



**OComhairle Catharach & Contae Phortlairge
Waterford City & County Council**

Date: January 2024.

**DO: GACH BALL DE CHEANTAR BARDASACH AN CHOJANAIGH
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 2022	Dec 2023	Total Number of Applications Year to Date 2023
Applications Received	0	6	32
Applications Approved	0	1	10
Applications Returned (incomplete)	N/A	2	N/A
Applications to be Assessed	N/A	3	N/A

Housing Allocations

Comeragh Municipal District	Tenancies during Dec 2022	New Tenancies during Dec 2023	Refusal Number of New Tenancy offered	Cumulative Number of New Tenancies 2023
	1	3	0	23

Housing Stock Voids

Electoral Area	Number of units completed in December	Number units becoming vacant Dec 2023
Comeragh	0	0



Capital Projects
Housing Construction

WCCC Projects			
Project Location	Area	Current Position	Comment
Convent Rossmore	6	Design Stage	Tender Q1 2024
Convent Rossmore existing building	6	Planning Stage	Tender Q1 2024
Total	12		
Approved Housing Body Projects			
Project Location	Area	Current Position	Comment

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

Grant Scheme Amount	Number of applications approved Dec 2023	Value of applications Dec 2023	Cumulative number of applications approved 2023	Cumulative value of 2023 applications
Housing Adaptation for People with a Disability. Max. €30,000	1	6650	48	244,907.48
Mobility Aids Scheme Maximum €6,000	0	0	7	18,870.00
Housing Aid for Older People Maximum €8,000	0	0	52	77,530.29
Total		€6650.00	107	€341,307.77

Housing Grant Applications Received & Validated	Housing Grant Applications Incomplete & Returned	Housing Grant Applications Approved
4	11	2



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.

Area	Fires	Special Service	False Alarm Good Intent	False Alarm Malicious
Metropolitan	20	32	7	0
Comeragh	0	2	0	0
Dungarvan/Lismore	8	10	4	0
Total for December	28	44	11	0
Year to date	577	556	241	0

Operational Activity Comeragh District 2023

In addition, an overall breakdown of incidents attended within the 2 station areas in the Comeragh district for the full 12 months of 2023 is shown below.

Incident Type	WD13 Kilmacthomas	WD14 Portlaw
Chimney Fires	3	4
Dwelling Fires	9	0
Other Building Fires	0	1
Other Fires	8	4
Alarm Malfunction Good Intent	10	4
False Alarm Malicious	0	0
Road Traffic Accident	15	14
Hazardous Substance	2	1



Flooding	2	0
River Incidents	1	0
Miscellaneous	6	2

Fire Safety:

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

Applications Received	December 2023	Total Year to date for 2023	December 2022	Total year to date for 2022
Fire Safety Certificates	6	87	2	75

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 2023	Cumulative Total for 2023
Commencement Notices	17	280
Completion Certificates	17	204
Disability Access Certificates	0	65



Civil Defence:

Civil Defence activities during the month of December 2023 continues with assistance in the response to the needs of the Displaced Persons (DP's) fleeing from the effects of the Ukraine Crisis.

Logistical support & Transport of over 15 Ukraine related calls

Transportation to Medical appointments such as Hospital Visits, GPs, Dentists etc

In Community support and Events, we attended:

Winterval Event both Medical and Logistics support.

The Civil Defence volunteers are also working on retraining and recertifying their core skills in their different service areas like Communications, First Aid, Search etc.

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