

**Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick
to be held on Monday, 15th March, 2021**

Question submitted by Councillor E. Secas

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick when the Council plans to advertise the Part 8 application for the new Castletry Road linking Groody Road with Old Schoolhouse Road/GLR junction.

Reply:

Limerick City and County Council intend to submit an Environmental Impact Assessment Report/Compulsory Purchase Order to An Bord Pleanála for this scheme in April, due to the sensitive ecological nature of the area. This obviates the need for Part 8 planning.

**Brian Kennedy
Director of Service
Physical Development Directorate
9th March, 2021**

**Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick
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Question submitted by Councillor E. Secas

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick when the Council plans to advertise the Part 8 application for the upgrading/widening of the Golf Links Road at O’Shea’s Pub.

Reply:

Limerick City and County Council expects to lodge a Part VIII application for this scheme in April 2021.

**Brian Kennedy
Director of Service
Physical Development Directorate
9th March, 2021**

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK

MEETING TO BE HELD ON 15TH MARCH 2021

Question submitted by Councillor E. Secas

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for an update on the DTTAS signs.

- A) Why these signs have not been rolled out under Covid 19 emergency measures
- B) A survey spreadsheet of all the locations in Limerick City and County where the signs will be erected
- C) The proposed date for when these signs will be erected
- D) How many signs in total have been acquired by Limerick City and County Council.

REPLY:

A) The signs were ordered in December 2020 and were received at the Annacotty Depot on 29th January, 2021.

B) Limerick City and County Council will agree locations for the placement of these signs in the next few weeks.

Note: To date, Limerick City and County Council have placed signs at the following locations Rosbrien Road (2 no.) and Ballyclough/ Lisnalta (2 no.). Further signs will be erected next week at Groody Road (2 no.), Ballysimon Road (2 no.) and Plassey Road (4 no.).

C) These signs will be erected by Autumn 2021 after the end of the programmed Restoration Improvement and Restoration Maintenance works.

D) 300 signs have been acquired by Limerick City and County Council.

John Sheehan
SEE Metropolitan Roads
Limerick City and County Council

15/03/2021

LIMERICK CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK

MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 15TH MARCH 2021

Question submitted by Councillor S. Benson

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick how many local authority owned properties have been handed over to Approved Housing Bodies in the past 4 years (broken down by year) for the purpose of managing the tenancy and;

- a. Who is the landlord in these cases for the purpose of tenancy legislation?
- b. What are the terms of the contract with the AHB i.e. financial arrangement, duration of contract, responsibility for general maintenance and structural maintenance?
- c. Are tenants made aware that the Council are the owners of the property?
- d. Have any of these houses been sold to the AHB's?

Response:

The following is a breakdown of the figures requested.

From time to time the Local Authority licensed some of our own Council stock to Approved Housing Bodies to support vulnerable tenancy integration.

Over the last 4 years the following licences have been put in place;

2017 - 23
2018 - 40
2019 - 31
2020 - 46

A.

Approved Housing Bodies manage all aspects of the Tenancy (legislation) and work closely with the Housing Support Department in relation to all tenancy issues.

B.

The period that covers a licensing arrangement is 11 months. Typically the tenancy support service is funded by Homeless Action Team. Rents are collected by the AHB with a weekly charge of € 3.80 paid to the Council. The Council provide maintenance services to the property.

C.

Tenants are always communicated with in relation to the nature of the arrangement with the AHB and many transfer to full Council Tenancies after 11 months.

D.

To date no properties have been transferred to Approved Housing Bodies. The disposal of Council owned property is by way of Section 183 procedure which must be approved by full Council.

Aoife Duke
Director of Service
Housing Development

11th March 2021

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK

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Question submitted by Councillor S. Benson

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick, how much Limerick City and County Council paid for all of the land acquired in Dromdarrig, Mungret and any adjoining sites, including the year of purchase.

REPLY:

The Council paid €2,398,225 million for the lands acquired at Dromdarrig, Mungret. The year of purchase was 2014.

**Jayne Leahy,
Head of Property Services.**

12th March, 2021.

LIMERICK CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK

MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 15TH MARCH 2021

Question submitted by Councillor S. Benson

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick what projects have been delivered and achieved under the economic pillar of the LRFIP to date and

- a. How is the success of these projects measured.
- b. How many jobs have been created under these projects to date, broken down by part time, full time and temporary and permanent,
- c. If these jobs were filled by persons living in Regeneration areas
- d. Has the Council set specific targets regarding permanent employment for the remainder of the Regeneration projects and if so how many will be achieved?

Response:

Financial supports are provided to community groups annually to support the Economic Pillar of the LRFIP. €1m of the annual SIF allocation is ear-marked for projects that demonstrate an economic dividend for the Regeneration areas. It is important to note that the majority of applications received focus on projects that meet social objectives.

The applications received are reviewed by an independent assessment panel, who assess each application based on the merits of the project proposed and its impacts in the Regeneration areas in terms of employment, training opportunities etc.

As the process is designed to support projects from within the Regeneration areas and or benefit the Regeneration communities directly a number of Organisations have chose to focus on delivery under the Economic pillar across the four Regeneration Areas.

- a. The success of projects are measures on a number of levels- firstly the draw down of approved funding is based on the organisations providing clear evidence of delivery of the objectives contained in the project proposal. Vouched expenses for review of related expenditure is also required as back-up evidence to delivery of the project as outlined in the funding application.

A review of the programme by way of detailed statistical analysis is also carried out.

- b. See number of jobs created in Table A and B below.

Table A: Number of jobs created

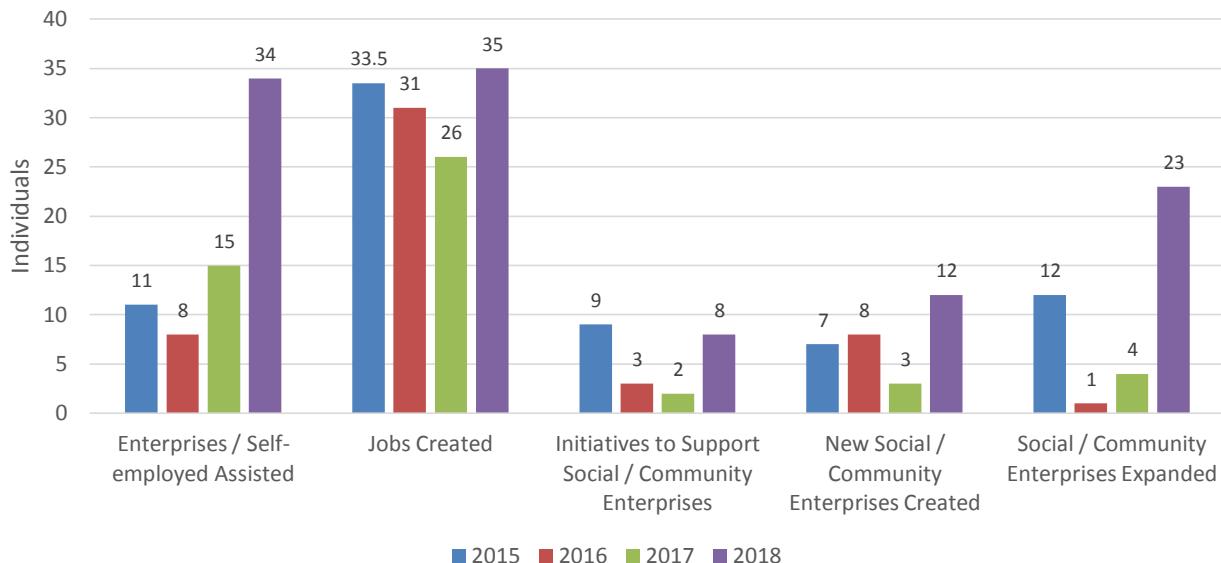
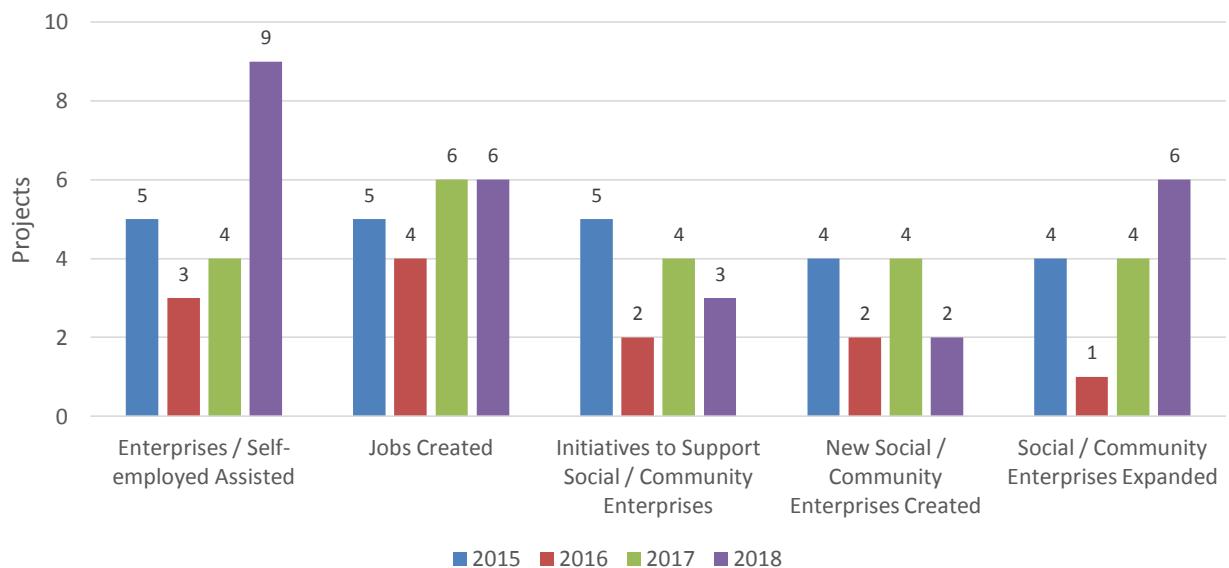


Table B: Number of Projects



- c. A proportion of the SIF funding for economic objectives is used to support a number of Social Enterprise Organisations in the Regeneration areas. The Organisations receive SIF funding to facilitate programmes that bring training and job opportunities across the Regeneration areas. Based on an analysis of information provided by the Organisations who are in receipt of SIF funding, the majority of people who engage with the services provided, e.g. training programmes etc. are from Regeneration areas.
- d. During 2020 the Regeneration programme put in place a Jobs Co-ordinator, through Innovate Limerick, to work on a number of initiatives that will focus on the following key themes relating to job creation in particular;

- Sourcing appropriate training programmes for Regeneration residents to ensure they are 'work-place' ready.
- Working on placing individuals on those training schemes.
- Expanding training opportunities for Regeneration residents.
- Liaising with employers to provide placement opportunities for experience but to move to permanent employment opportunities also.
- Facilitating the implementation of a 'Social Clause' to bring with it employment opportunities in Limerick, as key sites are developed in the coming years.

The work of the Jobs Co-Ordinator is one of collaboration, working proactively with social and community enterprises, public and private sector employers. Targets, and how the delivery of same are reported are being reviewed at present. A briefing on this matter will be provided to all members in the coming weeks.

Aoife Duke
Director of Service
Housing Development

11th March 2021



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Metropolitan District of Limerick

Meeting to be held on Monday, 15th March, 2021

Question submitted by Councillor C. Slattery

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick, in relation to the Bin Waiver Scheme 2021, can the Council confirm how this scheme was advertised and on what date and also the closing date of the scheme. A lot of elderly people are cocooning and missed the deadline. Can this scheme be reopened in light of this fact.

REPLY

Bin Waiver Application forms for 2021 were posted out in early December to all 2700 persons who received a waiver in 2020.

In addition, the Bin Waiver Scheme 2021 was advertised on all of Limerick City and County Council's online platforms and applications forms were made available online and at our customer services offices.

The original closing date for the Bin Waiver Scheme was 31st January, 2021. In light of Level 5 Covid 19 restrictions, a decision was taken to extend the closing date for applications for the Bin Waiver Scheme 2021 by a further two weeks to Monday 15th February, 2021. This allowed a total period of 10 weeks for applicants to apply for the Scheme.

In relation to 2021 Bin Waiver Scheme there has been no decline in the number of applicants approved for the Scheme. To date LCCC have approved approximately 3100 applicants for the 2021 Bin Waiver Scheme an increase of 400 on the 2020 Bin Waiver Scheme.

In view of the above it is not intended to reopen the scheme.

Gordon Daly
Director of Services
Community Development Directorate



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Metropolitan District of Limerick

Meeting to be held on Monday, 15th March, 2021

Question submitted by Councillor C. Slattery

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick, in relation to the thermal upgrade / refurbishment of properties in the Carew Park area, can the Council confirm when properties that have not been completed or properties that have not been started will be contacted for works to begin?

Reply:

Aspects of the Regeneration Thermal Upgrade Programme are currently being delayed due to the ongoing pandemic restrictions prohibiting access to occupied properties. Once current health restrictions are lifted to a level appropriate to permit access to occupied properties, residents within the remaining houses will be contacted, initially to arrange access for the advance inspections necessary to inform the development of a property-specific thermal upgrade scope of works.

Thereafter, the works will be scoped and an estimate of ancillary costs will be prepared for review and approval by the Department of Housing, Local Authority and Heritage. Upon approval of the ancillary works and costs by the Department, the works will then be tendered to an established contractor framework panel. A tender report will be prepared for further Department review following approval of which, the Local Authority will be in a position to award a contract for the completion of the respective works.

There are number of thermal upgrade contracts (2 / 3 no.) yet to be commenced in the Carew Park area. These will be progressed on a lagged sequential basis. It is not possible to give accurate dates for the commencement of the works on each contract given the uncertainty surrounding when the scoping process can be resumed. However, from previous experience, the process, from scope preparation to contract award as described above, can be expected to take a minimum of 6 months.

**Billy Lynch
Project Manager
Regeneration Department**

11th March 2021

Metropolitan District of Limerick

Meeting to be held on 15th March 2021

Question from Councillor E. O'Donovan

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick if the Council would consider identifying suitable locations for secure bin storage for businesses in the city centre, that currently store bins in laneways, to comply with presentation of waste byelaws.

Reply:

As part of the Living Georgian Quarter Project, lanes have been identified for potential upgrade works including housing or storage units for bins. This is still at concept stage and will be developed in conjunction with the various stakeholders.

**Sean McGlynn,
A/Senior Executive Officer,
Design and Delivery.**

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK

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Question submitted by Councillor E. O'Donovan

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for an update on the ownerships and future use of the old tourist office building in Arthur's Quay Park.

REPLY:

The Council is in final stage negotiations with Shannon Group Properties on the purchase of the former Tourist Office. It is hoped that negotiations will be concluded by the end of March with contracts signed in April.

Once the building is in Council ownership the future use of the building will be reviewed in consultation with the relevant stakeholders.

**Jayne Leahy,
Head of Property Services.**

12th March, 2021.

**Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick
to be held on Friday, 19th March, 2021**

Question submitted by Councillor S. Novak

I will ask the Council to provide the data collected from the traffic counters on Shannon Bridge (from their installation until now).

Reply:

Automated traffic data has been collected for the Shannon Bridge since 8th November, 2020. Counter data for the period 8th November, 2020 to 14th March, 2021 inclusive is set out in the appended document.

In addition, Physical Development Directorate is working with our colleagues in Digital Strategy to feed the output of the traffic counter on Shannon Bridge into the Data Dashboard which Digital Strategy is developing. The dashboard will be trialled in the coming weeks and all data on the dashboard will be available to the public.

**Brian Kennedy
Director of Service
Physical Development Directorate
15th March, 2021**

Date	BIKE	CAR	LONG TRUCK	MOTORBIKE	PEDESTRIAN	SHORT TRUCK	VAN	Grand Total
08/11/2020	266	9800	132	18	854	1289	127	12486
09/11/2020	393	14617	418	14	953	3852	575	20822
10/11/2020	421	14423	499	15	994	4386	647	21385
11/11/2020	273	15324	440	16	596	4178	556	21383
12/11/2020	427	15419	489	16	830	4209	618	22008
13/11/2020	428	15897	575	16	879	4650	661	23106
14/11/2020	209	12300	202	12	466	2047	223	15459
15/11/2020	152	9742	99	37	544	991	87	11652
16/11/2020	301	14671	466	22	670	3830	576	20536
17/11/2020	421	14913	490	20	981	3996	580	21401
18/11/2020	309	15436	477	26	707	3937	616	21508
19/11/2020	414	15602	584	19	978	4448	651	22696
20/11/2020	306	16520	473	16	801	4320	578	23014
21/11/2020	283	12642	176	27	740	2100	257	16225
22/11/2020	356	10288	114	16	930	1585	121	13410
23/11/2020	344	14957	523	22	856	4188	653	21543
24/11/2020	287	15504	398	48	632	3808	514	21191
25/11/2020	418	15515	502	15	1068	4374	599	22491
26/11/2020	355	16126	563	13	854	4261	596	22768
27/11/2020	388	15210	518	9	797	4058	598	21578
28/11/2020	265	12752	215	22	649	2345	261	16509
29/11/2020	251	9998	130	15	810	1386	120	12710
30/11/2020	355	15599	459	35	712	3792	560	21512
Grand Total	7622	323255	8942	469	18301	78030	10774	447393

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01/12/2020	419	16987	488	15	822	4671	605	24007
02/12/2020	361	18084	498	25	692	4129	610	24399
03/12/2020	327	17714	509	22	703	4569	520	24364
04/12/2020	403	18449	466	31	607	4272	519	24747
05/12/2020	182	16306	224	29	465	2389	233	19828
06/12/2020	249	13071	139	24	649	1838	141	16111
07/12/2020	331	17168	536	11	755	4500	637	23938
08/12/2020	369	17387	459	13	778	4652	606	24264
09/12/2020	262	17254	459	20	496	4745	537	23773
10/12/2020	329	17969	538	20	689	5161	603	25309
11/12/2020	327	18970	474	13	642	4961	539	25926
12/12/2020	214	16591	251	13	530	3046	262	20907
13/12/2020	182	13172	106	12	478	1550	95	15595
14/12/2020	317	17387	551	12	798	4588	581	24234
15/12/2020	410	17470	546	16	745	4900	609	24696
16/12/2020	314	18056	551	18	682	5000	599	25220
17/12/2020	328	18671	469	17	687	5041	568	25781
18/12/2020	313	19226	472	14	713	5527	521	26786
19/12/2020	200	16747	238	20	394	3425	249	21273
20/12/2020	177	15066	163	21	550	2220	121	18318
21/12/2020	265	19156	457	17	555	5243	481	26174
22/12/2020	299	19801	429	22	588	4794	439	26372
23/12/2020	226	19564	363	16	478	4293	368	25308
24/12/2020	180	14814	179	14	440	2270	179	18076
25/12/2020	117	6355	20	15	327	615	14	7463
26/12/2020	150	7848	75	16	408	840	51	9388
27/12/2020	108	9138	93	8	332	811	62	10552
28/12/2020	158	10744	143	10	567	1296	144	13062

29/12/2020	193	12338	197	15	645	1852	265	15505
30/12/2020	258	13463	248	8	708	2306	264	17255
31/12/2020	192	12229	188	8	592	1769	217	15195
Grand Total	8160	487195	10529	515	18515	107273	11639	643826

Date	BIKE	CAR	LONG TRUCK	MOTORBIKE	PEDESTRIAN	SHORT TRUCK	VAN	Grand Total
01/01/2021	197	6313	80	16	877	653	70	8206
02/01/2021	211	8831	122	9	790	1204	140	11307
03/01/2021	191	7470	86	2	825	860	97	9531
04/01/2021	223	10680	418	3	713	2457	545	15039
05/01/2021	301	11456	462	10	829	2818	587	16463
06/01/2021	256	11196	477	5	790	2905	562	16191
07/01/2021	184	10420	436	8	649	2633	532	14862
08/01/2021	230	11075	485	4	724	2760	521	15799
09/01/2021	146	8498	167	5	830	1481	178	11305
10/01/2021	184	7659	99	10	793	876	96	9717
11/01/2021	218	10987	339	35	545	2263	437	14824
12/01/2021	180	10995	305	32	600	2291	396	14799
13/01/2021	268	11021	389	15	858	2535	530	15616
14/01/2021	346	11194	458	14	1096	2839	547	16494
15/01/2021	247	11788	422	9	699	2745	497	16407
16/01/2021	282	9709	185	14	1003	1667	193	13053
17/01/2021	280	7441	95	18	968	918	89	9809
18/01/2021	286	10800	442	11	850	2633	513	15535
19/01/2021	242	11182	366	13	786	2556	500	15645
20/01/2021	323	11491	409	19	1041	2676	487	16446
21/01/2021	303	11664	411	20	967	2648	531	16544
22/01/2021	254	12653	413	12	920	2810	511	17573
23/01/2021	260	9968	127	6	902	1581	167	13011
24/01/2021	256	7798	106	19	974	1027	88	10268
25/01/2021	305	9977	427	7	952	2809	458	14935
26/01/2021	271	11104	424	13	826	2800	499	15937
27/01/2021	257	11779	396	20	663	2757	473	16345
28/01/2021	311	11733	441	14	965	2856	562	16882

29/01/2021	347	12341	454	21	1052	3263	537	18015
30/01/2021	315	10453	171	18	980	1696	176	13809
31/01/2021	246	8093	114	10	870	918	84	10335
Grand Total	7920	317769	9726	412	26337	66935	11603	440702

Date	BIKE	CAR	LONG TRUCK	MOTORBIKE	PEDESTRIAN	SHORT TRUCK	VAN	Grand Total
01/02/2021	277	11351	444	18	796	2981	531	16398
02/02/2021	288	11873	434	15	858	2861	519	16848
03/02/2021	318	12161	495	13	856	3096	605	17544
04/02/2021	317	12301	451	16	978	2988	542	17593
05/02/2021	347	13067	504	29	970	3157	610	18684
06/02/2021	341	11003	204	25	1025	1937	233	14768
07/02/2021	298	8195	114	12	929	1124	101	10773
08/02/2021	339	11356	563	16	1007	3209	616	17106
09/02/2021	346	11806	551	10	900	3358	667	17638
10/02/2021	378	12009	592	14	1061	3421	630	18105
11/02/2021	195	11253	421	6	579	2830	473	15757
12/02/2021	282	13257	525	12	916	3546	632	19170
13/02/2021	221	11450	182	14	815	1773	193	14648
14/02/2021	244	8437	105	16	893	1193	98	10986
15/02/2021	408	11686	560	10	1014	3223	635	17536
16/02/2021	418	12391	552	25	1132	3361	615	18494
17/02/2021	328	12655	459	24	849	3177	551	18043
18/02/2021	290	12993	486	30	924	3323	576	18622
19/02/2021	274	13627	632	19	877	3507	672	19608
20/02/2021	236	11540	169	12	821	1937	210	14925
21/02/2021	452	9290	125	28	1445	1439	105	12884
22/02/2021	445	11852	560	29	1191	3548	602	18227
23/02/2021	255	12656	517	14	748	3221	561	17972
24/02/2021	361	12833	542	16	970	3263	570	18555
25/02/2021	479	12870	533	28	1327	3873	583	19693
26/02/2021	506	13745	577	25	1253	4086	619	20811
27/02/2021	406	11156	194	24	1193	2331	280	15584
28/02/2021	542	9834	127	39	1586	1740	105	13973

Grand Total	9591	328647	11618	539	27913	79503	13134	470945
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Date	BIKE	CAR	LONG TRUCK	MOTORBIKE	PEDESTRIAN	SHORT TRUCK	VAN	Grand Total
01/03/2021	508	12991	609	25	1485	4067	595	20280
02/03/2021	510	13304	546	23	1408	3982	607	20380
03/03/2021	400	13750	593	17	1236	3856	669	20521
04/03/2021	433	13857	541	24	1230	3849	646	20580
05/03/2021	423	15007	556	16	1139	4016	651	21808
06/03/2021	489	12250	204	25	1249	2624	259	17100
07/03/2021	428	9705	120	22	1161	1602	114	13152
08/03/2021	426	13722	559	14	1108	3750	582	20161
09/03/2021	382	13563	550	15	968	3810	654	19942
10/03/2021	303	13975	505	7	779	3580	541	19690
11/03/2021	259	15031	457	12	764	3383	546	20452
12/03/2021	242	16138	467	31	575	3554	541	21548
13/03/2021	239	13666	180	19	608	2033	225	16970
14/03/2021	300	10145	130	10	833	1478	97	12993
Grand Total	5342	187104	6017	260	14543	45584	6727	265577

LIMERICK CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK

MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 15TH MARCH 2021

Question submitted by Councillor S. Novak Uí Chonchúir

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that the Council provide a detailed plan with timeframes for removing walls around Moyross to increase permeability and improve social inclusion.

Response:

The regeneration team are working with the relevant stakeholders with a view to delivering on projects that will result in increased permeability and foster greater levels of connectivity among communities on the north side of the City.

A number of Housing developments are linked to some of the projects, and will be on site in 2021.

Other boundaries are being considered as part of wider developments for Moyross and will form part of discussions with relevant stakeholders as those projects are brought forward for delivery.

It is recognised that continued engagement with the existing community is critical so that all parties are clear on the detail of the plan and timelines around delivery. An action plan based on identified priorities will be agreed with the community, through the monthly Regeneration meeting structure and in consultation with the wider community as necessary. Detailed updates will also be provided through various communications including Housing Workshops as appropriate.

**Aoife Duke
Director of Service
Housing Development**

12th March 2021



METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK

MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 15TH MARCH 2021

Question submitted by Councillor J. Costelloe

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick how can Limerick City and County Council dispose of public owned lands to a private developer where land is purchased for housing.

REPLY:

The disposal of land is a reserved function of the Elected Members of the local authority under Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001, so a decision to dispose of any land owned by the local authority is a matter ultimately for the Elected Members.

**Kieran Lehane,
Director of Service.**

Metropolitan District of Limerick

Meeting to be held on Monday, 15th March, 2021

Question submitted by Councillor J. Costelloe

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick are Limerick City and County Council now buying lands and using 2030 as their agent who then sells it to whatever developer they like without going to market.

Reply:

Limerick City and County Council are not buying lands and using Limerick 2030 as our agents to sell it onward to developers.

Limerick 2030 Dedicated Activities Company (DAC) is a 100% Council owned Company that was established as a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) to lead on the re-development of a number of strategic sites in Limerick. To date, Limerick 2030 has delivered International Gardens and Troy Studios and are currently working on Project Opera, the Old Cleeves Factory Site, a housing development in Mungret and are assisting Limerick City and County Council to develop a number of small developments in Georgian Limerick, via a service level agreement.

The disposal of property by Limerick City and County Council to an external organisation, including Limerick 2030, is a reserved function of the Members, as set out in Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, as amended.

**Vincent Murray,
Director of Service,
Economic Development.**

12th March, 2021.

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK

MEETING TO BE HELD ON 15TH MARCH, 2021

Question submitted by Councillor J. Costelloe

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick how many prosecutions for littering and dumping have there been in relation to the use of CCTV cameras since February 2020 up to February 2021.

Reply:

In the 12-month period in question, the Council had four successful prosecutions under the Waste Management Act 1996 as amended.

There is no provision under the Litter Pollution Act 1997 for the use of CCTV as evidence. Utilising CCTV footage as evidence under the Waste Management Act is now impacted by the new Data Protection Regulations and requires a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) to be prepared and approved prior to using CCTV. It is not possible, for example, for the Council to utilise CCTV cameras installed under the Garda Siochána Act 2005 to gather evidence and initiate prosecutions in waste related cases.

**Shane O'Doherty,
Administrative Officer,
Planning and Environmental Services.**

12th March, 2021.

Metropolitan District of Limerick

Meeting to be held on Monday, 15th March, 2021

Question submitted by Councillor J. Leddin

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick how much advertising monies have been spent by Limerick City and County Council with Iconic Newspaper in the previous twelve months.

Reply:

The total spend on advertising to Iconic Newspapers between 1st January, 2020 and 31st December, 2020 was €92,180.50.

This spend included festival and event advertising, statutory adverts in relation to Capital Schemes, Temporary Road Closures Intentions, Decisions and Extensions. Also included was advertising on Road Improvement Schemes, Planning and Development Part 8's, Taking in Charge, Public Consultation Processes, Flood Relief Schemes as well as the day to day statutory adverts like Commencement of Audit, Hedge Cutting Notice, Register of Electors, Suplimentary Contribution Scheme and Christmas opening hours.

**James Clune,
A/Senior Executive Officer,
Corporate Services, Governance and Customer Services.**

12th March, 2021.

LIMERICK CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK

MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 15TH MARCH 2021

Question submitted by Councillor C. Sheehan

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that the Council outline the appraisal process for the Expression of Interest for the provision of mixed tenure housing on Council lands in relation to the Coonagh site. Who appraised the application? Who was on the assessment panel?

Response:

The Housing Development Directorate of Limerick City and County Council issued an Expression of Interest on e-tenders on the 4th November 2020 for the activation of Council lands at:

1. New Road, Thomondgate, Limerick city
2. Speaker's Corner, Limerick city
3. Coonagh lands, Limerick city

The Expression of Interest deadline was extended to 4pm on the 18th December 2020.

An Evaluation Panel was convened on the 11th January 2021 and each submission was assessed. Details on members of the Panel are contained within the table below.

Name	Position/Role
Sarah Newell	Acting Senior Executive Planner, Housing Development Directorate, Limerick City and County Council
David Conway	Chief Executive Officer, Limerick Twenty Thirty
Oliver O' Loughlin	Retired Director of Service, Limerick City and County Council
Independent Observer	Aoife Duke, Director of Service, Housing Development Directorate, Limerick City and County Council

Following evaluation of submissions for the three sites, submissions were ranked in accordance with their total score under the assessment criteria, outlined in the table below, that was included in the original Expression of Interest briefing document.

1. Project Proposal	600 marks
2. Scheme Feasibility Design	450 marks
3. Delivery and Capacity	450 marks
4. Delivery Methodology	450 marks
5. Financial and Regulatory Standing	150 marks

In relation to the Coonagh site, a specific condition of Government funding under the National Regeneration Programme to acquire the site in 2014 was to provide activities to generate employment and improve the tenure mix of housing through the delivery of private and affordable tenures.

The evaluation clearly showed a more advantageous submission from which the Evaluation Panel was able to base their recommendation.

Aoife Duke
Director of Service
Housing Development

11th March 2021



METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK

MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 15TH MARCH 2021

Question submitted by Councillor C. Sheehan

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for the amount spent on Festivals and Events in 2019 and 2020.

REPLY:

Below find the expenditure for the Festivals and Events Grant Schemes and the Civic Festivals in 2019 and 2020.

2019

Festivals and Events Grant Scheme 2019-2020	€270,000
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The Civic Festivals

St. Patrick's Day and the International Band Championships	€213,075
Riverfest	€252,397
Crinniu na nÓg, Limerick Programme, supported by Creative Ireland	€19,985
Culture Night, including allocation from Depart. of Culture	€35,219
Christmas in Limerick	€123,038

2020

Festivals and Events Grant Scheme 2020-2021	€245,000
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The Civic Festivals

St. Patrick's Day and the International Band Championships	€129,644
Riverfest	€45,887
Crinniu na nÓg, Limerick Programme, supported by Creative Ireland	€20,231
Culture Night, including allocation from the Arts Council	€29,022
Christmas in Limerick	€106,026

Dr. Pippa Little
Arts Officer | Creative Ireland Programme Co-ordinator