

**Reply to Notice of Motion for the May Meeting of Adare-Rathkeale Municipal District, to  
be held on Tuesday, the 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2025.**

**Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor J. O'Donoghue**

I will move at the next District meeting that L.C.C.C give a commitment to the completion of the section of road from the L1408 via Camogue Park to the rear of the extended boundary of Croom N.S.

**Response:**

Limerick City and County Council fully support the expansion of Croom NS and the associated new entrance subject to appropriate planning permission. The Croom Distributor Road has been delivered to date through collaboration and funding from the following agencies:

<b>Funding Sources on Croom Distributor Road Scheme</b>	<b>EURO</b>
Limerick City and County Council	€ 2,561,930.21
Limerick & Clare Educational and Training Board	€ 750,000.00
Dept. of Transport	€ 1,350,000.00
	€ 4,661,930.21

While Limerick City and County Council support the principle of providing a new entrance to the school as per the current proposal, there is no further funding committed to this scheme.

Regards

Natasha

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I will move at the next District meeting that we write to the Dept. of transport and ask that anyone using an e scooter or an ebike in a public place should hold a valid theory test that displays their knowledge on the rules of the road.

**Response:**

The concern for road safety is noted, especially with the increasing use of e-scooters and e-bikes. While encouraging better understanding of the rules of the road is a positive step, we would like to raise a few points for consideration.

Firstly, the enforcement of e-scooter/e-bike user behaviour in a public place is a matter for An Garda Síochána.

Secondly, the practicality of requiring all e-scooter and e-bike users to pass a theory test could present enforcement challenges, especially given the casual and spontaneous way many people use these modes of transport. It may also disproportionately affect those who rely on these affordable and sustainable options for commuting or short distance travel.

Finally, current legislation already treats many e-scooters as vehicles requiring insurance and licensing, though enforcement varies. Perhaps in tandem with / instead of introducing a new requirement for a theory test, we could advocate for better education campaigns and clearer guidance from the Department of Transport.

We would support a motion that encourages the Department to improve public awareness of the rules of the road for these vehicles, but would caution the introduction of regulatory burdens that may not be practical to implement.

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1<sup>st</sup> May 2025**



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### **MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF ADARE-RATHKEALE TO BE HELD ON 13<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

#### **Notice of Motion Submitted by Councillor Adam Teskey**

“ I will move at the next meeting given the fact the Council has honoured its obligations with the Department of Social Protection in its two year contract at Bank of Ireland Askeaton this premises be offered now for use in the provision of library services in Askeaton”

#### **Reply:**

The Carnegie Library in Askeaton cannot offer an expanded library service on its current site. Accommodating a full passenger lift to the vacant second floor is not possible. Therefore, universal public access, which is essential for the Public Library Service, is not achievable.

The former Bank of Ireland building could provide an enhanced library offer.

- a. In terms of location, the bank site has more prominence, is more visible and accessible than the Carnegie Library.
- b. It is within walking distance to pre-schools, primary and secondary schools.
- c. It has secure gated grounds, allowing opportunities for outdoor Library activities.
- d. It is a well-maintained building, with an open plan ground floor enabling universal access. It has ample area on the ground floor to accommodate modern library facilities and functions with an existing disability access ramp at the entrance door.

The upgrade of the building completed in the last two years has enhanced its potential as a Library, after its use by Social Protection. However, if the building were to become available, its adaptation and fit-out as a modern public library would be subject to capital funding from the Department of Social Protection; and Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht.

**Signed:** *Damien Brady*

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**Date: 07<sup>th</sup> May 2025**