818
H1102 NPPR	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
H1199 Service Support Costs	264,319	264,319	309,244	308,753
H11 Agency & Recoupable Services	753,736	753,736	996,522	799,571
Division H Total	14,765,389	14,765,389	13,761,453	38,362,875

Overall Total	857,233,596	857,233,596	825,408,265	849,205,604
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Table F - Income

Division H - Miscellaneous Services

Income by Source	2021		2020	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Chief Executive €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Government Grants & Subsidies				
Housing, Local Government & Heritage	6,161,826	6,161,826	4,278,550	29,124,915
Total Government Grants & Subsidies	6,161,826	6,161,826	4,278,550	29,124,915
Goods & Services				
Superannuation	153,394	153,394	149,636	139,703
NPPR	350,000	350,000	450,000	450,000
Other income	5,454,742	5,454,742	4,276,683	4,458,876
Total Goods & Services	5,958,136	5,958,136	4,876,319	5,048,579
Division H Total	12,119,962	12,119,962	9,154,869	34,173,494
Overall Total	778,009,800	778,009,800	746,926,207	770,801,115

APPENDIX 1

SUMMARY OF CENTRAL MANAGEMENT CHARGES FOR YEAR 2021

Description	2021 €	2020 €
Area Office Overhead	306,647	299,295
Corporate Affairs Overhead	5,024,485	4,550,154
Corporate Buildings Overhead	4,981,876	5,067,438
Finance Function Overhead	1,466,795	1,418,707
Human Resource Function Overhead	2,872,325	2,661,282
IT Services	3,210,927	3,240,369
Print/Post Room Service Overhead Allocation	193,675	210,592
Pension & Lump Sum Overhead	16,544,343	15,419,578
Total Expenditure Allocated to Services	34,601,073	32,867,415

SECTION 3

CAPITAL BUDGET 2021-2023

LIMERICK CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL

Capital Programme 2021 - 2023

Description	Expenditure				Required Funding					
	2021	2022	2023	Total	Grants	Loans	Development Levies	Revenue Provision	Other	Total
	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
Housing and Building	130,106,424	99,163,898	129,400,254	358,670,577	345,002,866	7,250,000	0	4,200,211	2,217,500	358,670,577
Road Transportation and Safety	65,104,000	84,611,000	64,370,000	214,085,000	171,545,000	19,000,000	12,290,000	4,000,000	7,250,000	214,085,000
Water Supply & Sewerage	1,566,667	1,566,667	1,466,666	4,600,000	4,400,000	0	0	0	200,000	4,600,000
Economic Development	29,406,214	53,587,730	47,903,098	130,897,041	42,046,407	80,463,044	420,000	1,028,617	6,938,974	130,897,041
Environmental Protection	16,036,572	14,056,000	15,337,000	45,429,572	38,302,922	0	767,500	1,232,150	5,127,000	45,429,572
Recreation and Amenity	6,014,963	3,427,989	646,253	10,089,205	4,833,864	553,644	1,938,197	1,070,000	1,693,500	10,089,205
Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	85,000	85,000	85,000	255,000	255,000	0	0	0	0	255,000
Miscellaneous / Corporate	3,267,000	2,750,000	2,750,000	8,767,000	320,000	6,000,000	0	2,255,000	192,000	8,767,000
Totals	251,586,840	259,248,284	261,958,271	772,793,396	606,706,059	113,266,688	15,415,697	13,785,978	23,618,974	772,793,396

Programme Group 1 - Housing & Building

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Housing & Building	Expenditure				Funded by					
Description	2021	2022	2023	Total (2021 to 2023)	Grants	Loans	Development Levies	Revenue Provision	Other	Total (2021 to 2023)
Construction - Clonmacken (43 Units)	€4,000,000	€3,000,000	€190,000	€7,190,000	€7,190,000					€7,190,000
Construction - Deerpark Adare (31 Units)	€500,000	€3,500,000	€200,000	€4,200,000	€4,200,000					€4,200,000
Construction - Hospital (20 Units)	€4,000,000	€500,000	€100,000	€4,600,000	€4,600,000					€4,600,000
Construction - Churchfields Phase 1 (42 Units)	€250,000			€250,000	€250,000					€250,000
Construction - Churchfields Phase 2 (38 units)	€4,000,000	€5,000,000	€500,000	€9,500,000	€9,500,000					€9,500,000
Construction - Lord Edward Street (81 Units)	€750,000			€750,000	€750,000					€750,000
Construction - Bourke Avenue (12 Units)	€100,000			€100,000	€100,000					€100,000
Construction - Fannings Corner (3 Units)	€100,000			€100,000	€100,000					€100,000
Construction - St. Mary's Park (19 units)	€150,000			€150,000	€150,000					€150,000
Construction - Cliona Park Phase 3 (18 units)	€2,500,000	€3,500,000	€400,000	€6,400,000	€6,400,000					€6,400,000
Construction - Carew Park (37 units)			€2,500,000	€2,500,000	€2,500,000					€2,500,000
Construction - Old Christians Site Rathbane (34 units)	€3,400,000	€500,000	€100,000	€4,000,000	€4,000,000					€4,000,000
Construction - Sycamore Ave Newcastle West (30 Units)		€2,000,000	€100,000	€2,100,000	€2,100,000					€2,100,000
Construction - Orchard Site, Island Road (27 Units)	€2,800,000	€3,000,000	€400,000	€6,200,000	€6,200,000					€6,200,000
Construction - Palm Close, Keyes Park (27 Units)			€1,000,000	€1,000,000	€1,000,000					€1,000,000
Construction Markievicz Drive (13 units)			€2,000,000	€2,000,000	€2,000,000					€2,000,000

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Housing & Building	Expenditure				Funded by					
Description	2021	2022	2023	Total (2021 to 2023)	Grants	Loans	Development Levies	Revenue Provision	Other	Total (2021 to 2023)
Construction Daghish Park Moyross (27 units)	€3,500,000	€4,500,000	€500,000	€8,500,000	€8,500,000					€8,500,000
Construction - Gaol Lane (2 Units)		€100,000	€450,000	€550,000	€550,000					€550,000
Construction - Cliona Park (2 units)	€700,000	€45,000		€745,000	€745,000					€745,000
Construction - Athlunkard Boat Club (4 Units)		€1,000,000	€300,000	€1,300,000	€1,300,000					€1,300,000
Construction - Wallers Well Phase 2 (13 units)	€150,000			€150,000	€150,000					€150,000
Construction - Cosgrave Park (30 Units)	€2,000,000	€500,000	€350,000	€2,850,000	€2,850,000					€2,850,000
Construction - St. Joseph Street (2 Units)			€400,000	€400,000	€400,000					€400,000
Construction - Ballysimon and Greenhills Road (17 units)	€1,000,000	€150,000		€1,150,000	€1,150,000					€1,150,000
Construction - Gough Place (17 units)	€3,800,000	€400,000		€4,200,000	€4,200,000					€4,200,000
Construction - Lisheen Park, Patrickswell (16 Units)	€175,000			€175,000	€175,000					€175,000
Construction - Patrickswell (24 units)		€1,500,000	€3,500,000	€5,000,000	€5,000,000					€5,000,000
Construction - St Patricks Villas Castleconnell (4 Units)	€75,000			€75,000	€75,000					€75,000
Construction - Kileely Road (5 units)	€500,000	€250,000		€750,000	€750,000					€750,000
Construction - Lower Careys Road (11 Units)	€600,000	€100,000		€700,000	€700,000					€700,000
Construction - Knocklong Housing Scheme (10 units)	€2,100,000	€800,000	€100,000	€3,000,000	€3,000,000					€3,000,000
Construction - Colbert Terrace Abbeyfeale (4 units)	€750,000	€200,000		€950,000	€950,000					€950,000
Construction - Convent Street Kings Island (2 units)		€500,000	€100,000	€600,000	€600,000					€600,000

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Housing & Building	Expenditure				Funded by					
Description	2021	2022	2023	Total (2021 to 2023)	Grants	Loans	Development Levies	Revenue Provision	Other	Total (2021 to 2023)
Construction - Ardagh (10 units)	€100,000	€400,000	€2,250,000	€2,750,000	€2,750,000					€2,750,000
Construction - Broadford (15 units)	€100,000	€400,000	€2,000,000	€2,500,000	€2,500,000					€2,500,000
Construction - Kilfinnane (10 Units)	€100,000	€400,000	€2,250,000	€2,750,000	€2,750,000					€2,750,000
Construction - Ballylanders (10 Units)	€100,000	€400,000	€2,250,000	€2,750,000	€2,750,000					€2,750,000
Construction - Bridge Street Old Post Office Site (6 Units)		€500,000	€2,250,000	€2,750,000	€2,750,000					€2,750,000
Construction - Sheep St/Athlunkard (8 Units)	€500,000	€900,000	€90,000	€1,490,000	€1,490,000					€1,490,000
Construction - Clare Street (7 Units)	€1,200,000	€300,000	€50,000	€1,550,000	€1,550,000					€1,550,000
Construction - Kilmurry Court (7 Units)	€450,000			€450,000	€450,000					€450,000
Construction - Mountcollins (4 units)	€100,000	€200,000	€1,000,000	€1,300,000	€1,300,000					€1,300,000
Construction - New Crescent Halting Site, Childers Road			€500,000	€500,000	€500,000					€500,000
Refurbishment - Clondrinagh Halting Site	€100,000			€100,000	€100,000					€100,000
Refurbishment - Clonlong Halting Site	€900,000	€100,000		€1,000,000	€1,000,000					€1,000,000
Refurbishment - Kilmurry View Halting Site	€85,000			€85,000	€85,000					€85,000
Planned Maintenance Programme	€2,000,000	€2,000,000	€2,000,000	€6,000,000		€6,000,000				€6,000,000
Pilot Project - Single Point of Contact	€450,000			€450,000					€450,000	€450,000
Energy Efficiency Works (60 Units)	€2,500,000			€2,500,000	€1,250,000	€1,250,000				€2,500,000
Refurbishment - Voids	€400,000	€400,000	€400,000	€1,200,000	€600,000				€600,000	€1,200,000
Land Activation - Masterplanning and Viability Analysis	€160,000	€160,000	€160,000	€480,000	€300,000				€180,000	€480,000

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Housing & Building	Expenditure				Funded by					
Description	2021	2022	2023	Total (2021 to 2023)	Grants	Loans	Development Levies	Revenue Provision	Other	Total (2021 to 2023)
Land Activation - Services Sites Fund	€2,178,092	€9,411,911	€9,411,911	€21,001,914	€18,691,703			€2,310,211		€21,001,914
CAS Construction - Mallow Street	€1,254,675	€1,254,675		€2,509,349	€2,509,349					€2,509,349
CAS Construction - Thomondgate (18 Units)	€2,000,000	€1,295,295		€3,295,295	€3,295,295					€3,295,295
CAS Construction - Towerfield Crescent, Croom (13 units)	€1,921,397	€1,921,397		€3,842,793	€3,842,793					€3,842,793
CAS Construction - Cappamore Village (10 Units)	€1,026,246	€1,026,246		€2,052,491	€2,052,491					€2,052,491
CAS Construction - Presentation Convent Castlefarm Hospital (8 Units)	€889,881	€889,881		€1,779,762	€1,779,762					€1,779,762
CAS Construction - St. Paul's Convent Kilfinane (9 Units)	€708,356	€708,356		€1,416,712	€1,416,712					€1,416,712
Construction - Mary Street Garda Station Redevelopment	€40,000	€30,000	€30,000	€100,000	€100,000					€100,000
Repair & Lease - Riverview Glabally (7 Units)	€178,800			€178,800	€178,800					€178,800
Thermal Upgrade Programme - Regeneration Areas	€3,000,000	€3,000,000	€2,190,000	€8,190,000	€8,190,000					€8,190,000
Demolition Programme - Regeneration	€800,000	€500,000	€300,000	€1,600,000	€1,600,000					€1,600,000
Environmental & Small Capital Works - Regeneration	€3,370,000	€3,370,000	€3,370,000	€10,110,000	€10,110,000					€10,110,000
Refurbishment Programme - Regeneration	€2,035,000	€2,035,000	€2,035,000	€6,105,000	€6,105,000					€6,105,000
Social Intervention Grants - Regeneration	€3,800,000	€3,800,000	€3,800,000	€11,400,000	€11,400,000					€11,400,000
CCTV	€870,000	€870,000	€870,000	€2,610,000	€2,610,000					€2,610,000
CALF Turnkey - Drominbeg, Rhebogue (20 Units)	€1,117,200			€1,117,200	€1,117,200					€1,117,200
CALF Turnkey - Woodfield Manor, Newcastle West (30 Units)	€2,001,374			€2,001,374	€2,001,374					€2,001,374

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Housing & Building	Expenditure				Funded by					
Description	2021	2022	2023	Total (2021 to 2023)	Grants	Loans	Development Levies	Revenue Provision	Other	Total (2021 to 2023)
CALF Turnkey - Glendale Lawn, Bloodmill Road (4 Units)	€166,400			€166,400	€166,400					€166,400
CALF Turnkey - Bloodmill Road, Singland (134 Units)	€3,262,416	€4,266,236	€878,343	€8,406,995	€8,406,995					€8,406,995
CALF Turnkey - Toormore, Main Street, Bruree (16 Units)	€1,104,000			€1,104,000	€1,104,000					€1,104,000
CALF Turnkey - Clonmacken (110 units)	€4,532,891	€2,799,727		€7,332,618	€7,332,618					€7,332,618
CALF Turnkey - Baunacloka, Mungret Gate (71 Units)	€4,354,411			€4,354,411	€4,354,411					€4,354,411
CAS Construction - Alphonsus Street (8 Units)	€1,000,000	€782,331		€1,782,331	€1,782,331					€1,782,331
CAS Construction - Ballygrennan Close, Community Facility (7 Units)	€864,268			€864,268	€864,268					€864,268
CAS Construction - Ballygrennan Close, Group Homes - (5 Units)	€766,168			€766,168	€766,168					€766,168
CAS Construction - Henry Street (5 Units)	€868,914	€100,000		€968,914	€968,914					€968,914
CAS Construction - Main Street Croom (5 Units)	€513,047	€513,047		€1,026,093	€1,026,093					€1,026,093
TurnKey Development - Pallaskerry (16 Units)	€2,430,000	€1,984,798		€4,414,798	€4,414,798					€4,414,798
Turnkey Development - Cratloe Road (14 Units)	€4,080,858			€4,080,858	€4,080,858					€4,080,858
Turnkey Development - Kilmallock (33 Units)	€9,296,032			€9,296,032	€9,296,032					€9,296,032
Acquisitions - General	€2,000,000	€2,000,000	€2,000,000	€6,000,000	€6,000,000					€6,000,000
Acquisitions - Buy & Renew	€2,000,000	€2,000,000	€2,000,000	€6,000,000	€6,000,000					€6,000,000
Acquisitions - Part V	€4,500,000	€5,625,000	€6,750,000	€16,875,000	€16,875,000					€16,875,000
Acquisitions - Mortgage to Rent	€350,000	€350,000	€350,000	€1,050,000	€1,050,000					€1,050,000

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Housing & Building	Expenditure				Funded by					
Description	2021	2022	2023	Total (2021 to 2023)	Grants	Loans	Development Levies	Revenue Provision	Other	Total (2021 to 2023)
Acquisitions - CAS	€1,000,000	€1,000,000	€1,000,000	€3,000,000	€3,000,000					€3,000,000
CALF Projected Projects	€2,000,000	€2,000,000	€2,000,000	€6,000,000	€6,000,000					€6,000,000
Acquisitions - Strategic Purchases	€1,000,000	€1,500,000	€1,500,000	€4,000,000	€4,000,000					€4,000,000
Housing - New Projects			€57,000,000	€57,000,000	€57,000,000					€57,000,000
Refurbishments - Derelicts, B&R, General SHIP, CPO, O&M, Regen	€6,056,000	€3,300,000	€1,900,000	€11,256,000	€10,268,500				€987,500	€11,256,000
Refurbishment - Private Grants (HAGs, MAGs and HAOPs)	€2,675,000	€2,675,000	€2,675,000	€8,025,000	€6,420,000			€1,605,000		€8,025,000
Refurbishment - Disabled Person Grants (DPG's)	€950,000	€950,000	€950,000	€2,850,000	€2,565,000			€285,000		€2,850,000
Totals	€130,106,424	€99,163,898	€129,400,254	€358,670,577	€345,002,866	€7,250,000	€0	€4,200,211	€2,217,500	€358,670,576

Programme Group 2 - Roads, Transportation & Safety

Capital Programme 2021 - 2023

Roads, Transportation & Safety	Expenditure				Funded by					
Description	2021	2022	2023	Total (2021 - 2023)	Grants	Loans	Development Levies	Revenue Provision	Other	Total (2021 - 2023)
Coonagh Knockalisheen Distributor Road	€12,000,000	€12,000,000	€3,000,000	€27,000,000	€27,000,000					€27,000,000
LIHAF Mungret Link Streets	€4,000,000	€12,000,000	€4,000,000	€20,000,000	€15,000,000		€5,000,000			€20,000,000
O Connell Street Urban Renewal	€8,000,000	€8,000,000	€4,000,000	€20,000,000	€16,000,000			€4,000,000		€20,000,000
NTA Sustainable Transport Projects	€16,100,000	€16,650,000	€5,470,000	€38,220,000	€38,220,000					€38,220,000
Metropolitan Depot Design	€750,000	€6,000,000	€7,000,000	€13,750,000	€2,000,000	€6,000,000			€5,750,000	€13,750,000
Abbeyfeale Centre Traffic management	€2,000,000	€3,200,000	€300,000	€5,500,000	€3,000,000		€2,500,000			€5,500,000
Croom Distributor Road	€250,000			€250,000			€250,000			€250,000
Steamboat Quay Upgrade	€250,000			€250,000			€250,000			€250,000
Childers Road/ Ballysimon Road Design	€100,000	€1,600,000	€200,000	€1,900,000	€1,900,000					€1,900,000
Dock Road /Atlas Avenue Junction	€1,000,000	€50,000		€1,050,000	€525,000		€525,000			€1,050,000
Golf Links Road and Ballysimon Road Upgrade (O'Shea's Pub)	€1,100,000	€100,000		€1,200,000	€1,200,000					€1,200,000
Newcastle West Transport Study	€100,000	€100,000	€100,000	€300,000			€300,000			€300,000
Park Road Bridge Replacement	€500,000	€500,000		€1,000,000	€1,000,000					€1,000,000
Cappamore Road Junction R445 Overlay Project	€1,000,000			€1,000,000	€1,000,000					€1,000,000
City Centre Traffic Management Plan	€500,000	€200,000		€700,000	€700,000					€700,000

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Roads, Transportation & Safety	Expenditure				Funded by					
Description	2021	2022	2023	Total (2021 - 2023)	Grants	Loans	Development Levies	Revenue Provision	Other	Total (2021 - 2023)
City Centre Public Realm Strategy	€100,000	€100,000	€100,000	€300,000			€300,000			€300,000
Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (Dev Plan)	€50,000			€50,000			€50,000			€50,000
Metro Drainage Study	€200,000	€1,000,000	€1,000,000	€2,200,000			€2,200,000			€2,200,000
Urban Renewal Non Metro	€300,000	€300,000	€300,000	€900,000					€900,000	€900,000
Patrickswell Urban Renewal Phase 2	€900,000			€900,000			€300,000		€600,000	€900,000
N\M 20 Cork to Limerick Scheme	€5,000,000	€5,000,000	€5,000,000	€15,000,000	€15,000,000					€15,000,000
N21 Newcastle West Relief Road	€750,000	€750,000	€750,000	€2,250,000	€2,250,000					€2,250,000
N21 Abbeyfeale Relief Road	€750,000	€750,000	€750,000	€2,250,000	€2,250,000					€2,250,000
Foynes to Limk Road Improvement Scheme	€2,500,000	€5,000,000	€8,000,000	€15,500,000	€15,500,000					€15,500,000
N24 Beary's Cross Improvements	€727,000	€1,123,000	€600,000	€2,450,000	€2,450,000					€2,450,000
RDO - N69 Mungret and Boland's Cross Road Improvements	€125,000	€500,000	€1,500,000	€2,125,000	€2,125,000					€2,125,000
N20 O'Rourke's Cross Improvements	€647,000	€1,203,000	€600,000	€2,450,000	€2,450,000					€2,450,000
Killarney Pole to Barnagh Phase 11	€25,000			€25,000	€25,000					€25,000
N69 Kilcornan Traffic Calming	€60,000			€60,000	€60,000					€60,000
Ballyphilip to Howardstown North & N20 Ballymacrory Phase 2	€50,000			€50,000	€50,000					€50,000
N69 Court Cross	€50,000	€250,000		€300,000	€300,000					€300,000

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Roads, Transportation & Safety	Expenditure				Funded by					
Description	2021	2022	2023	Total (2021 - 2023)	Grants	Loans	Development Levies	Revenue Provision	Other	Total (2021 - 2023)
N69 Court Cross Bolane Pavement Scheme	€50,000			€50,000	€50,000					€50,000
N21 Newcastle Pavement Scheme	€50,000			€50,000	€50,000					€50,000
Castletroy Masterplan - Design	€50,000	€50,000	€50,000	€150,000			€150,000			€150,000
T I I Energy Efficient Public Lighting Schemes	€500,000	€500,000	€500,000	€1,500,000	€1,500,000					€1,500,000
Public Lighting Retrofit Programme	€1,000,000	€6,000,000	€6,000,000	€13,000,000		€13,000,000				€13,000,000
Croom Town Centre Traffic Management	€250,000			€250,000	€200,000		€50,000			€250,000
Rathkeale Inner Relief Road	€25,000	€400,000		€425,000	€400,000		€25,000			€425,000
Ballingarry Relief Road Widen and Overlay		€750,000		€750,000	€750,000					€750,000
Walkway Kildimo to Bolane	€215,000	€125,000		€340,000	€250,000		€90,000			€340,000
N69 Hegarty's Cross to Askeaton Phase 1	€650,000	€50,000		€700,000	€700,000					€700,000
N69 Hegarty's Cross to Askeaton Phase 2	€1,100,000	€100,000		€1,200,000	€1,200,000					€1,200,000
N21 Abbeyfeale Phase 1	€940,000	€60,000		€1,000,000	€1,000,000					€1,000,000
Devon Cross	€230,000	€50,000		€280,000	€280,000					€280,000
Ward's Cross	€10,000			€10,000	€10,000					€10,000
HGV Study	€50,000	€50,000	€50,000	€150,000	€150,000					€150,000
Future NTA Sustainable Transport Projects			€15,000,000	€15,000,000	€15,000,000					€15,000,000
Taking In Charge of Estates	€100,000	€100,000	€100,000	€300,000			€300,000			€300,000
Totals	€65,104,000	€84,611,000	€64,370,000	€214,085,000	€171,545,000	€19,000,000	€12,290,000	€4,000,000	€7,250,000	€214,085,000

Programme Group 3 - Water Supply & Sewerage

Capital Programme 2021 - 2023

Water Supply & Sewerage	Expenditure				Funded by					
Description	2021	2022	2023	Total (2021 to 2023)	Grants	Loans	Development Levies	Revenue Provision	Other	Total (2021 to 2023)
Upgrade & maintenance of legacy pumping stations & treatment plants not taken over by Irish Water	€566,667	€566,667	€566,666	€1,700,000	€1,700,000					€1,700,000
Take Over Group Schemes	€550,000	€550,000	€550,000	€1,650,000	€1,650,000					€1,650,000
GWS Design, Build, Operate	€250,000	€250,000	€250,000	€750,000	€750,000					€750,000
New Group Water Schemes	€100,000	€100,000	€100,000	€300,000	€300,000					€300,000
Provision of Public Toilets	€100,000	€100,000		€200,000					€200,000	€200,000
Totals	€1,566,667	€1,566,667	€1,466,666	€4,600,000	€4,400,000				€200,000	€4,600,000

Programme Group 4 - Economic Development

Capital Programme 2021 - 2023

Economic Development	Expenditure				Funded by					
Description	2021	2022	2023	Total (2021 to 2023)	Grants	Loans	Development Levies	Revenue Provision	Other	Total (2021 - 2023)
Revitalization Strategy for Georgian Limerick	€310,000	€125,000	€125,000	€560,000	€560,000					€560,000
Upgrade of Laneways in Georgian City Centre	€268,400	€1,778,850	€1,658,250	€3,705,500	€3,705,500					€3,705,500
Smart Aging Homes Development Project	€270,150	€30,000		€300,150	€300,150					€300,150
Co Living Homes Development Project	€352,852	€40,000		€392,852	€392,852					€392,852
Limerick City Centre Conference Centre	€100,000	€900,000	€2,000,000	€3,000,000	€3,000,000					€3,000,000
Social & Economic Model	€150,000			€150,000	€110,000		€40,000			€150,000
2020 City and County Development Plan	€200,000	€50,000		€250,000			€250,000			€250,000
Innovate Limerick - Capital Projects (Reg Digital Collaboration & Virtual Reality Centre)	€1,250,000	€3,750,000		€5,000,000	€4,000,000				€1,000,000	€5,000,000
Small Business Innovation Research Grant for Fire Safety in Historic Buildings	€54,686			€54,686	€25,000				€29,686	€54,686
N21 Enterprise Park	€50,000			€50,000					€50,000	€50,000
Opera Site Development (Revenue Building, New Central Library, Public Realm and other related works)	€6,611,665	€33,839,057	€41,868,963	€82,319,685	€5,000,000	€77,319,685				€82,319,685
Mungret Site Development	€310,000	€235,000	€205,000	€750,000					€750,000	€750,000
Partnership Grant Scheme with Failte Ireland	€24,000	€24,000	€24,000	€72,000	€72,000					€72,000
Visitor Signage & Orientation	€468,750	€117,188		€585,938	€468,750			€117,188		€585,938
Great Southern Greenway	€2,393,359			€2,393,359		€2,393,359				€2,393,359
Discovery Points for Great Southern Greenway	€290,607			€290,607	€60,000		€70,000	€25,000	€135,607	€290,607
UL to Montpellier Greenway	€80,000	€60,000	€60,000	€200,000					€200,000	€200,000

Programme Group 4 - Economic Development

Capital Programme 2021 - 2023

Economic Development	Expenditure				Funded by					
Description	2021	2022	2023	Total (2021 to 2023)	Grants	Loans	Development Levies	Revenue Provision	Other	Total (2021 - 2023)
Rathkeale to Limerick City Greenway Feasibility	€150,000			€150,000	€150,000					€150,000
Tourism Project - Franciscan Church/Friary	€5,000,000	€10,000,000		€15,000,000	€11,250,000				€3,750,000	€15,000,000
Medieval Quarter Enhancement	€247,885	€232,885	€232,885	€713,655					€713,655	€713,655
Adare Heritage Centre - Tourist Centre Development	€50,000	€90,000	€10,000	€150,000				€150,000		€150,000
Culture Fund	€129,000	€129,000	€129,000	€387,000				€387,000		€387,000
Leader Programme 2014 - 2020	€3,875,797			€3,875,797	€3,875,797					€3,875,797
Town and Village Renewal Scheme	€1,757,150	€1,096,750	€750,000	€3,603,900	€3,603,900					€3,603,900
Clár Programme	€268,950			€268,950	€242,055			€26,895		€268,950
Community Enhancement Programme	€370,965			€370,965	€370,965					€370,965
Lough Gur Improvements	€40,000	€40,000	€40,000	€120,000			€60,000	€60,000		€120,000
Comhairle na nOg 2020	€20,000	€20,000	€20,000	€60,000	€60,000					€60,000
Age Friendly Projects	€40,026	€30,000	€30,000	€100,026	€90,000				€10,026	€100,026
RRDF Dereliction and Reuse	€1,500,000	€1,000,000	€750,000	€3,250,000	€2,500,000	€750,000				€3,250,000
Dereliction and Vacancy	€255,034			€255,034				€255,034		€255,034
36 Cecil Street (GAFF) - Capital Works	€300,000			€300,000					€300,000	€300,000
EU - Project Capiten	€30,000			€30,000	€22,500			€7,500		€30,000
EU Project - Find Your Greatness	€82,000			€82,000	€82,000					€82,000
EU Project - Wifi4EU	€120,000			€120,000	€120,000					€120,000

Programme Group 4 - Economic Development

Capital Programme 2021 - 2023

Economic Development	Expenditure				Funded by					
Description	2021	2022	2023	Total (2021 to 2023)	Grants	Loans	Development Levies	Revenue Provision	Other	Total (2021 - 2023)
City XChange Project	€1,984,938			€1,984,938	€1,984,938					€1,984,938
Totals:	€29,406,214	€53,587,730	€47,903,098	€130,897,041	€42,046,407	€80,463,044	€420,000	€1,028,617	€6,938,974	€130,897,042

Programme Group 5 - Environmental Protection

Capital Programme 2021 - 2023

Environmental Protection	Expenditure				Funded by					
Description	2021	2022	2023	Total (2021 to 2023)	Grants	Loans	Development Levies	Revenue Provision	Other	Total (2021 - 2023)
<u>FIRE</u>										
Upkeep of Mulgrave Street Fire Station	€350,000	€300,000	€300,000	€950,000				€950,000		€950,000
Fire Service Training Centre	€1,200,000	€300,000	€4,000,000	€5,500,000	€4,635,000		€445,000		€420,000	€5,500,000
Maintenance of Fire Stations	€100,000			€100,000				€100,000		€100,000
Fire Service Improved Access to Rescue Pontoon	€110,000			€110,000				€110,000		€110,000
Capital MRCC National Command Control & Communications System	€1,397,608			€1,397,608	€1,397,608					€1,397,608
Control Centre Equipment Replacement	€400,000	€100,000	€100,000	€600,000					€600,000	€600,000
MRCC Station End Equipment	€1,186,964			€1,186,964	€1,186,964					€1,186,964
Civil Defence Van Replacement	€60,000			€60,000				€60,000		€60,000
Upgrade works at Newcastle West Fire Station	€100,000	€100,000	€55,000	€255,000	€255,000					€255,000
Upgrade works at Cappamore Fire Station	€300,000	€200,000	€186,000	€686,000	€686,000					€686,000
<u>BURIAL GROUNDS</u>										
Ancient Places and Structures	€25,000	€25,000	€25,000	€75,000			€75,000			€75,000
Site Investigation Works to proposed Burial Grounds	€10,000	€10,000	€10,000	€30,000					€30,000	€30,000
Columbarian Walls in Mt St Lawrence & Kilmurray Burial Grounds	€20,000	€20,000	€20,000	€60,000			€60,000			€60,000

Programme Group 5 - Environmental Protection

Capital Programme 2021 - 2023

Environmental Protection	Expenditure				Funded by					
Description	2021	2022	2023	Total (2021 to 2023)	Grants	Loans	Development Levies	Revenue Provision	Other	Total (2021 - 2023)
Old Cork Rd Mt St Oliver Boundary Wall	€100,000			€100,000					€100,000	€100,000
Capital Works to existing City & County Burial Grounds	€150,000	€150,000	€175,000	€475,000					€475,000	€475,000
Caherconlish - Extension of Burial Ground	€50,000			€50,000					€50,000	€50,000
Askeaton - Extension of Burial Ground	€175,000			€175,000					€175,000	€175,000
Ballylanders - Extension of Burial Ground	€200,000			€200,000					€200,000	€200,000
Abbeyfeale - New Burial Ground	€250,000			€250,000					€250,000	€250,000
NCW - Extension of Burial Ground	€200,000			€200,000					€200,000	€200,000
Develop New Access Road to Dromcollogher Burial Ground	€100,000			€100,000					€100,000	€100,000
Proposed Burial Ground - Murroe/Cappamore	€50,000	€150,000	€150,000	€350,000					€350,000	€350,000
Proposed New Burial Ground - Adare	€150,000	€150,000	€150,000	€450,000					€450,000	€450,000
Burial Grounds - Drainage Works	€15,000	€15,000	€15,000	€45,000					€45,000	€45,000
Burial Grounds - Wall and Footpath Improvement Works	€100,000	€100,000	€100,000	€300,000					€300,000	€300,000
Burial Ground Rights of Way - Maintenance & Improvement	€10,000			€10,000					€10,000	€10,000
OTHER										
Kings Island Flood Relief Scheme	€6,000,000	€8,000,000	€1,000,000	€15,000,000	€15,000,000					€15,000,000

Programme Group 5 - Environmental Protection

Capital Programme 2021 - 2023

Environmental Protection	Expenditure				Funded by					
Description	2021	2022	2023	Total (2021 to 2023)	Grants	Loans	Development Levies	Revenue Provision	Other	Total (2021 - 2023)
Limerick City & Environs Flood Relief Scheme	€1,000,000	€2,000,000	€2,000,000	€5,000,000	€5,000,000					€5,000,000
Rathkeale Flood Relief Scheme	€100,000	€100,000	€300,000	€500,000	€500,000					€500,000
Adare Flood Relief Scheme	€500,000	€1,000,000	€1,000,000	€2,500,000	€2,500,000					€2,500,000
Athea Flood Relief Scheme	€100,000	€100,000	€600,000	€800,000	€800,000					€800,000
Castleconnell Flood Relief Scheme	€400,000	€100,000	€4,000,000	€4,500,000	€4,500,000					€4,500,000
Second Tranche Flood Relief Schemes	€200,000	€200,000	€200,000	€600,000	€600,000					€600,000
Climate Action	€310,000	€390,000	€450,000	€1,150,000	€787,500		€187,500		€175,000	€1,150,000
Control of Giant Hogweed on River Loobagh	€27,000	€27,000	€27,000	€81,000	€68,850			€12,150		€81,000
Domestic Wastewater Treatment Systems Implementation	€44,000	€44,000	€44,000	€132,000					€132,000	€132,000
European Green Leaf 2020 Award	€46,000			€46,000	€46,000					€46,000
Gortnadroma Landfill Aftercare	€155,000	€155,000	€155,000	€465,000					€465,000	€465,000
Historic Landfills Remediation	€200,000	€200,000	€200,000	€600,000					€600,000	€600,000
Septic Tanks Grants	€30,000	€30,000	€30,000	€90,000	€90,000					€90,000
Southern Regional Waste Management Office Green Enterprise Corporate Social Responsibility Project Expenditure	€45,000	€45,000	€45,000	€135,000	€135,000					€135,000
LAPN Project	€20,000	€20,000		€40,000	€40,000					€40,000
URBACT Health and Greenspaces	€50,000	€25,000		€75,000	€75,000					€75,000
Totals	€16,036,572	€14,056,000	€15,337,000	€45,429,572	€38,302,922		€767,500	€1,232,150	€5,127,000	€45,429,572

Programme Group 6 - Recreation & Amenity

Capital Programme 2021 - 2023

Recreation & Amenity	Expenditure				Funded by					
Description	2021	2022	2023	Total (2021 - 2023)	Grants	Loans	Development Levies	Revenue	Other	Total (2021 to 2023)
Development of Regional Athletics Hub NCW	€1,200,000	€1,946,920		€3,146,920	€1,808,776	€553,644	€636,000		€148,500	€3,146,920
Stone Mansion, Kilmallock Interpretative Centre	€100,000	€100,000	€150,000	€350,000				€350,000		€350,000
West Limerick Tourism Gateway incl Fullers Folly	€250,000	€154,816		€404,816	€311,278		€93,538			€404,816
Irish Aerial Creation Centre	€300,000			€300,000					€300,000	€300,000
Upgrade to Cultural Facilities	€112,800			€112,800	€56,400		€56,400			€112,800
Cultural Civic Engagement Programme	€30,000	€30,000	€30,000	€90,000	€90,000					€90,000
Invitation to Collaboration Award	€58,000	€15,000		€73,000	€73,000					€73,000
Capital - Newcastle West Library Upgrade Works	€225,000			€225,000				€225,000		€225,000
Limerick City Gallery of Art - Upgrade	€66,253	€16,253	€16,253	€98,759			€48,759		€50,000	€98,759
Museum Upgrade Works	€50,000			€50,000				€50,000		€50,000
Replacement of Roof in Rathkeale Library	€500,000			€500,000					€500,000	€500,000
Essential Furniture Upgrades at Dooradoyle and Newcastle West Libraries	€40,000			€40,000				€40,000		€40,000
Abbeyfeale Library - Automated Gates	€25,000			€25,000				€25,000		€25,000
Newcastle West - Disability Toilets	€60,000			€60,000				€60,000		€60,000
Healthy Ireland Fund LCDC	€247,168			€247,168	€247,168					€247,168
Outdoor Recreation Infrastructural Scheme	€350,742	€335,000		€685,742	€618,742			€40,000	€27,000	€685,742

Programme Group 6 - Recreation & Amenity

Capital Programme 2021 - 2023

Recreation & Amenity	Expenditure				Funded by					
Description	2021	2022	2023	Total (2021 - 2023)	Grants	Loans	Development Levies	Revenue	Other	Total (2021 to 2023)
Playground Upgrade Works	€25,000			€25,000					€25,000	€25,000
Borough Field Project	€100,000			€100,000				€100,000		€100,000
Capital Upgrade Sporting Facilities	€1,080,000	€280,000		€1,360,000	€737,000			€80,000	€543,000	€1,360,000
Adare Popes Quay Development		€250,000		€250,000	€200,000		€50,000			€250,000
Askeaton Riverside Walkway	€120,000			€120,000	€96,000		€24,000			€120,000
Baggott Estate - Upgrade footpaths and new footpath	€100,000	€100,000	€100,000	€300,000			€200,000		€100,000	€300,000
Castletroy Park - Complete wall at Beechgrove	€20,000			€20,000			€20,000			€20,000
Castletroy Park Playground Expansion	€100,000			€100,000				€100,000		€100,000
Foynes Monument Walkway	€210,000			€210,000	€168,000		€42,000			€210,000
Park Depots - Welfare Facilities	€10,000			€10,000			€10,000			€10,000
Peoples Park Drinking Fountain Upgrade	€20,000			€20,000			€20,000			€20,000
Peoples Park Playground Upgrade	€50,000			€50,000			€50,000			€50,000
Rathkeale Footbridge and River Walkway			€250,000	€250,000	€250,000					€250,000
Rathkeale Footpath Link Castlematrix	€25,000	€25,000		€50,000			€50,000			€50,000
Rathkeale Sli na Slainte	€100,000	€25,000		€125,000	€100,000		€25,000			€125,000
Upgrades to Parks/ Recreational Facilities	€440,000	€150,000	€100,000	€690,000	€77,500		€612,500			€690,000
Totals:	€6,014,963	€3,427,989	€646,253	€10,089,205	€4,833,864	€553,644	€1,938,197	€1,070,000	€1,693,500	€10,089,205

Programme Group 7 - Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare

Capital Programme 2021 - 2023

Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	Expenditure				Funded by					
Description	2021	2022	2023	Total (2021 to 2023)	Grants	Loans	Development Levies	Revenue	Other	Total (2021 to 2023)
Equine Education and Therapy Programme	€85,000	€85,000	€85,000	€255,000	€255,000					€255,000
Totals:	€85,000	€85,000	€85,000	€255,000	€255,000					€255,000

Programme Group 8 - Miscellaneous / Corporate

Capital Programme 2021 - 2023

Miscellaneous / Corporate	Expenditure				Funded by					
Description	2021	2022	2023	Total (2021 to 2023)	Grants	Loans	Development Levies	Revenue	Other	Total (2021 to 2023)
Capital Replacement Plant & Machinery	€325,000	€400,000	€400,000	€1,125,000				€1,125,000		€1,125,000
Corporate Building Works	€2,000,000	€2,000,000	€2,000,000	€6,000,000		€6,000,000				€6,000,000
Limerick.ie	€30,000			€30,000				€30,000		€30,000
Digital Strategy Programme	€192,000			€192,000					€192,000	€192,000
MIMIAH Project (Maritime, Military and Industrial Atlantic Heritage)	€170,000			€170,000	€170,000					€170,000
Public Digital Displays	€135,000			€135,000	€135,000					€135,000
Smart Pedestrian Counters	€15,000			€15,000	€15,000					€15,000
Smart CCTV Projects	€50,000			€50,000				€50,000		€50,000
ICT Capital Projects	€150,000	€150,000	€150,000	€450,000				€450,000		€450,000
LITe Records Management Project	€200,000	€200,000	€200,000	€600,000				€600,000		€600,000
Totals:	€3,267,000	€2,750,000	€2,750,000	€8,767,000	€320,000	€6,000,000	€0	€2,255,000	€192,000	€8,767,000



Comhairle Cathrach
& Contae **Luimnigh**

Limerick City
& County Council

Annual Budget 2021

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I hereby certify that at the budget meeting of Limerick City and County Council held this 27th day of November 2020 the Council by Resolution adopted for the financial year ending on the 31st day of December, 2021 the budget set out in Tables A, B, D, E and F and by Resolution determined in accordance with the said budget the Rate set out in Table A to be the general annual rate on valuation to be levied for that year for the purposes set out in those Tables.

Signed


Mayor

Countersigned


Chief Executive

Dated this 27th day of November, 2020

APPENDIX 1

MINISTERIAL
CORRESPONDENCE BUDGET
2021



12 November, 2020.

Dr. Pat Daly,
Chief Executive,
Limerick County Council,
Council Offices,
Merchant's Quay,
Limerick.

A Chara,

As the local authority plenary budget process is now underway, as Minister, I, along with my colleague, Minister of State Peter Burke, wanted to take this opportunity to re-state Government's support for the local government sector, both in terms of the delivery of government priorities and, particularly, in respect of the exceptional leadership shown through the response to the Covid-19 pandemic. We are keenly aware of the importance of the work of local authorities across a wide spectrum of issues and we commend the sector for its constructive approach to the challenges of 2020.

In terms of 2020, as you know, Government has allocated €900 million in respect of the 9 month waiver of commercial rates. We know our officials have been working with teams across the sector on the allocation of this funding and it now appears that there will be an under-spend of this funding insofar as the waiver is concerned. In order to further support local authorities and ensure continued service delivery, we are pleased to advise that it is our intention, in partnership with our colleague, Michael McGrath TD, Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, to re-allocate any funding not drawn down under the €900 million rates waiver in 2020 to support local authorities meet costs and income losses that have arisen as a direct consequence of the pandemic.

In respect of 2021, while there are positive signs in recent days, the future trajectory of the Covid-19 virus remains unknown. Given the degree of uncertainty, it is not possible for Government, at this time, to make open ended commitments in respect of commercial rates or other income pressures that may arise next year. It is also likely that, in the event



that further supports prove necessary in 2021, such supports will be more targeted than has been the case in 2020. As you will be all too aware, commercial rates are the backbone of local authority income and it is important that ratepayers continue to contribute, where they can do so.

In the context of the 2021 budget process, we would ask that elected members be mindful of the significant commitments made and fulfilled by Government in 2020 and to carry forward the aforementioned constructive approach to your budget adoption process. It is critical that services continue to be delivered to our citizens, that those citizens can maintain confidence in the local government system and that the sector as a whole can build on the significant goodwill towards it, which has only been enhanced by the sector's response to the pandemic.

We acknowledge, of course, that the budget process can be challenging, but it could be detrimental to confidence in local services if a narrative of reductions and retrenchment was to take hold, particularly in light of the financial support provided to local authorities to date in 2020.

Our Department remains available to offer guidance and support to local authority finance teams in the context of the budget process and more generally and you can be assured that as 2021 progresses we will continue to work with you as issues arise. Please circulate this letter to the elected members.

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**Darragh O'Brien, TD,
Minister for Housing, Local
Government & Heritage.**



**Peter Burke, TD,
Minister of State for Local
Government & Planning**