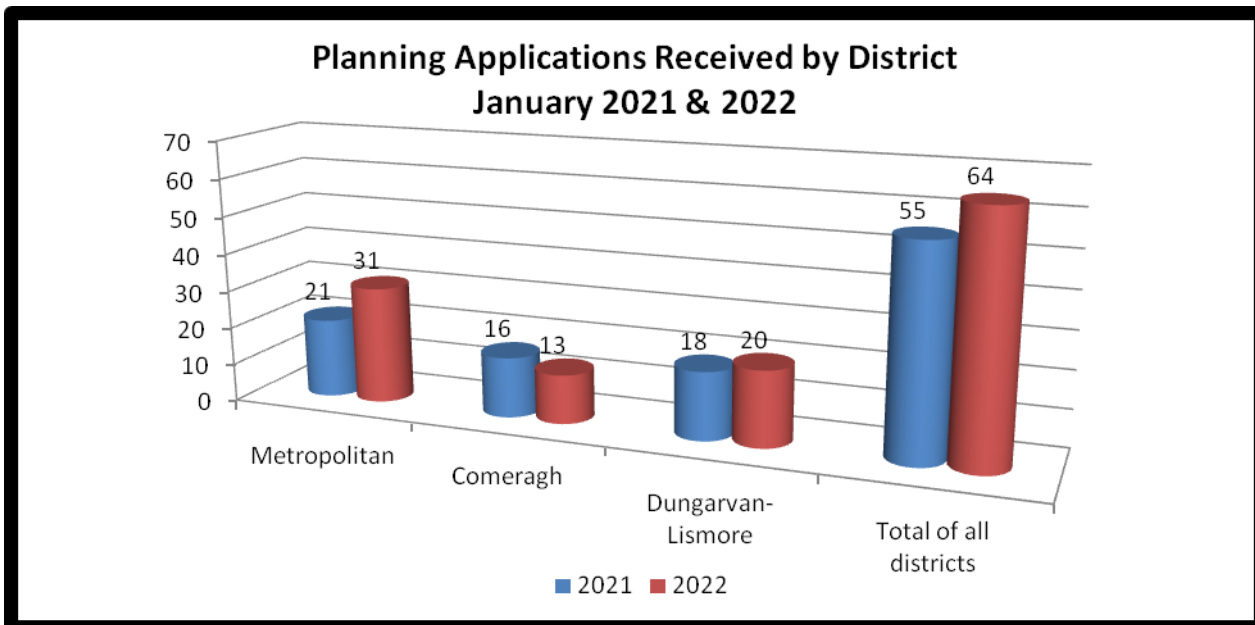


Planning Applications Received – Countywide

64 Planning applications were received in the month of January 2022 countywide. This compares with 55 planning applications received in the full calendar month in 2021. In December 2021, 123 planning applications were received in the calendar month, compared to 133 received in December 2020.

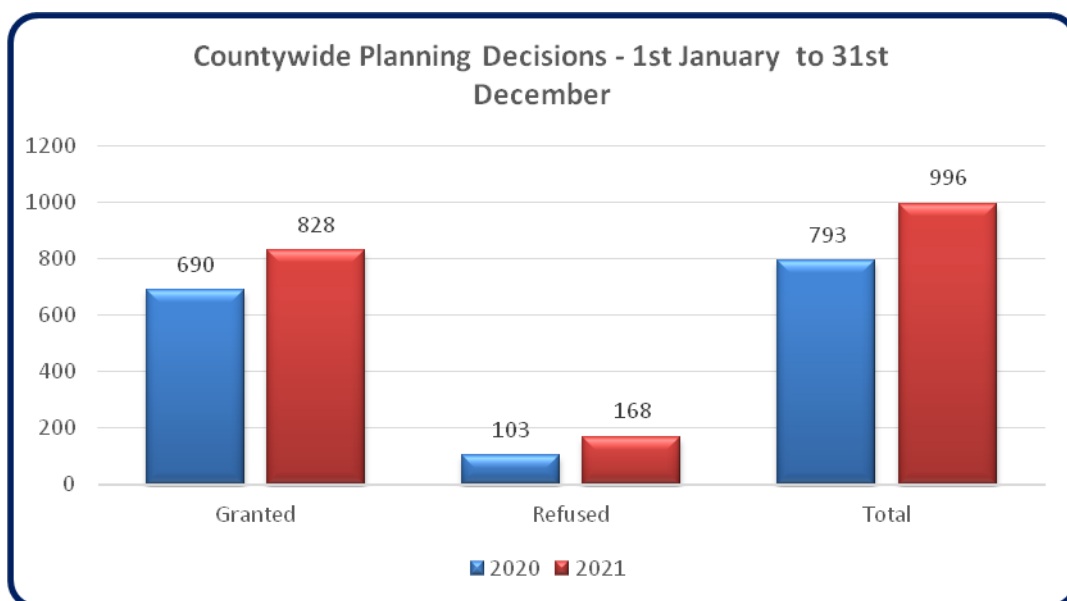
A total of 1233 planning applications were received in the year to 31st December 2021. This compares to 1025 planning applications which were received to the 31st of December 2020.



Planning Decisions

119 applications were decided from the 1st of December 2021 to 31st January 2022 compared to 113 for the same period in 2020/2021.

The number of applications which have been decided in 2021 has increased significantly, as seen below.



Heritage

Waterford Commemorations Programme

The Waterford Commemorations Committee is planning the 2022 programme of events which will mark the centenary of the Civil War. Events being considered include a living history commemoration of the Siege of Waterford in July, display of the National Archives Exhibition on the Signing of the Treaty, publication by Waterford County Museum on Cumann na mBan, a Community Commemorations Grant Scheme and mapping of Civil War events in Waterford. The programme will be submitted to the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sports, and Media for funding approval at the end of January.

Community Monuments Fund

Applications are being prepared for the 2022 Community Monuments Fund which are required to be submitted by March 1st. In 2021 Waterford City and County Council received an allocation of over €100,000 under this fund towards conservation repairs of Knockboy Medieval Church, Molana Abbey, repair of historic stonework at Kilgobnet Church and a Conservation Management Plan for Ardmore Graveyard.

Conservation

Conservation is working with the elected members on protected structures as per the draft Waterford City and County Development Plan 2022-2028.

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