

CORRESPONDENCE

**MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF
ADARE-RATHKEALE**

14TH APRIL, 2026

- Report received from the Active Travel Department in reply to request from Councillor O'Donoghue for a breakdown of 2026 Active Travel Schemes for both Limerick City and Limerick County.

Table A: Limerick City and County Council

Active Travel Investment Grants: 2026 Allocations

Limerick City and County Council

Project Code	Project Name	2026 Allocation
LCC/18/0002	R510 Raheen Roundabout to Quinn's Cross Active Travel Scheme	€ 100,000
LCC/19/0003	TUS to City Centre cycle route	€ 1,910,000
LCC/20/0001	Dooradoyle Road	€ 250,000
LCC/20/0003	Clare Street to Condell Road Cycleway (Phase 1)	€ 250,000
LCC/20/0004	UL to NTP Cycleway	€ 100,000
LCC/20/0005	St Pauls roundabout to Ballykeeffee roundabout	€ 1,500,000
LCC/20/0006	Parnell - Wickham - Clare St Cycleway	€ 50,000
LCC/20/0008	Castletroy Link	€ 50,000
LCC/21/0001	Father Russell Road Active Travel Scheme	€ 100,000
LCC/21/0002	Mary Immaculate College to City Centre Cycle Route (a.k.a. South Circular Road)	€ 3,000,000
LCC/21/0011	Mill Road, Corbally Active Travel Scheme	€ 100,000
LCC/21/0012	Dooradoyle Rd to Raheen Business Park) Ballycummin Road Pedestrian and Cycle Scheme RENAME	€ 250,000
LCC/22/0001	Active Travel Office - Staff Costs	€ 1,750,000
LCC/22/0005	Ballysimon Road Cycle Scheme	€ 150,000
LCC/22/0007	Roxboro Road Cycle Scheme	€ 100,000
LCC/22/0008	Ennis Road Cycle Scheme	€ 250,000
LCC/22/0009	Old Cratloe Road	€ 1,000,000
LCC/22/0021	L1422 Blackabbey Road AT Scheme, Adare	€ 50,000
LCC/22/0022	Limerick City Greenway Active Travel Extension to Castletroy Urban Greenway	€ 50,000
LCC/23/0028	Abbeyfeale Traffic Management Scheme	€ 100,000

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Project Code	Project Name	2026 Allocation
LCC/24/0013	Limerick Greenway Connections - Abbeyfeale	€ 100,000
LCC/24/0036	Bloodmill Road - Active Travel Improvements	€ 100,000
LCC/24/0051	R463 Athlunkard Bridge	€ 50,000
LCC/24/0060	Moyross Avenue	€ 50,000
LCC/24/0061	University Avenue	€ 100,000
LCC/24/0067	SRTS Round 2: St. Brigids NS	€ 15,000
LCC/24/0082	Baggot Estate	€ 55,000
LCC/25/0007	Mill Road Corbally Pedestrian and Cyclist Measures Phase 2	€ 1,100,000
LCC/25/0030	Limerick City Wayfinding	€ 200,000
LCC/25/0031	SRTS Round 3: Athea National School	€ 5,000
LCC/25/0032	SRTS Round 3: Scoil Mhuire Ma Rua NS	€ 5,000
LCC/25/0042	Garryowen Pedestrian and School Safety Improvement Scheme	€ 150,000
LCC/25/0045	Limerick Community Bike Library	€ 50,000
LCC/25/0048	SRTS Round 3: Shanagolden National School	€ 38,000
LCC/25/0051	Hyde Road Park Cycle Connectivity	€ 350,000
LCC/25/0053	Limerick City Regeneration (Southside Connectivity)	€ 50,000
LCC/26/XXXX	Station Road Pedestrian Improvement Scheme	€ 15,000
LCC/26/XXXX	SRTS Round 3: Carnane National School	€ 75,000
LCC/26/XXXX	SRTS Round 3: Glenbrohane NS	€ 75,000
LCC/26/XXXX	SRTS Round 3: Martinstown National School	€ 75,000
LCC/26/XXXX	SRTS Round 3: Scoil Ailbhe (Cahrelly N.S.)	€ 75,000

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Project Code	Project Name	2026 Allocation
LCC/26/XXXX	Placemaking in Limerick City Centre	€ 140,000
LCC/26/XXXX	World Class Waterfront Design Development	€ 150,000
LCC/26/XXXX	Towns & Villages Cappamore/Kilmallock	€ 750,000
LCC/26/XXXX	Towns & Villages Adare/Ratkeale	€ 750,000
LCC/26/XXXX	Towns & Villages Metro	€ 750,000
LCC/26/XXXX	Towns & Villages NCW	€ 750,000
LCC/26/XXXX	SRTS Round 4: Ahane NS	€ 5,000
LCC/26/XXXX	SRTS Round 4: Corpus Christi Primary School	€ 5,000
LCC/26/XXXX	SRTS Round 4: Scoil na Trocaire, Doon	€ 80,000
LCC/26/XXXX	SRTS Round 4: St. Joseph's BNS Rathkeale	€ 50,000
LCC/26/XXXX	SRTS Round 4: St. Mary's NS, Limerick City	€ 25,000
LCC/26/XXXX	SRTS Round 4: St. Michael's Infant School	€ 2,000
LCC/26/XXXX	Rosmor Phase 2	€ 250,000
LCC/26/XXXX	TFI Bike Infrastructure Replacement	€ 500,000
Total:		€ 18,050,000
Allocations Through Other NTA Funding Streams		
LCC/25/0046	Bus Stop Enhancement Programme	€ 500,000
Subtotal:		€500,000
Total:		€18,550,000

Grant Allocation Confirmation Form

National Transport Authority,
Haymarket House,
Smithfield,
Dublin 7.

Attention of: *Conor Geraghty, Head of Active Travel Investment*

Re: 2026 National Transport Authority Capital Grant Allocations

Dear Conor,

We acknowledge receipt of the allocation letter dated 19th January 2026 setting out the proposed grant allocation amounts and projects intended to be funded by the National Transport Authority during 2026.

We confirm we are aware of the conditions attaching to these grant allocations and of the obligation to comply with those conditions to draw down the proposed grant.

Signed: *Pat Liddy* Print Name: *Patricia Liddy*
Position: *Director of Services*
Name of Organisation: *Limerick City & County Council*
Date: *20/01/2026*

principal contact in relation to this programme within the NTA is Colin Brandsma, Senior Programme Manager Colin.Bradtsma@nationaltransport.ie

16. Contacts

The principal contacts in relation to the Active Travel programme within the NTA are Aoife Mannion, Programme Manager Aoife.Mannion@nationaltransport.ie and Paul McGartoll, Senior Programme Manager Paul.McGartoll@nationaltransport.ie. Please contact them in relation to any assistance required or any issues arising.

The principal contact for any Local Transport Plan is David.Clements@nationaltransport.ie.

17. Confirmation

You/A Director of Service are/is requested to complete and return the attached "Grant Allocation Confirmation Form". This confirmation requirement arose from an Audit recommendation and no payment can be made in respect of any project without the return of that completed form. No allocation will be assigned in PRS, the NTA's Capital Grant Management system and no payment can be made in respect of any project without the return of that completed form.

Finally, it should be noted that the terms and conditions outlined in this letter will also apply to any potential additional projects which may arise throughout 2026 which are not captured in the following appendix.

Yours sincerely,

Conor Geraghty,
Head of Active Travel Investment

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Table A – Limerick City and County Council

All publicity, public consultation, press releases and other public dissemination related to these projects need to refer directly to the NTA's funding. The specific prior requirements for signage, logos, etc. should be discussed with the NTA at the regular meetings, before engaging in publicity.

No press releases should be issued, or publicity/commemorative events held in relation to NTA funded schemes without the detail of such press release or publicity/commemorative event being agreed in advance with the NTA.

11. Audit Requirements

The accuracy of all figures submitted by Sponsoring Agencies e.g., grant claims, output data, details of own resources expenditure etc., is of the utmost importance. These figures are used in providing progress reports for the Department of Transport, and others, and are also subject to audit.

The NTA can at any time carry out either a full onsite spot-check or a desk-check on active travel expenditure claimed.

12. Audits and Certification

Sponsoring Agencies are reminded that in line with Department of Transport [NGS Circular 1, 2 and 3](#) of June 2022, agencies are required to undertake both Roads Safety and Quality audits at a number of points during the design development and will also be required to complete a Certification of Compliance for all relevant active travel schemes. Documents that do not form part of a PAG Gateway submission should be retained on file for inspection by the NTA at a later date.

13. Staff Costs

As in 2025 a specific allocation number is being provided for staff costs. Please note that only staff (excluding site staff) working exclusively (100%) on NTA funded projects will be eligible for funding.

14. MapRoad AMS – Active Travel Projects

All Local Authorities must upload and maintain full records of all active travel projects that have received NTA funding, whether in planning, under construction or completed since 2021 on the MapRoad AMS. Any active travel interventions across other grant categories (for any Government Department or Agency) or using own resources must also be uploaded to MapRoad AMS.

The MapRoad Asset Management System (AMS) is managed by the Road Management Office (RMO). The RMO will provide any necessary assistance and support in setting up users and training on MapRoad AMS software. The RMO can be contacted at contact@rmo.ie.

15. Bus Stop Enhancement Programme:

An allocation is being provided again in 2026 in respect of a "Bus Stop Enhancement Programme", which is intended to continue allow the upgrade of bus stops in various locations across the county, including the installation of bus poles and hardstanding areas, plus bus shelters in agreed locations. It is important that a programme of bus stop locations and associated works are agreed with the NTA in advance of any construction commencing under this programme. In agreed locations, the NTA's contractor will continue to install bus shelters subject to the advance completion of the necessary groundworks. The

issues. This regular report is required at least two days in advance of the scheduled regular meeting (see below).

The NTA requires a monthly report to be submitted by each Sponsoring Agency, on 1st Wednesday of every month, in respect of the funded projects and is to include:

- The **Monthly Project Progress Mastersheet** providing updates on each funded project.
- Completed **Programme Dashboard** for the active travel programme which we request is signed by the Senior Engineer and Director of Service.
- Update **RMO MapRoad AMS** to capture project records and line items to align with project expenditure.
- **Cost Reports** in relation to projects at construction.

Please note that the Monthly Report is the primary communication reference between your agency and the NTA in relation to schemes within the programme. The information within the monthly report will be used to respond to Departmental or public queries at a programme or project level by the NTA, accuracy of reporting is therefore essential. In circumstances where the monthly report is deficient, the Authority will raise the issue for immediate rectification with senior management in your agency.

As a minimum, updated cash flow profiles for all allocated projects should be provided on the following indicative dates which advises the NTA of any material changes of planned expenditure:

- Forecast Submission Date 1: 1st April 2026
- Forecast Submission Date 2 1st July 2026
- Forecast Submission Date 3 7th October 2026

An Annual Metrics table, and Project Completion Reports as per the NTA template, must be provided to the NTA by the end of the year outlining projects completed during the year. Project Completion Reports and Final Accounts must be uploaded to PRS along with other relevant deliverables to formally close out a project.

8. Drawdown of Allocation

Sponsoring Agencies are required to draw down their allocated funds promptly once the liability has matured and the invoice has been issued for payment, in line with the bi-weekly payrun schedule. To ensure effective cash flow management, drawdown progress will be monitored in alignment with the forecast submissions and forecast review meetings as set out under Project Reporting and Expenditure Management.

The estimated drawdown amounts will be based on the cash flow projections provided. Failure to achieve forecast drawdowns in line with projections may result in project allocations being reduced during the year. If you are unable to draw down the allocation as planned, you must inform the NTA as soon as possible so that funds can be reassigned within or to other Sponsoring Agencies, ensuring the transport capital budget is fully utilised.

9. Regular Meeting

A regular meeting will be held with your staff to discuss the regular report, review progress, and to address any issues that have arisen on the NTA funded schemes; dates for these meetings will be agreed with your staff. The meeting will also deal specifically with contractual variations issued, and expenditure claimed in the previous month.

10. Publicity and Dissemination

2. Gateway and Hold Point Approvals

The deliverables required under the Project Approval Guidelines must be submitted to the NTA in advance of approval being sought for any Hold Point or Gateway as set out in the Project Approval Guidelines (PAGs) 2024 (and any subsequent updates). For Gateway Approvals the Council will submit the agreed deliverables and seek the required gateway approvals via the NTAs PRS system.

There is a requirement in the PAGs to obtain NTA agreement prior to initiating any planning consent process in relation to any NTA funded project or changes arising from consultation, and the requirement for prior agreement of the NTA to the commencement of the tendering process and the final construction contract award. **In the event of failure to obtain these prior approvals, the NTA may review its agreement to fund the project, up to and including immediate withdrawal of NTA funding support.**

3. Cost Reporting

The NTA cost report templates are available to download on the [cost management section](#) of the NTA website. The NTA require all Local Authorities provide a **Cost Report** on a monthly basis (generally in line with monthly payment certificates to the main contractor) for all **projects in excess of €1m construction costs** that are at Construction (Phase 6).

4. Exchequer Funding Requirement

Circular 13/2014 "[Management and Accountability for Grants from Exchequer Funds](#)" from the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform imposes certain obligations on grantees of Exchequer funding. It is a condition of NTA funding that the requirements of Circular No. 13/2014 are fully complied with.

5. Eligibility Guidelines

Funding of these projects is also subject to the [NTA's Eligibility Guidelines 2024](#) and any future updates.

6. Active Travel - Accessibility

Sponsoring Agencies are reminded of their requirements under the Disability Act 2005 and the United Nations Convention of Rights of Persons with Disabilities, in undertaking consultation processes with stakeholders including people with disabilities, associated with all NTA funded projects. As previously advised, the National Disability Authority "[Participation Matters: Guidelines on implementing the obligation to meaningfully engage with disabled people in public decision making](#)", should be used as guidance. Please submit details to the NTA on who was consulted and the outcomes.

Sponsoring Agencies are also advised that all infrastructure funded through the Active Travel Grant must be fully accessible for all and in line with the NTA Advice Note "[Access Control of Active Travel Facilities](#)".

Sponsoring Agencies must ensure compliance with the National Standards Association of Ireland adopted standard IS EN:17210 (Functional Requirements) and S.R. CEN/TR 17621:2021 (Technical Requirements) Accessibility and Usability of the Built Environment are for the design, construction, refurbishment, adaption, and maintenance of the built environment including outdoor pedestrian and urban areas and all relevant Universal Design standards.

7. Project Reporting and Expenditure Management

As set out in the Project Approval Guidelines, the NTA requires a regular report to be submitted by your organisation in respect of the funded projects, covering progress, expenditure, timelines, and significant



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19th January 2026

Re: National Transport Authority Capital Grant Allocations 2026

Dear Patricia,

I am pleased to inform you that the National Transport Authority (NTA) is in a position to fund a number of projects within the Limerick City and County Council area in 2026. Details of the individual projects to be funded and the 2026 allocation amounts are attached (*Table A: Limerick City and County Council 2026 Allocations*).

1. Project Approval Guidelines -March 2024

As the funding and Approving Authority in relation to these projects, the NTA requires that these projects be delivered in accordance with the [NTA Project Approval Guidelines](#) March 2024 (PAGs), and any subsequent updates. In addition, the NTA requires Sponsoring Agencies to follow clear processes in relation to cost estimation, forecasting, reporting and cost management. These procedures are intended to assist both the delivery agency and the NTA to secure effective delivery of quality projects to an agreed scope, timeline and budget. It is important that we ensure, and can demonstrate, that projects are well managed and deliver value for money.

Accordingly, release of funding for a project will be contingent upon that project adhering to the requirements set out in the above guidelines. In particular, please note that expenditure against a project listed above should not be incurred, and will not be recoupable, until the completed Grant Application Form (GAF) or Project Continuation Form (PCF) as appropriate has been received and acknowledged by the NTA via NTA's Capital Grant Management System (PRS).

It is important, therefore, that the relevant personnel in your organisation are aware of the need to apply those guidelines fully in order to ensure reimbursement of relevant costs.