Monthly Management Report (for the period 1st June, 2016 to 30th June, 2016) prepared in accordance with Section 136 (2) of the Local Government Act, 2001 as inserted by Section 51 of the Local Government Act, 2014.

FINANCE & WATER SERVICES DIRECTORATE

June 2016 - Revenue Account Income & Expenditure Summary by Service Division

(PRELIMINARY June 2016 - FIGURES)

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B Road Transport & Safety 5,290,416 10,954,639 45% 5,970,903 3,527,245 2,632,166 43% 2,676,441 (11,213) 1,181,408
C Water Services 3,201,629 3,131,440 43% 3,185,303 1,652,806 1,564,111 42% 2,012,307 (1,036) 77,267
D Development Management 1,671,827 1,315,767 49% 1,772,680 650,908 1,132,190 49% 521,094 (702,592) 2,434,906
E Environmental Services 1,329,143 3,096,904 43% 2,025,984 380,435 467,535 47% 281,085 (3,123) 1,776,529
F Recreation & Amenity 1,494,771 3,105,084 40% 1,715,134 386,631 292,089 30% 273,846 (1,181) 1,244,286
G Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare 281,914 425,027 45% 222,509 272,436 294,240 42% 192,486 (78,712) 85,995
H Miscellaneous Services 1,081,084 3,104,934 35% 1,512,066 509,255 1,387,657 43% 224,568 (1,182) 1,356,076
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MAIN POINTS AS AT END of June 2016

* Water Expenditure is in line with income from Irish Water.
* Development Management income is ahead of budget due to EOG Grant income from Enterprise Ireland, this is distributed throughout the year.

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Operations Update
Maximo: Asset Management

The month of June saw 119 issues raised on Maximo, IW Asset Management System. 102 related to water and 17 related to waste water. There were 44 Bursts / Leaks and 6 No. Sewer blockages.

Water Conservation:
The Unaccounted for Water is 55.8%.

The Following District Metered Areas require Water Conservation / Leak Detection.

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Capital Update:

North Leitrim Regional Water Supply Scheme (Project No. 1000390)

Extension to Moneyduff WTP and Watermains extensions to Rossinver/Kiltyclogher.

Jennings O’ Donovan have been appointed Consulting Engineers.

The total estimated cost of this project is now €8.076 million inclusive of VAT.

Planning Application for new pumping station at Cooladonnell reservoir has been granted.

The contract at Moneyduff WTP extension has been tendered and a tender recommendation report has been prepared and Irish Water will appoint the preferred Contractor soon. The Programme envisages award of contract and commencement on site in August, 2016.

Irish Water Capital Delivery has fast tracked procurement of the contract for pipelines to Kiltyclogher and Rossinver and pumping station at Cooladonnell. Ward and Burke Construction Ltd has been appointed and works commenced on site on 20th June, 2016. The Kiltyclogher rising main will be done first and it is programmed to take 2 months to
complete. It is possible should these targets be met that the boil water notice in Kiltyclogher can possibly be lifted in Oct / November of this year. The works on the trunk main to Rossinver will commence thereafter.

**Manorhamilton Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Project No 10000734**

This project was approved for Funding by WIAC on 21/1/15.

Nicholas O Dwyers have been appointed Consulting Engineers.

Planning Permission granted by Leitrim County Council.

The Design and Tender Documents have been finalised and approved by Irish Water.

- Irish Water invited Tenders on 4th May, 2016.
- The Tender period is 7 weeks
- Closing date for receipt of Tenders is 22nd June, 2016.
- Contract Signing is scheduled for 28th September, 2016.

These two separate projects in IW’s Capital Programme are being completed as one. The all in cost of this project is currently estimated at €2,009,931 inclusive of VAT.

**Minor Capital Works**

The total cost of all Projects Approved to date is Estimated in excess of €2.5million

- **HSQE Programme** – On hold by IW 8 No. housing wastewater package plants in County Leitrim. They are considering their position in relation to responsibility for these and are withholding funding.
- **Energy Efficiency Programme** – Carrick on Shannon Water Treatment Plant is selected as a pilot project which is being managed directly by Irish Water.
- **Sampling Programme** — flow monitoring and sampling at 12 No. WWTP’S in County Leitrim. This project is regionalised with IW Donegal office - Project Manager is being progressed with our assistance. **Glan Agua** has been awarded this contract and works have commenced on various sites. There have been some issues with the flow chamber designs which Irish Water (Donegal) are dealing with.

All works in Leitrim will be completed by the Contractor by week ending 20th May 2016.

Approx Estimate in Leitrim = €120,000

- **Process Optimisation and Control Programme** – level sensors and SCADA telemetry at 13 No. drinking water reservoir sites. **Ryan Hanley** consulting engineers have been appointed to Design and prepare contract documents for this contract as a pilot project for IW. Ryan Hanley and Leitrim CaPO are scoping the works required. Ryan Hanley will produce contract documents for procurement by Irish Water of a contractor to undertake these works. These Contract documents for Leitrim are a Pilot scheme which will be rolled out and used in other Counties

Approximate Estimate €91,400

- **Power actuated valves** to replace ball cock valves at 5No. Reservoirs - all works completed and final account has been prepared and submitted to IW Minor Capital Lead for approval. Small claim to be approved. Contract Value €73,900.

- **DMA Programme** – Upgrade and complete the District metering structure on the networks in County Leitrim. **EMR** has commenced Design works and meetings with ESB have taken place. Contract cost €518,000.

- **Killenna Watermain** replacement (2km) is approved and included in the minor capital programme. Estimated cost = €100,000. (The existing supply along this section is under a threat of a boil water notice due to poorly discoloured water due to poor condition of old cast iron mains.) Leitrim County Council awaits appointment of Contractor by IW.
• **Drumshanbo, Leitrim Village Carrigallen and Ballinamore WWTP Upgrades.**

Estimate €270,000.
Nicholas O’ Dwyers Consulting Engineers has been appointed by Irish Water and work has commenced on the preparation of Design and Tender documents.

Budgets approved Drumshanbo - €150,000, and Ballinamore - € 51,100 and Leitrim Village €6,500 Carrigallen - € 60,000. Planning applications have been submitted.

Design and Tender documents substantially complete and will be submitted to Irish Water for approval and procurement of a contractor. Works are scheduled to commence on site circa September 2016.

• **Trunk Main replacement Eslin – Mohill (2.5Km) - €500,000**

Leitrim County Council documents were submitted to Irish Water on 29th October, 2015 for the appointment of a contractor from their Frameworks. There have been a number of bursts in recent times. Irish Water notified of urgency and need to appoint contractor ASAP. Irish Water requested minor changes to the contract documents on 1st May 2016. LEITRIM COUNTY COUNCIL will complete this week ending 14th May 2016 and return to Irish Water for procurement of a Contractor. Leitrim County Council anticipate that following all approvals a contract can be signed in August, 2016 with works commencing on site in September and all works completed by the end of the year.

• **Dowra and Boley Hill Watermain Replacement**

Dowra works completed successfully by J.Reilly Plant Hire contractors. The boil water notice in Dowra has been removed following the Work.

Boley Hill – Works substantially completed by Source Civil Contractors and all customers are now receiving clean supply from the new infrastructure.

Testing regime in place to prove the quality of supply and lifting of the boil water notice.

• **Drumsna WWTP.**

Irish Water has approved an ANB for Minor Capital upgrade of Drumsna WWTP to provide for optimisation of the treatment process. The works require the construction of a balancing tank and level sensor and linked communications to main pumping station. The estimated cost is €62,000. Design and tender document preparation will be undertaken by CaPO and submitted to IW for procurement.

• **Bridge Street- Carrick**

Irish Water has approved the replacement of old cast iron watermains in Bridge Street Carrick on Shannon at an estimated cost of circa €120,000.

Source Civil Ltd has been appointed contractors for these works. Due to the needs of local traders and the tourist season these works have been put off until September 2016.

• **Ballinamore and Mohill Mains Replacement:** These three watermain replacement jobs have been bundled up and Tobins Consulting Engineers have completed survey and designs. Irish Water has now decided that these Minor Capital works will be procured by Shared Services in the normal way. No definite date for appointment of contractors at this stage.

• **Inline UVT and Crypto Samplers.** Irish Water has procured Coffey’s Water Ltd. to install inline UVT and Crypto monitors at two water treatment plants in Leitrim at Carrick on Shannon and Moneyduff as part of a larger regional project. Designs have been approved and works are about to commence in the next week or two. This contract also includes a Yearlong monitoring of raw and treated water at these plants based on grab samples. This DATA is to be used by Irish Water to further highlight necessary process improvements at WTP’s.
Other Projects recently approved under Minor Capital works

1. **New Cover to the flash mixers and flocculators in Carrick on Shannon water treatment plant estimate €50,000** has been approved under Minor Capital. EPS appointed as Contractor and the prefabrication of the structures has been completed. Erection on Site to commence on the 11th July 2016.

2. **Chlorination Boosting at Oughteraght Reservoir Estimate €25,000**
   Measures put in place to boost chlorine in this network have alleviated this issue. It is considered that additional chlorination boosting at Oughteraght may not be required. This will be monitored by operations.

3. Two jobs at **Kinlough / Tullaghan – Glenade water treatment plant** the upgrade of Filters and raw water diversion at a total estimated cost of €44,000 is approved. Work has commenced on site.

4. A project to provide “**Filter Run To Waste**” at Carrick on Shannon has been approved by Irish Water on 22nd April 2106. Carrick on Shannon has been recommended by the EPA and is being treated as urgent by IW. Documents prepared by CaPO were sent to Veolia as the preferred single source contractor to prepare a proposal and quotation. A PO should issue to Veolia in the next week or two with a 10 week works programme for completion by the end of September 2016.

5. Irish Water has approved an ANB for Minor Capital upgrade of **Drumsna WWTP** to provide for optimisation of the treatment process. The works require the construction of a balancing tank and level sensor and linked communications to main pumping station. The estimated cost is €62,000. Design and tender document is underway by CaPO and will be submitted to Irish Water for procurement in due course.

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### Economic Development, Planning, Environment and Transportation Directorate

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING:**

**LOCAL ENTERPRISE OFFICE (LEO)**

- **Training**
  The Autumn Programme of Activity is currently available on the website. One to one mentoring continues.

- **Networking**
  First Fridays continue on first Friday of the month.

- **PR**
  Mc Niffe’s Bakery represented Leitrim at the National Enterprise Awards in the Aviva Stadium on 9th June last and won a Regional prize (region is Leitrim, Sligo, Donegal and Longford).
  - LEO Annual Employment Survey results for 2015 were released and show that Leitrim had a net gain in jobs of 37 during 2015.

**Outreach Office – Manorhamilton**

The Outreach Office continues to run on the first Tuesday of the month in Manor Hub, Manorhamilton.

**Student Enterprise**

- Nineteen budding inventors and young entrepreneurs from around the country have won a place at a week-long Winners’ Bootcamp, as part of the Student Enterprise Awards programme. Students from counties Cork (West), Donegal, Mayo, Louth and Wicklow joined with the Leitrim group (Cut Cost Coupons from Carrigallen Vocational School).

- National Student Enterprise Awards – Annaduff National School won the Primary School Challenge 2016 of the Enterprise Awareness in School workshop. A presentation was made by LEO staff to the school on 15th June, 2016.
Other

LEO Competitive Fund have awarded funding two projects - USEFE collaboration initiative (Creative Sector) and Graduate Internship for Entrepreneurship Programme of €70,700 and €146,648 respectively.

- National Ploughing Championships – the two Leitrim businesses selected to attend the Enterprise Village at National Ploughing Championships were invited to a briefing session and photo shoot on 29th June in Citywest Hotel, Dublin.
- The launch of the Ireland West International Trade Centre in Rhode Island took place on 14th June, Joe Lowe, Head of Enterprise Leitrim County Council travelled out to help facilitate the launch.
- The launch of IT Sligo’s presence in The Hive took place on 23rd June last with the President of IT, Vincent Cunnane in attendance.
- A Sustainable Energy Communities Project meeting took place in Mohill on 16th June last, in Mohill Enterprise Centre with Ruth Buggie from SEAI giving an overview of the Sustainable Energy Communities Programme with SEAI. A number of local businesses as well as Local Authority staff were in attendance. LEO staff has had meetings with community groups around possible uses for old Vocational School in Mohill in consultation with the MSLETB.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Local Economic Development Committee

LEADER

Contract issued from the Department. In relation to Leader in third week of June – following review locally and legal advice nationally, comments were returned to the Department and clarifications sought in particular in relation to insurance and payments process.

Work continued on setting up of Evaluation Committee for LEADER and names will be brought to the next LCDC meeting for approval.

Comments were received from the Department in relation to proposed SLA between LCDC, Implementing Partner and Financial Partner. Work will continue in July on finalising this SLA through a sub-committee of counties in the North West and the CCMA.

Manorhamilton REDZ

Following the workshop on 30th May, 2016, a follow up meeting was held with Manorhamilton Business Forum to set up a formal REDZ Team. It was agreed to arrange a facilitated process to develop the capacity of the REDZ team and assist them in identifying their role in developing the priorities set out. This will commence in September.

Carrick on Shannon Town Teams

The Town Marketing/Citizen Engagement group met on June 22nd with the following outcomes

- Work has commenced on the MYCarrick website update
- No Current interest in pursuing marketing package with Shannonside FM other than for specific events.
- Group of retailers looking at developing a new information/shopping map for the town.
- Agreed to contact REI to see if they have a trainer they would recommend on Window Dressing and that this would be rolled out in early October as lead into Christmas Festival
- Ideas that emerged for Christmas Festival included:
  - Themed lights in all shops
  - Food Event with local restaurants which could perhaps be around “Preparing and Improving on your Christmas Dining at Home”
  - Christmas Stories – Library, Reading Room and The Dock
  - Christmas Panto – Scoil Mhuire interested
  - Most People in One Place wearing Red and White
  - Prize for Best Window Display.
**Purple Flag**
An overnight self-assessment was held on June 18th with members of local community, business gardai and local authority participating. This information was then used to complete the Light Touch Renewal Form.

315 people completed the Public Perceptions Survey and the answers were used to inform the renewal form and indicators required. A meeting of the Steering Group was held on June 23rd in the Landmark Hotel and final comments were received on the application which was submitted on June 29th to ATCM.

**Renewable Energy**
Following confirmation that WDC will support feasibility in relation to COS district heating system, initial draft tender documents were received and the project is now being dealt with primarily by Terry McGovern as he is overseeing the new build at the Aras.

**SECURE Project**
As part of EU Energy Week, a briefing on the new SEAI grants scheme was held for staff on the morning of June 16th. In addition, a presentation on the SECURE project was made to the Mohill Energy Community with whom the LEO has been working and a focus group took place on how communities access information on energy efficiency and renewable technology solutions.

A comprehensive presentation on project objectives, expected results, and actions was prepared and presented to a SECURE Local Authority Network meeting on June 27th by Nollaig Whyte, Project Manager. The meeting also heard from Leo Strawbridge, Energy Manager with Derry City and Strabane District Council and Paddy Mullen, Facilities Manager of Donegal County Council.

The Renewable Energy Group met on June 27th with an attendance of 21 people across different sectors to discuss the potential of the SECURE project and to look at ways in which the biomass market could be measured and actions put in place to increase the potential of biomass in Leitrim and other USEFE Counties.

**USEFE**
A USEFE Steering Group Meeting took place on 2nd June in Roscommon. A USEFE project update was provided to all of the partners. A meeting to discuss the pharma/healthcare sector in Upper Shannon Erne Region took place with Joseph Gilhooly, Mike Feeney, Caitlin Conneely and Michael Lohan, Head of Medical Technology & Healthcare Services in the IDA on Thurs 2nd June, 2016 in Athlone to identify opportunities for development in this sector across the region.

USEFE Operational Management Group Meeting was held on the 14th June, 2016 in Longford. An update was provided on each sectoral group’s activity.

Minister Heather Humphreys, T.D., Minister for Regional Development, Rural Affairs, Arts and the Gaeltacht formally launched the REDZ Blueway Flagship initiative on Friday 24th June in the Landmark Hotel, Carrick on Shannon. This event was attended by approximately 60 people and each project partner was represented on the day.

The USEFE Project Co-Ordinator visited a selection of possible venues on the 27th of June for the Diaspora event in Dublin in October, 2016. The venues visited included Croke Park, the RDS and the Inter Continental Hotel in Ballsbridge. A report summarizing each venue has been compiled and will be circulated to the USEFE Operational Group for discussion. A regional tourism analysis report was compiled in relation to the LAKtive Tourism project and submitted to the lead project partner in Italy for review. A draft itinerary for the test activity visit to USEFE region was also drafted by the Co-ordinator.
**TOURISM DEVELOPMENT**

The following actions have been undertaken throughout June 2016 to facilitate the continued promotion of the tourism offering in the County:

1. Leitrim Tourism hosted TUI Tour Operators worldwide with representatives from Australia, New Zealand, Germany, Holland, Spain, Italy and the UK attending the event. TUI Group have more than 30,000,000 customers worldwide who are looked after by 1800 on-line agencies and on-line portals, airlines and incoming services. In Leitrim, Emerald Star is part of the TUI Group. The group are investing in 25 new cruisers to be based at their Carrick on Shannon base in the coming year.

2. Launched national advertising and marketing campaign encouraging people to ‘Create memories in Leitrim’ with adverts places on Aircoach buses on the Dublin City and Dublin – Belfast bus routes. Adverts were also placed with the following radio stations:
   a. Newstalk Radio - National
   b. Midland Radio - Westmeath, Laois, Offaly and Longford
   c. East Coast Radio – Wicklow Wexford and Kildare
   d. Limerick Live - Limerick, Clare, Tipperary and North Kerry
   e. LMF M – Dublin, Louth, Meath

3. Social media campaign conducted in conjunction with our advertising and marketing campaign ‘Creating memories in Leitrim’ using Leitrim personalities to promote Leitrim including this month Carole Coleman and Eleanor Shanley.

4. The launch of the new Leitrim Tourism website by Minister Heather Humphrey’s took place at the Landmark Hotel. The event which was well attended.

5. Another of Leitrim’s Centenary Events took place in Kiltyclogher. The Sean Mac Diarmada Summer School 2016 took place over the second weekend in June and was well attended.

6. The Commemorative Tree Trail was launched in Leitrim Village also part of Leitrim’s Centenary Programme. His Excellency Canadian Ambassador Kevin Vickers planted a tree in honour of Sean Mac Diarmada and unveiled a plaque as part of this event.

7. A SAINT (Slow Adventure) Workshop took place in the Bush Hotel at which the large number of tourism providers in Leitrim, who attended, were introduced to this new form of tourism which favours slow, immersive journeys through our landscape, culture and heritage. Slow adventure is about creating experiences and memories for visitors while at the same time enjoying the slow pace of life through our landscape and the development of the concept of Slow Adventure in Leitrim offers an alternative to the conventional visitor experience.

8. On-going social Media Campaign highlighting Leitrim 2016, Tourism in Leitrim and Events taking place in Leitrim during the holiday season.

**DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT**

**Unfinished Housing Developments / Taking in Charge**

- Workshops were held with each of the 3 Municipal District Elected Members before the scheduled June monthly meetings. The Planning Department committed to providing a database of all estates in the County to the Elected Members which would include their status regarding ‘taking in charge’.
• The Council await a decision by the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government with regard to the National Taking in Charge Initiative.

Pre Planning
• The pre planning clinics continued during the month of June. The Clinic System operates on an appointment basis with the relevant Area Planner each Wednesday morning. 11 new pre planning consultations took place during June in addition to a number of other inquiries which are dealt with through e-mail.

Scheme to facilitate testing of Zero Discharge Wastewater Treatment & Disposal Systems in Co. Leitrim
• The Planning Authority has prepared a short background document providing details of this scheme and selection criteria which will be applied for determining additional participants. The closing date for receipt of completed application forms will be close of business on Friday 30th September 2016. All relevant details of the scheme are available on the Leitrim.ie website. A couple of formal applications have been received to date and a number of other potential sites are being considered by the Planning Department.

Development Management
• 19 no. valid planning applications were received in June of which included 2 applications relating to commercial development. Unfortunately a further 8 no. applications were deemed invalid of which 4 have since had valid applications accepted.
• 21 final decisions on planning applications were made during June, 18 of which were granted planning permission (17 relating to applications for permission and 1 application for retention. A request for further information issued with respect to a further 5 no. applications.
• A major reorganisation of the historic planning application files held in storage from 1964 to present is ongoing by the administrative staff of the Planning Department. This project will result in a more efficient service being provided to customers and staff seeking to retrieve historic files for viewing purposes.

Heritage
• The Heritage Officer published 3 no. newsletters (Heritage Matters) during June. This notified interested stakeholders of the closing date for the Local Agenda 21 Environmental Partnership Fund 2016 (17th June 2016), of various events being held over the coming weeks including National Heritage Week (20 – 28 August) and the deadline for inclusion in the Print Guide for events, the Seàn Mac Diarmada Summer School, the Hedgerow Appraisal System and of recent publications.
• Leitrim County Council also received confirmation that the 2 applications seeking funding under the Structures at Risk Fund 2016, namely St. Catherine’s Church in Fenagh (€8,840) and Killegar House (€5,000), were successful.

DELIVERING REMAINING PROJECTS OF THE 2007-2013 PROGRAMMES

Lough Rinn Recreational Facility
Leitrim County Council are delighted to again receive 2015 Sports Capital Funding of €200,000 towards the further development of the world Class Lough Rinn Recreational facility which caters for Rowing/Canoeing and Kayaking. We have also secured a 2014 Sports Capital Grant Funding of €150,000. The first phase of these works as part of the 2014 Grant allocation is providing additional Launch pontoon facilities. Tender documentation was put on E-tenders. Tenders were returned and were evaluated by our Design Consulting Engineers. The Department gave approval for the Design/Build Contractor to proceed with this Contract. The Design/Build Contractor was awarded the Contract and works are currently under way on site with completion of all works by end of August, 2016.
This will greatly assist in the further development of this Regional Sports Facility and have a very positive impact in attracting Clubs/Regatta/National and International Clubs and people to the region thus enhancing the Tourist potential of the region and giving a much needs economic boost to the area.

ENVIRONMENT

National Inspection Program (DWWTS) – All the 2015 NIP Inspections are completed. The Council will be inspecting 28No DWWTS in 2016 and these inspections will take place during the summer months. We will be selecting these sites based on EPA Risk based methodology mapping across the Country. These DWWTS inspections have commenced and will be ongoing from now until the end of September 2016.

RMCEI Plan – Works will be targeted in the Environment Department based on the 2016 RMCEI Plan. The 2016 RMCEI Plan was submitted to EPA in January 2016.

CFRAMs – OPW and their Consultant Jacobs Engineering are working on the development of suitable flood mitigation options regarding the management of flood risk in the Shannon River Basin District in the Leitrim area. The Flood Risk Management Options had Public Consultation meetings which took place within Leitrim on in November 2015. The Office of Public Works (OPW) is leading the CFRAM Programme in part to meet Ireland’s obligations under the 2007 EU Floods Directive, in accordance with the European Communities “Assessment and Management of Flood risks) Regulations 2010, SI No. 122 of 2010, which transposed the EU Floods Directive into Irish Law, as amended by SI No. 495 of 2015.

Draft Flood Maps went on Public Display as part of the Statutory Public Consultation from Friday 20th November 2015 to Wednesday 23rd December 2015 inclusive and were available at all Local Authority offices for viewing.

A Stakeholder Workshop took place with OPW/Jacobs Engineering in Athlone on Wednesday 25th May 2016 on Preliminary Options report Stage.

The OPW in conjunction with their Consulting Engineers plan to have Draft Flood Risk Management Plans completed by April 2016. It is anticipated that Public Consultation on the Draft Flood Risk Management Plans will take place between July to September 2016 with final adoption of plans by end of 2016. The OPW/Consultants plan to make a presentation to elected members September/October 2016 of the Draft Flood Risk Management Plans.

ENERGY

Leitrim County Council in conjunction with our Energy Consultants Retrofit Energy Ireland Ltd (REIL) lodged a Better Energy Communities 2016 Application on Friday 26th February, 2016 with Sustainable Energy Authority Ireland (SEAI). Works involved scoping a further project application for the 2016 SEAI Better Energy Communities Grant program with particular emphasis on the community facilities within Manorhamilton town and Carrick-on-Shannon town. Energy Surveys by REIL Specialist Energy Retrofit Ireland (Energy Consultant) were carried out on selected properties to meet SEAI requirements in Manorhamilton and Carrick-on-Shannon for proposed application to SEAI for funding. SEAI evaluated all applications within the Country.

SEAI announced on the 9th June, 2016 that Leitrim County Council and its Beneficiaries would be awarded a Grant of €691,903.78 total Eligible Costs with Maximum Grant amount of €283,964.33 for this SEAI Project.

As part of this Grant 43 no Local Authority houses will get Retrofit Energy upgrade works done. There will be a further 6 Private houses done consisting of Fuel poor and non-Fuel poor homes. A further 10 no Private homes will be done in conjunction with the LEO office and a Credit Union Initiative Scheme. There are 3 no community beneficiaries projects consisting of a Community Centre and two no schools.

Tender Documentation is currently been prepared by Housing Department and beneficiaries and it will be a huge challenge to get all works completed by deadline date of 14th October 2016.

ROADS

- Area Road works Programme progressing in accordance with the adopted program
- Verge trimming commenced at Junctions of Local roads and regional roads
• N16 Cornacloy to Sradrine Phase 2 - Bulk excavations well under way and the batter for the cut slopes can now be clearly seen, drainage works has started in the past month. 6 Culverts constructed during road closure period 2rd July – 7th July.
• N16 Drummahon Realignment Scheme - Project Appraisal Report completed and Preliminary Design Report currently being drafted to be submitted Shortly to the TII
• Verge trimming commenced along national roads
• Severe weather funding – progress in accordance with programme

RURAL WATER PROGRAMME
Improvement works on the following group water schemes have been approved for grant funding. Works are underway or about to commence.

• Cloonsarne – Works on pipelines complete. Testing underway
• Cornabrone/Aghaslane - Works on pipelines complete
• Poolboy - Works on pipelines to commence shortly

Discussions also continue with proposed new Group Water Scheme at Carrigeencor.

The Council are awaiting response to our application for 3 year funding programme applied to the Department of Environment for the upgrade of existing Group Water Schemes and the provision of a new Group Water and Sewerage Schemes. Total value of programme €2.5m.

Leitrim County Council received interim funding of €30,000. This will be used to complete the funding of the works currently underway.

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY, CORPORATE SERVICES, CULTURE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES DIRECTORATE
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Traveller Accommodation Programme Targets – Progress Report at 30th June, 2016

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**Private Rented Inspection Programme**

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**Housing Grants**

**NOTE:** HGD = Housing Adaptation Grant; MAG = Mobility Aids Grant; HOP = Housing Aid for Older People

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HOUSING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT WORKS PROGRAMME 2016

Energy Efficiency Works
Leitrim County Council has proactively sought to improve the Council’s Social Housing Stock by securing funding from the Department under the Energy Efficiency Programme in addition to providing a level of match funding from the Council’s own financial resources. The Programme has been particularly beneficial to upgrade older social housing stock. Following requests for proposals from the Department in March, the Council has made a submission to upgrade 153 units under Phase 1 energy efficiency works and 27 potential units for Phase II upgrade works at an estimated cost of €390,000 approx. The Council has received preliminary approval to progress with works up to a total cost of €130,000 pending full allocation approval. Contract documents are being finalised and will issue for contractor interest shortly. If fully approved is received, this will complete the energy upgrade works on all Leitrim County Council housing stock.

Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (SEAI) Better Energy Communities Area Based Scheme
A submission for grant aid has been lodged under the SEAI Better Energy Communities Scheme for an extensive energy retrofitting project on up to 40 Council housing stock in Manorhamilton and Carrick on Shannon during 2016. The scheme will also include some public/community buildings across the county where Leitrim County Council lead in encouraging the communities to engage in private energy retrofits to community building by promoting the benefits of energy efficiency through community projects. It is expected that a decision on grant allocation to improve all or an apportionment of these energy poor buildings will be received in early June.

Voids
A strong focus continues in relation to prioritising vacant units for inclusion in the 2016 Programme for returning vacant properties to productive use. A request for a prioritised listing of units with details of necessary works and estimated associated costs was received on 28th January to assist the Department in making their allocation decisions. The Council made a comprehensive submission in February for maximum funding to continue the refurbishment programme of 32 units requiring significant remedial works including 3 dwellings classed as derelict. In June 2016 the Council received confirmation from the Department of an allocation of €531,700 towards works on void units and awaits approval with regard to derelict units. Subject to further discussions with the Department, the Council intends to include an additional 7 no. houses in the 2016 voids programme and an additional 1 no. house in the Derelict Scheme 2016.

Work is progressing on 32 houses under a number of different contracts and currently approximately 70% of the units are substantially complete. When complete this will significantly reduce the Councils vacant properties which required significant repair and refurbishment works.

Disability Works in Council Houses
An Adaptation Works (Disability related) scheme for Council housing stock will continue to be funded by the Department in 2016 to facilitate the Local Authority in carrying out adaptation works for tenants to address mobility problems, primarily associated with medical need and disability related. The works will render the dwelling more suitable to the particular needs of the Tenant, with typical works including, depending on the individual circumstances, installation of level access shower, installation of rails in bathrooms, installation of ramp access to front/back doors, installation of oil heating systems or storage heating and associated works. The funding for these works is based on the provision of 90% funding by the Department with the remaining 10% to be funded by the Local Authority. The Council made a submission in February following a call for suitable projects from the Department, identifying 17 suitable tenancies for proposed disability works costing an estimated €150,000. In June the Council received confirmation of grant approval of €134,100 (90% funding) with €14,900 (10% from Council’s own resources) totalling €149,000 to complete identified works and these are progressing on a number of projects at present.
Acquisitions
Three family type houses were purchased in Carrick on Shannon in 2015. Remedial work on these properties will be complete over Summer 2016 to return these to useable stock. The Council is continuing an acquisition programme subject to Departmental approval and targets identified in the Social programme 2015 – 2017, and a further number of houses will be purchased in the current year across the county.

Construction - Taobh Tire, Manorhamilton: This project to construct an additional 7 units of social housing is at Departmental stage two approval with construction works anticipated to commence on site by year-end.

Capital Assistance Schemes
Two properties in Carrick-on-Shannon were acquired by North West Simon in late 2015 / early 2016 through a Capital Assistance Scheme funded by the Department through Leitrim County Council. These properties are currently going through refurbishment contracts to be tenant ready in Q4 2016.

A further approval was received in February 2016 for a project led by St. Vincent de Paul Ballinamore for demolition of derelict properties and site preparation in Canaboe Terrace, Ballinamore and the construction of two family type two storey dwellings on the site. This project is at Departmental stage two approval with construction commencement planned for early 2017. The Council will have 100% tenancy nomination rights on all these CAS scheme properties from the Housing Waiting List.

COMMUNITY
Public Participation Network
- The budget and Memorandum of Understanding were agreed with Leitrim County Council
- A newsletter was circulated to all registered groups
- A training day for representatives was held
- A tender for the provision of Social Media training to all interested groups was issued
- A national PPN meeting was held in The Customs House and was attended by the development officer.
- A total of 175 groups are registered with the PPN

Comhairle na nOg
- Whilst the Comhairle is on its summer break, some of its members and their co-ordinator attended a garden party in Áras an Uachtaráin on 15 June as part of the national 1916 commemorations

Peace IV
- One meeting of the Peace IV Partnership took place.
- There are two places remaining to be filled on the Partnership.
- Seven public meetings took place throughout the county. These were not well attended despite being extensively advertised and promoted.

Age Friendly Alliance
- A walkability survey took place in Manorhamilton as the first step in developing an Age Friendly Town project
- The AGM of the Older People’s Council took place

Floral Pride
- Judging took place for the primary school section of Floral Pride
- Community and business judging will take place on 20 and 27 August.

Pride of Place
- Judging will take place on 8 August for Rossinver and 22 August for Carrick on Shannon and Drumshanbo Community Council.
- Community representatives from Carrick on Shannon were met to progress their entry.
LEITRIM SPORTS PARTNERSHIP

Ag Sugradh Le Cheile Workshop
We completed 7 workshops in the County in June, with 41 parents attending and 129 children participating in the workshops.

Kidz On the Run Programme (Kidz on the Run Programme is still ongoing)
“Kidz on the Run” programme is an 8 week running/fitness programme in primary Schools, and at the end of the 8 weeks the children will complete a 2k/3k run in Lough Rynn Hotel grounds, Dromahair, Bee Park, Manorhamilton and schools grounds. 27 primary schools were involved in this initiative with a total of 1,742 participants.

Leitrim’s Active Age Sports Feast
Leitrim Sports Partnership in partnership with Leitrim Development Company delivered active age sports fest for older adults in the Bush Hotel. All the participants got an opportunity to try out three different activities: Nordic walking workshop/Mobility and Flexibility workshop/Fun team building activities.

In the afternoon, Frank Fahey from Go for Life completed a Stay Active Workshop and gave important information on exercises, health and staying active. 57 participants were involved.

Safe Guarding 2 Workshop (Children’s Officer Course)
This workshop is being run specifically for designated Children’s Officers within the club, of which there should be at least one. Clubs are encouraged to send 2 representatives to the training, one of which should be the designated Children’s Officer. We completed the course with 12 participants involved from different sports clubs.

Leitrim County Council Staff Outing
Leitrim Sports Partnership in partnership with Leitrim County Council and Waterways Ireland organised a staff outing on the Shannon Blueway for all staff members. All the participants had the option of kayaking/canoeing, cycling or walking the Shannon Blueway from Acres Lake in Drumshanbo to Leitrim village. On the day we had 74 staff members, 37 people kayaked, 15 cycled and 22 people walked the blueway.

Community Soccer Programme 2016 June Output

Schools
Coaching Programmes in Schools ran in Gaelscoile Liatroma and Dowra NS for 6 weeks May/June with over 150 children involved

Football After School Programme
Leitrim County Council along with the Football Association of Ireland set up an After School Programme within the county. The aim of this project is to provide kids from 3rd to 6th class an opportunity to get active through sports within their own schools and hopefully get more children playing the game within Leitrim.

After-school Programmes 4 week pilot programmes ran in the following schools and areas. Carrick-on-Shannon – 22 children, Kinlough - 19 children & Drumshanbo – 45 children.

Road to France EURO 2016 FUN Day
As part of our Community Soccer Programme with FAI and build up to Euro 2016 we ran series of mini Euro 2016 blitzes in primary schools across the county. The Road to France EURO 2016 FUN Day Blitzes was hosted in the following schools: Four Master NS, Leitrim Village NS, Gaelscoile Manor, Gaelscoile Carrick, Dowra NS, Drumkerran NS, Largy NS as close to 600 students took part.

Each Primary School received the Fai Schools Cool Kids Guide to Euro 2016 in the classroom to help kids learn about the 24 competing countries along with hosting the Euro 2016 Day. Ireland, Belgium, Italy, Sweden, Ukraine,
Germany, France to name a few were all represented by the students. They all got to meet our special guest 'The Henri Delaunay Trophy', which is awarded to the winner of the European Championship winners.

**FOOTBALL FOR ALL**
Childhood Days Coaching session for teenagers with Autism was held in Lough Allen Hotel with 11 users.

**Community Events**
Leitrim Community Soccer had a Fun Skill Station at the following:

- Carrick Carnival on the Sunday closing the Carnival
- Manor Rangers Family Fun Day attended by all members of the club
- Leitrim Sports Partnership Event in Leitrim Village for bike week.

**THE ARTS**

**Creative Frame** - In partnership with Leitrim Local Enterprise Office, Leslie Ryan has been appointed Creative Frame Manager to develop the Creative Frame programme – a user driven continuous professional development network designed to facilitate the ongoing training and development requirements of practitioners in the creative sector in Leitrim and the wider region.

**Spark** – Artist Tinka Bechert has been selected to work with Prior PLM Medical in the 2016 Spark Programme.

**Festivals and Events** – 9 Festivals from across the County have been granted funding under the 2016 scheme

**Artists in Schools** – 4 Artists and schools are now commencing the 2016 Residencies.

**Artist in the Community** – 18 artists submitted proposals to work with 4 community groups across 3 municipal districts.

**Drumshanbo Artist Studios** – Artist Kate Wilson and writer Gerry Boland are continuing their Residencies

**Leitrim Equation 4** – Work has commenced in producing the DVD of the Leitrim Equation 4 concert.

**Youth Theatre**- Autumn/winter term is in place for 5 existing Youth Theatre groups in Manorhamilton, Carrick on Shannon and Carrigallen with a new junior group in Manorhamilton.

**Literature** – The Iron Mountain Literature Festival will take place in October and the programme is in the process of being confirmed. As part of the Festival, Leitrim County Council and the Tyrone Guthrie Centre have developed the John McGahern Award to encourage the development of emerging Irish writers and to pay tribute to the exceptional contribution of John McGahern to literature, and to Leitrim

**Wild Words** – 40 submissions have been selected from the 130 submissions received for inclusion in Wild Words volume 4, which will be launched during the Wild Words Carrick on Shannon Childrens’ Book Festival in August.

**Culture Night** - A call out was made for venues to participate in this year’s Culture Night and applications have been received from 16 organisations.

**LIBRARY SERVICE**

**Event Programming**
A full programme of activities took place in all branches across the county, including regular I.T. classes for older members, Craft and Hobby Group Meetings, Film Screenings, Citizen Information Mobile Clinic in Mohill Library, Reading Groups and Creative Writing Workshops. Regular Comhrá classes continued in Kinlough Library during June.

**Highlights**
Drumshanbo Library presented story telling sessions for children, as part of the An Tostal Festival.
Summer Reading Tree 2016
This year, Leitrim County Library Service is running a new Summer reading initiative for children, called “Summer Stars” – this is a national programme taking place across the country. It was launched in Manorhamilton Library by local author Marion Rose McFadden who entertained pupils and teachers from St. Clare’s primary school in an interactive storytelling session.
Early registration has been very strong, with significant numbers participating.

Library Visits
Mohill Branch Library hosted a number of very colourful pre-school visits with children from Cloone and Mohill childcare facilities. Working in partnership with the Local Link transport service, Mohill Library also welcomed groups of residents from Lough Errill Nursing Home. Ballinamore Library hosted a visit by a group from Carrigallen/Drumeela Active Age who watched the MacDiarmada documentary and viewed National School records from their area – which included, for some, their own records in the School Registers and Roll Books.

Class Visits
Schedule of class visits by local primary schools continued in Branch Libraries across the county.

Leitrim 2016 Centenary Programme
As part of ongoing Centenary Commemorations, the Library Service presented a lecture by author and historian Sinéad McCoole, who explored the topic ‘The 1916 Rising & the Leitrim Links’ in Bredagh Old School, Carrigallen. The event was well-attended.

Local Studies - ‘Item of the Month’
Local Studies displayed Rutledge’s Drapery Ledger, a business ledger which is a valuable source for research on the social history of one hundred years ago.

FIRE SERVICE

Building Control
- Received 3 Commencement Notices (2 valid & 1 invalid), 2 short commencement notices, (both valid),
- Received 1 Disabled Access certificates and processed 2 Disabled Access certificates
- Received 2 Fire Safety Certificates and processed 4 Fire safety Certificates.
Reviewed a number of planning applications and returned reports to Planning Section.

National discussions on ‘Keeping Communities Safe’.
Attended a briefing seminar organised by the National Directorate in the Custom House in Dublin on 22 June to discuss progress following agreement reached between the National Directorate / LGMA and SIPTU / IMPACT in December 2015. Discussions are about to commence shortly based on the formation of six working Groups with equal Management / Union representation.

Fire Safety - Traveller Accommodation
Fire service personnel provided fire safety awareness training to residents of halting site in Carrick-on-Shannon on 22nd and 23rd June, 2016. A further draft of the final report was prepared for circulation at the next Council meeting.

Cross Border Emergency Management Group (CBEMG)
A meeting of the Cross Border Emergency Management Sub Group currently working on developing a cross border mapping platform was held in the Council Chamber Carrick-on-Shannon on 8th June, 2016.

New Class B Fire Appliance
We clarified further additional items as part of the specification proposed for the new Class B fire appliance which is expected to be delivered early in 2017.

Fire station site - Manorhamilton
Further checks were carried out on the availability of a potential site in Manorhamilton. A meeting was held with the Planning Officer to clarify some details. A further valuation of the preferred site is to be requested.
Major Emergency Management
A Major Emergency Management Committee meeting was held in the Council chamber on 16 June to brief Leitrim County Council staff on updates to the ME plan, contact details, eLearning Module, action plans and the forthcoming regional MEM exercise to be held in Leitrim and planned for October, 2016.

CAMP
We attended meetings of CAMP West CFO User Group and Joint Management Committee. A briefing on progress being achieved on CTri project from Mr. Fergal Stack, Project Manager was provided. A contract has been signed for the replacement of the out station equipment in all fire stations. This equipment will be replaced in Leitrim stations within the next 12 months as part of the first phase of the overall project. The implementation of TETRA for the fire services was also discussed together with its implications for fire authorities.

CIVIL DEFENCE
- On the 5th & 6th June, Safety Boat and First Aid cover was provided during a number of water based activities organised during the Carrick on Shannon Festival.
- On 18th June, 2016 Safety Boat and First Aid cover was provided at Lough Rinn during a Special Olympics Kayak event.
- On 21st June, 2016 assistance was provided to a Cruiser which had run aground on the Shannon. The Cruiser was successfully refloated and the passengers did not suffer any injuries.
- On 25th June three Volunteers were awarded Emergency First Responder certification at Civil Defence Headquarters in Roscrea having successfully completed the required training.
- Assistance was provided during the month to the Environment Section in order that the lake water sampling programme could continue.

Signed: ____________________ Date: 13th July, 2016
Frank Curran
Chief Executive