

CORRESPONDENCE

**MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF
ADARE-RATHKEALE**

13TH JUNE, 2023

- Letter received on 21st May, 2023 from Patrick O'Donovan TD, Minister of State at the Office of Public Works and Flood Relief in reply to Councillor Sheahans request for relieving tidal flooding on the quay side in Askeaton, Co. Limerick.
- Email received on 24th May, 2023 from Geraldine Torreon, Local Representative Support Desk, Uisce Éireann in reply to query from Councillor Sheahan as to when the Boil Water Notice will be lifted for Foynes and surrounding area Co. Limerick, clarification sought on whether water in River Deel in Askeaton is currently being tested – reference made to the “No Swim” notice currently in place and clarification sought on whether an application has been made to upgrade Kildimo Sewerage Treatment Plant.
- Letter received on 26th May, 2023 from Sean Coughlan, Deputy Chief Executive, Limerick City and County Council in reply to request from Councillor Teskey to attend the June Meeting of the Municipal District of Adare-Rathkeale to discuss the provision of additional funding for road improvements and also the upkeep of footpaths in housing estates in the District.



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Office of the Minister of State

Minister's Reference: OPW-MO-00119-2023

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19th May 2023

RE: Tidal Flooding on the quay side in the town of Askeaton, Co. Limerick

Dear Ms. Butler,

I refer to your correspondence in relation to the above matter.

In 2015, under The Minor Flood Mitigation Works and Coastal Protection Scheme, The Office of Public Works (OPW) approved €30,000 funding to Limerick City & County Council for the Appointment of consultants to survey the existing defences and to prepare a detailed design of proposed improvements for Askeaton. To date €12,731 has been drawn down by Limerick City & County Council.

As part of the Catchment Flood Risk Assessment and Management (CFRAM) Programme a proposed Flood Relief Scheme was identified for Askeaton. The CFRAM Programme was the largest ever flood risk study carried out in the State and culminated with the launch in 2018 of 29 Flood Risk Management Plans. These Plans proposed 118 new outline flood relief schemes. All projects are being funded under the Government's flood risk investment programme of almost €1.3 billion under the National Development Plan to 2030.



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Since 2018, the OPW has trebled the number of schemes, to 90, in the pipeline being designed and at construction. Given the highly specialised market for designing flood relief schemes it is not possible to progress all proposed new schemes at once.

While the proposed scheme in Askeaton is not in the first tranche of projects to be progressed, the OPW is currently in discussions with Limerick City & County Council to commence this project, as part of the national programme, at the earliest opportunity.

Yours sincerely,

Patrick O'Donovan TD,

Minister of State at the Office of Public Works and Flood Relief



From: localrepsupport <localrepsupport@water.ie>

Sent: Wednesday 24 May 2023 13:58

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Subject: [EXTERNAL]Uisce Éireann

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Dear Karen,

Thank you for your recent correspondence on behalf of Councillor Kevin Sheahan, raised at the Adare Rathkeale Municipal District meeting held on the 16th of May last.

Please see below response received from the relevant department regarding his queries.

Boil Water Notice

Uisce Éireann's primary focus is and always will be the protection of public health. Drinking water experts from Uisce Éireann and Limerick City & County Council are working to implement solutions to lift the Boil Water Notice for customers supplied by Foynes/Shannon Estuary Public Water Supply as quickly and as safely as possible in consultation with the HSE. This follows the detection of cryptosporidium found following testing at Shannon Estuary Water Treatment Plant. Uisce Éireann is investigating the causes of the crypto detection and looking at remedial measures to the existing processes and also undertaking capital upgrades. A date cannot be confirmed at this stage for lifting of the notice. In the meantime, all customers on this supply are advised to boil and cool their water before use until further notice.

River Deel

Regarding the query on the River Deel, Limerick City & County Council have confirmed that they are monitoring the water quality of the River Deel in Askeaton with samples taken and analysed on a monthly basis.

Kildimo WWTP

The Kildimo WWTP is currently not an Uisce Éireann Asset. It is not owned by Uisce Éireann, but Uisce Éireann is covering the cost of LA operations as part of service continuation under the SLA.

I trust you find the above information helpful. Thank you for contacting Uisce Éireann.

Geraldine Torreon

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Comhairle Cathrach
& Contae **Luimnigh**

Limerick City
& County Council

To: The Cathaoirleach and Each Member of the Municipal District of Adare Rathkeale
Meeting to be held on Tuesday 16th of May 2023

Re: The provision of additional funding for road improvements and the upkeep of
footpaths in housing estates in the District.

As this is a budgetary issue, this cannot be addressed at this time.

Sean Coughlan
Deputy Chief Executive
Limerick City and County Council

26th May, 2023