

CORRESPONDENCE

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

9TH JUNE, 2026

- Report received on 4th June, 2026 from Jayne Leahy, Head of Property Management, Rural, Culture, Community and Tourism Development Directorate, Limerick City and County Council in reply to request from Councillor Teskey for an update on Ballywilliam Estate, Rathkeale.
- Email received on 3rd June, 2026 from Natasha McGarry, Senior Executive Engineer, Travel and Transport Strategy, Limerick City and County Council in reply to request from Councillor Teskey for an update on the proposed footpath from Kildimo Village to the Beer Garden Public House on the N69.
- Email received on 5th June, 2026 from John O'Callaghan, A/Senior Executive Engineer, Transportation and Mobility Directorate, Limerick City and County Council in reply to request from Councillor Hartigan for an update on the newly installed bust stop in Pallaskenry and request from Councillor Teskey for an update on the proposed installation of a bus stop on the N21 at Reens Pike, Ardagh.



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Meeting of Adare Rathkeale District meeting to be held on Tuesday, 9th June, 2026

Request for update on the status of the Ballywilliam Estate, Rathkeale

Reply:

The Ballywilliam estate was vested by Limerick City and County Council under the Derelict Sites Act 1990 (as amended).

It is a particularly difficult site due to 33 individual property owners on the site.

Limerick City and County Council have engaged a legal team to represent the Council in this matter. Substantial work has been carried out since the property was vested in relation to surveys of the properties and services that are in place, the treatment of Japanese Knotweed on the site as well as securing the lands against unauthorised access.

All parties have now agreed to proceed with this case under a Mediation process, due to the length of time involved in the Arbitration process. It is expected that this will bring the matter to a conclusion in a more timely manner.

As this is a live legal process, the details of the case cannot be discussed nor can works on the properties commence until a resolution has been reached.

Jayne Leahy

Head of Property Management

Rural, Culture, Community & Tourism Development Directorate

4th June 2026

From: McGarry, Natasha
Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2026 5:45:08 PM
To: Butler, Karen; Gannon, John
Cc: Lenihan, Letitia; White, Kathleen; Murray, Vincent
Subject: RE: Update N69 Footpath Kildimo Village to the Beer Garden Public House

Hi Karen

Please see response below

Limerick City and County Council continue to engage with Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) in seeking funding to progress this scheme. While TII has not committed funding to date, it has confirmed that the Council may re-engage with the affected landowners to confirm their willingness to support the advancement of the project.

This re-engagement process is intended to ensure that, should funding become available, the scheme can proceed without delay. The Council expects to undertake this engagement in the coming weeks and will keep the matter under review.

Regards

Natasha

From: O'Callaghan, John B
Sent: Friday 5 June 2026 16:38
To: Butler, Karen
Subject: RE: Bus Stops Pallaskenry and Reens Pike Ardagh

Hi Karen,

Please see below updates.

Pallaskenry Bus Stop and Turning Area

The Active Travel Team met with Bus Eireann Reps on site on Tuesday 2nd June 2026 at the new turning area at Pallaskenry. A regional sized double decker bus can perform a turning manoeuvre but is slightly hindered due to an existing tree which overhangs the area. The Active Travel Team will contact the landowner and offer to rectify this issue free of charge with consent. Once the issue has been resolved it takes approximately 4 weeks for the new bus stop to be added to the official timetable. We aim to have the area inspected by an Ecologist for the presence of nests and we aim to have the tree branch removed in June provided there are no nest present.

Reens Pike

Over the past three years, the Active Travel Team has made a number of requests to TII for permission to install a pair of bus shelters and hardstanding areas on the N21 ,Reens Pike. The Active Travel Team has provided detailed design drawings, a Road Safety Audit and a Preliminary Design Report to TII in relation to this pair of bus stops. TII are not in favour of the design as the existing speed limit is 100 kph and there are no safe pedestrian crossing facilities or traffic calming measures at this location. TII have had preliminary discussions with Bus Eireann in relation to re-routing the existing bus service along the R523 whereby the bus stops could be safely relocated between Reens Pike and Rathkeale.

The Active Travel Team will liaise directly with Bus Eireann on the possibility of installing bus stop infrastructure within the village Reens Pike. We would also be happy to meet the Elected Members and members of the community on site at Reens Pike at any stage to discuss some potential solutions.

Regards,

John

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