



Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

12th April 2024

A Chara, iarthar ort bheith i láthair ag Cruinniú Míosúil de Buirge Chluain Meala Dúiche, a bheidh ar siúl i Seomra na Comhairle, Halla an Bhaile, Sráid Parnell, Cluain Meala, ag 11.00 am ar an dé Céadaoin 17 Aibreán, 2024.

You are hereby requested to attend the Monthly Meeting of Clonmel Borough District to be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Parnell Street, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary on Wednesday 17th April, 2024, at 11.00 a.m.

Mise le meas,

Carol Creighton

Meetings Administrator

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8.1 Councillor Michael Murphy (Ref ID 2790)

That the Council would complete the pruning of remaining small number of trees within the Maple Court Estate on the Silversprings road following some works in 2023, (reference my previous Notice of Motion).

8.2 Councillor Niall Dennehy (Ref ID 2799)

That this Clonmel Borough District initiate / explore the option for application to be Constituted as 'A City Council / Corporation' similar to Galway which is independent of its County Council, with full autonomy over its own affairs.

It is clear that Government Policy is not to re-instate Clonmel Borough Council / Corporation, illegally and unconstitutionally abolished in 2014, to the detriment of Clonmel and its Environs.

8.3 Councillor Richie Molloy (Ref ID 2800)

That Clonmel Municipal District resurface the stretch of road between the roundabout at the Loreto Convent and Entrance at Hillview as a matter of urgency.

8.4 Councillor Richie Molloy (Ref ID 2801)

That Clonmel Municipal District re install the signage at the Cashel Road Roundabout which was damaged recently.

8.5 Councillor Pat English (Ref ID 2802)

That Clonmel Borough District provide additional car parking space on the green area in Griffith Avenue between House No: 9 and House No: 13 to alleviate the large amount of cars parking on both sides of the existing narrow road.

8.6 Councillor Pat English (Ref ID 2803)


That Clonmel Borough District look at the problem with traffic on the Coleville Road. Residents from Coleville Avenue find it very dangerous when exiting and entering their Estate from the new roundabout. Cars are not stopping at the roundabout and are driving straight through. Also cars are not stopping when they are entering the roundabout at the Loreto Convent from the Mountain Road direction. The residents are looking for improved signage at both locations and also the use of raised cushions to slow down the traffic.

8.7 Councillor Pat English (Ref ID 2804)

That Clonmel Borough District re-surface the car track to the rear of houses No: 21 to House No: 40 at Bianconi Drive, Clonmel as the existing surface is in a very poor condition.

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10.1 Votes of Sympathy/Congratulations

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Invitees

- Siobhan Ambrose
- Sinead Carr
- Ms Carol Creighton
- Niall Dennehy
- Pat English
- Cllr John FitzGerald
- Ms Mary Irwin
- Ms Nicola Keating
- Joe MacGrath
- Cllr Richie Molloy
- Michael Murphy
- Mr James Murray
- Ger Walsh

Clonmel Borough District Protocol for Zoom Meeting

The following rules will apply in relation to how the meeting will be run to ensure everyone can make a useful contribution:

1. The Mayor will at the outset, call a roll call of participating members and ensure that they can hear and see those in attendance;
2. Each Member participating will confirm that they can hear and see the proceedings and also ensure that there are no other persons present who are not entitled to be either hearing or seeing the proceedings and/or recording the proceedings;
3. All Members will mute their microphone until they are called on to speak by the Mayor;
4. Any Member that wishes to ask a question/query should click on the "Participant" tab at the bottom of their screen and then click on the "Raise Hand" tab which should appear to the right of the screen. This will allow the Mayor and host to see who wishes to speak;
5. The Mayor/Meetings Administrator will indicate which Members have raised their hand to speak;
6. The Mayor will call on those Members in sequential order to speak or raise a question/query on that particular agenda item;
7. The Mayor will then call on any Member attending at a meeting room in either of the Civic Offices by video link to raise any queries;
8. The relevant Staff Member will reply to the queries raised;
9. Each speaker should mute their microphone immediately after speaking;
10. If a Member loses connectivity or leaves the meeting, they should inform Georgina O'Loughlin by email to georgina.oloughlin@tipperarycoco.ie;
11. All members of the media will be required to turn off their video and mute their microphone throughout the full proceedings and must maintain silence and observe any direction given by the Chair or by the Meetings Administrator;

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE CLONMEL BOROUGH DISTRICT MONTHLY MEETING, HELD AT 11.00 a.m. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, PARNELL STREET, CLONMEL ON WEDNESDAY, 20th MARCH, 2024

Present: Councillor Richie Molloy, Mayor
Councillor Michael Murphy
Councillor Siobhán Ambrose
Councillor Pat English
Councillor John Fitzgerald by Zoom
Councillor Niall P. Dennehy

In Attendance: Ms. Sinéad Carr, Director of Services
Ms. Carol Creighton, District Administrator
Mr. James Murray, Senior Engineer
Ms. Nicola Keating, District Engineer
Ms. Mary Irwin, Staff Officer

Also in Attendance: Mr. Shane Grogan, A/Senior Executive Officer, Housing
Mr. Shaun Lonergan, Executive Engineer, Housing
Ms. Cora Morrissey, Senior Executive Officer, Housing
Ms. Caroline Conway, Senior Executive Planner, Planning
Mr. Kieran Ladden, Senior Executive Engineer, Planning
Ms. Myriam Madigan, Member of the Public

With reference to Seachtain na Gaeilge, the Mayor welcomed everybody to the meeting, as Gaeilge.

“Fáilte chuig cruinniú Cheantar Bardasach mhí Mhárta a tharlaíonn le linn Sheachtain Na Gaeilge.”

1.1 Zoom Protocol

The Mayor confirmed with all persons joining the meeting by Zoom that they could see and hear all other Speakers.

2.1 Disclosures and/or Conflicts of Interest

Ms. Carol Creighton, District Administrator informed the Meeting that Councillors Pat English and Richie Molloy will be excused from the Meeting when the allocation of funding under the Tipperary Festival and Events Grant Scheme 2024 is being discussed.

3.1 Minutes of Meeting held on 21st February, 2024.

The minutes of the monthly meeting of Clonmel Borough District held on the 21st February, 2024, as presented, were proposed by Cllr. Michael Murphy, seconded by Cllr. Niall Dennehy and agreed by all.

Arising from Minutes

There were no matters arising.

4.1 Attendance of Representative from Directorate Housing/Ukrainian Refugee Accommodation Response

The Report as circulated with the Agenda was taken as read.

Queries raised by the Members were as follows:

- Councillor Dennehy asked for an update in relation to the provision of modular homes on HSE Land to accommodate asylum seekers.

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- Councillor English asked for an update in relation to the numbers of Ukrainian/IPAS Applicants that have been identified for Clonmel stating that resources need to be put in place by Government to accommodate these numbers.
- Councillor English asked for clarity on the affordable housing scheme in terms of timeframe, the number of units and sites identified.
- Councillor English stated that there is an issue with dampness in a number of council houses after retrofitting and asked that this matter be checked.
- Councillor Murphy asked for an update on the Dr. Pat O’Callaghan Sports Complex regarding the temporary accommodation of Ukrainian Refugees.
- Councillor Murphy asked if there has been engagement with the Department regarding the impact that the number of Ukrainian and IPAS Applicants have on resources in Health and Education. He requested that a formal detailed impact assessment be carried out and a presentation on the findings be given to the elected members.
- Councillor Ambrose thanked the Housing Section for their presentation and acknowledged the 179 social houses which are at different stages of construction and that Tipperary County Council will be identifying sites available for affordable housing within the next month.
- Councillor Ambrose acknowledged the funding received under the Housing Grant Allocations for Local Authority Disabled Person’s Grants with Tipperary County Council being the highest in the Country regarding same.
- Councillor Molloy concurred with his fellow members regarding the resources being made available for Ukrainian and IPAS Applicants.
- Councillor Molloy highlighted the lack of emergency accommodation available in Clonmel and acknowledged the work of the homeless section in this regard.

Queries raised by the Members were responded to as follows:

- The Manager informed the meeting that the Department of Children, Youth and Diversity are looking at various sites nationally to provide modular homes with Clonmel being one of them and a decision on same is still awaited.
- In relation to the Dr. Pat O’Callaghan Sports Complex, the Manager stated that this temporary accommodation site is being wound down and thanked the community for being so receptive to the families. The Manager also informed the members that the 2nd facility at Littleton has now closed.
- In relation to the provision of temporary accommodation to beneficiaries of temporary protection (BOTP), the Manager stated that there are 3 different options available:-

1. Offer a Home.

Under the terms of this Scheme, private houses not in use, are offered by the owners to accommodate Ukrainian and IPAS Applicants. These houses are assessed under the planning and building regulations and, if considered suitable, details are forwarded to the Department who will enter into a contract with the individual. This Scheme will run as long as the B.O.T.P. is in place. The Manager clarified that these are houses that have never been in the rental market.

2. Refurbish Properties

Under the terms of this Scheme, Commercial Properties are assessed under the planning and building regulations to ascertain their suitability for accommodation. These properties, if suitable, will accommodate a minimum of 30 beds. The Manager stated that there is 1 property being considered in Clonmel for this purpose and once further information is available she will inform the members.

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3. Modular Build

Under this Scheme, sites are identified to build units to provide short-term accommodation. The Manager informed the members that sites are currently being looked at in Clonmel and when further information is available she will revert to the members with same.

- The Manager informed the members that there is active engagement with the Education Sector, HSE and Communities regarding the impact of asylum seekers on community resources. A Community Forum meets monthly chaired by the Chief Executive and Chair of Tipperary County Council. These meetings are attended by members of the HSE and ETB. Any difficulties identified at these meetings are relayed to the Department and assessed.
- Councillor Murphy welcomed the Managers reply but stated that information needs to be communicated to the members as they are the conduit to the members of the public who have concerns.
- The Manager informed the Members that where there are significant numbers of asylum seekers being accommodated that the elected members have been kept informed but that Clonmel is not accommodating large numbers.
- In relation to a number of queries raised by the members, the Manager informed the meeting that information will be given to the members when available and clarified that the members do not have a role in deciding on the number of asylum seekers to be accommodated.
- Shane Grogan informed the meeting that the Housing Section will be contacting private developers within the next few weeks to ascertain their interest in signing up to provide affordable housing in different parts of the town. The aim is to construct 20 – 30 housing units as a starting point.
- In relation to the issue raised regarding dampness, Shaun Lonergan stated that he would bring the issues raised to the retrofitting team.

The Mayor thanked Cora, Shane and Shaun for their attendance at the meeting.

4.2 Attendance of Representative from Directorate Planning and Development/Emergency Services

The Report as circulated with the Agenda was taken as read.

Queries raised by the Members were as follows:

- Councillor Ambrose asked for an update regarding the number of buildings that have been identified in Clonmel for works under URDF 3.
- Councillor Ambrose asked for an update regarding the Kilsheelan Housing Project.
- Councillor Ambrose asked that additional funding continue to be requested under the Built Heritage Investment and Historic Structure Fund highlighting the importance of this scheme for restoration projects.
- Members welcomed the adoption of the Local Area Plan which will be effective from the 25th March, 2024 highlighting the importance of the significant changes in rules governing one off rural housing.
- Members asked for an update on the taking in charge of Knockeevan, Glencarra, Crann Ard, Westcourt and Longfield Housing Estates.

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Queries raised by the Members were responded to as follows:

- Replying to the query raised in relation to URDF 3, Caroline Conway informed the members that Senior Staff have agreed a new staff structure to administer the Scheme and that approval is still awaited from the Department in relation to this. She informed the members that Clonmel Borough District have commenced work on this project and that the District would be able to provide further update on this background work.
- In relation to the cluster houses at Kilsheelan, Ms. Conway stated that as previously notified a business case had been provided to the Department and a decision taken by them that this Scheme did not represent good value for money. However, Ms. Conway stated that the planning section is committed to identifying sites and will continue to highlight the advantages of cluster houses to the Department. Ms. Conway stated that the elected members will be updated on any new projects.
- Ms. Conway informed the members that pre-planning clinics have recommenced and are held every 3 – 4 weeks to assist people through the planning process.
- In relation to the Build Heritage and Historic Fund, Ms. Conway informed the members that the closing date for 2024 was the 22nd January and that 61 applications were received, 7 under the Historic Structures Fund and the balance received under the Build Heritage Investment Scheme. Applications have been assessed and the elected members will be notified once the successful applicants have been notified.
- Replying to the queries raised in relation to the taking in charge of the housing estates, Kieran Ladden informed the members that the planning section are dealing with technical issues with the developers of these estates to progress to the point of taking in charge and these should be addressed within the next couple of months.

The Mayor thanked Caroline and Kieran for their attendance at the meeting.

5.1 Report of District Administrator

The District Administrator's Report was circulated to Members with the agenda.

Queries raised by the Members were as follows:

- The Mayor and Members thanked and complimented the District Administrator, Liz McGrath, Catherine McCormack and all the Borough District Staff who were involved in organising the very successful St. Patrick's Day Parade. They thanked all the clubs and groups who participated in the Parade. They also highlighted the cleanliness of the town the next day and complimented the staff involved in this.
- Councillor Dennehy asked if the District Administrator had received formal notification of the date of the local elections which are scheduled to be held on the 7th June, 2024.
- Councillor English asked for an update in relation to the tenders for the performance space at Abbey Street Car Park.
- Councillor English asked if the owners of the Clonmel Arms Hotel have engaged with the planning section regarding their proposals for the site.
- Councillor English asked if a reply had been received from the Garda Commissioners Office in relation to the upgrade and extension of the CCTV.
- Councillor English asked if there was any further update on the security at the Sports Hub.
- Councillor English asked if the meeting to be held with Remcoll, the Chief Executive and the Manager had taken place or, if not, is a date arranged for same.
- Councillor English asked for an update in relation to the tree strategy.

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- Councillor English asked if there was an update on his Notice of Motion submitted to the February Meeting regarding a joint meeting to be held with the Minister for Transport, the members and administrative staff regarding the N24 Waterford to Cahir Transport Solutions.
- Councillor English asked for an update in relation to the funding for the works at the entrance to St. Patrick's Cemetery.
- Councillor Ambrose welcomed the progress in relation to the Kickham Barracks Site.
- Councillor Ambrose thanked Eamonn O'Connell, Executive Engineer for his work in progressing the Abbey Street Car Park Performance Space Project.
- Councillor Ambrose asked for an update on the repair of the sensory equipment in Mulcahy Park.
- Councillor Ambrose asked for clarity regarding the payment for maintenance works on the Blueway stating that it has been brought to her attention that the cost of same may be borne by Clonmel Borough District even though the Blueway extends to Carrick-on-Suir.
- Councillor Ambrose thanked Adam Coffey, Executive Engineer for all the work carried out at St. Patrick's Cemetery and welcomed the fact that the old entrance will be replicated on the Silversprings Road.
- Members asked if John Fogarty and Conor Cunningham, Irish Water had been written to asking them to attend at a meeting of the Borough Council. They requested that in the absence of a reply that the correspondence be reissued highlighting the importance of them attending a meeting with the challenges facing Clonmel in relation to water supply.
- In relation to the Market Place development, Councillor Murphy stated that his position has not changed on this matter stating that the Council should proceed with CPO of the site and asked if there was any further update on the meeting with Remcoll, the Chief Executive and the Manager.
- Councillor Molloy welcomed the forthcoming meeting with Iarnród Éireann and welcomed the submissions received from the public in relation to same.

Queries raised by the members were responded to as follows:

- In relation to the Abbey Street performance area, the District Administrator informed the meeting that the contract appointing the Works Contractor is due to be signed and she will ask Eamonn O'Connell, Executive Engineer to inform the members of the date of same.
- In relation to the development of the Clonmel Arms Hotel, the District Administrator stated that she had no indication of their planning application as of yet. She confirmed that they are in consultation with Clonmel Borough District and the Environment Section and stated that an independent conservation architect has been appointed ensuring that they are progressing in line with the Section 3 notice issued.
- In relation to the CCTV installation, the District Administrator informed the meeting that she had been in contact with the Garda Commissioners Office who informed her that the correspondence had issued directly to Detective Declan Boland. The District Administrator stated that she will contact Detective Boland to get an update on same.
- The District Administrator stated that she had not received information back in relation to the Sports Hub and that she will follow up with TUS and email the information to the members.

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- In relation to Remcoll, the developers of the Market Place Site, the District Administrator stated that they have been in contact with the Planning Section and have put forward a masterplan to develop one part of the site. The Manager assured the members that the situation will continue to be monitored to ensure that the proposed masterplan does get to planning stage.
- The District Administrator informed the members that the Tree Strategy will be presented in draft format to the Members at the April Meeting.
- The District Administrator informed the meeting that she had written to Irish Water to request the attendance of John Fogarty and Conor Cunningham at a meeting and that no reply had been received. She stated that she will reissue the letter.
- In relation to the N24, the District Administrator stated that she did not correspond with the Ministers Office and will do so before the next meeting.
- The District Administrator informed the Members that the Workshop will take place on the 18th April, 2024 at 12 noon with representatives from Iarnród Éireann.
- In relation to the replacement of the musical instruments in the sensory playground at Mulcahy Park, the District Administrator stated that she will follow up on the cost of replacement of same and progress.
- In relation to the maintenance costs on the Blueway, the District Engineer stated that she will follow up on same and clarify to the members.
- The District Administrator stated that she had not received formal notification of the local election date.

5.2 Report of District Engineer – Roads Programme

The District Engineer's report was circulated to Members with the agenda.

Queries raised by the Members were as follows:

- Councillor English welcomed the restoration of the gates at Sheehy Terrace and O'Neill Street and thanked all involved. Councillor Ambrose concurred with same and acknowledged the work of the late Billy Shoer RIP on this as did Councillor Molloy.
- Councillor English asked for clarity on the use of speed ramps in Clonmel Borough District.
- Councillor English asked for an update in relation to the start date for the active travel works at the Gaelscoil/Loretto.
- Councillor English asked that the grass margins on the by-pass be maintained to avoid them encroaching on the walkway and cycle lanes.
- Councillor English asked for an update in relation to the maintenance works at the Elm Park and Denis Burke Playgrounds.
- Councillor English asked that a maintenance programme in conjunction with the OPW be put in place to maintain streams at the Old Bridge.
- Councillor Dennehy stated that a comprehensive analysis/discussion is needed on the speed limits within the Clonmel Borough District.
- Councillor Ambrose asked for an update regarding the appointment of a Contractor to complete the outstanding works for 2023 at Kilcash.
- Councillor Ambrose asked for an update on the works to improve the sightlines at Lus na Greine and also on the provision of additional road signage.
- Councillor Fitzgerald asked that the overgrown area in O'Neill Street be looked at.
- Councillor Fitzgerald asked that speed ramps be installed in Ballyclerihan Crescent Housing Estate highlighting the addition of another 14 houses in the Estate.

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- Councillor Molloy raised the issue regarding railings at the Rowing Club.

Queries raised by the Members which Ms. Nicola Keating, District Engineer responded to were as follows:

- The District Engineer informed the members that the gates at Sheehy Terrace/O'Neill Street will be certified by the end of the week and will then be fully operational. She stated that it is proposed to clean the laneways prior to this.
- In relation to the speed ramps, the Roads Section will issue the vertical deflection policy adopted by the Plenary Council and the members can revert with any queries.
- The District Engineer stated that she will arrange for a speed survey at Ballyclerihan.
- The District Engineer informed the members that she will look at the grass margins along the by-pass and arrange to have them maintained.
- In relation to the works at the playgrounds in Denis Burke Park and Elm Park, the District Engineer informed the members that she is arranging to get these works costed.
- In relation to maintenance works on the Streams, the District Engineer informed the members that the OPW have appointed Consultants for same and that Clonmel is on the list for assessment for maintenance.
- In relation to the works at Kilcash, the District Engineer stated that a Contractor has been appointed, has viewed the location and a start date is awaited.
- The District Engineer stated that she had inspected the sightlines at Lus na Greine and will look at removal of trees and installation of additional signage. The District Engineer stated that there is not a budget available this year for Driver Feedback Signage but is something that can be looked at for next year.
- In relation to the railings at the rowing club, the District Engineer stated that these will be removed once works commence at the Gaelscoil.

5.3 Report of District Engineer – Housing Voids Programme

The Report was noted by the Members.

Councillor English asked for a timeframe in relation to the turnaround of vacant houses. The Manager replied that there is 0.05% of housing stock vacant at any one time and complimented the staff in the Borough District for their work in achieving this.

5.4 Consideration of Schedule of Proposed District Works 2024

The Schedule of Proposed District Works 2024 was proposed by Councillor English, seconded by Councillor Murphy and agreed.

5.5 Consideration of Tipperary Festival and Events Grant Scheme 2023 and approval of “Community” category grant awards.

Councillor Pat English and Councillor Richie Molloy excused themselves from the Meeting and Councillor Murphy stepped in to chair the Meeting.

The Report as circulated with the Agenda was noted.

The Report was proposed by Councillor Ambrose and seconded by Councillor Dennehy. Councillors English and Molloy returned to the Meeting.

5.6 Consideration and Adoption of General Municipal Allocations (GMA) 2024.

The report as circulated with the Agenda was noted.

The Report was proposed by Councillor Ambrose and seconded by Councillor Murphy.

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Item 6.1 Chief Executive/Delegation Officers Orders – Period up to 15th March, 2024.

These were noted by the Members.

Items 7.1 to 7.6– Notice of Motion – Fógra Foriarratais

Motion 2776 was proposed by Cllr. Michael Murphy

That the Council would lay a new small section of public footpath at the entrance to 44 Wheatfields having regard to it's extremely poor condition and the numerous trip hazards.

REPLY:

This footpath will be inspected and considered for the next roadworks programme and will be prioritised based on its condition rating.

Cuiditheoir (Seconded) by Councillor Siobhán Ambrose.

The reply to the motion was noted.

Motion 2777 was proposed by Cllr. Michael Murphy

That the Council would carry out an assessment of the bad bend at the top of hill at Mylerstown before you descend towards the old graveyard at Powerstown. Additional signage and the cutting back of the ditches would significantly improve sightlines for motorists, currently very dangerous for motorists.

REPLY:-

A site inspection will be carried out to assess the sightlines at this location.

Cuiditheoir (Seconded) Cllr. Siobhán Ambrose

The reply to the motion was noted.

Motion 2786 was proposed by Cllr. Siobhán Ambrose

That under this Council's annual roads programme that consideration is given for the re-surfacing of sections of Glenview Close.

REPLY:-

This road will be considered for the next annual road works programme subject to the availability of a budget for the works and prioritisation based on its condition rating.

Cuiditheoir (Seconded) Cllr. Pat English

The reply to the motion was noted.

Motion 2787 was proposed by Cllr. Siobhán Ambrose

That under this Council's annual roads programme that consideration is given for the re-surfacing of sections of Highfield Grove

REPLY:

This road will be considered for the next annual road works programme subject to the availability of a budget for the works and prioritisation based on its condition rating.

Cuiditheoir (Seconded) Cllr. Pat English

The reply to the motion was noted.

Motion 2788 was proposed by Cllr. Siobhán Ambrose

That in the interest of safety for pedestrians and as a means of reducing the speed of traffic passing through Lisronagh Village, I am asking that this council investigates the possibility of upgrading the pedestrian crossing in Lisronagh Village with a raised platform supported by additional traffic calming measures.

REPLY:

A speed survey can be carried out to assess the speeds at this location. The pedestrian crossing in Lisronagh Village is a controlled crossing and is currently up to standard as per the requirements in the Design Manual of Urban Roads and Streets (DMURS). However, a raised platform is not

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recommended in DMURS as appropriate for arterial routes such as the R689 and are generally avoided in such locations.

Cuiditheoir (Seconded) Cllr. Pat English

The reply to the motion was noted.

Motion 2789 was proposed by Cllr. Michael Murphy

That the Council would carry out improvement works on the laneway within the Fairfields Estate to the rear of houses numbers 55 to 59 having regard to it's very poor condition.

REPLY:

This lane will be considered for the next annual road works programme subject to the availability of a budget for the works and prioritisation based on its condition rating.

Cuiditheoir (Seconded) Cllr. Siobhán Ambrose

The reply to the motion was noted.

Item 8.1 Correspondence

There was no correspondence to be noted.

Item 9.1 Votes of Sympathy

There were no votes of sympathy recorded.

Item 10.1 Any Other Business

There was no further business discussed.

The Mayor then concluded the meeting as gaeilge.

“Go raibh míle maith agaibh go léir as freastal ar chruinniú na Comhairle.”

Signed: _____ Dated: _____
Mayor of Clonmel Borough District

Signed: _____ Dated: _____
District Administrator

Clonmel Borough District Meeting Environment and Climate Action Section Update 01/01/2024 - 31/03/2024	
Infrastructure & Maintenance	
Burial Grounds - Clonmel (St Patricks)	A 2024 Capital Funding of €40,000 is allocated to Clonmel Borough for the upgrade of Car Park at the entrance to St. Patricks Burial Ground.
Community Services	
Environment & Climate Action SPC Meeting	<p>The Environment and Climate Action Strategic Policy Committee meeting took place on the 27th March at the Horse and Jockey Hotel. Items discussed included;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tipperary County Council's National Agricultural Inspection Programme; • Green Hub Initiatives; and • Climate Action Plan and Community Climate Action Fund. <p>This was the final SPC meeting prior to the 2024 local elections.</p>
Tidy Town & Burial Ground Maintenance Grants	<p>Tidy Town Grant Scheme and Burial Ground Maintenance Grant Schemes for 2024 were advertised in the local papers in early February, with a closing date of the 15th March 2024. Completed forms were returned to the Municipal District for processing.</p> <p>8 Tidy Town and 21 Burial Ground Maintenance Grants Forms were issued.</p>
Climate Action & Energy Management	
Local Authority Climate Action Plan (LACAP)	<p>The Tipperary County Council Local Authority Climate Action Plan 2024 - 2029 (LACAP) was adopted at the Plenary meeting of Tipperary County Council on the 12th February 2024.</p> <p>On the same day the Council reaffirmed its commitment to the EU Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy (an initiative supported by the European Commission bringing together thousands of local governments that want to secure a better future for their citizens).</p> <p>The LACAP sets out how, for the period 2024 – 2029, the Council will continue to embed climate action, including climate change mitigation and adaptation, in day-to-day service delivery. 100 agreed climate actions will achieve the Council's own organisational energy efficiency and emissions reductions targets, and help other sectors and communities to achieve their climate action ambitions and targets. The LACAP also sets out a vision and 37 collaborative actions to support the businesses and communities in the Tipperary 'Decarbonising Zone' in reducing their greenhouse gas emissions whilst benefiting from climate action investment.</p> <p>The LACAP and associated documents, including a County Climate Change Risk Assessment, Baseline Emissions Inventory for both the county and the Decarbonising Zone may be viewed on the Councils website https://www.tipperarycoco.ie/climateaction/.</p>
Community Climate Action Fund	The Community Climate Action Fund launched on the 6th December, 2023 and closed on the 27th February, 2024. There was huge interest in the fund and this was evident by the value of projects seeking funding in Tipperary. The fund allocated by the Department of Environment, Climate and Communications to Tipperary was €700,000, which was oversubscribed. This demonstrated the huge interest from community groups to increase capacity for building low carbon communities, which is hugely positive. The applications are now undergoing assessment. Details of approved applications are due to issued around early August 2024.
Control of Dogs	
	As of 31st March 2024, 273 dog licences were purchased in the Clonmel Borough District. This represents an 18% increase on the number of licences issued for the same period in 2023 (231).
Control of Horses	
Reports received	There was 2 reports in relation to control of horses received in the District in Quarter 1,2024.
Pickups	There were 2 horse pick ups in the District in Quarter 1, 2024.
Derelict Sites	
	Staff continue to engage with owners of properties to carry out repair works and are currently engaging with owners in relation to 5 properties in the Clonmel Borough District.
Public Awareness	
Green Schools	7 Green school assessment visits were carried out in primary and secondary schools in the Clonmel Borough District, including 2 secondary schools completing their first Green Flag in Litter and Waste.
Responsible Dog Ownership	A social media campaign was launched on responsible dog ownership, appealing to dog owners to be extra vigilant this lambing season.

National Tree Week 3rd-10th March	As part of National Tree week, 180 native Irish Tree saplings were distributed to Tidy Towns and Community groups in Clonmel District. The theme of this years National Tree week was "Planting Trees for a Greener future". Trees were provided from the Tree Council of Ireland, supported by Coillte.
Pre-Tenancy Training	Pre-Tenancy training was provided to 20 new housing tenants, advising them of their obligations regarding their household waste and providing information on facilities available for proper waste disposal, recycling and food waste reduction.
National Spring Clean	The National Spring Clean celebrates 25 years this year. 32 groups consisting of approximately 700 volunteers have registered to date to take part in the National Spring Clean in the Borough District.
Waste Management	
Waste Enforcement Actions	2 Notices under Litter Pollution Act were served, required business owners to ensure that the area not exceeding 100m around their business, be kept free from litter.
2024 Anti-dumping Initiative	We are currently awaiting information from the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications regarding the 2024 Anti-Dumping Initiative.
Civic Amenity Sites	
Carrigeen Business Park, Frank Drohan Road, Clonmel	The number of customers who visited Carrigeen Amenity Site in Quarter 1, 2024 was 4,252.
Environmental Protection	
Environmental Protection (countywide)	174 samples were taken as part of Water Framework Directive (WFD) sampling programme. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24 monitoring samples were taken in respect of effluent discharge licences issued, pursuant to Section 4 of the Local Government (Water Pollution) Act 1977, as amended. • 37 Farm inspections were performed. • 3 Septic tank inspections were performed under the National Inspection Plan and preparations are underway to complete the 2024 inspection plan.
Air (countywide)	Tipperary County Council, along with other Authorities will sample solid fuels across the county in 2024 to assess compliance levels with The Air Pollution Act 1987 (Solid Fuels) Regulations 2022 (S.I. No. 529 of 2022) <p>Inspections</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air Pollution Act 1987 (Solid Fuels) Regulations 2022 (S.I. No. 529 of 2022) -20 onsite inspections were carried out. • European Union (Installations and Activities Using Organic Solvents) Regulations 2012 -4 inspections were carried out. • Air Pollution Act, 1987 (Petroleum Vapour Emissions) Regulations, 1997 -9 petroleum vapours inspection were carried out. <p>Air Monitors.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The current status of air quality in all towns monitored is rated as good and is compliant with The CAFE directive. • Live Information on Air Quality in Clonmel and Tipperary Town can be retrieved at airquality.ie
Awareness (countywide)	An awareness campaign (radio) was run in March on the introduction of the Air Pollution Act 1987 (Solid Fuels) Regulations 2022 (S.I. No. 529 of 2022).
Rural Water Programme	
Annual Maintenance Subsidy (countywide)	To date, 10 Annual Maintenance Subsidy applications were received. The closing date for receipt of applications is 30th June 2024.
Septic Tank Grant Scheme	Two Grants were approved for payment, totalling €15,859 (NIP and PAA).
Private Well Grants Scheme	For the period Jan - March 2024, 9 applications were received, 7 were approved payments totalled €40,848.

Current Capital Projects (countywide)	<p>Workshops were held on the 14th and 15th February in Nenagh and Thurles for Group Water Schemes (GWSs) re: Multi Annual Rural Water Funding.</p> <p>Multi-Annual Rural Water Programme 2024 -2026- Scheme Submissions received and under consideration for promotion to the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage by the 12th April 2024. Possibly Summer 2024 DHLG&H will make allocations to GWSs.</p> <p>GWS Capital Grants paid €10,584 under old MARWP 2019 - 2021.</p>
Water Quality (countywide)	<p>95 drinking water samples were taken as part of the Rural Water Programme.</p> <p>20 on site drinking water audits were performed (Small Private Supplies & GWSs).</p> <p>32 Unregulated GWSs receiving contact to submit WQ Report for 2024.</p> <p>eTender for Accredited Laboratory Services ongoing.</p>

Complaints		
Description	Open	Closed
Air	0	2
Animal Related	4	13
Infrastructure	0	0
Litter	10	35
Noise	1	3
Waste Enforcement	1	10
Water	0	0
Complaints Open	16	
Complaints Closed		63
Total Received		79



LOCAL AUTHORITY WATERS PROGRAMME (LAWPRO)

BRIEFING NOTE FOR CLONMEL BOROUGH DISTRICT

April 2024

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1 Local Authority Waters Programme

The Local Authority Waters Programme (LAWPRO) is a national shared service led by Tipperary and Kilkenny County Councils. We are responsible for coordinating the implementation of actions required to improve water quality. LAWPRO is working to identify the issues affecting water quality in every county in Ireland. Where issues are identified, we collaborate with the relevant local authority, public body, and water stakeholder to find a solution. Community engagement is the cornerstone of this approach to combine local and expert knowledge for a better understanding of what's happening in a local catchment and waterbody. Good water quality benefits everybody, it is essential for nature to flourish and our economy to thrive.

This report outlines some of the activities of LAWPRO:

- 1) Water quality advocates visit River Ara Walk in Tipperary town
- 2) Farming for Water EIP
- 3) Community Team Update - Update
- 4) Tipperary Projects - Nature Based Solutions
- 5) **Water Quality in Clonmel Borough Municipal District**

1.1 Water quality advocates visit River Ara Walk in Tipperary town

In February, a group of more than sixty public sector staff representing their organisations on the South East Regional Operational Committee visited the River Ara Walk in Tipperary Town to discuss water quality management, climate action planning and the integration of nature-based solutions into Local Authority led projects such as the River Ara project.



Figure 1 Representatives of the South East Regional Operational Committee visiting the Ara Walk in Tipperary

The impressive public walk development along the River Ara in the heart of Tipperary town provides a perfect template for future planning for water, climate, biodiversity and amenity in an urban setting – the new walk has enabled the town to embrace its river as an amenity, and supports a new appreciation of the water body as an important environmental asset within the locality.

The guided tour which was conducted by LAWPRO Director, Anthony Coleman and Dr. Fran Igoe, Regional Co-ordinator for the South East Region. Anthony Coleman described the concept and manner in which the project was negotiated with the regulators and stakeholders resulting in an agreed design and planning consents incorporating multiple benefits and nature-based solutions.

Dr. Fran Igoe pointed out the integrated wooded area through which the river flows, creating pools and ripples; helping to slow down the flow of water in a natural way; and provides the perfect conditions for promoting river and fish life. He even pointed out where fish had spawned within a section of the river flowing through the park indicating that the river has the potential to be restored once the water quality is improved.



Figure 2 Large woody debris in the river supporting fish and wildlife, creating habitat diversity, providing food, shelter and shade.

“You will not get a better example of an urban river for a project like this one – usually man has interfered with the river by taking out bends or altering the banks. With a bit of creativity and thinking, we have managed to achieve a lot in a short stretch. We could have cleaned out the trees and wooded area from the river and this would have increased water flow, but that would have affected fish life greatly. Instead, we have left it in as natural a state as possible and it is really great to see so many people using the walkway and enjoying getting closer to nature. The information boards will help people to understand what this is all about too,” Dr. Fran Igoe said.

1.2 Farming for Water EIP

The Farming for Water European Innovation Partnership (EIP) was officially launched in March by Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine, Charlie McConalogue TD and will see €50 million invested through grant funding in up to 15,000 farms right across the country.



Figure 3: Minister Charlie McConalogue, Junior Ministers Pippa Hackett and Malcolm Noonan with LAWPRO Director Anthony Coleman and farmer David Fay at the launch of the Farming for Water EIP near Lough Ennell, Co. Westmeath.

The implementation of the EIP project in partnership with Teagasc/ ASSAP and Dairy Sustainability Ireland is now underway and will operate until 2027. This agri-environmental project provides grant funding for farmers to implement targeted actions to reduce losses of nutrients, sediment and pesticides from agricultural lands. The total project budget is €60m consisting of €50 million for farm measures, as well as other catchment-based initiatives where water quality issues are identified and require actions on agricultural lands.

The project supports and facilitates the application of locally led water stewardship following catchment science principles and focuses on water quality and multiple benefits (including climate and biodiversity), through championing project actions, integrating project learnings into sustainability initiatives and ensuring that the work programme is supported at every stage in the delivery process.

Service Level Agreements have been finalised with DHLGH and DAFM, and a separate memorandum of understanding between LAWPRO and project partners Teagasc and DII will be signed. Project

offices have been set up in Rossmore Neighbourhood Centre in Tipperary Town and an ICT system to manage the process from initial farmer engagement to final grant payment is being developed and refined. There is now a dedicated Farming for Water EIP team of 12 in place, with further recruitment underway to provide additional resources. This team is led by Project Leader, Mairead Whitty, and is eagerly looking forward to making meaningful inroads into the preservation and improvement of water quality throughout the country in collaboration with stakeholders and partners.

The project mission is *“working together with farmers and the community at large to deliver enhanced and sustained water quality improvement measures for the benefit of the environment, water life and all society.”*

The initiative will focus on supplementary measures for water quality but will also include co-benefits such as aquatic and terrestrial biodiversity, climate action and natural flood management measures.

The primary focus of the project centres on mitigating losses of phosphorus, nitrogen, sediment, and pesticides from agricultural lands. We aim to achieve this by advocating for the adoption of innovative best practices in nutrient management, the application of nature-based natural water retention measures and other suitable strategies at the farm level, guided by the principles of Integrated Catchment Management and science.

A Farming for Water EIP Research hub has been established and involves researchers from several institutions including University College Cork, University College Dublin, Dundalk Institute of Technology, Atlantic Technical University and the James Hutten Institute UK. This innovative approach will complement core project evaluation and will facilitate input from the academic community and applied research.

This is not an open call project. Instead, farmers whose land is adjacent to areas affected most by poor water quality will be invited and encouraged by Agricultural Sustainability Support and Advisory Programme (ASSAP) personnel and farm advisors to come on board and will be assisted in making the application and availing of the grants to provide the necessary measures which include amongst others rainwater management plans, riparian margins, earthen bunds, tree planting on the river bank, and fencing to prevent bovine entry to the water course.

1.3 Community Team Update - Update

a) COMMUNITY WATER DEVELOPMENT FUND OPEN CALL 2024

The following is a list of grants awarded in County Tipperary by the Local Authority Waters Programme (LAWPRO)

- Ballinderry Development Association
*Ballyfinboy River Development Phase II – River and Habitat Enhancement Works
Mousehouse Bridge, to Lough Derg.*
€ 9,043
- Cabragh Wetlands Trust
Habitat Improvement and maintenance.
€ 3,350
- Mullinahone Tidy Towns
Mullinahone Village River Clean Up.
€ 500
- SuirCan
*Environmental Invasive Plant Species Mapping & Mitigation on the River Suir & Tributaries
2024.*
€ 1,000
- Kilsheelan Tidy Towns
Boosting Biodiversity in Kilsheelan.
€ 2,640

b) LAWPRO CATCHMENT SUPPORT FUND 2024

This funding will build the capacity of community groups to grow and develop in support of the delivery of the River Basin Management Plan. Funding ranges from €500 – €5,000 and up to €40,000 for groups operating at catchment scale. The fund is open for applications until 16th April 2024. Total fund available is €500,000 for this year. Further details on the website: [LAWPRO Catchment Support Fund 2024 - €500,000 available for NGOs working on water quality - Catchments.ie - Catchments.ie](https://www.catchments.ie/LAWPRO-Catchment-Support-Fund-2024-€500,000-available-for-NGOs-working-on-water-quality-Catchments.ie)

c) FOCUS ON BLUE DOT WATERBODIES

The Water Framework Directive has several objectives. One is to prevent deterioration of the status of all surface waters. This means that water bodies that are High Status should not decline to Good Status or worse. The EPA have identified the waters in Ireland that should have a high status objective, and these are more commonly known as Blue Dot waters or Blue Dots. Our Blue Dot Waters include rivers, lakes, estuaries, and coastal waters. More information can be found at: [What is a Blue Dot - Local Authority Water Programme \(lawaters.ie\)](https://www.lawaters.ie/What-is-a-Blue-Dot-Local-Authority-Water-Programme)

The rivers with high status objectives in Tipperary are listed in the following table.

River Waterbody High Status Objective – County Tipperary								
LOCAL NAME	EPA RIVER CODE	NEAREST TOWN	MUNICIPAL DISTRICT	SW 2007-2009	SW 2010-2012	SW 2010-2015	SW 2013-2018	SW 2016-2021
Aughnacanny River	AUGHNAGLAN_NY_010 (River)	Dundrum	Tipperary Cahir Cashel MD	High	High	High	Moderate	Good
Glengarra River	BURNCOURT_020 (River)	Cahir	Tipperary Cahir Cashel MD	High	Good	High	Good	Good
Clodiagh	CLODIAGH (TIPPERARY)_010 (River)	Borrisoleigh	Nenagh/ Thurles MDs	High	High	Good	Good	Good
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Doonane River	DOONANE_010 (River)	Newport	Nenagh MD	High	High	Good	Good	Good
Lingaun River	LINGAUN_010 (River)	Grange-mockler	Carrick-on-Suir MD	Good	High	High	Moderate	Moderate
Headwaters of Mulkear River	NEWPORT (TIPPERARY)_020 (River)	Killoscully /Newport	Nenagh MD	Unassigned	High	Good	High	Good
Ollatrim River	OLLATRIM_030 (River)	Toomyvara	Nenagh/ Thurles MDs	High	High	High	Good	Moderate
Glenny River	TAR_010 (River)	Cahir	Tipperary Cahir Cashel MD	High	High	High	High	High

d) CITIZEN SCIENCE PROMOTION

The Southeast Community Team are in the process of rolling out training at four locations throughout the southeast region. The proposed location for the Tipperary training is the Lingaun Valley. Training will be available free to local groups, individuals, landowners and anyone interested in their river catchment.

Training will be delivered over three sessions and will include indoor and outdoor workshops. Topics covered will include understanding your local waterbody, pressures on water quality, citizen science and water biodiversity planning. Anyone interested can contact Catherine Seale Duggan, Community Water Officer, email: cseale@lawaters.ie

e) NATIONAL COMMUNITY WATER OFFICER TRAINING

Our national training for community water officers will be delivered in Cabragh Wetlands, Thurles during 2024.

f) BIODIVERSITY WEEK, NATIONAL HERITAGE WEEK AND WATER HERITAGE DAY

LAWPRO supports and provides funding to groups each year to run events for Biodiversity Week in May and National Heritage Week in August. Events include walks and talks, citizen science, water

heritage celebrations and other water related events. Groups can contact the Tipperary CWO Catherine Seale Duggan for funding and support.



Figure 4 River Ara, Tipperary Town, National Heritage Week 2023

1.4 Tipperary Projects - Nature Based Solutions

The Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH), supported by LAWPRO, and Dublin City Council have developed Best Practice Guidance on managing stormwater runoff in our urban environment. This guidance aims to replace impermeable surfacing with nature-based planted areas that are designed to absorb, retain, store, and treat urban runoff prior to discharge back into the environment. This will reduce pollution and reduce flood risk as well as improving biodiversity and a greener more pleasant urban environment.

Tipperary County Council have been working with LAWPRO to incorporate nature based solutions into ongoing capital projects in the county:

Local Authority		Project	NbS	Design or Construction
Tipperary County Council	Carrick on Suir	Construction of Rain Gardens at Ormond Castle Car Park as part of Phase 1 of the Carrick-on-Suir Regeneration Plan. Works ongoing by GLAS Civil Engineering	Rain Gardens in Public Realm in Car Park	Construction
	Carrick on Suir	Bog Field - Consultant appointed to prepare a design for the Bog Field which will treat surface water road run-off at source through treatment pods and converge via 2no. vegetated swales to the River Suir. AA Screening Report completed by LAWPRO. Design ongoing. Partners include Carrick-on-Suir Lions club, SETU and NPWS	Swales, treatment ponds and wetland	Both Design and Construction
	Tipperary Town	NbS information signage programme for the recent River Ara project in Tipperary Town	Signage/ Education	N/A
	Planning	Consultants to prepare a NbS guidance document for Local Authority Development Planners and Planning Agents which will include templates. Uisce Eireann and Tipperary County Council are partners with LAWPRO.	Education	N/A

1.5 Water Quality in Tipperary

There have been no new water quality reports published since the last update to the district. Water quality in County Tipperary continues to face challenges; the Environmental Protection Agency’s Water Quality in Ireland 2016 – 2021 reported that Tipperary experienced the highest rate of water quality decline in the country. This is concerning. Currently only 33% of monitored water bodies in Tipperary are a satisfactory quality (good or high status) compared to 61% in 2010 – 2012.

The rivers within the Clonmel Borough Municipal District have been proposed as a Priority Area for Action in the next River Basin Management Plan. The work in this area will be scheduled once the new River Basin Management Plan is published. In the Clonmel Borough Municipal District, LAWPRO catchment scientists and community staff do work with colleagues in Tipperary County Council and other agencies to protect water quality. The Priority Area for Action referenced above will cover the River Anner, the River Moyle and the main River Suir channel flowing through Clonmel town. Neither the River Anner nor the River Moyle are reaching the required water quality standard (good status): the River Anner is currently at moderate status and the Moyle is at poor status. The River Anner in particular is an important spawning river for salmon and trout and part of the Lower River Suir SAC. The River Moyle is at poor status and historically was an important trout river with some salmon spawning. On a more positive note, some of the main River Suir channel is at good status through the town, though changes to moderate at the confluence with the River Anner. The cause for this will be investigated. The significant pressure, identified by the EPA models and monitoring, impacting on the river is agriculture (e.g., tillage, dairy, beef: - including land restricting). However local information also indicates that there are issues with urban runoff including misconnections and that invasive species are an issue. The Priority Area for Action work will examine this in more detail during the next River Basin management Plan period.

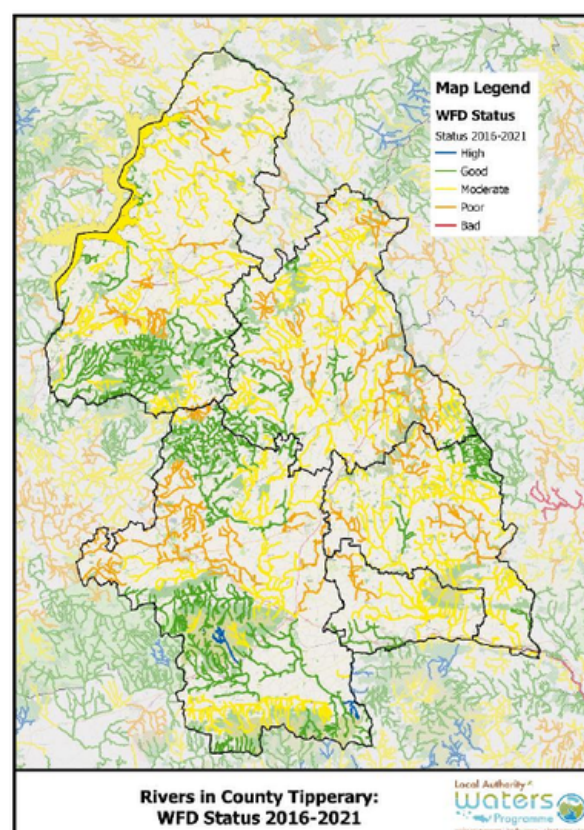
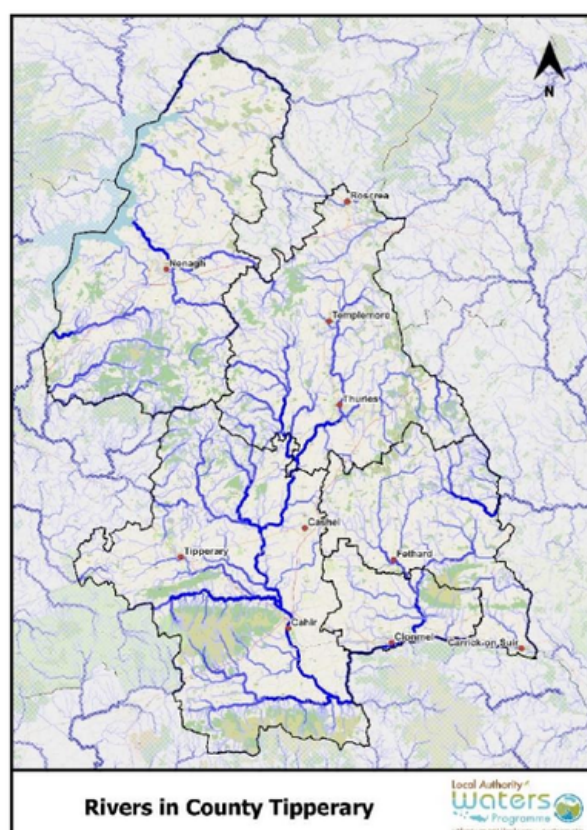


Figure 5 Maps showing Rivers in Tipperary and Water Framework Directive Water Quality Status in Tipperary

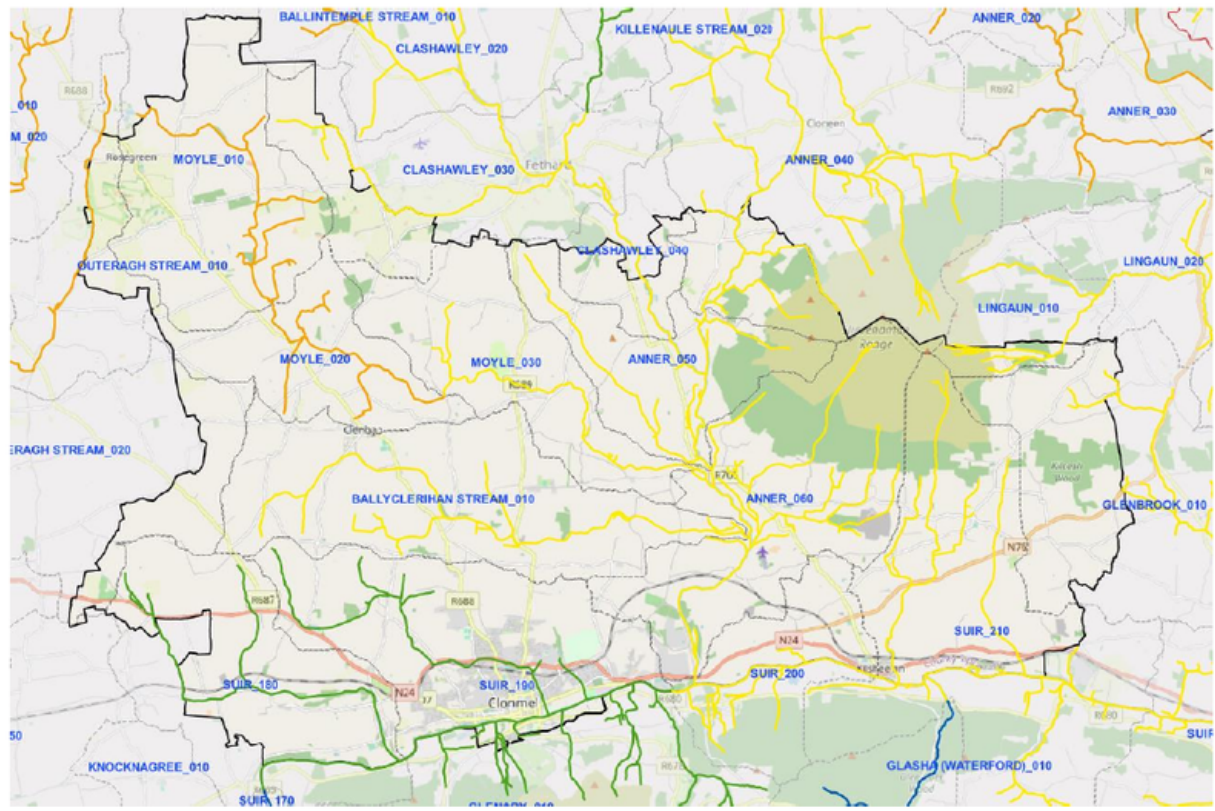


Figure 6 Map showing the water quality status of rivers in Clonmel Borough Municipal District. Most rivers are not making the required standard for clean water and the Moyle is significantly impacted as it is a "poor status".



Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann Tipperary County Council

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Clonmel Borough District – April 2024

No.	Item	Update
1.	Project Ireland 2040 Funds – URDF – Approved Projects	<p>Kickham Site: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plans for the new garda station remain on target with construction hoped to commence Q4 2024/Q1 2025. Phase 2 ETB/TUS joint preliminary business case and designs underway. <p>Clonmel Public Realm - The revised Preliminary Business Case has received sign off from the Strategic Research & Analysis Division of the Dept. of Transport. It is now with the Dept. of Environment for their review and final approval. We await their response.</p>
2.	URDF Call 3	URDF Call 3 – Focus on Regeneration of Town Centre Properties. Potential properties have been identified for the URDF Call 3 in Clonmel. Derelict Site Reports on 13 of these properties have been sent to Environment Section from Clonmel Borough District. Surveys are currently being carried out on the remaining properties. Following engagement with the property owners under Derelict Sites Legislation, any properties remaining derelict will be considered for CPO under the URDF Call 3.
	URDF Call 4	No significant change since the last meeting with the URDF Call for Funding 4 still awaited and no details of criteria or timeframe specified to date.
	Suir Island Amenity Park (incl. Bridge)	The planning application is with An Bord Pleanala for determination. The application is due to be decided by 02/05/2024.
	Suir Island Gardens	Procurement process for Works Contractor is underway. Appointment expected in May.
3.	Performance Space – Abbey St Car Park	Statutory standstill period associated with procurement rules has now concluded. Successful contractor is Suirside Construction and Letter of Acceptance to be issued week ending 12th April. Date for formal contract signing to be agreed and Councillors will be provided with advanced notice should they wish to attend.
4.	Market Place	Planning Application was lodged with the Planning Section in the past fortnight in relation to Market Place.

6.	Clonmel Arms Hotel	work progressing in line with the Section 3 notice issued.
7.	CCTV Scheme Extension	Commissioners Office have been written to and copy of response attached indicating that the Clonmel Scheme is currently being dealt with. District will link with Detective in Clonmel in relation to same as all correspondence going through local Garda Station.
8.	Tree Strategy	First draft of Tree Strategy due this week. District comments gone back to consultants for the Strategy. Workshops will be held when draft complete by the consultants. Members will be notified when workshop date suggested by consultants.
9.	St Patricks Cemetery Entrance	Tender for Appointment of Contractors for works to St Patricks Entrance have been received and are being reviewed. We are awaiting further direction from Environment Section.
9.	Marlfield Flood Alleviation Scheme	No update since the last meeting.
10.	Playground Equipment	Quotations being sought for Denis Burke Park and Elm Park playground equipment. Application for funding under Play and Recreation 2024 for the works to be identified.
11.	ORIS	<u>Suir Blueway: -</u> Procurement process for Works Contractor is underway. Appointment expected in May.

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10th April 2024

2024 Road Works Programme (RWP) - Update for District Council Meeting on 17th April 2024

2024 Restoration Improvements (RI) - Wet mix/Macadam/Recycling, etc.) - Already Agreed as part of the 2022 - 2024 Road Works Programme (RWP)

Road Number	Project Name and Location	Project Manager	Project Details	% Project Complete
R-706-3/4	Thorny Bridge R-706-3/4	Nicola Keating & Emma Ryan	Preparing road for works and appointing macadam contractor.	5%
R-689-2	Caharclogh Lisronagh R-689-2	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey	Preparing road for works and appointing macadam contractor.	5%
L-3278-0	Summerhill Glenconnor Rd L-3278-0	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey	Preparing road for works and appointing macadam contractor.	5%
L-6510-0	Kilcash to N76 L-6510-0	Nicola Keating & Emma Ryan	Preparing road for works and appointing macadam contractor.	5%
L-2509-2	Drumdeel Sladagh L-2509-2	Nicola Keating & Emma Ryan	Preparing road for works and appointing macadam contractor.	5%
L-1407-0	Railstown Rosegreen L-1407-0	Nicola Keating & Emma Ryan	Preparing road for works and appointing macadam contractor.	5%
L-7201-2	Jossestown L-7201-2	Nicola Keating & Emma Ryan	Preparing road for works and appointing macadam contractor.	5%

2023 Road Maintenance (RM), (Surface Dressing)

Road Number	Project Name and Location	Project Manager	Project Details	% Project Complete
R-689-3	Market Hill	Nicola Keating & Emma Ryan	Preparing road for surface dressing.	0%
R-706-5	Church Road Kilsheelan	Nicola Keating & Emma Ryan	Preparing road for surface dressing.	0%
L-7205-2	Lavally Lower	Nicola Keating & Emma Ryan	Preparing road for surface dressing.	0%
L-3282-2	Loughtally	Nicola Keating & Emma Ryan	Preparing road for surface dressing.	0%
L-3272-3	Red City Fethard	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey	Preparing road for surface dressing.	0%
L7202-2	Ballinlough / Colman	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey	Preparing road for surface dressing.	0%
L-6503-0	Monroe	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey	Preparing road for surface dressing.	0%
L-7204-0	Caherclogh	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey	Preparing road for surface dressing.	0%
L-2504-0	Ballinvoher	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey	Preparing road for surface dressing.	0%

Drainage Grants for 2023

Road Number	Project Name and Location	Project Manager	Project Details	% Project Complete
R-706-5	Ballyglasheen	Nicola Keating & Emma Ryan	Works underway	60%
L-2501-2	Graigue, Ballypatrick	Nicola Keating & Emma Ryan	Works substantially complete	90%
R-688-5	Clerihan Village	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey		0%
R-671-1	Raheen Road, Clonmel	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey		0%
L-3279-0	Rathronan Cross	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey		0%

Discretionary Improvement Works (Clonmel Town and Environs)

Road Number	Project Name and Location	Project Manager	Project Details	% Project Complete
	Mary St Car Park Wall Repairs	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey	Awaiting agreement for 50% funding from School	0%
	Mountain Road	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey	HRA resurfacing	0%
	Joyces Lane	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey	HRA resurfacing	0%
	Road Markings & Signage	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey		0%
	Clonmel Town Patchworks	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey		0%

Red Roads

Road Number	Project Name and Location	Project Manager	Project Details	% Project Complete
L-1411-0	Blackcastle/Ballygerald	Nicola Keating & Emma Ryan	Preparing road for works and appointing macadam contractor.	0%
L-3275-1	Ballingarrane Lower	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey	Preparing road for works and appointing macadam contractor.	0%

Community Involvement Scheme- Currently being assessed

Road Number	Project Name and Location	Project Manager	Project Details	% Project Complete
	Ballyglasheen	Nicola Keating & Emma Ryan	Local contribution received. Preparing road for works. Contractor to be appointed.	0%

Local Improvement Scheme (LIS Schemes) - Currently being assessed.				
Road Number	Project Name and Location	Project Manager	Project Details	% Project Complete
Safety Improvement Scheme 2024				
	Project Name and Location	Project Manager	Project Details	% Project Complete
	N/A			
Bridge Rehabilitation Works.				
Road Number	Project Name and Location	Project Manager	Project Details	% Project Complete
	N/A			
HD30 - Capital Maintenance on National Road Pavements 2024 (Pavement Repairs & Drainage Works)				
Road Number	Project Name and Location	Project Manager	Project Details	% Project Complete
	N/A			
NP HD15 & HD17 National Route Fencing Retrofit Projects 2023				
Road Number	Project Name and Location	Project Manager	Project Details	% Project Complete
	CLMD M. Works-Fencing Retrofit 19 on the N24	Emma Ryan	Project Assessment is ongoing	15%
Active Travel Measures for 2023 (subject to final agreement with the NTA)				
Cost	Project Name and Location	Project Manager	Project Details	% Project Complete
€35,000.00	Old Bridge to Suir Blueway Link	Gillian Flynn	Planning Pack sent to the NTA & Planning Department for validation. Workshop with members scheduled for May 2024	10%
€900,000.00	Cashel Road Active Travel Scheme, Clonmel	Gillian Flynn	Developing the design to obtain NTA approval to proceed to construction. Following approval consultant to finalise detailed design drawings.	15%
€25,000.00	SRTS (R1) Loreto Secondary School, Clonmel	Gillian Flynn	Delay planning publication due to requirement for railing and Architectural Impact Assessment	10%
€850,000.00	SRTS (R1) Gaelscoil Chluain Meala, Clonmel	Gillian Flynn	Developing the design to obtain NTA approval to proceed to construction. Negotiations with GAA ongoing.	15%
€15,000.00	Davis Road Active Travel Scheme Clonmel (Previously TCC/21/0014 Light Segregation Schemes)	Gillian Flynn	Consultant working on the planning documents and drawings following NTA peer review, awaiting approval to proceed to Part 8	10%
€3,000.00	Clonmel Local Transport Plan	Gillian Flynn	Local Area plan & Local transport plan on the agenda for the TCC Monthly meeting on 12th February :To consider the proposed material alterations to the Clonmel Local Area Plan 2024-2030 and the Chief Executive's report on the submissions received in accordance with Section 20 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended.	90%
	Clonmel to Marlfield Greenway	Gillian Flynn	Project on Hold - Preparing tender documents to appoint consultants	10%
	Marlfield to Cahir Greenway	Gillian Flynn	Phase 0 SAR Approved by TII. Feasibility Report Phase 1 submitted to TII for approval, progression to Phase 2 dependent on N24 Transport Solution & approval of Feasibility report	5%
Climate Change Adaptation				
Road Number	Project Name and Location	Project Manager	Project Details	% Project Complete
L-2508-0	Powerstown Drainage Works	Adam Coffey	Drainage Works - Agreement with landowner required.	0%
L-65101-0/L-6510	Kilcash	Emma Ryan	Drainage Works	0%
Towns & Villages Renewal				
Road Number	Project Name and Location	Project Manager	Project Details	% Project Complete
	N/A			
IPB Footpath Funding				

	Project Name & Location	Project Manager	Project Details	% Project Complete
	Ash Court Lawn completed	Adam Coffey	Complete	100%
	Ratheen House	Adam Coffey		0%
	Ash Court	Adam Coffey		0%
	The wheel, Wilderness grove	Adam Coffey	Commenced	10%
	Wilderness Grove	Adam Coffey		0%
	Old Toberhenna	Adam Coffey		0%
	Wheatfield drive	Adam Coffey		0%
	Elm Park	Adam Coffey		0%
	Ash Lawn	Adam Coffey		0%
	Railway Close Kilsheelan	Emma Ryan		0%
Development Contribution Levies prior to 2024				
	Kilcash Village Enhancement Works	Nicola Keating & Emma Ryan	Contract Documents being prepared.	5%
	Mountain View Estate Rosegreen Footpaths	Nicola Keating & Emma Ryan		0%
	Rosegreen Village Bench	Nicola Keating & Emma Ryan		0%
	Kilsheelan-Cloghcarrigeen Footpaths	Nicola Keating & Emma Ryan		0%
	Kilsheelan Village - Patching	Nicola Keating & Emma Ryan		0%
	Kilcash Driver feedback signs	Nicola Keating & Emma Ryan		0%
Development Contribution Levies for 2024				
	Gates at Sheehy Terrace/Gordon St Car Park	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey	Complete	100%
	Raheen Road Resurfacing	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey		0%
	Queen St resurfacing	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey		0%
	Queen St Footpath Replacement	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey		0%
	Ard na Greine resurfacing	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey		0%
	Ard Fatima - Raised Crossing	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey		0%
	Summerhill Drive	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey		0%
	Honeyview	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey		0%
	Traffic Light Improvements - Clonmel	Nicola Keating & Adam Coffey		0%
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Capital Projects Programme - Update for Council Meeting April 2024

Project Name & Details	Detailed Project Status
Clonmel Public Realm	The revised Preliminary Business Case has received sign off from the Strategic Research & Analysis Division of the Dept. of Transport. It is now with the Dept. of Environment for their review and final approval. We await their response.
Suir Island Amenity Park (incl. Bridge)	The planning application is with An Bord Pleanala for determination. The application is due to be decided by 02/05/2024.
Suir Island Gardens	Procurement process for Works Contractor is underway. Appointment expected in May.
Performance Space – Abbey St Car Park	Statutory standstill period associated with procurement rules has now concluded. Successful contractor is Suirside Construction and Letter of Acceptance to be issued week ending 12th April. Date for formal contract signing to be agreed and Councillors will be provided with advanced notice should they wish to attend.
ORIS:- Suir Blueway	Procurement process for Works Contractor is underway. Appointment expected in May.

**Clonmel Borough Municipal District.
Vacant Housing Report.
Municipal District Meeting, 17th April 2024.**

Breakdown of Vacant Houses.

Total number of vacant houses:	19
Housing Capital responsible for works:	11
CBD responsibility:	8

Break down of Clonmel Borough District Vacant Houses

Awarded to contractors:	2
Prepared for tender:	2
Being prepared for tender:	4
Pending award to contractors.	0

Housing Capital.

Major Refurbishment in conjunction with Housing Capital:	1
Housing Capital with complete responsibility:	10

Notes:

- Received keys in last fortnight: 0
- District not responsible (keys not yet issued to District): 0

CLONMEL BOROUGH DISTRICT					
FUNCTION: HOUSING					
Sub Service	Category	Budget	Road Number	Length (M)	Details
A0101	Maintenance of LA Housing Units	€414,618	N/A	N/A	Response based - based on Council's responsibility, priority and available budget. Responsibility of tenant outlined in Tenant Handbook/ Tenancy Agreement.
A0101	Voids/Pre-letting repairs	€154,059	N/A	N/A	As required and based on budget allocated from centre. Based on necessary works to return a house to a habitable condition subject to available budgets.
		€568,677			
FUNCTION: ROADS					
ROAD MAINTENANCE & IMPROVEMENT GRANTS					
Sub Service	Category	Budget			Description
B0105	National Primary Ordinary Maintenance	€46,567	N24		Maintenance of national primary road
B0206	National Secondary Ordinary Maintenance	€11,223	N76		Maintenance of national secondary road
		€57,790			
B0301/B0401	Restoration Maintenance (RM)	€154,086			
	Supplementary Restoration Maintenance (SRM)	€134,838			
		€288,924			
	Market Hill	€31,500	R-689-3	750	Surface dressing
	Church Road Kilsheelan	€26,532.00	R-706-5	660	Surface dressing
	Lavally Lower	€49,500.00	L-7205-2	2000	Surface dressing
	Loughtally	€46,553.93	L-3282-2	1693	Surface dressing
	Red City Fethard	€11,518.65	L-3272-3	358	Surface dressing
	Ballinlough / Colman	€12,375.00	L7202-2	500	Surface dressing
	Monroe	€42,420.25	L-6503-0	804	Surface dressing
	Caherclogh	€14,899.50	L-7204-0	602	Surface dressing
	Ballinvoher	€53,625.00	L-2504-0	1950	Surface dressing
		€288,924			
B0302/B0402	Restoration Improvement (RI)	€986,673			
	Thorny Bridge R-706-3/4	€194,511	R-706-3/4	850	Preparation, drainage, basecourse and HRA wearing course
	Caharclogh Lisronagh R-689-2	€132,431	R-689-2	650	Preparation, drainage, basecourse and HRA wearing course
	Summerhill Glenconnor Rd L-3278-0	€195,500	L-3278-0	1400	Preparation, drainage, basecourse and surface dressing wearing course
	Kilcash to N76 L-6510-0	€109,505	L-6510-0	807	Preparation, drainage, basecourse and surface dressing wearing course
	Drumdeel Sladagh L-2509-2	€141,463	L-2509-2	835	Preparation, drainage, basecourse and surface dressing wearing course
	Railstown Rosegreen L-1407-0	€170,444	L-1407-0	1130	Preparation, drainage, basecourse and surface dressing wearing course
	Jossestown L-7201-2	€42,819	L-7201-2	250	Preparation, drainage, basecourse and surface dressing wearing course
		€986,673			

	Community Involvement Scheme	€126,000.00			Ballyglasheen - contributions received.
	Local Involvement Scheme	TBA			4 No. Applications currently being assessed for response to the Department.
B0305/B0405	Discretionary Maintenance Grant (DM)	€269,168			Road Patching, Drainage and other Maintenance on Regional & Local Roads
	Drainage Grant Works	€68,166			
	Ballyglasheen	€15,000	R-706-5		Drainage works
	Graigue, Ballypatrick	€15,000	L-2501-2		Drainage works
	Clerihan Village	€5,000	R-688-5		Drainage works
	Raheen Road, Clonmel	€22,166	R-671-1		Drainage works
	Rathronan Cross	€11,000	L-3279-0		Drainage works
		€68,166			
	Climate Change Adaptation	€76,000			
	Powerstown Drainage Works	€35,000	L-2508-0		Drainage works
	Kilcash	€41,000	L-65101-0/L-6510		Drainage works
		€76,000			
	Bridge Rehabilitation Works	€0			
		€0			
B0701	Safety Improvement Works	€0			
		€0			
	Active Travel Grants	€1,828,000			
	Old Bridge to Suir Blueway Link	€35,000			Consultants working on Planning pack & Environmental reports. This is a Part 8 planning application. Consultations with the Soccer Club have resulted in a change in alignment.
	Cashel Road Active Travel Scheme, Clonmel	€900,000			Developing the design to obtain NTA approval to proceed to construction.
	SRTS (R1) Loreto Secondary School, Clonmel	€25,000			Awaiting approval to proceed to Part 8
	SRTS (R1) Gaelscoil Chluain Meala, Clonmel	€850,000			Developing the design to obtain NTA approval to proceed to construction.
	Davis Road Active Travel Scheme Clonmel (Previously TCC/21/0014 Light Segregation Schemes)	€15,000			Consultant working on the planning documents and drawings following NTA peer review, awaiting approval to proceed to Part 8

	Clonmel Local Transport Plan	€3,000		Local Transport Plan Complete
		€1,828,000		
Sub Service	Category	Budget		Description
FUNCTION:	ROADS			
	ROAD MAINTENANCE & IMPROVEMENT - OWN FUNDS			
B0305/B0405	General Maintenance (Rural)	€161,506		
	Targeted Investment Intervention (Red Roads)	€200,097		
	Blackcastle/Ballygerald	€170,097	L-1411-0	Preparation, drainage, basecourse and surface dressing wearing course
	Ballingarrane Lower	€30,000	L-3275-1	Preparation, drainage, basecourse and surface dressing wearing course
		€200,097		
B0405	Tertiary Roads Maintenance	€67,782		
	IPB Footpath Monies	€137,170		
	Ash Court Lawn completed	€13,958		Footpath repair/replacement
	Ratheen House	€32,118		Footpath repair/replacement
	Ash Court	€10,325		Footpath repair/replacement
	The wheel, Wilderness grove	€9,706		Footpath repair/replacement
	Wilderness Grove	€11,346		Footpath repair/replacement
	Old Toberhenna	€6,816		Footpath repair/replacement
	Wheatfield drive	€6,224		Footpath repair/replacement
	Elm Park	€9,610		Footpath repair/replacement
	Ash Lawn	€22,067		Footpath repair/replacement
	Railway Close Kilsheelan	€15,000		Footpath repair/replacement
		€137,170		
	Clonmel Town Works	€275,000		
	Mary St Car Park Wall Repairs	€20,000	L	Wall repair
	Mountain Road	€93,500	R-678-0	Preparation, drainage, basecourse and SMA wearing course
	Joyces Lane	€123,550	R-884-9	Preparation, drainage, basecourse and HRA wearing course
	Road Markings & Signage	€13,500	R/L	Road markings refresh and sign replacement
	Clonmel Town Patchworks	€24,450	R/L	Patching repairs
		€275,000		
	General Maintenance (Upkeep Clonmel Town) - Own Funds	€475,390		Clonmel Town - Local & Regional Road Upkeep - General Maintenance (Upkeep)
		€750,390		
B0501	Public Lighting - Knockdowns	€20,000		
Sub Service	Category	Budget		Description
FUNCTION:	ROADS			
	DEVELOPMENT LEVIES 2021 - 2023			

Development Levies Prior to 2024				
		€122,640		
DL CBD Kilcash Village Enhancement Works		€19,000	L2502-2	Resurfacing in village centre
DL CLBD L14101-1 Mountain View Estate Rosegreen		€35,000	L-14101-1	Footpath repairs
DL CLBD R688-3 Rosegreen Village		€2,460	R-688-3	Bench installation
DL CLBD L-25031-1 Kilsheelan-Cloghcarrigeen Fpath		€25,000	L-25031-1	Footpath repairs
DL CLBD N24-6 Kilsheelan Nagles Pub		€19,000	N-24-6	Patching repairs in village
DL CLBD L-2502-2 Kilcash		€22,180	L-2502-2	Signage
		€122,640		
Development Levies for 2024				
		€225,123		
Gates at Sheehy Terrace/Gordon St Car Park		€37,512	L-36026-1/L-3612-1	Installation of Electric Gates
Raheen Road Resurfacing		€54,501	R-671-1	Preparation, drainage, basecourse and SMA wearing course
Queen St resurfacing		€52,120	R-707-2	Preparation, drainage, basecourse and HRA wearing course
Queen St Footpath Replacement		€15,717	R-707-2	Footpath repairs
Ard na Greine		€28,150	L-36024-3/L-36016-2	Preparation, drainage, basecourse and SMA wearing course
Ard Fatima - Raised Crossing		€10,000	L-7617-1	Raised crossing
Summerhill Drive		€10,000	L-36014-0	Raised crossing
Honeyview		€6,000	L-36045-8	Raised crossing
Traffic light Improvements		€11,123	R-707-2/3	Detector replacement/controller replacement
		€225,123		
FUNCTION: STREET CLEANING				
Sub Service	Category	Budget		Details
E0601	Street Cleaning	€390,430		
	Litter Management	€61,200		
		€451,630		
FUNCTION: BURIAL GROUND MAINTENANCE				
Sub Service	Category	Budget		Details
E0901/E0999	Maintenance of Burial Grounds	€130,000		
		€130,000		
FUNCTION: AMENITY AREAS MAINTENANCE				
Sub Service	Category	Budget		Details
F0301	Parks & Open Spaces	€632,468		
	Suir Blueway Maintenance	€106,097		
		€738,565		
	TOTAL	€5,723,059		

Order Number	Subject	Details	Order Date	DelegatorList	Council Meeting	District
37615	Section 254 Licence - Scaffolding Licence	Erection of Scaffolding/hoarding at Former Droghans Baker, Quay Street, Clonmel, Co Tipperary E91 WV40 from 8th April 2024 to the 30th April 2024	27/03/2024	Creighton, Carol	17/04/2024	Clonmel Borough District
37512	Section 254 Licence - Licence for Signage	Extension of licence in accordance with section 254 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 as amended, submitted by Signal Infrastructure to install a telecommunications streetpole solution at Junction of Powerstown Road and the N24 Clonmel.	22/03/2024	Creighton, Carol	17/04/2024	Clonmel Borough District
37415	Casual Trading Licence - Casual Trading Act, 19	Operation of Amusements in Mary Street Car Park, Mary Street, Clonmel from Friday 15th March to Monday 18th March 2024	15/03/2024	Creighton, Carol	17/04/2024	Clonmel Borough District

CC Creighton, Carol

FW: [External] Notice of Motion at Feb meeting of Clonmel Borough District

To: Elected Members - Clonmel

Cc: Carr, Sínead; Keating, Nicola; Irwin, Mary; O'Loughlin, Georgina

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Hi all,

Please see correspondence from Irish Water following my email them on the recent Notice of Motion :- "That Clonmel Borough request Uisce Éireann (Irish Water) to upgrade the existing storage/plants and water supply from the existing treatment plants at Poulavanogue and Glenary. The proposed closure of the Poulavanogue plant is been opposed by the members of the Clonmel Business Network and the public of Clonmel." And I also noted "They have also requested that both yourself and John Fogarty attend a meeting to discuss same with them."

Regards

Carol

Dear Ms Creighton,

Many thanks for your recent correspondence, dated 19 March, in relation to the upgrade of existing storage plants and water supply infrastructure to the Clonmel area, and request to attend a forthcoming Borough District Meeting.

Uisce Éireann acknowledges the impact of water supply issues on businesses and residents in the Clonmel area and we have put in place a cross-functional group to identify and prioritise key solutions. Considerable efforts have been dedicated to addressing the existing challenges identified through operational interventions and capital upgrades.

In the last six months, Uisce Éireann has carried out several remedial and improvement works at Glenary Water Treatment Plant and undertaken a number of operational improvements at Poulavanogue Water Treatment Plant. As a result of these interventions and the ongoing work, the number of unplanned interruptions and water quality issues in the Clonmel area has reduced considerably, and local customers are benefiting from a more secure, resilient supply. As further works are complete, the risk of outages and Boil Water Notices will decrease.

Operational improvements at the Poulavanogue Water Treatment Plant have included the installation of a generator with auto changeover to enable continuous power to the plant in the event of an electricity interruption and the installation of automatic shutdowns to prevent inadequately treated water entering supply. Uisce Éireann has committed to significant investment in the Clonmel area by the end of 2026 to deliver a more robust, resilient water supply which will include upgraded treatment facilities and an upgraded network.

The preferred long-term approach for Clonmel as set out in Uisce Éireann's National Water Resources Plan is the construction of a new water treatment plant with water sourced via abstraction from the River Suir. This will require an abstraction licence and legislation for this is awaited. The overall plan sets out strategically the options to ensure a more secure, reliable and sustainable water supply for almost 370,000 customers in the South-East region over the next 25 years supporting future growth in population and industrial development. The plan is available to view on the Uisce Éireann website at

<https://www.water.ie/projects/strategic-plans/national-water-resources/rwp/south-east/>

A representative from Uisce Éireann will not be available to attend the Municipal District Meeting. However, Uisce Éireann continues to engage extensively with elected representatives and customers in relation to this issue. We hosted a workshop for all Tipperary councillors as part of our recent engagement and a dedicated briefing for business representative groups in the town attended by a number of elected representatives. Uisce Éireann will provide updates to elected representatives as work progresses to resolve these issues in County Tipperary, including details of planned and reactive works, upcoming projects and upgrades via the Local Representative Service Desk (LRSD), press releases, councillor clinics and direct briefings at key milestones. Our LRSD is a dedicated phone and email service for elected representatives and is open Monday – Friday from 9am to 5.30pm. Outside these hours, the 24/7 customer care helpline is available to all.

Uisce Éireann would like to thank the elected members for their support and reiterate our commitment to ensuring they are kept informed of developments as we progress our efforts to ensure a more secure water supply for the people of Clonmel.

Yours sincerely,

Tanya Doyle



Local Representative Service Desk

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Ms. Carol Creighton
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Dear *Carol,*

I refer to your correspondence dated 15th March 2024, in relation to the applications for community-based CCTV schemes under Section 38(3)(c) Garda Síochána Act 2005 submitted by Tipperary County Council.

Whilst your concerns are noted in respect of the amount of time taken from initial request to final approval, I can confirm that the applications for Clonmel is currently under consideration at this office, and will be progressed as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,


Helen Deely
Superintendent for
Deputy Commissioner
8 April 2024

CC: Office of the Commissioner