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Adare Rathkeale Municipal District

District Engineer's Report



Rathkeale River Walk Works

Adare Rathkeale Municipal District Meeting

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1. Councillor Requested Reports

1.1 Footpath from Murphy's Cross to Manor Fields, Adare

Reply from MWRDO:

We have reviewed an option to advance the permanent footpaths that form part of the N21 Adare Western Approach Scheme between Doherty's Garage and Carrabawn House B&B.

Constructing the permanent footpath without the drainage infrastructure, while taking account of proposed levels relative to the existing road levels, will result in having to remove a significant proportion of the footpath as part of the main works Contract. It would be more cost effective for the local area to look at the possibility of installing a temporary footpath along this section of the N21, that would facilitate pedestrians until the Adare Western Approach Scheme can be progressed.

Funding application submitted via TII Geo App Portal for this footpath

2. Update on Schedule of MD Works

ADARE RATHKEALE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT Road Works Scheme 2021	
Work Category	€
Restoration Improvement (RI) -Road Reconstruction	€1,947,561
Restoration Maintenance (RM) –Surface Dressing	€397,114
Supplementary Restoration Maintenance (SRM – Surface Dressing	€283,089
Drainage Grant	€200,000
General Maintenance (GM)	€824,738
General Maintenance Safety (GMS)	€91,637
Tar Patching (TP)	€365,543
Low Cost Safety Improvement Works (LCSI)	€50,000
General Municipal Allocation (GMA)	€ 270,000
Bridge Rehabilitation	€185,000
N69 Kilcornan Traffic Calming	€100,000
N69 Court Cross	€275,000
M20 Limerick to Cork	€5,000,000
Foynes to Limerick	€2,000,000
Sustainable Travel Measures Grant (Active Travel)	€1,200,000
Total Defined MD Spending	€ 13,189,682

Regional Roads Road Reconstruction Allocation € 593,261.58			
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Status
R518	Ballingarry Main Street Overlay	400	Scheduled
R521	Shanagolden to N69 Overlay	130	Completed

R512	Ballyneety Overlay	230	Scheduled
R521	Moig Road Edge Stabilising	50	Scheduled
R521	Shanid Lower Edge Stabilising	50	Scheduled

Local Roads Road Reconstruction Allocation € 1,354,300.00			
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Status
L1423	Kildimo School to N69 Overlay	215	Scheduled
L6106	Loghill Middle Rd	1074	Partially Completed
L6010	Shanpallas	1100	Scheduled
L8032	Hollywood Road	1450	Partially Completed
L1423	Clorhane	200	Scheduled
L6083	Park	300	Scheduled
L6019	Cragmore Askeaton	1000	Scheduled
L6135	Curraghchase	1430	Partially Completed
L6117	Shanid Gardens Rd	400	Scheduled
L1210	Ballygrennan - Bridge towards Lees X	700	Scheduled
L8002	Attyflin	1000	Scheduled
L1207	Kilfinny to Nevilles	400	Scheduled
L1142	Poulatoon	670	Scheduled
L8014	Monaster Abbey Rd	600	Scheduled
L8003	Crecora to Equestrian Centre	800	Scheduled

Regional Roads Surface Dressing Allocation € 255,132.00			
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Status
R521	Grouse Lodge towards Kate Daly	2300	Scheduled
R518	Mullins Cross to Dromard	2410	Scheduled
R512	Rockstown to Grange	2250	Scheduled

Local Roads Surface Dressing Allocation € 141,982.13			
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Status
L1237	Kilcool to the Thatch	2100	Scheduled
L8034	Tuogh East to Adare/Kildimo Rd Jn	700	Scheduled
L6117	Mountdavid Rd	1451	Scheduled
L8006	Ballyregan	1442	Scheduled
L1410	Manister to Croom	340	Scheduled

Supplementary Restoration Maintenance Local Roads Surface Dressing Allocation € 283,089.25			
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Status
L6005	Ballyengland Lower	1540	Scheduled
L1236	Askeaton Ballycullen jn towards Newbridge	410	Scheduled
L8029	Cappagh to Knockdromin Railway	1650	Scheduled
L6176	Cappagh Cross to Reservoir	900	Scheduled
L1222	Thatch to Ardgoul	900	Scheduled

L8003	Ballycahane to Equestrian Centre	2340	Scheduled
L1207	Kilfinny to Nevilles	700	Scheduled
L1410	Manister to Croom	2000	Scheduled
L5086	Ballybricken	1400	Scheduled

Drainage Works Allocation € 200,000			
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Status
L6110	L6110 Kiltteery	120	Scheduled
L6113	L6113 Knocknabooly West	100	Scheduled
L6110	L6110 Kiltteery	60	Scheduled
L1224	L1224 Dromin - Gullies above Scanlons House	130	Scheduled
L1219	L1219 Curraghdeely		Scheduled
L1409	L1409 - Across L8006 Jn	250	Scheduled
R523	R523 Courtmatrix	200	Partially Complete
L6035	L6035 Woodstock Road	100	Scheduled
R518	Dromard - 320m of 300mm storm drainage along R518 on southbound lane outfalling to existing drain in field - some works to field drain - Extends along all houses on southbound lane side of road	320	Scheduled
L8017	L8017 Banogue	100	Complete

Bridges Allocation € 185,000.00			
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Status
L6035	Fortwilliam Ballingarry		Scheduled
L6150	Ballingarry		Scheduled
L12341	Glenbane West		Scheduled

Low Cost Safety Improvement Schemes (LCSI) Allocation € 50,000.00			
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Status
L6070	Kilcolman		Scheduled

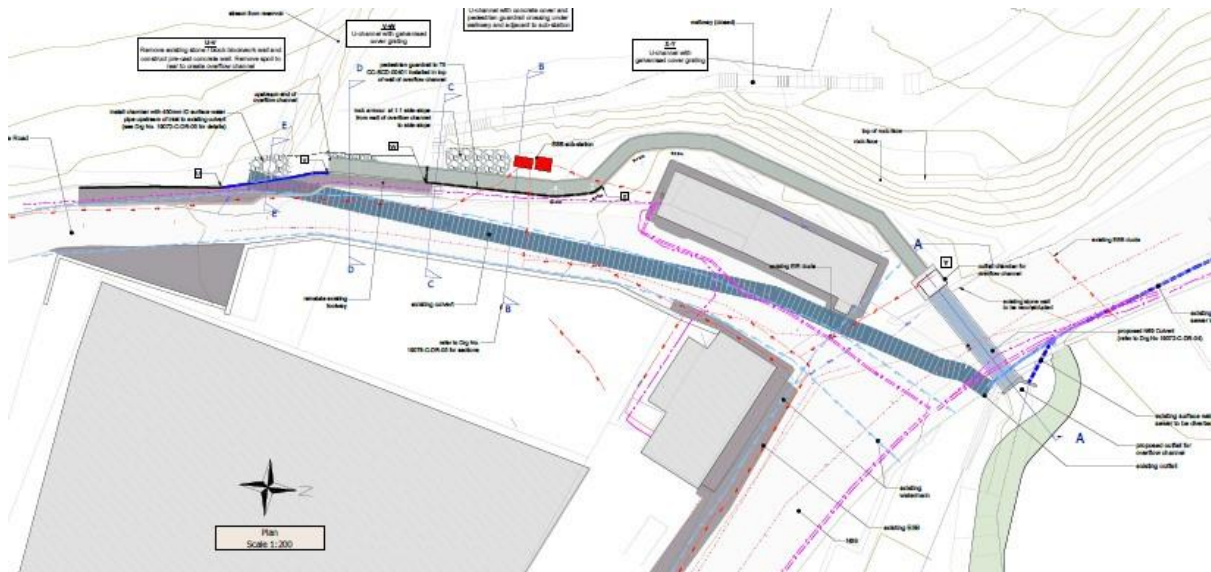
Active Travel Measures Allocation € 1,200,000			
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost €
	Croom Village Pedestrian Improvement Works		Scheduled
	Rathkeale Pedestrian Improvement Works		Commenced
	Ballingarry Village Pedestrian Improvement Works		Commenced
	Kildimo Pedestrian Connection Works		Scheduled
	Askeaton Village Pedestrian Improvement Works		Scheduled
	Pallaskenry Pedestrian Improvement Works		Scheduled

3 Village Updates

3.1 Foynes

Marine Cove Culvert

This project is currently advertised for Part 8 Planning Permission, it is anticipated that the Chief Executive's report on same will be presented for your approval in the May MD Meeting.



Community Consultation

Discussions have been held with the Community Council in relation to requirements/aspirations for the village, these include improvements to footpaths, additional pedestrian crossings, improvements to the viewing area amongst other issues. The Community Council plan to do some landscape improvements to the viewing area, LCCC Parks Department have carried out improvements to the Recycling Area.

3.2 Croom

Croom Traffic Management Project

The works on the Main Street, High Street Junction are now complete, works are now also complete at the Main Street Pedestrian Crossing. An application for funding of the Main Street Carpark under the Town and Village Renewal Scheme was successful and works will commence there in the coming weeks. The Roundabout at the Garda Station was completed last week.



Croom Distributor Road

The Croom Distributor road is now open for access to the Coláiste Chiarán School. Works are continuing on the link to the Hospital Road. A temporary safe walking route has been placed along the old N20 from the Distributor road to the Village. Funding has been secured under Active travel for a permanent footpath link. Survey works in advance of this project have commenced.

Active Travel Projects

Further to the footpath link to the school referenced above, the footpath link to the GAA pitch will be completed as well as addressing the gap in the footpath to Towerfields. Tenders received for GAA field footpath with Contractor to be appointed.

Croom Future Development

A new Local Area Plan for Croom was agreed in 2020. Extensive Consultation has also been held with Croom community representatives, topics discussed included Town Centre Renewal, Parking, Proposed Extension to the Enterprise Centre and possible Public Realm Study. Improvements to public lighting in the Park and painting of the bridge parapets are currently being investigated.

3.3 Adare

Footpath Works along the N20

Options to complete the footpath from Manor Fields to Murphy's Cross are currently being explored (see Councillor Requested Reports).

Pope's Quay

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

Adare Fountain

Discussions are currently underway with the preferred tenderer for this project.

Adare Park

Update from Parks Department:

The park is receiving a major overhaul in terms of maintenance, pruning of shrubs, removal of some beds and planting new areas. We are also including flowers for the Park, tulips planted last November, roses also being planted in two areas that will mirror each other. We are looking at methods of creating a new archway of roses which can be used for wedding photographs.

We have identified and will be creating a natural play area for young children on the LHS. New seating will be installed beside the gazebo. The pavements at the entrance have also been powerwashed.

We have commenced site clearance works for the Sensory Garden down at the end of the park. Further clearance works will be carried out once the site dries up.

Adare Community Involvement

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

3.4 Rathkeale

Traffic Management

Drawings have been prepared for proposed extensions to lining for traffic management purposes along the Main Street. A powerpoint presentation was presented to the February meeting to go through these changes in detail. As requested, paper copies of this presentation have been distributed to the members.

Rathkeale Inner Relief Road

An application was made to the Department of Transport for funding to develop the proposed inner relief road through the Mart Site. This application was not successful. The project will be further reviewed with Physical Development Section.

Active Travel and TVRS Footpath links

Works have commenced on footpath links on the Riverside Walkway and from the Library to Coláiste na Trócaire. Active Travel funds will also be used to complete the Slí na Sláinte route along the Castlematrix Road



Rathkeale Riverside Walk Works

3.5 Ballingarry

The Mall TVR Project

Michael Healy and Partners Consultants have selected a preferred tenderer for the construction of this project, this will commence shortly.

Active Travel Funding

Active Travel funding will be used to complete footpath links to the playground on the Upper and Lower roads, as well as addressing structural stability issues on the adjoining graveyard wall. Footpath improvements will also be carried out on the Kilmallock Approach road.

3.6 Askeaton

Askeaton Town Centre TVR Project

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

A Tender process for the appointment of Consultants to Design and Construct the Undergrounding of Services in Prominent areas of the town as well as enhancing Public Lighting was undertaken during the month of January and a Consultant has been appointed. Preliminary Design is expected within a month, after which Ministerial Consent will be required for Archaeology. It is expected that Construction works will be carried out in the summer months.

Askeaton Riverside Looped Walk

The River Walk extension to the Slí na Sláinte and to loop this to existing footpaths on the Quay will be progressed under Active Travel Funding.

Active Travel Project

The Active Travel Grant will be used to widen and improve the footpath link between Twohigs and the Soccer Club. A Contractor has been appointed and is due on site.

3.7 Shanagolden

Shanagolden Low Cost Safety Works

This project is now largely complete. A turning area for Bus Eireann has been agreed and works will be carried out shortly.

3.8 Pallaskenry

Active Travel funding received for footpath works. Awaiting topographical Survey.

3.9 Kildimo

Active Travel

Active Travel funding was received to extend the footpath from the GAA Pitch to Old Kildimo and connect the houses to the west of Old Kildimo. Awaiting topographical survey.

Road Improvements

Road Improvement works, managed by MWRDO, currently underway between Kildimo and Boolane Bends

3.10 Banogue

Traffic Management works, managed by MWRDO, currently under construction.

4 GMA Updates

Cllr Bridie Collins	€ 45,000
Nominations 2021	
Rathkeale Welcome Centre	400
Ballyneety Christmas Lights	400
Shannon Dragons	3,000
Ballysteen Library	3,000
Christmas Crib in the Adare-Rathkeale MD Office	300
Foynes GAA Club	3,000
Mount Earl Junction, Adare	3,000
Abha Bhan Parish Park, Loughill	4,000
TOTAL	€ 17,100

Cllr Stephen Keary	€ 45,000
Nominations 2021	
Public Lighting in Coolcappagh Village	2,000
Christmas Crib in the Adare-Rathkeale MD Office	300
TOTAL	€ 2,300

Cllr Kevin Sheahan	€45,000
Nominations 2021	
Paddy Cronin Researcher and Author	4,000
Christmas Crib in the Adare-Rathkeale MD Office	500
Reilig Mhuire Burial Ground, Askeaton	1,000
Spiritual Garden of Remembrance, Clonreask	3,000
Askeaton/Ballysteen Tennis Club	4,000
Foynes GAA Club	3,000
TOTAL	€ 15,500

Cllr Emmett O'Brien	€ 45,000
Nominations 2021	
Kildimo/Pallaskenry GAA Club.	7,000
Christmas Crib in the Adare-Rathkeale MD Office	300
TOTAL	€ 7,300

Cllr John O'Donoghue	€ 45,000
Nominations 2021	
Fedamore GAA Club	3,000
Christmas Crib in the Adare-Rathkeale MD Office	300
Ballingarry Community Park Group	1,700
Croom Development Association	10,000
TOTAL	€ 15,000

Cllr Adam Teskey	€45,000
Nominations 2021	
Rathkeale Soccer Club	5,000
Deel Boat Club	3,000
Knockfierna Heritage Centre	2,000
Limerick Celtics Basketball Club	1,000
Ballyhahill Development Association	3,500
Public Lighting in Rathkeale	2,000
Rathkeale Church of Ireland roof repairs	1,000
Loughill Burial Ground Committee	5,000
Kildimo/Pallaskenry GAA Club	1,000
Christmas Crib in the Adare-Rathkeale MD Office	300
Church of Ireland Rathkeale Roof Repairs	5,200
TOTAL	€ 29,000