



## Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick

to be held on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2023

### Question submitted by Councillor J. Leddin

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick what engagement has taken place with the Road Safety Authority and the Council in selecting routes for instructors to use with learner drivers in the Metropolitan area.

### Response:

Limerick City and County Council does not have any role in the selection of routes for instructors to use with learner drivers.

**Hugh McGrath**  
**Senior Engineer**  
**Transportation & Mobility Directorate**  
**14<sup>th</sup> June 2023**



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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 the details of the Council's flooding response plan, with a specific request on the details of how the risk of flooding is monitored and when the flood defences are deployed.

### **Response:**

Limerick City and County Council Roads Department deploy flood defences during weather events when required based on information determined from a flooding forecast model. This model is prepared from various forecast information which includes Shannon Dock tide times, OPW's flood surge model, ESB's Shannon Level Forecast and Met Eireann's weather forecasts. This exercise is generally completed weekly or daily when deemed required prior to and during significant weather events.

**Mike Richardson**  
Senior Executive Engineer,  
Roads, Traffic & Cleansing,  
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**Question submitted by Councillor C. Slattery**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick when the housing development by Peter McVerry will start in Carew Park Limerick.

**REPLY:**

Peter McVerry Trust have advised that the anticipated start date is September 2023.

Mary Hayes/Sarah Newell  
Senior Executive Officer  
Housing Directorate  
14<sup>th</sup> June 2023



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

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick can Active Travel advise how many speed ramps will be installed on Hyde Road from the entrance at Childers Road to the traffic lights before the turn to Careys Road.

### **Response:**

The Active Travel Scheme along Hyde Road from the entrance at Childers Road to the traffic lights before the turn to Carey's Road will provide 4no ramps at the following locations:

- City side of Crecora Ave.
- City side of Lenihan Ave.
- Between Byrne Ave. (city side) and Lenihan Ave. and;
- On the Childers Road side of Meagher Ave.

**Sean McGlynn**  
**A/ Senior Engineer**  
**Active Travel**  
**Transportation & Mobility Directorate**

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### **Question submitted by Councillor S Hartigan**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for the Council to present its policy on dealing with reports of attacks on people by dogs in public places.

### **Reply**

There is no formal policy for the investigation of dog attacks.

The practice is as follows:

On receipt of a complaint, an investigation is commenced. Firstly, our wardens will try to establish the name and address of the dog owner. This is the first step required to be able to follow up with any enforcement action. If this cannot be established the case is closed.

If the name and address can be established then the wardens will take statements from both the complainant and owner.

Our wardens must gather evidence if they did not witness the incident themselves.

In order to issue fines the same level of evidence is required as if we are going to Court. Similar to litter fines hearsay or oral statements are of no evidentiary value.

In relation to a dog attack, we require a written statement from the complainant. We also ask them to report the matter to Gardaí and to send us a medical report if they have had to receive medical treatment. These all help us to build our case, provide the evidence to issue fines and prosecute the case in court if necessary.

**Vincent Murray**  
**Director of Services**  
**Planning, Environment & Place-Making**  
**16<sup>th</sup> May 2023**

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### Question submitted by Councillor S Hartigan

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick how many attacks on people by dogs have been reported to Limerick City and County Council for the years 2021, 2022 and 2023 to date and what was the Council's response time in dealing with these attacks.

### Reply

Report alleged dog attacks, Limerick City and County Council 2021, 2022, 2023

2021	Info	Outcome	Response time
	Staff type dog attacked person on Dublin Road	Dog Surrendered	Immediate
	2 pitbulls attacked child and her puppy	Wardens called to the house with AGS, licences produced, matter being investigated further by AGS, no further involvement from LCCC	Immediate
	Dogs attacked anonymous complainant	Section 16s issued to alleged offenders., No evidence so no further action.	Immediate
	Anonymous callers husband bitten by stray dog	Will investigate and monitor. No further issues found. No evidence case closed.	Case assigned and closed 9 days later
	Callers daughter was bitten by stray dog. Statement requested	Statement requested, not received. No evidence case closed.	Immediate
	2 large Alsatians followed caller with her buggy, dogs known in the area for attacking (Anglers walk)	Ongoing issues here, will monitor. Gardai attended with LCCC staff. Improvements made by owners to prevent dogs escaping.	Case assigned and closed 6 days later

2022	Info	Outcome	Response time
	Wife of caller bitten on ankle by dog while cycling - medical attention required	Called to the area, no dog out, will monitor. No statement so no evidence to pursue.	Case assigned within 3 days.
	Attack by dog on person - medical attention required	Called to the owner and spoke with him re dog control of his dog. No evidence to pursue further	Case assigned within 1 week.
	Dog attacked customer while cycling	Patrolled area, no dog seen,	Case assigned next day.
	Lady bit by dog outside supermarket	Statement requested, not received. No evidence to pursue further	Immediate
	Dog got loose on country passage and attacked owner and her dog	Alleged offender spoken to by Warden. Warden satisfied it was a one off incident.	Immediate

2023	Info	Outcome	Response time
	Caller attacked by dog being walked off lead	Warden called to dog owner with AGS and outlined dog control responsibilities	Immediate
	Letter received reporting dog attack	Ongoing investigation	Immediate
	Cyclist attacked by 2 restricted breeds	Ongoing investigation	Immediate

**Vincent Murray**  
**Director of Services**  
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**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 for an update on the acquisition of a site for a new cemetery for the Castletroy/Monaleen/Annacotty area. The Council planned to acquire a site by June 2023; has the Council identified a site, has the Council purchased a site yet.

**REPLY:**

The Council has not identified a preferred site for a new cemetery to serve the Castletroy area. While a number of possible sites have been identified, there is a site suitability assessment process which is required in order to determine if sites are suitable for a cemetery from a hydrological perspective. The Council continue to review a number of sites and will advise in due course when a preferred site has been identified.

**Vincent Murray**  
**Director of Services**  
**Planning, Environment & Place-Making**

**16<sup>th</sup> June, 2023.**



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### Question submitted by Councillor E. Secas

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick if the NTA have approved all Active Travel Schemes for the Metropolitan Area, which we approved at the April meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick subject to approval of the schemes by the NTA. If not all those schemes have been approved by the NTA, can the Council provide the list of schemes NTA did approve.

### Response:-

Please see below NTA approved Active Travel Schemes for the Metropolitan Area, as discussed at the April meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick.

**Sean Mc Glynn,**  
**A/ Senior Engineer,**  
**Active Travel**

Project Code	Project Name	Status
LCC/22/0016	<b>Low Cost Permeability Measures</b>	Approved
	Adare Park	Approved
	Garryowen Green	Approved
LCC/22/0015	<b>Low Cost Junction Tightening/Pedestrian Crossing Schemes</b>	Approved in Principle
	30KPH multiple junction projects	Approved in Principle
	Garryglass Roundabout	Approved in Principle
	Mallow Street	Approved in Principle
	County Schemes	Approved in Principle
LCC/22/0003	<b>Metro Area - New Footpaths</b>	Approved in Principle
	Rosbrien Road Footpaths	Approved
	Lower Park Rd to Rhebogogue Hill Footpath Link	Approved
	Condell Road	Approved
	Patrickswell to Adare	Not approved for 2023
	Mountshannon Road	Approved in Principle
LCC/22/0010	<b>Metro Area - Asset Renewal (Cycle Tracks and Greenways)</b>	Approved in Principle
	Baggott Street Upgrade Cycleway	Approved in Principle
	Red Path Upgrade Cycle Ramp to Athlundard Bridge and link to Spring Grove	Approved in Principle
	Widen and Upgrade Cycle Way Clare Street to UL Boat Club (incl. connectivity links)	Approved in Principle
	Public Lighting for Cycle Tracks in Parks - Caherdavin Green	Approved
	Public Lighting for Cycle Tracks in Parks - Vartry Field	Approved
LCC/22/0011	<b>Metro Area - Asset Improvement (Footpaths)</b>	Approved in Principle
	Scanlan Park	Approved in Principle
	St. Patricks Road	Approved in Principle
	Hilltop	Approved in Principle
	Walnut Drive	Approved in Principle
	College/Janemount Park	Approved in Principle
	Clarina	Approved in Principle
	Laurel/Sycamore Park Patrickswell	Approved in Principle
LCC/21/0017	Safe to Schools Programme - Support Infrastructure	Approved in Principle
LCC/23/XXXX	Regeneration Projects	Approved in Principle
LCC/23/XXXX	Ros Mor to Childers Road Active Travel Scheme	Approved in Principle
LCC/23/XXXX	Active Travel Pathfinders Park Canal to Patrick St.	Approved in Principle
LCC/23/XXXX	Bloodmill Road Active Travel Improvements	Approved in Principle



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### **Question submitted by Councillor A. Talukder**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for an update on the installation of the railing at Steamboat Quay.

### **Note:**

This relates to the railing at the edge of Steamboat Quay and the water's edge.

### **Response:**

Sorensen Civil Engineering Ltd. has been appointed to carry out the Steamboat Quay hand railing works starting on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023. It is intended these works should take approximately 4 weeks to complete.

**John O'Leary,**  
**A/ Senior Executive Engineer,**  
**Transportation & Mobility Directorate,**  
**14<sup>th</sup> June 2023**



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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 information on bike parking within car parks in the city centre and if there are plans for any more inside bike parking within the city centre.

### Response:

At this time Limerick City and County Council is prioritising the provision of publically available on-street bike parking in conjunction with the NTA programme.

There are currently no plans for expansion of the existing bike parking within car parks in the city centre, however this can be further examined with the relevant stakeholders in due course.

**Karen McDonnell**  
**Executive Planner**  
**Transportation & Mobility Directorate**  
**15<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

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

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick if Treaty City flags can be placed along the bridges in celebration of the achievements of the club within Limerick.

**REPLY:**

Limerick City and County Council are currently working on a protocol for flags on the Shannon and Thomond Bridges. Currently the Limerick GAA flags are in place until end of the senior hurling championship. We are discussing the possibility of positioning two flags on a pole at once, but we are awaiting a response on this from an outside company.

Going forward the cost of putting flags up and taking them down again, is something that Limerick City and County Council will review and include in the aforementioned policy. As a proud partner and supporter of Treaty United and indeed all sporting organisations in Limerick, Limerick City and County Council are continuing to identify other poles, places etc where we can hang flags and banners to highlight sporting teams and their achievements.



**Laura Flannery,  
Senior Executive Officer,  
Corporate Services, Governance and Customer Services.**

**16<sup>th</sup> June, 2023.**



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**Question submitted by Councillor C. Sheehan**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick which CCTV cameras are turned on and in the Canal Bank area from Lelia Street to UL/Shannon Fields.

**REPLY:**

The Canal and River Bank CCTV scheme operated by Limerick City and County Council consists of eleven poles with two cameras on each giving a total of twenty-two cameras. At present twenty cameras are recording back to our monitoring centre located at the Moyross Community Enterprise Centre. These cameras are not live monitored they are recording only. The one pole which is currently not connected to the scheme is expected to be online in the coming weeks.

Alan Dooley  
Head of Digital Services and EU Programmes

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

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick how many tenant in situ applications are currently open and how many have been processed since April 1st 2023.

### **REPLY:**

The Housing Directorate are currently dealing with 231 open notice to quits.

At the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2023 we have 43 homes at sale agreed, 54 sales are under negotiation, a further 120 at proposal stage and 14 households have been referred for consideration under the Cost Rental Tenant in Situ Scheme.

Mary Hayes/Sarah Newell  
Senior Executive Officer  
Housing Directorate  
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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 number of HAP and RAS inspections carried out this year and the results of same.

### **REPLY:**

In total 615 inspections have taken place to date in 2023 - 287 HAP Inspections, 140 RAS inspections and the remaining 188 being privately rented properties. 4% of these properties were deemed compliant on first inspection. The remainder did not meet the minimum standards for the following contraventions Structural Condition.

Regulation (4) of the Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) Regulations 2019:

Sanitary Facilities

Regulation (5) of the Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) Regulations 2019:

Heating Facilities

Regulation (6) of the Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) Regulations 2019:

Food Preparation and Storage and Laundry

Regulation (7) of the Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) Regulations 2019:

Ventilation

Regulation (8) of the Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) Regulations 2019:

Lighting

Regulation (9) of the Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) Regulations 2019:

Fire Safety

Regulation (10) of the Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) Regulations 2019:

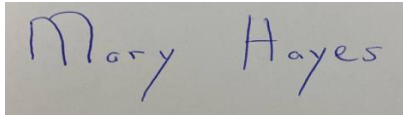


Refuse

Regulation (11) of the Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) Regulations 2019:

Gas, Oil and Electricity Installations

Regulation (12) of the Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) Regulations 2019:

A rectangular box containing a handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mary Hayes".

Mary Hayes

Senior Executive Officer

Housing Directorate

14<sup>th</sup> June 2023



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### **Question submitted by Councillor S. Kiely**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick when will an economic assessment be conducted for Wickham Street / High Street regarding the proposed Active Travel Scheme.

### **Response:**

An Economic Assessment is to be conducted over the coming months for Wickham Street / High Street regarding the proposed Active Travel Scheme. The estimated date for delivery of the Economic Assessment Report is November 2023. In recent weeks Active Travel has engaged specialists for counting movement and traffic in the area, along with a specialist to undertake the Economic Assessment. Counting of movement and traffic will continue through summer and autumn while retail and local surveys are planned for September. Analysis is scheduled for October, and November will see the final drafting and completion of the Economic Assessment Report.

### **Economic Assessment Schedule:**

- September 2023: Phase 1 - Discovery Phase
- October 2023: Phase 2 - Analysis and Plan Development
- November 2023: Phase 3 - Economic Impact Plan

**Sean McGlynn**  
**A/Senior Engineer**  
**Active Travel**  
**Transportation & Mobility**

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### Question submitted by Councillor S. Kiely

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick when Limerick City and County Council expect all work on O'Connell Street to be completed and when we can expect the 3 person cleansing team to be appointed.

### Response:

The works to O'Connell Street are largely complete with the exception of localised work adjacent to some of the junctions. Arup Consulting Engineers (Arup) will determine the contractual completion date following final inspection of the works. The resolution of any snags identified by Arup will be addressed up to and after completion as is standard practice in the industry.

Limerick City and County Council has approved the appointment of the 3 person team however the Department of Local Government approval is required as this results in an increase in overall staff numbers. Human Resources have sought this approval and have identified the need for a quick decision by the Department. As soon as approval is received, Human Resources will work with existing panels to appoint staff.

**Liam Browne,**  
**Senior Executive Engineer**  
**Roads, Traffic & Cleansing**  
**Transport & Mobility Directorate**

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### Question submitted by Councillor S. Kiely

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick how many vacancies exist for School Wardens and when will they be filled if any exist.

### Response:

One vacancy currently exists at John F Kennedy Memorial Primary School, this position has been offered to a person who is currently going through the on boarding process with Human Resources.

Outside the City centre area, one vacancy exists at St. Pauls School. In order to fill this post and other future vacancies, Human Resources will shortly be advertising for panels to fill permanent positions as they arise and for a panel to provide cover for posts where the assigned School Warden is unavailable, for example when School Wardens are on sick leave. Three School Wardens are currently unavailable for duty.

Recruitment for School Warden Panels, especially for cover positions, has proven to be difficult.

**Liam Browne,**  
**Senior Executive Engineer**  
**Roads, Traffic & Cleansing**  
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**14<sup>th</sup> June 2023**