

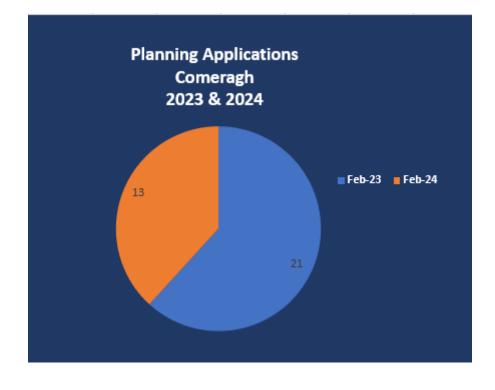
Waterford City & County Council Planning Report to Comeragh District Meeting – March 2024

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Planning Applications Received – Comeragh District

13 Planning applications were received in the Comeragh District in February 2024. This compares with 21 planning applications received for the same period in 2023.



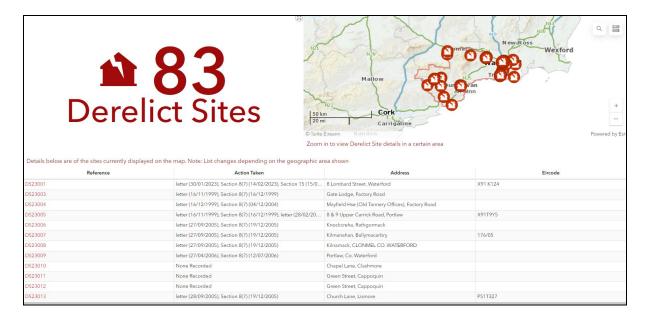




DERELICT SITES

The Derelict Sites Team are currently dealing with 278 properties that are considered either derelict or potentially derelict. The activity in recent months has substantially increased with 83 derelict properties identified and on the Derelict Sites Register. Initial engagement with owners or their representatives is key to resolution of the issues of dereliction and to understand the various reasons why the properties are in a derelict stage. Please see below a breakdown for each Municipal District below: To date we have 278 Derelict Site files open.

• Comeragh Municipal District = 15 Open Files.



The table below provides a snapshot of the activity in February '24.

Derelict Sites	Comeragh District
No. of new files opened	2
No. of Section 8(2) Notices issued – Intention to enter site on Derelict Sites Register	-
No. of Section 8(7) Notices issued – Entry of site onto Derelict Sites Register	1
No. of Section 11 Notices issued – Measures required to render the site non-derelict	-
No. of Notices served to Compulsorily Purchase Acquisitions (CPA) (see note below)	-
No of Vesting Orders signed	-

DERELICT SITE LEVY

Determination of valuations on the derelict sites which are on the Derelict Sites Register has commenced and notices have issued to 58 property owners. Eight properties have appealed the valuation to the Valuation Tribunal and a decision is awaited. The levy is an annual levy while the property remains on the Derelict Sites Register and amounts to 7% of the value of the property, on an annual basis. This will be further progressed in 2024.

Forward Planning March Plenary Report

Residential Zoned Land Tax (RZLT) Draft Annual Revised Map

On the 1st of February last, Waterford City and County Council prepared and published the RZLT draft annual revised map for the 2025 tax liability year where the following general stages apply to the annual mapping process:

- Publication of a draft annual revised map followed by a 2-month period of public consultation, accompanied by
 placement of advertisements in local press and across Waterford Council social media accounts;
- Receipt of written submissions from landowners and consideration thereof;



- Notification of written determinations made by Waterford Council to the relevant landowners who made written submissions to the draft map;
- Making of appeals to An Bord Pleanála where landowners are aggrieved by the determination of the council;
- Publication of final annual revised map at the start of the relevant tax liability year followed by a repeat of the process to prepare a new draft annual revised map.

The draft annual revised map is available to view on the council consultation portal consult.waterfordcouncil.ie. Written submissions can be made by relevant landowners querying the inclusion of their land up to the 1st of April 2024 and at time of writing one single written submission has been received which is published on the portal. We will keep the plenary council updated on principal issues arising during the process of preparing the final annual revised map throughout the year.