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Adare Rathkeale Municipal District District Engineer's Report



Askeaton Parklet

Adare Rathkeale Municipal District Meeting January 2026

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1.3 OPW Minor Works

OPW Minor Works ; Funding approval 2024 -3 schemes approved €335k 90% funding

€129k Lisbane Shanagolden €70k Ballyellinan Askeaton & €102k Meanus Storm Sewers & outfalls

All complete

1.4 Active Travel

€750,000 Minor Footpath Improvements 2025

Rathkeale Connectivity €100,000- Complete

Loghill NS to Woodlawn €350,000- Substantially complete

Askeaton Link Road €300,000- Work 50% complete

Safe Routes to School Programme Round 3 -November 2024 Announcement

Shanagolden N.S.- School Zone Improvement

St' Joseph's Boys School Rathkeale – School Zone Improvement

Carnane N.S.- High Speed Rural Road

1.5 IW- Adare Water Supply Rationalisation Programme

Proposed extension of City Supply from N20 to Adare- significant Closures/ diversions/disruptions

N21 Commencement end of April- substantially complete on N21/R519 Ballingarry Road. Final resurfacing to take place.

Beabus road L8022 will operate on a rolling closure until the end of the year.

It is proposed to resurface the R519 from the speed limit to the Beabus Road (L8022) junction

1.6 Adare Bypass

Temporary Speed Limit on N21 /L1422/L1423 from March 18th

Road Closure application near Clonshire Castle L8025 – implementation date June 9th 2025

Smithfield N21 Roundabout operational

1.7 Monument Hill Walk Foynes

Part 8 was approved in March 2025. Subsequently an application for funding was submitted to Department of Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht under the ORIS Scheme. We

are still waiting to see if this application has been successful. In addition, work is progressing in the transfer of a parcel of land from The Monteagle Estate to Limerick City and County Council.

1.8 LIS

Initially 3 Schemes had been approved for 2025, these are Ballinvulla Ardagh; Tonbaun Crecora and Ballinleeny Granagh with a budget allocation of €232,000.

A second tranche of schemes has been approved a further 4 schemes in the Adare-Rathkeale MD, these are Knockroe, Kildimo; Graigues, Askeaton; Ballymacamore, Croom and Loghill with an additional budget allocation of €269,000

1.9 CIS

3 Schemes have been approved for funding for 2025. These are Kilmoreen, Kildimo; Ardbohill, Rathkeale and Cooltomin, Rathkeale with a budget allocation of €205,000.

2. Update on Schedule of MD Works

ADARE RATHKEALE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT Road Works Scheme 2025	
Work Category	€
Restoration Improvement (RI) -Road Reconstruction	€2,514,000
Restoration Maintenance (RM) –Surface Dressing	€378,300
Supplementary Restoration Maintenance (SRM – Surface Dressing)	€330,200
Drainage Grant	€180,000
General Maintenance (GM)	€954,611
Tar Patching (TP)	€369,950
Low Cost Safety Improvement Works (LCSI)	€106,000
General Municipal Allocation (GMA)	€ 270,000
Bridge Rehabilitation	€35,000
Climate Change Adaption and Resilience Works	€240,000
Specific Improvement Grants	€200,000
Sustainable Travel Measures Grant (Active Travel)	€750,000
TII Major Scheme Foynes – Limerick	€69,000,000
TII Major Scheme M20 Limerick- Cork	€4,500,000
Total Defined MD Spending	€79,784,061

Regional Roads Road Reconstruction Allocation €660,000			
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost €
R519	Cahills Cross to Ballingarry	1460	Complete
Total		1460	€660,000

Local Roads Road Reconstruction Allocation €1,854,000			
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost €
L1408	Croom Hospital Road	380	Complete
L1222	Hogans Quarry Entrance Creeves	100	Complete
L69003	Kilteery Pier Road	550	Complete
L6113	Knocknabooly West Foynes	294	complete
L6115	Knocknabooly Middle Loghill	1320	Complete
L6116	Bog Line Mountdavid	400	Complete
L6130	Basket Road Shanagolden	101	Complete
L6070	Dunmoylan Shanagolden	490	Complete
L8039	Mellon Kildimo	1206	Complete
L6004	N69 to Ballynort Askeaton	348	complete
L6005	Ballynort Askeaton	464	complete
L6014	Kilbreedy Kildimo	220	Complete

L6014	Blossomhill Kilcornan	170	Complete
L1215	Ballyallinan Junction, Rathkeale	337	Complete
L6147	Ballyallinan to Loghill, Knockaderry	800	Complete
L1141	Inch to Mollys Bar Ballyneety	365	Complete
L1545	Ballinleeney to Kilmore Granagh	810	Complete
L52307	Enniscouch Road Rathkeale	760	Complete
L5085	Green Cross Northern approach Ballybricken	150	Complete
L50781	Enaghroe Fedamore	550	Complete
L6028	Ballinaguile Kilfinny	350	Complete
L1'207	Kilmacow to Kilfinny	1000	Complete
Total		11,165	€1,854,000

Regional Roads Surface Dressing Allocation €70,000			
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost €
R519	Beabus towards Nevilles Cross	800	Complete
R523	Killaheen to Ardnaveagh	1000	Complete
Total		1800	€70,000

Local Roads Surface Dressing Allocation €391,500			
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost €
L6130	Basket Road Shanagolden	1172	Complete
L6113	Cloonty Shanagolden	224	Complete
L6113	Knocknabooly West Foynes	450	Complete
L6004	N69 to Ballynort Askeaton	1976	Complete
L6087	Shanid Upper Shanagolden	1549	Complete
L6121	Bonds Cross to Jobbers Cross	2186	Complete
L6117	Leahys to Mountdavid Foynes	3029	Complete
L1203	Curraghchase back gates towards Cappagh	1938	Complete
Total		12524	€391,500

Supplementary Restoration Maintenance Local Roads Surface Dressing Allocation €247,000			
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost €
L1209	Chawkes Cross towards Knockfierna	600	Complete
L1544/L8658	Ballinleena towards Bruff line	1900	Complete
L1203	Cappagh to Rosemount	1500	Complete
L1215	Wilton Cross to Ballywinterourke	1500	Complete

L1427	N21 to Mount Earl Bridge	800	Complete
L8017	Banogue towards Morenane	1000	Complete
L8054	Mount Earl to Liskilly	1000	Complete
Total		8300	€247,000

Drainage Works Allocation € 180,000		
Road No.	Description	Total Cost €
R519	Ballingarry to Cahills Phase 2	Complete
L8042	Ballyvareen Kildimo	Complete
L1227	Finnoo Ballyhahil	Complete
L6070	Carrons Shanagolden	Complete
Total		€180,000

Low Cost Safety Improvement Schemes (LCSI) Allocation € 106,000			
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost €
L1227	Vehicle Restraint System, Ballyhahill Eastern approach		Scheduled
L1210	Chawkes Cross		Substantially Complete
R516	Croom NS		Scheduled
Total			€106,000

Climate Change Adaption & Resilience Works Allocation €240,000			
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost €
L1416	Rosstemple Banogue GAA Phase 1		Section 50 Approved
L1227	Ballyhahill Eastern approach		At design stage
Total			€240,000

Specific Improvement Grants Allocation €200,000			
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost €
R518/520	Lees Cross		Ongoing
Total			€200,000

Active Travel Measures Allocation € 750,000			
Road No.	Description	Length (m)	Total Cost €
	Towns & Villages Rathkeale & Loughill Askeaton		Complete Ongoing
Total			€750,000.00

3 Village Updates

3.1 Foynes

Marine Cove Culvert

Culvert & overflow works complete.

Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Fund

Monument Hill Walkway & loop walk to Forest Road

Part 8 approved March 2025, Application for funding made to the Dept.

Funding of €433,342 approved

Active Travel

New Bus Shelter Enabling Works westbound lane in Foynes-complete

3.2 Shanagolden

New Bus Shelter Enabling Works April 2025- complete

Shanagolden NS included in Safe Routes to School Programme 2025

3.3 Croom

Active Travel Funding of €375,000 was approved in 2024. Footpaths on Crecora road towards Hospital have been completed

Irish Water – Contractor works complete for Trunk Watermain extension from Ballygeale on N20 to Towerfield.

New Bus Shelter near Croom Garda Station is complete.

3.4 Adare

Local Area Plan & Public Realm Plan

Adopted February 2024 MD Meeting.

Adare Flood Relief Scheme

Emerging Preferred Scheme- Public Consultation display May 29th 2024

TII – Murphys Cross Footpath & Junction Tightening September 2024-complete

Uisce Eireann- Adare Water Rationalisation April 28th 2025 commencement N21/R519

Nighttime works on N21 May –complete: R519 Ballingarry Road daytime until September, works complete and final resurfacing to be carried out before the end of the year.

Beabus Road-September until Christmas 2025

Updated progress from the Contractor is that works are on schedule and the road will be resurfaced and open for Christmas.

3.5 Rathkeale

Draft Rathkeale Town Centre First Plan Public Consultation Dec 2024/Jan 2025

Rathkeale Town Centre First Plan officially launched by Mayor John Moran on 19th November 2025

€100K Active Travel Footpath Rehabilitation Works 2025- Works complete Cois Deel/Colaiste na Troaire connectivity/Well Lane Junction; Holycross to Underbridge complete.

3.6 Ballingarry

Funding of €200,000 in 2023 for Ballingarry Low Road Verge Stabilisation from Climate Change Adaption and Resilience Fund: complete

€150,000 in 2024 for Drainage works Lissamota to Cahernessy -complete

Macadam overlay to Cahills Cross from Ballingarry R519 - complete

Irish Water-Rising main replacement Ballingarry to Knockfierna Complete

Additional drainage installed at The Mustard Seed corner to alleviate surface water flowing across the road.

3.7 Askeaton

Askeaton Town Centre TVR Project

Public Realm Plan has been finalised. Parklet West Square complete/Official Opening June 26th 2025

Active Travel

Bus Shelter Enabling Works Funding 2024 -complete

2025 Plunkett/Railway Road link €300,000 approved, Works have commenced and progressing well

3.8 Ballysteen

Active Travel €150,000 approved

Upgrade and widen existing path adjacent Church & National School to facilitate Pedestrian movements(150m). Extend new path at either end (200m in total) to improve connectivity to recently restored Community Centre at Eastern end and to Old Post Office/ Amenity Area at western end.

Works complete.

3.9 Fedamore

€117,225 OPW Funding approval December 2022 for Minor Flood Mitigation Works at Coolfunne, Fedamore: Works complete.

Active Travel- €150,000 approved – Works complete

€101,952 OPW Funding approval July 2024 for Flood Mitigation Works at Kilroath, Meanus - complete

3.10 Pallaskenry

Macadam works complete on Summerville Road within speed limit/ Ralumac reconstruction works outside speed limit complete

Junction Improvement Works at Tobermurry complete 2024

Roschoill- Minor Works including footpath repairs to facilitate Taking in Charge.

3.11 Kildimo

Active Travel

Active Travel funding was received to extend the footpath from the GAA Pitch to Old Kildimo and connect the houses to the west of Old Kildimo. Significant Junction Improvements Works at Seven Sisters Junction. Works complete.

New Pedestrian Crossing adjacent National School complete

Footpath from Beer Garden to Kildimo – Land take has been acquired, Section 50 consent has been received from OPW to extend the culvert. Still awaiting TII for final approval and funding.

3.12 Banogue

Active Travel funding for footpath upgrades at Church View Estate - complete
Macadam overlay N21 to Banogue Church August 2023 - complete
Flooding at Rosstemple/Banogue GAA Oct 20th 2023 – Climate Adaption works proposed.
Consultants appointed & final report and design completed. Section 50 OPW consent has just been received.
Final design to be amended to comply with Section 50. Revised costing to be provided and an application to be made to the OPW for Minor Works Funding.

3.13 Loughill

Development Fund allocation of €25,000 for Footpaths Woodlawn Area - works complete.
New Bus Shelter Enabling Works 2024 under Active Travel – Seed Funding application to TII to progress Active Travel Project to Part 8
Active Travel Scheme 2025 €350,000 Loughill NS- Woodlawn area: Complete

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Funding Allocation-Kilteery Pier- works complete-Provision of 6 passing bays on public access road - €25,740 (€28,600 total with 10% match funding)

Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme – Kilteery Pier

Tender Docs for appointment of Design Consultants Q2 2024- Environmental consultants to follow once concept design finalised.
Concept design complete for proposed Lifeguard and changing facilities, expected to progress to Part 8 in Q1 2025.

3.14 Ballyhahill

€350,000 Active Travel allocated Ballyhahill Cross to School – complete
Embankment Stabilisation works & Barrier Eastern approach 2025 €150,000 – Detailed design has commenced. Consultation with Gas Networks and Uisce Eireann ongoing.
ORIS Funding of €184,595 has been approved in November 2025 for the enhancement of Abha Bhán Amenity Areas and Upgrade of Access to the Abha Bhán River Walk.

3.15 Update from Previous Month

Road Reconstruction:

Due to several reports, reps and minor traffic accidents reported on a slippery section of roadway on the R512, between Scanlon's Cross and The Hunding lodge.
An inspection was carried out by LCCC staff, it found that the wearing course on this section of road had very poor skid resistance, therefore a decision was made to completely reconstruct this section of carriageway as it would not be possible to carry out surface dressing due to seasonal temperatures and weather conditions. These works were deemed urgent and were scheduled for 15th to the 18th of December 2025

A stop and go operation was in place for the first two days to prepare the carriageway for the wearing course. A full road closure was required to lay the final wearing course on Wednesday 17th and

Thursday 18th 2026, the diversions routes were well signposted and no major issues were encountered other than the inconvenience of taking the diversions.

Active Travel Works.

Boundary setback works to make way for new footpath construction continued in Askeaton up until the Christmas break and are scheduled for completion in the first quarter of 2026.

On going maintenance.

Both east and west crews continued to work on maintenance issues and local flood relief efforts before the break and will continue to do so for January 2026. Some of the operatives from the Adare/Rathkeale district also worked with the winter maintenance programme over the Christmas holidays gritting primary local and regional roads.

4 GMA Updates

Cllr Bridie Collins	€ 45,000
Nominations 2025	
Rathkeale Community Council	€ 1,000
Our Lady's Abbey National School, Adare	€ 5,000
Adare Saint Patrick's Day Parade	€ 1,000
Askeaton Saint Patrick's Day Parade	€ 1,000
Askeaton/Ballysteen Community Council	€ 2,000
Adare First Responders	€ 1,500
Abha Bhán Parish Park	€ 1,500
City of Limerick Pipe Band	€ 500
Foynes Aviation Museum	€ 800
Manor Fields, Adare	€ 10,000
Adare GAA Club	€ 12,000
Shanid Women's Shed	€ 1,000
Foynes Community Council	€ 1,500
Pallaskenry Tidy Towns	€ 1,000
Pallaskenry Senior Citizens	€ 500
Creora/Manister GAA Club	€ 1,500
Pallaskenry Community Council	€ 1,000
Ballingarry Community Park	€ 300
Shanagolden National School	€ 200
West Limerick 102	€ 500
TOTAL	€ 43,800

Cllr Tommy Hartigan	€ 45,000
Nominations 2025	
Adare Saint Patrick's Day Parade	€ 1,000
Askeaton Saint Patrick's Day Parade	€ 2,000
Rathkeale Community Council	€ 1,000
Abha Bhán Parish Park	€ 1,000
City of Limerick Pipe Band	€ 1,000

Foynes Aviation Museum	€ 500
Scoil Mhuire National School, Pallaskenry	€ 5,000
Pallaskenry Muintir na Tíre	€ 4,000
Pallaskenry Senior Citizens	€ 1,000
Pallaskenry Tidy Towns	€ 1,800
Patrick Sarsfield Homecoming Project	€ 1,000
Askeaton Active Retirement Group	€ 1,000
ABK LGFA	€ 400
Dromore United	€ 2,000
Foynes and District Community Council	€ 3,000
Gerald Griffin Resource Centre	€ 3,000
Askeaton/Ballysteen Community Council	€ 5,000
Askeaton/Ballysteen GAA Club	€ 4,000
Kildimo/Pallaskenry GAA Club	€ 2,500
Pallaskenry Scouts	€ 800
Kilcornan Community Development	€ 4,000
TOTAL	€ 45,000

Cllr Stephen Keary	€ 45,000
Nominations 2025	
Adare Saint Patrick's Day Parade	€ 1,000
Askeaton Saint Patrick's Day Parade	€ 1,000
Rathkeale Community Council	€ 1,000
Abha Bhán Parish Park	€ 4,000
Coolcappagh Community Council	€ 2,000
Foynes Aviation Museum	€ 6,000
Manor Fields, Adare	€ 2,000
Crecora GAA Club	€ 4,000
Croagh/Kilfinny Camogie Club	€ 4,000
Pallaskenry National School	€ 2,500
Ballingarry Community Park	€ 3,000
Wood Road Residents Association, Foynes	€ 4,000
Creeves Celtic AFC	€ 2,000

Ballingarry AFC	€ 2,000
West Limerick 102 Radio Station	€ 1,000
Croagh National School	€ 2,000
Rathkeale Road Maintenance	€ 2,000
Total	€ 43,500

Cllr John O'Donoghue	€ 45,000
Nominations 2025	
Adare Saint Patrick's Day Parade	€ 1,000
Askeaton Saint Patrick's Day Parade	€ 1,000
Rathkeale Community Council	€ 1,000
Abha Bhán Parish Park	€ 1,000
City of Limerick Pipe Band	€ 500
Manor Fields, Adare	€ 3,000
Croom Mens Shed	€ 1,000
Our Lady's Abbey National School, Adare	€ 2,000
Croom family Resource Centre	€ 2,500
Creora/Manister GAA Club	€ 2,500
Croom Tidy Towns C/O Croom Development Association	€ 2,000
Ballingarry Community Park	€ 3,000
Granagh/Ballingarry GAA Club	€ 3,000
TOTAL	€ 23,500

Cllr Adam Teskey	€ 45,000
Nominations 2025	
Askeaton Civic Trust	€ 2,000
KAC Residents Association	€ 8,000
Askeaton Saint Patrick's Day Parade	€ 1,000
Rathkeale Community Council	€ 1,000
City of Limerick Pipe Band	€ 500

Coolcappa Community Centre	€ 2,000
Adare-Rathkeale Roads Maintenance	€ 22,000
Rathkeale Church of Ireland	€ 3,000
Askeaton Ballysteen Active Retirement Group	€ 1,000
Rathkeale Tidy Towns/ Rathkeale Community Council	€ 4,500
TOTAL	€ 45,000

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Nominations 2025	
Askeaton Civic Trust	€ 2,000
Adare Saint Patrick's Day Parade	€ 1,000
Askeaton Saint Patrick's Day Parade	€ 1,000
Rathkeale Community Council	€ 1,000
Abha Bhán Parish Park	€ 1,000
Askeaton/Ballysteen GAA Club	€ 5,000
Ballyneety Men's Shed	€ 2,000
Coláiste Mhuire, Askeaton	€ 3,000
Gerald Griffin Resource Centre	€ 2,000
Pallaskenry Muintir na Tíre	€ 1,000
Pallaskenry Senior Citizens	€ 1,000
Pallaskenry Tidy Towns	€ 1,000
Askeaton Ballysteen Active Retirement Group	€ 1,000
Askeaton Genealogy	€ 1,000
Alliance Française Limerick (Sarsfield Homecoming Project)	€ 1,000
Pallaskenry Soccer Club	€ 3,000
Kildimo Burial Ground	€ 2,000
Kilcornan Active Group	€ 2,000
Rathkeale Road Maintenance	€ 3,500
Kilcornan Community Council	€ 4,000
Wood Road Residents, Foynes	€ 6,500
TOTAL	€ 45,000