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Waterford City & County Council

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Tuairisc Bainistíochta don gComhairle Management Report to Council

July 2018

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Príomhfheidhmeannach

Lúnasa 2018

Michael Walsh,

Chief Executive

Economic Development

Economic Development & Planning Department

Local Enterprise Office

Indicator	At end of June 2017 Cumulative Figure	At end of June 2018 Cumulative Figure
No. of Clients Met	187	260
No. of clients applying for Measure 1 support	23	12
No. of clients securing Measure 1 support	20	8*
Value of Measure 1 support approved	€372,287	€143,170*
No. of clients receiving Measure 2 support	311	582
Value of Measure 2 support given	€135,355	€160,396

^{*}Please note; No Evaluation Committee took place in June. Next meeting takes place July 13th.

'Insights to Success' - with Sean Gallagher and Waterford's Top Entrepreneurs.

The Waterford Local Enterprise Office hosted a brand new business event which took place in Dungarvan Town Hall on June 7th with Sean Gallagher and a panel of Waterford's top entrepreneurs. The panel discussion provided the audience with the



opportunity to hear from some of Ireland's and Waterford's leading entrepreneurs and gain helpful and real-life insights into success in business. This conversation with Sean Gallagher and local leading entrepreneurs was facilitated by Eamon Keane of Deise Today on WLRfm.

Economic Development

A strong believer in the power of positive stories, Sean has written in Business Section of the Sunday Independent for the last 5 and a half years where he profiles successful entrepreneurs whose stories he hopes will help inform and inspire the next generation of entrepreneurs.

Town & Village 2017 Update

Bunmahon

Allocation €64,000 - Supply & Installation of 500m Boardwalk at Beach – FRS Waterford appointed contractor for works at Tra na mBo and Boardwalk – awaiting delivery of materials and expect contractor to be on site in early July 2018. CIS funding allocated for access road to Tra na mBo in recent allocation.

Ballymacarbry

Allocation €24,000 - Road safety provisions & Footpath connectivity – site being marked out before construction to go ahead - work can be delivered by area staff over the Summer.

Ballyduff Lower

Allocation €28,800 - Village Enhancements & Footpath connectivity – Contractor started- likely to be finished before end of June.

Portlaw

Allocation €95,000 - Village enhancements/heritage signage & Footpath connectivity — Relevant Footpath works connecting Coolfin Woods to Village impacted by works re Irish Water (started in early July) and footpath will commence once their infrastructural works have been completed - expect 6 week timeline before works can start. Signage and lighting to be progressed in line with footpath works. Connectivity of Village to Curraghmore entrance will be progressed dependent on funding availability though at this stage looks unlikely.

Tramore

Allocation €100,000 - Refurbishment of Old Railway Station –Conditional survey completed and will go to tender on based on agreed scope of works by end of July 2018.

Cheekpoint

Allocation €80,000 - Footpath connectivity (Faithlegg to Cheekpoint) Contractor to revert with start date but expect it to be in early July.

Economic Development

Villierstown

Allocation €90,000 - Glamping Pod Accommodation Units — Contractor on schedule to deliver 4 pods before end of July 2018. All ground and associated works are being carried out by Villierstown Group.

Dungarvan

Allocation €80,000 - Signage, Painting Lighting, Street enhancement in O'Connell St. — Footpath resurfacing works started but temporarily delayed to accommodate Irish Water lead replacement works, envisaged that footpath scheme and painting scheme can follow on after same.

Clonea Power

Allocation €64,000 - Treasure Hunt Village; lighting; signage - Trail Furniture/Tree Sculptures - contractor engaged and works progressing. Selected Contractor for consultancy for preparation and management of tender process for works at Old School working with applicant group re scope of works. All lighting works ordered and installation should be by carried out by end of July. Envisage September 2018 timeline for delivery

Town & Village 2018

Department of Rural & Community Development announced the 2018 Town & Village Scheme on 2/5/2018 and Waterford City & County Council submitted 10 completed applications for consideration on 29/6/2018 – details of applications below:

Town/Village	Total Cost	Grant Requested	Project Summary	Groups
Cappoquin	€400,000	€200,000	Vacancy and Dereliction Regeneration Project	Cappoquin Community Development Group
Ardmore	€125,000	€100,000	Enhancement to Cliff Walk in Ardmore	Ardmore Community Enhancement Group
Kilmacthomas	€125,000	€100,000	Village Enhancement & Railway Station Upgrade	Kimacthomas Social Enterprise CLG
Estuary	€100,000	€80,000	Coastal Walk/Bridge Upgrade/Tourism Action Plan	Barony of Gaultier Historical Society
Kilmeaden	€120,000	€96,000	Link to Greenway	Kilmeaden Tidy Towns
Lismore	€115,000	€92,000	Lady Louisa Walk Restoration/Boardwalk on Town	Lismore Tidy Towns

Economic Development

			River Walk	
An Rinn	€80,000	€64,000	Tourism Signage Strategy	Comhlucht Forbartha Na nDeise
Mahon Bridge	€100,000	€80,000	Link Crough Wood to Mahon Bridge	Comeragh Community Development Group
Copper Coast Area	€80,000	€64,000	Tourism Signage Strategy	Copper Coast Forum
Kill	€100,000	€80,000	Village Enhancement/Public Realm Enhancement	Kill Action Group

Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure 2018

Scheme launched on 1/6/2018 with 3 Measures as per below, Rural Economic Development Section and Trails Officer submitting following projects for consideration (**proposals to be firmed up re pricing etc.**)*:

Measure	Description	Max grant payable	Max applications per applicant body
1	Small Scale Maintenance/Promotion and Marketing	€20,000	10
2	Medium Scale Repair/Upgrade and New Trail Development	€200,000	4
3	Large Scale Repair/Upgrade and New Strategy Trail Development	€500,000	1

Waterford ORIS Projects

Trail Location	Nature of Works	Measure	Cost estimate

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1	Waterford Greenway	Significant further development - soft/ancillary infrastructure and interpretation/Information boards and signage	2	€200,000 *
2	St Declan's Way	Upgrade works, promotion, marketing	2	€200,000*
3	Tramore Nature Park	1.4 km trail upgrade works; improved signage potential re boardwalk area and clean-up	2	€90,000*
4	Whortle Walk – Suir Estuary	Passage East to Cheekpoint: trail up to NTO standard	2	€45,000*
5	Dunmore East Woods Walk	Minor trail and infrastructural works to bring trail to NTO standard	1	€10,000*
6	Mahon Falls	Trail head Signage	1	€10,000*
7	Towers Walk, Ballysaggartmore	Small scale improvements and information board/way finding	1	€10,000*
8	Dunmore East Cliff Walk	Drainage element on trail	1	€10,000*
9	Trails Waterford Brochure of identity brand Promotion		1	€15,000*
10	Nire Valley Walks	Upgrade works-arising out of NTO inspection December 2017	1	€20,000*
11	Colligan Woods Signage, small infrastructural worksawaiting agreement from Coillte		1	€10,000*
12	Glenshelane Wood Walks, Cappoquin	Signage, small infrastructural works - awaiting agreement from Coillte	1	€20,000*
13	Blackwater Blueway	Initial action of proposed Blueway	1	€20,000*
Tota	l			€655,000*

Economic Development

FLAG 2018

Waterford City and County Council will be implementing the following projects based on the following allocations from applications submitted in February 2018

- 1. <u>Blackwater Tourism Action Plan Complete Tourism action plan arising from 2016 West Waterford Tourism Workshop application request for €8,400</u>
- 2. <u>Heritage Study on fishing/maritime environment of Waterford Estuary Study on heritage</u> aspect and potential opportunities on Waterford Estuary study to include dendrochronology report of fishing weirs- application request for €5,166
- 3. <u>Trail Study and Assessment Report for Copper Coast</u> Study looking at feasibility of coastal path along Copper Coast and assessment report/costings re appropriate route(s)- €4,200
- 4. <u>Camera System Tramore Harbour –</u> security and safety of Tramore Harbour €4,200

Major Projects - Progress Report up to June 30th 2018

1. City Centre Rejuvenation Works:-

- The contract is now substantially complete in all areas apart from some public lighting works and snagging which are ongoing
- The Manor Street/ Poleberry/ Bath Street traffic scheme is operating and working satisfactorily. Permanent signage, line markings and street furniture has been installed.
- Preparatory design works for the Parnell Street section of the WIT to City Centre Greenroute project is ongoing.
- The construction contract for the Hennessey's Road/Browns Lane/Castle Street Scheme is due to be awarded shortly.

2. North Quays:-

- The decision is still awaited from An Bord Pleanála Oral Hearing relating to the CPO for the lands associated with the North Quays infrastructure development, anticipated decision date, now expected in August 2018.
- Preliminary Design Documents for the North Quays were issued 18th April 2018, they
 are currently being reviewed and to be incorporated within the tender
 documentation for the final design consultant which is due to be issued shortly.

Economic Development

Letter of intent issued to successful consultant, letter of acceptance/appointment should be issued next week.

• Additional site survey, investigative and design works are currently ongoing.

3. LIHAF:-

Gracedieu

- The infrastructure design work is nearing completion.
- Specifications of the housing units are being negotiated with the developer.

Kilbarry

• The infrastructure design work is now complete. The project is being undertaken on a phased basis, commencing with the southern link. Planning Applications have been lodged for 200 units and are currently under consideration.

Pleanáil

Planning

Development Management

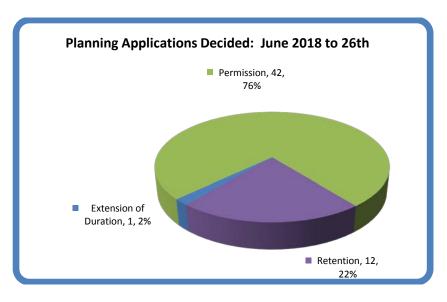
Planning Applications Received - Countywide

55 Planning applications have been received in the month of June to 26th. This compares with 72 planning applications received in the same period in 2017.

From the 1st of January 2018 to the 26th of June, a total of 433 planning applications were received. In the same period in 2017, 446 applications were lodged.

Planning Decisions 2018 - Countywide

In the month of June to 26th, 59 planning decisions were made. Of these, 55 applications were granted and 4 refused, representing a grant rate in the month of 93.2%. Permissions made in the period by decision type are illustrated in below:



Pre Planning Update- Countywide

A total of 297 preplanning applications have been received this year up to the 25th June 2018. These preplanning applications are currently being processed. In the same period of 2017, 270 pre planning applications were received.

Forward Planning

Policy on Camping Sites: Proposed Variation no. 4 of the Waterford County Development Plan 2011-1017, Waterford City Development Plan 2013-2019 and Dungarvan Town Development Plan 2012-2018

The proposed variation was placed on public display on Wednesday 13th June 2018 and submission on same can be made until Wednesday 11th July 2018. The proposed variation is on display at the following locations:

Pleanáil

Planning

- Waterford City & County Council Planning Department, Menapia Building, The Mall, Waterford City.
- Waterford City & County Council, Planning Department, Civic Offices, Davitt's Quay, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford.
- http://www.waterfordcouncil.ie/projects/public-consultations/index.htm

In the weeks following the consultation period a report from the Chief Executive will be submitted to the Elected Members for their consideration. A workshop will be held with the Elected Members in advance of a decision on the matter at the September Plenary Council meeting.

Policy on Shopfronts

Research is being carried out on a new policy on shopfront design, associated signage, security measures and street furniture. It is intended to have further details on this for discussion at SPC and Plenary Council level in the next number of months.

Bóithre agus Iompar

Roads and Transportation

Community Involvement Scheme 2018

Due to the significant interest in this programme and the volume of applications submitted, the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport has decided to allocate a 2 year funding programme to most local authorities. The allocation to Waterford City and County Council is as follows:-

	Allocation €
2018	350,000
2019	628,000
Total	978,000

The Schemes to be funded this year are currently being assessed by the Roads Department.

Clár 2018

15 applications were submitted for approval to the Department of Rural and Community Development under **Measure 1** - School/Community Safety Measures and **Measure 2** -Play Areas. The Department of Rural and Community Affairs has just announced funding allocations for Measure 1 projects only and the Council has been successful in securing funding for all 11 projects submited, with an allocation of €391,770. The Minister has indicated that Measure 2 funding allocations will be announced shortly.

Road Works Programme 2018

The Roadworks Programme is progressing well despite the recent very hot weather and is on target in each of the Districts.

Local Improvement Schemes 2018

Works have commenced on the LIS Schemes and are progressing well. The schemes must be completed by the 27th July deadline for drawdown of funding.

Bóithre agus Iompar

Roads and Transportation

Storm Emma Recoupment

The Council had not received notification of funding from the Department of Planning, Housing and Local Government at the time of preparing this report.

Seirbhísi Éigeandala

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 June. Special services include road traffic accidents, road hazards, chemical incidents, flooding and non fire rescues. Good intent false alarms include alarm system malfunctions, alarm systems alerting due to factors other than fire (e.g. steam, dust, power surges, break glass units accidently set off etc), persons mistakenly observing fires and calls to controlled burning. Malicious false alarms occur where persons deliberately alert the brigade where no emergency exists.

Area	Fires	Special Service	False Alarm Good Intent	False Alarm Malicious
Metropolitan	59	13	5	0
Comeragh	1	4	1	0
Dungarvan/Lismore	6	7	0	2
Total for June	66	24	6	2
Total 2018	325	206	74	7
Total for June 2017	60	23	13	4
Total for 2017	781	368	149	37

Fire Safety:

Applications for fire safety certificates and referrals from the Planning Authority received for fire safety and building control advice are shown as follows:

Applications Received	June 2018	2018 Year to date	Total for June 2017	Total for 2017
Fire Safety Certificates	1	40	5	84

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Emergency Services

Civil Defence:

Civil Defence activities for March and June are as follows:

Activity	Date	Service Provided
Assist Dublin Civil Defence in the Tall Ships event.	1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd June	3 boat crew and 1 jeep
Corpus Christi Procession Waterford	3 rd June	1 jeep 1 Ambulance 12 members.
Hi-Line training with Rescue 117	10 th June	10 members 1 minibus.
Kilmacthomas Charity Bike Ride	14 th June	First Aid Support, Minibus
1 st Aid cover for Bunmahon Scouts.	16 th June	1 Ambulance & 4 crew.
Mayoral Reception for the retirement of Commanders Mary Ryan & Philip Barry	22 nd June	35 Members.
Waterford v Monaghan Senior Football, Dungarvan	23 rd June	First Aid Support, Ambulance
Missing Persons Search, Kilkenny	24 th June	Search Team, Minibus
Memorial cycle for R116 from Ardmore to Waterford Airport	28 th June	1 Jeep & 1 Minibus & 4 members.
Viking Marathon	30 th June	7 Ambulances, 6 Jeeps 4 bicycles 2 minibuses & 45 members (from Tipperary, Kilkenny, Wexford and Waterford).
Tramore Promenade Festival	30 th June	Response Vehicle
Helvic RNLI Lifeboat, Multi Agency Exercise	30 th June	Ambulance & Response Vehicles

Seirbhísi Éigeandala

Emergency Services

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	June 2018	Cumulative Total for 2018	Total for June 2017	Total for 2017
Commencement Notices	27	166	21	330
Completion Certificates	12	92	13	146
Disability Access Certificates	1	34	4	63

Housing

Housing Applications

Housing applications	Applications during June 2017	Cumulative No. of Applications 2017	Applications during June 2018	Cumulative No. of Applications 2018
Applications received	118	598	65	499
Applications validated	77	449	60	327
Applications approved	52	362	38	288

Housing Allocations

District	Tenancies	Cumulative	New	Refusal No.	Cumulative
	during June	No. of	Tenancies	of New	No. of New
	2017	Tenancies	during June	Tenancy	Tenancies
		2017	2018	offer	2018
Comeragh	1	11	0	0	6
Municipal					
Dungarvan/Lismore	3	32	1	3	14
Municipal					
Metropolitan	9	62	11	1	96
Voluntary Bodies	1	6	1	-	5
Totals	14	111	13	4	121

Choice Based Letting (CBL) Scheme

The total number of properties advertised on the CBL system to date is 124. We have received 10,297 bids on these properties as of Wednesday 27th June 2018.

There has been 12 refusals on properties to date.

Housing Loans applications

2018 Housing	Applications received	Applications awaiting	Applications refused	Applications approved	Applications with Housing
Loans		further info			Agency/deferred for 6 months
June	10	8	2	0	
YTD	49	13	22	5	9

Housing

Tenant Purchase applications

2018 Tenant Purchase	Applications received	Applications awaiting further info	Applications refused	Applications approved
June	1	1	0	0
YTD 2018	16	5	3	8
YTD 2017 & 2018	202	30	81	Of the balance of 91 YTD:- 38 Sales have closed 6 are at Legal stage 47 are still under offer

¹ tenant Purchase sale closed in June in Waterford City South.

Housing Assistance Payment

Housing Assistance Payment	June 2017 HAP tenancies	June 2018 HAP tenancies set up	2018 no. of HAP Tenancies set up	2018 no. of Active HAP Tenancies set up	Cumulative no. of HAP Tenancies to date	Cumulative no. of Active HAP Tenancies to date
HAP Tenancies	59	48	326	170	2,287	1,775

Inspection of private rented dwellings

PRTB Register	1
Compliant	0
Non- Compliant	1
HAP	25
Compliant	2
Non-Compliant	20
Re Inspection	3
RAS (RAS properties)	12
RAS Re-Inspection	2
LTL (Long term leasing properties)	3
MTR	3
Total	46

Housing

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

Grant Scheme Amount	Value of applications approved June 2018	Number of applications to June 2018	Cumulative value of applications approved	Cumulative number of 2018 applications
Housing Adaptation for People with a Disability. Max. €30,000	€20,737.00	2	€67,869.00	6
Mobility Aids Scheme Maximum €6,000	€82,653.89	16	€188,324.98	38
Housing Aid for Older People Maximum €8,000	€39,170.00	8	€114,025.52	26
Total	€142,560.89	26	€370,219.50	69

Homeless services

Cases presented seeking Homeless services	2018	2017
June Cases presented (up to June 27th)	67	64
Cumulative number of cases presented	471	339

Individual/Family Breakdown in Homeless Accommodation	June 2018	June 2017
Individuals	123	135
Individuals with dependent children	18	10
Families with no dependent children	4	0
Families with dependent children	5	8

Currently in emergency B&B homeless accommodation in Waterford (included in above figures):

In total, 5 adults and 5 children composed of 3 families with 5 children and 2 individuals. Waiting list for emergency accommodation in Waterford: 14 adults.

Housing

	Н	ousing Capital So	chemes - WCCC Pro	jects
Project Location	Units	Area	Current Position	Comment
The Glen	17	Metropolitan	Appraisal/Design	Stage 2 Application issued to
Waterford			Stage	DHPLG Q2 2018
Summerland	12	Metropolitan	Appraisal/Design	Stage 2 Approval received
Square Waterford			Stage	from DHPLG Q2 2018
Ardmore Park /	5	Metropolitan	Appraisal/Design	Stage 2 Application issued
Priory Lawn			Stage	to DHPLG Q2 2018
Larchville	5	Metropolitan	Tender	Stage 3 Approved
			Preparation	Works Tender Q3 2018
Tallow Almshouse	4	Dungarvan- Lismore	Construction	Construction in progress.
Cappoquin	4	Dungarvan- Lismore	Construction	Completed.
Tramore - Patrick St	2	Metropolitan	Construction	Construction in progress.
Portlaw Coolfin	12	Comeragh	Construction	Construction in progress.
Dungarvan	20	Dungarvan-	Tender Stage	Stage 3 Approved
Ballinroad		Lismore		Works Tender Q3 2018
Tramore An	50	Metropolitan	Planning	Part 8 commenced
Garran				
Doyle Street	4	Metropolitan	Design Stage	Demolition works on-site Q3 2018.
Gibbethill	5	Metropolitan	Construction	Construction in progress.
Kilrush	39	Dungarvan- Lismore	Construction	Construction in progress.
Carrickphierish	31	Metropolitan	Construction	Construction in progress.
Airport Road	33	Metropolitan	Construction	Construction in progress.
Shandon	5	Dungarvan- Lismore	Construction	Construction in progress.
Slievekeale	60	Metropolitan	Planning	Part 8 commenced
Clarendon Court	24	Metropolitan	СРО	CPO in progress
Part V	17	Countywide	Various Stages	, 0
Repair and Lease	92	Countywide	Various Stages	
Leasing	24	Countywide	Various Stages	
Buy and Renew –	12	Metropolitan	Tender	Works Tender Q3 2018
Barker Place		·	Preparation	·
Buy & Renew –	6	Metropolitan	Tender	Works Tender Q3 2018
The Forge			Preparation	·
<u> </u>		Total Units in	WCCC Projects 483	

Housing

Hor	using Ca	pital Schemes -	Approved Housing	Body Projects
Project Location	Units	Area	Current Position	Comment
Dungarvan,	20	Dungarvan-	Construction	Revised contract under
Shandon <i>Co</i> -		Lismore		negotiation.
operative Housing				
Ireland				
Tramore,	18	Metropolitan	Design Stage	Awaiting progress from AHB
Ballycarnane				
Tramore				
Voluntary				
Housing				
Dunhill <i>Gleann</i>	8	Comeragh	Design Stage	Planning in Progress.
Ealach				
Powersfield,	3	Metropolitan	Design Stage	Awaiting progress from AHB
Hennessy's Road				
Focus Ireland				
The Paddock's	9	Metropolitan	Tender	Stage 3 Approved.
Anvers/Acquired			Preparation	
Brain Injury				
Ireland				
Wadding Manor,	10	Metropolitan	Design Stage	Tender advertised.
Ferrybank				
Respond!				
	Total	Units in Approve	ed Housing Body Pr	oiects 68

Housing Maintenance

Refurbishing of houses becoming vacant for re let:

Works complete 3 units
Works commenced/underway 21 units
Surveyed/at tender stage 21 units
Newly vacant 7 units
In Regeneration programme 9 units

Response maintenance

To the 28th June 2018, there were a total of 563 recorded requests. 423 have been resolved and 140 are pending.

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Community Services

Social Inclusion:

- Mid term review of SICAP 2018 in Waterford currently taking place. This will ascertain how successful the Programme Implementer has been in achieving targets
- Next Traveller Interagency Group meeting to be held on 4th July
- Next Migrant Integration Forum working group meeting to be held on 11th July
- Successful Africa Day held on 15th June

Waterford Rural Development programme:

- As at end June 2018 in Waterford, €2.6m had been allocated to businesses and community groups in rural Waterford out of a total budget of €5.5m for the six year programme. €0.5m has been paid out to date.
- LEADER co-operation project visit by Waterford groups to Antrim on 24/25th June 2018.
- 8 applications were received before the 22.06.18 deadline & are currently being reviewed for eligibility.
- Rural Development Co-ordination Working Group set up consisting of officials from a number of
 organisations with a rural / community development brief in County Waterford. First meeting
 held on 27th June.

Comhairle na nÓg:

The most recent Steering Committee meeting took place on June 12th. Two members of Comhairle updated the meeting with regards to volunteering, progress on this year's project on the topic of Homelessness and an update regarding national issues /events. Meetings are proceeding with high attendance rates and are now rotating between Waterford, Dungarvan and Woodstown.

Pride of Place:

Regular meetings have been taking place with this year's Waterford Pride of Place entrant (Tramore and Waterford Arch Club). Judging took place on the evening of June 28th when the judges visited the club whilst it was in operation.

Waterford Age Friendly Programme:

A meeting of the Waterford Age Friendly Alliance took place on June 28th. At this meeting a new alliance structure was adopted. Reports from all thematic sub-groups were presented at this meeting detailing progress to date. Engagement with the national Age Friendly Programme continues.

Healthy Waterford

Work on the preparation of a **Healthy Waterford Strategic Plan 2018-2021** has been finalised and the Plan was adopted by the LCDC on 14th June. The Health and Well being LCDC subgroup propose to make a presentation to the Plenary Council on the Strategic Plan over the coming months.

Launch of Trishaw took place in Dungarvan on 10th July. It will increase accessibility to the Waterford Greenway particularly for older adults and ultimately have a positive impact on attitudes of the wider community to accessibility, inclusion and health for all.

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Community Services

Community Enhancement Programme 2018 (CEP)

The closing date to submit applications for the CEP is Monday 30th July, no late applications shall be accepted. During August, an LCDC sub group shall assess all applications and make their recommendations to the LCDC at the meeting on 13th September. Applicants shall be notified by end of September.

<u>JPC</u>

JPC meeting held on 11th June. Next meeting will be a public meeting to be held in City Hall on 3rd September.

Arts & Culture

Arts Report – July 2018

The Arts Office has awarded bursaries for: The Tyrone Guthrie Arts Bursary, the Drama League of Ireland Summer School, the Irish Youth Choir Summer School, The Irish Youth Orchestra Summer School and the Molly Keane Writers Retreat. Details of the successful recipients are on waterfordarts.com. The Ted and Mary O' Regan Arts Bursary deadline has just passed, with decisions pending shortly.

Arts in Education projects in primary schools around the City and County have completed for the current school year and will re-start in September. Applications are currently being sought for the Arts Office Secondary Schools programme 2018/2019.

The Arts Office has announced details of the national Waterford Poetry Prize 2018, the closing date is 10th August with the winners being announced during the Waterford Writers Weekend in October.

The winner of the national Molly Keane Creative Writing Award 2018 was announced at Immrama, Lismore as Anne O' Leary, Glanmire, Co. Cork with her short story 'Fortune'.

The Arts Office in association with Modwords is hosting three US Poets Laureate from Santa Barbara during their Irish tour on 22nd July in the City.

Bring Your Own Chair, an art project taking place in rural areas across Waterford, Wexford and Kilkenny and supported by Creative Ireland, Waterford will be interacting with communities in Kilmacthomas as part of the Comeraghs Wild Festival on 14th July and in An Rinn as part of the RNLI Helvick Swim & BBQ) on July 22nd.

Greyfriars Municipal Art Gallery exhibitions are closed pending the move to the new gallery, the Arts Office remains open. Professional photographing of the Waterford Art Collection is ongoing at present.

The Old Market House Arts Centre, Dungarvan, has commenced the first of it's Summer Group Shows with works from various artists. The Arts Centre hosted a free Crinniú na nÓg event on Saturday 23rd June for very young children. It will be hosting summer art workshops with Catherine Barron on selected Saturdays in July and August.

Summer in the City/Artbeat is underway with a full offering for locals and visitors alike.

Music Generation Waterford has just completed a three day popular vocal camp for teenagers in the Blackwater Community College, Lismore, Co. Waterford. They will be holding a Summer Singing Camp in the City at the end of July during the SprÓg Festival.

More detail on <u>www.waterfordarts.com</u> on the above and ancillary Arts Office supported events.

Arts & Culture

Waterford Cultural Quarter

Actions during June 2018 included:

- 3rd June: Polska/Eire Polish Irish Festival events took place in Garter Lane in conjunction with WCQ celebrating Polish and Irish links. This event included live music, Polish BBQ and activities for children
- 15th June: Africa Day was held in the O'Connell Street for the first time on June 15th 2018. The celebrations were a huge success; over 1200 people visited the event which ran from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the day. Highlights included a main stage with a full line up of musical acts, an animal farm, face painting, stalls of Africa wares and a taste of traditional African delicacies.
- 22nd June: WCQ supporting community funding initiatives with The Wheel and the EU Direct Centre at Garter Lane
- 23rd June: Crinniú na nÓg inaugural community event with Sean Corcoran of the Art Hand; creation of a mosaic and development of Creative Communities, sponsored by Creative Ireland.
- Street animation: colourful street games were painted along the footpaths providing colour and fun to the streetscape.

Actions to take place during July 2018 include:

- 7th July 2018: Summer in the City programming including a live African band and a print workshop for younger audiences.
- 30th July: SprÓg festival; 6 events sponsored by WCQ
- Ongoing: WIT, Garter Lane Arts Centre and the WCQ team together will work on Design Challenge. The Design Challenge is a competition that encourages different communities in the O'Connell Street area to identify challenges that they experience in living, working and using the O'Connell Street area. The Design industry will be asked to look at the challenges and to develop possible solutions. These innovative proposals are to encourage greater creativity in the area and are for any community or team to benefit from, in the Cultural Quarter.
 - The design industry and multi-disciplinary teams will work with the community in the development of their proposals through a series of workshops. http://www.designchallengewaterford.ie/
- Business Liaison: The City Centre Business Liaison officer from Waterford City and County Council will continue to inform and make links with the business community in the WCQ area in relation to events and ongoing activities taking place.
- Spraoi proposal: WCQ will co-sponsor and co-host an International Street Spectacle Seminar during the 2018 festival with a proposed theme of *performing art in the public realm*. It is planned to have a mixture of international street arts managers and local street artists attending the seminar with an aim to provide networking opportunities and to facilitate conversation about future shared projects.

Arts & Culture

Creative Spirits (EU URBACT funded learning network);

Two people (one WCCC staff and one WCQ Steering Group member) travel to Sofia in Bulgaria at the end of June to visit their creative area and to learn and share experiences of supporting creative and cultural industries, stakeholder engagement and action planning.

Arts & Culture

Libraries

In June, 41,550 people visited libraries throughout the County and borrowed 38,023 items during the month.

In June, 306 events and activities took place in libraries. Highlights included:

- Celebration of 30 years open at Portlaw Library 15th June.
- Crinniú na nÓg events including Pop up theatre- Dungarvan library 23rd June, Sensory play session- Tallow Library 22nd June, Gymboree –Lismore Library 22nd June, Teddy Sleepover -Ardkeen Library.
- Summer Stars Children's Summer Reading programme launch events in Dungarvan and Tramore Libraries on 29th June, all branches are participating in the programme.
- Immrama Festival Molly Keane writing Award event Lismore Library
- Parent and Baby Bookclub, child friendly Bookclub for adults Carrickphierish Library.
- Digitise the Nation computer classes -Ardkeen Library.
- Snuggle Stories programme in Kilmacthomas Library.
- Syrian group visits to Dungarvan Library including introduction to electronic resources and book stock.
- WWETB Careers information morning- Tallow Library.

Events coming up in July include:

- Summer Stars ongoing in all branches.
- Family Yoga Dungarvan Library.
- Dogs Trust event Ardkeen , Portlaw , Dunmore East, Dungarvan and Carrickphierish libraries.
- Scealta as Gaeilge Ardkeen library.
- Teddy Bears' Picnic Story time Tallow and Cappoquin libraries.
- Photography Exhibition by Noel Walsh Index Gallery Central Library.
- Spróg-Spróg music generation singing and storytelling- Central Library.

Library Development:

- Rollout of RFID throughout the branch network is in the final stages.
- Healthy Ireland stock promotion continues in all branches.
- Publicity for Library events in local papers, on radio and social media.
- Staff attended the launch of Our Public Libraries 2017-2022 by Minister Michael Ring at DLR Lexicon, Dun Laoghaire.
- Library Staff attended the following training: Proquest Online Newspaper Service, Safe talk, Children's Activities Workshops, Oral History Conference, Library Driver attended CPC training.

Seirbhísí Comhshaoil

Environmental Services

Environmental Enforcement

1st January 2018 – 25th June 2018.

Enforcement under the Litter Pollution Acts 1997 (as amended)

Legal Action Initiated	12
On the Spot Litter Fines Issued(Pending Payment or Prosecution)	117
On the Spot Litter Fines Paid (Includes Fines from 2017 paid in 2018)	74
No of Notices Issued 9.16,17,20	0

Enforcement under the Waste Management Acts 1996 (as amended)

No of Complaints	1360
Legal Actions	4
Section 18's Statutory Notices Served (asking for info on Waste Issues)	15
Section 55's Statutory Notices Served (asking for Waste to be removed	11
in a 2 week period)	
Section 71's (Abandoned Vehicle Notices)	82
Warning Letters Sent	46
Section 14 Directions	8
Section 107 EPA (Noise)	1
Fixed Penalty Notices	3
Regulation 33 - Requirement on a Registered Owner to deposit an Endof-Life Vehicle at an Authorised Treatment Facility. (European Union Endof-Life Vehicles) Regulations 2014 – Fixed Penalty Notice.	6
Regulation 25 of the European Union (Packaging) Regulations 2014 (S.I. No. 282 of 2014) as amended	3

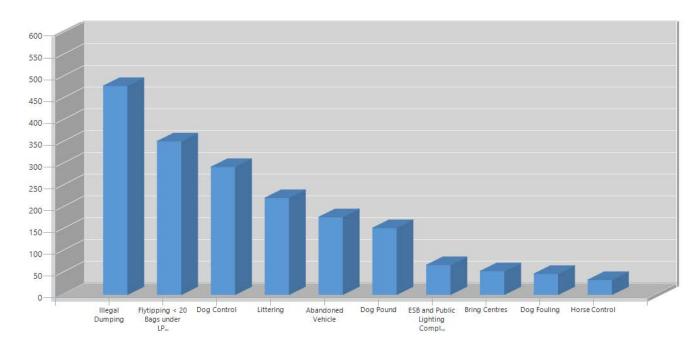
Environmental Complaints

The following graph shows the top 10 category of complaints received. Environmental Inspectors continue to investigate complaints received and monitor illegal waste issues, littering, fly-tipping and illegal signage and issued litter fines where offences are detected.

Seirbhísí Comhshaoil

Environmental Services

The Waterford City & County Councils Dog Warden continues to investigate all control of dogs issue throughout the City & County.



Members of the public are encouraged to contact the local authority to report all incidents of illegal dumping, littering or other environmental issue of concern by using the following telephone number: 0761 10 20 20.

National Dog Licence System

Dog Licences can now be purchased online.

Annual Dog Licences (€20 fee) and Lifetime Dog Licences (€140) can either be purchased online at www.licences.ie or from any Post Office.

A link to <u>www.licences.ie</u> has been provided on the council's website.

General Dog Licences entitling a person to keep an unspecified number of dogs (€400 per year) can be purchased directly from the Council.

Seirbhísí Comhshaoil

Environmental Services

Environmental Education & Awareness

Gum Litter Taskforce

The Gum Litter Taskforce was launched on the 26th June by Mayor Cllr Nugent and members of Dungarvan Tidy Towns. The GLT campaign brings together the community and local authorities with a common goal to fight gum litter. The Gum Litter Taskforce has been successful to date in changing the public's behaviour by encouraging correct gum disposal through a targeted education awareness campaign and demonstrates the power of government and industry alliance in driving positive change. The latest report of the National Litter Monitoring Pollution System has shown that the percentage of chewing gum as a proportion of litter dropped to 8% in 2017 from 15% in 2016 Last year's campaign maintained an all-time high of 93% of people stating that they regard chewing gum as litter, pointing to the attitudinal impact which the campaign has affected since it first began. Waterford City and County Council have recently invested in a gum removal machine which will be deployed in rotation between Waterford City, Dungarvan and Tramore and Waterford to remove gum litter from our streets.

Community Clean-Ups

Waterford City & County Council continues to offer assistance throughout the year to the general public to clean up litter and illegally dumped waste from their local environs e.g. approach roads, local beauty spots, beaches and general public areas. Further information can be obtained from Ms Ella Ryan, Environmental Education & Awareness Officer, eryan@waterfordcouncil.ie.

Website

Environmental Information continues to be added to the Environment section of the Waterford City &

County Council website which can be found at www.waterfordcouncil.ie

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Finance

Waterford City and County Council - Revenue Account Income & Expenditure Summary by Service Division Y.T.D. to May 31, 2018

		EX	PENDITURE	INCOME			
		Expenditure €	Adopted Full Year Budget €	% Budget Spent to date	Income €	Adopted Full year Budget €	% Budget Raised
Α	Housing & Building	9,358,488	25,728,776	36%	9,701,305	26,933,915	36%
В	Road Transport & Safety	9,952,008	27,765,615	36%	5,016,204	16,314,408	31%
С	Water Services	4,392,560	10,904,203	40%	4,031,739	10,561,906	38%
D	Development Management	5,383,342	15,569,383	35%	2,227,644	7,198,496	31%
Ε	Environmental Services	6,718,595	17,860,060	38%	739,843	2,568,762	29%
F	Recreation & Amenity Agriculture, Education, Health &	4,808,045	13,616,202	35%	656,986	2,016,708	33%
G	Welfare	421,513	1,225,510	34%	130,449	445,494	29%
Н	Miscellaneous Services	5,588,370	13,213,938	42%	3,784,457	10,870,294	35%
LG	Local Property Tax / GPG	0	0	0%	7,879,798	18,911,516	42%
RA	Rates	0	0	0%_	12,525,911	30,062,188	42%
		46,622,921	125,883,687	37%	46,694,336	125,883,687	37%

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Finance

			Summary of	Main Collection	ns ytd to 31-5-20	18			
	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]		[6] % Collected	[7]	
	Gross Bal as at 1-1-2018	Accrued ytd to May 2018	Write Offs and Vacancies	Total for Collection [1+2-3]	Collected ytd to May 2018	Gross Bal 31-5-2018 [4-5]	ytd re Total for Collection [5/4]	% Collected ytd re 2018 Accrual [5/(4-1)]	
		€	€	€	€	€	€		
Rates	8,390,042	29,722,104	- 1,456,628	36,655,518	7,376,577	29,278,941	20%	26%	
Loans	1,926,637	1,491,766	- 1,957	3,416,445	1,483,188	1,933,258	43%	100%	
Rents	3,567,007	5,451,486	-	9,018,494	5,310,793	3,707,701	59%	97%	
Aged A	nalysis								
			Less than			greater than			
			1 mth	2 to 6 mths	7 to 12 mths	12 mths		Net Balance	
Rates			-	22,259,846	1,839,787	5,179,309		29,278,941	
						Greater than			
			0 to 3 mths	4 to 6 mths	7 to 12 mths	12 mths			
Loans			135,575	56,294	171,348	1,570,042		1,933,258	
			Less than		- 40 · I	Greater than			
			4 weeks	4-6 weeks	7-12 weeks	12 wks			
Rents			213,858	179,599	293,062	3,021,182		3,707,701	
Overdr	aft Levels								
Days in Overdraft in May 31 days Cost - €14,826				Average	e €9.3m				