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**Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick
to be held on Monday 15th September 2025**

Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor D. Butler

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that Limerick City and County Council consider the development of Butterfly Garden, possibly in the proposed Mungret Sensory Garden, to provide a peaceful and supportive space where families affected by miscarriage, stillbirth, neonatal, infant, and young baby loss can find comfort, remember their little ones, and know they are not alone during what is often a very lonely and difficult time.

Response

Limerick City and County Council will consider adding a Butterfly Garden as part of the proposed Mungret Sensory Garden.

Aidan Finn
Senior Engineer
Environment and Climate Action
09th September 2025



MEETING OF THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK TO BE HELD ON Monday the 15th September, 2025

Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor J. Leddin

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that Limerick City and County Council introduce double yellow lines along the road linking the Dock Road to Alandale Estate so as to prevent persistent illegal encampment along both sides of this road.

Reply:

In principle, the Roads Department does not have any issue with this proposal. An Garda Síochána will have to be also consulted before it can be implemented. The extents may need to be discussed on site with the local representatives.

**James Moylan,
A/ Senior Executive Engineer
Roads, Traffic & Cleansing,
Transportation & Mobility Directorate,
11th September, 2025.**



**Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick
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Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor S. Kiely

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that a map be developed to show the locations of public toilets in the city centre.

Response

The Council can develop a map to show the locations of public toilets in the city centre. There are public toilets located on Mallow Street outside People's Park playground and on Bedford Row.



Aidan Finn

Senior Engineer

Environment and Climate Action

11th September 2025



MEETING OF THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK TO BE HELD ON Monday, 15th September, 2025.

Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor J. Leddin

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that the Council host an information session for the owners of vacant and derelict properties on the various grants available to incentivise development.

REPLY

Limerick City and County Council are proactive in their approach in terms of informing owners of the different schemes available to develop vacant and derelict properties. All information on the Vacant Refurbishment Property grant is available through online platforms and our dedicated contact number for the Grant 061-557037.

Limerick City and County Council will facilitate a public information session on the Vacant Property Refurbishment Grant.

*Jayne Leahy
Senior Executive Officer
Property Management
10th September, 2025*



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Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor J. Pond

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that following on from further planning applications for more than 200 units in the Annacotty area that Limerick City and County Council would introduce whatever measures that are needed to reduce traffic congestion in the Castletroy, Annacotty, Lisnagry area.

Reply:

As part of the implementation of Bus Connects improved infrastructure measures will be considered over the coming years to consider all travel modes in accordance with Transport Policy including LSMATS and the relevant Limerick Development Plan objectives and aims.

**Hugh McGrath,
Senior Engineer,
Transport Strategy,
Transportation & Mobility Directorate,
12th September, 2025.**



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MEETING OF THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK to be held on Monday, 15th September 2025.

Notice of Motion submitted by Councillors J. Pond and C. Slattery

We will move at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that should a downsizing property becomes available that the property is used for downsizing again and not put back into the social housing stock.

REPLY:

The intention behind the motion is understood. It is acknowledged that there will be compassionate and exceptional cases where flexibility in allocation to rightsizers is essential in order to respond to particular housing needs. There are, however, practical difficulties in reallocating rightsizing units exclusively for further private rightsizers.

Vacancies often arise at short notice and Limerick City and County Council must be in a position to allocate promptly.

This Payment and Availability agreement (i.e., the Contract) between the AHB and the Local Authority states that the AHB shall notify the Council as soon as they become aware of a vacancy and that a nomination is required for the vacant unit within one month of being notified by the AHB.

Should allocations be delayed by the need to undertake a rightsizing campaign (which can take up to six months to launch, assess applicants, and allow applicants to dispose of their existing homes on the private market), Approved Housing Bodies (AHBs) that own and manage rightsizing properties are placed at risk of losing availability payments from the State. These prolonged void periods can result in a financial loss to the AHB who are under obligation to service debt from their income.

In order to manage this effectively, consultation would be required with AHBs to examine the operational implications, and with the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH) to secure the necessary approvals.

There is also another mechanism whereby the rightsizing in perpetuity model could be tested on Local Authority built elderly schemes which would not have the same risks identified above as an AHB built scheme. In this instance and subject to DHLGH approval the Council can designate elderly dwellings by way of an Order and retain designation for rightsizing.

A possible way forward would be to table this matter at the next Housing Strategic Policy Committee (SPC), with a view to considering a pilot initiative on a Local Authority built elderly scheme or an AHB built scheme in the Metropolitan District, subject to the agreement of the relevant stakeholders involved.

This would enable the reallocation process to be tested in practice, balancing the objective of creating additional rightsizing opportunities with the need to maintain void efficiency and safeguard income and funding streams where applicable.



Sarah Newell
Senior Executive Officer
Housing Strategy and Non-LA construction
11th September 2025



MEETING OF THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK TO BE HELD ON Monday the 15th September, 2025

Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor S. Hickey O'Mara

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that this Council fully supports the Disability Federation of Ireland's "Make Way Day" campaign through issuing a press release on the importance of this campaign and by championing it on the Council's social media platforms, both in advance of the day of action and on "Make Way Day" itself: 26th September 2025.

Reply:

Limerick City and County Council is fully supportive of the Disability Federation of Ireland's "Make Way Day" campaign and will promote the campaign through all its social media platforms.

In support of the 'Make Way Day' campaign the Council will also promote their 'Think Before You Park' initiative. This is a joint initiative by Limerick City and County Council and An Garda Síochána which was launched in 2024 to address the dangers of illegal and inconsiderate parking in Limerick. The campaign uses stickers with QR codes on illegally parked cars that link to videos showing the impact of bad parking, and it encourages motorists to be mindful of vulnerable road users.

Both initiatives will be promoted ahead of the designated 'Make Way Day' on the 26th September 2025.

**John Gannon,
Senior Engineer,
Roads, Traffic & Cleansing,
Transportation & Mobility Directorate,
8th September 2025.**



Reply to NOTICE OF MOTION

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Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor M. Donoghue

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that an Enforcement Officer be appointed to actively pursue and focus on the removal of poor shopfront signage in the city centre.

REPLY:

Limerick City and County Council currently employ two full time Enforcement Officers who work in the Development Management Department.
At present, there is no capacity to appoint one of the Officers on a full time basis to focus on the removal of poor shopfront signage in the city centre.

However, where a complaint is received regarding a shopfront that does not benefit from Planning Permission, it will be investigated as per the requirements of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended).

B. Henn

Barry Henn,
A/Senior Planner,
Planning & Place-Making Directorate.

11th September 2025



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Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor M. Donoghue

I will move at the next Meeting of Metropolitan District of Limerick that a bus shelter is provided at Munret Community College to support the passengers of the expanded 304a bus route.

Reply:

Following the successful commencement of the 304B service to Munret Community College in August 2025 it is the intention of the Transportation & Mobility Directorate that a bus shelter will be provided at the school location under the National Transport Authority's Bus Stop Enhancement Programme in 2026 subject to funding.

John O'Leary,
A/Senior Executive Engineer,
Travel and Transport Strategy,
Transportation & Mobility Directorate,
10th September, 2025.