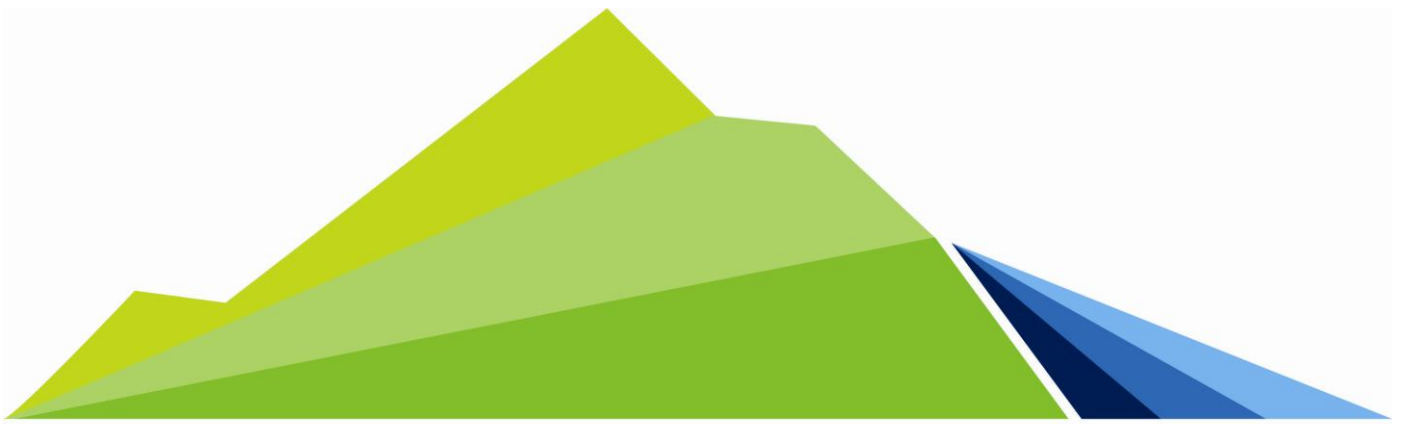


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Wicklow County Council Chief Executive's Report



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This Month:

BRAY MUNICIPAL DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PLAN *adopted by Council in May*

€44,400.00 provided for 6 projects for Anti Dumping Initiative 2018 *by Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment*

Variation 1 to County Development Plan *adopted by Council in May*



HOUSING AND COMMUNITY

1. SOCIAL HOUSING SUPPORT

No. on list for Social Housing Support – (includes RAS and HAP)	3752
No. availing of Rental Assistance Scheme (RAS)	445
No. availing of Housing Assistance Payment (HAP)	580
No. in Long Term Leasing accommodation	7
No. in Short Term Leasing accommodation	9

Social Housing Assessment - Wicklow County Council is carrying out a Social Housing Assessment in accordance with Section 21 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 2009.

The Social Housing Assessment is a review of all approved applicants for social housing supports who are currently on the Social Housing List with Wicklow County Council.

The Council wrote to each approved Applicant on its Social Housing List using the current address provided by the Applicant (applicants who came onto the list since September 2015 are excluded from this assessment).

Each approved Applicant was asked to complete a form, provide documentary supporting evidence and return this information to Wicklow County Council.

2. ALLOCATION OF SOCIAL HOUSING

WCC Social Housing	20
Approved Housing Bodies	6

3. SOCIAL HOUSING STOCK

- › 4311 tenancies occupied
- › Casual Vacancies/Relets 44
- › Total weekly rental accrual €234,912.52 (€12.2m per annum)
- › Minimum rent €24 pw - Maximum rent €275 pw
- › Arrears €1,088,312.06

4. HOUSING SUPPLY – PROGRAMME OF DELIVERY

14 No. Schemes /196 Units . Approved Funding €36 million

SCHEME	UNITS	CURRENT STATUS
Avondale Heights, Rathdrum	20	Commenced September 2017
Delany Park, Arklow (Phase 1)	17	Commenced November 2017
O'Byrne Road, Bray	1	Commenced December 2017

Old Library, Arklow	7	Commenced February 2018
Kilbride Lane, Bray (Murphy's Lands)	42	Contract signed April 2018
Farrankelly, Greystones (Phase 2)	24	Part 8 approved January 2018
Delany Park, Arklow (Phase 2 + 3)	47	Part 8 approved February 2018
Ard Na Mara, Kilcoole	2	Stage 3 Approved April 2018
Druids Brook, Kilcoole	2	Stage 3 Approved April 2018
16A Oak Drive, Blessington	1	Contract Start June 2018
FCA Hall, Wicklow Town	8	Stage 3 Approved April 2018
Kilmantan Place, Bray	4	Stage 3 Approved April 2018
Sugarloaf View, Kilmacanogue	20	Contract Start September 2018
16A Castle Villas	1	Preliminary Design

5. PART V

2018

4 units purchased January 2018
 2 units - Agreement reached With Department for approval.
 3 units DOE approval received. Snagging shortly –Developer to notify.
 5 units with SCHEP for CALF approval.

Potential units

Negotiations ongoing with a number of developers at preplanning and planning stage
 › 98 units approved, planning granted
 › 192 at pre planning stage

Turnkey

2 units agreed and approved by Department – expected delivery Q. 2 2018.
 3 further units approved by the Department – expected delivery Q. 1 2019

6. PPP SOCIAL HOUSING PROJECT

[Bundle 1]

Development Site at Convent Lands, Wicklow for 51 Social Housing units. The Department of Housing has dedicated €300 million towards delivery of housing through the public, private partnership model in the Rebuilding Ireland

Action Plan. Wicklow has been included as a project in Bundle 1. The Part 8 was passed by the members at the Council Meeting of 3rd July 2017. The project is expected to commence on site in November 2018.

7. APPROVED HOUSING BODIES (AHB'S)

Capital Advance Leasing Facility (CALF) - 5 units were provided under a CALF lease to Co-operative Housing on the Greenpark Road in Bray.

Approval has been received from the Department of Housing, Planning Community and Local Government for a leasing arrangement with Cluid to provide 45 units of accommodation on the Council's site at St. Earnan's View, Ballybeg, Rathnew. Estimated delivery date of these units is quarter 4 2019.

Capital Assistance Scheme (CAS) The CAS call for 2017 has been recently advertised.

Expressions of Interest – Social Housing on Council lands - A preferred proposal has been identified.



8. HOUSING SCHEMES REMEDIATION

Glending, Blessington – Remediation

Stage 2 and Stage 3 Phase 3A – No 1 to No. 12 Glending Road has been completed.

Stage 3 Phase 3B – No. 1 to No. 10 Glending Square and No. 1 to No. 4 Glending Way – Contract commenced on 3rd January 2018 with internal works to 1-10 Glending Square substantially complete. External works on these properties continuing with re-roofing almost complete. Internal and External works on 1-4 Glending Way currently underway.

Hillview, Wicklow - Remediation

Roofing contract completed and contractor off site. Refurbishment works to “B Types”- 13 of 14 completed,. Bridge works to “F Types” and ceiling repairs to “C and F Types” as before at 30% and 60% respectively.

9. HOME IMPROVEMENT/ADAPTATION

Mobility Aid Grants/Housing Adaption Grants/ Housing Aid for Older People

› Grant funding for private houses - €1.1M

› Grant funding for social houses - €650,000

71 Open Applications to value of €494,545.83

Housing Assistance for Older People	(23)
€137,683.57	

Mobility Aid Grants	(26)
€123,698.11	

Housing Adaptation Grants	(22)
€233,164.00	

Approved

› 2 Mobility Aid Grants
€7,050.00

› 1 Housing Adaption Grants	
€4,427.00	

› 0 Housing Aid for Older People

House Purchase Loans – Rebuilding Ireland

› 61 applications completed to 30/04/2018, received

and submitted to Housing Agency

2016 Incremental Tenant Purchase Scheme

› 10 applications to 30/04/2018

7 sales completed

10. ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS

No of presentations to 30/04/2018 40

19 individuals

21 families

53 dependent children

Emergency Accommodation – Council Houses

Families – 3

Adults - 4 Children – 6

B & B Accommodation

Families – 3

Adults – 7 Children 7

6 single adults.

Leopardstown Serviced Units

1 family

1 adult, 1 child

Sonass Facility, Wicklow – 6 Adult (Female) & 10 children.

Wicklow County Council owned properties in Wicklow, Bray and Arklow, leased to AHBs, provide 22 units of low to medium supported accommodation targeted to the particular support needs of the clients.

Carraig Eden, Greystones - A consultant architect has been appointed to undertake a detailed design of the refurbishment of the building.



11. SOCIAL INCLUSION COMMUNITY ACTIVATION PROGRAMME (SICAP)

Contracts were signed on 28th March 2018 for the 2018-2022 Programme. Bray Area Partnership, Quinsboro Road, Bray in conjunction with consortium partners Bray Community Enterprise and Bray Family Resource & Development Project based in Fassaroe were the successful bidders for the Bray and Greystones Municipal District areas. County Wicklow Partnership, Bridgewater Centre, Arklow were the successful bidders for the Arklow, Wicklow and Baltinglass Municipal District areas. In total, the funding is worth €6.5 million over the course of five years, with the possibility of later extending the contracts to a sixth year.

12. WICKLOW LIBRARY SERVICE

‘WAY WITH WORDS WICKLOW’ LITERATURE FESTIVAL – BLESSINGTON LIBRARY (AND MOBILE)

Spring of 2018 saw the pilot of Wicklow Library’s first ever festival of words become a reality in Arklow and Blessington Libraries. This festival saw the Libraries successfully deliver 27 events during the months of March, April and May. There were storytelling and illustration workshops for children and poetry readings and talks by novelists and crime writers. Included were bestselling, award-winning writers such as Michael Harding, Audrey Magee, Eoin McNamee, Julie Parsons, Oisín McGann, Jane Clarke and Caitríona O’Reilly.

Michael Harding gave his undivided attention to 12 people interested in writing memoirs; has also engaged with a large audience on the 11th of May and also connected with the Men’s Shed group for a chat and a cuppa! On the 12th of May, accomplished author Julie Parsons whose recent book ‘The Therapy House’ has received

the Bord Gáis Energy Irish Book Awards Crime Fiction Book of the Year 2017 was in conversation with Kildare Journalist Rose Barrett O’Donoghue in Blessington Library. Wicklow County Council’s Mobile Library service also celebrated the “Way With Words” festival, when award winning author and illustrator, Oisín McGann, paid a visit to the Mobile Library in Ashford. Children from the area were treated to an entertaining workshop, including some illustration tips!

These poets, writers and illustrators did more than facilitate workshops; they showcased their work, encouraged children to be excited about words, books and illustrations. The Libraries became spaces where budding writers could learn more about their craft and where audiences could listen to authors speak about their work and life experiences.

This is a flavour of what they said –

“The events were amazing and there really was something for everyone, the best bit? The events were all free!” **Adult at Festival**

‘He didn’t even have a book – he had all those stories in his brain!’ **5 year old boy at Joe Brennan Storytime**

“We all loved him (**a family, two parents and 3 children**) when can you get him back?” **Joe Brennan**

“Fantastic event, the kids loved them both and really enjoyed the step by step illustration process they demonstrated” **Scribble and Sketch, with Michael Emberley and Marie Louise Fitzpatrick**

“Great workshop, I’m now no longer afraid to put my pen to paper. I would really love to see more poetry events next year”. **Attendee at Caitríona O’Reilly Poetry Workshop**

“Different. Poetry wouldn’t be my favourite but I love listening to it and tonight really was



something to behold, I especially loved the open mic session and the childrens poetry; their imaginations are poetry.” **Adult at Open Mic event on Poetry Night**

“It gave me the know-how and courage to finally start my own childrens picture book **“How to write for Children”**

“Therapeutic! It was like having my own therapist in the room with me”

“A lovely man, very down to earth. I’m going to start listening to the old folk in my community because Michael has shown me they have such wonderful stories to share and tell”. **Michael Harding on the Art of the Memoir**

It was a great experience and everybody enjoyed themselves and could have listened to him all day. As it was he gave us one and a half hours and he is a really down to earth gentleman. We all went home happy and its definitely something we would like to see again in the shed and thanks again for organizing the visit. **Kevin, Men’s Shed Blessington**

These are just a handful of the comments, both communities were impressed with this festival and by the sounds of these comments - they want more!

13. COUNTY WICKLOW LOCAL SPORTS PARTNERSHIP (LSP)

GAELIC4TEENS

National Blitz Day took place on the 12th May 2018 in Sport Ireland Headquarters. Three teams from County Wicklow participated in this which included Baltinglass, Tinahely and Rathnew.

Ambassadors on the day were:

Sharon Courtney who gave a talk on Nutrition and Hydration. Orlagh Farmer who concentrated on Lifestyle Planning and Team Culture.

Clíodhna O’Connor/Jackie Kinch did the Physical Fitness and Coaching aspect.

Up to 400 teenagers took part in this and very positive feedback has been received back on the day.

1 MILLION STEP CHALLENGE

3 schools participated in the 1million step challenge in May. They include Greystones Community and National School, Stratford National School and St Conan’s Rathnew.

DISABILITY AWARENESS AND SPORT WORKSHOP

A Disability Awareness and Sport Workshop was delivered to Youth Reach on the 18th May 2018. 12 participants took part in this workshop.

ASHFORD COMMUNITY WALKING GROUP

Ashford Community Walking Group has been set up and are having their first walk on the 28th May 2018. Nollaig Cruise a Walking Leader from Get Ireland Walking has been arranged to facilitate the initial set up of this Group.

DANCE PROGRAMME

Primary School Dance Programme took place throughout May for a 4 week period. 120 pupils took part from St Conan’s National School Rathnew and 80 pupils took part from Gaelscoil National School.

Buntus Starter Refresher course took place on the 19th May 2018. This was for Montessori and Creche employees.

Safeguarding 1 – Child Protection took place on the 23rd May 2018.

Irish Tug of War Association and Wicklow Sports Partnership teamed up to roll out a very successful event.



14. Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP) (Community)

OLDER PERSON'S COUNCIL (OPC)

The County Wicklow Older Person's Council held their AGM on the 25th May 2018 in the Brockagh Resource Centre, Laragh.

On the day, the "Information Guide to Services for Older People in County Wicklow" was launched by Cllr. Miriam Murphy. The information guide is one of the actions from the Age Friendly strategy 2017-2022.

Guest speakers on the day were former T.D. Liz McManus and Queen of the Plough Anna May McHugh. There was a great atmosphere on the day and the speakers were hugely inspirational. The day's business concluded on a high with tea dance attended by none other than Elvis himself!



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, PLANNING AND INFRASTRUCTURE

1. WICKLOW ECONOMIC THINK TANK (CWETT) ACTION PLAN/LOCAL ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY PLAN (LECP) (ECONOMIC)

The Economic Development Unit of the Enterprise and Corporate Services Directorate is charged with implementing the economic actions in the Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP). Many of the 142 actions listed in the LECP have come from the County Wicklow Economic Think Tank (CWETT) Action Plan. The CWETT which was initiated in 2013 was a collaborative project initiated by Wicklow County Council and involved the business community from across the county and the County Enterprise Board (now LEO Wicklow).

BRAND

A sub group of the Wicklow County Council Communications committee is developing guidelines for the use of the brand on Council stationery, emails etc.

FILM

- Wicklow County Council is in the process of developing a Masterplan for Wicklow County Campus, to develop the site as a creative Content/Film hub.

RETAIL

The Florentine Centre

Work has commenced on the Florentine Site with a view to having the new shopping street in place by December, 2019. Wicklow County Council / Bray Municipal District has arranged alternative parking at Bray Institute of Further Education and at Ravenswell Road.

TOWN TEAMS

A key objective of the Town Team initiative is to encourage more collaboration, communication and cooperation between the Local Authority, business and the wider community and to develop one voice from one team for each town. An update on Town Team activity will be given at each Municipal District Meeting. Chamber of Commerce members on Town Teams have been asked to update their members on Town Team activity also.

Arklow Town Team

Arklow Town Team was successful in its bid to have the Dementia Friendly Garden which is currently on display at Bloom in the Park, awarded to Arklow. In the coming weeks the garden will be relocated to Arklow where residents with dementia and their carers will be made particularly welcome.

Arklow Town Team has also launched a Shop Front Painting Grant Scheme in conjunction with Topline Bolands and Dulux Paints Ireland.

Blessington Town Team

Building on Blessington's success in being selected as Leinster's Most Enterprising Town in 2017, Wicklow County Council and Blessington and District Forum are using the opportunity to involve other interested parties in establishing Blessington Town Team.

It's first objective will be the carrying out of a town "Health Check" which will lead to a Vision Statement and Action Plan.

An early and strong focus will be the securing of funding for and completion of Blessington Greenway and the inclusion of public facilities in proposed developments.

In order to ensure that the Team can begin its work on behalf of the community in Blessington as quickly as possible, a number of Working Groups - have been identified as follows:

- *Public Realm and Tidy Towns*
- *Planning and Infrastructure*
- *Healthy Blessington*
- *Business*
- *Culture and Heritage*
- *Greenway and Tourism*



Greystones 2020

Key Projects

Greystones Train Station

Driven initially by the Tidy Towns and subsequently joined by the 2020 committee, agreement was reached with Irish Rail to create a comprehensive landscaping and historical project along the eastern and western platforms of Greystones Train Station. Greystones 2020 has commissioned a series of very large portraits of famous people with Greystones connections, among them Jack Butler Yeats, John Millington Synge, Samuel Beckett, Norah Hoult, Geraldine Fitzgerald, Éamon De Valera, Michael Collins and Ronnie Drew

The images will be framed by a wave shaped hedge which will have a dual function of mirroring the coastal location of the town whilst obscuring a visually unattractive palisade fence.

Irish Rail will contribute some materials and labour. A significant portion of the costs will be funded through sponsorship.

Public Realm Plan

Greystones 2020 is in the process of engaging consultants to develop a public realm plan for Greystones

The aim of the project is to develop a detailed action-based plan for the town's public realm, which can be used to guide public and private investment in the town to maximise and enhance its existing cultural assets in tandem with economic and social development.

It is intended that the plan will stimulate interest and activity among all the community aimed at enhancing the town of Greystones, and that all stakeholders will be involved in developing a shared vision for the economic, environmental and cultural development of the town.

Greystones 2020 has also developed a new website for Greystones which will promote the town nationally and internationally.

Wicklow Town Team

Town Team Projects Underway:

The establishment of a digital hub to attract small start up type businesses to locate in Wicklow.

The development of a Greenway/Blueway from Greystones to Wicklow Town will contribute to the economic and social well-being of County Wicklow.

Promoting the development of a park and ride facility close to the M11 aimed at reducing commuter traffic by encouraging a switch to bus transport.

Wicklow is working to achieve historic town status and has engaged in initiatives such as archaeological explorations of the Black Castle and the Abbey Grounds and the development of historic trails This includes backlighting of historic sites in the town

It is proposed to participate in the Age Friendly Business Recognition Programme.

The Wicklow Town Team is conducting an online retail survey to assess the shopping habits and needs of our residents and to identify opportunities for retail in the town.

WEB PORTAL PROJECT:

The new portal Wicklow.ie is now live. Wicklow.ie represents "all things Wicklow" in a fresh new and engaging way. There are up to 40 staff engaged in content management, led by a small team from IS and Enterprise and Corporate Services.

The 3 main elements of the site comprise of Living, Business and Visit. There is a very powerful search function.

TOURISM

Tourism Statement of Strategy and Marketing Plan 2018-2022:

The Tourism Strategy has been completed and will be put before the CWETT Tourism Strategy Group prior to being forwarded to Wicklow County Council and Wicklow County Tourism.

Objectives

- Growth in tourism spend



- Year round business
- A viable alternative to the West coast.

Priorities

- Quality visitor experience and product
- Development of key towns as destinations
- Development of accommodation
- Glendalough is the hero product
- Wicklow as the premier outdoor recreation destination

Viking Coast

Wicklow County Council is working with Failte Ireland and counties Waterford and Wexford to explore the potential of developing a Viking Coast theme as part of Ireland’s Ancient East.

MARITIME

The blue economy is an important pillar of Wicklow’s economic development strategy.

Wicklow County Council is finalizing a vision statement for Bray Harbour and is currently preparing a brief for the statement of maritime strategy for the County, taking account of challenges and opportunities particularly in the areas of tourism, aquaculture and offshore energy.

COMMUTER SURVEY

Census 2016 indicated that 21,000 Wicklow residents commute outwards from the County to work each day and consequently we wish to identify opportunities to reverse this outward commuting trend in the County and encourage businesses to relocate to Wicklow where they can recruit from a highly skilled, well educated and experienced local workforce.

It is anticipated that the data analysis, using CSO data, will be carried out over the summer months and that the actual survey will commence in September when normal traffic volumes resume.

2. LOCAL ENTERPRISE OFFICE (LEO)

LEO Objectives	
To foster an enterprise culture and stimulate enterprise at local level by:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Promotion of the enterprise message at local level. - Working with the relevant stakeholders in the county to foster entrepreneurship. - Delivering appropriate enterprise training and mentoring to entrepreneurs. - Providing funding options to entrepreneurs, early stage promoters and viable businesses to support growth and development of micro enterprises. - Developing a progression pathway for clients to Enterprise Ireland - Acting as a First Stop Shop for business information and referral 	

METRICS: Grants	HISTORICAL	TARGETS	YEAR TO DATE
	2017	2018	2018
Grants Approved (number/ value)			10/€206,699.5
Measure 1	25/€520,084.90	Meet Demand	0
Technical Assistance for Micro Exporters	17/€27,664.03	Meet Demand	5/€7,134.40

NB: Ability to meet demand is influenced by the amount of funding allocated to the LEO



METRICS: Training/ Capacity Building	HISTORICAL	TARGETS	YEAR TO DATE
	2017	2018	2018
Start Your Own Business Participant numbers	75	75	30
Management Development Programme Participant numbers (commences September)	21	18	Figures available in Sept 18
Business Skills Training Courses Participant Numbers	217	200	58
Business IT Training Courses Participant numbers	163	150	22
Women in Business Network Number of Meetings	6	6	1
Seminars participant numbers	366	400	131

METRICS: Business Advice & Mentoring	HISTORICAL	TARGETS	YEAR TO DATE
	2017	2018	2018
Number of new clients added to database *criteria has been amended for this metric	590	450*	199
Number of One to One Business Advice meetings	363	350	94
Businesses assigned a Mentor	79 *includes once off SECC Initiative	60	25

METRICS: Student Enterprise Programmes	HISTORICAL	TARGETS	
Academic Year	2017/2018	2018/2019	Year to Date
No. of Senior Cycle Secondary Student Participants	1,302	1,200	1605

May 2018 Activities

- Start Your Own Business, Laragh training commenced Thursday 3rd May
- Accessing Finance for your Business training took place Tuesday 1st May
- HR Management took place Tuesday 15th May
- The Trading Online Voucher Seminar took place Thursday 17th May with 31 attendees
- 8 Wicklow food and beverage companies who successfully completed the Local Enterprise office Food Academy Programme were listed for sale in 5 Wicklow Supervalu stores from 21st May.



- Wicklow Students from Colaiste Chraobh Abhann, Kilcoole, North Wicklow Educate Together, Bray and CBS, Arklow participated in the National Final of the Student Enterprise Programme in Croke

Park on May 2nd. The students are county final winners in the Student Enterprise Senior, Intermediate and Junior categories respectively.

3. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

FORWARD PLANNING:

ARKLOW AND ENVIRONS LOCAL AREA PLAN 2018:

Following submission of the Chief Executive's Report to the Minister on the Minister's Draft Direction to the plan, the Minister decided to appoint an independent inspector to prepare a report regarding one of the two sites that were the subject of the draft direction (Ballynattin – tourism zoning). The inspector completed his report on 30.05.18 and issued to Minister. On 01.06.18, the Minister circulated this report and requested any final comments from the Chief Executive and the elected members within 10 days. Thereafter the Minister has 3 weeks to make his final decision regarding the Direction.

The inspector has recommended that the Ballynattin tourism zoning should be retained in the plan.

BRAY MUNICIPAL DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PLAN 2018:

The Bray MD LAP was adopted by the members at the meeting of 14.05.18. The plan will take effect 4 weeks from the date i.e. on 10.06.18. Within that same period, the Minister must decide if there are any aspects of the adopted plan that are not acceptable and require the issuing of a (draft) Ministerial Direction. No indication has been given to date as to whether a draft direction may be under consideration; however there were aspects of the adopted plan that the Minister did object to at the final stage of public consultation.

VARIATION 1 TO THE WICKLOW COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN:

At the Council meeting of 14.05.18, the elected members made Variation 1 to the County Development Plan. The purpose of this variation is to ensure that the plans for Rathdrum, Arklow and Bray align with the County Development Plan. This variation takes effect from the day that it is made. Within 4 weeks of the date of the making of the variation, the Minister must decide if there are any aspects of the made variation that are not

acceptable and require the issuing of a (draft) Ministerial Direction. No indication has been given to date as to whether a draft direction may be under consideration.

NEWTOWNMOUNTKENNEDY LAP:

The preparation of the Draft Plan continues at present.

NATIONAL PLANNING FRAMEWORK (NPF) & REGIONAL SPATIAL & ECONOMIC STRATEGY (RSES):

The NPF was adopted by the Government in February 2018.

The Regional Assembly executive is in the process of preparing a draft RSES. This is expected to be issued to the members of the Assembly for their approval in the coming weeks. Early working draft chapters have been circulated and we have engaged closely with the RSES term to provide feedback.

VACANT SITE LEVY:

Any sites that stood on the Register as of 01.01.2018 have been issued with notices under Section 11 of the Act reminding them that they sit on the register and that a levy will be payable from 01.01.19. This notice allows landowners to advise of any change in circumstances of the site e.g. to notify us if it no longer vacant. Any submission received must be assessed the Planning Authority and thereafter we shall determine if the site should stay on the Register. An appeal to ABP is available should the landowner not be happy with this decision.

Sites that stood on the Register as of 01.01.18 are currently being valued following the procurement of outside professional valuers.

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Submissions received from landowners whose lands were assessed under Phase 1B, being sites within the lower settlements of Rathdrum, Kilcoole, Ashford, Baltinglass, Carnew and Enniskerry, are currently being assessed and considered.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

A total of 128 applications were received during April, these include applications as follows:

Type of Development	Number Received
Individual Houses	32
Housing Developments	1
Agricultural Structures	4
Commercial	8
Other Developments	83
Total	128

Decisions issued in respect of 79 applications in April, being:

Type of Development	Number of Decisions
Housing Developments	2
Individual Houses	20
Other Developments	57
Total	79

In relation to decisions issued between January to April 2018, in comparison to the same period for 2017, the details are as follows:

	31/04/2017	31/04/2018
Total Number of decisions issued	287	315
Total Number of decisions to grant	228	256
% grant rate	79%	81%

PLANNING ENFORCEMENT:

Details of activity during April:

- 12 New files were opened
- 19 Advisory letters issued
- 19 Warning Letters issued
- 2 Enforcement Notices served
- 0 Files was referred for legal action
- 23 Files have been closed

3 court hearings were held in April

Derelict Sites:

2 inspections were carried out during April.

5. WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

ANTI DUMPING INITIATIVE 2018 - 6 PROJECTS - €44,400.00

<i>Approval received from the Department of Communications, Climate Action & Environment</i>	
<i>1. Bray-Fassaroe/Deerpark Estates Project</i>	<i>€12,000.00</i>
<i>2. Coastal Amenity Dumping</i>	<i>€6,000.00</i>
<i>3. Barnbawn Water Source Anti-Dumping</i>	<i>€4,400.00</i>
<i>4. Roadside Dumping from Vehicles</i>	<i>€10,600.00</i>
<i>5. Engagement with Transitional Year Students in Tackling Dumping & Littering</i>	<i>€8,000.00</i>
<i>6. Tackling Dumping at Bottle Banks</i>	<i>€3,400.00</i>

WASTE MANAGEMENT SECTION – APRIL 2018



No. of Complaints Opened	320
No. of Cases Closed, Resolved or Completed	114
No of Litter Fines Issued	16
No. of Waste Management Files Opened	16
No. of Warning Letters Issued	13
No of Abandoned Car Notices Issued	5
No. of Burning Applications Granted	6
No. of Temporary Signs Granted	8
No. of Notices Issued under Section 14 of the Waste Management Act	4
No. of Cases in Court under Litter Pollution Act	1
No. Of Cases in Court under Waste Management Act	2
	€1,600.00
Income - Litter Fines	
	€5,640.53
Income- Waste Management	

1 Case in Court under the Litter Pollution Act

1. Cigarette butt thrown from vehicle onto the public roadway. Case settled out of court to avoid protracted court proceedings and use of resources – Paid €150.00

2 Cases in Court under Waste Management Act

1. Individual handed over waste to an unauthorised collector and subsequently dumped. Case settled out of court to avoid protracted court proceedings and use of resources – Paid €400.00
2. Waste handed over to unauthorised collector and illegally dumped at Fassaroe, Bray - Fined €150.00

WHITESTOWN REMEDIATION PROJECT

Three tenders were received on the 4th of May from Consultants proposing to provide advice and assistance to WCC for the project. The Tender Documentation was based around compliance with the Court Orders.

We convened a Tender Assessment Board on the 16th of May, and that Board has made a recommendation. There now follows a standstill

period and a due diligence process (Insurance, etc). Assuming there are no hiccups with that process we intend to appoint consultants in early June.

At the same time, there has been some changes in the Directorates, and as a result of these changes, the following staff will be working on the Whitestown project:

Mary Cahill, Senior Executive Engineer will be Project Manager from the 28th of May 2018..

Sean Quirke, Director of Services will be in charge of the new “Planning, Development and Environment” Directorate.

Marc Devereux Senior Engineer will also be working on the project

HARBOURS AND PORT

WICKLOW HARBOUR

As with tradition in May, the Wendy raft was deployed off the new pier. Also the Swimming platform was secured to the New Pier.

The raft and the swimming platform are very popular pieces of equipment for the swimming season in Wicklow Harbour.



BLUE FLAG BEACHES

Wicklow retained their four Blue Flags for the 2018 season. These beaches are Bray, Greystones, Brittas Bay North and Brittas Bay South.

Arklow retained their green coast awards.

BEACH LIFEGUARDS

Interviews were held in May for the post of Lifeguards on beaches in County Wicklow. 17 applicants have been appointed as Lifeguards. The season commences on 1st July 2018 until 15th September 2018. During this time, the nominated beaches will be manned by qualified Lifeguards.

SEPTIC TANK INSPECTIONS

32 annual septic tank inspections were carried in April. Under the Water Services Amendment Act 2012 8 advisory notices will be issued and 24 notices of compliance.

POLLUTION CONTROL

LICENSED DISCHARGES TO WATERS

- 2 discharge applications consultations with WCC.
- 2 discharge applications received by WCC for assessment and report.
- 4 samples of licensed discharges to water were analysed.
- 1 proprietor was non-compliant with discharge licence and was required to undertake investigations and improvements.

POLLUTION RESPONSE & INVESTIGATION

- 4 water pollution complaints were received.
- 0 noise pollution complaints were received.
- 0 air pollution complaint was received.

SEPTIC TANKS

- 32 inspections of septic tanks carried out in April 2018.
- 24 septic tank/domestic waste water treatment systems were compliant.
- 8 septic tank/domestic waste water treatment systems were non-compliant.
- 8 advisory notices issued to address non-compliant septic tank/domestic waste water treatment systems

PRIVATE WATER SUPPLIES

In its role as supervisory authority for private water supply serving a commercial or public activity or population of 50 or more, 129 regulated private water supplies will be monitored in 2018.

- 15 private water supplies were sampled in April 2018.
- 1 boil water notice was issued to a private water supply.
- 1 boil water notices was lifted from a private water supply.
- 7 letters issued to water supplier to investigate and to improve their water supply.

WATER FRAMEWORK DIRECTIVE

NATIONAL MONITORING PROGRAMME

- 25 samples were taken from rivers for analysis.
- 13 samples were taken from lakes for analysis.

AMBIENT RIVER MONITORING OF RIVER RECEIVING DISCHARGES FROM WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANTS

- 31 samples were taken and analysis from rivers and streams.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

- 15 environmental reports on referred planning applications.



FIRE SERVICE

MAY 2018

Operational Fire Statistics April 2017

	TOTAL	Bray	Greystones	Wicklow	Rathdrum	Arklow	Blessington	Dunlavin	Baitinglass	Carnew	Tinahely
Callsign		1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.1
Two Stations Mobilised											
Fire Domestic Persons Reported											
Fire Domestic	6	1	2	2		1					
Fire Industrial											
Fire Institutional											
Road Traffic Collision	12	3	3	1	1	2	1	1			
Fire Truck											
One Station Mobilised											
Fire Small/bin/skip	11	6	1	2		2					
Fire Grass / Gorse	6	3	2				1				
Fire Chimney	7	2	1	2		1	1				
Fire Alarm or CO2 Activation	15	5	3	3	1	1				2	
Fire Car	3			1		1				1	
Ambulance Assist	6	2	2	2							
Fire Haybarn	1					1					
Make Scene Safe	1					1					
Oil spill on road	1	1									
Caravan Fire	1			1							
Locked-In	1	1									
Hazardous Material Incident	1			1							
Animal Rescue	1		1								
Times Stations mobilised	73	24	15	15	2	10	3	1	0	3	0

Sample Incidents (April 2018)

There were 64 incidents in the month of which 18 involved more than one fire station attending. There were 6 RTCs, 11 small outdoor fires, 6 gorse fires, 7 chimney fires, 15 alarm activations and 6 occasions when the ambulance service requested assistance with casualties from the Fire Service.

- 29/04/18 Bray and Greystones crews attended a 2-car RTC on the Adelaide Road Bray.
- 27/04/18 Bray and Greystones crews attended a 2-vehicle RTC at Glenville, Kilmurray.
- 21/04/18 Fire Crew from Wicklow Town attended caravan fire at Redcross.
- 21/04/18 Fire Crew from Greystones assisted Coastguard and Ambulance Service to carry a injured person to helicopter Rescue 116 near the railway line at Rathcoole.
- 19/04/18 Arklow Fire crew attended a single car RTC at Knockmore, Money Little.
- 18/04/18 Wicklow Town Fire Crew attended a hazardous materials incident at Wicklow Port resulting from a spill of industrial liquid caustic soda.



15/04/18 Fire Crews from Blessington and Dunlavin attended a single vehicle RTC at Poulaphouca, removing three casualties from the car.

Incidents mobilised outside county Wicklow (April 2018):

Carlow

14/04/18 Fire domestic persons reported near Hacketstown, County Carlow. Crew from Tinahely attended.

Incidents assisted by neighbouring Fire Stations (April 2018):

22/04/18 Car fire on motorway, Arklow were assisted by Gorey Crew.

General

Wicklow County Fire Service has developed training courses for Confined Space Rescue. Courses are being delivered to all personnel in Wicklow. The course and associated training and guidance material will be adopted as the national standard during 2018. Three days of training provided in April.

12 Fire Service officers attended a Major Emergency Seminar organised by the Gardai in Laragh on 25th April.

Fire Prevention Statistics April 2018

Application type	Received	Requested additional information	Validate BCMS /liaise with Building Control	Inspection of works	Recommended Grant
Fire Safety Certificates	9	7			9
Regularisation Certificates		2		1	
Visual inspection of works					
FSC as part of 7 Day Notice	1				
General query			3		
Disability Access Certificates	7	3			13

Licensing	Received, acknowledged	Inspected	Requested further info	No Objection letter	Not raising an objection
District	4	1		2	
Circuit					

General

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6. Transportation & Roads Infrastructure

Funding announced for 2018 National Roads Allocation

<i>TII</i>	<i>2018 Allocation</i>
2018 NATIONAL ROADS ALLOCATION	
National Primary	
HD15 & HD17 Minor Works	
N11 Kilmacanogue Parallel Service Road	€100,000
National Secondary (Minor Works)	
N81 Hangmans Bend Realignment Scheme	€10,000
N81 Irishtown	€10,000
N81 Knockroe Bend Realignment Scheme	€2,500,000
N81 Tuckmill	€10,000
N81 Whitestown Lower	€10,000
National Secondary (Pavement)	
HD28 NS Pavement Renewals 2018	€700,000
Both NP & NS	
Local Authority Support (Improvement) 2018 WW	€100,000
Maintenance	
National Primary	
NP Motorway MMarC Lighting 2018	€115,941
National Secondary	
NS Ordinary Maintenance 2018	€46,548
NS Winter Maintenance 2018	€81,509
NS Route Lighting 2018	€10,279
Both NP & NS	
Support (Maintenance) 2018	€15,200
Support (Winter Maintenance) 2018	€10,000
Total	€3,719,477

Funding announced for 2018 Regional & Local Roads Allocation (26.1.18)

Restoration Improvement	€4,460,000
Restoration Maintenance	€767,000
Supplementary Restoration Maintenance	€348,500
Discretionary Grant	€1,586,500
Bridge Rehabilitation	€200,000
Safety Improvement Works	€295,000
Specific Improvement Grants	€650,000
Speed Limits	€104,175
Training Grant	€38,500
Drainage Works	€233,000
Total Allocation	€8,682,675



2018 Specific Improvement Grant	
R755 Calary Road Realignment	€650,000

2018 Bridge Rehabilitation Works on Regional & Local Roads	
Killabeg Bridge, Coolkenna L-7525	€25,000
Rathdrum Bridge, Rathdrum R-752	€50,000
White Bridge, Avoca, L-6155	€50,000
Liffey Bridge Upper, Kippure R-759	€20,000
Beechdale Bridge, Kilcoole L-50462	€20,000
Tinnehinch Bridge, Enniskerry R-760	€20,000
Knockrath Bridge, Knockrath R-755	€15,000
Total	€200,000

2018 Safety Improvement Works on Regional & Local Roads	
R759 Manor Kilbride (The Branch)	€145,000
Coolgreaney Road, Arklow L-2190-100	€30,000
Vale Road, Arklow R747	€30,000
Dublin Road, Arklow R772	€30,000
Lackereagh, Baltinglass R747	€55,000
Total	€290,000

2018 National Transport Authority Allocation	
Arklow – Shillelagh Cycle Route (planning completion)	€10,000
Strand Road Cycle Track (including Aquarium)	€250,000
Bray Dart Interchange	€20,000
Vale Road Wexford Road/Main Street Arklow	€7,000
Wicklow Town Port access route to Station Pedestrian Access	€80,000
Killarney Road – Church Road Junction and associated works on Killarney Road	€100,000
Vevay Road Cycle Scheme	€100,000
St Laurence’s School Footpath provision	€150,000
N81 Baltinglass VRU improvements	€50,000
Permeability to Public Transport or Schools	€25,000
Dublin Road, Bray ITS Traffic Management	€60,000
Bray Bridge footbridges and tie-ins	€250,000
Total	€1,102,000

PUBLIC LIGHTING

	20/03/18	22/03/18	27/03/18	04/04/18	09/04/18	16/04/18	23/04/18
Access Issues (Attend)	9	7	7	7	9	9	11
Cable Fault (Attend)	9	7	7	8	9	9	9
ESB Required (Attended)	45	43	43	40	38	38	39
Knock Down (Attended)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Materials required	26	29	26	26	24	23	26
No Supply	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
On Hold	12	12	12	12	12	12	11
Submitted	197	142	129	142	133	136	106
Traffic Management Required	19	22	20	16	15	15	16
TOTAL	325	270	252	259	248	250	226



PUBLIC LIGHTING

w Labels	ARKLOW MD	BALTINGLAS S MD	BRAY MD	GREYSTONE S MD	WICKLOW MD	Grand Total
Access Issues (Attended)	1		2	3	6	12
Cable Fault (Attend)	4		3	7	1	15
ESB Required(Attended)	3		10	7	3	23
Knock Down (Attended)	1		3	4	11	19
Materials required	1	1	1	4		7
No Supply	2			4	1	7
On Hold	1		2	3	6	12
Submitted	50	27	16	15	28	136
Traffic Management Required	2		5	1	11	19
Grand Total	64	28	40	45	61	238

Winter Maintenance

Winter maintenance concluded for this season on the 30th April 2018.

M11/N11 – Kilmacanogue Parallel Service Road

Roughan & O'Donovan, Consulting Engineers, have been appointed to determine the feasibility of introducing safety measures on the southbound lane on the approach to junction 8 in Kilmacanogue.

The aim of the service road was to:

- Improve safety for all road users in and around the junction 8 area on the N11;
- Maintain and improve access to and from existing properties
- To increase the mainline speed of the N11 while maintaining or reducing the existing 60km/h speed on the parallel service road.

Part VIII Reference 18/382 submitted for the N11 Parallel Service Road on 13th April 2018. Submissions and observations are due by Monday 11th June 2018.

Junction 4 M50 to Kilmacanogue – Junction 14 Update – Main Scheme

In line with the requirements of the Public Spending Code, transposed into Department of Transport Tourism and Sport requirements via the Common Appraisal Framework (CAF) a Project Appraisal Report was prepared and submitted to the Department of Transport Tourism and Sport in early April 2018.

Approval of the Project Appraisal Report was received from DTTaS on the 13th April 2018 which enables the Sponsoring Agency to commence the CAF preliminary appraisal stage. This aligns to the Transport Infrastructure Ireland Project Management Guidelines 2017 as the Phase 1 – Scheme Concept and Feasibility and Phase 2 Option Selection.

It is hoped that tender documents for the appointment of a consultant to aid in the appraisal process will be finalised. It is intended to appoint consultants during the Summer of 2018.



N81 Knockroe Bend Realignment

Archer Heritage Planning is the Contractor for the Archaeological Works Contract. The Archaeological dig is currently in progress with completion scheduled for May 2018. Invitation of tenders for construction works is projected for May with award in September. *A grant allocation of €2.5m has been notified by TII for 2018.*

N81 Baltinglass Town Centre Surfacing Works

There are design issues to resolve around the junction layout for the N81/R747 junction. The current programme envisages:

- (I) Installation of ducts and relocation of services within remainder of Section 2 during 2018.
- (II) Construction and surfacing works in Section 2 during 2018.

The Council has made an application for funding to Transport Infrastructure Ireland for new lighting on this section of the N81.

Local Improvements Schemes (LIS)

The Department for Rural and Community Development (DRCD,) by letter dated 28th February 2018, allocated a sum of 310,000 to Wicklow County Council. Six schemes have now been awarded

Local Improvement Scheme funding and work has commenced on some of these projects.

Community Involvement Scheme (CIS)

Ring-fenced funding of €10 million is being made available for the Community Involvement Scheme in 2018 by the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport for the country.

Wicklow County Council is awaiting approval from the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport for to be considered for funding.

New National Road Licensing Procedures

Maproad Roadworks Licensing (MRL)

The national online road opening system, MapRoad Roadworks Licensing (MRL), will be in operation in Wicklow County Council for all applicants from 1st May 2018 in accordance with the guidelines for Managing Openings in Public Roads (Purple Book: April 2017). Paper based applications will no longer be accepted after 1st May 2018.

The MRL system is managed and facilitated by the Road Management Office (RMO) www.rmo.ie and licences will be issued through the online system by Wicklow County Council.

Further information is available on Wicklow County Council's website at www.wicklow.ie

Parking Income by Municipal District - Mar 2018	€
Income Florence Road Carpark Bray MD	62,190
Income Herbert Road Carpark Bray MD	38,487
Income North Beach Car Park - Strand Road Bray MD	8,231
Income Restricted Parking Bray MD	147,851
Income Parking Fines Bray MD	54,529
Income Residential/Special Parking Discs Bray MD	16,860
Bray Municipal District	328,148
Income Greystones Pay Parking Scheme	103,090
Greystones Municipal District	103,090



Income Parking Charges Wicklow MD	70,928
Income Residential Parking Disk Wicklow MD	1,525
Income Traffic Fines Wicklow MD	10,133
Wicklow Municipal District	82,587
Income Parking Traffic Fines Arklow MD	5,881
Income Pay Parking Fees And Permits Arklow MD	51,210
Arklow Municipal District	57,091
Wicklow County Council	570,916

Organisational Development and Financial Matters

1. RECRUITMENT

Competitions for the following posts were held in May 2018:

Administrative Officer, Executive Architect, Staff Officer, Environmental Awareness Officer, Executive Technician, Senior Executive Technician and Beach Life Guards

	Q1 2017	Q1 2018
Managerial/Administrative	246	246
Professional/Technical	103	119
Outdoor	305	317
Temporary/Seasonal	47	41
Non DOECLG	45	13
Total	746	736

(Excludes figures for Firefighters)

2. ACCESS TO INFORMATION

NO. OF FOI REQUESTS

April 2018	7	April 2017	5
Jan to Apr 2018	28	Jan to Apr 2017	48

NO. OF OMBUDSMAN REQUESTS

April 2018	0	April 2017	0
Jan to April 2018	4	Jan to Apr 2017	2

3. REGISTER OF ELECTORS

The referendum took place on 26th May 2018. Wicklow had just shy of a 75% turn out, the 2nd highest in the country apart from Dublin Bay North. The turnout is a reflection of the accuracy of our register of electors.

The live register has 92,343 registered electors, 3,081 electors were recorded on the supplementary list making a total of 95,424.

4. PRESS RELEASES

April 2018 - 7 Press Releases

5. I.C.T. REPORT

IT HELPDESK

- Workflow analysis of IT Helpdesk function has been used to develop a working model for customer care & case management.
- Tickets handled have reached almost 4,000 in the year to date



- *Asset Management Module has been implemented to allow performance monitoring across the network and prepare strategic deployment model for ICT Infrastructure*

county Wicklow. This includes Bray MD, Greystones MD, Arklow MD.

- *A number of additional installations have now been completed including Clermont Campus. The VOIP system will underpin county wide communications.*

CUSTOMER RELATIONS MANAGEMENT (CRM)

- *Workflow analysis in Environmental Services area has been used to develop a proof of concept in the use of Microsoft Dynamics.*
- *Cloud Tenancy has been created to allow deployment of dynamics CRM and comparison with other CRM systems*
- *Trial Licences have now been upgraded to live to ensure effective trial of CRM systems and integration with Government Cloud Services during 2018*

CORE NETWORK

- *Procurement exercise for network hardware refresh is complete and Phase 1 of LAN upgrade was implemented in February. Extension to external sites including Bray MD, Fire HQ, Library HQ, Clermont was completed during April.*
- *A fully updated core network is now in place to allow consolidation of government network and cloud services.*

MANAGED PRINT SERVICE (MPS)

- *Renewal of MPS is now complete. Vendor neutral audit of print requirement was completed in 2017 and request for tenders was published in December 2017.*
- *Project roll-out plan was completed in Q1 2018 and all new devices are now in place*
- *Managed Print Service policy is now being completed.*

DATA COLLECTION SYSTEMS

- *Data collection systems using mobile devices have been used for the Register of Electors.*
- *Projects in Housing, Roads and Environmental Services departments are on-going.*
- *Upgrade to Revenue Collection Handhelds has now reached conclusion of trial phase. These units should be in place for all Collectors during this quarter*
- *Housing Condition Survey is live while other project including Health & Safety audit and CCTV survey have been advanced.*

UNIFIED COMMUNICATIONS

- *Voice over IP phone solution has been extended to main Council sites across*



6. Revenue Account

REVENUE ACCOUNT							
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION AT 30th APRIL 2018							
	EXPENDITURE			INCOME			NET
	Actual Expenditure	Adopted Full Year Budget	% Budget Spent to date	Actual income	Adopted Full Year Budget	% Budget Spent to date	
	€	€	%	€	€	%	€
A - Housing and Building	5,144,454	17,210,674	30	(6,797,056)	(22,083,086)	31	(1,652,602)
B - Road Transport & Safety	4,191,204	18,214,957	23	(1,715,435)	(10,808,946)	16	2,475,769
C - Water Services	1,726,249	5,732,213	30	(1,965,738)	(6,649,630)	30	(239,489)
D - Development Management	3,098,348	9,233,906	34	(1,964,830)	(4,909,183)	40	1,133,518
E - Environmental Services	3,641,082	10,751,474	34	(473,539)	(1,918,500)	25	3,167,543
F - Recreation and Amenity	1,818,697	6,403,014	28	(354,785)	(520,600)	68	1,463,912
G - Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	589,537	1,511,045	39	(159,324)	(745,228)	21	430,213
H - Miscellaneous Services	1,911,579	11,086,145	17	(1,590,351)	(7,505,975)	21	321,228
J - Central Management Charges	4,883,516	15,405,007	32	(369,410)	(955,217)	39	4,514,106
LG - Local Government Fund				(2,965,850)	(11,971,634)	25	(2,965,850)
PL - Pension Levy							-
RA - Commercial Rates				(9,310,686)	(27,630,436)	34	(9,310,686)
	27,004,666	95,548,435	28	27,667,004	95,698,435	29	(662,338)

7. Cashflow/Overdraft

Wicklow County Council manages its cashflow requirements on a daily basis and did not avail of its overdraft facility during the period 1st April 2018 to 30th April 2018.

8. Capital Account

CAPITAL ACCOUNT				
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION AT 30th APRIL 2018				
	Opening Balance at 01/01/2018	Actual Expenditure	Actual income	Closing Balance at 30/04/2018
	€	€	€	€
Housing and Building	19,982,975	3,723,533	(2,444,955)	21,261,553
Road Transport & Safety	-32,722,106	340,273	(2,575,152)	-34,956,985
Water Services	-8,338,872	39,218	(361,076)	-8,660,730
Development Management	-8,835,423	142,249	(371,617)	-9,064,791
Environmental Services	1,744,994	1,276,338	(1,899,991)	1,121,341
Recreation and Amenity	549,701	147,882	(756,257)	-58,674
Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	-1,042,916	55,182	(299,825)	-1,287,559
Miscellaneous Services	-12,936,991	431,843	(499,867)	-13,005,015
	-41,598,638	6,156,518	(9,208,740)	-44,650,860



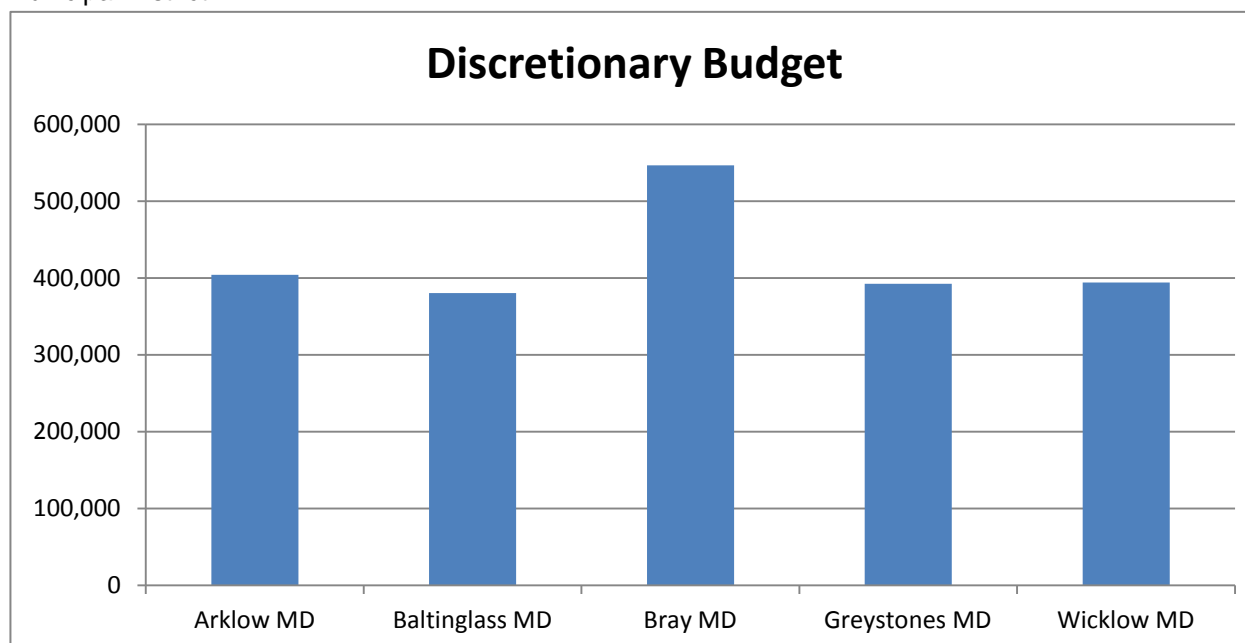
9. Commercial Rates, Rents and Loan Collections

SUMMARY OF MAJOR COLLECTIONS AT 30TH APRIL 2018									
Income Collection Area	Opening Balance 01/01/2018	Accrued	Vacancy Property Adjustments	Write Offs	Total for Collection	Collected	Closing Arrears 30/4/2018	Specific Doubtful Arrears	% Collection
Rates	7,477,320	27,930,216			35,407,536	8,136,220	27,271,316		23%
Rents & Annuities	1,539,925	4,404,004			5,943,929	4,345,278	1,598,651		73%
Housing Loans *	413,129	315,615		1120	727,624	384,921	342,703		53%

N.B. The collection percentages for April are below normal levels due to the carry forward of arrears at the start of the new financial year. This situation will be regularised over the course of the year.

10. General Municipal Allocation and Discretionary Fund 2018

Discretionary Budget 2018 €2,117,500. The graph and table below outline the discretionary budget for 2018 by Municipal District.



Municipal District	Balance to Expend
	€
Arklow MD	404,250
Baltinglass MD	380,250
Bray MD	546,500
Greystones MD	392,250
Wicklow MD	394,250
Total	2,117,500



11. Capital Investment Programme 2018-2020

The Capital Investment Programme 2018-2020 for Wicklow County Council which details proposed capital expenditure projects over the next 3 year period, subject to available funding, was approved by the Members at the Ordinary Council meeting of March 12th 2018.

The table below outlines the proposed capital expenditure by programme group.

PROGRAMME GROUP	Proposed Expenditure			
	2018	2019	2020	TOTAL
	€	€	€	€
HOUSING AND BUILDING	53,300,000	87,000,000	87,300,000	227,600,000
ROAD TRANSPORT & SAFETY	4,300,000	1,800,000	2,500,000	8,600,000
WATER SERVICES	433,000	150,000	150,000	733,000
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT	3,070,000	2,150,000	1,900,000	7,120,000
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	150,000	100,000	1,600,000	1,850,000
RECREATION AND AMENITY	5,072,000	6,160,000	3,515,000	14,747,000
AGRICULTURAL, EDUCATION, HEALTH & WELFARE	2,500,000	6,800,000	10,550,000	19,850,000
OVERALL TOTAL	68,825,000	104,160,000	107,515,000	280,500,000