February

Chief Executive Monthly Management Report

Monthly Report

Leitrim County Council

for the period 1st February to 28th February 2019

Prepared in accordance with Section 136 (2) of the Local Government Act, 2001 as inserted by Section 51 of the Local
FINANCE & WATER SERVICES DIRECTORATE

Revenue Account

February, 2019 - Revenue Account Income & Expenditure Summary by Service Division (Preliminary February, 2019 - Figures)

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Total: €5,965,381 | €56,491,257 | 10% | 30,555,266 | | |

Expenditure V Income

Recourse to Overdraft

Main Points as at End of February, 2019

The preparation of the Annual Financial Statement for 2018 is ongoing and will be completed by end of March. As a result, actual gross income and expenditure levels are in line with projections.

February 2019: Recourse to Overdraft

No. of Days in Overdraft during Jan 2019

Interest incurred

Rates, Rents and Loans

February 2019 - Collection Rates

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Percentages:

- 55% 54% 55%
- 56% 5% 53%
- 29% 29% 60%

Commentary:

Rates Demand to be issued in early March
WATER SERVICES - OPERATIONS UPDATE

Capital Investment Infrastructure Projects
NLRWSS (Contract 3A)

Extension of Moneyduff Water Treatment Plant - €3.84 million

EPS continue with the Design Build Operate extension of Moneyduff Water Treatment Plant. The Design and Build element of the works is substantially completed and the new extended plant is producing water to the NLRWSS. Formal Commissioning certification will be by end Q1 2019 EPS following which the 12 month operating period by the contractor will commence. There are no issues with the supply. Handover to SLA for operation is Q1 2020. JODonovan Consultants

Extension of Supply to Rossinver and Kiltyclogher (Contract 3B)

Substantially completed and in service. Minor works on private connections outstanding. Section of old main yet to be decommissioned.

Manorhamilton & Mohill Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Project - €4.0 million

Nicholas O’Dwyer Consulting Engineers – Coffey Water Ltd Contractors. Works ongoing, no issues but slightly behind program. Completion date revised to 16th April 2019 following which Coffey Water will operate for one further year. The new upgraded WWTP’s will be handed over to LCC under the SLA on 16th April 2020.

Minor Capital Works

Water Networks Portfolio Programme Frameworks - Farrans Construction Ltd.

Mountcampbell: 1.6km of old 300 mm AC Trunk Main substantially completed and in service. Permanent reinstatement works on this section of mains replacement due in the next 3-4 weeks. The 145m watermain extension at the southern end of the project has now commenced.

Eslin – Stuck: 1900m of 250mm AC mains replacement has commenced on the Eslin – Stuck project. 700m of new main installed to date. Watermain installation works expected to be complete in May 2019.

Ballinamore: 2,270 meters of new water main completed and in service. Section of SMA road reinstatement on the R209 near the town remains outstanding.

Manorhamilton: 2.0km of watermain replacement on the N16 - all works now completed. Final Road reinstatements to be completed.

Works completed on Castle Street in Feb 2019 with the transfer of 17 no. existing connections from the 2” CI main to 4” DI main as part of quality and pressure management improvement works.

Kinlough:

Works are now substantially complete with transferring all 60 connections across from the cast iron main to the PE truck main on the Kinlough – Tullaghan road. Permanent reinstatement works will follow.

The CaPO office prepared submissions based on need for continuation of the Pipeline replacement works into 2019 and we have successfully got approval for three substantial projects and we await approval of 3/4 others.

Find and FIX

Farrans progressing with ongoing Find and Fix works in Carrick on Shannon DMA.

LCC Direct Labour Find and Fix crew on leak detection and repair in various DMA’s at Ballinaboy, Dromahaire, and Dromod east.

The water conservation target methodology has been reviewed by Irish Water for 2019. The Target for 2019 is set at a saving of 750cum/day on total production from our three Water supply schemes Water Treatment Plants. i.e. reduce total production from current average of circa 14,550 (to be confirmed) to 13,800cum/day.
Irish Water frameworks contractor Farrans rolling out other initiatives i.e. “First Fix free”, “Back Yard services”, “lead service replacement” DMA establishment and “pressure management”. BYS’s and Lead replacement works in Mc Dermott Terrace Manorhamilton has been complete. These works will continue in coming months.

Energy Efficiency Carrick on Shannon Water Treatment Plant - EPS Ltd Contractors
EPS has substantially completed the main elements of this initial project replacement of all main pumps with more efficient ones. Irish Water has approved substantial additional works and a new Medium Voltage import installation at Carrick on Shannon is going ahead. This will reduce the cost of electricity imported at this facility.

Disinfection Programme - Veolia Contractors
Design & Build works ongoing at Leitrim Plants Carrick on Shannon WTP and Glenade WTP. Works Program to complete by May 2019. Works identified under Process optimization and treatment program have been issued as Variations under this contract. No works at Glenade WTP yet - to commence in April.

Water Treatment Programme - Mayo/Sligo/Leitrim/Roscommon
EPS has carried out modification works to the break pressure tank at Glenade Water Treatment Plant source. Further works to be carried out at the upland source at the Erriff Spring will take place later when weather permits.

Carrick on Shannon Water Treatment Plant
RCC have commenced installation works for the new centrifuge at Carrick WTP and commissioning works expected to be complete by mid March.

4 No. WWTP upgrades Drumshanbo, Leitrim Village, Carrigallen and Ballinamore
Works substantially complete at Carrigallen and Ballinamore. Works ongoing at Leitrim Village and Drumshanbo. Significant additional works approved for Drumshanbo WWTP to upgrade the aeration ditch with a fine bubble aeration system. Also being considered new intake works here.

Reservoir Cleaning
Works Ongoing - Reservoir cleaning in Leitrim continuing and 90% of reservoirs have now been completed.

Capital Investment Plan 2017 - 2021
Upgrade of Drumshanbo Waste Water Treatment Plant Atkins Consulting Engineers
This project is included in Irish Waters Capital investment Plan for 2017-2021 and is bundled with 5 similar WWTP’s in County Cavan. Discussion and review of the Feasibility Study Report ongoing.

Carrick on Shannon Water Treatment Plant – Future planning
We have promoted the need for an extension to Carrick on Shannon WTP to provide for growth in the SLRWSS supply area in the medium term. Irish Water Asset Strategy is currently considering this proposal. This project is not currently included in Irish Waters Capital Investment Programme but there are alternative funding streams within IW for this type of project.
LOCAL ENTERPRISE OFFICE (LEO)
Evaluation and Approvals Committee Meeting
The first Evaluation and Approvals Committee Meeting for 2019 was held on 28th February and a total of 7 projects were considered with all receiving letters of offer. The total awarded was €121,820.

Training
Training programmes continued through February with Trading Online Voucher workshop and Start your Own Business being delivered.

Mentoring
There continues to be ongoing demand for mentoring, particularly in the areas of General Business, Finance and Social Media Marketing.

Brexit
The Brexit supports continue to be rolled out.

Outreach Office – Manorhamilton
The Outreach Office continues to run on the first Tuesday of the month in Manorhamilton.

Ireland’s Best Young Entrepreneur
The IBYE Programme remains open until 15th March 2019. Interest is strong to date.

Enterprise Week
Local Enterprise Week takes place from 4th to 9th March 2019 and the LEO have 11 events scheduled during the week.

Erasmus Programme
The 4th partner of the WISE programme took place in Norway during February.

Co-Innovate
Delivery continues on the Co-Innovate programme.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
LCDC
A meeting of the LCDC took place on Feb 13th and a community weekend is taking place in the coming months

LCDC - SICAP
Leitrim Development gave an overview of their end of year report in relation to SICAP.
The 2019 plan was outlined.
SICAP regional support session took place on Feb 12th.

LCDC - Community Enhancement Scheme
Update received on the progress of the scheme
Peace IV update received by the meeting.
Healthy Ireland Update was presented to the meeting.

LCDC - Meeting of the LAG
Expressions of Interest Reviewed
Recommendations of the Project Evaluation Committee reviewed.

Economic SPC Meeting
A meeting of the economic SPC meeting took place on Feb 19th, the agenda included the work programme for 2019, Tourism Network Grant Scheme, Renewable Energy Strategy Review, Update from the PPN forestry consultation process, and approval of the Diaspora strategy.

Town and Village Projects 2017 & 2018
Follow up with Town and Village projects from 2017 and 2018 to check progress and offer support in submitting claims. Processing of claims for payment.

Potential Town and Village Projects 2019
Meeting were held with a number of groups from various towns around the County to ascertain potential projects for Town and Village 2019 as well as CLAR 2019 including, Drumkeerin, Carrick on Shannon, Dromahaire.

Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme (ORIS)
Under the outdoor recreation infrastructure scheme Leitrim County Council secured €496,019 in funding. The 3 projects were Keeldra Lake Amenity Sport & Heritage Trail, Lough Rinn Trails angling and water amenities and Aghoo Bridge to Lock 4 Blueway.

Community Funding Information Evenings
Plans are underway to deliver two community information evenings in relation to available funding during the month of March, one in Manorhamilton and one in Carrick on Shannon.

Town Team Meetings
A meeting of REDZ Manorhamilton Town Team took place on February 26th.

A meeting of Carrick Town Team took place on February 27th.

Rural Regeneration - Feedback
On February 14th 2019 the Department of Rural and Community Development announced the final round of the 2018 applications under the RRFDF scheme.

Leitrim were unsuccessful in the Category 1 submissions for Manorhamilton and Ballinamore and successful in the Category 2 submission for Mohill.
Feedback session with the department will take place in March.

CCTV – Carrick on Shannon
The eTenders process for Carrick Community CCTV closed on Feb 9th, tenders were opened and the selection criteria carried out on Feb 11th. 9 Tenders received with 6 passing the selection criteria.

SECURE NPA Programme
Onsite inspection for claim no 5 took place on Feb 14th, the auditors signed of that all was in order and will process the claim. The Building Management System for the Aras building has been tendered and ACE Controls Ltd were selected to deliver this. Final Partner meeting and conference scheduled for March 2019.

TOURISM DEVELOPMENT
Ireland’s Hidden Heartlands
Attended the Ireland’s Hidden Heartlands Regional Programme Workshop at the Lakeside Hotel in Killaloe.

Destination Marketing
Leitrim Tourism hosted a stand at the Ireland Angling show at the National Show Centre in Swords Co Dublin on 16th and 17th February. Tourism providers in Leitrim were invited to represent their businesses on the Leitrim Tourism Stand. Rinn Shannon and District Angling Club and Fishtracker at Kilnagross promoted angling in Leitrim. Preparation took place for Meitheal 2019.

Events
 Failte Ireland workshop took place at The Ballroom of Romance in Glenfarne as part of the Outdoor Recreation Project.
Meetings
Attended Shannon Master Plan Workshop and the Pilgrim Way Workshop. Also attended workshop at Ireland West Airport Knock in respect of the new Discovery centre.

Slow Adventure
Work is ongoing on the Slow Adventure programme with partners in Northern Ireland, Scotland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden and Finland.

Tourism Support
Documentation was prepared and criteria set for the new funding available for marketing. The documentation was then taken forward to the Economic Development, Enterprise and Planning SPC and assessed and approved by the SPC. Preparation took place for the Festival and Events Tourism Grants for 2019 and the programme was then advertised.

Tourist Information
Preparation took place for the opening of the Carrick on Shannon Tourist Information Office. We continue to support the Tourist Office in Ballinamore and Tourist information points at Glencar Waterfall and Sliabh an Iarainn Visitor Centre.

Digital Marketing
Updates were carried out on the Leitrim Tourism Website
Updates were carried out on the Slow Adventure Ireland website
Continued presence on all Social media platforms was maintained

DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT (PLANNING)
Unfinished Housing Developments / Taking in Charge
Work is continuing with respect to the advertising of a significant tranche of housing developments which will be advertised for taking in charge by the Planning Authority in the coming weeks. This marks the culmination of a concentrated effort by the Planning Authority over the course of 2018 to negotiate a series of development bonds with insurance companies some of which required the preparation of Site Resolution Plans by the Planning Authority. Management have also approved the appointment of an additional engineering resource who will be responsible for managing the carrying out of works in estates when they are taken in charge and where proceeds have been secured through the settlement of development bonds. A meeting also took place with Irish Water to review the existing arrangements for progressing Taking in Charge applications in a more efficient manner.

Pre Planning
The pre planning clinics continued during the month of February. 10 no. pre planning inquiries were received by the Planning Authority during the month of February with 3 no. meetings having taken place in addition to a number of other enquires which are dealt with through e-mail and phone.

Development Management
14 no. valid planning applications were received in February, 2 of which relate to commercial developments. All of the applications received are seeking planning permission. In addition, a further 6 no. applications submitted were deemed invalid and returned to the applicants. 2 no. of the invalid applications had subsequent valid applications accepted by the Planning Authority.

17 no. final decisions on planning applications were made during February, all of which were granted planning permission. A request for Further Information issued with respect to a further 16 no. applications during the month of February.

A Part 8 proposal with respect to a major Public Realm Improvement Scheme in Carrick on Shannon was placed on public display on 28th November until January 17th 2019 with the closing date for receipt of submissions on or before Thursday 31st January 2019. A total of 28 no. submissions were received with respect to this project. The Chief Executive’s report was submitted to the Elected Members on 7th February 2019 which culminated in a recommendation to proceed with the proposed development
subject to a number of conditions being attached. The Part VIII application was approved at the Carrick on Shannon Municipal District meeting on February 12th.

**Forward Planning**
A workshop was held with the Elected Members on 28th January with respect to the submission by Leitrim County Council to the Northern & Western Regional Assembly draft Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy. A detailed submission was made by the Planning Authority on Friday 8th February.

**Heritage**
The Heritage Officer continues her work in the preparation of a replacement Heritage Plan. The first meeting of the newly established Heritage Forum took place on Wednesday 6th February. The public consultation for the replacement Heritage Plan is now underway – ‘What’s Your Leitrim Heritage?’ advertised through press release, posters, radio interview, update website, email, etc.

Over the month of February, the Heritage Officer attended a number of events and workshops which included co-ordinating Peace Forest planting in Leitrim and giving presentation to Heritage PLC Course in Drumshanbo.

In addition, the Heritage Officer further updated the Heritage Section of the Council website, continued to work on the Creative Ireland funded Traditional Shopfronts project in Co. Leitrim, promoted heritage activities and funding in Leitrim and dealt with a series of public enquires.

**ENVIRONMENT**

**RMCEI Plan**
Leitrim County Council has submitted the 2019 Summary Report & 2019 RMCEI Target Inspection Plan and the 2018 RMCEI Return before the submission date of Friday 15th February 2019.

Works will be targeted in the Environment Department based on the 2019 EPA RMCEI Plan.

**National Inspection Program (DWWTS)**
The Council are inspecting 25 no DWWTS in 2019 as per the new EPA National Inspection Plan (NIP) 2018 – 2021 Programme. These inspections will be completed from April 2019 to end of year. The sites were selected based on EPA Risk based methodology mapping across the Country. Where Advisory Notices were issued in 2015/2016/2017/2018 there will be ongoing verification inspections where works were due to be completed and re-inspections as requested to facilitate grant payments.

**CFRAMs**
Leitrim County Council meet OPW Engineering staff and Roscommon Engineering staff on the 17th December 2018 to discuss and start the process of drafting a Flood relief Scheme Engineering & Environmental Consultancy Services Tender Specification Brief to engage these specialist Services. Further meetings took place in January 2019 and works is ongoing in the preparation of the Brief and tender documentation.

LAWPRO had a meeting in Rossinver Community Centre on Thursday night 21st February 2019 regards proposed works to be completed by the LAWPRO Catchment Management Team within the Priority Area of Action “Lough Melvin & Drowse”. Martina Smith Catchment Manager and Karen Kennedy Water Community Officer with LAWCO gave presentations on Lough Melvin and Drowse and highlighted the pressures as identified by EPA on these water bodies and their proposed scientific investigative assessments to be carried out within the catchment. The meeting was very well attended with representatives from relevant stakeholders such as staff from the Leitrim County Council Environment Department, Irish Forest Services, Elected members, Teagasc and a wide selection of anglers and community representatives and farmers living within the Catchment.

**Noise Action Plan 2018-2023**
The Draft Noise Action Plan 2018-2023 has been prepared by Leitrim County Council to address environmental noise from major roads with more than three million vehicles per annum. The action planning area covers the N4 (Dublin-Sligo) and N15 (Sligo-Letterkenny).

**EPA Ambient Air Quality Monitoring (AAQM)**
The Environmental Protection Agency manages the national ambient air quality monitoring network. It is proposed to install an air quality monitor in Carrick-on-Shannon in early 2019. Works were ongoing in late 2018 and close collaboration with LCC/EPA staff in selecting an optimum location for this unit. This will be of great benefit to the public in Carrick-on-Shannon town, giving them real time information on the following air pollutant parameters.

**Nitrogen Dioxide and Nitrogen Oxides**
Emissions from traffic are the main source of nitrogen oxides in Ireland along with electricity generating stations and industry. Nitrogen dioxide can affect the throat and lung. The main effects are emphysema and cellular damage. It impacts visually as it has a brown colour and gives rise to a brown haze. Oxides of nitrogen contribute to the formation of acid rain and of ozone. Levels in Ireland are moderate but are increasing due to growth in traffic numbers.

**Particulate Matter (PM$_{10}$ and PM$_{2.5}$)**
There are many sources of particulate matter (dust) including vehicle exhaust emissions, soil and road surfaces, construction works and industrial emissions. Particulate matter can be formed from reactions between different pollutant gases. Small particles can penetrate the lungs and cause damage. These are known as PM$_{10}$ (diameter less than 10μm) and PM$_{2.5}$ (diameter less than 2.5μm). There are high levels of PM$_{10}$ in many cities and towns. In smokeless fuel zones, levels of particulate matter decreased after the ban on bituminous coal.

### VETERINARY SERVICES

#### Slaughter Returns

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<td>Dogs Micro-Chipped and Registered</td>
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ROADS

Road Crews continuing to carry out routine maintenance works
Road Crews carrying out Winter Maintenance works as necessary

Non National Road Grant Allocation 2019

A total Allocation of €10,317,307 was received in February 2019 from the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport in respect of Improvement and Maintenance Works on Regional and Local Roads in County Leitrim in 2019. This can be broken down as follows:

- Restoration Improvement Grant: €4,867,500
- Restoration Maintenance Grant: €892,500
- Supplementary Restoration Maintenance Grant: €352,500
- Discretionary Grant: €1,802,000
- Bridge Rehabilitation Grant (8 Specific Bridge Grants): €250,000
- Safety Improvement Works (6 Specific Grants): €350,000
- Specific Improvement Grant:
  - Hartley Bridge: €400,000
  - Killavoggy Bridge: €200,000
- Speed Limit Grant: €27,280
- Training Grant: €36,000
- Community Involvement Scheme Grant: €676,057
- Drainage Works Grant: €463,500

**Total Non National Road Grants Allocation 2018**: €10,317,307

Annual Area Programme 2019 & Schedule of Municipal District Works 2019

Following receipt of the Road Grant Allocations for 2019 for both National and Non-National Roads, the Annual Area Programme 2019 and Schedule of Municipal District Works 2019 were prepared and approved at Municipal District Meetings held in February 2019.

CLAR Programme 2018

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<td>Roosky</td>
<td>Provision of Pedestrian Crossing and Speed Safety Signs at Quay Amenity. Works are complete</td>
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<td>St. Hugh’s National School, Dowra</td>
<td>Provision of Pedestrian Crossing at National School. Design Works are complete</td>
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<td>Fenagh Development Association</td>
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<td>St. Joseph’s National School, Leitrim Village</td>
<td>Erection of Digital Speed Safety Signs at National School – Works are complete.</td>
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<td>Killargue Development Association</td>
<td>Provision of Speed Safety Signs at Village Amenity - Works are complete</td>
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<td>Dromod</td>
<td>Provision of Pedestrian Crossing on approach to Dromod Village at Bornacoola GAA Grounds – Works are in progress.</td>
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<td>Carrigallen</td>
<td>New Footpath from Secondary School to GAA Grounds. Work has commenced</td>
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<td>Carrick on Shannon</td>
<td>Provision of Car Park at rear. Works are Complete</td>
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Recreational Trails 2018
Leitrim Way from Drumshanbo to Dowra – Design of the Footbridge on this Walkway is complete and Tenders have now been assessed. Negotiations with landowners regarding Licence Agreements are currently in progress.

Dromahair Demonstration Greenway – Design works on this Greenway are complete and Tenders have been assessed. Further funding is being sought from the Department for these works.

Carrick on Shannon to Leitrim Greenway – Currently at Part 8 Planning Approval Stage.

Local Improvement Schemes (LIS)
A second LIS Funding Allocation of €300,120 was received by Leitrim County Council in November 2018 and this will enable 11 No. LIS Schemes to be completed. Works on these 11 No. LIS Schemes have commenced. We have been notified that the 2019 allocation for these schemes is €280,000. We are currently in communication with applicants on the LIS Waiting List in relation to the completion of schemes with this allocation and we will be finalising our Programme of Works for this 2019 allocation over the coming weeks.

Roundabouts on the N4 at Dromod and Aldi
Upgrade Works on the N4 Roundabout at Dromod are now complete. The Contract for the Upgrade Works on the N4 Roundabout at Aldi has been awarded and is due to commence the first week in March.

Community Hedge Cutting Grant Scheme
The Community Hedge Cutting Grant Scheme aims to encourage groups of residents and/or landowners to come together and arrange for the cutting of hedges/trees along the public road network which need attention. The Grant amounts to €75 per km of roadside hedge/overhanging trees along the Public Road Network subject to a minimum length of road network of 2 km per application. A total of 9 No. Applications have been received for the 2018/2019 Grant Scheme of which 1 No. has been paid, 6 No. have been approved for Grant Payment, 1 No. Application currently being considered and 1 No. Application was not eligible. The deadline for submission of Grant Application Forms for this scheme was 31st January, 2019.

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Road Safety
Also as part of our Road Safety Education Programme, the Road Safety Education Officer for the Road Safety Authority (RSA) gave a presentation to members of the South Leitrim Active Age Forum on 27th February, 2019.

RURAL WATER PROGRAMME

Multi Annual Rural Water Programme 2019 - 2021
Details of the new Multi Annual Rural Water Programme 2019 - 2021 were issued by the Department of Housing, Planning & Local Government on 8th February, 2019. Local Authorities have been requested by the Department to submit Bids for Funding by 14th March, 2019 in respect of the 3 Years of the Programme. The Rural Water Department have written to all Group Water Schemes in the County and also to Applicants for proposed new Group Sewerage Schemes, advising them of this new 3 Year Funding Programme and inviting them to make any Submissions which they may have for Funding for proposed works to this office by Thursday 28th February 2019. Public Notice was also given in the Local Newspaper in relation to Submissions for Funding under this 3 Year Multi Annual Rural Water Programme. The Department held a Workshop in Athlone on 27th February, 2019 in relation to the various Funding Measures included in this 3 Year Programme and staff from the Rural Water Department of Leitrim County Council attended this Workshop.
Subsidy to Group Water Schemes
A Workshop on the new Terms & Conditions for the Subsidy towards the Operational Costs of GWS's was held by the Department in Athlone on 14th February, 2019 and staff from the Rural Water Department of Leitrim County Council attended this Workshop.

Subsidy Payments
The following GWS subsidy payments were made in February 2019:
- Carrigallen GWS
- Mohercregg GWS
- Sliabh an Iarainn DBO Q4

Water Testing
All Private Group Water Schemes must now have their water tested annually in order to qualify for the Subsidy towards the Operational Costs of GWS’s. This office wrote to all Private GWS’s in the County in February 2019 advising them of this requirement.

Environmental and Public Health Compliance – Breveiga GWS Co-Operative Society Ltd. (Formerly known as Carnashamsogue GWS) - Significant Network Improvements works have been completed on this Scheme which have led to a significant improvement in the water quality from this Scheme and also works have been completed to identify and eliminate leaks on the Network and a significant reduction in the water usage has occurred due to these Network Improvement Works. A fully costed Options Report for the upgrade of this Group Water Scheme has been prepared by Leitrim County Council and has been forwarded to the Department for their consideration and approval. The completion of the remainder of the Upgrade Works on this Group Water Scheme (Further Network Improvement Works, Upgrade of Water Treatment Plant, and construction of new Reservoir) is dependent on the approval of this Costings Report by the Department and the approval of Funding by the Department.

Hartley-Cartown Group Sewerage Scheme
Tenders for the Site Investigations Stage have now been received and are currently being assessed. It is anticipated that Construction for the main contract will begin in the summer of 2019.

Individual Water Supply Grants
Provisional approval was issued in respect of 2 No. Well Grants in February 2019.
HOUSING AND COMMUNITY, CORPORATE SERVICES, CULTURE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES DIRECTORATE

HOUSING

Housing Allocations

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Traveler Accommodation Programme (TAP) Targets

Targets to be set in new TAP

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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

2019 Allocation - €___________ (80% of allocation - €___________)

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Approved not paid

| HGD                     | 2     | 19,188.90 |
| MAG                     | 3     | 8,500.00  |
| HOP                     | 0     | 0.00      |
| TOTAL                   | 5     | 27,689.90 |

Applications Rec'd Not Yet Approved

| HGD                     | 0     | 0.00 |
| MAG                     | 2     | 6,000.00 |
| HOP                     | 2     | 10,000.00 |
| TOTAL                   | 5     | 27,689.90 |

Available Balance € 77,493.60
HOUSING CAPITAL

Energy Efficiency Works
The Department have not yet approved any phase 2 Energy Efficiency Works nationwide, but they have indicated to us that they may be in a position in 2019 to approve such works, which includes external wall insulation. This Council has identified 37 units that require these energy efficiency works and has a submission ready to go to the department this year, when the call is publicised.

Voids & Derelict Housing Units
The 2019 submission for Void funding has been made and we are awaiting Dept approval.

Disability Works in Council Houses
An application has been made to the Department for 26 No. Grants for 2019 with a funding requirement €242,368 which amounts to 90% of the total cost of €269,298. Works are also ongoing on two number extensions.

Acquisitions
The Council is continuing an acquisition programme subject to Departmental approval and targets identified in the Social programme 2017 – 2021. To date, in the current year we have identified 4 potential properties and made an offer one. We are also viewing other properties.

Capital Construction Project – Autumn View, Summerhill, Carrick on Shannon
Stage 2 Tendering process is underway at present. Prequalification will be complete in the coming weeks with a view to having the tendering process completed and a contractor in place by the end of the second quarter 2019.

Turnkey Purchases - Rooskey
Approval has been received from the Department and agreement has been reached with a developer to deliver seven number four bedroom houses at Knockmacrory Rooskey under a turnkey purchase scheme. Works are currently underway on site and these houses will be delivered in the third quarter this year.

Turnkey Purchases - Drumshanbo
Approval has been received from the Department and agreement has been reached with a developer to deliver nine number three bedroom houses at Radharc an Bhaile, Drumshanbo, under a turnkey purchase scheme. Works are currently underway on site and these houses will be delivered in the third quarter this year.

Site Purchase
We are actively pursuing the purchase of a site in Drumsna, which has planning permission for two number three bedroom houses.

COMMUNITY

Peace IV

Children & Youth People
Two Children and Young People Programmes have now been completed (Conflict, Tolerance and Difference ran by Leitrim Childcare Committee and Diversity through Arts ran by North Connaught Youth Services and Sports4Peace ran by Ulster University). The remaining three programmes; Cross Border Exchange Programme, Peace Learning for Young People and ASB Programme are ongoing and on target.
400 Young People are currently participating in the programmes all across Leitrim with a total spend of €326 K on all programmes.

Building Positive Relations
Six out of the seven programmes are now up and running with La Nua Programme not proceeding leaving a shortfall of €140 K to be redistributed under BPR.
Shared Spaces - Mohill (£210,000)
Extension to Mohill Library for Peace Room: Contractor Approved and appointed. A full Archaeological dig is required and this will go out for quotations in early March.
Killyclogher (£139,621) – Refurbishment of Community Centre. TH contractors have commenced works on site. Works will be in two phases – Phase 1 is ongoing and is an upgrade to the Community Hall up until the Drama Festival in March. Phase 2: Upgrade of Kitchen Area

Comhairle na nÓg
Steering committee meeting was held on 4th February, and plan for 2019-2021 agreed.
Leitrim County Council won an All Ireland Community & Council Award presented by IPB Insurance and LAMA for Use Your Brain Not Your Fist on 9th February
Use Your Brain Not Your Fist was presented to Minister for Education & Skills Joe McHugh in Carrick on Shannon on Monday 25th February.

Community Enhancement Programme 2018
All grants are now completed and distributed except one and a total under spend of €397.35 is to be redistributed.

Age Friendly
Leitrim Age Friendly Alliance meeting was held on 14th February, with presentations on Local Link by Camilla Kelly, and the O’TAGO programme by Declan Boyle.
Meeting held with LEO to roll out Age Friendly Business in Mohill.
Two new members have been recruited to the Older People’s Council.

Public Participation Network - Meeting with Leitrim County Council Personnel
Secretariat members met with Lar Power, Mary Quinn and Suzanne Duffy to agree on the relationship between them for 2019 and the mutual requirements. Finalising the Work Plan was agreed and the recruitment of a Support Worker for the PPN Development Officer was agreed. Applications for this post close on March 7th and it is hoped to have a Support Worker in place by the end of April.

Public Participation Network - Developing a Vision for Community Wellbeing
Development Officers and Secretariat Members from NW counties and Westmeath attended a one-day seminar supporting the development of a Community Vision for Well-being provided by Social Justice Ireland. Concerns were voiced about potential duplication of consultation and about the timing of this, especially for the border counties in light of uncertainty regarding Brexit. These matters will be highlighted with the Dept of Rural and Community Development.

Leitrim PPN Forestry Policy Review
Over 150 submissions were received both through online and in paper format. Preliminary findings were presented to the meeting of SPC for Economic Development, Enterprise and Planning on Feb. 19th and were received. A completed report, reviewed by the relevant linkage group members and PPN Secretariat, will be presented by the next SPC meeting in April.

Waste Water Treatment Research
Literature Review is complete and the methodology for approaching case studies was undertaken. The draft of the revised EPA Code of Practice is being reviewed with regard to the implications of changes. Case studies to be used are being proposed and means of applying the EPA GIS-based decision support tool to these is being finalised. Interviews with stakeholders are envisaged for the next 6-8 weeks. Key experts in the field are being contacted for interviews and meetings. Progress Report to be provided for Plenary in April.
LEITRIM SPORTS PARTNERSHIP

Ag Sughradh Le Cheile Programme
The Leitrim Sports Partnership completed two Ag Sughradh Le Cheile workshops in three primary schools in Leitrim, one in Aughnasheelin N.S. with 15 children and 8 adults participating in the workshop and the second workshop in Drumshanbo N.S. with 28 children and 20 adults participating in the workshop and in Ballinamore N.S. with 52 children and 33 parents completing the workshops. In total we had 85 children and 61 adults participating in the three workshops. Total Participants 156

Safe Guarding 1 Course
Leitrim Sports Partnership completed 2 workshops with 19 participants on the first workshop and 9 on the second workshop. Total Participants 28

Sportshall Athletics Primary school Competition
Leitrim Sports Partnership completed the 1st heat of the sportshall Athletics primary school competition in north leitrim with 7 primary school participating and 220 children completing the event. Total Participants 224

Mohill Couch to 5k programme
Leitrim Sports Partnership in partnership with Mohill Athletics club has started a couch 2 5k programme in Mohill with 26 people registering and starting the programme. Total Participants 26

Leitrim Village National School Healthy Eating/nutrition Workshops
Leitrim Sports Partnership delivered a schools healthy eating/nutrition workshop to St Joseph’s N.S. Leitrim village with 220 children participating on the programme. The children learned about the importance of a healthy diet each day and also the importance of exercise and sport in their daily lives. Total Participants 220

Go For Life Games
We completed the Go For Life games workshops with the Active Age Groups in south Leitrim (Fenagh) and North Leitrim (Manorhamilton) with 17 participants in Fenagh and 21 participants in Manorhamilton. All the participants take part in Lobbers, Fisk and Scidil games in a fun environment. Total Participants 38

Men Shed’s Walking Football programme
Leitrim Sports Partnership in partnership with the FAI delivered the walking football programme to the men’s sheds in south Leitrim. The local men sheds in Ballinamore, Carrick on Shannon and Drumreilly were introduced to walking soccer with 10 men from Ballinamore, 1 from Drumreilly and 6 from Carrick on Shannon in Ballinamore sports complex. Total Participants 17

THE ARTS

Creative Ireland
The launch took place of the Famine Attic project in the Workhouse which has been a collaborative project between Brian Leyden and St George’s Heritage Centre. This has resulted in a DVD which will be played at the Famine Attic for visitors which gives voice to the firsthand accounts of the Famine period in County Leitrim that are held in written form in the Heritage Centre. The role of Creative Ireland project manager was advertised and a short list drawn up with interviews for the position taking place in March. A call out has been made for ideas for creative events for children and young people to participate in Cruinniú na nÓg which will take place on June 15th.

Creative Frame
A workshop on self publishing was held in Ballinamore Library

Spark
A new business is currently in the process of being selected for the 2019 Spark Programme.
Music Generation
The Ukes4Youth project continued in February with workshops taking place in Enniskillen and Carrigallen.

Festivals
8 applications for Festival funding were received from across the county.

Wild words
A call out has been made for submissions from young authors for their work to be considered for inclusion in Wild Words volume 7, a collection of writing from young people across Ireland produced by the Arts Office.

CIVIL DEFENCE
On 17 February Safety Boats and First Aid assistance was provided during the Tony McGowan Charity event in Drumshanbo.
On 23 February Manual Handling Training was provided for Volunteers.
Assistance was provided during the month to the Environment Section in order that the Lake Water sampling programme could continue.

LIBRARY SERVICE
Event Programming
Regular activities such as the weekly Parent and Toddler Group sessions in Ballinamore Library, craft groups, reading groups, family film screenings, along with creative writing groups ran during the month of February.

Highlights
The Healthy Ireland at your Library initiative continued across the library network. A core collection of health-related book stock, recommended by the HSE, has been provided to all branch libraries in Leitrim, and are proving very popular. Events held during February included: Presentation on “Arthritis” in Dromahair Library, “Bully Proofing your kids” workshop in Manorhamilton Library

Working with new Communities
The Fáilte Isteach community project for Leitrim, in which volunteers welcome migrants to their community by delivering a conversational English class, continued in Carrick-on-Shannon Library, meeting on a weekly basis. This project is a partnership between Leitrim Development Company and the Third Age Project, with over 20 participants.

Art Appreciation
A series of lectures exploring various aspects of art history and appreciation is currently running in Ballinamore Library, facilitated by Dr. Liam McNiffe.

Drawing workshops
Manorhamilton Library delivered a programme of art workshops for children and young adults to develop their drawing skills.

Working with Writers
Ballinamore Library hosted a Self Publishing Workshop which was organised by Creative Frame and facilitated by Vanessa Fox O’Loughlin, Adrian White & Helen Carr.

Services to Schools
The Library Service works with local pre-schools, primary and secondary schools to coordinate class visits and support project research. The After-school Club visited Kinlough Library on a regular basis during February.

Ciorcal Comhrá
A conversational Irish group met in Ballinamore Library weekly during February, and will continue until March.

Citizens Information
Leitrim Citizens Information Service provides an outreach service in Mohill Library every Friday afternoon.

FIRE SERVICE
Capital Programme
New 4x4 vehicles: 2 new vehicles procured under the OGP contract – to be fitted out with VMS signs yet

Fire Stations

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Licensing Applications
A number of licence applications for the annual licensing courts are still ongoing.

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SIGNED BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Signed: [Signature]
Lar Power
Chief Executive

Date: 20/3/2019