

Comhairle Catharach & Contae Phortlairge Waterford City & County Council

January, 2023.

DO: GACH BALL DE CHEANTAR BARDASACH AN CHODECAIGH TO: EACH MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF COMERAGH

Housing Report

Housing Applications

Applications received for local authority housing in **Comeragh** District

Housing applications	Dec 2021	Dec 2022	Total Number of Applications Year to Date 2022
Applications received	1	0	29
Applications assessed (incl files carried forward from previous month(s)	2	0	31
Applications validated (incl files carried forward from previous month(s)	1	0	20
Approved for social housing supports following interview with applicant	1	0	24

Housing Allocations

Comeragh	Tenancies during	New Tenancies	Refusal Number of	Cumulative
Municipal	Dec 2021	during Dec 2022	New Tenancy	Number of New
District			offered	Tenancies 2022
	1	1	0	27

Housing Stock Voids

Electoral Area	Number of units completed Dec	Number units becoming vacant Dec 2022	
Comeragh	0	0	



Item no.

Capital Projects

Housing Construction

WCCC Projects					
Project Location	Area	Current Position	Comment		
Port na Machan,	Comeragh	Completed	Completed		
Kilmacthomas (16)					
Bye Lane,	Comeragh	Completed	Completed		
Kilmacthomas (3)					
Convent	Comeragh	Design Stage	Detail design		
Rossmore (6)					
Total	25				
	Approved Housing Body Projects				
Project Location	Area	Current Position	Comment		
Dunhill (8) Gleann	Comeragh	Design Stage	Planning Refused		
Ealach					

Plenary Overall Figures

Housing Adaptation for People with a Disability, Housing Aid for Older People and Mobility Aid Grants

Grant Scheme Amount	Number of applications approved Dec 2022	Value of applications Dec 2022	Cumulative number of applications approved 2022	Cumulative value of 2022 applications
Housing Adaptation for People with a Disability. Max. €30,000	8	84,404.09	120	€1,622,286.90
Mobility Aids Scheme Maximum €6,000	3	11,390.00	79	€419,959.25
Housing Aid for Older People Maximum €8,000	9	57,247.00	142	€762,436.81
Total	20	€153,041.09	341	€2,804,682.90

Housing Grant Applications	Housing Grant Applications	Housing Grant Applications
Received & Validated	Incomplete & Returned	Approved
20	27	20



1/1/22 to 18/12/22

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Emergency Services

Fire Service Operational Activity:

Total call outs to incidents attended by the 10 fire stations of the Fire Authority are shown for the year to date and for the month of December. Emergency response has continued uninterrupted throughout the Covid 19 crisis with significant precautionary measures put in place to ensure the safety of fire crews and the community served.

Area	Fires	Special Service	False Alarm Good Intent	False Alarm Malicious
Metropolitan	21	5	11	0
Comeragh	6	4	1	0
Dungarvan/Lismore	13	11	2	0
Total for December	40	20	14	0
Year to date	674	492	235	0



Operational Activity Comeragh District 2022

In addition, an overall breakdown of incidents attended within the 2 station areas in the Comeragh district for the full 12 months of 2022 is shown below.

Incident Type	WD13 Kilmacthomas	WD14 Portlaw
Chimney Fires	2	3
Dwelling Fires	5	2
Other Building Fires	3	3
Other Fires	19	20
Alarm Malfunction Good Intent	7	4
False Alarm Malicious	0	0
Road Traffic Accident	15	8
Hazardous Substance	0	2
Flooding	3	1
River Incidents	1	0
Miscellaneous	6	7



Fire Safety:

The following applications for fire safety certificates have been received with comparison shown for the same period last year

Applications	December	2022 Year to	December	Total 2021
Received	2022	date	2021	
Fire Safety Certificates	2	75	7	73

Building Control:

New functions associated with the Building Control Regulations, introduced on 1st March 2014, are being delivered within Emergency Services. Notices and applications associated with these regulations are shown below as well as referrals from the Planning Authority for fire safety and building control advice.

Application/Notification	Dec 2022	Cumulative Total for 2022
Commencement Notices	12	310
Completion Certificates	10	204
Disability Access Certificates	2	57



Civil Defence:

Civil Defence activities during the month of December 2022 continue with assistance in the response to the urgent needs of the Displaced Persons (DP's) fleeing from the effects of the Ukraine crisis.

- Logistical support & transport of over 43 Ukraine related calls
- Transportation to medical appointments such as hospital visits, GPs, dentists etc

In Community support and events we attended:

• Winterville Festival Waterford, Ambulance & First Aid Support.

A Mayoral Reception was held on 5th December in City Hall to recognize the service of Civil Defence during the Covid 19 pandemic. National recognition medals were presented on the night.

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