

Ceantar Bardais Inis Eoghain

Oifig Riarthóir na
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Aras an Chontae
Leifear
11ú Eanáir 2023

FOGRA CRUINNITHE

Beidh Cruinniú de Ceantar Bardais Inis Eoghain ar siúl Dé Mháirt 17ú Eanáir 2023,
ag 2.00 r.n. in ISP Carn Domhnach

DO GACH BHALL DEN CEANTAR BARDAS INIS EOGHAIN

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort bheith i lathair ag an gcruinniú seo Ceantar Bardais Inis Eoghain. Tá Clar an Cruinnithe le seo.

Mise, le meas



**Una Cresswell
Riarthóir Cruinnithe**

Municipal District of Inishowen

Office of Meetings Administrator
County House
Lifford
11th January 2023

NOTICE OF MEETING

A Meeting of the Municipal District of Inishowen will be held on Tuesday 17th January 2023 **at 2.00p.m. in the Public Services Centre, Canrdonagh, Co. Donegal.**

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF INISHOWEN

Dear Councillor

You are summoned to attend this meeting of the Municipal District of Inishowen. The Agenda is attached.

Yours sincerely



**Una Cresswell
Meetings Administrator**

AGENDA

1. Consideration of the Minutes of the Inishowen Municipal District Meeting held on 06th December 2022
2. Housing, Corporate & Cultural Services
3. Roads & Transportation
4. Economic Development, Information Systems & Emergency Services
5. Community Development
6. Environment
7. Planning
8. Correspondence

MINUTES OF THE INISHOWEN MUNICIPAL DISTRICT MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 06th DECEMBER 2022 at 2.00pm in CARNDONAGH PUBLIC SERVICE CENTRE

Councillors Present:

Cllrs Paul Canning (online), Nicholas Crossan, Terry Crossan, Albert Doherty, Rena Donaghey (online), Martin Farren, Martin McDermott, Johnny McGuinness, Jack Murray

Officials Present:

Bryan Cannon, A/Director of Service Roads & Transportation, Una Cresswell, A/Area Manager, Housing & Corporate Services, Sharon Gill, A/Assistant Staff Officer, Housing & Corporate Services, Michael McFadden, A/Senior Executive Engineer, Roads and Transportation, Shaun Doherty, Executive Architect, Housing Capital, Killian Smith, Executive Planner (online), Matthew Byrne, Waste Regulation Officer (online), Fiona Doherty, Development Officer, Community Development, Mary McBride, Executive Planner (online)

The meeting was opened by the Cathaoirleach, Cllr Paul Canning who welcomed all to the meeting.

22.64 Consideration of the Minutes of the Inishowen Municipal District Budget 2023 meeting held on 25th October 2022.

On the proposal of Cllr Nicholas Crossan, seconded by Cllr Martin Farren, the minutes of the Inishowen Municipal District Budget 2023 meeting held on 25th October 2022 were adopted.

22.65 Consideration of the Minutes of the Inishowen Municipal District meeting held on 01st November 2022

On the proposal of Cllr Rena Donaghey seconded by Cllr Terry Crossan, the minutes of the Inishowen Municipal District meeting held on 01st November 2022 were adopted.

22.66 PLANNING

Killian Smith presented the report and it was taken as read.

22.66.01 Taking in Charge of Private Residential Estates

The Taking in Charge team as detailed in the Planning Report for the Inishowen Municipal District meeting, presented four estates, as listed below in the Inishowen MD to Members and sought approval to complete the Taking in Charge process.

1. Hawthorn Hill Phase 1&2 Newtowncunningham

2. Oakfield Court, Close & Crescent, Buncrana
3. Whitehill, Muff
4. Connaberry Buncrana

The Planning Authority is satisfied that there is a need for a Public Right of Way over the estate roads and sought approval from Members to make an order to create these Rights of Way in accordance with Section 207 of the Planning & Development Act.

Approval was sought from Members, in accordance with Section 180 of the Planning & Development Act to initiate the procedures under Section 11 of the Roads Act to declare the roads within these estates to be public roads and thereby complete the Taking in Charge of the estates.

Hawthorn Hill Phase 1 &2, Newtowncunningham

On the proposal of Councillor Paul Canning seconded by Councillor Terry Crossan, it was resolved that the Council make an order in accordance with Section 207 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended) for the creation of a public right of way over the estate roads within the housing estate Hawthorn Hill, Newtowncunningham (Phase 1&2) as set out in the maps in the report, to enable it to proceed with the taking in charge of the estates.

On the proposal of Councillor Paul Canning ,seconded by Councillor Cllr Terry Crossan it was resolved that the Council make an order in accordance with Section 11 (1) of the Roads Act, 1993 to declare the estate roads within the housing estate Hawthorn Hill, Newtowncunningham (Phase 1&2) to be a public road and note the consequential provisions contained in Section 180(4) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) whereby this Council will also take in charge the water services infrastructure and the public open spaces or car park within the attendant grounds of the development and will subsequently transfer the water services within the estate to Irish Water.

Oakfield Court, Close & Crescent, Buncrana

On the proposal of Councillor Rena Donaghey seconded by Councillor Jack Murray it was resolved that the Council make an order in accordance with Section 207 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended) for the creation of a public right of way over the estate roads within the housing estate Oakfield Court-Close & Crescent-Buncrana as set out in the attached maps in the report, to enable it to proceed with the taking in charge of the estates.

On the proposal of Councillor Jack Murray seconded by Councillor Rena Donaghey it was resolved that the Council make an order in accordance with Section 11 (1) of the Roads Act, 1993 to declare the estate roads within the housing estate Oakfield Court-Close & Crescent-Buncrana to be a public road and note the consequential provisions contained in Section 180(4) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) whereby this Council will also take in charge

the water services infrastructure and the public open spaces or car park within the attendant grounds of the development and will subsequently transfer the water services within the estate to Irish Water.

Whitehill, Muff

On the proposal of Councillor Terry Crossan seconded by Councillor Rena Donaghey it was resolved that the Council make an order in accordance with Section 207 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended) for the creation of a public right of way over the estate roads within the housing estate Whitehill, Muff as set out in the attached maps in the report, to enable it to proceed with the taking in charge of the estates.

On the proposal of Councillor Paul Canning seconded by Councillor Rena Donaghey it was resolved that the Council make an order in accordance with Section 11 (1) of the Roads Act, 1993 to declare the estate roads within the housing estate Whitehill Muff to be a public road and note the consequential provisions contained in Section 180(4) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) whereby this Council will also take in charge the water services infrastructure and the public open spaces or car park within the attendant grounds of the development and will subsequently transfer the water services within the estate to Irish Water.

Connaberry Buncrana

On the proposal of Councillor Rena Donaghey seconded by Councillor Nicholas Crossan it was resolved that the Council make an order in accordance with Section 207 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended) for the creation of a public right of way over the estate roads within the housing estate Connaberry Buncrana as set out in the attached maps in the report, to enable it to proceed with the taking in charge of the estates.

On the proposal of Councillor Rena Donaghey seconded by Councillor Nicholas Crossan it was resolved that the Council make an order in accordance with Section 11 (1) of the Roads Act, 1993 to declare the estate roads within the housing estate Connaberry Buncrana to be a public road and note the consequential provisions contained in Section 180(4) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) whereby this Council will also take in charge the water services infrastructure and the public open spaces or car park within the attendant grounds of the development and will subsequently transfer the water services within the estate to Irish Water.

22.66.02 Responses

Killian Smith proceeded to provide a response to various queries raised by Members in the Inishowen MD meeting on 01st November 2022 –

- **Tus Nua** (22.59.03)- Killian Smith advised that a briefing is provided in today's report from the Capital Projects Delivery Unit in relation to Tus Nua.
- **Buncrana Regeneration Project** (22.59.04) – in response to Cllr Murray's query Members were advised that the Leisure Centre will be explored within the Repowering Buncrana regeneration project.
- **Residential Zoned Land Tax** (22.59.07) -Members were advised that a full briefing was given to Members at a recent plenary meeting and this report can be recirculated to Members if required. Maps are available at Council offices and on the website and Members were reminded that if there is a residential property on the land it is exempt from the tax and that the date for submissions is 01st January 2023. A discussion ensued regarding the tax with Cathaoirleach Paul Canning calling for a workshop so that a further briefing and discussion can take place. Cllr Albert Doherty and Cllr Rena Donaghey both expressed their concerns that there is undue anxiety among landowners as they do not have enough information and that the consultation period is too tight with the deadline fast approaching in January 2023. Killian Smith advised that the matter could be referred to Senior Planners but there possibly would not be the scope to hold workshops in each Municipal District before Christmas.

22.67 HOUSING AND CORPORATE SERVICES

22.67.01 Fáilte Ireland Briefing

Joan Crawford and David Leonard from Fáilte Ireland provided a briefing to Members of the new 5-year plan 'The Inishowen Peninsula Destination and Experience Development Plan' (DEDP) ahead of the official launch on Friday 09th December 2022. It was outlined that the DEDP aims to create a sustainable tourism destination by extending the tourism season and spreading business across all parts of the region over the next five years. It was highlighted that key stakeholders in the area and local community were consulted and the feedback and ideas have been captured in the plan. This collaboration will be maintained throughout the plan with quarterly updates and newsletter and briefing sessions and meeting with Elected Members. As part of the plan Fáilte Ireland and Donegal County Council have invested €12.3 million in Fort Dunree for the development of a visitor center. The Members collectively thanked Joan and David for the presentation and for the work done and investment by Fáilte Ireland to date. Cllr Martin McDermott noted that the redevelopment of Malin Head is too slow, and it still lacks the proper services in terms of tourism. Cllr McDermott further noted that the Council Executive and Fáilte Ireland must move it forward and deliver on it. The Members collectively agreed with Cllr McDermott's comments.

22.67.02 Schedule of Inishowen MD Meetings for 2023

The proposed Schedule of Inishowen MD Meetings for 2023 was presented to Members and on the proposal of Cllr Nicholas Crossan and seconded by Cllr Martin Farren the Schedule was agreed.

22.67.03 Disposal of Land at Carrickfoden Carndonagh

Una Cresswell advised Members that Donegal County Council proposes to dispose of a plot of land at Carrickfoden, Carndonagh comprising of 0.0153 hectares of land to Mr. James McLaughlin, 15 Donagh Park, Carndonagh, Co. Donegal.

Members considered the report circulated with the agenda in relation to the above.

On the proposal of Cllr Albert Doherty and seconded by Cllr Martin McDermott it was recommended that this land disposal under Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 is presented to the full Council at the next Plenary Council Meeting.

22.67.04 Housing Services

Una Cresswell presented the Housing report and it was taken as read. Una Cresswell highlighted that 45 new tenancies had been created in 2022 to date and 21 of those were the new dwellings at Rockytown Buncrana. It was also noted that a further three properties would be offered and hopefully accepted by year end bringing the total number of properties to 48.

22.67.05 Crana Crescent, Buncrana

Shaun Doherty advised that the tenders for the development at Crana Crescent, Buncrana were returned and progressing and it is anticipated that the Contractor will be on site in April /May 2023. In response to a query from Cllr Nicholas Crossan, Shaun Doherty advised that the tenders were currently being assessed and had not been awarded yet.

22.67.06 Single Dwelling at The Meadows, Buncrana

Shaun Doherty advised that the Contractor had been appointed for this project and it is anticipated that they will be onsite December 2022 / January 2023 with a completion date of October 2023.

22.67.07 Phase II, Rockytown Buncrana

Shaun Doherty advised that Phase II of Rockytown Buncrana, the development of 56 social housing units, should be ready for tender in June 2023.

22.67.08 Development at Convent Rd, Carndonagh

Cllr Johnny McGuinness asked for an update regarding the housing development in Carndonagh that was nearing completion. Shaun Doherty advised that this matter was still with the Department and it is hoped it will be resolved soon. Cllr Albert Doherty expressed his disappointment that this matter has not yet progressed.

22.67.09 Barrack Hill, Carndonagh

Cllr Albert Doherty requested for a map to be shared with Members on how lands were divided between community, light industry, and housing at Barrack Hill, Carndonagh. Cllr Doherty noted that it's a significant amount of council owned land and he would like to see the areas of responsibility.

22.67.10 Vacant Housing Officer / Town Regeneration Officer

Cllr Albert Doherty queried whether these posts had now been filled. Una Cresswell advised that the jobs had been advertised and HR were currently working through the recruitment process.

22.67.11 Housing Income Threshold

Cllr Doherty requested that information regarding the increase in the income threshold to qualify for social housing is shared with Members. Una Cresswell noted that this information was only recently received and that the increase in the threshold was welcomed. It was further advised that Members will be kept updated.

22.67.12 Long Term Lease Dwellings

Cllr Albert Doherty acknowledged the work carried out by Housing Officials in Inishowen MD in relation to long term lease dwellings where the leases are due to expire. However, Cllr Doherty asked that the Council pull out all the stops to help alleviate the anxiety of the families concerned and queried what the current position is in relation to a particular number of houses. Cllr Martin McDermott and Cllr Johnny McGuinness also raised queries regarding advising tenants of expiring leases and re the timeline for negotiations with property owners about renewing leases. Una Cresswell advised that it would not be appropriate to discuss individual cases but that over the past few years many leases have been expiring and the Council do examine these in advance. Una Cresswell further advised that there are several factors that must be considered and although the Council try to renew leases for a further ten years it is not always possible. Members were assured that tenants in these dwellings would be rehoused by the Local Authority if necessary.

22.67.13 Defective Concrete Blocks- Modular Homes

Cllr Jack Murray noted that the motion had been past at plenary council for a delegation to meet Housing Minister Darragh O'Brien and one of the items for discussion was temporary modular housing. Cllr Murray suggested that the Council identify serviced sites and collate this information so that progress could be made quickly if this option were to proceed. Cllr Terry Crossan supported these comments.

22.68 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Fiona Doherty presented the report and it was taken as read. Fiona Doherty highlighted some items to Members.

22.68.01 Outdoor Recreation Scheme -Moville

Fiona Doherty advised Members that €200,000 has been awarded for the upgrade and enhancement of the Moville Shorewalk. Cllr Martin Farren welcomed the announcement.

22.68.02 Completed Projects 2022

Fiona Doherty highlighted that the following projects had been completed in 2022

- Town and Village Renewal Scheme Clonmany
- Culdaff Outdoor Recreation / Playground Project
- Portaleen Viewing Point, Malin
- Burnfoot Village Enhancement Scheme

22.69 ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION

Michael McFadden presented the report to Members and it was taken as read. Michael McFadden highlighted to Members the difficult year that 2022 presented to be, due to increase in costs resulting in a reduced budget. However, it was noted that jobs had still been completed under the programme of works despite this and the only outstanding project under the Restoration Improvement Programme 2022 is the Slab Rd corner at Burt.

22.69.01 Slab Rd, Burt

Cllr Jack Murray enquired if the Slab Road can be lined to make it safer for users. Michael McFadden advised that this route won't be lined at this time, but these works would be included when the restorations works are being carried out.

22.69.02 Disabled Parking Bays Buncrana

Cllr Jack Murray noted that he has had many reports that the disabled parking bays in Buncrana are being misused and he enquired if there is anything the Council can do in relation to this? Michael McFadden advised that he refer this to the parking enforcement team.

22.69.03 Road Safety Measures -McCarter Rd Buncrana

Cllr Jack Murray requested for a road crossing to be installed at McCarter Road Buncrana so that pedestrians may cross safely between Aldi and Lidl supermarkets.

22.69.04 Winter Gritting Programme

Cllr Martin Farren enquired if the Council had sufficient supply of salt for this year's winter gritting programme? Michael McFadden advised that there is an audit procedure in place, and this is something that is continually monitored.

22.69.05 Crash Barriers- Moville

Cllr Martin Farren requested clarity in relation to the crash barrier at Clar Corner, Moville. Cllr Farren also requested that the areas at Redcastle Football Club and Gaelscoile Moville be considered for the installation of a crash barrier. Michael McFadden advised that the crash barrier at Clar corner is at audit and design stage and that the other areas mentioned will be examined.

22.69.06 Footpath repairs -Muff

Cllr Terry Crossan raised the issue of continuous illegal parking of Heavy Goods Vehicles on the footpath between Warrenview Manor and the Filling Station in Muff resulting in the path being substantially damaged and an uneven surface causing obstructions for pedestrian users. Cllr T Crossan also acknowledged the positive engagement that the Roads personnel have carried out in the Muff and Quigleys Point area with the local community and school community to try and resolve some issues.

22.69.07 Straboe, Buncrana

Cllr Nicholas Crossan noted that residents in Straboe, Cockhill, Buncrana have raised an issue with him regarding water running off a county road onto a private road opposite the old Cockhill School causing concerns that the newly repaired surface there will be damaged. Cllr N Crossan asked that the Council examine the matter and carry out any necessary repairs. Michael McFadden advised that it will be examined to try and resolve the issue.

22.69.08 Road Markings Buncrana

Cllr Nicholas Crossan noted that local Driving Instructors have raised the issue with him about faded road markings in and around Buncrana town centre particularly at the junction in Marian Park, Buncrana. Cllr N Crossan asked that the Council carry out works as the town is a driving test town and road markings are essential for all motorists, but it is causing difficulties for learner drivers. Michael McFadden advised that the line markings could be refreshed.

22.69.09 Public Lighting

Cllr Nicholas Crossan raised concerns about the streetlights in several areas in Buncrana. Cllr N Crossan stated that six decorative streetlights are out in Buncrana Main Street and noted that up to €20,000 has been spent on Christmas lights in Buncrana but some streetlights require fixing. Cllr Crossan requested that they are attended too. Cllr Rena Donaghey supported Cllr N Crossan's comments. Michael McFadden advised that Airtricity maintain the public lighting and he will make contact again regarding Buncrana and Carndonagh. Bryan Cannon noted that there are 19,000 public lights in the county and he would encourage the public to report the faulty lights through the online system which helps to keep a track of the repairs submitted and the response times for attending to these repairs.

22.69.10 Fr. Hegarty's Grave, Buncrana

Cllr Nicholas Crossan requested that steps are installed at Fr. Hegarty's Grave, Buncrana to provide better access as he believes access is difficult for some members of the public.

22.69.10 Umricam, Buncrana

Cllr Rena Donaghey asked that the Council examine an area at the Umricam Filling Station, Umricam, Buncrana where it is claimed there have been several road traffic accidents in recent times. Cllr Donaghey enquired if the Council could investigate and determine if there are any safety measures that could be taken in this area that might assist drivers. Michael McFadden advised this could be examined in conjunction with the Road Design team.

22.69.11 Glentogher, Carndonagh

Cllr Martin McDermott enquired if the Part VIII for the road at Glentogher, Carndonagh could proceed ahead of any additional funding being secured. Michael McFadden advised that he enquire with the Road Design team. Cllr Johnny McGuinness supported Cllr McDermott's comments.

22.69.12 Road Maintenance

Cllr Johnny McGuinness noted that repairs had been carried out to the Sheskin Rd Malin and Moss Rd Culdaff but highlighted that these were not long-term solutions. Michael McFadden acknowledged that a longer-term solution is required. Cllr McGuinness also requested that traffic calming measures are examined at the new pedestrian crossing at Culdaff school.

22.69.13 Ballyliffen, Clonmany

Cllr Albert Doherty referred to a road traffic accident that had taken place in recent days on the Ballyliffen road and requested the roads section examine same to see if any or some safety measures could be taken at this junction. Michael McFadden advised that this would be looked at.

22.69.14 Bridgend School

Cllr Paul Canning requested that the issue of the provision of a raised platform at Bridgend Primary School is examined. Michael McFadden noted Cllr Canning's comments.

22.70 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND EMERGENCY SERVICES,

Mary McBride presented the report to Members and it was taken as read.

22.70.01 Community Events

Cllr Nicholas Crossan advised that he had received a response in relation to his query about the community event held at the Irish Legends Golf Tour. Cllr Crossan suggested that Members in each Municipal District are consulted regarding events that are planned and that best value for money is obtained in relation to these events.

22.71 ENVIRONMENT

Matthew Byrne presented the report and highlighted a few items to Members.

- **2022 Tidy Town Awards-** Cathaoirleach of Donegal County Council, Cllr Liam Blaney has congratulated Buncrana Tidy Towns for achieving the County First and Gold Medal.
- **Social Media-** The Environment section have produced various information videos this year which can be shared across social media platforms.
- **Climate Action Plan-** The Delivering Effective Climate Action 2030, Local Authority Strategy for delivering on the Climate Action Charter and Climate Action Plan (DECA 2030) identifies resources and measures to support the completion and reporting on actions for each LA Climate Action Plan. The additional resource requirements include a Climate Action Coordinator, Climate Action Officer, Climate Action Community Officer.

- **Burnfoot Flood Relief Scheme** – the report contains an update on this.

In relation to queries raised by Members at the previous Inishowen MD meeting Matthew Byrne outlined some responses:

- **Public Toilets Buncrana (22.58.03)** – Matthew Byrne advised options are being looked at in this regard and response times for attendance to issues is something that will be considered too within the contract.
- **Lifeguards Inishowen (22.58.05)**- Matthew Byrne advised that there is a lot of work going on with regards to having Lifeguards in place for Summer 2023. Cllr Martin Farren enquired if the team felt satisfied that there will be Lifeguards in place by next summer? Matthew Byrne thanked Cllr Farren for his input to date on this issue and noted that the training is being part funded by BIM. Matthew Byrne further advised that although a lot of work is being done, they can't guarantee anything at this stage, but Members will be kept updated on progress. Cllr Johnny McGuinness suggested the Council reach out through the NWRDG to see if any training could be provided in Derry. Cllr Albert Doherty supported this and suggested that print media in Northern Ireland is used to attract candidates.
- **Public Toilets -Ned's Point (22.58.06)** – Members were advised that discussions are taking place regarding the provision of toilets. The request for a handrail at the slipway has been referred to the Marine section for consideration.

22.71.01 Illegal Dumping

Cllr Martin Farren noted that there had been illegal dumping of 10 bags of rubbish on the Green Road between Cooley Merville and Gleneely. Cllr Farren thanked the litter management team for the work done on this and noted that he hoped that the person(s) responsible are identified and fined.

22.71.02 Irish Water

Cllr Nicholas Crossan enquired if there has been any further response from Irish Water in relation to the cast iron pipes. Matthew Byrne advised that there has been no response, but he would follow up on this.

22.71.03 Dog Fouling

Cllr Terry Crossan requested that a dog fouling bin is put in place at each end of the Muff greenway. Matthew Byrne advised he would discuss this matter with the Roads Section.

Cllr Martin Farren noted that there have been no dog poop scoop bags available from the Council for some time. Cllr Nicholas Crossan also noted this. Matthew Byrne advised that he follow up on this.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Certified: _____
Cathaoirleach

Date: _____

Area Manager

Date: _____

HOUSING & CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT
Municipal District of Inishowen
17th January 2023

Housing Services

Progress Reports

Summary of Casual Vacancies Inishowen MD as 17 th January 2023	
Properties Refurbished and at Offer Stage	2
Properties being refurbished	2
Properties to be refurbished	7

Summary of DCC Housing Offers and Tenancies

Offers issued from 01/01/2023	Offers refused from 01/01/2023	Tenancies created from 01/01/2022
Casual Vacancies		
1	1	0

Summary of DCC Nominations to AHBs

Area	AHB	Nominated	Vacancy	Allocated
Moville	Apex	4	4	Pending
Carndonagh	SVP	0	1	Pending
Clonmany	SVP	5	1	Pending

Inishowen MD Housing Waiting List at 30 th November 2022	
Gross Number of Approved Applicants on Social Housing Waiting List	594
Applicants currently accommodated with HAP assistance but who have remained on the Council Social Housing list	430
Tenants currently accommodated in Council Social Housing and who are approved for a Transfer	40
Net Social Housing Waiting List	124

Gross Need by Approved Bedrooms Numbers and Location

17th January 2023

Municipal District		1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Inishowen	Ballyliffin	0	3	2	0	0	0	5
	Bridgend	1	11	6	1	0	0	19
	Buncrana	14	145	76	11	1	1	248
	Burnfoot	0	12	2	1	0	0	15
	Burt	0	3	4	0	0	0	7
	Carndonagh	9	61	36	6	0	0	112
	Carrigans	2	4	3	1	0	0	10
	Clonmany	1	12	10	1	0	0	24
	Culdaff	0	6	2	0	0	0	8
	Fahan	1	4	2	0	0	0	7
	Gleneely	0	4	3	0	0	0	7
	Glengad	0	2	1	0	0	0	3
	Greencastle	0	7	1	1	0	0	9
	Inch	0	1	1	0	0	0	2
	Killea	0	2	1	1	0	0	4
	Malin	0	2	7	0	0	0	9
	Malin Head	0	1	1	0	0	0	2
	Moville	4	20	9	2	0	0	35
	Muff	0	17	9	0	0	0	26
	Newtowncunningham	4	27	8	0	1	0	40
Redcastle	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	
Total		36	345	185	25	2	1	594

Housing Grants Report at 10th January, 2023

Housing Adaptation Grant for People with a Disability

YEAR	TOTAL RECEIVED	APPROVED	REFUSED	WITHDRAWN /CANCELLED/ INVALID	FURTHER INFO.	PENDING
2021	50	35	1	9	5	0
2022	70	51	0	10	1	8
2023	0	0	0	0	0	0

Mobility Aids Grant

YEAR	TOTAL RECEIVED	APPROVED	REFUSED	WITHDRAWN /CANCELLED/ INVALID	FURTHER INFO.	PENDING
2021	50	36	0	12	2	0
2022	41	26	1	9	2	3
2023	1	0	0	0	0	1

Housing Aid for Older People Grant

YEAR	TOTAL RECEIVED	APPROVED	REFUSED	WITHDRAWN /CANCELLED/ INVALID	FURTHER INFO.	PENDING
2021	114	93	10	11	0	0
2022	124	105	6	9	0	4
2023	0	0	0	0	0	0

Defective Concrete Blocks Grant Scheme.

9th January 2023

Stage 1 Applications (Confirmation of Eligibility)

Applications Received	1,101
Applications Approved	505
Awaiting Further Information or Being Assessed	595
Withdrawn	1
Stage 1 Fees:	
• Number	677
• Value	€3,464,716.68

Stage 2 Applications (Grant Approval)

Applications Received	127
Applications Approved	75
Value of Approvals (100%)	€12,566,956.10
Awaiting Further Information or Being Assessed	49
Applications Withdrawn	3

Essential Immediate Repairs

Requests received	1
Payments made	1

Stage 3 – Payments (Remediation in progress/complete)

Number of Stage Payments paid out to date	126
Value	€4,876,096.68
No. Starts (based on start date notified and first stage payment made)	54
• Of which are completed (All stage payments made)	27
• Value	€3,529,091.67

Housing Capital Update Report Inishowen Municipal District Meeting January 2023

1. Social Housing Developments – Construction Schemes

Donegal County Council is currently progressing the following social housing developments within the Inishowen Municipal District:

Location	Status	No. of Units
Construction Stage		
Rockytown Buncrana (Phase 1)	Completed. All units are now let.	21
Detailed Design / Tender Stage		
Crana Crescent, Buncrana	<p>Tenders returned on the 30th November 2022. Tenders evaluated for:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Suitability Assessment 2. Compliance / Clarification Check 3. Quality Assessment <p>The Most Economically Advantageous Tender is now undergoing the Bill of Quantities evaluation.</p> <p>In advance of appointment, approval is required from the Department. Upon approval, letters can be sent out to successful and unsuccessful Tenderer's. A contract can then be formed with the successful tenderer. Anticipated start date on site April / May 2023.</p>	16
The Meadows, Buncrana	<p>Contractors letters issued to successful contractor. Post Tender Meeting held on 7th December. Formal contractor appointment expected in early January. The contractor will be in a position to start on site at the end of January with a 10-month contract. Completion expected October 2023.</p>	1
Preliminary Design Stage (No of units subject to change)		
Rockytown, Buncrana (Phase 2)	<p>Part 8 approved at November 2022 Council meeting. Preparation of tender documents underway. Appointment of consultants to commence. Anticipated date for tender process for contractor is June 2023.</p>	56
Total		94

2. Social Housing through Turnkey Acquisition

Donegal County Council's turnkey acquisition process is continuing throughout the county. This competitive dialogue procurement process will result in a major capital investment in social housing, with the initial projects in the county now complete. This is a very effective mechanism enabling the Council to feed into the design of the proposal to ensure that the end product is suitable for the needs of social housing tenants.

The Council is currently liaising with the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage in respect of a project at Carndonagh as well as with the Developer in an effort to progress contractual negotiations.

Council officials are continuing to dialogue with Developers with regard to the additional valid proposal for Merville. Members will be fully informed of this proposal upon receipt of Irish Water requirements and final departmental approval.

3. Lands / Property for Social Housing Purposes

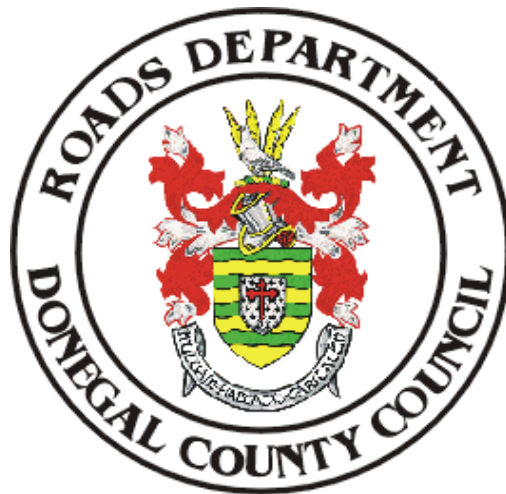
The Council is planning to develop further projects on existing landbank in various locations throughout the MD. Preliminary designs are underway for a number of these sites and are informed by the pertaining approved social housing need at local level.

In parallel with the construction and turnkey programmes outlined above, the Council is actively pursuing the acquisition of lands suitable for housing purposes, in towns and villages where there is currently not a social housing solution available / shortfall. In addition to the current expression of interest advertisement on the Councils' website for parcels of land, derelict sites / buildings with the potential to deliver social housing, the Council is also separately identifying parcels of land with social housing potential in areas of need.

A number of suitable land parcels have been identified in towns and villages across the Inishowen MD and engagement / negotiations are ongoing directly with multiple landowners / agents, to acquire these lands. In this regard the Council has currently 2 offers accepted (subject to contract) for land in Merville and Newtowncunningham.

Going forward, the land team will continue to identify further land parcels across the MD and work with the Council's local service team to assess their suitability for new social housing.

ROADS & TRANSPORTATION UPDATE



Inishowen Municipal District

17th January 2023

Maintenance Programme 2022

RSS	Engineer	Job Code	Road Name	Budget	Expenditure	Balance	%	Notes
Moville	Inish North	1B304001	Own Resources Regional Roads	106,363.00	91,459.32	14,903.68	86.0%	
Moville	Inish North	1B404002	Own Resources Local Roads	95,884.00	139,080.73	-43,196.73	145.1%	
Moville	Inish North	1B404009	Works Overheads	350,277.00	328,786.96	21,490.04	93.9%	
Moville Total				552,524.00	559,327.01	-6,803.01	101.2%	
Carndonagh	Inish North	1B303001	Own Resources Regional Roads	127,342.00	120,123.50	7,218.50	94.3%	
Carndonagh	Inish North	1B403002	Own Resources Local Roads	104,600.00	147,033.91	-42,433.91	140.6%	
Carndonagh	Inish North	1B303010	Works Overheads	419,368.00	397,003.68	22,364.32	94.7%	
Carndonagh Total				651,310.00	664,161.09	-12,851.09	102.0%	
Buncrana	Inish South	1B306001	Own Resources Regional Roads	119,948.00	119,401.58	546.42	99.5%	
Buncrana	Inish South	1B406002	Own Resources Local Roads	104,601.00	173,598.40	-68,997.40	166.0%	
Buncrana	Inish South	1B306012	Works Overheads	395,018.00	358,467.73	36,550.27	90.7%	
Buncrana Rural Total				619,567.00	651,467.71	-31,900.71	105.1%	
Buncrana	Inish South	1B402004	Own Resources Non-National Roads Buncrana Urban	252,601.00	165,405.88	87,195.12	65.5%	
Buncrana Urban Total				252,601.00	165,405.88	87,195.12	65.5%	
Newtown	Inish South	1B305001	Own Resources Regional Roads	83,258.00	85,977.68	-2,719.68	103.3%	
Newtown	Inish South	1B405002	Own Resources Local Roads	95,884.00	107,854.42	-11,970.42	112.5%	
Newtown	Inish South	1B305013	Works Overheads	274,189.00	274,212.80	-23.80	100.0%	
Newtown Total				453,331.00	468,044.90	-14,713.90	103.2%	
Grand Total				2,529,333.00	2,508,406.59	20,926.41	99.2%	

Maintenance Operations 2022

Operation	Band	Moville RSS Amount		Carn RSS Amount		Buncrana RSS Amount		Newtown RSS Amount	
		Moville RSS %		Carn RSS %		Buncrana RSS %		Newtown RSS %	
Drainage (B300)	40% - 50%	€205,488	45%	€246,020	45%	€231,735	45%	€160,851	45%
Road Surface Repairs (B553)	35% - 45%	€182,656	40%	€218,684	40%	€205,987	40%	€142,979	40%
Verge Maintenance (B586)	0% - 10%	€22,832	5%	€27,336	5%	€25,748	5%	€17,872	5%
Sign Maintenance (B780)	0% - 5%	€11,416	3%	€13,668	3%	€12,874	3%	€8,936	3%
Bridge Maintenance (B782)	0% - 5%	€11,416	3%	€13,668	3%	€12,874	3%	€8,936	3%
Emergeny RTC (B550)	0% - 5%	€0	0%	€0	0%	€0	0%	€0	0%
Street Cleaning (B556)	0% - 15%	€22,832	5%	€27,336	5%	€25,748	5%	€17,872	5%
		€456,640	100%	€546,710	100%	€514,967	100%	€357,447	100%

Restoration Improvement Programme 2022

RSS	Engineer	Road Class	Road Name	Works Type	Length or work (m)	Start	Finish	Notes
Moville	Inish North	R	Bredaglen	RR	1,000	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	LS	Cabry Q Pt	SR	1,000	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	LP	Cruckanonia	SR	500	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	LS	Archies Rd	SR	1,500	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	LS	Mount Scourge	SR	1,300	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	LT	Hilltown Gleneely	SR	1000	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	L	Quay St Moville	RR	135	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	L	River Row Moville	RR	257	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	LS & Lt	Bus man Clar	SR	1,400	Complete	Complete	
Moville Total 2022								
Carn	Inish North	R	R244 Gleneely (Ph 1)	RR	700	Complete	Complete	
Carn	Inish North	R	R244 Churchtown	RR	1,100	Complete	Complete	
Carn	Inish North	R	Bree to Umgal (Ph 1)	RR	1200	Complete	Complete	
Carn	Inish North	LP	Carrowreagh	SR	1,600	Complete	Complete	
Carn	Inish North	LS	Cloncha	SR	2,700	Complete	Complete	
Carn	Inish North	LP	Doon to Leiter	SR	1,900	Complete	Complete	
Carn	Inish North	LT	17th January 2023	SR	1,000	Complete	Complete	
Carn	Inish North	LP	Glengad	SR	1,300	Complete	Complete	
Carn	Inish North	LS	Ballyloskey/Cruck	SR	2,000	Complete	Complete	
Carn Total 2022								
Buncrana	Inish South	L	Daveys Rd (Pigery)	RR	1,200	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana	Inish South	L	Rockstown Rd to Kinnea Link	RR	500	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana	Inish South	L	Famine Village to Castle Isle of Doagh (Ph1)	SR	1,500	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana	Inish South	L	Cleenagh Ballymagan to Kinnego Crossroads (Phase 2)	SR	800	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana	Inish South	L	Aughaweel Lynch to Fullerton	SR	1,450	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana	Inish South	R	Umrycam to shandrum R238	SR	1,200	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana	Inish South	L	Aghilly Rd A&N to Hegartys House	SR	1,600	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana Total 2022								
Buncrana	Inish South	L	Milltown Road - hard shoulders and overlay	SR	800	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana Urban Total 2022								
Newtown	Inish South	L	Galdonagh Rd from Sallybrooke	RR	1,250	Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South	L	Granian of Alieach Approach Ph 1	SR	965	Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South	L	Inch Pier Rd to Grange - Inch Island Phase 2	SR	750	Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South	L	1N Moneymore	SR		Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South	R	1N Approach to Muff Main Street	SR		Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South	R	Slab Rd Corner	RR	200	2022	2022	Redeffer to 2023 cost overruns
Newtown Total 2022								
IMD TOTAL								

Restoration Maintenance Programme 2022

RSS	Engineer	Road Class	Road Number	Road Name	Works Type	Length or work (m)	Start	Finish	Notes
Moville	Inish North	L	L1821-1	Tromaty Btm	SD	1,500	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	L	L13915	Drung Graveyard	SD	400	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	L	L64612	Lafferty's Lane	SD	300	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	L	L1811-1	Aught Btm	SD	1,000	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	L	L63111	Head Ditch Rd	SD	1,500	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	L	L7741-1 & L7701-1	Calhame Rd + Branch	SD	1,350	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	L	L6141-1/2	Moneydarragh	SD	1,350	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	L	L1391-6	Lough Inn	SD	1,300	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	L	L6191-5	Pucan	SD	1,000	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	L	L17911	Margy's Rd	SD	658	Complete	Complete	
Moville Total						12,058			
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L1081-2	Glengad Rd	SD	700	Complete	Complete	
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L-5371-2	Back Rd Culdaff	SD	1,500	Complete	Complete	
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L-5591-1	Tiernaleague	SD	700	Complete	Complete	
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L-1221-2	Glasha	SD	1,000	Complete	Complete	
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L-5791-1/2	Effish X Rds	SD	1,500	Complete	Complete	
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L-5271-1	Rustards	17th January 2023	1,500	Complete	Complete	
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L-5591-2	Priestown Loop	SD	780	Complete	Complete	
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L-5321-1	Shantla/Beaugh	SD	2,200	Complete	Complete	
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L1301-2	Ballyharry	SD	1,000	Complete	Complete	
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L58813	Ballybawn	SD	670	Complete	Complete	
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L1011-3/4	Banba/Esky	SD	1,600	Complete	Complete	
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L-6021-1	Kindroyhead	SD	1,100	Complete	Complete	
Carndonagh Total						17,250			
Buncrana Rural	Inish South	L	L-1091-1	Isle of Doagh Castles	SD	1,000	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana Rural	Inish South	L	L-1541-1	Urris Chapel 806	SD	1,410	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana Rural	Inish South	L	L-1631-1	Dunree road	SD	1,300	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana Rural	Inish South	L	L-1691-1	Cashel road	SD	1,400	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana Rural	Inish South	L	L-6901-1	Sleadrin to Backhill Junction	SD	1,300	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana Rural	Inish South	L	L-7081-3	Mc Gee Clonglash	SD	2,000	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana Rural	Inish South	L	L7081/1L7091/1	Ballymagan to Aghilly	SD	1,160	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana Rural	Inish South	L	L-17811	Bauvllie/ Kellogs 806	SD	600	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana Rural	Inish South	L	L-7341-1	Annybrack to Barmoor	SD	1,800	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana Rural Total						11,970			
Newtown	Inish South	L		Veagh	SD	850	Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South	L		Black Bridge Rd	SD	1,400	Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South	L		Castruse	SD	1,450	Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South	L		Bogtown	SD	500	Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South	L		Creve road	SD	1,150	Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South	L		Altagherry	SD	860	Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South	L		Ardnamoghill	SD	1,250	Complete	Complete	
Newtown Total						9,060			
IMD TOTAL						50,338			

DRAFT Bridge Strengthening Programme 2022

Area	Engineer	Road Class	Bridge Number	Location	Description of Works	Length of work (m)	Start	Finish	Notes
Carndonagh	Road Design	L-1211-2	122	Corvish	New pier undermined	20	Complete	Complete	
Carndonagh Total						20			
Grand Total						20			

Low Cost Safety Programme 2022

Overseer	Engineer	Road Class	Road Number	Location	Description of Works	Length of work (m)	Start	Finish	Notes
Carndonagh	Inish North	R	R234-4 & L-2611	Tul Na Ri, Carndonagh	Crossroads Junction at Tul Na Ri, Carndonagh	100	Complete	Complete	Incident history - Road Design to prepare design. To include for additional signage on road to include for Driver feedback signs.
Carndonagh Total						100			
Moville	Inish North	R	R238	Clar	Section of R238 at Clar, Moville	50	Complete	Complete	Incident history - Road Design to prepare design. To include for embankment/crash barrier and Driver feedback signs.
Moville Total						50			
						150			

Footpath Provision Programme 2022 Additional Works

Overseer	Engineer	Road Class	Road Number	Location	Description of Works	Length of work (m)	Start	Finish	Notes
Moville	Inish North	R	Various	Ard Foyle/Bath Tce/Ballynally	Footpath repair	500	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	R	R-238-42	Community College Phase II	Provision of 150m of footpath	150	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	R	R-241-1	Main street Moville/Rd to Greencastle	Footpath repair	60	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	R	R-238-50	Muff Main street	New footpath at St Mary's Hall	200	Complete	Complete	
Moville	Inish North	R+L	L-1341-1/ L-1342-1	Moville (Glencrow /Quay St)	Replacement and New infill footpath to connect Moville Business Park, House Estates, Football Pitch and Health Centre to the Town Centre and Quay Street and the Pier and provide a safe walking route and infill lighting over a 1.2km distance.	860	2021	2023	(160m of replacement FP and 700m of new infill FP and 200m of infill Lighting and 40m of Retaining Wall)
Moville	Inish North	R+L	L-1891-3 R-238-50	Muff Village	Construct FP to connect Muff Village with the school, chapel, grave yd, football pitches and playpark. Subject to Road Design input	400	2021	2023	Design to be completed by Road Design, to be extended in to 2023
Moville	Inish North	L	LP1901	Muff to Grove at Border	Footpath repair and surface	120	Complete	Complete	Ongoing - 3 lights required. Pots are installed, Order confirmed with Suppliers. Awaiting lights
Moville	Inish North	L	Various	O'Gara Villas and St Finnians Pk	Footpath repair	200	2022	2023	Works in progress.
Moville	Inish North	R+L	Various	Greencastle	Footpath repair	100approx	2021	2023	Wall issue Battery Brea Third Party legal issues to be resolved
Moville	Inish North	R+L	Various	Moville	Footpath repair	100approx	Complete	Complete	Pedestrian lights area complete
Moville	Inish North	R	R238	Sections at Admiralty House	Footpath Repair	200	2023	2023	Connecting works done on LCA scheme done in 2022
Moville Total						910			
Carndonagh	Inish North	R	R-238-35	Gleneely Main street Ph I	New footpath from Crossroads to school	225	Complete	Complete	Final overlay to one section (100m)
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L-1041-2	Carpenter's Corner Phase II	Extension of footpath	50	Complete	Complete	Specific Development Charge - in cooperation with development group.
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L-12713	Bridge St	Provision of 50m of footpath	50	Complete	Complete	Contractor works complete, accommodation works for landowner
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	R-240	Convent Rd	Provision of 75m of footpath	75	Complete	Complete	Extend footpath to improve safety at junction with Circular Rd
Carndonagh	Inish North	L/R	R-238-27 R-244-1 L-1231-1	Churchtown/Derry rd	Replacement and New infill footpath to connect up 2 Hospitals, 2 National Schools , 3 house Estates, Carn Community School and Carn Chapel and provide a safe walking route over a 2 km circuit.	800	2021	2022	(400m of replacement and 400m of new infill) In progress
Carndonagh	Inish North	R	R-238-28	Malin Rd	Replacement and New infill footpath to connect Malin Rd with the commercial centre of the town and Schools and Church and Hospitals.	600	Complete	Complete	(200m of replacement and 500m of new infill) Action tactile paving to be installed at crossings
Carndonagh	Inish North	R	R-238-33	Bocan Culdaff	Construct 200m of footpath to connect the Play School , Community Hall, Chapel, Bocan Stone Circle and Temple of Deen at Bocan with Culdaff Village and provide a safe walking route link.	17th January 2023	2021	2022	In progress
Carndonagh	Inish North		No Number	Ard Colgan old housing est	Footpath repair	50	Complete	Complete	
Carndonagh	Inish North	R	R-240	At Grave Yd Wall	Footpath repair	50	Complete	Complete	
Carndonagh	Inish North	R	R-238	Ard Colgan new housing est	Footpath repair	50	Complete	Complete	
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	LP1121	Bunagee Rd Culdaff	New FP (after bridge works)	100	2021	2023	Pending installation of new bridge structure (currently being designed by Road Design Consultant)
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	LP1131	Middle Lane Culdaff	Footpath resurface and repair	170	Complete	Complete	
Carndonagh	Inish North	R+L	Various	Carndonagh	Footpath repair/slabs/paving Town Ctr	120approx	Complete	Complete	
Carndonagh	Inish North	R+L	Various	Malin Town	Footpath repair	100approx	2021	2023	
Carndonagh	Inish North	R	R-240-1	Malin St Carndonagh	Repair of 100m of footpath & drainage		Complete	Complete	
Carndonagh	Inish North	L	L	Carrowreagh Road to Pound St	Repair of 250m of Footpath & Drainage	250	2023	2023	new works 2023
Carndonagh	Inish North	R	R238	Community School to Shopping centre	Repair of 150m of Footpath & Drainage	150	2023	2023	new works 2023
Carndonagh Total						2,220			
Buncrana	Inish South	R	R-238-4	Rockhead Burnfoot - Phase I	Provision of 750m of Hard Shoulder including rock armour retention - land aquisition		2018	2023	Land aquisition negotiations concluded awaiting a response
Buncrana	Inish South	R	R238	Westbrooke / Cockhill Road	100m of New Surfacing to footpath	100	Complete	Complete	Location of Public Liability Claims (x2) from Westbrooke along Cockhill Road
Buncrana	Inish South	R	R238 / Main St	Main St Buncrana	Replacement of circa old drainage channels and upgrade of footpaths	800	2022	2023	Second phase to start in 1st Quarter of 2022
Buncrana	Inish South	L	L-1036-0	Millfield Heights	Replacement of surface on concrete Footpaths on Millfield brae	200	Complete	Complete	Ralumac surface with Concrete pathing beforehand
Buncrana	Inish South	R	R238	Fahan Village	Replacement of surface on Bitmac Footpaths through Village		Complete	Complete	Bitmac replacement to footpaths
Buncrana	Inish South	R	R238	Lisfannon - Tank Road Safety Improvements	Provision of new footpaths and crossing facilities	200	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana	Inish South	R	R238	Buncrana - At Victoria Bridge (McKenna's Shop)	Provision widened footpaths	200	2021	2022	Works 95% complete - traffic management difficulties at location with Christmas Traffic / awaiting Aitricity
Buncrana	Inish South	R	R238	Buncrana - Cockhill Road crossing	Pedestrian Safety Improvements	200	2021	2022	Works 90% complete - traffic management difficulties at location with Christmas Traffic / awaiting Aitricity
Buncrana	Inish South	R	R238	Ballyliffin Village - Carn Rd	100 meters of footpath within the speedlimits (Phase 1)	100	2021	2023	Requires landowner consent / agreement
Buncrana	Inish South	R	R238	Ballyliffin Village	Repairs to existing footpaths within the speedlimits	100	Complete	Complete	Bitmac replacement to footpaths
Buncrana	Inish South	L	L-1551-2	Straid Rd / Clonmany Village to GAA Pitch (Phase 1)	250 meters of hardshoulder and accommodation works	250	2021	2022	Requires landowner consent / agreement
Buncrana	Inish South	R	R238-6/7	Fahan Village (Phase 2)	150 meters of resurfacing of footpath within the speedlimits	150	Complete	Complete	Bitmac replacement to footpaths
Buncrana	Inish South	L	L-1671-1	Buncrana Slavery Rd	250 meters of new footpath and accommodation works	250	2022	2023	CPO Process necessary to acquire lands for footpaths, consultants appointed to progress
Buncrana	Inish South		N/A	Buncrana Urban Footpaths repairs / Claim issues	Various locations in Buncrana and the locations identified by IPB (10 NO)	1	2021	2023	10 locations to be identified by IPB - Additional Locations to be identified by Walkability Audit ONGOING
Buncrana	Inish South	L	L-5156-0	Buncrana Swilly rd and Buncrana Pier Area	250 meters of repairs and replacement to footpaths	250	Complete	Complete	Patch and remove concrete and overlay with Ralumac - Contracted
Buncrana	Inish South	R	R238	Buncrana Road to North West Golf Links	Patch and Resurface exsiting footpath	500	Complete	Complete	Ralumac thin surfacing - to be contracted
Buncrana Total						3,301			
Newtown	Inish South	R	R-239-5	Sappagh Phase II	Provision of 400m of hard shoulder	400	Complete	Complete	100m to complete 2018 - Continue with Hard shoulder works - works commenced
Newtown	Inish South	L	Various	Colehill Housing estate Newtown	Removal of old Concrete footpaths and placement of new Bitmac footpaths with kerbing	1000	Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South	R+L	R-237-1 L-2031-1 L-2131-1	Killea Village PHASE I	50 metres of footpath from the middle of the village	50	2022	2023	This funding was reduced and land ownership issues are delaying the works - same proposed for 2022
Newtown	Inish South	L	L-2141-2	Rushfield Rd Carrigans Village (L-2141-2 / R236)	Completion of the Rushfield road Footpath with tactile crossing to serve and link Coxtown National School with 4 housing estates (60 units) and IMD Rushfield Rd Carrigans Village (L-2141-2 / R236) Carrigan's Main Street - local village shops. (€45k for 50meters of new footpath and 50m of retain wall for the same. – This project will also include for a 2 no raised platform crossings with tactiles and cycle stands in the village (€25k) - please refer to - Points A,B, C in eligibility criteria - this project is shovel ready	70	2022	2023	
Newtown	Inish South	L	L-2051-1	Newtown village towards Castleforward	250 meters Construction of New Footpath	250	Complete	Complete	250 meters of new footpath and accommodation works
Newtown	Inish South		Various	Killea Village	General Patch and Repair works	100	2022	2022	
Newtown	Inish South		Various	Carrigans Village	General Patch and Repair works	100	Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South		Various	Bridgend - Footpaths at Bonemanie	General Patch and Repair works	100	2022	2022	
Newtown	Inish South	L		Newtown Linnk from N13 to Colehill	100m of New footpath and road widening	100	Complete	Complete	
Newtown Total						1,400			
Grand Total									

Active Travel

IPB

Lighting Provision Programme 2022 Additional Works

Overseer	Engineer	Location	Description of Works	Start	Finish	Notes
Moville	Inish North	Battery Brae Greencastle (Fort)	Connection of existing lights and provision of 2 additional lights	2018	2023	Meeting with PL supplier to agree civil works.
Moville	Inish North	Moville (Glencrow /Quay St)	Provision of any additional infill lights & civils	2021	2023	(160m of replacement FP and 700m of new infill FP and 200m of infill Lighting and 40m of Retaining Wall)
Moville	Inish North	Muff Village	Provision of any additional infill lights & civils	2021	2023	Infills required (to be funded by Clr T Crossan Members lighting) subject to final Design
Moville	Inish North	Muff Village	Route Lighting Upgrade by Lighting Central Reqd	2021	2023	Infills required (to be funded by Clr T Crossan Members lighting) subject to final Design
Moville	Inish North	Redcastle	Provision of additional lights & civils	2021	2023	3No pots & ducting installed
Moville	Inish North	Greencastle and Drumaweer	Repairs and Replacements in 'dark' areas	2021	2023	Infills required Meeting with PL supplier to arrnaged
Moville	Inish North	Moville	Repair to decorative lighting COLUMNS	2021	2022	PL supplier to repair Meeting to arranged in site.
Moville	Inish North	Moville	Repair to decorative lighting	Complete	Complete	Complete but under review
Moville Total						
Carndonagh	Inish North	Bridge, Culdaff	Provision of 4 additional lights & civils	2018	2023	to link along proposed footbridge from estate to town
Carndonagh	Inish North	Gleneely	Provision of 6 additional lights	Complete	Complete	Wearing course to be installed on footpath
Carndonagh	Inish North	Barrack Hill and Decorative Tn Ctr	Problem with low level and decorative lighting	Complete	Complete	Barrack Hill complete
Carndonagh	Inish North	Churchtown/Derry rd	Provision of any additional infill lights & civils	2021	2022	(400m of replacement and 400m of new infill) in progress
Carndonagh	Inish North	Malin Rd	Provision of any additional infill lights & civils	Complete	Complete	
Carndonagh	Inish North	Bocan Culdaff	Provision of any additional infill lights & civils	2021	2022	In progress
Carndonagh	Inish North	Carrick Brea (Back road walk route)	Provision of 2 additional lights & civils	2021	2023	
Carndonagh	Inish North	Simpsons to Carrowreagh Rd Jn	Provision of 6 additional lights & civils	2021	2022	Columns have been installed awaiting activation
Carndonagh	Inish North	Malin Bridge Lights	Repairs and Replacements to Deck and Arch	2021	2023	Deck lighting to be repaired
Carndonagh	Inish North	New FP Black Mtn Rd Malin	Provision of 7 additional lights & civils	17th January	2023	Pots and ducting installed waiting PL supplier
Carndonagh	Inish North	Bocan Chapel Jn/Carpark	Provision of 1 additional lights & civils	Complete	Complete	
Carndonagh Total						
Buncrana	Inish South	Buncrana Ludden Junction	Provision of 4 additional lights	Complete	Complete	Airtricity design for 300m requested
Buncrana	Inish South	Ballyliffen to Clonmany	Assistance for Clonmany TT and Ballyliffen TT with Provision of 15 lights	Complete	Complete	TT assisting with costs
Buncrana	Inish South	Buncrana Car Park Shore Front	Replacement of 4 x 10m lights	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana	Inish South	Buncrana Pier Car Park	Replacement of 2 x 10m lights (columns x 2)	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana	Inish South	Buncrana St Marys Rd Car Park	Provision of upgrade Lighting to St Marys Car Park	Complete	Complete	Anti - social issue with Library and Car Park - more lighting needed
Buncrana	Inish South	Lisfannon - Tank Road Safety Improvements	Provision of any additional infill lights & civils	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana	Inish South	Buncrana - At Victoria Bridge (McKenna's Shop)	Provision of any additional infill lights & civils	Complete	Complete	Awaiting ESB / Airtiricity to activate lights
Buncrana	Inish South	Buncrana - Cockhill Road crossing	Provision of any additional infill lights & civils	Complete	Complete	Awaiting ESB / Airtiricity to activate lights
Buncrana	Inish South	Clonmany Village	Provision of 4 new lights to existing poles on R238 into Clonmany	2021	2023	4 New lights from speed limit in / Awaiting quote from Airtricity
Buncrana	Inish South	Clonmany Rooskey Rd	Provision of 1 new light before bridge on the Rooskey Rd	Complete	Complete	1 New light to be erected from a previous agreement -Awaiting quote from Airtricity
Buncrana	Inish South	Buncrana Town Clock	Repair of streetlight	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana	Inish South	Buncrana Castle Park Junction	Provision of 2 new lights for pedesatrian safety	2021	2023	Civils to be undertaken By DCC Roads
Buncrana	Inish South	Buncrana Walkers Lane - Pedestrian Access	Provision of New lighting to the Pedestrian Arch walkers lane Buncrana	Complete	Complete	Awaiting ESB / Airtiricity to activate lights
Buncrana	Inish South	Clonmany Village	Provision of 1 light on Access Rd to Community Center	2021	2023	Airtricity to install light
Buncrana	Inish South	Linsfort / Desertegney School	Provision of 4 upgraded lights at Desertegney school / Chapel and supply of 1 new light	2021	2023	Civils to be undertaken By DCC Roads
Buncrana	Inish South	Tooban - Dispensary Junction with R238	Provision of 2 no 8 meter columns for Road / Junction safety	2021	2023	Civils to be undertaken By DCC Roads
Buncrana	Inish South	Replacement and Upgrade of 3 no Pedestrian Crossing Lights	Pedestrian crossing along R238 Cockhill Road	2021	2023	Meeting with PL supplier to agree civil works.
Buncrana Total						
Newtown	Inish South	19th Hole footpath	Provision of 2 additional lights on existing wooden poles	2018	2023	Planning application pending
Newtown	Inish South	Burt Graveyard - along side N13	Provision of 2 - 6M additional lights	Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South	Carrigans Low Cost Safety	Provision of 3 - 8M additional lights	Complete	Complete	Civils complete - Airtricity to install
Newtown	Inish South	Killea Village PHASE I	Provision of any additional infill lights & civils	2022	2023	to be done with footpaths
Newtown	Inish South	Carrigans Main Street (Derry Side)	Provision of 3 - 8M additional lights	Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South	N13 to Bonmenaine / Bridgend school (Phase 1)	Provision of 10 - 6M lights inside the speed limit	2021	2023	Civils to be undertaken By DCC Roads
Newtown	Inish South	Burnfoot village / Slab Rd Junction	Provision of 3 - 8M additional lights	Complete	Complete	Civils complete awaiting Airtricity to erect lights.
Newtown	Inish South	Carrigans Main Street (St Johnston side Side)	Provision of 3 - 8M lights	Complete	Complete	Civils complete awaiting Airtricity to erect lights.
Newtown	Inish South	Newtown Linnk from N13 to Colehill	Provision of 5 - 6m lights	Complete	Complete	Civils complete awaiting Airtricity to erect lights.
Newtown Total						
Grand Total						

Active Travel

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Drainage Provision Programme 2022

Overseer	Engineer	Location	Description of Works	Start	Finish	Notes
Moville	Inish North	L1391-6 Drung Hill Rd	20m of 900 dia twinwall and 70m of 300 dia and fill at roadside collapse	Complete	Complete	Roadside slippage repair
Moville	Inish North	L7311-1Tromaty QP	100m of 600 dia drainage reqd to prevent flooding	Complete	Complete	600mm Twinwall required
Moville	Inish North	L1341-2 Glencrow	Repairs to roadside collapse at Dennis Mc Guinnesses	Complete	Complete	300mm Twinwall 80m approx and sidefill reqd
Moville	Inish North	L6381-1 Cooley Rd	Drainage required and road crossing repairs at various locations	Complete	Complete	300mm Twinwall
Moville	Inish North	L7721-1 Lisnagra	Extend culvert at junction to facilitate vehicles turning	Complete	Complete	450mm Twinwall and stone and headwall
Moville	Inish North	L14111 Hilltown Gleneely	Drainage required and road crossing repairs at various locations	Complete	Complete	300mm Twinwall
Moville	Inish North	R238 Muff Greenway	Drainage to Greenway along R238 Muff	Complete	Complete	200m of 225 Twinwall and gullies
Moville	Inish North	L6171-2 Cabry	Drainage required and road crossing repairs at various locations	Complete	Complete	300mm Twinwall
Moville	Inish North	R238 Muff Village	Investigate and replace collapsed drains and 'sink holes' in Muff Village	Complete	Complete	CBR's testing/specialist contractor reqd
Moville Total						
Carndonagh	Inish North	R244 Gleneely HG	200mts of Drainage	Complete	Complete	60mts of 450mm Twinwall, reconstruct ditch.
Carndonagh	Inish North	R238 Oldtown Gleneely	450m of drainage and manholes	Complete	Complete	450mm Twinwall Pipe bought dealing with new landowner
Carndonagh	Inish North	R244 Gleneely/Carn Rd	Two road crossing and 500m of roadside drainage	Complete	Complete	300mm Twinwall Pipe
Carndonagh Total						
Buncrana	Inish South	Green road Tullydish	210 metre of 300 mm pipe @ €106 per metre	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana	Inish South	Upper Liafin	60 metre of 300 mm pipe @ €106 per metre and 2No Gullies @ 160 each	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana	Inish South	Davey road Urris	120 metre of 225 mm pipe @ € 90 per metre	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana	Inish South	Main road ILlies	110 metre of 300mm pipe @ €106 per metre	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana	Inish South	Aughaweel to Fullertons (Side of road drainage)	60 metre of 450 mm pipe @ € 130 per metre	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana	Inish South	Liafin road	60 metre of 450mm pipe @ € 130 per metre and 2 No Gullies @ €160 each	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana	Inish South	Aghilly Martin road	120 metre of 300 pipe @ € 106.00 per metre and 5No Gullies @ € 160 each	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana	Inish South	Tonduff Dunree	Upgrade stone culvert and lay 100m of 300mm pipe with gullies	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana	Inish South	Gill Backhill	lay 50m of 450mm pipe with gullies	Complete	Complete	
Buncrana Total						
Newtown	Inish South	Altagherry	Upgrade 100metres with crossings of 300mm pipe with manhole and gullies	Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South	Bunnamayne Upper	Lay 80 metres of 300mm pipe with manholes and gullies	Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South	Strachack	Lay 100 metres of 300mm twinwall pipe with manholes and gullies	Complete	Complete	
Newtown	Inish South	Deeneys Road	Lay a new 900mm pipe including road crossing	Complete	Complete	Pipes Bought complete Oct 22
Newtown	Inish South	Carrikane Inch	Lay 165metres new 300mm twinwall pipe with one manhole and 4 gullies	Complete	Complete	
Newtown Total						
Grand Total						

2023 Roads Programme(s)

The Roads Area Team are currently in the process of preparing a draft priority list for the 2023 Restoration programme. The draft priority list is being prepared based on the allocation received in 2022. The announcement for the 2023 allocation is expected within the next month.

The Councillors are now being asked to agree a number of dates for roads workshops to discuss the 2023 Roads Programme(s) in order for same to be agreed and adopted at the next Inishowen MD meeting scheduled for 28th February 2023. These programmes include:

- Restoration Improvement Programme 2023
- Restoration Maintenance Programme 2023
- Community Involvement schemes
- Local Improvement Schemes
- Lighting & Footpaths
- Bridges
- Low Cost Accident Schemes



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Economic Development, Information Systems & Emergency Services Directorate

Inishowen EDU Municipal District Report January 2023

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1. Division: Economic Development

1.1 Economic Development Unit

Project / Activity Report

Title	Economic Development Unit
Countywide	<p>Property Solutions: The team is progressing 13 property solution opportunities across the county. These are queries relating to the purchase of council owned lands for Economic Development purposes.</p> <p>Killybegs Marine Cluster: Work with the Killybegs Marine Cluster is ongoing and the group recently supported a new pilot schools programme via the Alpha Innovation Centre and a publicity campaign highlighting opportunities in the blue economy.</p> <p>Caravan, Camping and Campervan Study: recommendations from the Caravan, Camping and Campervan study being implemented along with internal and external stakeholders. The Caravan, Camping, Campervan and Motorhome Facilities grant Scheme: the grant scheme, targeting the Private Sector and Community and Voluntary sector has now been evaluated and grants awarded. Letters of Offer are currently with successful applicants and the Council are working to determine project schedules for drawdown, with consideration given to increasing costs and pressures on local business.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Marketing: A dedicated caravan, camping, campervan and motorhomes webpage has been developed on govisitdonegal.com. The EDU are reviewing this work in partnership with the Tourism Unit. <p>#BuyDonegal 2022</p> <p>#BuyDonegal is continuing to drive traction, locally, nationally and internationally with over 350 businesses participating in the 2022 edition. To date (Dec 15th) the campaign has reached over 5m people on social media.</p> <p>Relocation Marketing Campaign</p> <p>Following a tender process, a marketing agency, bigO Creative, has been appointed to develop a relocation marketing campaign to attract talent</p>

nationally and from overseas, while showcasing Donegal as a desirable location to live and build a career. The campaign will roll-out in Q1 2023.

InvestDonegal Communications Update: Latest key stats for the InvestDonegal LinkedIn, Twitter, Instagram and web accounts are as follows;

	Impressions (last 28 days)	Total Followers
Linked In	28,900	4,410 (+56)
Twitter	25,300	2,442 (+31)
Instagram	5,254	3,660 (+163)
Facebook	30,040	1,805 (+63)
Donegal.ie	5.6K Web Users (4 weeks 16 November – 14 December)	
	18 News Items Published	

Shared Island

Donegal County Council were awarded funding for a series of new innovative projects under the Irish Government's Shared Island Local Authority Development Funding Scheme and will be working in partnership with Derry City and Strabane District Council and Fermanagh and Omagh District Council in the coming year. The Economic Development Unit will be leading out on three projects and are currently scoping requirements for feasibility assessment and governance structures, in preparation for procurement of consultants in early 2023.

- **The North West Regulatory Tech Cluster project** is a proposal to develop an all-island national institute in Regulatory Technology ('RegTech') in the North West. DCC will work with Derry City and Strabane District Council, Catalyst, ATU and other partners to develop campuses in both Letterkenny and Derry. A project manager for two Shared Island projects (Slí Cholmcille and RegTech) was appointed on 5th December 2022 to drive the process forward.
- **Innovation Plaza** to develop cross-border enterprise opportunities in sectors such as renewable energy, advanced manufacturing & engineering and agri-food.

- **Regenerative Tourism** involving engagement with the region's place, past and people, seeking to attract high-yield environmentally conscious visitors.

North West City Region

Donegal County Council continue to work in partnership with Derry City and Strabane District Council on a number of key projects for supporting and stimulating Inward Investment in the region.

- **Inward Investment Strategy:** both councils have worked with OCO Global to develop a three-year Investment strategy for the region. Follow up actions and potential funding options have been developed on this with pitch propositions currently being finalised in partnership with OCO Global, focusing on key investment sectors.
- **Talent Solutions:** both councils are working with Abodoo to develop a mapping platform to demonstrate the range of skills in the region to help attract FDI to the Northwest of Ireland.
- **Communications:** The EDU continue to collaborate with DCSDC on promoting the North West City Region for investment and business opportunities including via LinkedIn and Twitter platforms. This work will tie into the Inward Investment Strategy in the coming year, with a current focus on the Talent Solutions survey. Both Councils conducted joint communications to promote the Investment Event held in Dublin.

You can follow respective LinkedIn and Twitter Platforms :
@NorthWestCityRegionIreland

Atlantic Economic Corridor: The Donegal County Council are working with Local Authority partners along the western coast to progress mutually beneficial projects and initiatives around economic development.

There are 2 Donegal based projects due for launch in 2023.

- **Moving West on TG4** –The show, which is produced by Dundara Television in association with The Western Development Commission puts a spotlight on the Atlantic Seaboard counties. Throughout the series the show follows the lives of individuals and families who have moved or are in the process of moving to a new home along the Atlantic coast. The episode on Donegal will be shown on 1st February.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donegal More to Life Video – A stunning new video will shows scenes of home, work and life up and down the West of Ireland – and declares: “This is more than just a place. This is a way of life. It’s where work/life balance flourishes. This is the West of Ireland, where there is more to life.” The video for Donegal is due to release in January 2023. Date TBC. <p>Concierge Service: The EDU are available to support existing businesses, potential business start-ups or businesses looking to relocate or wishing to expand and who need advice on accessing a wide range of Council services and supports including broadband connectivity. Please contact the EDU by email economicdevelopment@donegalcoco.ie.</p>
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1.2 Tourism Marketing Unit:

Project/Activity Report

Outline of Work	<p>Marketing Updates Holiday World Show 2023</p> <p>This event is taking place in RDS, Dublin from Fri, 27th – Sun, 29th January 2023 and is the first post-Covid Show since 2020. It is anticipated that the show will attract an audience of 70,000 over the weekend.</p> <p>There will be 16 individual booths and 18 businesses will be attending the show under the Donegal Tourism brand.</p> <p>The Tourism Unit is liaising with the show organisers in relation to PR in advance of the show and securing prizes for the show competition. Details are available on the Show website: www.holidayworldshow.com</p> <p>Production of Tourism Brochure 2023</p> <p>The A4 Tourism Brochure has been developed every year by the Tourism Unit since 2017. It is widely recognised as a valuable resource. The brochure allows for easy demonstrations of the county and its visitor attractions.</p>
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The Tourism Unit is currently revamping the Tourism Brochure which will be ready for mid-January 2023. With the environment and sustainability in mind, a condensed A5 printed brochure will be developed with QR codes linking to the website which will link the readers to the www.govisitdonegal.com website for more information. A viewable and printable PDF version will also be available.

TBEX FAM Trip

A representative from TBEX (Travel Bloggers Exchange) visited **from the USA in early December to examine the facilities within the county to host this major tourism conference.** TBEX is the world's largest conference and networking event for online travel journalists and travel industry companies. Its previous conferences have generated 16.2 million monitored blogs and tweets.

The conference has the potential to bring over 550 delegates from across the globe to Donegal and it is an excellent opportunity for the tourism industry in the county to engage with the world's most influential travel bloggers and leading digital content creators.

#BuyDonegal 2022 Campaign

The Tourism Unit is supporting the Economic Development Team during the #BuyDonegal campaign. Tourism offers are listed on the govisitdonegal.com website. Week 4 of the campaign is focused on tourism and service providers and will be led by the tourism team. Accommodation offers have been promoted throughout the week.

In addition, a social media competition ran on Facebook from Nov 30th – Dec 5th attracting large numbers to the Go Visit Donegal Facebook page and highlighting the #BuyDonegal campaign.

Ireland in Music – Season 3

Donegal County Council continues to support the 'Ireland in Music' TV show which offers a huge international exposure in key markets overseas. Filming for series 3 began in September 2022, with broadcasting to commence in the first quarter of 2023.

Further PR will follow once dates are confirmed.

Filming locations in Donegal include:

- Drumboe Woods, Ballybofey.
- Amphitheatre, Árainn Mhór.

International Distribution

- 9 Europe-wide screenings via European Broadcasting Union.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 3-year licensing deal with SBS Australia to broadcast and feature on IIM on the SBS On-Demand platform, viewed by 2.86million Australians each year. - IIM received a primetime slot on RTE1, RTE+1 and remains on the RTE Player for 1year. - Major partnership with USPBS member, WNET, who have broadcast IIM 57 times across New York, New Jersey and Long Island. - Social impressions: 1,507,482+ - TV viewership to date: Ireland 136k+ / USA 411k+ / Australia 38k+ <p>Christmas Lights Switch On 2022</p> <p>The tourism unit has been sharing images of the Christmas lights switch on and Christmas events happening throughout the county, promoting towns & villages to the wider audience.</p> <p>TIDE – Atlantic Network for Developing Historical Maritime Tourism</p> <p>Donegal County Council has developed three virtual reality experiences. All three experiences have been launched – Napoleonic era – ‘The Storm, The Sea – The Saldanha’, the Spanish Armada experience – ‘Wrath of the Atlantic, Wrecks of the Armada’ & World War 1 era - ‘Beware! Convoy Below!’ with promotional videos promoting all experiences.</p> <p>All experiences are continually promoted on websites & social media platforms. Information panels for sites to be installed in December.</p> <p>The collation content for the platform is ongoing. A six-month extension has been awarded with additional outputs to continue to develop the experiences. Claim 6 was audited and inspected by First Level Controller in early December.</p>
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1.3. Trail Gazers Bid Project

Project/Activity Report

Activity / Project Title	Trail Gazers Bid Project
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Activity / Project Description	'To quantify the return to the local economy for every euro invested in walks and recreational trail infrastructure '
Budget	€2.6 M
Progress to date within quarter* - inclusive of current status	<p>In 2018, Donegal County Councils Research & Policy Unit successfully led an application to the Atlantic Area Programme under objective 4.2 'Enhancing natural and cultural assets to stimulate economic development'.</p> <p>This transnational project is managed by the Research & Policy Unit (Lead Partner), working with 9 different partners located across Ireland, UK, France, Spain and Portugal.</p> <p>The project sets out to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quantify the impact of key strategic investments in walks and recreational trail infrastructure can have on stimulating rural communities, using sensors data, counters, surveys of users, businesses, communities etc. • Develop and trial a range of practical initiatives and interventions such as business to consumer initiatives, digital marketing tools etc to enhance the return. • Work with communities, businesses and other key stakeholders in the area to develop community plans and initiatives around the site. • Develop a range of community trail ambassadors to champion the sites as catalysts for the development of rural economies. • Our site for research purposes is Inch Levels and post project completion it is likely that key learning and methodology can be applied to other sites in the county and region through an extensive capitalisation programme. <p>SOCIAL MEDIA CHANNELS Website: www.trailgazers.eu Facebook: www.facebook.com/TrailgazersB Twitter: twitter.com/hashtag/TrailGazers Instagram: www.instagram.com/trail.gazers https://www.linkedin.com/company/trailgazers #TrailGazers</p> <p>PROGRESS</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Following our Walkability Audit of our pilot trail on the 18th October, a report has been produced with general observations in relation to our pilot trail at Inch Wildfowl Reserve. Trail Gazers is delighted to have been successful with a Slaintecare Application in order to carry out some of the recommendations raised following this audit. Procurement will start in the new year. <div data-bbox="479 430 771 840" style="text-align: center;"> </div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trail Gazers Toolkit – The Legacy has now been completed and will be available on our website for any groups or organisations to use in relation to their trails. In line with our development options arising from our stakeholder engagements, final upgrading works are now completed. This was key output from the Trail Gazers Project and will play an important role in creating more public awareness of the site. <div data-bbox="799 955 1149 1192" style="text-align: center;"> </div>
<p>Project Targets for the next quarterly* reporting period</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Launch Project Toolkit. Preparation of the final project claim Final infrastructural works to be carried out under our Slaintecare application.
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1.4 Strategic Funding Unit:

Project/Activity Report

Title	Strategic Funding Unit – exploring EU and National Funding Opportunities that support the objectives set out in the Donegal County Council Corporate Plan 2020 – 2024
All MD's	<p>SFU Webinars</p> <p>The SFU has delivered 10 webinars to date focused on EU funding opportunities and project development support. These webinars are available to view on YouTube.</p> <p>SFU E-mail Newsletter</p> <p>The SFU has distributed 13 e-mail newsletters in 2022 to both internal staff and external contacts with information on funding opportunities, project development supports and events.</p> <p>SFU and Local Authority Funding Strategy 2023</p> <p>A Strategic Funding Unit Strategy was developed in 2020 and this strategy will come to an end in 2022. The SFU is now working with the <i>North West Regional Assembly</i> on developing a Local Authority Funding Strategy following consultation with the SMT. This new NWRA Local Authority Funding Strategy will include an action plan for the coming years in relation to maximising opportunities arising from the current EU funding programme period of 2021 – 2027.</p> <p>YOUTHopia- Generating Perspectives for Cohesion</p> <p>Following the launch of the "YOUTHopia- Generating Perspectives for Cohesion" project, Donegal County Council will be working on a proposal to host a 'future fair', an event showcasing the opportunities in the North West for young people including skills and education, employment and entrepreneurship. The European Year of Skills will be 2023. This project will also include a 4-day training workshop in June</p>

	<p>2023 where young people can participate in a training programme in media and communication skills delivered by international media agency Café Babel.</p> <p>Exploration of EU Funding Opportunities with the North West Tertiary Education Cluster (NWTEC)</p> <p>The SFU has met with representatives of the NWTEC to discuss potential collaboration on EU funding opportunities including engagement in the YOUTHopia project in 2023. NWTEC is comprised of the four main Educational Institutions in the region, and includes Atlantic Technological University (ATU), Donegal Education & Training Board (DETB), Ulster University (U.U) and North West Regional College (NWRC). Further engagement is planned for 2023.</p> <p>URBACT & IFI Project</p> <p>Following the success of the URBACT playful paradigm project, Donegal Sports Partnership has been successful in securing funding via the International Fund for Ireland for a cross-border active play project. Working in collaboration with Donegal County Council and local stakeholders, this project will be piloted in Donegal Town, Letterkenny and Derry.</p> <p>Project Partnership & Development</p> <p>There are several new EU project proposals being reviewed on a daily basis. The SFU is receiving invitations to join consortiums from a number of sources. These are being reviewed and sent to the relevant Directorates on an ongoing basis.</p> <p>Other areas of work include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EU Funding Programme Reviews • Participation in project scoping meetings with potential partners • Participation in EU network meetings such as CPMR, AER etc. • Funding Needs Analysis of Council Divisions • Regular Strategic Funding Newsletters
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1.5 Donegal Diaspora Unit:

Project/Activity Report

Title	Donegal Diaspora Unit
Countywide	<p>Donegal Connect 2023 / 2024</p> <p>Plans for 2023 have already commenced and dates are hoped to be agreed upon, before the end of the year with a funding application for the Global Irish Festival Series 2024 also due for submission.</p> <p>Tip O’Neill Irish Diaspora Awards 2023</p> <p>A consultation exercise with the O’Neill family has been completed for the Tip O’Neill Irish Diaspora Awards 2023. A provisional date of 16th September 2023 has been agreed upon with procurement to commence in early 2023.</p> <p>Donegal Diaspora Website / Social Media</p> <p>A communications plan on the use of the Diaspora website and associated Diaspora social media channels is currently taking place with further updates to follow. <i>Donegal Diaspora social media statistics as of 16/12/2022 are as follows:</i></p> <p>LinkedIn – 1,123 (up 25) connections</p> <p>Twitter – 4,008 (up 19) followers</p> <p>Facebook – 5,750 (up 29) followers</p> <p>Instagram – 262 (up 9) followers</p> <p>#BuyDonegal</p>

	<p>From 5th – 9th December #BuyDonegal had a Diaspora themed week. with giveaway prizes from Magee 1866, Donegal Rapeseed Oil, Jacinta Callaghan Art amongst others.</p> <p>Scottish Diaspora</p> <p>A meeting was held between the Diaspora Officer and Donegal County Council Ambassador Packie Bonner with the aim of establishing a strong Diaspora network within key Scottish cities such as Glasgow, Edinburgh and Dundee. Further meetings will take place in 2023 with Tourism Ireland also to be involved.</p> <p>Diaspora Consultation</p> <p>The Diaspora Officer is currently working on plans for a consultation exercise to ascertain the views of the Diaspora and other relevant organisations in relation to ongoing work to develop Diaspora connections/networks that will inform the future strategy.</p>
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2. Division: Local Enterprise Office

Project / Activity Report

Activity / Project Title	The Local Enterprise Office (LEO)
Role and Remit	<p>The Local Enterprise Offices is positioned nationally as the “<i>First Stop Shop</i>” for anyone seeking information and support on starting or growing a business in Ireland. The Local Enterprise Office Donegal provides advice, information and support to those starting up or growing their business in Donegal. Grant is potentially available for businesses that meet the eligibility criteria.</p> <p>Further information available here - localenterprise.ie/donegal</p>

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Outline of Work

General Overview – Highlights:

Summary of October Outputs:

- Grant Aid –
 - 35 Businesses have been approved Grant Aid.
 - Value of total Grant Aid Approvals YTD is €795,360.40
- Trading Online Vouchers – 44 Businesses approved support to a value of €88,828.34
- Mentoring YTD – 152 Businesses have received this support
- Training – 1,434 Business Attendees YTD.
- Student Enterprise Programme – The latest programme began in September for this academic year. 769 Donegal students are participating in 15 schools.

Upcoming Programmes:

Ukraine Enterprise Crisis Scheme

Enterprise Ireland is working with the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment to help Irish businesses manage and mitigate the economic impact of the current crisis in Ukraine.

The Ukraine Enterprise Crisis Scheme is a €200 million fund to assist viable but vulnerable firms in manufacturing and internationally traded services. It is aimed at businesses experiencing significant difficulty as a result of increased energy costs.

The Scheme offers two streams of support to manufacturing and Internationally Traded Services companies.

Stream 1 is a liquidity measure that will help viable manufacturing and Internationally Traded Services companies experiencing trading difficulties. The overall aid under this measure will not exceed €500,000 and will typically be provided on a co-funded basis. The minimum aid award is €20,000.

Enterprise Ireland, IDA Ireland, Údarás Na Gaeltachta and the Local Enterprise Office are the approved granting authorities for Stream 1.

Stream 2 will provide aid for additional costs due to exceptionally severe increases in natural gas and electricity prices experienced by energy-

intensive businesses. The aid will be in the form of direct grants and the overall aid per undertaking will not exceed 30% of the eligible costs up to a maximum of €2 million. The minimum aid award is €20,000. Applicants will be required to demonstrate measures undertaken or planned to improve energy efficiency.

For both Streams applicants must submit an energy efficiency plan, ratified by senior management of the company.

Companies should contact Enterprise Ireland (EI) via the website: www.enterprise-ireland.com/ECS. The EI Hub team will do some initial checks to make sure companies can avail of the scheme. If validated as eligible, the companies are emailed an Application pack and an EI Development Advisor or their equivalent in the LEO are notified.

Subject to the normal assessment criteria, the applications are then evaluated and decisioned by the relevant authority.

Currently the Streams have two different closing dates. **Stream 1 is open until the 1st December 2022**, though this will likely be extended into the New Year and **Stream 2 is open until 31st March 2023**.

To date, information packs for Stream 1 & 2 have been issued to one firm in Donegal. Information sessions will be taking place in the New Year to provide the opportunity for companies in Donegal to learn more about the scheme's qualifying criteria and how to apply.

Scale-X Blue Economy

Scale-X Blue Economy is an 11-week Accelerator Programme which is targeted at start up entrepreneurs with the potential for fast growth in the Blue Economy i.e. the Marine engineering, marine research, marine energy, value added fish processing sectors. The programme focuses on giving you a deep understanding of the metrics that can drive your success, the skills to build financial models that stand up to investor scrutiny, and industry engagement and mentorship that give you valuable insights to adapt your business model to create the perfect fit.

Who is eligible?

- Any founder(s) with ambitions to grow their business globally.

- Any founder(s) with the potential for fast growth in the marine engineering, marine research, marine energy or value-added fish processing sectors
- A potential spin-out from an existing firm or third level institution
- A commitment to grow your business from Donegal, no matter where in the world you live right now.
- The programme is open to residents of County Donegal

Further Info:

<https://www.localenterprise.ie/Donegal/Training-Events/SCALE-XBLUE/>

The programme will begin in April 2023.

Donegal Enterprise Awards

The Awards celebrate the achievements of Donegal's small business sector over the past year. The awards recognise and celebrate the success stories of small business owners from all over the county. The following awards were announced and presented at the County Donegal Final of the competition, held on Friday 2nd December 2022.

Award Categories – Overall Prize Fund €14,000

- Best Established Award (over 18months trading) – Prize Fund €3000 – Silver Strand Ropes, Patrick McLaughlin, Moville.
- Best Established Award Runner-Up (over 18months trading) – Prize Fund €1000 – Irish Gap Year, Ryan Allen, Bundoran.
- Best Start Up Award (less than 18months trading) – Prize Fund €2000 – Bon Appetit, Eugene Gallen, Killygordon.
- Best Start Up Award Runner-Up (less than 18months trading) – Prize Fund €1000 – North Fox facilities services Ltd, Clonmany.
- Best Donegal Enterprise Export Award – Prize Fund €1000 – Niche Specialist Staffing, Gareth My Glynn, Bridgend.
- Best Donegal Enterprise Innovation Award – Prize Fund €1000 – Ample – Caroline Friel, Inishowen.

- Best Donegal Enterprise Green Award - Prize Fund €1000 – Donegal Bees – Thomas Ellis, Glencolcille.
- Best Donegal Enterprise Digital award - Prize Fund €1000 – Caitlin NicGabhan, Bunbeg.
- The Food Coast – Enterprise Award - Prize Fund €1000 – Little Mammass, Jon Geary, Donegal Town.
- The Creative Coast – Enterprise Award – Prize Fund €1000 – Molloy & Son, Kieran Molly, Ardara.
- Donegal Engineering Cluster - Enterprise Award - Prize Fund €1000 – Diorite, Ian Mason, Bunrana.

Ongoing Programmes:

Digital Start

YTD - 23 Donegal LEO Clients receiving this support worth €99,000

The objective of the pilot of Digital Start is to help businesses prepare and implement a plan for the adoption of digital tools and techniques across the business.

Digitalisation supports competitiveness, productivity, and value creation and covers five main areas:

1. Data processing and analysis (i.e. gathering customer trends, values insights)
2. Cloud computing (i.e. moving software/data to the cloud for accessibility)
3. Cybersecurity (i.e. protecting records, information, IP and data from attacks)
4. Internet of Things (software/technology connectivity)
5. Industry 4.0 (i.e. process automation in manufacturing facilities and utilisation of AI)

Digital Start provides strategic intervention for businesses to work for FREE with third party consultants worth up to €4,500 to:

- assist them identify where they are on their digital business journey,
- develop a digital adaptation plan based on their identified need,
- implement their digital adaptation plan.

Green for Micro

YTD - 9 Donegal LEO Clients receiving this support worth €19,926

This is a FREE programme that helps small businesses take the first step towards becoming more sustainable, giving them access to a green consultant worth up to €2,500 who will show them small changes that can have a big impact on their company.

Developing a 'greener' policy can offer many benefits to businesses, including:

- Increased cost savings
- Improved resource efficiency (for example: using less energy, water, and materials)
- Reduced environmental footprint and greenhouse gas emissions
- Opportunities for higher and additional value on products and services
- Increased access to customers, improved corporate image and reputation.
- Increased resilience to climate change impacts.

Lean For Micro

YTD - 16 Donegal LEO Clients receiving this support worth €65,975.50

LEAN provides strategic intervention for businesses to work with third party consultants worth up to €4,500 (Client contribution €200). It is designed to encourage clients to adopt Lean business principles in their organisations to increase performance and competitiveness. Lean is for all companies, regardless of sector – it is not just for manufacturing companies.

Lean tools and techniques address competitiveness issues within their businesses by building the capability of their people to identify problems, improve operations and create a more innovative organisation. In a nutshell, Lean is about doing things quicker, better and saving costs. Lean strives to remove waste and to continually improve a company.

Ongoing Cluster Development Programmes:

Food Coast Donegal

The Food Coast Donegal is an initiative facilitated by the LEO to support, celebrate and grow the Donegal Food Sector.

- 40 certified members.
- Just under 200 network members.

Current activities:

- The Food Coast Strategy Review is close to completion and should be finalised early in the New Year.
- In the planning stage of taking a group of Donegal food producers to St Joseph's University in Philadelphia for a week to attend lectures and field trips. The visit is scheduled to take place in March 2023, to coincide with St Patrick's day, and 20 businesses are due to take part.

Creative Coast Donegal

Creative Coast Donegal's aim is to support the building of a strong creative and digital economy in Donegal with businesses that are robust, confident, financially viable, and collaboration-friendly, all impacting positively on the local economy in terms of job creation, as well as being pro-active and competitive on an international stage.

There are currently 204 members of the Creative Coast Donegal network. These members are creative business owners throughout Donegal from various sectors within the Creative industry.

The LEO Donegal and external consultants are in the final stages of developing a 3-year action plan for the creative industry in Donegal.

Throughout September & October, Creative Coast Donegal delivered 7 pilot Creative Network Meetings for the Design and Craft sectors in four locations throughout the county. These network meetings were created based on the feedback directly from the creatives themselves and informed by the Creative Coast Donegal Skills Audit Insight report. Around 80 people attended the in-person meetings, which provided an opportunity for the creatives to network with one another and learn from industry experts in Ireland. These experts delivered masterclasses on a range of different skills such as social media strategy, financial management, brand development, etc.

The meetings have now moved to an online format and we have seen greater numbers of people in attendance. Feedback from both the in-person and virtual events has been positive. Three more online meetings are happening during November/December, concluding the pilot stage of the creative network meetings. Friel Consulting will provide a report in early December that will include recommendations on how the network should proceed.

In November, Creative Coast Donegal hosted the 'Yarns' conference – a celebration of the strength and heritage of the Fashion & Textile industry of the Northwest region. In collaboration with Strabane City & Derry City Council, the event took place in Letterkenny and Derry on the 18th & 19th of November. Various high-profile speakers from within the creative industry in Ireland, including Sonya Lennon, Paula Hughes, Aisling Farinella, and Deirdre McQuillan, facilitated workshops, delivered 1:1 training, and presented keynote addresses, to increase ambition, build skills, and inspire the creative community in the northwest.

Yarns was very well received by all who attended and received widespread social media coverage. Creative Coast Donegal is currently collecting written feedback from each of the attendees which will inform the development of similar events in the future.

Donegal Engineering Cluster

	<p>The ambition of the Donegal Engineering Cluster is to expand, strengthen and enhance the existing engineering group in Donegal by,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Facilitating inter-firm knowledge sharing and enhance learning. •Increasing market knowledge within the cluster. •Identifying new opportunities for the sector in the county through co-operation and collaboration among cluster partners. •Enhancing the skills and innovation capabilities of the engineering firms through training, peer learning and management development. •Enhancing the attractiveness of the sector as a potential source for future employment opportunities and business start-ups. •Developing collaborative opportunities into meaningful outcomes and outputs for cluster members. •Promoting the cluster as a centre of engineering excellence both nationally and internationally. <p>Maura Toner commenced as Donegal Engineering Cluster Executive in September, 2022, on a 3-year contract, and is currently engaging with engineers and other stakeholders to assess the opportunities for the sector and their current challenges.</p> <p><u>Upcoming Activities:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Start Your Own Business Programme – 10th January • Trading Online Voucher Workshop – 11th January <p><u>All bookings can be made here:</u></p> <p>https://www.localenterprise.ie/Donegal/Training-Events/Online-Bookings/</p> <p><u>Donegal Stories:</u> Website highlighting the businesses of Donegal that have been supported by the LEO. https://donegalstories.ie/</p>
Contact Person	<p>Brenda Hegarty, Head of Enterprise</p> <p>Local Enterprise Office</p>

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3. Division: Emergency Services - Fire Service

Activity	Number of: (November)*		Total for year	
<u>Fire Service Operations</u>				
Fire Brigade incidents within County Donegal**:	87		740	
Mobilisations (by Donegal Fire Service Brigades)**:	93		825	
Mobilisations into Donegal (by NI Fire & Rescue Service (NIFRS))**:	9		81	
<u>Operational Activity Breakdown November 2022</u>				
	Turnouts		Incidents in County	
	Fires	Special Services	Fires	Special Services
Donegal Fire Service	36	57	29	48
Northern Ireland Fire Service	4	5	3	7
Sub Total	40	62	32	55
Total	102		87	
<u>Fire Prevention</u>				
Fire Safety Certificate applications received:	21		174	
Fire Safety Certificates waiting to be assessed:	38		N/A	

Fire Safety Certificate applications assessed by Fire Officer and waiting for Further Information from Applicant / Agent:	62	N/A
Fire Safety Certificate decisions made:	6	107
Applications for Dangerous Substance Licences received:	1	9
Dangerous Substance Licences issued:	0	3
Form of notice received under the Explosives Act, 1875:	2	45
Inspections and Auditing carried out (Fire Services Act 1981 & 2003, Annual Licensing, DSA 1972, Explosive Stores, Pyrotechnics, BCA 1992 & 2007):	18	197
Fire Safety Complaints received:	2	19
Fire Safety Complaints dealt with:	2	16
During Performance Inspections carried out:	0	4
Fire Safety awareness presentations delivered:	0	79

*** Current data only available up to end of November 2022.**



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Community Development and Planning Directorate

Community Development Division

Municipal District of Inishowen Meeting - Tuesday, 17th January 2023

COMMUNITY FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Donegal County Council and Donegal LCDC have advertised and invited applications in respect of the following funding 2 no. Programmes:

Development Fund Initiative 2023

This Fund is available to support initiatives in various forms of development including economic, social, cultural, heritage and various related initiatives which will benefit local communities, areas and groups throughout the county.

Details of this fund are available at <http://www.donegalcoco.ie/fundingforyourgroup> or can be requested by email: dfi@donegalcoco.ie or by phoning 074 9172341/087 1141094

The closing date for receipt of completed applications under this fund is

4pm on Friday 3rd February 2023

Community Support Fund 2022

This Fund will support groups, particularly in disadvantaged areas as follows:

- With their non-pay running costs such as utility or other non-pay operating costs from July 2022-June 2023.
- Groups will also be able to use the funding to carry out necessary repairs and improvements to their facilities, purchase equipment for e.g. such as tables and chairs, tools and signage, laptops and printers, lawnmowers, canopies and training equipment etc. Details of this fund are available at <http://www.donegalcoco.ie/fundingforyourgroup> or can be requested by email from lcdc@donegalcoco.ie or by phoning 087 3332193

The closing date for receipt of completed applications under the Community Support Fund 2022 is 3.30pm on Thursday, 9th March 2023.

Workshop Request - Development Fund Initiative

A workshop date will be requested from the Elected Members to consider and allocate funding to the various groups under the 2023 Development Fund Initiative.

It is preferable that the workshop takes place prior to the next scheduled Inishowen Municipal District Meeting.

2022 Town and Village Renewal funding for Barrack Hill Town Park

The successful applicants under the 2022 Town and Village Renewal scheme were announced by Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys on the 14th January, 2022.

Donegal County Council in collaboration with the Barrack Hill Town Park Committee were awarded € 121,230.

The project will deliver an accessible multi-functional sheltered space for all the community. The space will be used by the committee and community for a variety of events, school field trips for geography, science, biology etc. Other uses by the groups include concerts, Art Exhibitions, picnics in the park, Halloween and Christmas events. Yoga, Tai Chi, music workshops, Art and Craft workshops, Easter hunts, cycling events, biodiversity workshops. The project will also create an economic benefit to help sustain the park.

Projects completed in 2022 and removed from MD scheduled reports

Name of Project	Nature of Project work	Cost/funding
2021 Town and Village Streetscape Enhancement scheme for Burnfoot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Painting of dwellings, commercial businesses and Community building in the village. • Installation of Awnings. • Green enhancement of the premises. • A branding and signage document plan for the village 	€40,000
2019 Town and Village Renewal project Newtoncunningham	Tourist Information Kiosk and signage.	€65,000
2019 Clonmany Town and Village Renewal Project	Resurfacing of a carpark, installation of public lighting, safety measures, Streetscape enhancement, tourist information signage	€125,000
2020 Clár Programme – Portaleen Viewing Platform	<p>A Community and tourist Viewing Platform in Glengad.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creation of a carpark, • Enhanced boundary stone wall, • the provision of picnic benches and seating. • Interpretation/mapping panels and illustrations and stories from the local school children. 	€55,000
2021 Culdaff Clár funded programme	<p>Outdoor Recreation and playground upgrading.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Installation of a new outdoor gym • The Construction of a new pathway in the outdoor space. • New playground equipment 	€55,000
2021 Donegal LCDC Sláintecare Healthy Communities Programme	<p>Surfacing of the Tip O’ Neill Trail.</p> <p>Purchase of an All-terrain outdoor recreation Wheelchair.</p>	44,667.93

Funded capital Projects to be completed and progressed in 2023

1. 2019 Buncrana Town and Village Renewal Scheme
2. 2021 Sláintecare Healthy Communities Programme. - Merville playground
3. 2021 Sláintecare Healthy Communities Programme. – Barrack Hill Town Park
4. 2021 Town and Village Renewal – Newtoncunningham
5. 2021 Town and Village Renewal funding – Merville
6. 2021 Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme (ORIS) project Development Measure for a pontoon at the existing jetty in Bunagee, Culdaff, Co Donegal.
7. 2021 Clár funding for Killea Community Park – Community Pod
8. 2021 Clár funding - Outdoor Gym at Bath Green Merville
9. 2021 Clár funding – Upgrading existing parking facilities servicing the sports playing fields at Desertegney
10. 2022 Town and Village Renewal project at Barrack Hill Town Park, Carndonagh



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1. Malin Head Visitor Management Plan
2. An Grianán of Aileach Fort
3. 2019 Buncrana Town and Village Renewal Scheme
4. 2019 Clonmany Town and Village Renewal Scheme
5. Rural Development Programme/LEADER
6. Playground Maintenance
7. Donegal Walks and Trails
8. Buncrana School Campus
9. Sláintecare Healthy Communities Programme. - Moville playground
10. Sláintecare Healthy Communities Programme. – Barrack Hill Town Park
11. 2021 Town and Village Renewal – Newtoncunningham
12. 2021 Town and Village Renewal funding – Moville
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Municipal District: Inishowen Activity / Project Update: January, 2023

Activity / Project Title	Malin Head
Activity / Project Description	<u>Malin Head Access & Amenity Improvement Project.</u> Phase 1 of the project includes the delivery of major works at Malin Head to create the 'Must See' visitor attraction. This also includes the provision of additional car parking close to Banba's Crown and the implementation of traffic management arrangements
Progress to date within the last two months/quarter* - inclusive of current status <i>* Delete irrelevant reporting period</i>	<u>Visitor Management Plan for Malin Head Signature Discovery Point Project</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Donegal County Council following consultation with Failte Ireland has completed the tendering competition for the procurement of multi-disciplinary services for the delivery of a visitor management plan for Malin Head Signatory point.• Keys and Monaghan Architects together with Cooney Architects have been appointed to Design the Malin Head Visitor Management Plan and Concept design.• Keys and Monaghan Architects together with Cooney Architects , a multi-disciplinary team have been appointed to provide a Visitor Management Plan and concept design for Malin Head.• There were four successful Stakeholder Engagement workshops held on the 8th May in Malin Head Community Centre, 9th May McGrorys Hotel Culdaff, Tuesday 14th May in the Colgan Hall, Carndonagh and Malin Village hall on the 15th May with over 310 people in attendance over the four evenings.• A workshop presentation by Keys and Monaghan Architects together with Cooney Architects on the concept ideas for the Malin Head Visitor Management Plan took place on Tuesday 10th December, 2019.• Public information events on the design concepts took place on Tuesday 10th December 2019 at St. Mary's Community Hall, Malin Head St Patrick's Parochial Hall, Malin Village and on Wednesday 11th December 2019 at The Colgan Hall, Carndonagh and McGrorys Hotel, Culdaff.• 110 attendees at the Public Information events on the 10th and 11th December, 2019. A questionnaire was circulated at the event and feedback was invited. Submission deadline Friday 10th January, 2020• Meetings took place with Elected Members on the 19th October, 2020 and the 14th December, 2020.• A meeting took place on the 27th January 2021 with the project team.• A meeting took place with the Elected Members on the 11th March 2021• A meeting took place with the Elected Members on the 29th April 2021 and various issues were discussed in relation to the Visitor Management Plan.• A recent meeting took place in October 20 with the Project team to devise the next steps forward. Land negotiations are ongoing.• A workshop meeting took place in June 2022

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Community Development Director of service and A/Senior Engineer are endeavouring to engage with landowners in relation to progressing the Visitor Management Plan Project. They are considering the next approach in moving the project forward to planning submission stage. • <i>Donegal Council remains committed, in partnership with Failte Ireland and with the support of the local community, to deliver on the ambitious objectives within the draft Malin Head Visitor Management Plan.</i> • <i>Phase 1 of the project includes the delivery of major works at Malin Head to create the 'Must See' visitor attraction. This also includes the provision of additional car parking close to Banba's Crown and the implementation of traffic management arrangements.</i> • <i>To proceed with this, the Council must acquire the necessary lands upon which the development is to proceed.</i> • <i>It is acknowledged that there has been significant delays in advancing the acquisition of these lands.</i> • <i>The Council is working towards progressing these matters over the coming period and will arrange to keep the MD members updated on progress.</i>
<p>Project Targets for the next bi-monthly/quarterly* reporting period</p> <p><i>* Delete irrelevant reporting period</i></p>	<p><u>January 2023 update for Malin Head</u></p> <p>The Council are committed to progressing the Malin Head project in 2023. The relevant preparatory documentation is in progress for submission to planning stage in the 2nd quarter of 2023.</p>
<p>Contact Person</p>	<p>James Kelly, A/Senior Engineer at 087 2236923</p>



Activity / Project Update: January 2023

Activity / Project Title	An Grianán of Aileach Fort
Project Description/Activity	Development /Improvement of Visitor facilities/Conservation Plan
<p>Progress to date within the last quarter -inclusive of current status</p> <p><i>* Delete irrelevant reporting period</i></p>	<p>Historical background</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A meeting took place on Tuesday 7th February 2017 with Mr. Frank Shalvey and Mr. Eoghan Moyla, senior OPW officials, Fáilte Ireland, Council Officials and various stakeholders. Mr. Shalvey agreed to initiate the process for a Conservation and Management Plan of the entire site. The timeframe for completion of the plan is early 2018. The Council will work in collaboration with the OPW, Fáilte Ireland and the stakeholders in relation to the development of the site. • The Office of Public Works have given a commitment to commission a Conservation and Management Plan . This is on the way to being achieved currently and this will set out the options for the future management of the Grianán an Aileach site. • In June 2019, the OPW officially appointed Blackwood Associates Architects to provide a Conservation and Management plan. • Alice Bentley of Blackwood Associate Architects, Claire Cotter, Archaeologist, Jackie Hunt, Ecologist and Michele O’ Dea from the Office of Public Works attended a workshop meeting regarding the Conservation and Management report with the Members on Monday 18th November, 2019. Contributions from the Councillors was documented by the consultations and will be addressed in the plan. • A copy of the completed Conservation and Management plan was circulated to the Elected Members in January 2021. • This plan sets out the implementation strategy and Action Plan for the conservation and protection of the monument. • The OPW have indicated that the list of Actions contained in the plan will guide the way forward for servicing the tourism potential of the site achieved collaboratively with the OPW and other partners and official agencies such as Donegal County Council and Fáilte Ireland • The Elected Members have sought a virtual meeting with the OPW regarding the report and this request has been made to the body. • The OPW officials will meet with the Elected Members and relevant Council officials at the site later in the Summer when health restrictions permit to discuss any issues associated with the site and the Conservation and Management plan • An application for funding has been submitted and it has been successful under the Council’s Minor Tourism related works grant scheme for small intervention works at An Grianan of Aileach:- • 1) Interpretative information panel (s) showing points of interest and mapping. This will also provide an orientation marker of Inishowen and Donegal whilst showing its significance and close proximity to Northern Ireland.(2) The proposal also includes the installation of 2 no. benches to provide accessible seating and enhance the scenic and recreational amenity for visitors, the elderly and the community to sit and absorb the spectacular vista and history and heritage of the site. It will help nurture a civic pride of place. • A meeting with the Office of Public works and the Elected Members has again been requested regarding the Conservation and Management plan. A response has not yet been received. • The seating and orientation information panel planned for the site is now been reviewed.
Project Targets for the next bi-monthly/quarterly* reporting period	<p style="text-align: center;">January 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Conservation and Management Plan was completed by the OPW in January 2021. • A request was made for the OPW to meet with the Members regarding this plan. • Clarity is being sought in relation to the plans by all relevant stakeholders for An Grianan of Aileach in 2023
Contact Person	Fiona Doherty, fdoherty@donegalcoco.ie 087 3678954

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Engineers are in discussions with a contractor to start the works. • The A/Senior Executive Engineer, is liaising with the Dept of Environment and Local Government in relation to the project and sought an extension of the funding drawdown period to facilitate the appointment of the contractor to undertake the construction work of the project. • Refurbishment work commenced at the end of September 2022 by Seamus Friel & Sons Ltd. • Work scheduled to be completed in 12 weeks. • The facilities currently available to campervans will be unavailable until the work is completed. • This information has been included on Donegal Tourism and Total Motorhome Ireland social media platforms.
<p>Project Targets for the next Bi-monthly / quarterly reporting period</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>January 2023 update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The refurbishment capital work is ongoing and is scheduled to be completed in the first quarter of 2023.
<p>Contact Person</p>	<p>James Kelly A/Senior Executive Engineer 087 2236923 Contact for capital works.</p>



Municipal District: Inishowen

Activity / Project Update: January 2023

Activity / Project Title	2019 Town & Village Renewal Scheme – Clonmany
Project Description/Activity	Resurfacing of a carpark, installation of public lighting, safety measures, Streetscape enhancement, tourist information maps and signage in collaboration with Donegal County Council and Clonmany Town Renewal Group
Budget (if applicable)	€100,000 – Department of Arts, Heritage & Gaeltacht Affairs € 25,000 – Own Resources
Progress to date within the last quarter -inclusive of current status <i>* Delete irrelevant reping period</i>	Description of works <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Resurfacing of the Carpark at St. Colmcille Community Day Centre and Residential care home Carpark.• Installation of Public street Lighting and Ducting at Gaddyduff Bray in collaboration with the roads directorate . Work completed in September 2020.• Bollards, Railings, Safety measures at St Mary's Church to the building used by the Award winning Tug O' War committee.• Enhancement of Streetscape and the Village Environment.• Tourist Information and Signage.• The appointed contractor declined the work associated with the resurfacing of the carpark at St Colmcille Day centre and residential care home. Work is ongoing to appoint the next contractor on the procurement list.• SSE Airtricity have installed the new public lighting columns and the power has been installed.• We are working with the Community group regarding the works associated with the enhancement of the village.• Due to the increase in the cost of surfacing materials in recent months in addition to previous issues the re-surfacing capital work of the carpark at St Colmcille Day Centre and residential care and community home has to be re-tendered.• The Executive Engineer was negotiating with the contractor that was assigned the project initially to review costs.• The resurfacing associated with the carpark at St Colmcille Day Centre and community residential care unit was re-tender• The Executive Engineer recently met with a contractor to assess the work and agree a date to commence the work.• New trees, hanging baskets have been planted on the streetscape and the work associated with the green enhancement has been completed• The outstanding work relating to the Resurfacing of the Carpark at St. Colmcille Community Day Centre and Residential care home Carpark commenced on the 12th October 2022.• The new signage to be installed soon.

	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Work Completed in January 2021</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installation of Public street Lighting and Ducting at Gaddyduff Bray • Bollards, Railings, Safety measures at St Mary’s Church to the building used for the Award-winning Tug O’ War committee. • Enhancement of Streetscape and the Village Environment completed by the Town Renewal Group in August 2022. <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Current Status January 2023</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The new signage associated with the project is ready and is to be installed this month. <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Work Completed</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The outstanding work relating to the Resurfacing and white lining of the Carpark at St. Colmcille Community Day Centre and Residential care home, • Installation of Public street Lighting and Ducting at Gaddyduff Bray • Bollards, Railings, Safety measures at St Mary’s Church to the building used for the Award-winning Tug O’ War committee. • Enhancement of Streetscape and the Village Environment completed by the Town Renewal Group in August 2022.
Contact Person	Fiona Doherty, Development Officer and Brian Keogh, Executive Engineer



Municipal District: Inishowen

Activity / Project Update: January 2023

Activity / Project Title	PLAYGROUND MAINTENANCE 2022/23
Project Description/Activity	List of Playgrounds <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Culdaff Playground• Moville Playground• Buncrana Festival Park Playground• Clós Phádraig Playground• Barrack Hill Playground• Cill Bhríde MUGA• Ballyliffin Playground• Manorcunningham Playground• Killea Playground
Budget (if applicable)	€6,444.79 incl. VAT
Progress to date within the last quarter - inclusive of current status	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The 2022 Maintenance/repair plan has been Completed.• The funding works associated with Ballyliffin playpark is completed.• Annual maintenance of playgrounds, annual ROSPA inspection reports completed with necessary repairs identified. Proposed successful playground maintenance contractor identified appointed. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Culdaff Playground• Moville Playground• Buncrana Festival Park Playground• Clós Phádraig Playground• Barrack Hill Playground• Cill Bhríde MUGA• Ballyliffin Playground• Manorcunningham Playground• Killea Playground
Project Targets for the next bi-monthly/quarterly* reporting period * Delete irrelevant reporting period	<u>January 2023</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Annual ROSPA inspections for the maintenance of all DCC playgrounds was completed in November 2022.• Repairs have been identified and a tender competition has been published to secure a playground maintenance contractor for 2023. Tender submissions are due back in February.
Contact Person	John Deeney, Executive Engineer, 087 7197619



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Donegal County Council

Municipal District: Countywide

Activity / Project Update- January 2023

Activity / Project Title	Rural Development Programme/LEADER
Activity / Project Description	Donegal Local Community and Development Committee are the Local Action Group for County Donegal, with responsibility for the LEADER/Rural Development Programme 2014-2020 & Transitional LEADER Programme 2021-2022
Budget	€13,413,875 (Additional funding received 2019) <i>Note: Project costs €10,063,586, administration and animation costs €3,350,289</i>
Transitional Programme	1 st April 2021 – 31 st December 2022 €2,861,598 project costs € 953,866 for Administration & Animation.
Progress to date within the last two months-inclusive of current status	There are 4 Implementing Partners within the county; Donegal Local Development Company (DLDC), Inishowen Development Partnership (IDP), Údarás Na Gaeltachta and Comhar na nOileán, who are rolling out the LEADER Transitional programme on behalf of the LAG (Local Action Group). The LEADER Transitional programme is effective from 1st April 2021 and runs until 31 st December 2022. €45 million is allocated nationally for the Transitional Programme and €20 million from the EURI programme. 46 projects in Donegal are now approved by Pobal under the Transitional & EURI programmes and Letters of Offer have issued/are pending, granting LEADER funding to a value of €2,166,463.
Project Targets for the next bi-monthly reporting period	The next LCDC/LAG meeting took place on the 15 th February 2023. Monthly Evaluation Committee meetings will continue to be held to progress projects to LCDC/LAG stage and the LDCs will continue to engage with promoters on the ground to develop and assess potential applications and to promote the Transitional LEADER programme.
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Activity / Project Update: January 2023 - Municipal District: Inishowen

Activity / Project Title	Buncrana School Campus
Project Description/Activity	Assisting the Department of Education & Skills in identifying a suitable site in the Buncrana Environs to accommodate a three school campus ideally measuring between 15 – 20 acres.
Budget (if applicable)	As per Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Education & Skills and CCMA.
<p>Progress to date within the last quarter - inclusive of current status</p> <p><i>*Delete irrelevant reporting period</i></p>	<p>Work has been on-going over the past few years and Donegal County Council are currently reviewing additional sites in Buncrana environs on behalf of the Department of Education and skills. Given the sensitive nature of such discussions, in particular in relation to land acquisition, it has been agreed with the Department of Education and Skills that any further requests for updates or progress reports would be handled directly by the Department.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donegal County Council are working on behalf of the Department of Education and Skills in securing the preferred identified site for the Buncrana School Campus. • The Compulsory Purchase Order process was instigated on the 4th December 2020. Public notices were published in the local newspapers. • Copies of the Public Notice and maps relating to the CPO was available for inspection at the Public Services Centre in Carndonagh, the Buncrana office and DCC headquarters in Lifford. • The ‘Notice to Treat’ was issued in December, 2021 to the parties with an interest in the site proposed for the Buncrana School Campus. • It is intended that the ‘Notice to Enter’ will be issued at the end of January. This will allow the Department of Education & Skills access to the land to carry out surveys, site investigations, etc. • Work is ongoing to progress the acquisition of the land
	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>January 2023</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The CPO is concluded. • The process is ongoing with valuers on behalf of the Department of Education and Skills and Donegal County Council are currently in negotiations with all parties with an interest in the lands with a view to finalising land compensation costs. • The Department of Education and Skills have commenced works on progressing the delivery of the School Campus.
Contact person	Eamon Boyle, Executive Engineer, 087 178 8623 eamonb@donegalcoco.ie



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Activity / Project Update: January 2023

Activity / Project Title	Donegal LCDC Sláintecare Healthy Communities Programme Enhancement Funding – MOVILLE
Project Description/Activity	Upgrade and improvement of Playpark on Moville Shoregreen.
Budget (if applicable)	€81,027.08
Progress to date within the last quarter - inclusive of current status <i>*Delete irrelevant reporting period</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Meetings and consultation took place with Moville Tidy Towns Committee and Cllr Martin Farren to agree, progress and finalise the works associated with the project• Tenders were advertised on e-tenders in March 2022<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tenders received and are been assessed• A contractor is to be appointed• All work to be completed within the 2nd Quarter of 2022• A contractor has been appointed to carry out the works associated with the Sláintecare project for the playground.• Work will commence on the 1st week in September, duration of completion is 7 weeks.• The appointed Contractor Garden Escapes (Ireland) Ltd will commence work on the last week in October.• The upgrading of the playpark will be completed in 7 weeks from commencement of the work• Prior notification will be provided to the local community.
Project Targets for the next bi-monthly/quarterly* reporting period	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>January 2023</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The refurbishment works is scheduled to be completed this week.• It is anticipated that the refurbished playground will be re-opened for the weekend.
Contact person(s)	John Deeney, Executive Engineer 087 719 7619 Fiona Doherty, Development Officer 087 3678954



Activity / Project Update: January 2023

Activity / Project Title	Donegal LCDC Sláintecare Healthy Communities Programme Enhancement Funding – BARRACK HILL TOWN PARK, CARNDONAGH
Project Description/Activity	Re-imagining of Barrack Hill Town Park. Upgrade of existing facility to include equipment for children with mobility issues, development of 5k park walk/run/cycle lane, development of a Multi Use Games Area or Synthetic Turf Pitch and installation of an accessible Covered Outdoor Space.
Budget (if applicable)	€124,204.19
<p>Progress to date within the last quarter - inclusive of current status</p> <p><i>*Delete irrelevant reporting period</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An overall assessment of Barrack Hill Town Park will take place later this month by the Engineers within Community development More Consultation will take place with the Barrack Hill Steering Group Committee with regards to prioritising and finalising the work associated with the groups objectives and achievable within the funding allocated budget. • An onsite meeting is scheduled to take place with the Barrack Hill Town Park Steering Committee on Friday 20th May. An overall assessment of the Playground, Activity space and Barrack Hill town park to take place • Works to be agreed and tendered • Contractor to be appointed by the end of the 2nd Quarter 2022 • A strategic meeting took place on site with the Barrack Hill Town Park Steering Committee, the community development staff and senior staff from the roads directorate on Friday 20th May, 2022. • It was decided to re-locate, upgrade and re-develop the community outdoor recreation playground and activity space • An assessment of the two sites is complete. • The Community Development Engineers will be in a position to progress the project to design and tender stage in collaboration with the group in September/October 2022 • The Community Development Officer & Executive Engineer held a site meeting on the 16th August with the BHTPC group. A draft design with indicate costs was considered and the detail scoped out. • Following this meeting and on-going communication with the group. A re-design was completed. It was decided it was more prudent to re-develop the existing playground and carry out remedial work to allow the activity space to re-open to the community. • Tender documents have been published on e-tenders • The submission deadline for submission of tenders is Friday 30th September, 2022. • Detailed assessment of tender submissions received within the 30th September deadline are been finalised by the technical staff in line with the Most Economically Advantageous Tender (MEAT) • A meeting is scheduled to take place with the BHTP committee, technical staff and Development Officer to agree and prioritise the final playground equipment

	<p>and work that can be achieved within the funding budget.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engagement with the contractor will take place with a view to prior to signing a Contract to deliver the project within the end of year deadline. • The Development Officer and Executive Engineer met with the BHTP Committee on the November and agreed and prioritised the final playground equipment and work that can be achieved within the funding • The detailed final project work is been finalised with the successful contractor.
<p>Project Targets for the next bi-monthly/quarterly* reporting period</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>January 2023</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Letter of Acceptance issued to the successful Contractor (Play and Leisure Services) • Works are expected to commence at the end of February 2023. • Work is scheduled to be completed at the end of 30th April.
<p>Contact person(s)</p>	<p>John Deeney, Executive Engineer 087 719 7619 Fiona Doherty, Development Officer 087 3678954</p>



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Activity / Project Update No.4 January 2023

Activity / Project Title	2021 Newtoncunningham Town and Village Renewal
Project Description/Activity	<p>€100,000 funding allocation €11,500 Match funding by Donegal County Council Budget for Capital works €75,500 Budget for consultancy work €36,000</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The provision of a centrally located outdoor space for young people to 'hangout/stay' in the centre of the village designed in consultation with the local school/youth community exploring the themes of place and identity.• The preparation of a Strategy and Action Plan for Newtowncunningham and Environs to inform the strategic sustainable development of the village and setting.
Progress to date within the last quarter -inclusive of current status <i>* Delete irrelevant reporting per</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Newtoncunningham Focus Group have issued a Request for Quotations for Consultancy Services to prepare a Regeneration Strategy for Newtowncunningham & Environs.• This work will inform the capital element relating to the Outdoor Space.• The Newtoncunningham Focus Group are working with the Council in relation to the procurement and appointment of consultants to produce a Regeneration Strategy, Action Plan and Health check for the village and Environs. <p>It is envisaged that the outcome of this will inform the capital element of the project</p>
Project Targets for the next Bi-monthly / quarterly reporting period	<p><u>January 2023 update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Newtoncunningham Focus Group have appointed a consultant and the Council are working with the group to progress a master plan for Newtowncunningham which will also inform the capital element of the project
Contact Person	Claire McCallan, Architect in the community and Brian Keogh, Executive Engineer,



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Activity / Project Update No.4 January 2023

Activity / Project Title	2021 Moville Town and Village Renewal Project
File:	Funding Allocation of €100,000 from the Department on 25 th February, 2022z. Match funding €11,500 by Donegal County Council
Project Description/Activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Enhancement of existing Outdoor Recreational Amenities at The Bath Green, Moville• Health Check and Regeneration Plan for Moville
Progress to date within the last quarter -inclusive of current status <i>* Delete irrelevant reporting period</i>	<p>The Minister for Rural and Community Development announced the funding allocation for the 2021 Town and Village Renewal scheme on the 25th February, 2022. Several meetings have taken place with the community group, Executive Engineer and the Development Officer scoping out and advancing the capital works associated with the project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Draft design drawings have been considered by the group and are now been finalised by the Engineers.• Tenders for the capital work will be advertised on e-tenders this month• Draft design drawings have been considered by the group and are now been finalised by the Engineers• A meeting is taken place with Donegal County Council and members of the group on Friday 14th October to scope out the work associated with the Town and Village Renewal project and the recently announced Clár funding for the outdoor gym.• A meeting took place on the 14th October with the community group to agree and finalise the nature of the work associated with the Town and Village Renewal funding and the Clár funding for the provision of an Outdoor Gym
Project Targets for the next Bi-monthly / quarterly reporting period	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>January 2023 update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tenders have issued on e-tenders inviting contractors to submit tenders for the Town and Village Renewal project and Clár funded project.• One contractor will be selected to provide the work associated with both projects.• The deadline for receipt of tenders is 19th January 2023.
Contact Person	Brian Keogh, Executive Engineer and Fiona Doherty, Development Officer



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Activity / Project Update No.4

January 2023

Activity / Project Title	2022 Movice Clár funded project
File:	Funding Allocation of €50,000 from the Department on 25 th February, 2022 Match funding €2,500 by Donegal County Council and Movice Tidy Towns
Project Description/Activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Outdoor Gym & Calisthenics Stations• The proposal provides for an accessible outdoor gym area including calisthenics stations to support all ages and abilities in an outdoor environment overlooking the sea at The Bath Green Movice.
Progress to date within the last quarter -inclusive of current status	<p>The Minister for Rural and Community Development announced the funding allocation under the 2022 Clár programme.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Several meetings took place between the Community Development staff and the community group to agree and finalise the nature of the work associated with both projects in Movice.
<i>* Delete irrelevant reporting period</i>	
Project Targets for the next Bi-monthly / quarterly reporting period	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>January 2023 update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tenders have issued on e-tenders inviting contractors to submit a tender for the Clár funded project and the Town and Village Renewal project.• One contractor will be tasked with delivering both projects.• The deadline for receipt of tenders is the end of this month.
Contact Person	Brian Keogh, Executive Engineer and Fiona Doherty, Development Officer



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Activity / Project Update:

Activity / Project Title File 622/P&ED/422 (8)	Tipp O'Neil Project
Project Description/Activity	Donegal LCDC Sláintecare Healthy Communities Programme Surfacing of the Tip O' Neill trail and purchasing of an All-terrain Wheelchair
Budget (if applicable)	€44,667.93
Progress to date within the last quarter - inclusive of current status	The Community Development section worked in collaboration with the roads department on this project. The surfacing was delivered and completed by the Roads department in August 2022. The specific purpose terrain Wheelchair was purchased in November 2022
<i>* Delete irrelevant reporting period</i>	
Project Targets for the next Bi-monthly / quarterly reporting period	The specific purpose All -terrain wheelchair was purchased in November 2022. Project is now completed
Contact Person	Brian Keogh Executive Engineer Community, Development & Planning Services Tel: 074-9172569 E-mail: bkeogh@donegalcoco.ie



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Activity / Project Title	Desertegney Youth Club and Dunree Football Club
Project Description/Activity	Upgrade the existing car parking facilities servicing the Foroige Youth Club, National School, local amenities and sports playing fields sited at the centre of the rural settlement of Desertegney in Inishowen
Budget <i>(if applicable)</i>	€55,000
Progress to date within the last quarter - inclusive of current status	Engagement with the group scheduled to take place next week.
<i>* Delete irrelevant reporting period</i>	
Project Targets for the next Bi-monthly / quarterly reporting period	
Contact Person	Brian Keogh, Executive Engineer and Fiona Doherty



ENVIRONMENT REPORT – January '23

WASTE AND LITTER MANAGEMENT

Christmas Campaigns

**Activity /
Project Title**

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Description/
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The Council has been encouraging householders to recycle as much as possible over the festive season. Christmas is a time where we have a lot of excess packaging, all plastic packaging including soft plastics can now be placed into your **household recycling bin**, together with paper and card and tins and cans, just remember to keep them clean, dry and loose.

Householders are also encouraged to use the local **Recycling Centres**, the centres accept a wide range of materials for recycling including all electronic or electrical goods free of charge. For more information all materials that are accepted, charges and opening hours visit www.donegalcoco.ie.

This time of year can be a busy time for the **bring bank network** for the recycling of glass and cans, if a bank is full please do not leave material at the banks but return at another time.

	<p>Make preventing food waste a New Year's resolution! Check out www.stopfoodwaste.ie for amazing leftover recipes for the festive season and fantastic tips of reducing your food waste. Remember to use your Food Waste Bin for any food waste left if you are in a Food Waste Bin area.</p> <p>The Council has carried out an advertising campaign in local newspapers with the Greenpiece, radio advertising with Ocean Fm, Highland Radio, social media campaign covering promotion of the recycling centres, household recycling bins, food waste prevention, WEEE recycling and Christmas Tree Recycling. We also carried out digital advertising with local online news sites.</p>
Contact Person	<p>Suzanne Bogan, Waste Awareness Officer sbogan@donegalcoco.ie</p>

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Solid Fuel Regulations 2022

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Burning smoky fuels releases invisible toxins that damage our health. It increases air pollution, which can trigger asthma and lead to serious illness. So make sure you only use low smoke fuels. And remember to clean and maintain chimneys and heating appliances at least once a year.

Find out more at gov.ie/CleanAir



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	<p>To improve air quality and reduce the associated health impacts, it is important to reduce the emissions into our air that is produced from domestic burning of solid fuels. This is what the new solid fuel regulations are designed to do, by ensuring that only higher quality and less polluting fuels will be legally available for sale.</p> <p>Burning solid fuels is a significant cause of poor air quality and is a factor in some 1,300 premature deaths in Ireland every year, according to the European Environment Agency. This demonstrates the extent to which the choices we make when heating our homes can impact on our own health and the communities in which we live.</p> <p>Donegal County Council will be raising awareness of these new regulations among householders and the commercial sector in the coming months. The Department have also produced a survey for householders to complete and this will be promoted on the Council's social media pages. For more information visit www.gov.ie/cleanair</p>
Contact Person	Suzanne Bogan, Waste Awareness Officer sbogan@donegalcoco.ie

COASTAL MANAGEMENT

Activity / Project Title	Beach Lifeguards
<p>Project Description/Activity</p>	<p>In 2022, it was difficult to recruit enough Beach Lifeguards to work on all the Blue Flag Beaches. Therefore, as part of a recruitment plan we have created a poster (below) to advertise Beach Lifeguard jobs with Donegal County Council.</p> <p>The poster will be sent to all Career Guidance teachers in all the secondary schools, third level collages, leisure centres, swimming/sports clubs in the county and surrounding area.</p> <div data-bbox="544 548 1271 1625" data-label="Image"> </div>
<p>Contact Person</p>	<p>Kevin McCloskey, Beach Lifeguard Supervisor kmccloskey@donegalcoco.ie</p>

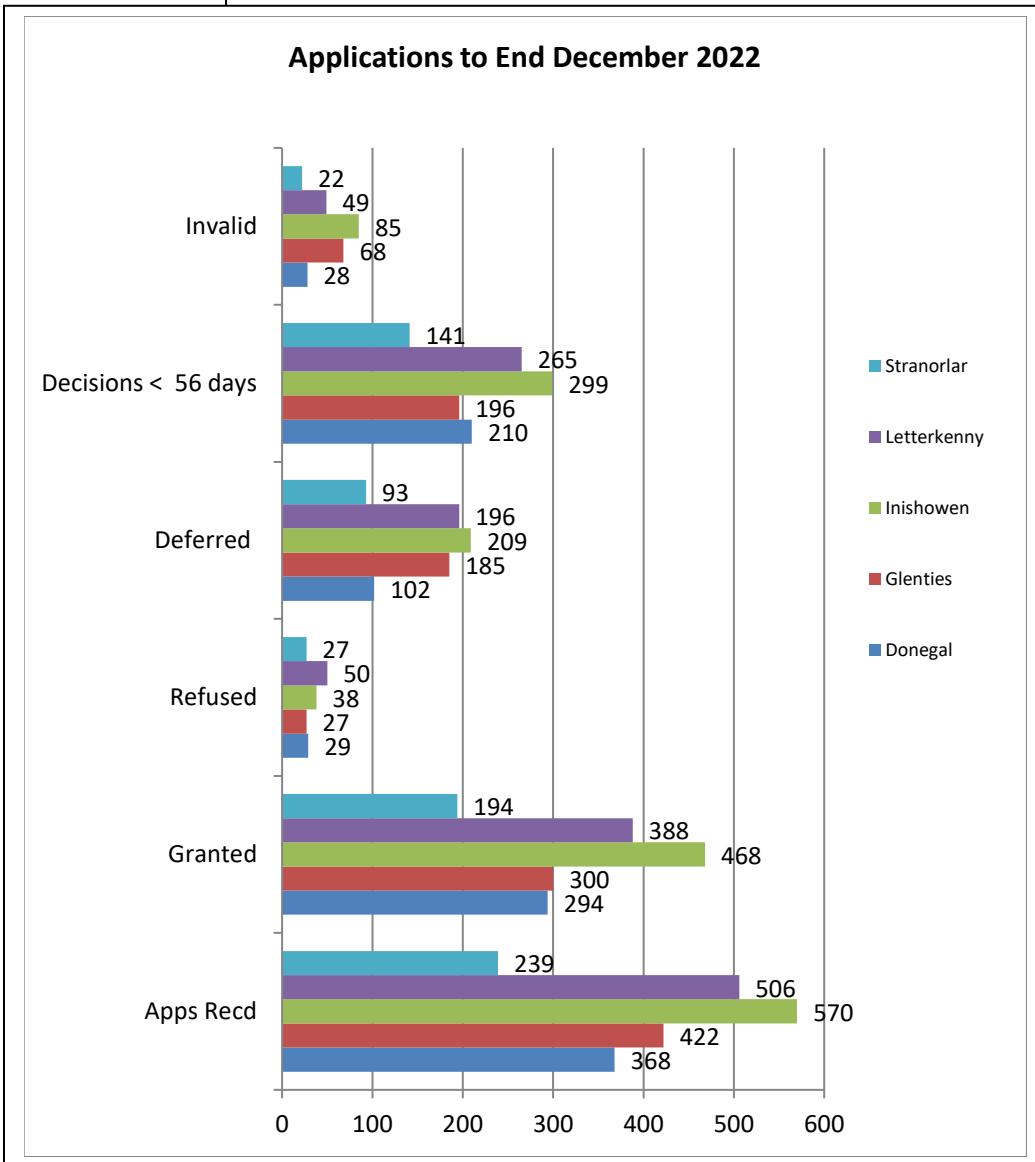
CENTRAL LABORATORY

Activity / Project Title	Farm Inspections
Description/ Activity	<p>Donegal County Council has been selected to receive special funding in 2022 to cover the cost of additional farm inspections to gauge compliance with the Good Agricultural Practice Regs and has engaged an external company, MARK McConnell Consultancy Ltd., to undertake these inspections on its behalf during November and December, 2022. A number of catchments where agriculture has been identified as a significant pressure on water quality have been selected including –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Swilly Burn (Raphoe area)• Carrigans River• Culdaff River, and• Crana catchment <p>Prior notice will be given to all farmers in these catchments selected for an inspection and the Council will be following up on the resolution of any issues identified.</p>
Contact Person	Joe Ferry joe.ferry@donegalcoco.ie

Activity / Project Title	Petrol Vapour Recovery Requirements
Description/ Activity	<p>Donegal County Council would like to remind Petrol Station owners/operators that they are obliged to ensure that their facility is so designed and operated in accordance with the Third Schedule of Air Pollution Act 1987 - Petroleum Vapour Emissions Regulations 1997 (S.I. No. 375 of 1997) and the European Union (Stage II Petrol Vapour Recovery during Refuelling of Motor Vehicles at Service Stations) Regulations 2011.</p> <p>The objective of these regulations is to reduce emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOC) into the atmosphere from vehicle re-fuelling activities at service stations, in order to reduce the adverse impact of VOC on human health and the environment.</p> <p>Under the 1997 regulations, all petrol service stations <u>must</u> have installed a Stage 1b Petrol Vapour Recovery system in place, (for accepting bulk petrol deliveries).</p> <p>The 2011 Regulations provide that new service stations which meet either of the following two criteria will be required to be equipped with Stage II Petrol Vapour Recovery (PVR II) systems to recover Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) during refuelling of vehicles, (ie – new pump dispensers for filling a vehicle’s petrol tank):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • throughput >100m³ (or 100,000 litres) and situated under living or working quarters • throughput >500m³ (or 500,000 litres) <p>The Regulations also provide that existing service stations are required to install PVR II systems when undergoing their next major refurbishment after 1 January, 2012 if they meet either of the above two criteria.</p> <p>In addition, the Directive requires that service stations with a throughput >3,000m³ (or 3,000,000 litres) were required to install PVR II technology by 31st December, 2018 at the latest (or sooner if undergoing a major refurbishment before that date).</p> <p>To meet the requirements of the regulations, a Service Station owner/operator is obliged to appoint an approved assessor who will carry out tests on their petrol station and submit a report and fee to Donegal County Council. If the Council is satisfied with the report it will issue a certificate of compliance with the above acts. Certificates of compliance last a maximum of three years, and need renewal on expiry. A copy certificates of compliance must be kept available for inspection at the relevant service station</p>
Contact Person	Joe Ferry joe.ferry@donegalcoco.ie

Inishowen MD Meeting
17th January 2022

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4	Regeneration Report	See Appendix A								
5	Building Control & Taking in Charge	No Report								
6	Central Planning Unit	No Report								
7	Capital Projects Delivery Unit	See Appendix B								
8	Casual Trading	No Report								
9	Further Information <i>Click on web links to access information.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekly List of applications and decisions: http://www.donegalcoco.ie/services/planning/weeklyplanninglists/ • Planning service email (to be used in correspondence with the planning service): planning@donegalcoco.ie • Planning Webpage: www.donegalcoco.ie/services/planning/ • Planning Application Online Query – planning reference number required: www.donegalcdb.ie/eplan/internetenquiry/rpt_querybysurforrecloc.asp • File Retrieval Form – to be used for file retrieval and when requesting planning searches: www.donegalcoco.ie/media/donegalcountyc/planning/pdfs/fileretrieval/File%20Retrieval.pdf 								

Appendix A



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Regeneration & Development Team
Community Development & Planning Services

January (2023) Municipal District Meetings Report to Elected Members

1.0 RURAL REGENERATION AND DEVELOPMENT FUND (RRDF)

1.1 EXISTING APPROVED CATEGORY 2 RRDF PROJECTS (2020)

- 1.1.1 **Back to Ballyshannon** – A transformational project to re-energise, re-imagine and sustain the social, cultural, historical, physical and economic fabric of Ballyshannon’s historic town centre.

Value: €247,500. (RRDF funding approved €185,625)

Update: The Team continues to work towards (i) completion of the acquisition interest in Ballyshannon Town Centre, and (ii) the publication of a planning scheme, so as to develop this project as a shovel ready capital project targeted for future Category 1 RRDF funding.

Members were provided with a detailed progress update on the draft project plans at workshop on 27th September 2022.

As agreed the Regeneration & Development Team then opened a period of public consultation on the draft plans for the project on Tuesday 25th October 2022 with a drop-in event in St Anne’s Hall, Ballyshannon from 3-8pm. The event was very well attended on the night. Draft plans remained available for viewing at www.donegalcoco.ie/services/planning/regenerationprojects with submissions to be made before 4:30pm on Tuesday 15th November 2022. A total of 105no. submissions were received and the Team is now examining the feedback and the necessary arrangements for further engagement. Arrangements will also be made for a further workshop with Members to update them on the feedback from the public consultation process.

- 1.1.2 **Ramelton Historic Town Centre** – A Restorative & Transformational Public Realm Scheme.

Value: €249,159 (RRDF funding approved €186,869)

Update: A Part 8 planning scheme for this project was published on Tuesday 1st February 2022 and a Chief Executives Report on the proposed development was brought before the Elected Members at a Plenary Meeting of the Council on Wednesday 6th April, 2022 and it was decided to proceed with the development as proposed.

Detailed design and a tender package is now being completed by the successful consultant BDP.

The Regeneration and Development Team completed the submission of a Category 1 capital funding application to the Rural Regeneration and Development Fund for the capital delivery of this project by the 12noon deadline on Friday 29th April, 2022. The submitted project had a total project value of €7,949,868.

On 10th November 2022 the Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys announced that €6.3m had been awarded under the Fourth Call for Category 1 Projects of the RRDF for the “Ramelton Re-Imagined” regeneration Project. This represents a full award of the RRDF funding sought. Work will now continue to complete the Detailed Design and preparation of a Tender Package for this project, together with arrangements for handover to the Capital Project Delivery Unit for onward delivery.

1.2.2 **THIRD CALL FOR CATEGORY 2 PROJECTS UNDER THE RURAL REGENERATION & DEVELOPMENT FUND (RRDF)**

On 6th January 2022 the Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys announced that €1.17m had been awarded under the Third Call for Category 2 Projects of the RRDF for the “Repowering Buncrana” regeneration Project.

Due diligence has been completed on this project and a formal letter of Offer together with an associated Funding Agreement was received on 10th May 2022. The Funding Agreement was subsequently accepted and formally returned to the Department on 18th May 2022. The project will now progress to procurement of the required consultancy services before commencement of the planning and statutory consents stages of this project enabled by the funding award. A successful public information event in respect of this project was held in the Inishowen Gateway Hotel, Buncrana on Monday 23rd May, 2022.

1.3 **FOURTH CALL FOR CATEGORY 1 PROJECTS (SHOVEL READY) UNDER THE RURAL REGENERATION & DEVELOPMENT FUND (RRDF)**

On 17th December 2021 the Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys TD announced the fourth call for Category 1 applications to the €1 Billion Rural Regeneration and Development Fund (RRDF).

The closing date for the receipt of proposals was 12 noon on Friday 29th April 2022.

As described at Point 1.2.2. above the Ramelton Re-Imagined regeneration project, with a value of €7,949,868 was submitted under this call.

On 10th November 2022 the Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys announced that €6.3m had been awarded under the Fourth Call for Category 1 Projects of the RRDF for the “Ramelton Re-Imagined” regeneration Project. Work will now continue to complete the Detailed Design and preparation of a Tender Package for this

project, together with arrangements for handover to the Capital Project Delivery Unit for implementation on site.

1.4 REGENERATION STRATEGIES & PROJECT DEVELOPMENT WORK

The Regeneration & Development Team had undertaken with Members to progress Regeneration Strategies in a number of Tier 2 Strategic Towns as a part of our work programme. This work has been progressing through in house resources and capacities together with consultancy services. An update on this area of the work programme is provided hereinunder:

1.4.2 Ballybofey-Stranorlar Regeneration Strategy & Action Plan

The Ballybofey-Stranorlar Regeneration Strategy was endorsed by the Committee of BASICC, as project partners, on 7th February 2022 and subsequently endorsed by the Stranorlar-Lifford MD on 25th May 2022. The Strategy was launched 27th May 2022 and is available at [Donegal County Council \(donegalcoco.ie\)](http://Donegal County Council (donegalcoco.ie))

1.4.3 Ballyshannon Regeneration Strategy & Action Plan

The Ballyshannon Town Centre Regeneration Strategy & Action Plan was formally published, launched and circulated to Members on the 20th April 2022. The Strategy & Action Plan, and associated Town Centre Masterplan, is available to view/download online at www.donegalcoco.ie and at Council offices. The Strategy was commissioned and funded by Donegal County Council and its delivery was led by GM Design Associates with the support and input of the Council's Regeneration and Development Team.

1.4.4 An Clochán Liath (Dungloe) Regeneration Strategy & Action Plan

The An Clochán Liath (Dungloe) Regeneration Strategy & Action Plan was formally published, launched and circulated to Members in September 2022. The Strategy & Action Plan, and associated Town Centre Masterplan, is available to view/download online at www.donegalcoco.ie and at Council offices. The Strategy was commissioned and funded by Donegal County Council and its delivery was led by GM Design Associates with the support and input of the Council's Regeneration and Development Team.

1.6. Rathmullan RRDF Project Development work

A presentation on the Draft Design Report for this project was made to the Elected Members at a scheduled workshop on 2nd June 2022 in advance of an informal public consultation event which took place later the same day from 3pm to 8pm in the St. Vincent de Paul Centre, Rathmullan.

In accordance with the information note provided to Members, a formal Part 8 planning scheme for this project was published on Thursday 24th November 2022. The project plans and particulars are available for inspection at County House, Lifford; Letterkenny Public

Services Centre; Milford Public Services Centre and online at: www.donegalcoco.ie until Tuesday 3rd January 2022. Submissions or observations may be made in writing on or before 4:30pm on Wednesday 18th January 2022.

The project is a partnership with Rathmullan The Way Forward CLG.

For further information contact the Regeneration & Development Team at: regeneration@donegalcoco.ie or on 0749153900.

1.7. Milford Town Centre First Plan

In late 2021 the Department of Rural and Community Development sought nominations for towns to be considered as part of the 1st Phase of the Town Centre Masterplan Initiative. Minister Heather Humphries TD subsequently announced that Milford was successful in securing €100,000 under the call. The Regeneration & Development Team is now leading on the delivery of a Town Centre First Masterplan for the Town.

The tender to procure Architect Led Full Integrated Design Team, PSDP and Masterplanning Consultancy Services to prepare a Town Centre First Plan for Milford together with a statutory planning consent scheme for a selected priority project or projects which will emerge from the Town Centre First Plan, opened on eTenders on 28th October 2022 and closed on the 7th December 2022.

The tender assessment process is now underway and it is anticipated that the successful consultancy service(s) will be appointed, and the project will be formally launched at the beginning of January 2023 with a scheduled completion date of mid-2023.

2.0 URBAN REGENERATION AND DEVELOPMENT FUND (URDF)

2.1 Existing approved URDF project in Letterkenny (application submitted 2018; final approval to proceed received September 2019)

This first application secured €1.9m in URDF monies, match funded by €600,000 for three sub-projects, the detail and progress of which is set out below.

Note: Please refer to Capital Project Delivery Unit MD reporting for update as regards the public realm sub-project.

(i) Preparation of a Regeneration Strategy for Letterkenny Town Centre.

The Letterkenny 2040 Regeneration Strategy was officially launched on Monday 5th December 2022 in the Radisson Hotel, Letterkenny attended by circa 100 guests including Minister McConalogue. This concludes the project which now transitions into project specific development and implementation.

The launch was followed by a cross- directorate Letterkenny Public Information Event where the public were invited to drop into the Radisson Hotel any time between 2pm-8pm to hear about the regeneration programme and also about other Council activities and services in Letterkenny. Staff from Housing, NRDO, Roads Central, Economic

Development, Planning, Regeneration & Development, Community Development and Water, Environment & Emergency Services were in attendance throughout 2pm-8pm and available to talk to people about the various projects set out below. Circa 100 people attended the Public Information Event.

- Letterkenny 2040 Regeneration Strategy and programme.
- The Urban Adventure Park at the Bernard McGlinchey Town Park.
- ‘The Eat Out’ Outdoor Dining Project at An Grianán Theatre.
- Housing grants, Repair & Lease Scheme & Croí Cónaithe Fund.
- Letterkenny Active Travel Projects, the N56 Four Lane Road Project and the TEN-T Priority Route Improvement Project, Donegal.
- Business supports, Buy Donegal 2022, Donegal clothing range & Alpha/Beta Enterprise Centres Project.
- Waste management & recycling.
- The programme for the forthcoming publication of the Draft Letterkenny Plan and Local Transport Plan.

(ii) Acquisition of key town centre regeneration site.

The Donegal County Council (Letterkenny Strategic Urban Regeneration Site) CPO 2021 became operative on Tuesday 15th November 2022. Steps will be taken in January 2023 to serve Notices to Treat and then to Enter enabling Donegal County Council to take possession of the lands and enable the delivery of Phase 1 (Alpha/Beta) of the Strategic Urban Regeneration Site which was approved Part 8 planning consent at the Special Council meeting on 24th February 2022.

In addition, in collaboration with Housing, options are being explored as regards the business model for the residential component of the Concept Masterplan relating to the remainder of the strategic site (Phase 2). Further updates will be brought to the Letterkenny-Milford MD in this regard as this work develops.

2.2 Successful application to the Urban Regeneration & Development Fund (May 2020)

The Councils successful application to URDF Call 2, continues to progress through funding approval steps required under the Public Spending Code. This application entitled ‘Letterkenny 2040 (Phase 1) ‘Re-energise and Connect the Historic Town Centre’ secured a provisional allocation of €13.6m match supported by match funding committed by the Council in the sum of €4.5m.

Specifically this new investment will help to advance five projects to varying stages of as follows:

- The further enhancement of the Cathedral Quarter
- The re-purposing of the Courthouse
- Strategic land assembly towards:
 - Regeneration of Lower Main Street
 - Advancement of a Regional Transport Hub

- Enhancement of ‘LK Green Connect,’ walking, cycling and parkland infrastructure.

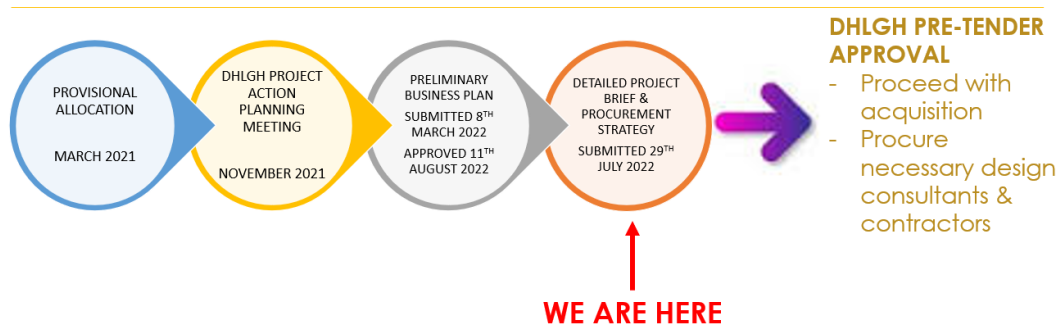
In relation to requisite funding approval processes, a Preliminary Business Case (PBC) was submitted to DHLGH in March 2022 for review and approval. This was followed by submission of Detailed Project Brief and Procurement Strategy on 29th July 2022.

The current status of the project is that the Preliminary Business Case secured approval of DHLGH on 11th August 2022. This represents approval under Decision Gate 1 in the project life cycle and ‘*approval in principle to Donegal County Council to proceed to Design, Planning & Procurement Strategy.*’ It also secured approval for funding uplift to take account of estimated increases as a result of inflation leading to total project value of €19.3m.

As outlined, a **Detailed Project Brief and Procurement Strategy has already been submitted to DHLGH on 29th July 2022 and is therefore actively under review and consideration by DHLGH.** A meeting with DHLGH officials took place on 5th December 2022 which confirmed that that review and consideration is ongoing.

Approval of Detailed Project Brief and Procurement Strategy will lead to approval to proceed to tendering inclusive of satisfactory completion of the Final Business Case and thereafter each project will advance at varying paces dependent on nature, scale and complexity.

A FUNDING APPROVAL PROCESS



Alongside the above activity, a number of steps are being taken to develop each sub-project further. The table below sets out this activity. In terms of next steps for 2023, priority will be placed on advancement of acquisition interests.

Sub-project	Immediate next steps
A: The Cathedral Quarter-Making a Creative District	See breakdown for each of the 3 elements
Creative Hub and Urban Parkland	Site-specific design concept via LKY 2040 Regeneration Strategy commission is now complete and forms part of the final publication launched 5 th December 2022. The Design Concept will inform the design process to prepare Part 8 proposed development or application to An Bord Pleanala, as

Sub-project	Immediate next steps
	<p>appropriate, via procurement of architect led design and supervision team following pre-tender and tender approval by DHLGH.</p> <p>Engagement has been undertaken with Failte Irelands 'Tourism Office Network Team' and Letterkenny Chamber of Commerce in relation to the tourist office element of this project.</p> <p>Design concept is also informing acquisition processes. Landowner consultation RE acquisition pathways has already significantly progressed. Further progression is dependant on receipt of pre-tender approval by DHLGH.</p> <p>It is intended to commence topographical survey where landowners have given permission to do so.</p>
Market Square	<p>Donegal County Council approved a Part 8 proposed development in respect of 'Letterkenny 2040-Reimagined Market Square' at a Special Council meeting on 26th October 2022.</p> <p>The next step in the delivery of the project is dependent on receipt of pre-tender approval by DHLGH and will involve the procurement of an architect-led design team to progress Detailed Design stage, followed by procurement of Construction Contractor.</p> <p>Following receipt of pre-tender approval, this project will handover to the Capital Projects Delivery Unit.</p>
Church Lane Shared Surface Scheme	<p>This project will be packaged with the 'Creative Hub and Urban Parkland' as regards Architect-led design and supervision team and is dependent on receipt of pre-tender approval by DHLGH.</p> <p>Part 8 is already secured through the work of Roads & Transportation and will be reviewed as part of the overall design process package with specific consideration to accessibility/threshold treatment.</p>
B: Strategic acquisition in Lower Main Street	<p>Site-specific design concepts for a number of Lower Main Street locations via LKY 2040 Regeneration Strategy commission are now complete and form part of the final publication launched on 5th December 2022.</p> <p>Landowner consultation RE acquisition pathways has commenced.</p> <p>Further engagement with Donegal Youth Service and Letterkenny Youth Club on future project development has also commenced inclusive of a meeting to agree collaboration in principle followed by site walk-around. The onward design of the project to Part 8 stage forms part of the future work programme of the Regeneration and Development Team to be advanced in Q2 of 2023 and subject to resources.</p> <p>In addition, the Regeneration Team is collaborating with Housing Design as regards a social housing scheme at Lower Main Street.</p>
C: Revival at the Courthouse	<p>Draft terms of reference are currently being prepared and reviewed for consultancy services to undertake a 'Product Identification/Visitor Experience Plan' to define the nature of proposed tourist attraction. The opening of tendering process in this regard is dependent on receipt of pre-tender approval by DHLGH.</p> <p>The Draft Terms of Reference include for engagement with Members at MD level and are being informed by ongoing consultation with</p>

Sub-project	Immediate next steps
	<p>Failte Ireland inclusive of 'Attractions Team' and 'Tourism Office Network' team. The target is to complete the preparation of the Terms of Reference in advance of and in readiness of approval to proceed to tendering by DHLGH in order to fast track this stage as soon as possible.</p> <p>The 'Product Identification/Visitor Experience Plan' will include for consideration of concept options and identification of the preferred story to be told, analysis of potential markets, competitor analysis, best practice examples, preliminary pricing, preliminary revenue projections, operational model (public or private).</p>
<p>Sub-Project D: Enabling a Regional Transport Hub</p>	<p>Preferred location for future Regional Transport Hub has emerged through the LK 2040 Regeneration Strategy process in the Pearse Road area. A Design Concept in respect of a future Transport Hub and its integration with LK Green Connect walking and cycling infrastructure and a new civic space is now complete and forms part of the LKY 2040 Regeneration Strategy launched on 5th December 2022. This work has assisted in connecting with potential landowners affected.</p> <p>The Design Concept will inform acquisition processes and land owner consultation will now formally commence and is dependent on receipt of pre-tender approval by DHLGH.</p> <p>The Team continue to work to engage with Bus Eireann following an initial meeting in March 2022.</p>
<p>Sub- project E: LK Green Connect</p>	<p>Through the LKY 2040 Regeneration Strategy commission, a Design Concept in respect of LK Green Connect is now complete. The Design Concept integrates LK Green Connect with an urban wetland concept, future transport hub and new civic space. The Design Concept will inform engagement with landowners to progress acquisition interests supported under URDF as regards LK Green Connect.</p> <p>In addition, it is targeted to progress a Part 8 proposed development using in-house resources in respect of LK Green Connect walking and cycling infrastructure to link Phase 1 (currently under construction) to Pearse Road and therefore to secure Phase 2 to shovel ready status. The timeline for Part 8 is yet to be confirmed and is subject to availability of staff resources across both URDF and RRDF programmes. The preferred scenario is to commence this in-house design work in Q1 2023.</p> <p>Publication of a Part 8 proposed development in respect of the 'Cultural Corridor' section of LK Green Connect is advancing and will be in a state of readiness in January 2023 for presentation to Letterkenny MD workshop thereafter. In parallel, focussed efforts are being made as regards lease agreement in relation to Letterkenny Tennis Club which is targeted to be closed out prior to publication of Part 8 proposed development.</p> <p>Pasparakis Friel Architects has been appointed to assist in relation to Part 8 preparation for the Cultural Corridor, specifically to provide Part 8 drawings while the Regeneration and Development Team will manage and lead all other elements of the Part 8 process including AA and EIA screening. This also includes consultation with the Cultural Partners (An Grianan Theatre, the Regional Cultural Centre and Donegal County Museum) and will provide for a long term public realm scheme at the front of An Grianan Theatre and also for enhancements to the Boxing Club lane.</p>

Sub-project	Immediate next steps
	Engagement with landowners has commenced as regards land acquisition interests necessary for the Cultural Corridor section of LK Green Connect and as supported under URDF and will be further advanced with greater certainty following Part 8 publication and following receipt of pre-tender approval by DHLGH.

2.3 Future URDF call for applications

Although there is no confirmed date available for a 3rd call for URDF applications, a communication from DHLGH is anticipated before year end 2022/as early as Q1 2023. It is understood that the focus will be on reducing vacancy and supporting residential development.

2.4 'The Eat Out' Outdoor Dining Infrastructure Project, Letterkenny

A Chief Executives Report in relation to the consultation process on the 'Eat Out,' Letterkenny was considered at the Plenary Council meeting on 28th November 2022 at which time Donegal County Council decided to approve the proposed development in accordance with plans and particulars published 15th September 2022.

This project will now hand over to Community Development. The Regeneration & Development Team continue to work with the Community Development section to explore options to progress the next stage of Detailed Design to deliver the project on site.

2.5 Other

The Regeneration and Development Team continue to engage in other regeneration related work areas and support other sections of Donegal County Council as required and across a number of other activities.

**Regeneration & Development Team
January 2023**

Appendix B



**Comhairle Contae
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Donegal County Council

CAPITAL PROJECTS DELIVERY UNIT

Community Development and Planning Services

Report to Inishowen Municipal District Members: January 2023

Activity / Project Title	Tús Nua Project
Project Description/Activity	<p>The Tús Nua Project is a transformative town centre regeneration project in Carndonagh.</p> <p>The project elements are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alteration of the former Leprechaun Bar to create a new through access and public amenities including a changing places facility, • Restoration, alteration and extension of a former Department Store and associated outbuildings to the rear providing for: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. a new Digital Fabrication Laboratory (FabLab) and co-working Hub (CoLabora), office space, ii. a Social Space for Young People and Teenagers iii. a community Kitchen, iv. Communal storage, and v. A public realm courtyard with sensory garden. • Creation of a new Pedestrian Street and public realm park between Pound Street/Bank Place and the Supervalu Retail Complex, • The restoration and alteration of a stone outbuilding to a Creative Makers Hub for creative and craft industries; • New demountable canopy feature(s) in the existing Diamond area civic space; • New public realm improvements on Back Lane connecting the Diamond to the Town Car Park and Bridge Street; • Acquisition of a town centre site (The Mart) which will enable separate progression of a town centre housing development by the Councils Housing Capital Team at an estimated value of €5-5.5m.
Budget	€ 9.6m
Progress to date within the last quarter -inclusive of current status	<p>Tenders for both the Integrated Design Team and the Land Valuation Services have been advertised with tenders to be returned in January 2023.</p> <p>Negotiations with landowners have commenced.</p>
Project Targets for the next Bi-monthly / quarterly reporting period	It is anticipated that the Integrated Design Team and the Land Valuation Services tenders will have been returned with the assessment process underway.
Contact Person(s)	Ardal McDermott, A/Senior Executive Engineer



Activity / Project Title	Fort Dunree
<p>Project Description/Activity</p>	<p>Donegal County Council (DCC) has been awarded grant funding of €9,251,000 for Fort Dunree, Co. Donegal under Fáilte Irelands, Capital investment scheme Platform for Growth – A Programme for Tourism Investment, Platform 1: Immersive Heritage and Cultural Attractions. This will be supported by €3.2 million match funding committed by Donegal County Council providing a total Project value of €12.5 million investment.</p> <p>The transformational tourism project at Fort Dunree is informed by a vision to reimagine the visitor experience at this spectacular Fort and Discovery Point along the Wild Atlantic Way.</p> <p>The project will physically link the 3 unique elements of Fort Dunree: Lough Swilly below the Fort; the Promontory Fort and the ‘High Guns’ Fort; provide immersive heritage and cultural touch points with a new route that opens up the site, with viewing points via modern interventions such as the proposed Funicular (the only one in Ireland) and interpretive installations, including the development of the Dunree Lighthouse.</p> <p>The proposed Project compromise of the following key components.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Works to improve existing High Fort 2. Provision of an iconic inclined elevator to the High Fort 3. Works to improve High Guns installation 4. Provision of improved distribution roads & parking 5. Upgraded and new walkways and watchtower works 6. Lighthouse conservation works 7. Military Museum & Night Skies space 8. Stabilise, repair or remove existing billet buildings 9. Provide new public spaces and facilities.
<p>Budget</p>	<p>€12.5m</p>
<p>Progress to date within the last quarter -inclusive of current status</p>	<p>The appointed Integrated Design Team has been surveying the site, interrogating background information and developing design options.</p> <p>The Visitor Experience & Interpretation Consultant has been researching the history of the site and developing the key themes and topics for the visitor experience for the site.</p> <p>The Quantity Surveyor has been examining costs and engaging with both the IDT and VEIC as the design develops.</p> <p>A Stage 1 preliminary design report with a preferred design option was submitted by the design team on 16th December 2022. This will be signed off on early in January 2023 and the project will progress to Stage 2(a)</p> <p>The Project Programme has been agreed as follows:</p>

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	Stage 2 (a) – Developed Design	03/01/2023	30/05/2022																			
	Stage 2 (b) – Detailed Design	31/05/2023	06/09/2023																			
	Stage 3 – Tender Action	21/09/2023	23/08/2024																			
	Stage 4 - Construction	26/08/2024	12/03/2026																			
Stage 5 - Handover	13/03/2026	06/04/2026																				
<p>Project Targets for the next Bi-monthly / quarterly reporting period</p>	<p>Sign off on the Stage 1 report and proceed to developed design. Submit Part VIII planning application in July 2023</p>																					
<p>Contact Person(s)</p>	<p>Shane Sweeney, A/ Senior Executive Engineer Brendan O'Donnell, A/ Senior Engineer</p>																					