

31st October 2024

**To: The Cathaoirleach and Each Member of the Municipal District
of Adare-Rathkeale**

Re: Draft Budgetary Plan 2025 - General Municipal Allocation

A Chomhairleoir, a chara

The Local Government Reform Act 2014 (which amends the Local Government Act, 2001) deals with the various issues in relation to Municipal Districts. One of the main items dealt with in the Act includes the General Municipal Allocation (GMA) which is the discretionary funding which is made available to municipal district members contained in the draft budgetary plan.

The Act requires that the Mayor in determining the resources to be made available to each municipal district in the draft budgetary plan shall have regard to :

- The needs and the resources available or likely to be available to the local authority and
- Resource needs of each municipal district including where feasible the population of each district.

The Act provides that the draft budgetary plan shall set out the GMA and shall be considered at a meeting no later than 10 days prior to the local authority budget meeting.

Section 102 (4) of the Local Government Act, 2001 (as amended) provides that it is a reserved function of the members of a municipal district to adopt the draft budgetary plan

with or without amendment. If the members of a municipal district do not adopt a draft budgetary plan the Mayor may take account of the draft budgetary plan as presented to members of that municipal district without amendment.

The total provisional allocation for the General Municipal Allocation for 2025 is €1,652,500, an increase of €189,500 on the 2024 GMA amount of €1,463,000.

The total allocation for the Municipal District of Adare Rathkeale is €280,800, an increase of €10,800 on the 2024 allocation of €270,000, leading to a per Councillor amount of €46,800.

Set out below is the Draft Budgetary Plan 2025

Svc	General Municipal Allocation -2025	Adare Rathkeale Municipal District
B04	Local Roads	105,000
D05	Special Projects (Tourism Development Recreation and Amenity)	155,800
F04	Community Initiatives	20,000
Total	General Municipal Allocation	280,800

Recommendation:

I recommend adoption of the General Municipal Allocation for the Adare Rathkeale Municipal District of Limerick for 2025 in the amount of €280,800 in accordance with Section 102 of the Local Government Act, 2001 (as amended).

John Moran

Mayor of Limerick