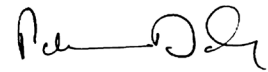


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Contained within this document is the Director General's Management Report, as mandated by Section 136 of the Local Government Act, 2001, with its subsequent amendments.

It details the execution of executive duties over the past month, encompassing the enactment of policies or other directives issued by the Council as part of its reserved powers, as well as the Council's continued service delivery.



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March 2026

LEO Limerick supported Eventmaster book their Ticket to the National Enterprise Final as they claim Top Prize at the County Final

Limerick City and County Council launches "Borrow, Use, Return" Party Pack initiative to support Circular Community Celebrations

1,361 Letters issued asking Voters to update the Register of Electors

Customer Services Call Centre answered 9,334 calls throughout March - averaging 424 calls a day

Limerick Tourism ad airs across Sky TV during the Player's Golf Tournament in Florida

922 Active Users now live on the Council Connect Employee App.

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Finance, Investment and Governance

1. Financial Management

Commercial Rates and Loans

Draft Collection Figures

Commercial Rates 2025	
As at 31 March 2026	
Opening Balance - 1 Jan €	2,792,191
Accruals €	71,013,788 **
Vacant Property Adjustment €	128,882
Writes offs/ Waivers €	727,037
Total for Collection €	72,950,060
Amount Collected €	26,618,780
Arrears €	46,331,280
Specific Doubtful Arrears €	971,216
% Collected	37%

Debtors Loans	
As at 31 March 2026	
Opening Balance - 1 Jan €	213,340
Accruals €	333,847 ^
Writes offs €	-
To Collect €	547,187
Receipts €	554,200
Arrears €	-7,013
% Collected	101%

^ ^ Accruals not updated for loans for March 2026

** The Date for Making the 2026 Rate was 28th January 2026

Recourse to Overdraft Facility

No. of days in overdraft 0

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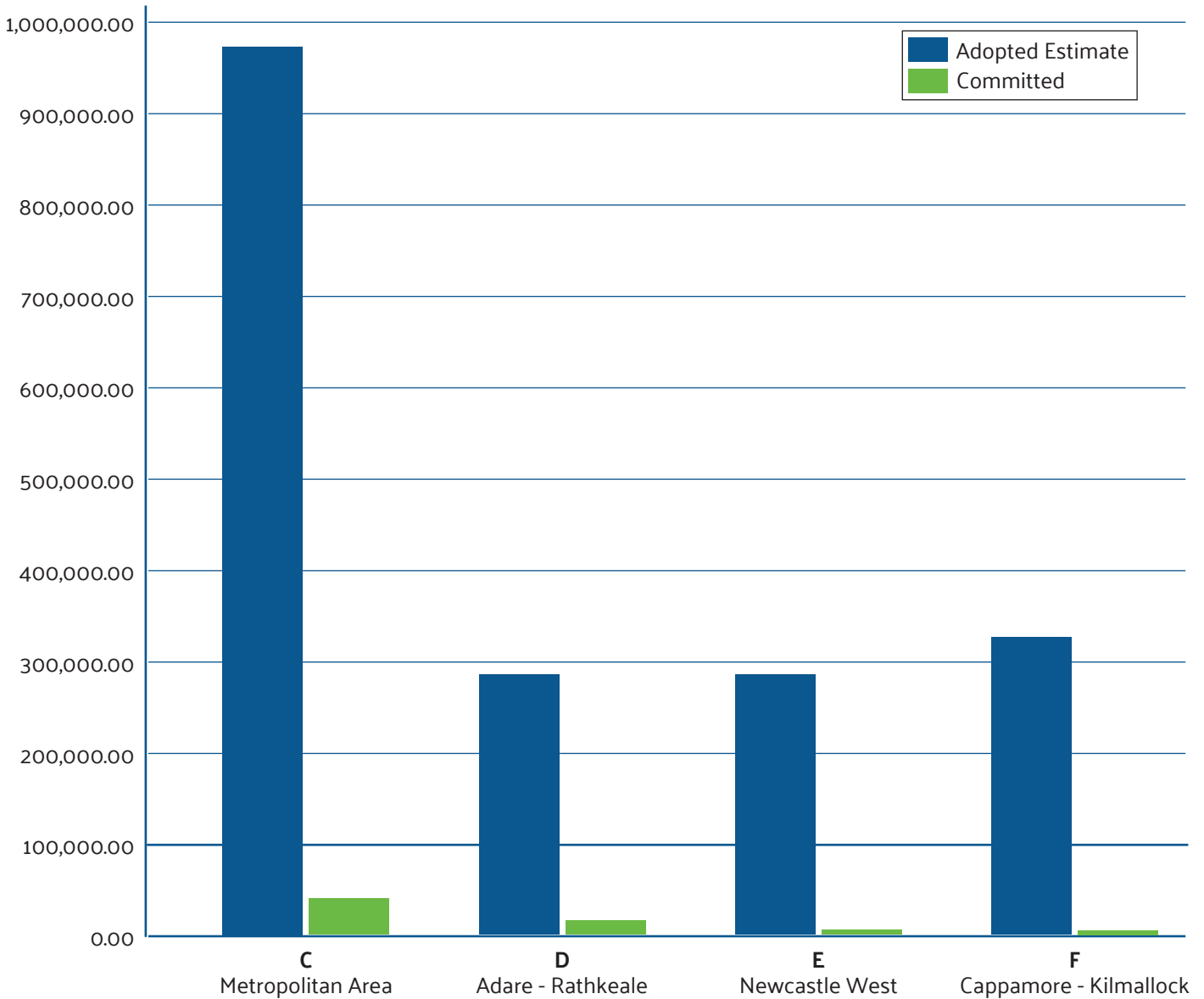


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General Municipal Allocation 2025 Adopted Estimate €1.6395 Million

Graph outlining adopted budget and draft committed expenditure up to 28 February 2025



Municip (Code) + (Text)	Value Adopted Estimate (€)	Value Committed (€)
C Metropolitan Area	982,800.00	41,470
D Adare - Rathkeale	280,800.00	11,755
E Newcastle West	280,800.00	8,100
F Cappamore - Kilmallock	327,600.00	5,151
	1,872,000.00	

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2. Housing Assistance Payment Shared Services Centre (HAP SSC)

- There were 48,376 active HAP tenancies nationally, managed by the HAP SSC at the end of March.
- A weekly average of 109 HAP tenancies have been set-up during 2026.
- The March landlord payment run was €49.79 million.
- The weekly tenant charge at the end of March, was €2.99 million.
- The Debt Management Unit of the HAP SSC collected a total of €38.33 million in differential rent to end of March.
- The HAP tenant rent collection rate at the end of March was 96%.
- The Debt Management Unit issued 7,321 HAP debt reminder letters in March.

3. National Mobilisation and Communication System (NMACS)

Munster Regional Communications Centre (MRCC)

No. of callouts 01.03.2026 - 31.03.2026	
No. of Calls mobilised to an emergency incident by MRCC	868
Other Calls	340
Average call processing time in minutes and seconds	(01 min:51 sec) 111 Seconds
Total No. of calls in February	1,208



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Economic, Tourism, Culture, Property and Corporate Buildings

1. Property Services

As well as being involved in several property transactions and inspections, the following table highlights the Vacancy and Dereliction Team metrics throughout March:

Dereliction, Vacancy and Reuse Team	
Derelict Sites and Vacant Homes Inspections Completed	207
Department Notices of Ownership Inquiry issued	29
New Derelict Sites Cases opened	11
Statutory Notices served under the Derelict Sites Act 1990	31
Derelict Sites Cases closed through engagement	13
Properties entered into the Derelict Sites Register	6
Properties proposed for Compulsory Acquisition (Section 15 Notices)	0
Vesting Orders Made for Properties Acquired Compulsorily (Section 17 Notices)	0
Vacant Property Refurbishment Grants Approved	21
Vacant Property Refurbishment Grants Paid	14

2. Local Enterprise Office (LEO) Limerick

- LEO Limerick ran 14 Training Programmes and Business Advice Clinics for Limerick based businesses, which were attended by 280 business owners from across the City and County. Local Enterprise Week ran from 02 to 06 March and the LEO ran an extended programme of events, workshops and webinars to support Limerick enterprises start and grow their business.
- On 03 March, LEO Limerick in collaboration with LEO Clare and LEO Tipperary, hosted the “Beyond Borders – Mid West Export Drive” in the Castletroy Park Hotel to help businesses located in the Mid West region realise their export potential.
- On 18 March, Students from Secondary schools across Limerick competed at the Student Enterprise Programme Limerick County final in the Castletroy Park Hotel. There was an amazing display of entrepreneurship and innovation on the day and of the many awards presented to students on the day, three teams were chosen to go on to represent Limerick in the National final on 07 May in Mullingar. The students chosen were as follows:
 - In the Junior Category, the students representing Limerick at the National Finals are Malachy Wrenn and Aron O’Connor from Pet Slipper at Desmond College.
 - In the Intermediate Category, Nell McMahon of Golf Align and attending Gaelcholaiste Ui Chonba will be representing the county at the Finals.
 - In the Senior Category of the competition, Limerick will be represented on 07 May by Cathal Sweeney from Glo Hurling at Mungret Community College.

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- On 27 March LEO Limerick hosted the annual National Enterprise Awards Limerick County final in Engine, Cecil Street to recognise the amazing contribution of locally based enterprises to the economic and social fabric of Limerick City and County.

Awards were presented to the following enterprises on the day:

- Entrepreneur of the Year – Eventmaster
- Digital Retail Award – Fíor Jewellery
- Best Emerging Enterprise Award – bandbireland.com
- Sustainability Award – Rigneys Farm
- Innovation Excellence Award – EcoAer
- Export Award – Crystal Lean Solutions

- Eventmaster will go on to represent Limerick in the National Final in Dublin's Mansion House on 18 June.

In March LEO Limerick approved the following business supports:

- Two x LEAN for Business programmes
- Seven x Green for Business
- Four x Energy Efficiency grants
- Two x Digital for Business



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Regeneration, Community, Sport and Rural Development

1. Community

Local Community Development Committee (LCDC)

- The LCDC and Local Action Group (LAG) meetings were held on 03 March.

Integration Supports

March Offer a Home (OAH) figures:

Properties	March	To Date
Offered	0	254
Inspected	0	252
Allocated /People Housed	0	138/406
Allocation in Progress	0	0
To be inspected	0	0
Not suitable/withdrawn	2	100
Not yet Ready	0	0
To be matched	0	0

Local Authority Integration Team

- Throughout March, the Limerick Local Authority Integration Team (LAIT) continued its work with migrant communities across the city and county. The team delivered a range of outreach and inclusion activities to support participation and a sense of belonging.
- LAIT continued visiting accommodation centres for people seeking international protection and for people with temporary protection. During these visits, the team provided information, guidance, and practical support with any issues residents faced when engaging with public services. LAIT also delivered a weekly immigration advice clinic at the DORAS office.

- The team continued producing its integration newsletter for new communities, sharing updates on policy developments, education and employment opportunities, and local community events.
- LAIT also supported West Limerick Resources in establishing a weekly English Conversation Club for new residents in the Clarina/Ballybrown area. The club offers people the opportunity to practise English, meet local residents, and become more involved in the local community.
- A member of the LAIT attended the multi-cultural day at Thomond College School to give an insight to the ongoing work of the team, to the transition year students attending the school.

Healthy Limerick

- A site visit took place with the Central Bank Commission, who visited several locations across Limerick City to meet with community members, businesses and public sector leaders contributing to the region's development. Healthy Ireland participated in the visits to Moyross and Saint Mary's National School.
- A two-day Healthy Ireland Local Government Induction and Work Programme Planning event was held in Tralee. The purpose of the event was to provide the Healthy Ireland City and County Coordinators with an overview of the new Healthy Ireland Strategic Plan.
- Planning continued throughout March for the launch of the Food Environment initiative in collaboration with Limerick Food Partnership and Compass Informatics. "Save the Date" notifications were issued, including Event Brite details for registration.
- The Healthy Cities and Counties Coordinator was invited to take part in the interdepartmental Focus Group for the SLOWTOUR Food Festival Project.

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- The Healthy Cities and Counties Coordinator attended an event in Charleville where Ballyhoura Development Company Limited welcomed the Minister of State at the Department of Justice, Home Affairs and Migration, Niall Collins, to the Charleville Park Hotel for the CITICISS Stakeholder Briefing and the launch of the community based Social Safety Approach.
- Organised by Ballyhoura Development, the event brought together statutory agencies, community organisations and local partners to reflect on progress under the Citizen Centred Social Services initiative and to formally launch the next phase of coordinated community safety work in Charleville.
- The Social Safety Approach, funded through the Community Safety Fund by the Department of Justice, Home Affairs and Migration, is a community-based initiative led by Ballyhoura Development Company Limited in partnership with local residents, Cork County Council, Respond and other local services. Its aim is to enhance safety, wellbeing and social cohesion through preventative, partnership driven action.
- The new Migrant Apprentice Plan was also introduced during this event.
- Limerick Sports Partnership hosted the European Sport for All Games Organising Committee Meeting at the University of Limerick. The agenda outlined plans for the upcoming event taking place in August, during which the Integration, Health and Wellbeing Team will contribute to the integration of communities through sport and entertainment.
- **The Period Equity**
The Period Equity programme remained active across partner sites, with ongoing distribution of menstrual products and continued provision of education and signposting through youth, community, and frontline organisations. Work on the Period Equity education programme also moved forward. Partner organisations have been assigned workshops, which are being planned and developed by the Local Development Officer and clinical expert Christine Lane to ensure they are accessible and meet community needs.
- Collaboration continued across core programmes, including work with Limerick City Partnership; Move Well Phase Two with Limerick Sports Partnership; the Healthy Relationships programme with the Children and Young People's Services Committee and Southill Hub; the Full Pitch film project; the Barnardos Breakfast Club; and development of the Island Gardens Community Growing Space on King's Island. These programmes support families and young people by improving access to information, local supports, and safe community spaces.
- The Local Development Officer continued to support the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland and Public Health in preparing a participatory Community Health Needs Assessment pilot for Limerick City. This included engagement with community partners and planning for a Community Advisory Group and a series of workshops.
- Work also continued through Limerick's involvement in the Bloomberg-London School of Economics European City Leadership Initiative. The Local Development Officer presented the group's progress during the second cross city exchange with Turin and Madrid.

Sláintecare Healthy Communities

- **Move Well and Sing Strong**
Programme delivery and coordination continued across Sláintecare Healthy Communities during March. Move Well and Sing Strong took place at St. John's Pavilion, Moyross Community Centre, Southill Hub, and King's Island Community Centre, supporting adults living with chronic health conditions and improving access to physical activity.

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Bin Waivers Scheme

- Over 350 reminder letters were sent in March to 2025 permit holders that did not apply for 2026 to give them last chance to apply.
- 2026 Bin Waiver Audit commenced.
 - 10% of renewal customers (400) were randomly selected for Audit.
 - 2026 Audit Forms were sent to selected customers.

Age Friendly

- The Age Friendly Limerick Programme Manager and the Older People Executive Chairperson represented Limerick at the Age Friendly Ireland Ambassadors Day in Kerry, which took place from the 03 to 04 March. The event was also attended by the Director General of Limerick City and County Council.
- An Age Friendly Alliance meeting took place on 10 March, where members reviewed and discussed the first draft of the 2026 Work Plan. Over the course of 2026, the Alliance partners will collaborate on a range of initiatives focused on reducing social isolation, promoting healthy ageing, and strengthening digital and community connectivity.
- The Age Friendly Limerick Gratitude Card project was advanced with the appointment of a graphic designer to create the visual concept, design the card artwork, and prepare it for production.

Public Participation Network

- Membership of Public Participation Network Limerick (PPNL) continues to grow and has reached 302 member groups. The membership registration form is on the PPNL website and eligible groups in Limerick can register at any time.
- PPNL continues to have an active presence with its regularly updated website, social media and a weekly Newsletter distributed to members.

Social Inclusion and Community Activation Programme (SICAP)

At the March meeting of the LCDC held on 03 March the following SICAP Approvals were completed:

Approval of the End of Year Performance Reviews for 2025 for the three Limerick LOTS:

- LOT 21-1 Limerick West Rural - West Limerick Resources
- LOT 21-2 Limerick Urban - Limerick City Area Partnership
- LOT 21-3 Limerick East Rural - Ballyhoura Development Company

Approval of the Annual Plans for 2026 for the three Limerick LOTS:

- LOT 21-1 Limerick West Rural - West Limerick Resources
- LOT 21-2 Limerick Urban - Limerick City Area Partnership
- LOT 21-3 Limerick East Rural - Ballyhoura Development Company



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Housing

1. Housing Support Services

Housing Waiting List

Approved Housing Applicants	3,365
Approved Tenant Transfer Applicants	512

Applications Received

	March	Year to Date
Housing Applications	229	607

Transfer Forms Received

	March	Year to Date
Transfer Forms	12	29

HMD1 (Housing Medical/Disability Form 1) Forms Received

	March	Year to Date
HMD1 Forms	60	150

Permission to Reside (PTR) Forms Received

	March	Year to Date
PTR Forms	12	30

Mortgage to Rent (MTR) Applications Received

	March	Year to Date
MTR Applications	2	4

Appeals Received

	March	Year to Date
Appeals Received	6	21

Closed Housing Applications

	March	Year to Date
Closed Applications	64	182

Applications are returned/closed for the following reasons:

- Failure to satisfy the eligibility criteria for social housing support as set out in legislation.
- Failure to submit a complete application and/or further information required.
- Applicants who have been housed by Limerick City and County Council or an Approved Housing Body.
- Applicants who wish to apply to another local authority or are no longer interested in social housing support.

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Allocations

	No. of Units March	Year to Date
Adare-Rathkeale	4	6
Newcastle West	2	7
Metropolitan District	40	94
Cappamore-Kilmallock	11	23
Total	57	130

Refusals

	No. of Units March	Year to Date
Adare-Rathkeale	0	0
Newcastle West	1	1
Metropolitan District	7	16
Cappamore-Kilmallock	0	0
Total	8	17

Rent Collection

Rent Collection Limerick City and County Council					
Opening Balance	Accrued Income	Total for collection	Receipts	Closing Balance	% Collection
€12,290,61	€6,821,733	€19,112,351	€6,340,668	€12,771,683	34%

Approved Housing Body Allocations 2026 (year to date)

Total Nominations	Successful Nominations	Nominations Pending	Unsuccessful Nominations
70	22	36	12

Rental Accommodation Scheme (RAS)

Private Tenancies	545
Capital Assistance Scheme (CAS)/RAS Tenancies	656
Part 5	0
New Private Tenancies	1
New Voluntary Housing Tenancies	16

Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) Limerick

1,635 active HAP Tenancies monitored, reviewed and maintained.

No. of HAP tenancies set up this month	7
No. of Amendments	200
No. of Cessations	41

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Home Improvement Schemes

March 2026		Adare-Rathkeale	Newcastle West	Metropolitan	Cappamore-Kilmallock	Total
Mobility Aid Grants	No. Approved	0	0	8	1	9
	MAG Expenditure	€0.00	€0.00	€31,320.00	€1,800.00	€33,120.00
	No. Paid	0	0	5	1	6
Housing Adaptation Grants	No. Approved	7	6	13	2	28
	HAG Expenditure	€16,762.50	€39,362.50	€170,199.50	€15,157.30	€241,481.80
	No. Paid	2	5	17	2	26
Housing Aid for Older People	No. Approved	19	1	42	14	76
	HOP Expenditure	€0.00	€33,300.00	€87,818.00	€0.00	€121,118.00
	No. Paid	0	5	17	0	22
Disabled Person's Grant	DPG Expenditure	€0.00	€0.00	€0.00	€0.00	€0.00
	No. Paid	0	0	0	0	0

Total No. Approved	113
Total Monies Paid	€395,719.80
Total No. Paid	54

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Home Improvement Schemes

Year-to-date

January - March 2026		Adare-Rathkeale	Newcastle West	Metropolitan	Cappamore-Kilmallock	Total
Mobility Aid Grants	No. Approved	5	0	35	2	42
	MAG Expenditure	€0.00	€6,000.00	€132,778.51	€6,226.00	€145,004.51
	No. Paid	0	1	22	2	25
Housing Adaptation Grants	No. Approved	21	12	39	5	77
	HAG Expenditure	€67,120.00	€154,410.08	€258,953.59	€37,319.80	€517,803.47
	No. Paid	7	16	27	5	55
Housing Aid for Older People	No. Approved	35	16	67	25	143
	HOP Expenditure	€18,100.00	€82,972.90	€200,816.91	€5,400.00	€307,289.81
	No. Paid	2	16	38	1	57
Disabled Person's Grant	DPG Expenditure	€0.00	€0.00	€58,276.58	€0.00	€58,276.58
	No. Paid	0	0	4	0	4

YTD Total No. Approved	262
YTD Total Monies Paid	€1,028,374.37
YTD Total No. Paid	141

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Community Sustainment Unit

Tenancy Inductions

	March	Year to Date
No. of Tenancy Inductions	52	126

House Visits

	March	Year to Date
No. of House Visits	144	388

Sugar Customer Relationship Management (CRM) Cases

	March	Year to Date
Active cases at month-end	261	261
Cases closed during month	68	153

Repossessions

	March	Year to Date
Repossession of Council Properties	13	53

Garda Checks

	March	Year to Date
Garda Checks processed	68	221

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Limerick Homeless Action Team – Pathway Accommodation and Support System (PASS) Data

Date: 31.03.26		
Individuals		
Location	Description	Beds Used
McGarry House	Mixed Low threshold accommodation for singles	40
Oak Lodge	Adults without children accommodated in low threshold emergency accommodation	74
Thomond House	Higher threshold accommodation for single females	24
St. Joseph Street	Higher threshold accommodation for single females	7
B&B (no children)	Adults without children accommodated in B&B	96
Temporary Emergency Provision TEP 1 (Edenvilla)	Low threshold, night by night (9pm-9am) emergency accommodation. Mixed	15
Phoenix Lodge	Low threshold emergency accommodation for single adults	10
Total		266

Families				
Location	Description	Beds Used		
		Adults	Children	Families
Suaimhneas	Family Emergency accommodation	6	10	6
B&B/Hotel Accommodation	Families	258	265	163
Twin Oaks Family Hub	Family Hub	8	15	7
Totals		272	290	176

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	March	YTD
Tenant Purchase		
Tenant Purchase Applications: No. Received	4	8
Tenant Purchase Applications: No. Approved	1	4
Local Authority Home Loans		
Loan Applications: No. Received	5	18
Loan Applications: No. Approved	1	2
Deed of Discharge		
Deed of Discharge Applications: No. Received	19	41
Consent to Sale		
Consent to Sale Applications: No. Received	5	13
Cottage Purchase Annuity		
No. of Cottage Purchase Annuity Applications	1	4
Ground Rent		
No. of Ground Rent Applications	7	12
Title		
Title Deeds Received/Requested	23	46
Title Rectifications Received	0	1
Private Rented Inspections		
No. of Inspections	352	1,383

Freedom of Information, Data Requests and Ombudsman

Freedom of Information Requests	9
Ombudsman Query Cases	0
Data Access Requests	2

2. Housing Welfare and Traveller Accommodation

* Traveller Accommodation

No. of Units offered March	7
Year to Date	11

* These figures are included in Allocations Figures and Approved Housing Body Allocations

No. of New Maintenance Cases for Traveller Specific Accommodation in the Metropolitan District of Limerick - March	38
Year to date	111

Traveller Community Sustainment	March	Year to Date
Number of Inspections	44	178
Number of Tenancy Inductions	1	2
Number of Active Cases at end of month	34	34
Cases closed	24	51

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Housing Welfare Referrals/Visits

No. of Referrals/Visits - March	19
Year to Date	55

No. of New Supported Tenancies - March	2
No. of Closed Supported Tenancies - March	9
Total No. of Active Supported Tenancies	187

No. of Age Friendly Approved Housing Body (AHB) and Voluntary Housing Nominations - March	5
Year to date	25

* These figures are included in Approved Housing Body Allocations*

3. Local Authority (LA) Housing Construction and Maintenance

Local Authority Housing Construction

House Returns - March	
Total	9

House Returns by Municipal District - March	
Adare-Rathkeale	2
Cappamore-Kilmallock	2
Newcastle West	0
Metropolitan District	5

Current Working Programme		
	Completed in March	In Progress
Local Authority Construction Team		
Minor Refurbishments	0	0
Major Refurbishments	2	70
Local Authority Maintenance Team		
Minor Refurbishments	0	73
Major Refurbishments	2	14
Regeneration Team		
Minor Refurbishments	2	28
Major Refurbishments	0	7
Traveller Accommodation Unit (TAU)		
Minor Refurbishments	0	3
Major Refurbishments	0	1
Total	6	196
Approved Housing Body stock transfer in process	0	12

Project Updates

- Stage 2 approval received from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH) for construction of 13 units at Quarry Road, Thomond Gate Park, Limerick.
- Stage 3 application submitted to the DHLGH for construction of five units at Scout Hall, Bawnmore Road, Limerick.
- Contractor currently on site for construction of 11 units in Cluain Dara, Broadford, County Limerick.

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- Contractor currently on site for construction of 10 units in O'Connor Park, Ardagh, County Limerick.
- Contractor currently on site for construction of 20 units in Brugh Na Deise and Crawford Street, Bruff, County Limerick.
- Contractors currently working on six refurbishment projects in the City and County.

Finance

- Applications for funding totalling €73,525 issued to the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.
- Limerick City and County Council recouped €736,745 from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

Local Authority Housing Maintenance

Local Authority Houses: Maintenance Requests dealt with during March

Housing Maintenance Cases – March	Requests/Cases Created	Cases Dealt With/Closed	Balance of Open Cases at 31.03.2026
Metropolitan District of Limerick	782	917	1,125
Municipal District of Adare-Rathkeale	111	103	368
Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock	148	178	441
Municipal District of Newcastle West	120	125	443
TOTAL	1,161	1,323	2,377

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Grants Inspections

Metropolitan District of Limerick – Inspections and Recommendations for Home Improvement Schemes/Disability Adaptations – March

Inspection Types	Pre-application	Initial Inspection	Re-inspection	Final Inspections after Works completed	Total Inspections by Grant Type
MAGs (Mobility Adaptation Grant Scheme)	0	4	0	5	9
HAGs (Housing Adaptation Grant Scheme)	2	12	0	14	28
HOPS (Housing Aid for Older Persons Grant Scheme)	0	10	0	12	22
DPGs (Disabled Persons Grant)	0	1	4	0	5
Total Inspections by Inspection Type	2	27	4	31	64

Municipal District of Adare-Rathkeale – Inspections and Recommendations for Home Improvement Schemes/Disability Adaptations – March

Inspection Types	Pre-application	Initial Inspection	Re-inspection	Final Inspections after Works completed	Total Inspections by Grant Type
MAGs (Mobility Adaptation Grant Scheme)	0	0	0	0	0
HAGs (Housing Adaptation Grant Scheme)	0	7	0	0	7
HOPS (Housing Aid for Older Persons Grant Scheme)	0	10	0	2	12
DPGs (Disabled Persons Grant)	0	0	0	0	0
Total Inspections by Inspection Type	0	17	0	2	19

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Municipal District of Newcastle West – Inspections and Recommendations for Home Improvement Schemes/Disability Adaptations – March

Inspection Types	Pre-application	Initial Inspection	Re-inspection	Final Inspections after Works completed	Total Inspections by Grant Type
MAGs (Mobility Adaptation Grant Scheme)	0	1	0	0	1
HAGs (Housing Adaptation Grant Scheme)	0	10	0	9	19
HOPS (Housing Aid for Older Persons Grant Scheme)	0	9	0	4	13
DPGs (Disabled Persons Grant)	0	0	0	0	0
Total Inspections by Inspection Type	0	20	0	13	33

Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock – Inspections and Recommendations for Home Improvement Schemes/Disability Adaptations – March

Inspection Types	Pre-application	Initial Inspection	Re-inspection	Final Inspections after Works completed	Total Inspections by Grant Type
MAGs (Mobility Adaptation Grant Scheme)	1	2	0	0	3
HAGs (Housing Adaptation Grant Scheme)	0	1	0	4	5
HOPS (Housing Aid for Older Persons Grant Scheme)	0	22	2	3	27
DPGs (Disabled Persons Grant)	0	3	0	2	5
Total Inspections by Inspection Type	1	28	2	9	40

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House Inspections Unit

Houses Inspected for Refurbishment Works and Re-Letting - March - Categories	No. of Properties Inspected
Cat 1 - Minor Repairs needed	11
Cat 2 - Moderate Repairs needed	2
Cat 3 - Substantial Repairs needed	0
Cat 4 - Major Repairs needed	0
Total Inspections Carried Out	13
No. of Properties Awaiting Inspection	17

Defective Blockwork Scheme Applications

Applications Registered March	3
RFI (Request Further Information) Applications March	3
Applications Referred to Housing Agency	3
Applications - Damage Threshold Met	0
Remediation Option Grant Approved	0
Remediation Option Grant Refused	0
Total Applications Registered - Year to Date	15

Housing Maintenance Communal Areas Projects

Housing Maintenance Communal Areas Projects - March
Painting, Power Washing and Gutter Cleaning of Sarsfield Park Apartments, Lord Edward Street, Limerick.
Tender for Power Washing, Painting, Window and Door Servicing, and Gutter Cleaning of O'Donnell House and James Street Apartments, Limerick.
Tender for Fire Remedial Works to Oak Lodge (Simon Community), Clare Street, Limerick.
Tenders for the Installation of new Lifts for Oak Lodge, and Phoenix Lodge, Limerick.
Cleaning, Painting, and Maintenance Works in Watergate Apartments, Limerick.



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Planning, Heritage and Ryder Cup

1. Development Management

Planning Applications

A total of 145 new planning applications were received as follows:

Type	Amount
Part 8	4
Housing Developments	4
Domestic Developments	91
Agricultural Developments	19
Commercial Developments/Change of Use	8
Sporting/Community and Educational Developments	11
Other Developments	8

The current applications include proposals for:

- Part 8 for the demolition of the existing building and the construction of a two/three storey building comprising six apartments, ground floor community space, 10 car parking spaces, connection to the existing foul and surface water network and all other associated site development at Meadow Brook, Mill Road, Corbally, Limerick.
- Part 8 for the demolition of the existing single storey dwelling, construction of six dwellings in two blocks site and external works, connection to the existing foul and surface water network and all other associated site development at Knock Hill, Ferndale, Caherdavin, Limerick.
- Part 8 for the construction of 13 housing units, modifications to existing boundary walls, drainage and landscaping works at Quarry Road, Thomondgate, Limerick.
- Seven-year permission for a Large-scale Residential Development (LRD) for the construction of 212 residential units along with the provision of a Creche. The development comprises 112 dwellings and 100 apartment units to be provided within five apartment buildings, foul and surface drainage and water main connections, landscaping and boundary treatments, car parking and public lighting at Towlerton, Ballysimon, Co. Limerick. An Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and a Natura Impact Statement (NIS) accompany this application.
- 10-year permission for a Large-scale Residential Development (LRD) consisting of the provision of a total of 523 residential units along with the provision of a Creche. The development comprises 214 residential dwellings and 309 apartment units to be provided within 10 apartment buildings, open space areas, formal play areas, provision of a vehicular entrance from the Monaleen Road, ESB substations, ancillary site works to facilitate foul, water and service networks for connection to public services at Monaleen Road, Castletroy, Limerick. An Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and a Natura Impact Statement accompany this application.

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2. Forward Planning, Urban Development and Heritage

Forward Planning

- Pursuant to Section 58 of the Planning and Development Act 2024, Limerick City and County Council, at their Full Council Meeting on the 30 March 2026, adopted Variation No. 2 to the Limerick Development Plan 2022 – 2028 (as varied). The Variation is effective immediately. The reason for Proposed Variation No. 2 to Limerick Development Plan 2022 – 2028 was to remove text in Chapter 7, Objective TR O37 regarding access to substandard roads.

Urban Development

- Public engagement completed for Ballybrown/Clarina Proposed Public Realm Enhancement Plan.
- Application submitted for the 2026 New European Bauhaus Prize for the King's Island Walled Town Integrated Urban Strategy, which was developed under THRIVE Strand 1 funding.
- The Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage conducted a pre-construction photoshoot at the Fireplace Site.
- The King's Island Walled Town webpage was developed and published.

Conservation

- Two Section 57 Declarations issued in March.
- One Built Heritage Investment Scheme Grant funded project has completed works and has been paid.
- 20 Planning Referral reports issued.
- Conservation Advice Grant Scheme has been launched – operated directly by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.
- Advice and letters of support provided to numerous community groups in relation to their applications to the Heritage Council for funding under the Community Heritage Grant scheme (deadline was 20 March).
- Mural design guidelines have been circulated for comment.
- Currently reviewing the National Heritage Risk Mapping methodology and the Fingal Cultural Heritage and Climate Change Risk Assessment.

Heritage

- Section of logo for Limerick Irish Community Archive Network complete.
- Assisted colleagues lecturing in the Certificate in Environmental Planning legislation by giving lecture on practical ecological measures employed in Council works in Limerick. This was given in Roscrea and is run by the Southern Technical University and Local Authority Services National Training Group.
- Assisted community groups in their grant applications to the Heritage Council Community Grant Scheme. 10 groups in total.

Archaeology

- Planning engagement included processing 16 planning referrals, five compliance cases, one further information file, seven meetings, one enforcement matter, and 30 forestry files.
- Ongoing work on the Market Quarter, Cruises Street, including participation in the Technical Working Group on wider placemaking initiatives.
- Continued involvement in the Lough Gur Steering Group, with progress on the Walkway and Bird Hide projects.
- Submission of the Irish Walled Towns Network event application for the Dancing the Walls of Limerick Festival, along with attendance at Steering Group meetings.
- Coordination meeting held with the Office of Public Works and the National Monuments Service regarding the Merchant's House, Kilmallock.
- Ongoing liaison with Office of Public Works and National Monuments Service on Fuller's Folly, including attendance at project meetings.
- Continued engagement with the Town Centre First Heritage Revival Scheme (THRIVE) programme.
- Ongoing support for the Housing Smarter Homes initiative.
- Assistance provided to two community groups applying for Heritage Council Local Community Heritage Grants.

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Environment, Climate Action and Fire

1. Environment, Rural Water and Climate Action

Climate Action Team

- Attended a Nature-based Solutions Course on Surface Water Management, Climate Resilience and Place Making for Limerick City and County Council Staff, in the South Court Hotel on 03 March.
- Participated in a workshop on the 'Bio Economy' at Trinity College.
- Hosted a Climate Champions meeting, a staff led programme focused on embedding climate action across Limerick City and County Council on 04 March.
- Facilitated the first meeting of the District Heating Feasibility Study steering group on 10 March.
- Attended a briefing on the Limerick City Transportation Plan on 23 March.
- Attended the International City/County Management Association exchange meeting in City Hall on 24 March.
- The Climate Action Officer attended a Wellbeing Committee meeting on 25 March.
- Attended a briefing workshop on European Urban Innovation and URBACT Programmes in Dublin on 25 March.
- Attended the Lunch and Learn session hosted by the Economic, Tourism, Culture, Property and Corporate Buildings Directorate on 26 March.
- Held three one-on-one meetings with Climate Champions to get feedback on the Climate Champions programme and to better understand how the Climate Action Unit can support climate action in their work areas.
- Attended an Evaluation Briefing Session (online) on 26 March.
- Attended a Transforming Renovation in the Atlantic Seaboard South meeting which is a strategic initiative aimed at accelerating the retrofitting of public buildings in Ireland's Atlantic Seaboard South region. This meeting was held at the Technological University of the Shannon (TUS) on 26 March.
- Met with Fáilte Ireland regarding a Global Distribution System Index submission on 27 March.
- Met with partners (online) on the HeriSol Project on 30 March, the project will see the installation of innovative solar panels and associated monitoring and sensor equipment on the roof of Limerick Gallery of Art.
- Received notification of a successful funding bid to the European Union Doctoral Network addressing crisis preparedness for climate events.

Citizen Innovation Lab

This month in the Citizen Innovation Lab we hosted:

- The Limerick Cycling Campaign Group held a meeting on 19 March.
- A visiting party of Councillors and Active Travel Engineers from Waterford on 24 March.
- The fourth meeting of the Transport and Mobility Forum Limerick took place on 25 March.

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Horse and Dog Control

Number of dogs processed in the Dog Shelter	10
Number of call outs to seize stray horses	6
Number of horses seized	7

A Day of Action by the Dog Wardens in co-ordination with An Garda Síochána in Newcastle West took place on 24 March, resulting in multiple dog seizures and the distribution of Section 16 notices.

Domestic Waste and Litter

Domestic Waste and Litter Team	
Cases received	186
Inspections undertaken	794
Warnings issued	149
Directions of Authorised Officer issued	2
Statutory notices issued	6
Prosecutions initiated	1
Fines issued	34

Clean Ups

The following clean-up was done during the month:

- Bog Road, Rathkeale, Co. Limerick

Environment Regulation and Enforcement

(Commercial Waste, Air, Noise, Water and Public Health)

Environmental Enforcement	
Cases received (Microsoft (MS) Dynamics)	64
Inspections undertaken (MS Dynamics)	44
Inspections - Domestic Wastewater Treatment Systems	9
Warnings issued (MS Dynamics)	7
Directions of Authorised Officer issued (MS Dynamics)	2
Statutory notices issued (MS Dynamics)	0
Statutory notices issued - Domestic Wastewater Treatment Systems	2
Prosecutions initiated (MS Dynamics)	0
Fines issued (MS Dynamics)	2
Authorisations issued/reviewed/surrendered	5
Planning reports	93

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Environment Strategy

Inspection Type	Number of Inspections	Inspection Details
National Agricultural Inspection Programme Farm Inspections	21	Farm Inspections
Farm Re-Inspections	17	Re-inspection of Non-Compliant farms
Closing Letters	16	Letters issued to compliant farms following Inspection
Advisory Letters	2	Non-compliant issues detected during Inspections
Warning Letters	8	Non-compliant issues detected during Inspections
Notification Letters	107	Notification regarding Farm Inspections issued to farmers in the Groody_010 Catchment
Review of Farmyard Management Plans	2	Farmyard Management plans submitted by non-compliant farmer
Dynamics CRM - Inspections relating to Water pollution incidents/complaints	4	Water Pollution Complaints investigated by Environment Strategy
Dynamics CRM - Number of Active Cases	3	Open cases in Dynamics CRM- Good Agriculture Practice and Non-Good Agriculture Practice cases
Dynamics CRM - Number of cases open longer than 30 days	0	Open cases in Dynamics CRM
Farm File Reviews	11	Review of open farm files to re-inspect and close
Planning Files	13	Review of agricultural planning applications and report to planning.
Forestry File referrals	30	Review of Forestry planning applications
River Monitoring	3	Biological Kick Sampling on the Groody River to check water quality
Cross Report to the Department of Agriculture	4	Farm not compliant with the Good Agricultural Practice Regulations
Poultry Dockets	200	Dockets submitted by Poultry farmers

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Environmental Awareness

Green Schools Programme

Visits to Limerick Primary and Secondary Schools continued during March with 27 schools in total aiming to renew their Green Flag. We look forward to receiving the list of schools who are being awarded their flag and the subsequent awards ceremony at the end of May.

Rubbish Film Festival

With the support of Limerick City and County Council, five Limerick secondary schools participated in the 2026 Rubbish Film Festival. These were Coláiste Mhichíl, CBS Sexton Street, Colaiste Nano Nagle, Sexton Street, Ard Scoil Mhuire, Corbally, Glenstal Abbey, Murroe and Coláiste Mhuire Askeaton.

We were delighted that Coláiste Mhichíl, CBS Sexton Street won the Regional Best Film category with their anti Fast Fashion film [“Stitch and Ditch” Stitch and Ditch I Limerick Winning Film | Rubbish Film Festival 2026](#)

Borrow Use Return Community Party Pack Launch

Limerick Communities are invited to submit an expression of interest for a limited number of free community party packs following the launch of this initiative in Limerick. [Limerick City and County Council launches “Borrow, Use, Return” party pack initiative to support circular community celebrations | Limerick.ie](#)

Biodiversity

- 03 March, Attendance at the launch of the Clare County Council Biodiversity Action Plan.
- 05 March, Interview with Joe Nash, Limerick Today Team, Live 95 on the “Hop to It” Frog Survey.
- 06 March, Biodiversity, tree and sound guided walk with the Film students and Bachelor of Education (BEd) students from Technological University of the Shannon (TUS) and Limerick School of Art and Design (LSAD) in the beautiful Baggot Estate Nature Park. This event was in collaboration with Limerick City and County Council’s Executive Scientist and Tree Officer.

- 25 March, Engagement with sixth-class Students at the Southside Future Skills Workshop in Limerick Enterprise Development Partnership. It was a pleasure to meet the Sixth Class Students from Le Chéile, Our Lady Queen of Peace, and Our Lady of Lourdes National School. Special thanks to the National Parks and Wildlife Service for providing the mini “dead zoo”. It captured everyone’s attention and sparked great conversations about nature and biodiversity.
- 27 March, Phone interview with Tara from Live 95fm regarding National Squirrel and Pine Martin Survey.

Laboratory/Rural Water

This month the Laboratory Rural Water Unit approved grant payments on behalf of the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage as follows:

Grant Type	Amount	Number of Schemes
Multi-Annual Rural Water Programme (MARWP) Capital funding 2024-2026 for Group Water Schemes (GWS)	€48,725.40	One GWS
Subsidy towards Group Water Scheme Operational Costs	€350,985.10	One GWS
Domestic Private Wells Financial Assistance Scheme	€28,434.32	Six Households
Domestic Lead Remediation Grant Scheme	€4,937.25	One Household

Irish National Accreditation Board (INAB) undertook an on-site Accreditation Assessment of laboratory testing 24 March. The Assessment Team recommended that the laboratory maintain its ISO17025 accreditation for its existing scope of tests subject to the successful clearance of non-conformances raised during the visit.

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2. Fire and Emergency

Statistics

	No. of Fire Related Calls	No. of Non-Fire Related Calls	Total
No. of call outs 01/03/26 – 31/03/26	77	82	159
% of calls where on scene in < 10 mins from time of call	77%	61%	
% of calls where on scene between 11 and 20 mins from time of call	19%	35%	
% of calls where on scene in > 20 mins from time of call	4%	4%	

	No. Received/ Assigned	No. Validated/ Acknowledged	No. Invalidated/ Refused	No. Granted	No. Completed
Fire Certificate Applications March	14	10	0	23	
Disability Access Certificate Applications March	8	6	0	2	
Licensing Applications March	7	6			
Commencement Notice March	57	47	4		51
Completion Certificate March	17	13	0		13
Planning Referrals March	26				15

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Fire and Emergency Training Events

- Block training was ongoing for Limerick City Fire Station. This week-long course, required for all whole-time firefighters, began on 23 February and runs over six weeks, covering working at heights, confined space training, high-rise firefighting, and incidents involving lifts.
- A group of student paramedics from the University of Limerick completed a one-day Fire Service Awareness Programme.
- Two Senior Officers completed A1/A3 Drone course.
- A whole-time fire fighter commenced her on station familiarisation and training phase.
- Rathkeale Fire Station delivered a one-week Transition Year Programme at the Rathkeale Fire Station.
- Kilmallock Fire Station delivered a one-week Transition Year Programme at the Kilmallock Fire Station.
- Twenty-two personnel from the major emergency region undertook information management training in Limerick.
- One Junior Officer from Limerick City Fire Station completed the Fire Service Pump Operator course in Killarney, Co. Kerry.
- One Junior Officer from Limerick City Fire Station completed the Fire Station Trainer course ran in Newbridge Fire Station, Co. Kildare.
- One Senior Officer completed the Rostered Senior Fire Officer (RSFO) vehicle familiarisation and training.
- All retained stations have commenced manual handling training refreshers training over the next quarter.
- Quarterly training plans have been issued to retained fire stations.
- One Driver Mechanic from Newcastle West Fire Station completed an Effective Decision-Making course in the Hydra Suite, Clonmel Training Centre, Co. Tipperary.

Civil Defence Attendance at Events and Activities

Duties for March

- **15 March** - International Band Parade
- **17 March** - St. Patricks Day Parade and Medical Cover Limerick City
- **17 March** - St Patricks Day Parade Adare, Co. Limerick
- **29 March** - UL Vikings American Football Club game in University of Limerick

Training for March

- Weekly Training Every Tuesday x four
- Emergency First Responders Course
- Emergency First Responders Exams both practical and written
- Boat Training
- Coxswains Refresher Training
- Open A2 Drone Pilot Training at Clare Civil Defence Head Quarters, Ennis, Co. Clare
- Coxswains – Safety Boat Course

Water Safety

No. of Lifebuoy Replacements	January-February	March	Total 2026
Metropolitan District	1	1	2
Municipal Districts	0	1	1

No. of Lifebuoy Sensor Activations	January-February	March	Total 2026
Metropolitan District	13	10	23
Municipal Districts	5	1	6

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Corporate Services, Human Resources and Organisational Development

1. Corporate and Customer Services

Schedule of Council Meetings for March

Name of Meeting	Date	Location
Full Council Special Meeting of Limerick City and County Council to consider Re-fixing the Date for the March Meeting of the Council	09/03/2026	Online
Special Meeting of Limerick City and County Council in relation to St. Patrick's Festival Open Funding Call 2026	09/03/2026	Online
Special Meeting of Limerick City and County Council to pass a Vote of Sympathy on the passing of former Mayor of Limerick, Kevin Kiely, RIP	16/03/2026	Dooradoyle and Online
Special Meeting of Limerick City and County Council, in relation to the Strategic Infrastructure Development for proposed Water Supply Project for the Eastern and Midlands Region	23/03/2026	Dooradoyle and Online
Bi-Monthly Meeting of Limerick City and County Council	30/03/2026	Dooradoyle and Online
Operational Briefings Limerick City East Limerick City North Limerick City West	03/03/2026 03/03/2026 04/03/2026	Merchant's Quay and Online Merchant's Quay and Online Merchant's Quay and Online
Municipal District of		
Newcastle West Monthly Meeting	04/03/2026	Newcastle West and Online
Adare-Rathkeale Monthly Meeting	10/03/2026	Rathkeale and Online
Cappamore-Kilmallock Monthly Meeting	19/03/2026	Kilmallock and Online
Metropolitan District of Limerick Monthly Meeting	09/03/2026	Merchant's Quay and Online
Special Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick in relation to Riverfest Open Funding Call 2026	25/03/2026	Online
Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) Meeting	03/03/2026	Dooradoyle and Online
Local Action Group (LEADER) Meeting	03/03/2026	Dooradoyle and Online

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Name of Meeting	Date	Location
Party Leaders Meeting	09/03/2026	Merchant's Quay and Online
Audit and Risk Committee Meeting	11/03/2026	Merchant's Quay and Online
Corporate Policy Group Meeting	23/03/2026	Merchant's Quay and Online
Party Leaders Meeting	26/03/2026	Merchant's Quay and Online
Protocol Committee Meeting	26/03/2026	Merchant's Quay and Online

Requisitions Oversight Unit

The Requisitions Oversight Unit staff validate all requisitions raised across the entire Limerick City and County Council.

The following statistics applied for March:

- Approved requisitions account for 86% of the total requisitions actioned for this given month.
- Rejected requisitions account for 14% of the total requisitions actioned for this given month.

Month	Approved	Rejected	Total Requisitions Actioned
March	1,444	238	1,682

The top five requisition rejection reasons for March were identified as follows:

Rejection Reason	March
Memo Requisition not raised in advance - Omitted/Insufficient detail	57
Procurement Reference - Omitted/Incorrect	51
CAPA (Corrective Action, Preventative Action form) - omitted/not signed/insufficiently completed	28
Documentation attached - Omitted/Incorrect	24
Request for Quotes - Omitted	23

Procurement

The Procurement Department is responsible for setting up and extending existing procurement references on request from all departments within Limerick City and County Council.

The following shows the number of Procurement References dealt with during the month:

New Procurement References set up	47
Procurement References extended as per signed contract/agreement	26

Register of Electors

Additions to Electoral Register	38
Deletions from Electoral Register	372
Modifications to the Electoral Register	337
Total Transactions on Electoral Register	747

Preparation for Transition to National Voting Register 2027

Project Update:

- 1,361 Letters sent asking Voters to update details on the Register of Electors.
- Staff Session regarding information on updating the Register of Electors held in Barrow House on 09 March.
- Staff of the Register Team ran Public Sessions in the Limerick City Library and Newcastle West Library during the month.

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Health and Safety Training

Health and Safety Training organised the following courses during the month:

Course Name	Numbers Trained
Drivers CPCs (Certificates of Professional Competence)	11
First Aid	2
Manual Handling	26
Safe Pass	6
Preparing and Responding to a Serious Incident	17
Abrasive Wheels	1
Landscaping Combi Course	9
MEWP (Mobile Elevated Work Platform)	1
Gas Safety	3
Total Staff Trained	76

Access to Information

	March	2026 (January to March)
Total Freedom of Information (FOI) Requests	36	88
FOI Internal Appeals	1	6
Information Commissioner Appeals	0	0
Total Ombudsman Requests	3	7
Total Access to Information (AIE) Requests	9	12
AIE Internal Appeals	0	0

Customer Services

The Customer Services Team continued to support our customers and Public Representatives at first point of contact by answering queries via telephone, email, My Limerick and social media. Case creation, payments processing and generally facilitating applications for all Limerick City and County Council services also continued throughout the month.

The following figures highlight the activity within the contact centre throughout the month:

- Customer Services Call Centre answered 9,334 calls. This represents an average of 424 per day, with the number of calls reaching as high as 648 on one particular day. 83% of calls were handled at first point of contact.
- A total of 4,644 emails were processed through our Customer Services email platform.
- 3,550 cases were created, with 1,121 of these logged on behalf of Public Representatives. Customer Services staff logged 69% of the cases created.
- 3,887 cases were closed, with 1,266 of these being cases logged by Public Representatives.
- The logging of cases through the My Limerick portal continued, with a total of 78 cases being logged. Of these, 66 were submitted by Public Representatives.
- 99% of Housing Maintenance cases for the Metropolitan District of Limerick were logged by Customer Services staff in the Dooradoyle and Merchants Quay offices.
- A total of 112 out-of-hours cases being created.
- 108 Residential Parking Permits were applied for and 86 issued.
- Customer Services staff welcomed a total of 2,751 customers at both our Merchants Quay and Dooradoyle offices.

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2. Marketing and Communications

Marketing

Golf Limerick

- Progress continues apace on the development of the Golf Limerick initiative; a sub-brand of Brand Limerick which has been created as a Limerick specific legacy project for Ryder Cup 2027.

Val the Viking

- Launched in November 2025, the next phase of Val the Viking's development is now underway with activation planning to bring Val to life and engage with the Limerick public and visitors.

Other Marketing Activity

- Limerick Tourism advert aired across Sky TV's coverage of the Player's Championship from Sawgrass, Florida, 12 March to 15 March, showcasing Limerick's key attractions and amenities to wide numbers of viewers.
- Shone a spotlight on Easter, Spring and Mid-Term break content across Limerick.ie social media channels reflecting content sections on Limerick.ie
- Presented at the March Lunch and Learn for the Corporate Services, Human Resources and Organisational Development Directorate.
- **Attended:**
 - Network Ireland National Conference at the Limerick Strand Hotel
 - Fáilte Ireland Local Area Champions workshop
 - Fáilte Ireland webinar re domestic tourism campaign briefing
 - International City/County Management Association (ICMA) workshop as part of their visit to Limerick.
- Brand Limerick merchandise provided for ministerial

visit, Network Ireland International Women's Day event, St. Patrick's Day Limerick delegation visits to Savannah and New York, meeting of Limerick golf club stakeholders, new Limerick Chamber CEO, Johnson and Johnson and Experience Ireland Golf and Travel.

Social Media

Management of eleven social media channels including [Limerick.ie](#) to engage with citizens and promote Limerick to locals, visitors, students and the business community.

Followers across our eleven main social media platforms is now as follows:

Limerick.ie Facebook: 41,337

Limerick.ie X: 20,754

Limerick.ie Instagram: 46,464

Limerick.ie TikTok: 5,167

Limerick City and County Council X: 18,666

Limerick City and County Council Facebook: 185

Limerick City and County Council Instagram: 7,306

Limerick City and County Council LinkedIn: 17,290

Limerick City and County Council TikTok: 1,998

Mayoral Accounts:

Mayor of Limerick Instagram: 2,215

Mayor of Limerick Twitter: 312

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Limerick.ie

In March, there were 265,258* unique site visits to [Limerick.ie](http://limerick.ie), a 22% increase on the same period in 2025. (*Fathom Analytics)

The most popular pages on [Limerick.ie](http://limerick.ie) were:

1. www.limerick.ie/stpatricksfestival
2. www.limerick.ie/council/services/planning-and-placemaking/search-for-a-planning-application/search-for-a-planning
3. www.limerick.ie/discover/whats-on/festivals/limerick-st-patricks-day-parade (link no longer available)
4. www.limerick.ie/council/your-council/jobs
5. www.limerick.ie/discover/whats-on/browse

Content Report: 92 articles, 382 events, and 34 new amenities were added to Limerick.ie in March.

Communications

- Issued 27 news releases from the Marketing and Communications Department.
- All media releases from Limerick City and County Council were also shared internally on the staff portal.
- Researched and wrote 21 notes for speeches for the Office of the Mayor and wrote four speeches for the Office of the Príomh Chomhairleoir.
- Posted 414 times across the three Limerick City and County Council's social media channels with total followers now 45,445. Our posts earned 597,650 impressions (number of times users saw our post).
- Handled all media queries, which come into communications@limerick.ie and continued to offer Communication support to all Directorates of Limerick City and County Council.

Social Media Posts were created and shared for the following:

- Series of collaboration posts and re-shares to support the Rathbane Golf Course
- Series of posts and videos for the Active Travel team
- Video, images and live posting for The International Women's Day Wellness Event on 02 March with Príomh Chomhairle Councillor Catherine Slattery
- Gallery posts for Local Government Management Agency (LGMA) Awards
- Series of promo posts for Limerick St. Patrick's Festival and International Band Championships
- Video creation for The BBC Bergen (Cargo Ship) arriving in to the Shannon Estuary carrying 54 sections that will form a critical crossing on the Adare Bypass
- Video creation for new dual carriageway and the Moyross Link Road
- Series of posts for the Residential Zoned Land Tax
- Series of posts for "Think Before you Park" campaign
- Call out for Expressions of Interest (EOI) for Twilight Thursdays
- Call out for Riverfest Creative Programming Competitive Open Call 2026 Grant
- Call out for Riverfest Night Time Economy Event Programming 2026 Grant
- Promotion of Limerick Going for Gold Competition
- Call out for EOIs for Mural Project
- Incremental Purchase Scheme in Kilfinane
- Series of Cleansing works carried out in the Metropolitan District of Limerick
- Promotion of upcoming Bike Week 2026, taking place in May, for Active Travel
- Video and live posting for International City/County Management Association (ICMA) event in City Hall on 24 March
- Series of collaboration posts for Team Limerick Clean-up
- Videos and live posting for the Limerick Person of the Year Awards on 27 March
- Video to support the Croom Voluntary Housing Association launch of 16 new homes at Towerfield Court

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- Video of demolition of Ballynanty Bridge under the Coonagh to Knockalisheen Distributor Road contract. The new bridge, expected to be completed by January 2027, will incorporate new pedestrian and cycling infrastructure and further improve connectivity in the area
- Video for “PAWS - Pets Are Welcome” Initiative to Support Pet-Friendly Businesses
- Career Opportunity Posts for: Building Inspector, Fitter Mechanic, Retained Firefighter, General Operatives, Driver Plant Operator, Assistant Engineer, Executive Engineer, Graduate Engineer
- LinkedIn Advertisements for the following Career Opportunities: Assistant Engineer, Executive Engineer, Graduate Engineer
- Series of water notices for Uisce Éireann
- Series of weather updates for Met Éireann
- Series of road notices, public notices and news updates

3. Business Improvement

- A total of 922 active users are now live on the Council Connect Employee App.
- Services on Service Catalogue = 683
- A suite of modern presentations for our Organisation Structure were designed and published on the Staff Portal.
- Staff Liaison Network meeting was held in the Council Chamber in Dooradoyle on 04 March.
- The fifth “Lunch and Learn” with the Director of Service for Corporate Services, Human Resources and Organisational Development Directorate and his Senior Team was held in the Council Chamber in Merchants Quay, as well as online.
- The sixth “Lunch and Learn” with the Director of Service for Economic, Tourism, Culture, Property and Corporate Buildings Directorate and his Senior Team was held in the Council Chamber in Merchants Quay, as well as online.

- Training Sessions for our new ORCA (Orders Routing and Compliance Automation) system were delivered by Business Improvement, Director General’s Office and Digital Services.

4. Municipal Districts

Metropolitan District of Limerick

Meetings

- The March Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick took place on 09 March.
- A Special Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick in relation to the Riverfest Open Funding Call 2026 took place on 25 March.

Briefings/Workshops

Briefings/Workshops were held during March for the Elected Members of the Metropolitan District of Limerick as follows:

- Workshop on the Twilight Thursday Grant Scheme
- Briefing on the University Way

Operational Area Briefings

- Operational Area Briefings were also held for the Elected Members in early March.

Christmas 2026

- The Christmas 2026 Metropolitan Sub-Group met on 09 March.

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Municipal District of Adare-Rathkeale

The Monthly Meeting of Municipal District of Adare-Rathkeale was held on 10 March in Áras Seán Finn, New Line Rathkeale, County Limerick.

Essential repairs to social houses and public roads were undertaken by the Housing Maintenance and Roads Maintenance Teams:

- 112 cases were assigned to the Housing Maintenance Team.
- 132 cases were assigned to the Roads Maintenance Team.

Road Maintenance

During the month the following General Maintenance works were undertaken:

- Road repairs and pothole filling
- Inlet opening on roadways
- Culvert opening and cleaning
- Debris removal from Road Drainage Systems
- Minor Drainage Projects Works
- Emergency response to storm/flooding events
- Construction of additional Car-Parking spaces at Adare Heritage Centre, Adare
- Preparation of Roads for 2026 Road Works programme

Winter Maintenance

- Road salting/De-Icing
- Tree removal/Road clearance

Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock

Municipal District Meetings

- The Monthly Meeting of the Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock was held on 19 March in the Kilmallock District Office, Áras Mainchín Seoighe, Kilmallock, County Limerick and online.
- A Workshop on Pedestrian Access and Gotoon Bridge took place on 19 March in the Kilmallock District Office, Áras Mainchín Seoighe, Kilmallock, County Limerick and online.

Housing and Road Maintenance Cases Assigned Through Microsoft Dynamics

- 146 cases were assigned to the Housing Maintenance Team.
- 134 cases were assigned to the Roads Maintenance Team.

Municipal District of Newcastle West

Meetings and Briefings

- 04 March - Monthly Meeting of the Municipal District of Newcastle West.
- 04 March - Private Briefing on the emerging Part 8 for the Maiden St. properties, Newcastle West
- 04 March - Private Briefing on the emerging Part 8 for the former Bank of Ireland, Abbeyfeale
- 04 March - Private Briefing on Rural Regeneration and Development Fund Projects including Limerick Greenway and Fuller's Folly

Housing Maintenance

- 120 cases were assigned to the Housing Maintenance Team.

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Transportation and Mobility

- 59 cases were assigned to the Roads Maintenance Team.

Motor Tax

- The Motor Tax Section at the Newcastle West Office processed 1,420 routine transactions, generating an income of €228,954.