



**Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick  
to be held on Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2023**

**Question submitted by Councillor E. O'Donovan**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick how many road sweepers the Council currently deploy in Limerick city and how many mini sweepers/cycle lane sweepers are deployed in the city.

**Reply:**

The Council currently deploys two large road sweepers, two mini sweepers and one small hot wash sweeper in Limerick City. The large sweepers service public roads throughout the city.

The hot wash sweeper is mainly deployed on high quality pavements, for example the refurbished O'Connell St. and nearby streets.

The mini sweepers are intended mainly for use on cycle lanes however due to the absence of two compact (medium sized sweepers) they are also deployed in the city centre for general use on streets and laneways.

The Council has procured two new compact sweepers which are expected to be delivered in the next couple of months, their arrival will allow the two mini sweepers to concentrate more on the cycle lanes and will increase the total complement of sweepers operating in Limerick city to seven.

**Hugh McGrath  
Senior Engineer  
Roads, Traffic & Cleansing,  
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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 environmental concerns and ongoing work at Loughmore Canal.

### **REPLY:**

The Council's investigation is ongoing into the environmental concerns in the Loughmore Canal. The IDA has undertaken targeted sampling within the Business Park and a report on this is due imminently, which will help further focus the direction of our investigation.

In addition, the Council has commenced direct engagement with some businesses within the Park to help identify a possible source of pollution. The Council has also procured a contractor to carry out sampling on a monthly basis to monitor the profile of the parameters discharging to the canal. This monthly sampling will begin in February.

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**Nuala O'Connell**  
**Senior Planner**  
**15 February, 2023**



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**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 as to what mechanisms and supports are in place for front line workers in the Council, including Traffic Wardens and Street Cleaning teams, for dealing with aggression and intimidation and difficult and challenging situations, from some members of the public as part of their work.

**REPLY:**

It is policy of Limerick City and County Council to protect, as far as reasonably practicable, the safety, health and welfare of all its employees and of anybody who may be affected by its activities. The Council will conduct its activities in a way that complies with the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act, 2005, and associated regulations, and any other legal or other requirements.

All reasonable measures will be taken to avoid risk, including, the provision of a properly designed and maintained safe place of work, safe systems of work, safe plant and equipment. The Council is committed to the identification of hazards and to their elimination, or reduction where practicable. The Council will provide training and information to employees and personal protective clothing and equipment as required.

Responsibility for staffing and also Health and Safety rests with the Chief Executive or to whoever he has delegated these functions.

**Signed:**

James Clune, Head of Human Resources

**Date:**

17 FEBRUARY 2023



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## MEETING OF THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, 20<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2023

### Question submitted by Councillor J. Leddin

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick the cost to install dog fouling bins and the current location of these bins in Limerick City West.

### REPLY:

The Council has three dog bins in Limerick City West. These were installed under a pilot programme circa 10 years ago. There are bins at Council Offices, Dooradoyle, Church Road Raheen, and Fr. Russell Road.

The cost of purchase and installation of a new bin is estimated to be in the region of €700-€1,000.

The current policy of the Council is that dog waste can be placed in any bin. "Any bag any Bin" is the slogan used to promote this.

Currently no funding is available for the provision of new bins and the costs of maintaining same.

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### Question submitted by Councillor J. Leddin

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick what budget is allocated towards awareness campaigns to help inform dog owners of their responsibilities to clean up if their dog fouls the footpath.

### REPLY:

Approximately €10,000 is spent by the Council on dog fouling annually. This covers (i) the ongoing advertising on local radio; (ii) the purchase of promotional dog fouling bags for distribution to the public at events; to dog owners via renewal licences; to the public by Environment Inspectors/Park Wardens; (iii) the dispensing of refills for Castletroy Park and Newcastle West Demesne; (iv) anti-dog poo stencils and signage; and (v) social media campaigns.

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### **Question submitted by Councillor D. Butler**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick when will action be taken against the owner of the unfinished building and derelict site on the corner of Ellen Street and Carr Street. It's an embarrassment to this Council it is allowed remain as it is.

### **REPLY:**

The unfinished building is on the Derelict Site Register and the Vacant Site Register. Limerick City and County Council have exercised their full powers under the Derelict Site Act, 1990. LCCC made an application to An Bord Pleanála to compulsory acquire this property under the Derelict Site Act, 1990. LCCC were refused permission by An Bord Pleanála to compulsory acquire this site under Section 15 of the Derelict Site Act, 1990. LCCC have applied a derelict site levy on the site for 2019,2020,2021 totalling €149,000. LCCC Debt Management Unit is pursuing payment of the outstanding Derelict Site Levies. There is currently a live planning permission on this site.

LCCC will continue to monitor this case.

**Gordon Daly,**  
**Director of Services,**  
**Community Tourism & Culture Directorate,**  
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I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick when will we see a derelict sites levy or other enforcement issued on the owners of the boarded up buildings of 35-37 Catherine Street.

**REPLY:**

Limerick City and County Council have exercised their full powers under the Derelict Site Act, 1990. LCCC made an application to An Bord Pleanála to compulsory acquire this site under the Derelict Site Act, 1990. LCCC were granted permission to compulsory acquire the site in question in November, 2019. The owners of the site obtained leave to challenge by way of Judicial Review the decision of An Bord Pleanála. Limerick City and County Council are still awaiting the outcome of the judicial review.

The site in question is on the Derelict Site Register and the Vacant Site Register. Levies can only applied using either Derelict Site Act, 1990 or the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act, 2015. LCCC used the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act, 2015 to charge levies. The owners of the site appealed the valuation of the site to the valuation tribunal. In accordance with the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act, 2015 Limerick City and County Council cannot charge Vacant Site Levies until such time that the valuation tribunal has determined a valuation.

Limerick City and County Council will continue to monitor the case.

***Gordon Daly,***  
***Director of Services,***  
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**Question submitted by Councillor C. Sheehan**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for the Council to outline the long-term plans for Donnellan's Field/Thomondgate Weir.

**REPLY:**

These locations (Donnellan's Field and Thomondgate Weir) form part of the Shannon Accessibility Study being undertaken by the Tourism Section. There is also an objective to develop a connectivity link across the Shannon at Thomond Weir but no plans have been developed to date.

Engagement will take place with local elected representatives prior to any work commencing on such a plan.

**Gordon Daly,  
Director of Services,  
Community Tourism & Culture Directorate,  
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### **Question submitted by Councillor C. Sheehan**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick the number of non-activated planning permissions for the period 2020 to date in the Metropolitan area in tabular form.

### **REPLY:**

The attached table lists the multi-unit residential developments (greater than 5 units) in the Metropolitan District, which received planning permission from 1 January, 2020 to 15 February, 2023, which have yet to submit a Commencement Notice as of 15 February, 2023. These developments include housing, apartments and communal residential dwellings.

**Dara McGuigan**  
**Administrative Officer**  
**17 February, 2023**

| Planning Ref | Development Description and Address   | Development Details  | Grant Date | Number of Units | ED  | Commenced Y/N |
|--------------|---|--|------------|-----------------|-----|---------------|
| 19689        | Paul Mulcair<br>C/O Adam Keamey,<br>Mill Road,<br>Corbally,<br>Limerick.  | construction of 8 dwellings comprising of the following mix, 6 no. two storey detached dwellings with attic accommodation and 2 no. semi-detached two-storey dwellings including an access road, connection to services and all associated site works<br>Barnakyle,<br>Patrickswell,<br>Co. Limerick.                                | 27/02/2020 | 8               | Met | N             |
| 20125        | Eimear O'Connor & Noel Daly<br>c/o Fergal Cusack<br>Cusack & Associates<br>11 The Crescent<br>Limerick                          | the construction of 5no. two storey terraced dwelling-houses, modifications to existing front footpath to allow for on street car park spaces, rear boundary walls and private garden spaces and all associated site works<br>Main Street<br>Patrickswell<br>Co. Limerick  | 26/06/2020 | 5               | Met | N             |
| 20281        | Fitzgerald Prop Capital Ltd.<br>c/o C + W O'Brien Architects<br>Doughcloyne Industrial Estate<br>Sarsfield Road<br>Wilton, Cork | the development of 36 no. serviced sites of 6 no. varying house types and provisions of green areas, access roads, pedestrians walkways and all associated site works (reference number of outline permission 18/10 & 20/8)<br>Barnakyle<br>Patrickswell<br>Co. Limerick   | 15/01/2021 | 36              | Met | N             |
| 20622        | Ellen Street Properties<br>c/o Seamus McEliffgott<br>5 High Street<br>Caherconlish<br>Co. Limerick                              | change of use from existing commercial/office use to residential use and will comprise 15 no. apartments together with all associated building alterations and associated site development works<br>Riverstone Clocktower<br>Hartstonge Gate<br>Stable Lane, Off Henry Street<br>Limerick  | 07/10/2020 | 15              | Met | N             |
| 20928        | Eamon O'Connor & Patrick Carey<br>c/o Declan Gilleece,<br>26 The Hermitage,<br>Mill Road,<br>Corbally, Limerick.                | demolition of existing three storey Maypark House (total floor area 694.46sq.m) & the construction of apartment block development (total floor area 2806.16 sq.m) as follows: 26 no. 2 bedroom apartments, 3 no. 1 bedroom apartments, main entrance lobby ...<br>Maypark House,<br>St. Nessian's Road,<br>Dooradoyle, Co. Limerick. | 07/07/2021 | 31              | Met | N             |

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| 21147        | Debruin Construction Limited<br>c/o Seamus McElligott<br>5 High Street<br>Caherconlish<br>Co. Limerick     | the demolition of an existing dwelling and for the construction of 8 no. apartment dwellings and 3 no. single storey dwellings, the provision of site entrance, access road, associated car parking, connection to public services including all associate ...<br>New Link Road<br>Shanabooly<br>Caherdavin, Limerick        | 07/02/2022 | 11              | Met | N             |
| 21342        | Paramud Brothers Ltd.<br>c/o John G. McMahon Architects<br>35 Bloomfield<br>Annacotty<br>Limerick          | construction of residential infill development comprising construction of 4 x no. terraced two storey townhouses, construction of 2 x no. single storey semi-detached house, demolition of existing single storey commercial building, connection to publi ...<br>Davlin Gardens<br>Redgate Road<br>Caherdavin, Limerick     | 13/04/2022 | 6               | Met | N             |
| 21835        | BMR Construction<br>c/o Brian O'Donoghue<br>12 Thornfield<br>Monaleen<br>Limerick                          | demolition of existing derelict retail building, construction of 4 storey apartment block comprising 14 apartments consisting of five one bedroom, eight two bedroom and one three bedroom apartments with car parking, bike parking, storage facilities, ...<br>Old Clare Street/Saint Lelia Street/Moores Lane<br>Limerick | 17/02/2022 | 14              | Met | N             |
| 21873        | Michael Joyce Builder Ltd<br>c/o Noel Kerley Architects<br>6 The Crescent<br>O'Connell Street<br>Limerick  | the construction of 5 x No. dwelling houses, consisting of 2 x No. semi-detached dwelling houses and 1 x No. detached dwelling house and 2 x No. single storey dwellings, connection to public sewer, new recessed site entrance and boundary walls with a ...<br>Barnakyle<br>Patrickswell<br>Co. Limerick                  | 14/07/2022 | 9               | Met | N             |
| 22263        | Jana Building Co. Ltd.<br>c/o Healy Partners<br>The Mill<br>Glentworth Street, Limerick                    | the change of house type on sites 14-22 inclusive to those permitted under permission ref: 18/1243<br>The Woods<br>Ros Mór<br>Kilmallock Road, Crossagalla, Limerick   | 31/05/2022 | 1               | Met | N*            |
| 22428        | Gang Ma<br>c/o Liemi Muramatsu<br>CDP Architecture<br>4 The Mall, Main Street<br>Lucan Village, Co. Dublin | the following: modifications to existing ground floor retail unit to accommodate bin/bicycle store and common corridor to the existing lift; change of use to residential of the existing premises at first and second floor level and dormer roof space t ...<br>No. 42-43 Wickham Street<br>Limerick                       | 12/07/2022 | 6               | Met | N             |

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| 22524        | DeBruin Construction Limited<br>c/o Seamus McEligott<br>Lombardstown<br>Caherconlish<br>Co. Limerick                  | the amendments to planning permission ref 21/147 namely revisions to the approved Block 2, currently 3 dwelling units with proposed amendments to the design and site layout to provide 2 No. additional apartments increasing Block 2 to 5 apartment/dwel ...<br>New Link Road<br>Shanabooly<br>Caherdavin, Limerick | 04/08/2022 | 5               | Met | N             |
| 201058       | Miriam Hogan<br>c/o Morgan McDonogh<br>The Bog Road<br>Kildimo<br>Co. Limerick  | 7 no. residential apartments consisting of 4 no. 2 bedroom apartments and 3 no. one bedroom apartments, roof terrace amenity area, bin storage, disabled car parking space, bicycle racks, connection to main drainage and associated works<br>St. Nesson's Road<br>Dooradoyle<br>Limerick                            | 02/06/2021 | 7               | Met | N             |
| 201074       | Osprey Construction Limited<br>C/O Arnold Leahy Architects Ltd<br>1 Crescent Villas<br>O'Connell Avenue<br>Limerick   | a residential development comprising 63 no. residential units - 1no. 2 storey 4 bedroom detached house, 34no. duplex units in four 3 storey blocks with 2 bedroom apartments on the ground floor and 3 bedroom houses over, 10no. duplex in 1 no 3 storey ...<br>Brú na Gruaáin<br>Castletroy<br>Co. Limerick         | 06/05/2021 | 62              | Met | N             |
| 201142       | Cloonsuck Properties Ltd.<br>C/O Richard Rice<br>Healy Partners Architects<br>The Mill<br>Glentworth Street, Limerick | student housing development of circa 511 sq.m over 3 floors including associated site works<br>2 & 3 Saint Gerard Street<br>Limerick  | 21/09/2021 | 1               | Met | N             |
| 201320       | 1 Walkers Limerick Land Limited<br>c/o HRA Planning<br>3 Hantsonge Street<br>Limerick                                 | construction of 21 no. residential units and associated infrastructure<br>Walkers Road & Dublin Road<br>Newcastle<br>Castletroy, Co. Limerick   | 27/04/2021 | 21              | Met | N*            |
| 201410       | Sean Reynolds<br>c/o Brian O'Donoghue<br>12 Thornfield<br>Monaleen<br>Limerick  | change of use from commercial unit to 2 number studio apartments and 4 number 2 bedroom apartments and all associated site works<br>Alphaset<br>Bishop Street<br>Limerick   | 21/10/2021 | 6               | Met | N             |

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| 211152       | Osprey Construction Ltd.<br>c/o Arnold Leahy Architects<br>1 Crescent Villas<br>O'Connell Avenue<br>Limerick    | a residential development comprising 89 no. residential units, (9 no. detached houses, 36 no. semi-detached houses, 20 no. terraced houses, 24 no. duplex units), demolition of existing farm buildings, additional parallel parking along the Castletroy ...<br>Newtown<br>Castletroy<br>Co. Limerick     | 20/04/2022 | 89              | Met | N             |
| 211328       | Dwellings Developments(Cois na Cille) Ltd.<br>3 Magazine Road<br>Athlone<br>Co. Westmeath                       | modifying a recently permitted scheme under reg. no. 20/1114. The modification results in a net reduction of 6 units on the wider site as permitted under ref. no. 20/1114 (91 units proposed as opposed to 97 units) and consists of: replace 21 no. dupl ...<br>Skehacreggaun<br>Mungret<br>Co. Limerick | 10/06/2022 | 27              | Met | N*            |
| 211395       | McCarthy & Woulfe Ltd.<br>c/o Arnold Leahy Architects Ltd<br>1 Crescent Villas<br>O'Connell Avenue<br>Limerick  | construction of a residential development comprising 6 terrace units with site entrance, and all ancillary site development works. Ancillary site development works include a new connection to the public water main, foul and surface water drainage, ac ...<br>Rhebogue Road<br>Rhebogue<br>Limerick    | 21/06/2022 | 6               | Met | N             |
| 211400       | Osprey Construction Limited<br>c/o Arnold Leahy Architects<br>1 Crescent Villas<br>O'Connell Avenue<br>Limerick | a residential development comprising 96 no. residential units, (16 no. semi-detached houses, 6 no. terrace houses, 2 detached units along with 2 no. 5 storey apartment blocks over basement, comprised of 72 no. apartments and basement parking), bin & ...<br>Newtown<br>Castletroy<br>Co. Limerick     | 09/06/2022 | 96              | Met | N             |
| 211454       | Sataner Ltd.<br>c/o Gleeson McSweeney Architects<br>99 O'Connell Street<br>Limerick                             | the construction of a 3 to 5 storey 14 unit apartment development consisting of 4 one-bedroom apartments, 7 two-bedroom apartments and 3 three-bedroom apartments, new courtyard area, bin store, bike store and associated site works<br>37 Windmill Street<br>Limerick                                   | 21/09/2022 | 14              | Met | N             |

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| 211601       | Kuailie Touzi Ltd.<br>c/o Declan Gilleece,<br>26 The Hermitage,<br>Mill Road,<br>Corbally, Limerick.   | the conversion of existing residential building into 4 no. one bedroom apartments (at basement level, at first floor level, at second floor level and at third floor level). Conversion of existing ground floor level into 2no. separate offices (commerc ...<br>'Lissadell House',<br>8 Catherine Place,<br>Limerick. | 11/04/2022 | 6               | Met | N             |
| 211640       | Peter McVerry Trust Company Limited by Guarantee<br>c/o Carr Associates Architects,<br>Unir 3, Chapel Court,<br>Cathedral Place,<br>Limerick | redesign of a planning permission previously granted under planning reference 18/1210 which consisted of 20 no. apartments (2no. three beds, 16no. two beds, 2no. one beds) with ancillary facilities, services and carparking. The new planning applicati ...<br>Flag Lane, Sullivans Lane, Curry Lane,<br>Limerick.   | 08/03/2022 | 30              | Met | N             |
| 211820       | Shelbourne Medical Properties Ltd.<br>c/o Healy Partners Architects,<br>The Mill,<br>Glentworth Street,<br>Limerick.                         | change of use from Medical Centre previously granted under permission ref. 19/710 to 19no. student spaces of 507.6sqm on ground floor. Provision of 12no. car parking spaces and relocated bin & bicycle storage and all associated site works<br>Hassett's Cross,<br>Limerick.   | 04/04/2022 | 35              | Met | N             |
| 191271       | Arlington Novas Ireland CLG t/a Novas<br>c/o John Rogers,<br>Abigail Centre,<br>Kildonan Road,<br>Finglas, Dublin 11.                        | the conversion of the existing third floor attic to 2 no. 1 bed apartments (units 1& 2) and 2 no. 1 bed studios (unit 3 & 4) including new balconies and extending stairs 1 up to third floor level. The conversion of the existing third floor 3 bed apar ...<br>McGarry House,<br>7 St. Alphonsus St.,<br>Limerick.   | 25/03/2020 | 8               | Met | N             |

Note: Developments listed as N\* in the "Commenced Y/N" column relate to developments where the parent permission has been amended by a subsequent amended permission. In these instances, a Commencement Notice has been received for the parent permission but not for the subsequent amended permission.



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## Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick to be held on Monday, 20th February, 2023.

### Question submitted by Councillor S. Kiely

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick how many paper copies of the Bin Waiver Scheme have been sent from the LCCC Customer Service Team to the members of the public and to date.

### REPLY:

Limerick City and Council do not automatically send out application forms with the reminder letter for Household Waste Refuse Scheme. The reason for this decision is to encourage the usage of the online system. This has many benefits including environmental benefits, time and cost saving benefits and quicker approval of applications.

The number of applicants using the online platform is approx 20%.

Up to the 31st January 2023, the Customer Services Department recorded 1996 formal requests for paper application forms to be posted out to members of the public. It is also estimated that another 30 paper forms were dispatched from the reception desk in MQ.

Workshops were held Mondays and Wednesdays in Merchants Quay from 10am to 12noon where staff from the section were available to assist applicants as required.

**Gordon Daly,  
Director of Services,  
Community Tourism & Culture Directorate,  
14<sup>th</sup> February, 2023**





## Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick

to be held on Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2023

### Question submitted by Councillor C. Slattery

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick, in relation to Hyde Road safety measures that I lobbied for, what consultation process took place with the residents in the area regarding a cycle lane being added to the original plans to alleviate speeding in the area.

### Reply:

The Active Travel team undertook a Section 38, under the Road Traffic Act 1994. The Section 38 clearly stated the intention to introduce the following road amendments:

- Install new road markings,
- Install new tactile paving,
- Install new footpath and drop-kerbs,
- Install new cycle lanes,
- Junction improvements,
- Install table top ramps.
- The works will involve the construction and installation of new footpaths, cycle lanes, road markings and associated works.

The Section 38 was published from Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> of June to Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> of July 2022 inclusive. The drawings and particulars of the proposed project were available on line through MyPoint and also for inspection at Limerick City and County Council, Dooradoyle Road, Dooradoyle, during the above timeframe.

During the open period of inspection of the documents and particulars only one submission was received. This submission related to the cycle lane segregation.

Additionally, prior to the publication of the Section 38 for Hyde Road the project was also presented to Elected Members in the area briefings, to Area East on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2022 and to Area West on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

**Dan Slavin**

**A/Senior Executive Engineer**

**Active Travel**

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## **MEETING OF THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, 20<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2023**

### **Question submitted by Councillor C. Slattery**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick, in relation to the extension at Mount St. Laurence Cemetery, the hedging around parts of the Cemetery has holes etc which allows dogs to gain access. Can the local authority close off these gaps to prevent dogs gaining access, as people visiting the graves of their loved ones are extremely frightened of these dogs.

### **REPLY:**

The Council will plant appropriate planting to block off the gaps in the existing hedging at the rear of Mount Saint Lawrence (Extension) Cemetery.

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I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick, in relation to Mount St Laurence, what plans are in place to address the spoil area this area is an awful eyesore. While some works have been done the area is still not acceptable and needs immediate attention.

**REPLY:**

The Council will further address this issue by seeking quotations to have a more permanent visually aesthetic solution to be put in place for the temporary storage of graveyard spoil.

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## Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick to be held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023

### Question submitted by Councillor J. Pond

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for an update on the proposed Flood Relief Scheme for Annacotty including Mulcair Drive and Mountshannon Road.

### Reply:

The Limerick City & Environs Flood Relief Scheme (FRS) is currently in Stage 1 of its development which consists of options assessment, scheme development and design stages. The scheme area encompasses the City of Limerick and selected environs situated in both Limerick and Clare. The areas that are intended to benefit from, and be protected by the scheme are divided into three main subareas are;

- Subarea 1 – Annacotty;
- Subarea 2 - King’s Island FRS (being advanced separately to the Limerick City & Environs FRS scheme);
- Subarea 3 - Limerick City Centre.

In particular, the Annacotty area (including Mulcair Drive and Mountshannon Road) has been identified as an area where potential “quick wins” (i.e. early flood risk management / scheme implementation) can be utilised for accelerated works. To inform this, Limerick City & County Council, in partnership with OPW, has requested the appointed consultant (RPS Consulting Engineers) to identify locations where flood defences may be required to inform specific locations for advance site investigation works. To facilitate this, ecological surveys (being undertaken by RPS) and ornithology surveys (by MKO Ireland) are currently ongoing in this area. Furthermore, an invasive species treatment contractor has been appointed on a multi-year contract to treat and survey areas where invasive species are present. Subject to environmental and other constraints, it is anticipated that a geotechnical site investigation contractor/or contractors will commence site investigation works in Q3 2023 in Annacotty and surrounding areas to determine ground conditions.



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In parallel with the above, RPS is currently undertaking detailed hydrological and hydraulic assessments which will inform flood levels and flood extents in this area to confirm exact locations at risk of flooding. As per the current programme, the hydraulic assessment of the scheme area is anticipated to be completed by early autumn 2023. The programme for any potential advance flood protection works to Annacotty is subject to the above and is currently under review with a view to submitting for planning consent in mid to late 2025.

Limerick City & County Council has been in recent contact with landowners from the Annacotty area and is acutely aware of the importance to assess the potential for any quick wins in delivering flood protection to this key area and will continue to liaise with key stakeholders and landowners in the area.

Further information and ongoing updates for the scheme may be found at the scheme website; <https://www.floodinfo.ie/frs/en/limerick/home/>

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## Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick

to be held on Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2023

### Question submitted by Councillor S. Novak Uí Chonchúir

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for an update on the Mobility Management Measures for Business initiative, with the focus on the Scope 3 emissions and on enabling the big industries in the National Technology Park and Raheen Industrial Estate to switch to sustainable mobility alternatives.

### Reply:

The Council is developing this initiative and is actively engaging with businesses at the IDA National Technology Park in Castletroy and the IDA Raheen Business and Technology Park. We have recently hosted open discussions with the businesses at both parks on the importance of sustainable mobility amongst staff and discussed measures for achieving behavioural change. Items discussed include:

- LSMATS – Proposed cycle network, proposed bus network and proposed rail network
- BusConnects
- Increasing active travel – walking and cycling
- Roll out of dockless bike scheme
- Shuttle buses during peak hours
- Car pooling
- Car sharing
- Park and Ride

We are currently developing a staff survey, using best practice, which will be administered through the IDA and individual businesses. The data will help us understand current travel patterns, modes of travel, and identify behavioural change measures, which will help achieving modal shift to sustainable modes of travel. We received favourable responses from participants to this initiative.

**Brian Kennedy,**  
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### Question submitted by Councillor S. Novak Uí Chonchúir

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for an update on the progress so far and the future plans for Safe Routes to School at Scoil Íde and St. Munchin's College, Corbally.

### Reply:

Consultation is ongoing with both schools on the development of measures under the Safe Routes to School Programme. A Preliminary Design has been prepared for these works which will require a Part 8 approval process. Subject to approval of the Part 8, the process for which will commence in March, these works will be included in the Mill Road Construction Project.

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### **Question submitted by Councillor S. Novak Uí Chonchúir**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for an update on the plans for the next stage of O'Connell Street upgrade.

### **Reply:**

The next phase of O'Connell Street will be funded by the Urban Regeneration Development Fund and the National Transport Authority. When initial concept designs are completed, a workshop will be held with the Elected Members to provide an outline of the proposed scheme and get their input. This is anticipated to happen in Q2 2023.

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