

**DO: GACH BALL DE CHEANTAR BARDASACH DHÚN GARBHÁN/LEASA MHÓIR
TO: EACH MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF DUNGARVAN/LISMORE**

Economic Development Report to the end of February 2023

1. Rural Economic Development: Towns & Villages

Town Village Streetscape Enhancement Measure 2022 – Tallow

Further to the successful granting of funds under the Town Village Streetscape Enhancement Measure for Tallow in 2022. Letters of Offer have now been issued to all qualified applicants. All the grant funding of €100,000.00 has been allocated towards funding grants. Applicants will have until 31st July 2023 to complete all proposed works.

2. Trails

Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme (ORIS) 2023.

- Will shortly be preparing applications under ORIS 2023 for submission later in the year. Will be engaging with stakeholders, community groups and trail development groups in this regard.

Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme (ORIS) 2022.

The following ORIS 2022 projects due to commence during 2023:

- Mocollop Walks, Ballyduff – Installation of new Trail signage in collaboration with Coillte and local community: Measure 1.
- St. Declan’s Way – continued trail development in collaboration with St. Declan’s Way Steering Committee. This will include amenity seating, re-print of brochure and replacement of kissing gate: Measure 1.
- Munster Vales – Installation of information kiosks at key locations in the Munster Vales region in collaboration with Munster Vales. RFQ issued on 3rd February: Measure 1.
- Cappoquin Railway Loop Walk – Commencement of development of phase 1 pending planning permission: Measure 3.
- Villierstown Access to River Blackwater – Feasibility study and design of enhanced amenities and access to the water for recreation at Villierstown Quay and environs: Project Development Measure.

Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme (ORIS) 2021:

- Developing a revised ‘Walk Waterford – From Sea to Mountains’ booklet and trail mapping to include recently developed trails. New resources will be available in Q1 2023.
- Ramp Boreen Walk, Tallow: Improvement works to a section of this popular local walk grant aided under 2021 ORIS scheme. Works substantially complete. Funding claim to be submitted to DRCD end January 2023.
- Installation of 18 footfall counters at key trail locations across Co. Waterford. RFT has been issued. Project due to be completed before end June 2023.

Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme (ORIS) 2020:

Progress: Measure 3 project:

- Ballinacourty Greenway Spur: design team to be appointed shortly.

Blackwater River Valley Outdoor Recreation-Feasibility Study

- Public and stakeholder consultation has taken place with regard to this study. To find out more information on this feasibility study, click on this link: [Blackwater River Valley Outdoor Recreation Feasibility Study](#). Report outlining potential projects to be finalised in Q1 2023.

Waterford Greenway

- A number of projects are currently being planned and/or implemented on Waterford Greenway with both WCCC funding sources and funding support from TII including:
- Installation of bike maintenance stations along the route. To be installed in Q1 2023.

Dungarvan – Mallow Greenway Feasibility Study

- Continuing to work with Cork County Council, TII and Atkins Ireland with regard to the Dungarvan to Mallow Greenway feasibility study. Further landowner, stakeholder and public engagement will take place at emerging preferred route stage in coming months.

Waterford Trails

- Continuing to engage with Sport Ireland Outdoors and local trail development groups around Waterford with regard to ongoing monitoring maintenance, development and promotion of Waterford's existing recreational trail network. www.visitwaterfordtrails.com

3. Tourism

Water Activity Centre: Ardmore

- Design progressing.

4. Dungarvan Town Centre

The next meeting of the Dungarvan TCMG is scheduled for February 2023.