

CORRESPONDENCE
MEETING OF THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK
16TH JUNE, 2025

- Email dated 26th May, 2025 from the Office of the Minister for Justice in reply to Notice of Motion from Members that this Council write to the HSE and the Department of Justice requesting them to develop a joined-up and proactive taskforce to effectively deal with the drug problems experienced widely across Limerick Metropolitan District.
- Email dated 27th May, 2025 from Limerick Civic Trust in reply to Notice of Motion from Members that the Council engage with relevant organisations such as Limerick Civic Trust, the Midwest Regional Drugs Task Force, and the Community Substance Misuse Team, to identify suitable locations for the expansion of external drop boxes for the safe disposal of drug litter throughout Limerick city.
- Letter dated 29th May, 2025 from the National Transport Authority in reply to Notice of Motion from Members that Limerick City and County Council engage with the NTA/Bus Eireann about introducing urgently, tap and go services on public buses in Limerick.
- Email dated 3rd June, 2025 from the Mid West Regional Drugs Task Force in reply to Notice of Motion from Members that the Council engage with relevant organisations such as Limerick Civic Trust, the Midwest Regional Drugs Task Force, and the Community Substance Misuse Team, to identify suitable locations for the expansion of external drop boxes for the safe disposal of drug litter throughout Limerick city.

Carroll, Siobhan

From: Ministers Office <noreplymo-justice@corr.cloud.gov.ie>
Sent: Monday 26 May 2025 16:04
To: Metro Meeting
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Ref: DJE-MO-05876-2025

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Aedín Foley

metromeeting@limerick.ie

Minister's Reference: DJE-MO-05876-2025

Dear Aedín Foley,

I wish to acknowledge receipt and thank you for your correspondence dated 26 May 2025.

Yours sincerely,

Emma McHugh

Private Secretary to the Minister for Justice

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From: David O'Brien <david@limerickcivictrust.ie>

Sent: Tuesday 27 May 2025 10:27

To: Foley, Aedin <aedin.foley@limerick.ie>

Subject: [EXTERNAL]INFO: Drug Litter

Dear Aedin,

Thank you for your correspondence, we are delighted to support you and the council in this endeavour.

Kind regards

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29th May 2025

Ref: Motion from Metropolitan District of Limerick

Your ref: Engagement with the NTA/ Bus Éireann about introducing urgently, tap and go services on public buses in Limerick.

Dear Aedín,

I refer to your correspondence dated 30th April 2025 in relation to a motion passed at a recent meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick in respect of the above matter.

As you may be aware, the NTA has appointed Indra Sistemas S.A. to equip the entire State subsidised public transport network in Ireland with new ticketing equipment capable of accepting bank cards, Apple Pay, Google Pay, QR codes (both paper and app-based), TFI Leap Cards, and the Public Services Card for Free Travel.

This initiative, referred to as Next Generation Ticketing (NGT), will ultimately see new ticketing equipment being deployed on all Public Service Operator (PSO) operators nationwide. Already, the NTA's mobile ticketing app TFI Go allows customers to buy tickets for all Bus Éireann PSO services nationwide, for 27 private bus operators' services, and for all TFI Local Link regular rural services, directly from a smartphone. The ticket is downloaded in the app and can be used to travel straight away.

The NTA is currently planning the initial implementation of this Next Generation Ticketing system in the Greater Dublin Area (GDA) in line with the current funding and approvals. It is intended to then continue to roll out the system nationwide, but the timeline for that implementation, including in Limerick City and County, is not yet available and will be developed at a later date after we have further advanced the design development of the overall system.

I trust that the above information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely,

Hugh Creegan

Hugh Creegan,
Chief Executive (Interim).

From: Helen Ryan
Sent: Tuesday 3 June 2025 11:06
To: Customer Services <customerservices@limerick.ie>
Subject: [EXTERNAL]FAO Aedin Foley

Hi Aedin,

As per letter received regarding community sharps bins for disposal of drug litter on 26/05/25.

We have an advisory group consisting of drug and alcohol services, LCCC representation, Limerick Civic Trust and community representation. From this group we worked in collaboration with LCCC and introduced sharps bins in the city. We link with services regularly to get updates on the locations of bins, drug trends etc.

We currently have 22 bins across the city and the rep from LCCC is Liam Browne if you want to liaise with him in-house and then comeback to me if you have any queries.

Please find attached poster.

Thanks

Helen

Helen Ryan

Comhordaitheoir Réigiúnach, Tascfhórsa Réigiúnach Drugaí an Iarthar Láir (TRDIL)
Regional Co-Ordinator Mid West Regional Drugs Task Force (MWRDTF)

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For information on drugs and alcohol go to www.drugs.ie



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COMMUNITY SHARPS DISPOSAL LOCATIONS

BINS HAVE BEEN LOCATED AROUND THE CITY FOR SAFER DISPOSAL OF SHARPS, PINS AND WORKS.



- ISLAND BANK
- ALMS HOUSES NICOLAS ST
- HARTSTONGE STREET
- PARNELL STREET
- OLD WINDMILL LANE
- HARTSTONGE STREET - SOUP KITCHEN
- ELLEN STREET
- CECIL STREET
- WILLIAM STREET
- ALPHONSUS STREET - OUTSIDE MCGARRY
- JOHNS SQUARE - GRAVEYARD ENTRANCE
- THOMOND BRIDGE - OPPOSITE JACK MONDAYS
- NAUGHTON PLACE - BEHIND THE PROJECT SCHOOL
- MOUNT KENNETH
- COURT HOUSE / CITY COUNCIL
- ST. MICHAELS GRAVEYARD