



Management Report to Council



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<u>09</u> 10am: TCC Plenary Meeting - Clonmel	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u> 14:30 Environment and Climate Action SPC Mtg	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u> 12:00 Southern Regional Assembly Mtg.
<u>16</u> 10:00 LCDC Mtg 10:00 Thurles MD Annual Mtg followed by Ordinary Mtg	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u> 10:00 Nenagh MD Annual Mtg followed by ordinary Mtg.	<u>20</u> 10:00 Library Services & Biodiversity SPC Mtg
<u>23</u> 10am: Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel MD Annual Mtg followed by Ordinary Mtg	<u>24</u> 10am: AGM Plenary Council	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u> 12:30 Carrick on Suir Annual Meeting 14:00 Carrick on Suir Ordinary meeting	<u>27</u> 11:00 Annual Meeting - TCC
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Economic Community and Rural Development Directorate

<p>Tipperary County Council's Community, Economic, and Rural Development Directorate plays a vital role in fostering inclusive growth across the county. The council is committed to ensuring balanced economic and social development by focusing on various sectors like local enterprise, rural regeneration, tourism, community services, and sports infrastructure.</p>	
<u>New Policy/Strategic Issues:</u>	
Policy Changes/Updates	Progress in Previous Month
Community & Rural Development SPC	A meeting was held in May at which the workplan for 2025 was agreed. Two sub groups have been established to review The Play and Recreation Policy and The Migrant Strategy.
Economic SPC	A meeting was held on May 6 th 2025. A sub-group has been established and has commenced the review of the Commercial Vacancy Incentive Scheme.
Directorate Highlights	
Updates	Progress
Town & Village Renewal Scheme	Under the TVR scheme, the Building Acquisition & Land Measure funding stream was submitted to the Department. EOIs for the main scheme and for Project Development Measure (PDM) are open until May 30 th
CLÁR	CLÁR Measure 1 EOI closed on May 14 th . Evaluation and review of applications are in progress.
Local Enhancement Programme	The closing date for applications for this programme has passed & the recommended entries have been submitted to the Department of Rural & Community Development for approval. An announcement is expected in May.
Leader Target Call	A targeted call is for Theme 1(a) Green Economy with a budget of €377,300 is under consideration.
Interagency Response to Storm Eowyn	An extreme Weather Working Group has been established under the LCDC. The outputs will feed into the TCC Emergency Response Team.
Sports Action Plan	The Tipperary Local Sports partnership have commenced the preparation a Sports Action Plan for the county.
Tourism – Fáilte Ireland Just Transition	Fáilte Ireland's Investment Grant Aid Scheme for Private and Community SMEs has resulted in 2 further successful applicants in Tipperary with the development of accommodation and visitor experience in Thurles and Carrick-on-Suir MD, resulting in grants awarded to the value of €545,000.
LEO	To April 2025, 18 businesses received a total of €461,640 in Priming, Business Expansion, Feasibility, Market Explorer and Grad-Start grants. The approved grants have the potential to create 25 new jobs within Tipperary
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business. Other supports included Mentoring of which 273 assignments were approved. A total of 443 availed of training supports.

Local Community Initiatives

Local Community Development Committee (LCDC)

Tipperary LCDC have held two meetings since the last update. TCC, ERCD section presented an update on their actions as set out in the Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP) at the April meeting and the HSE presented on the restructuring of the HSE health regions at the May meeting.

A Sustainable Communities Sub Group Meeting was held in May and the following actions presented and approval

- The Green Economy was recommended as the 2025 LEADER Targeted Call
- The potential for a Call on a Geographical basis is to be examined.
- A “Greening your LEADER” Project Guide information leaflet is being drafted and will be finalised in June.

Social Inclusion Community Activation Programme (SICAP)

Key Performance Indicators have been set across the SICAP Goals for 2025 with North and South Tipperary Development Companies. A mid-year review is being prepared by both Local Development Companies for consideration by the Social Inclusion Sub Group in June.

Goal 1: Contribute to building more sustainable inclusive and empowered communities. Both development companies have targets to work with 40 groups during 2025.

Goal 2: Empower disadvantaged people to improve the quality of their lives

Both development companies have targets to work with 490 individuals on a one-to one basis.

Tipperary LEADER programme

The partnership of Tipperary LCDC, Tipperary County Council, North Tipperary Development Company (NTDC) & South Tipperary Development Company (STDC) continues to implement the objectives of the Local Development Strategy for the county.

At the April LAG (LCDC) meeting 5 projects were approved for Leader funding.

Promoter Name	Project Name / Brief Description
Bournea Parish Development Association	€108,203 for an extension to the existing community facility in a rural area to provide additional multi-purpose spaces for events, training programmes and services.
Loughtagalla Park and Residents Association	€114,865 for phase 2 of the redevelopment of Loughtagalla Biodiversity Park, specifically the construction of a 16-space car park including two accessible parking spaces.



Castleiney Development Association CLG	€44,598 for Castleiney Ball Alley Rejuvenation Works – the works include resurfacing of the floor, construction of a concrete stub-wall to the rear, installation of a glass wall to the rear and reinstatement of the netting to the existing structure.
Cloughjordan Football Club	€58,557 for a new LED lighting system to be installed along the community walking track to enhance safety and usability, particularly during early mornings and evenings. The installation will involve the laying of ducting, construction of bases and mounting of LED lighting fixtures.
Cloughjordan Football Club	€10,987 for the installation of solar panels on the dressing room roof by a qualified renewable energy contractor. The generated energy will power the entire community track, entrance way and carpark, creating long-term operational savings.

SPC Meeting

A meeting of the SPC for Community & Rural Development took place on May 7th 2025 and there was attendance of 11 members. The Agenda included:

- Discussion: Diverse Tipperary: An Integration Strategy
- Discussion on developing a Play & Recreation Policy for Tipperary

Presentations were delivered on the above items and followed by meaningful dialog to progress the topics as part of the SPC workplan.

An establishment of two subgroups was formed to work on these and report back for next SPC meeting in September.

Age Friendly

National Age Friendly Convention took place in Tallaght on 8th and 9th May. Three Older Peoples Council Executive Members and two LCDC staff attended same. Events included Active Ageing Exercise Class with Active South Dublin, Pearse Museum Tour, Brú Chrónáin – The Round Tower Visitor Centre, ‘Our Rural Future’ Policy workshop, Walkability Audit at Tallaght Stadium, Walking Tour of Tallaght and Age Friendly Housing Tour at The Weir.

Planning is underway for the annual Tipperary Age Friendly EXPO which takes place in TUS Campus Thurles on Wednesday 18th June from 12 noon to 3 p.m.

Planet Youth Tipperary

Marian Daly, Tipperary Planet Youth Coordinator is meeting with each of the participating schools in relation to the outcomes of their confidential school report.

Healthy Tipperary

- Cultural Companions –Tipperary Cultural Companions has been launched in Clonmel with a plan to roll out the initiative county wide throughout the year. This age & opportunity initiative is designed to support older adults to get out more, visit new parts of Tipperary, make new social connections and combat social isolation through the shared interest in arts & culture.



- An application was submitted under the National Play Day 2025 funding stream. The theme this year is the power of play and the events will run through the 5th-13th July.
- Healthy Ireland SLA in place with NTDC to support older adults, traveller men and women in Littleton with Physical Activity and Social Engagement Activities through Martina Phelan.
- Currently supporting CAMHS Nenagh with Healthy Ireland funding for physical activity programmes targeting children and adolescents with mental health difficulties in Nenagh.
- 4 x Social engagement programmes (community choir, wellbeing workshops) delivered through Silver Arch Family Resource Centre to date.
- €15,000 has been secured for 2025 Period Poverty mitigation measures in Tipperary and a number of initiatives have been rolled out in collaboration with stakeholders.
- Representing Tipperary County Council/Healthy Tipperary by supporting HSE at Cahir Mart Health and Wellbeing Event in June (11th June)

Slaintecare

Substance Use Community Conversations

- County Tipperary Chamber has been shortlisted for Clonmel Community Conversations on Substance Use under the Chambers Ireland Awards 2025 under the theme Local Authority Engagement.
- The Substance Use Community Conversation Cohort meetings have taken/will take place on the following dates:

Lived Experience	21 st May
Parents Cohort	6 th & 7 th May
Clubs & Groups	Date June TBC
Businesses & Hospitality	4 th June

Further Drugs Training & Education Schools

John Leahy HSE, Sarah Cassidy Ais Airi & Sgt Graham Deegan AGS are working on a Drugs Education programme for Clonmel Secondary Schools and further education centres to be rolled out in 2025/2026 academic year.

VR Environment for Cancer Survivors

The VR (virtual reality) environment initiative is ready to be rolled out in May to both Circle of Friends and CARE in Clonmel. Slaintecare funding will pay for VR headsets for both cancer support centres and training (workshops and materials) as well as ongoing support for staff.

Tir Na Nog Youth Festival

Following on from the success of the Tir Na Nog Health and Wellbeing Festival in September 2024, Slaintecare Healthy communities have allocated €5,000 funding to create and implement a Youth Festival for September 2025. Here are the key features:

- Youth Festival to be held in partnership with Clonmel Applefest.
- Dates: Sept 25th to Sept 28th 2025.
- The aim is to have a health and wellbeing festival for young people over 3 days.



- The target age range is 14 to 24 years of age.
- The aim is to have over 700 young people take part.
- As distinct from 2024, the festival this year will not only have young people organise and implement it, but they will also be creating content for the festival itself i.e. creating/providing content for displays and running workshops.
- One of the key projects that will be featured is an interactive multi-media exhibition on a current Canadian/TUS Clonmel project which has just started in Jan 2025 and will end May 2025. The creative outputs from this project – inspired by St Patrick’s Well in Clonmel and Oshawa Creek in Canada, will be showcased as part of Applefest 2025.

Playful Streets – Glenconnor Clonmel

- Playful Streets is being rolled out to:
 - Garden Close on 24.06.25
 - Glenconnor Hill on 25.06.25
 - Fun outdoor play activities for parents and children in partnership with Tipperary Sports Partnership, Tipperary County Council, Slaintecare Healthy Communities and Healthy Tipperary.
 - Playful Street’s is one of the agreed actions under the Clonmel Substance Use Action Plan.

Tipperary Local Community Safety Partnership

The Policing, Security and Community Safety Act 2024 was officially signed off by Minsiter Jim O Callaghan in April, the regulations for section 3 and the subsequent regulations for the LCSP (Local Community Safety Partnership) have not yet been signed so this needs be officially signed before the new partnshership can be given effect and committees formed.

Once these are in place the Partnerships will develop and oversee a tailored and prioritised Local Community Safety Plan which will be informed by the community itself in conjunction with public services.

Local Authority Integration Team (LAIT)

The team continues to work with the Ukrainian (BOTP population) and International Protection Applicants across the county. The following table details the number of individuals currently resident in the county

Ukrainian Community (BOTP)	1,554
International Protection (IP)	816
Total	2,370



Sports Development

Sports Action Plan

Tipperary County Council is embarking on the development of a Sports Action Plan for Tipperary. A consultant has been appointed and work on the plan will commence in June.

TSP Coaching & Development Scheme

The Scheme closed on the 15th May with 60 applications received which are currently been reviewed.

Community Projects

The following community projects were rolled out throughout the last quarter by the sports partnership team.

- 2 Community Activator Pole Walking Programmes completed in Cahir & Nenagh with a further 2 programmes currently running in Carrick & Thurles.
- Female Futsal programme delivered in Tipperary Town Sports Hub
- Men's Shed groups commenced Walking Football in Tipperary Town & Cashel.
- Green Exercise programme commenced in Borrisokane in May
- Youth Olympic Event supported with Tipperary ETB in Borrisoleigh.
- Bike Week took place 10th – 18th May with 19 events supported throughout the County.
- Older Adult Go for Life Games Tournament took place in May in Littleton with 10 teams, 41 participants.

School Programmes

9 school programmes delivered / underway which include:

- Paddles Up Programme was completed with 3 Secondary Schools in Clonmel along with 1 School Taster Session on the Suir Blueway.
- Integrated Paddling programme was rolled out in Cahir with 1 Secondary School.
- Wobbly Wobbly Balance Programme with a further 6 Preschools
- Two Her Moves Programme targeting inactive teenage girls in Tipperary Town and Fethard were completed
- A Schools Basketball Blitz held in Tipperary Town
- Support provided to host a Primary School Athletic Festival in Nenagh in April.
- 4 Schools in Clonmel completed Get Going Get Rowing Programme, over 120 participants.

Sport4Empowerment ESF+ programme

As part of this programme,

- Phase 2 of the Thurles Ukrainian Youth Sports Pathway programme which is linking Ukrainian youths with local clubs in partnership with the Integration Team is in progress.



- Phase 2 Cycle Right programme is currently running for young people in the new communities in Dundrum (Ukrainians & IPAS communities)
- 6-week Taster programme is underway for traveller women in Clonmel

Disability Programmes

People with disabilities were supported as follows:

- Sports Ability Day held in May in Thurles with 119 people with disabilities enjoyed the day.
- An 8 week Inclusive Paddling Programme was completed in Cahir along with Inclusive Paddles Up with NLN in Clonmel.
- Inclusive Walking Football is currently running with Moorehaven in the Sports Hub in Tipperary Town
- A 6-week Inclusive Swim programme completed in Clonmel.
- 2 6-week Inclusive Athletics programme are been facilitated at the TUS Sports Hub in Clonmel, 102 participants.

Training & Education Programme

The following training & education was delivered to support the delivery of sport:

- Sports First Aid Course was delivered in April with a registration open for a another course planned for 6th & 7th June.
- A Schools TY Training/Coaching Programme was completed in Colaiste Dun Iascaigh with the FAI.
- Autism in Sport Workshop delivered to TY students in the Presentation in Thurles prepare for the with Sports Ability Day.

FAI

The following is an update on football initiatives & development by the two FAI Development Officers through April and May 2025.

Club Development

The FAI Club Mark is a series of accreditation awards for grassroots clubs based on best practice in the governance, management and administration of a club and is now mandatory for all clubs to hold at least the entry level award by December 31st, 2025.

Borrisokane FC and Clodiagh Rangers FC obtained the entry level award in May.

All clubs across the county that do not hold this award are being engaged with and supported. All clubs have engaged and are now registered for the award. Ongoing continuous support is being provided to clubs who are in the process including, Garda vetting, safeguarding training, policy development, and coaching supports.

Kick Fit – Women's Programme

The FAI Cadbury Kick Fit programme is a fun and non-competitive recreational social programme for women 18+, with no experience necessary. Moneygall, Nenagh Celtic, BT Harps FC and Clonmel Town FC continue with their Kick Fit programmes.



FAI Coach Education & Safeguarding

3 x Safeguarding 1 courses 86 participants

FAI Coach Development

2 x Me & My Ball Course – 26 participants

1 x Adult Intro Course – 20 participants

Walking Football

Cashel Men's Shed have now kicked off a six-week program of walking football which is supported by Tipperary Sports Partnership and the FAI

FAI Football camps

FAI development officers are in the process of recruiting head coaches and coaching staff for the upcoming summer camps. Ongoing support is being provided to coaches with applications, garda vetting, safeguarding training and coach development courses.

Football for All

The FAI & Tipperary Sports partnership are currently supporting a football for all group with intellectual disabilities via the Brothers of Charity at the Tipperary Sports Hub, which has been a great success thus far.

FAI Primary 5's

The FAI primary 5's school competition launched in Feb with 126 schools across Tipperary including taking part, over 3,000 players, 42% of which were female, participated to date across 4 venues (Two Mile Borris/St Kevins FC, Peake Villa FC, Ballymackey FC and Cahir Park AFC). After completing the Tipperary qualifiers, three boys and three girls' teams qualified to represent Tipperary in the Munster Finals in Cahir Park AFC. Cloughjordan NS went on to lift the Munster Final trophy and will now represent Munster & Tipperary in the national finals at the Aviva Stadium on June 11th. In addition, we held the Football for All Munster finals in Cahir Park in May which was a fantastic success.

TOURISM



Brand Refresh

The Time for Tipperary logo has undergone a light refresh — a cleaner, more versatile update that reflects how the brand will present across all visitor-facing platforms in the months and years ahead.

New ‘Time for Tipperary’ Merchandise Design

The *Time for Tipperary* brand refresh reimagines the county as a distinctive, engaging destination. To support this identity, a collection of merchandise concepts has been developed using the refreshed logo, colour palette, and a series of evocative message lines, including: Time to unwind; Time to breathe; Time to discover; Time to explore, and Time to make memories. These lines are designed to work across a wide range of gift items. Tipperary Tourism is engaging with tourism trade currently to bring these ideas to life.

Tipperary Discovery Guide

The new guide features a comprehensive listing of what to see and do across Tipperary, including attractions activities, events, family fun, and more. Many listings include QR codes that link directly to up-to-date digital content. There is a comprehensive distribution plan in place, to ensure it reaches key visitor locations throughout the year.

Tipperary Tourism Strategic Plan 2025-2030

Consultants have been contracted to collaborate with the Tipperary Tourism company to deliver this plan. A draft will be presented to the Board of Tipperary Tourism the first week in June.

Munster Vales

Munster Vales training day was held on the 13th of May in Lough Gur – the focus was on utilising AI in Marketing. The feedback was positive. A new Munster Vales brochure and map are in the design stage and will be circulated to the trade across the MV region.

Tourism Activator Update

Fáilte Ireland’s Investment Grant Aid Scheme for Private and Community SMEs has resulted in 2 further successful applicants in Tipperary with the development of accommodation and visitor experience in Thurles and Carrick-on-Suir MD, resulting in grants awarded to the value of €545,000.

The Tourism Activator rolled out 3 Cluster Tourism Bundles and Package Workshops in person and online that support the tourism trade in understanding the value of collaborative marketing.



A very well-attended Sustainable Business Tourism Development Workshop took place on the 6th of May at Fuchsia Lane Farm, where Just Transition Applicants gained an understanding of the self-catering accommodation market and the reality of running a tourism accommodation business.

Littleton Labyrinth content creation, namely, video, brochure and imagery, is currently been developed to promote the new 7.2km walkway. Once signed off, this will be circulated to Tipperary Tourism & MDs for promotion.

Destination Lough Derg (DLD)

Networking and communication

The first networking meeting of 2025 took place on 3rd April in the Abbey Court hotel in Nenagh. This event was conducted as a 'speed dating' forum to enable businesses to cross sell each other. A motivational speaker delivered a presentation on the value of networking and the impact it can have on their businesses. The event also saw a presentation on the functionality and the launch of the New Discover Lough Derg website this is a free service to all tourism businesses in the area and business were encouraged to submit their information.

Platforms for Growth.

Construction has commenced on the Platforms for Growth & Changing Places facility in Domineer. This investment scheme will deliver best-in-class permanent water-sports facilities and is due for completion in Q4 2025.

Entente Florale Europe.

Terryglass has been chosen to represent Ireland in the international Entente Florale event. The lough derg tourism officer will support the event by presenting to the judges on the day of adjudication in relation to the tourism product in the area.

Economic Development Programme

Commercial Vacancy Incentive Scheme

The Economic Development and Enterprise SPC Retail Sub-Group are continuing their review. The members of the Sub-Group are Cllr Marie Murphy, Cllr Liam Browne, Cllr John Carroll, Cllr Siobhan Ambrose, Adrien Bartels, Sean Reidy and Michelle Alyward. A review paper of the current Commercial Vacancy Incentive Scheme has been completed and presented to the members in order to open up discussion and a number of key changes have been identified. These are under consideration currently and all agreed changes will be ratified by the SPC before the new Scheme is presented to the Members of Tipperary County Council for adoption.

Shop Local Tipperary

An Easter campaign for Shop Local offered 2 lucky people a chance to win a Love Tipperary Voucher for €100 for themselves and a €50 Voucher for a friend that they tagged. In order to win the prize, the entrants had to post the name of the Shop in Tipperary they were going to treat themselves in for Easter.

Dunnes in Templemore was the businesses selected by Amanda Farrell and Keith Rooney and O’Rahelly’s in Tipperary Town was the business selected by Leandra Forsyth and Liz Lonergan. The competition had 18,700 views and reached 6,800 Facebook followers. This is a great promotion as we do not pay for followers so these followers are real people across our county.



Love Tipperary Gift Card

County Tipperary is leading the way in Ireland, with the highest number of local businesses now accepting the Love Tipperary Gift Card and it continues to grow. Tipperary approached digital marketing in an innovative way including investment in marketing, planning strategically, using a variety of platforms and importantly performance tracking. This resulted in an impressive 19,000 views on Love Tipperary Gift Cards alone. At a recent conference on Gift Vouchers held in Mullingar, Tipperary was showcased as a marvellous example of marketing and promotion.

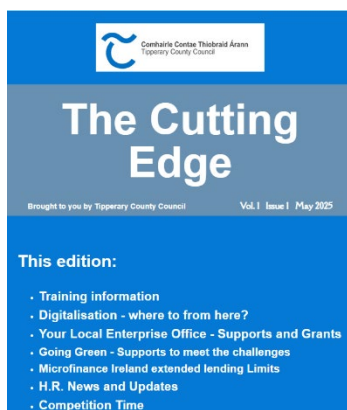
SPC Meeting

A meeting of the SPC for Economic Development and Enterprise took place on May 6th 2025 and there was a strong attendance of 16 members. The Agenda included:

- Lisheen and Templemore Bio Economy Projects by Eamonn O’Flynn, Senior Project Manager,
- An economic briefing of County Tipperary by Michelle Aylward
- Input session on the Review of the Commercial Vacancy Incentive Scheme
- A presentation on the Economic Aspects of Tipperary delegations visit to New York in March 2025 by TCC Chairman, Cllr Declan Burgess
- An over view of Tipperary County Councils Finances by Mark Connolly.

Manufacturing and Engineering Supports

A collaboration Project has been agreed with Factory Xchange based in TUS, Coonagh, Limerick City, to host a new event in County Tipperary that will target Manufacturing and Engineering Companies. The purpose of the event will be to raise awareness of Digitalisation, Robotics and AI.



A newsletter, 'The Cutting Edge', has been issued to over 160 manufacturing and engineering business in County Tipperary, providing information on upcoming training events and grant schemes.

This is a new initiative and the aim of the newsletter is both to provide relevant information to the manufacturing and engineering sector and to forge a link with businesses in relation to digitalisation, robotics and Artificial Intelligence.

Enterprise Engagement SETU / ETBs / Skillnet / LEOs/EI/IDA

A meeting of education providers was hosted in the South East in April involving persons who deal with enterprise such as Managers, Senior Training Advisors with ETBs and LLL / Flexible Learning in Higher Ed., Skillnet Network Managers, County Council Staff and LEO Staff dealing with Enterprise Training

The purpose of the event was to network with the various education providers visiting or contacting enterprise in the South East and to gain a better understanding of what each organisation has to offer – Springboard, Flexible Learning, Skills to advance, Skillnet, EDHI and LEO training. It was particularly useful in mapping these services and thus ensuring that the education/training partners complement each other when dealing with enterprise rather than duplicating training offers.

The event also provided an opportunity to identify collaborations on programmes.

Local Enterprise Office

Grant Support

To April 2025, 18 businesses received a total of €461,640 in Priming, Business Expansion, Feasibility, Market Explorer and Grad-Start grants. The approved grants have the potential to create 25 new jobs within Tipperary.

Energy Efficiency Grant

A further 11 businesses received funding support of €90,962 towards Energy Efficiency Grant.

Grow Digital Grant

In addition, a total number of 3 grow digital grants were approved valued at €5,112.

Productivity Consultancy Supports & Mentoring / Training

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Bioeconomy Development

JTF Lisheen project - Lisheen Master plan for TCC owned 10 acres and associated works



- A key point of the project is to install a Wastewater Treatment Plant. (WWTP) Design Team has developed provision options for WWTP delivery.
- Ecological site walk has been conducted
- Stakeholder Engagement underway and in line with programme. International sites in Denmark and Netherlands identified for potential visits.

Bio Scaleup Lisheen

Current Key priorities:

- Equipment Purchase - all contracts for remaining items are to be concluded before end of May to minimise depreciation loss.
- Consortium Agreement
Final version has been signed by TCC and all partners.
- CircBioP project – TUS project has commenced in the BioScaleUp facility
- Recruitment – E-tender process for Technical Lead post completed, and appointment has been made.

Pathways 2 Resilience Programme (P2R)

- Online training attended by P2R team during May
- Tipperary P2R programme presented at Irish Bioeconomy Foundation workshop as part of the Low Carbon Communities Day in TUS. Tipperary P2R also had a stand at this event.
- Baseline Report to be completed by end of June.

Environment & Climate Action Section

Climate & Energy



Mid-Tipperary Decarbonising Zone (DZ)

In accordance with DZ Action 2.2 of the Climate Action Plan the Council hosted a public information event on the 16th April at the TUS Thurles Campus. On the day, a wide range of Climate Action and Local Carbon Community service providers helped communities and businesses learn how to engage in climate action. Highlights of the day included learning about the Tipperary Bioeconomy sector, lunch provided by the 'FoodCloud' truck and children's training around climate action provided by the 'Rediscovery Centre'.



SustainableTipp

Action 18 of the Climate Action Plan requires the Council to take a leading role in an outward facing committee of stakeholders focused on the delivery of climate actions for communities and businesses. SustainableTipp meets four times a year and enables partnership, synergies and collaboration among service providers. The last meeting of SustainableTipp was held in Upperchurch on the 15th May.



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Staff Climate Action Awareness programme

Action 15 of the Climate Action Plan requires the Council to embed climate action learning and awareness in its staff communication and education programmes. The Climate Action Office has been delivering the SEAI's 'Reduce your Use' programme to encourage staff to reduce their energy consumption in both the office and at home. In addition, the Council's Staff Induction Programme now includes for climate action learning.

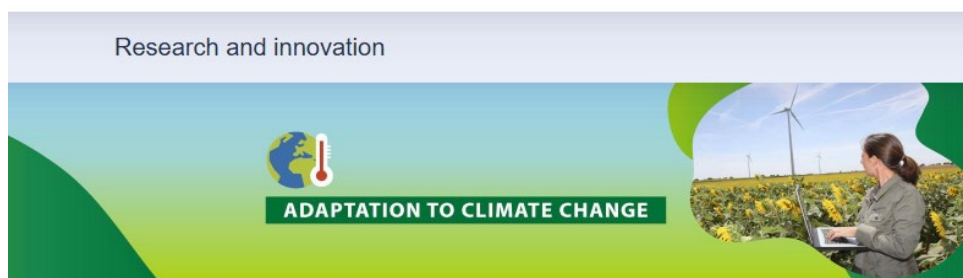
EU Mission on Climate Adaptation

The Council is participating in the following 'EU Mission for Adaptation to Climate Change' funded programmes:

- 'Pathways to Resilience': €210,000 funding to end February 2026;
- 'CLIMAAX' Risk Assessment Framework: €238,750 funding to end February 2027.



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Emissions Reduction Targets 2030

In accordance with Actions 30, 31 and 32 of the Climate Action Plan the Council is implementing an organisational building energy efficiency and decarbonisation strategy and a fleet decarbonisation strategy in order that it can achieve its 51% reduction in Green House Gas emissions and 50% energy efficiency 2030 targets. Emissions reductions initiatives include:

- The TCC-led Regional Energy Unit is working through the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland's Pathfinder Programme on a facility retrofitting programme.
- The Council Roads Office is leading a Fleet Decarbonisation Strategy.
- The Council Roads Office are delivering the Public Lighting Energy Efficiency Project.



Community Climate Action Fund (CCAF)

The Community Climate Action Officer is currently working with the 25 successful community groups to draw down the approved funding of €750,000 under the terms of Call 1 of the Community Climate Action Fund. Engagement also continues with groups who did not get approval for funding. This will help to ensure groups are ready for Call 2 which is due to happen in 2025. No date though has yet been set by the Department of the Environment, Climate & Communications (DECC). As soon as it is announced it will be promoted primarily through the Public Participation Network (PPN) along with other avenues.

A Community Climate Action Fund - Case Study Webinar was held on the 10th April for all potential applicants to the 2nd Call. It was a very successful webinar which was well attended on the night. Community groups gave a presentation on their current projects that were successful in Call 1. The webinar was recorded and is available on the Tipperary County Council website at <https://www.tipperarycoco.ie/climateaction/community-climate-action-fund>.

Policy

A meeting of the Environment & Climate Action SPC took place on 12th March at Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel MD Offices. Items discussed included an update from the PPN pillar, the SPC Work Programme for 2025, updates from the Climate Action Section on civic amenity sites, burial ground development, Climate Action Fund applications and farm inspections. The next SPC meeting will take place on 11th June at 2:30pm.

Public Awareness Initiatives

National Spring Clean

A total of 234 groups registered for this year's An Tasice National Spring Clean. To date over 600 bags of waste has been collected and brought to our Civic Amenity Sites from spring clean-ups throughout the County. A fantastic effort by Tidy Towns, Resident Associations, Community Groups, Schools and GAA clubs in helping keep our County Clean.



Clonmel Scout Group and Clonmel Tidy Towns taking part in the National Spring Clean around Clonmel & Environs

Relove Fashion Competition



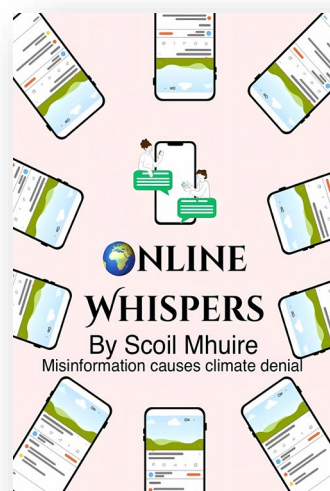
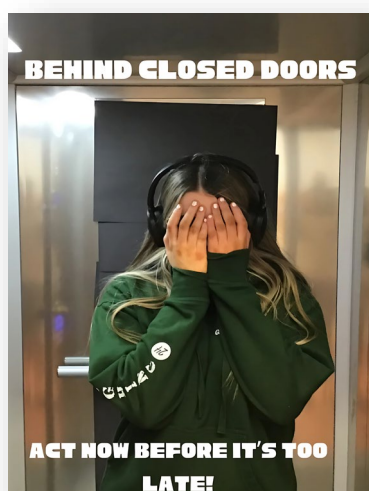
The National Relove Fashion Competition Awards Ceremony was held in the Rediscovery Centre in Ballymun, the National Centre for the Circular Economy, on 30th April. Over 400 young people aged 12-19 years across Ireland were encouraged to rethink fast fashion and embrace creativity, building skills in reuse, repair and redesign. Winning outfits included evening dresses elegantly

upcycled from jeans, preloved shirts made into casual dresses, old ties, belts and bedsheets beautifully transformed to create sustainable outfits. 18 schools from County Tipperary registered to take part in the competition with 4 schools making it through the final stages. The Southern Regional Award for the most innovative design was awarded to Megan Byrne & Eimear O'Gorman from Coláiste Mhuire Co-Ed Thurles for their clever use of ties and deconstructed pre-worn clothes to create their outfit. The competition is funded through a partnership between the National Waste Regions, participating Local Authorities and the Rediscovery Centre.

Rubbish Film Festival



8 schools and over 90 Transition Year students from around the County took part in the first ever Tipperary Rubbish Film Festival. In partnership with Create Schools, 2-day workshops were provided to help students develop their skills to create a short, one-minute film about environmental issues that mattered to them. The Best Movie Regional award went to Presentation Secondary School, Clonmel for their film ‘The Fastest Fashion Show’. Turning the camera on the hidden side of the Fast Fashion industry by showing the harsh working conditions of those producing clothes for fashion outlets. Runners-up was Presentation Secondary School, Ballingarry for their film ‘Behind closed doors’, a clever film showing that hiding away from climate change won’t make the climate crisis disappear. The best Poster winner was Scoil Mhuire, Carrick on Suir for their poster ‘Online Whispers’, showing their creativity and impact of their poster with the catchy slogan, ‘misinformation causes climate denial’. All films are available to view on YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j5AJXMAJm5w>. The Presentation Secondary School, Clonmel went forward for the National Awards but were unfortunate not to come back with a prize.



Green Schools

39 Tipperary schools were awarded their Green Schools Flags at the Green Schools award ceremony in Hotel Kilkenny on 13th May. There were 2 Regional award winners presented at the National Awards ceremony in Kilkenny on 15th May. St. Anne's Secondary School, Tipperary was awarded a Regional prize for excellent work on their Global Citizen Litter & Waste Flag and Presentation Secondary School, Thurles was awarded a Regional Award for outstanding work on their Global Citizen Energy Flag.



Rosegreen N.S. receiving their Green Flag for Global Citizen Litter & Waste



Sisters of Charity Clonmel Green Flag raising Ceremony



Students from Presentation Secondary School Thurles receiving the Regional Award for Global Citizen Energy Flag



Animal-Related Services

Control of Horses

There has been 22 reports to the Section of loose horses as at mid May. This has led to a total of 21 number horses being seized across Tipperary.

Control of Dogs

Dog Control

A total of 66 dogs were surrendered or seized by the dog wardens to 30th April; 37 of that number were sent to rescue, 10 were reclaimed by their owners, 3 were rehomed and 11 were put to sleep. The Section continues to work with animal welfare organisations on the rehoming of dogs.

Licences

The number of dog licenses purchased in 2025 to 30th April is 2,638.

XL Bully Certificate of Exemptions

The number of XL Bully Certificate of Exemptions issued to 30th April is 55.

Infrastructure

Civic Amenity Sites

The customer numbers that have used the Civic Amenity facilities to 26th May is 47,824. This represents a small increase on the comparable period in 2024.

Burial Grounds

Capital, Minor and Improvement Works

- **Boher:** Burial Ground Development to be completed in 2025.
- **Fethard:** Burial Ground Development to be completed in 2025.
- **Cahir:** The development of a Burial Ground in Cahir is now being carried out by the Waterford & Lismore Diocese with assistance from Tipperary County Council.
- **Carrick-on-Suir:** Land Acquisition substantially completed for the development of a Burial Ground Extension to St. Marys Burial Ground.
- **Ongoing Site Identification for Parish Burial Grounds:**
 - I. New Inn;
 - II. Kiladangan;

- III. Solohead/Monard;
- IV. Borrisoleigh.
- **Holycross:** New Lawn & Urn Plot section developed. Urn Plot memorials to be constructed in 2025.
- **Cashel (St. Cormac's):** Construction of new Large & Regular Plot Plinth Sections completed.

The following Burial Grounds were successful applications in being granted funding under the Community Monuments Fund (CMF) 2025:

- **Kilsheelan (old):** €30,000 – For the completion of 2024 rehabilitation works.
- **Ardrony (Old):** €11,070 – Structural works to gable of the Medieval church.
- **Emily (old):** €30,000 – Rehabilitation works to St. Ailbe's Well.

Burial Ground Development Policy 2024

This Policy was brought to the April Plenary meeting for consideration and was adopted. This policy came into effect from the 12th May 2025.

Tidy Town and Burial Ground Maintenance Grants 2025

- There has been 131 applications received for Tidy Towns Grants across the county. The funding awarded to these applications is €184,000 approximately.
- There has been 269 applications received for Burial Ground Maintenance Grants. The funding for these applications amounts to €193,000 approximately.

Waste Management and Enforcement

Enforcement Actions

A total of 3 enforcement actions was undertaken in the year to date, which comprised of Directions to clean a site/property and cease any further unauthorised waste activity. 2 Directions are still active and within the specified timeframe for completion. The other Direction was complied with and evidence of waste transferred to an authorised waste facility.

Legal Proceedings

Legal activities undertaken to date in 2025 under the provisions of the Waste Management Act 1996, as amended, and the Litter Pollution Act 1997, as amended, are:

- 3 Recommendations for prosecutions undertaken under Waste Management Act;
- 3 successful convictions achieved (1 under the Waste Management Act and 2 under the Litter Pollution Act). The penalties awarded:

<u>MD Area</u>	<u>Case Type</u>	<u>Legislation Contravened</u>	<u>Outcome</u>
Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel	Dumping of Bags of Waste in remote area of Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel MD	Waste Management Act 1996	Judge Imposed €500 Penalty and €750 Costs following testimony of the Env. Enforcement Officer.
Nenagh	Failed to Pay Litter Fine of €150 following discovery by Env. Enforcement Officer of discarded waste in Nenagh MD area	Litter Pollution Act 1997	Judge Imposed €250 Penalty and €250 Costs following testimony of the Env. Enforcement Officer.
Thurles	Failed to Pay Litter Fine of €150 following discovery by Env. Enforcement Officer of 2 bags of waste discarded.	Litter Pollution Act 1997	Judge Imposed €500 Penalty and €400 Costs following testimony of the Env. Enforcement Officer.

The penalties imposed on someone for the brief time it takes to dump waste or failing to pay a Fixed Payment Notice / Litter Fine can equate to having a bin service for more than a year.

- 2 Cases are awaiting court hearing dates - cases deferred to June 2025.

Fixed Payment Notices (FPNs) Issued

In total 50 Fixed Payment Notices were issued to date in 2025. These are broken down as follows:

- 6 Fines have issued for Non-Compliance with Waste Collection Permits.
- 22 Fines have issued for failure to provide evidence of having a Bin Service.
- 22 Litter fines have issued.

Household Waste Inspections

A total of 189 household waste survey letters have issued since early 2025 to households in County Tipperary. 115 of the 189 householders provided evidence of their waste service providers. The compliancy rate to date is 61%. The Section continues to engage with home owners/occupiers in an effort to encourage full compliance and to date 22 Fixed Payment Notices have been issued for failure to provide evidence of a household bin service.

Anti Dumping Initiatives 2025

The Department issued a Circular on 6th May requesting applications, closing date for applications was 13th May. Nine (9) applications have been submitted and the Council is currently awaiting Department decision on the applications. One of the applications is a Mattress Amnesty day at Civic Amenity sites similar to previous years. The proposed dates for the mattress Amnesty are as follows:

- Wednesday 18th & Thursday 19th June in Nenagh and Roscrea.
- Wednesday 9th & Thursday 10th July in Wallers' Lot, Donohill and Carrigeen.



Waller's Lot Mattress Amnesty 2024

Glass, Cans & Textile Recycling

- 142.5 tonnes of textiles were collected in 2025 to date (28th April).
- 1119 tonnes of glass was collected in 2025 to date (30th April).
- 23.29 tonnes of cans were collected to end of April. Can tonnages continue to fall since the introduction of the Deposit Return Scheme last year.

Certificate of Registrations / Waste Permits

There are 14 Certificates of Registrations, 32 Waste Facility Permits and 82 Waste Collection Permits currently active in Co. Tipperary. There are 2 permits under review at the time of report writing; 1 of which is an existing permit and 1 which is a new Certificate of Registration.

Landfills & Waste Removal from Rathcabbinn

Ballaghveny Landfill

The monitoring of the landfill in compliance with its waste licence conditions is ongoing. Up to the end of April, the landfill accepted a total of ca 7,500t of waste, this was ca. 15.3% of the licensed intake limit of 49,000t/annum.

The tender process for the proposed Ballaghveny capping project has commenced. Contract award will hopefully be completed in Q3, 2025. Approximately 26,000t of subsoil and circa 6,400t of topsoil is required for the project. In preparation for this project 25,791.46t of subsoil was sourced and delivered to Ballaghveny in Q1, 2025.

The Council's Landfill Team welcomed students from Atlantic Technological University (ATU) who were on a site visit at Ballaghveny Landfill on the 4th April 2025 as part of their *Regulation of Waste Activities* course.



Donohill Landfill

The monitoring of the landfill in compliance with its waste license conditions is ongoing.

Rathcabbinn Waste Removal

The removal of waste (comprising both stabilised waste, contaminated soil and mixed construction and demolition material contaminated with waste) from the former Shannon Vermi-Composting



facility in Rathcabbin commenced in December 2021 and is substantially completed since December 2024. There are High Court proceedings awaited before the project can be formally concluded.

Ballaghveny Landfill Community Gain Fund

Applications for the 2024 Fund will be opening in the near future. The value of the Community Gain Fund arising from the waste accepted during 2024 is ca. €61,900 and this will be made available in the Call for Applications. A further €4,000 is also to be made available due to funding allocated unspent from the 2023 Fund.

Closed/Historic Landfills

Funding approval of €451,615 for Grant Assistance for Landfill Remediation Works 2025 has been received from the Department of Environment, Climate and Communication. The eligible works covered by the funding includes consultant fees and costs, Environmental Risk Assessment Tier 2 and Tier 3 costs, Annual Monitoring Fees, Certificate of Authorisation applications, preparations and fees, and borehole installations for closed landfills within the county. The funding is provided for the closed landfills at: Ballaghveny (closed section); Rathcabbin; and the below list of Historic Landfills. Environmental monitoring of these Historic Landfills is ongoing. Additional funding may become available if projects progress, subject to availability. The current status of each Historic Landfill is as follows:

Historic Landfill	Risk Class	Status	District
Tipperary Town	A	Final CoA Issued - tender for remediation project is commencing	Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel
Brittas Rd, Thurles	A	Draft CoA Issued, awaiting final grant, expected Q4, 2025	Thurles
Connawarries, Carrick-On-Suir	A	Awaiting CoA Grant from EPA - expected Q4, 2025	Carrick-on-Suir
Coole, Knocklofty	A	Regulation 7(4) Notice Response to be returned	Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel
Dundrum	B	CoA Application Submitted to EPA Nov. 2021	Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel
Kilsheelan	B	CoA Application Submitted to EPA June 2013	Clonmel
Monanearla, Thurles	B	CoA Application Submitted to EPA Dec. 2021	Thurles
Deansgrove Cashel	A	Legal issue with landowner - awaiting agreement on terms	Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel
Caher Abbey, Cahir	B	Tier 2 Complete, Tier 3/CoA Application WIP - to be submitted Q3, 2025	Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel



Killeigh, Cahir	B	Tier 2 Complete, Tier 3/CoA Application WIP - to be submitted Q3, 2025	Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel
Kiltillane, Templemore	B	Tier 2 Complete, Tier 3/CoA Application WIP	Thurles
Shesheraghscanlan	B	Tier 2 Complete, Tier 3/CoA Application WIP - to be submitted Q3, 2025	Nenagh
Grange, Ballina	C	Tier 2, Tier 3/CoA Application WIP	Nenagh
Bawn, Nenagh	C	Tier 2, Tier 3/CoA Application WIP	Nenagh
Cooleen, Silvermines	C	Tier 2, Tier 3/CoA Application WIP	Nenagh
Glencrue, Portroe	C	Tier 2, Tier 3/CoA Application WIP	Nenagh
Grange, Roscrea	C	Procure consultant in 2026 - subject to funding	Thurles
Knockancree, Cloughjordan	C	Procure consultant in 2026 - subject to funding	Nenagh
Templeree, Templemore	C	Procure consultant in 2026 - subject to funding	Thurles
Knockane, Toomevara	C	Procure consultant in 2026 - subject to funding	Thurles

Environmental Protection

Water Pollution & National Agricultural Inspection Programme (NAIP)

- 273 samples have been taken as part of the Water Framework Directive (WFD) sampling programme.
- 126 “first time” farm inspections have been carried out under the NAIP in 5 catchments (Borrisoliegh_10, Anner_40, Suir_20, Outeragh_20 & Ollatrim_50). An additional 10 first time inspections took place under complaint investigations and planning application inspection programmes. Non-compliance across these 5 catchments ranges between 33-90%. Average non-compliance rate is 66%. 366 notification letters were issued to farmers in these catchments prior to inspections taking place. These letters give a minimum of 2 weeks notice of potential inspection as well as a list of common breaches found during farm inspections.
- 18 Nutrient Management Plans have been submitted, assessed and approved for the Use of Sewage Sludge in Agriculture.
- 22 septic tank inspections were performed under the National Inspection Plan including verification inspections.
- 30 Section 4 discharges to water samples were taken and monitored for compliance under the Local Government (Water Pollution) Act, 1977(as amended).



- 163 drinking water samples were taken as part of the Rural Water Programme and under the European Union (Drinking Water) Regs. 2023, 22 of which were investigative follow-up samples.
- 32 drinking water audits were performed (Small private supplies; GWS & Private Wells).

Planning Referrals

43 Planning applications have been assessed and reported to the Planning Section to ensure potential environment impacts of proposed developments are identified and mitigated at planning stage.

AIR

Air Inspections

- Air Pollution Act, 1987 (Solid Fuels) Regulations 2022 (S.I. No. 529 of 2022) – 15 inspections have been carried out.
- European Union (Installations and Activities Using Organic Solvents) Regulations 2012 – 2 renewal applications received and processed.
- European Union (Paints, Varnishes, Vehicle Refinishing Products and Activities) Regulations 2012 – 6 inspection has been carried out. 6 renewal application received and processed.
- Air Pollution Act, 1987 (Petroleum Vapour Emissions) Regulations, 1997 – 18 petroleum vapours inspections have been carried out

Air Monitors

- The current status of air quality in all towns monitored is rated as good and is compliant with The CAFE directive.
- Live Information on Air Quality in Clonmel and Tipperary Town can be retrieved at <https://airquality.ie/>.

Rural Water Programme

Annual Maintenance (AM) Subsidy 2025

- 67 Schemes were invited to apply for AM Subsidy in 2025. Twenty-seven (27) applications received at 21st May, total paid to date is €39,881.38 (10 GWSs).



Current Capital Projects

Multi-Annual Rural Water Programme (2024-2026) – projects were submitted to the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage in 2024. In November 2024 the DHLG&H allocated €1,789m towards 13 projects for 15 GWSs. A Multi-Party Framework is being prepared with which to procure Consulting Engineering services in order to put the major projects in place. Total paid at 21st May is €13,712 (2 GWSs); this relates to smaller projects (Water Quality Systems, for example).

Private Well Grants

- New Applications Received – 31 at 21st May;
- Applicants approved for grant aid – 21;
- Applicants paid a grant – 46.

A total of €113,774.06 has been invested under the Scheme.

Environmental Complaints

Category	Active	Resolved	Total
Air	3	12	15
Animal	22	157	179
Infrastructure	6	5	11
Litter	31	310	341
Noise	6	12	18
Waste	44	132	176
Water	7	21	28
Default	3	6	9
			777

Total Complaints as at 21/05/2025	777
Total complaints active as at 21/05/2025	122
Total complaints resolved as at 21/05/2025	655
% of Complaints resolved as at 21/05/2025	84.30%



CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE

Policy/Strategic Issues	Status
Audit Committee Work Prog	Approved
SPC Scheme	Approved
Corporate Plan 2024-2029	Approved
Service Delivery Plan 2025	Approved
Annual Report 2024	At Draft Stage
Communication Strategy Implementation	In Progress
Social Media Policy & Protocol	Approved
Associated Companies Governance Policy & Guidance document	At Draft stage

Directorate Priorities

Audit Committee

The most recent meeting of the Audit Committee took place on 1st April 2025. The following matters were considered:

- Section 183 Process
- Update on Cyber Security
- Performance Indicators Report 2023
- Internal Audit Update and Reports
- Local Government Auditor Management Letter for 2023 & Responses
- Tipperary County Council Management Reports for Feb and March 2025

Insurance Management

Public Liability/Pothole Claims to period 26th May 2025:

Pothole – 54
Public Liability - 17
Total Claims – 71

Coroner Service

Statistics for period 1st January to 30th April, 2025

No. of death certs issued: 309

No. of post-mortems/Inquests: 52

No. of Undertaker Removals: 50

Annual Report 2024

Tipperary County Council is required under Section 221 of the Local Government Act 2001 to prepare and adopt an annual report not later than 30th June in relation to the performance of its functions during the preceding year and shall furnish a copy of the report to each member of the Council, the adoption of which is a reserved function.

The draft plan is listed for consideration and approval on the June meeting agenda.

Electoral Register Reform

- Work is continuing on the data cleanse of the Register of Electors with approx. 84% of the issues arising from the 1st Data Quality Report addressed.
- An Coimisiún Toghcháin (Electoral Commission) published its oversight report in May 2025, which is the first assessment of the electoral registers and how they are managed. The report identifies challenges to the maintenance of the registers, and how these might be addressed. It is a first step towards setting standards for the improvement of and the foundation for future assessments of the accuracy and completeness of the electoral registers.
- An overview on Tipperary can be found on page 157 of the report - [Link to -](#)

[Oversight Report on the Electoral Registers](https://www.electoralcommission.ie)
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Tipperary Overview

Chart 1: Reported Tipperary electoral register numbers 2023-2024

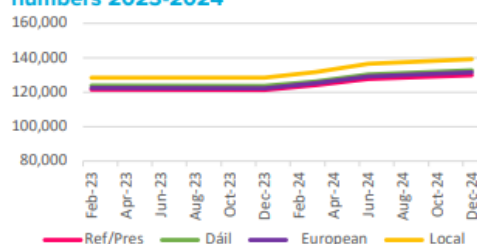


Table 1: Reported Tipperary electoral register numbers 2023-2024

	Feb-23	Dec-23	Mar-24 (Ref)	Jun-24 (EU, L)	Dec-24 (GE Nov)
Local	128,478	128,426	131,704	136,504	139,040
Dáil	123,876	123,712	126,176	130,185	132,630
European	122,418	122,268	125,270	129,073	131,466
Ref/Pres	121,473	121,278	124,176	127,544	129,904

The data presented in **Chart 1** and **Table 1** covers the reported electoral register numbers for Tipperary County Council for the period February 2023 to December 2024. The data provided shows that there was an overall increase of 8.2% over that period in the numbers registered to vote on the Tipperary register. In 2023, during which there were no electoral events, numbers on the register were stable.

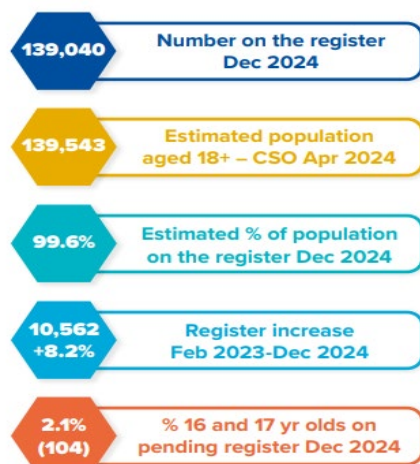
- Based on the data provided, the number of electors on the register compared with estimated eligible electors in Tipperary is at 99.6%. In the context of the low level of three accuracy indicators, this indicates a high level of inaccuracies on the Tipperary Register.
- The percentage of PPSNs collected at 20% is below the national average of 22%. Eircodes at 53% is substantially below the national average of 69.8%. Combined dates of birth and Eircodes at 45% are

also well below the national average of 56%. However, on a positive note, the percentage of dates of birth collected at 78% is above the national average of 72.4%.

- An estimated 2,160 entries were removed from the register between December 2022 and March 2024, primarily duplicate entries, deceased electors and people who had moved away. In 2024 as a whole, there were 6,456 deletions from and 13,104 updates to the register.



Headline data



Accuracy indicators – December 2024

Indicator	Number recorded on register	% [Ranking in brackets]	Local authority averages
Date of birth	108,929	78% [10th]	72.4%
Eircode	73,156	53% [24th]	69.8%
Date of birth + Eircode	62,326	45% [22nd]	56.0%
PPSN	28,298	20% [20th]	22.0%

Communications and Customer Service Desk

The Communications team communicates and promotes Council activities and services and raises public awareness of matters of local and national interest.

Digital and Social Media

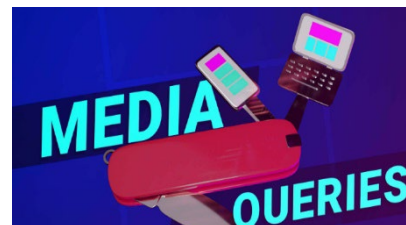
The communications team plays a vital role in managing the Tipperary County Council's social media enhancing community engagement, promoting key initiatives, and increasing awareness of the Council's ongoing projects, services and policies.



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Communications Summary of some items PLANNED for focus Quarter 3 2025		
Month	Event	Messaging suggestions
June	Criunniu na nOg	Showcase events
	Pride	Showcase events
	Summer Stars	Showcase library events
	National Water Safety Awareness Week	Profile of lifeguard service and water safety tips
July	National Play Day and National Recreational Week (run in previous years in July)	Showcase play and recreation facilities provided by the local authority and events to mark the week
August	National Heritage Week (16-24 August)	Showcase events being supported by local authority or at local authority sites. Opportunity to profile Heritage Officer or focus on heritage plan local authority involvement in protecting heritage and promoting public interaction with heritage sites.

Customer Service Activity

CSD staff also utilise the following systems for logging and looking up customer queries:

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- CRM – customer relationship management
- Anti-Social Behaviour Log
- Environmental complaints register
- Fix your street
- NVDF system (motor tax)
- Ihouse
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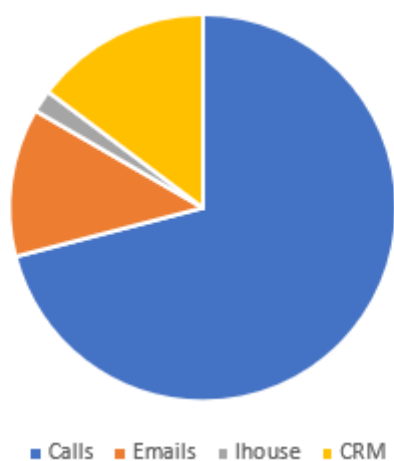


Customer Service activity including Customer Relations Management System – CSD staff

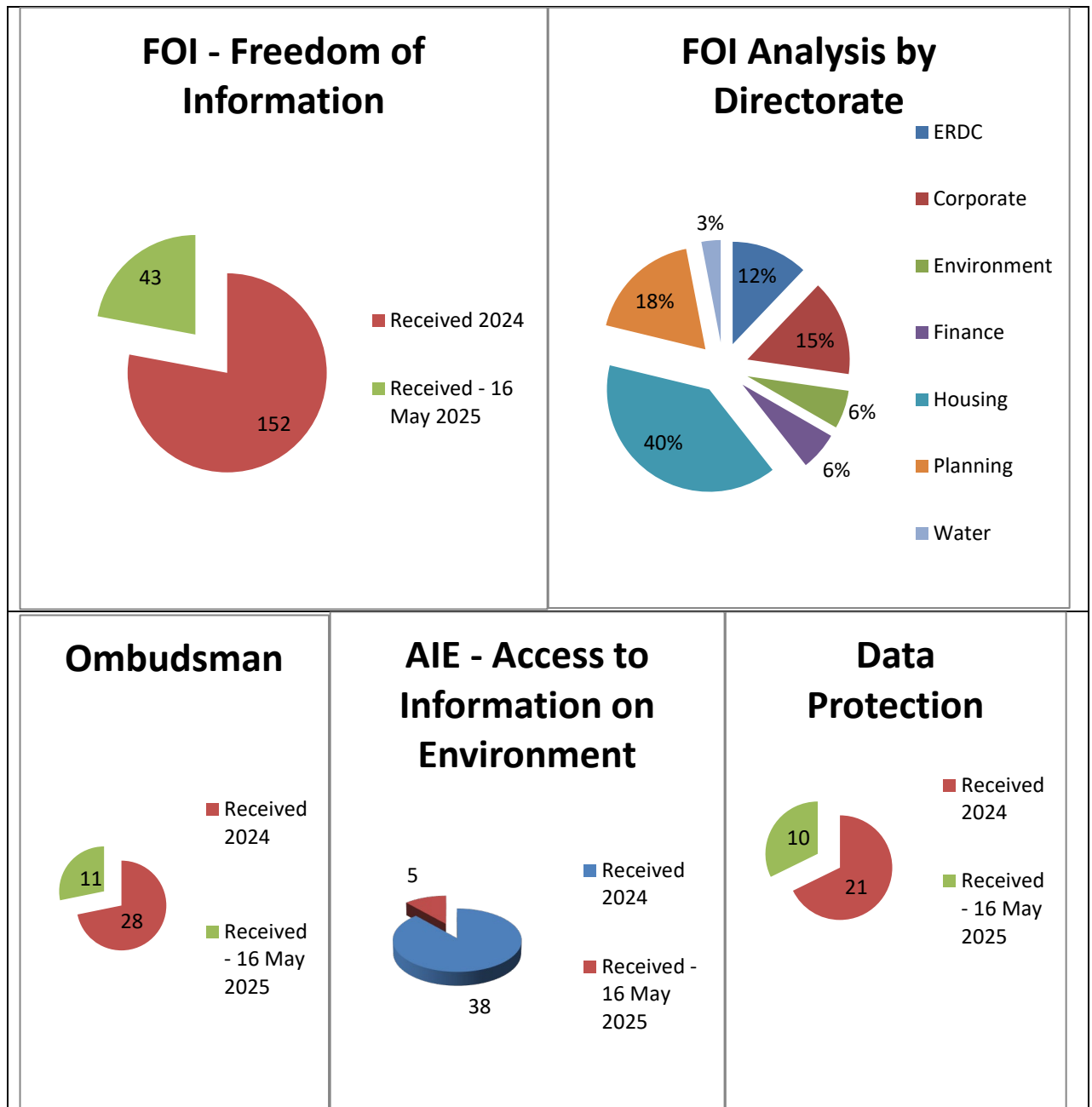
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	Calls	Emails	Ihouse	CRM
April	9,799	1,716	259	2,039

Customer Service Activity - April 2025



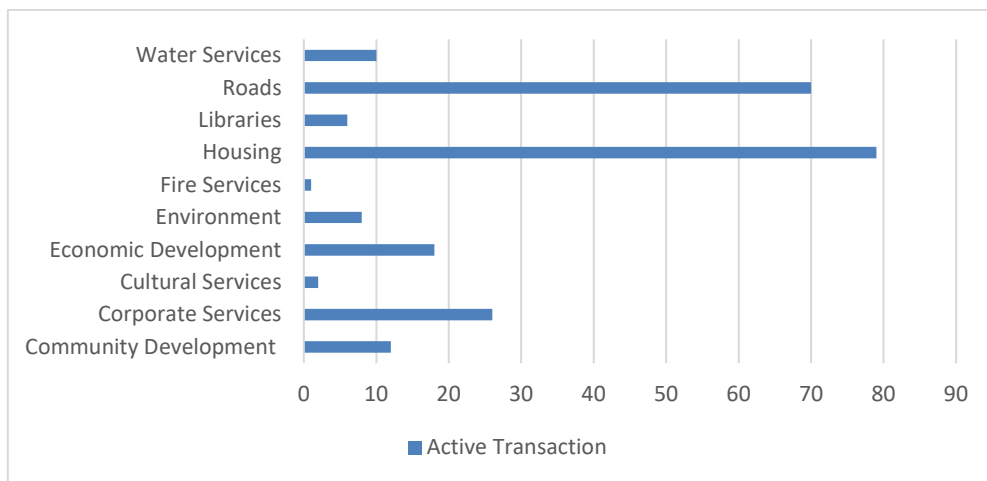
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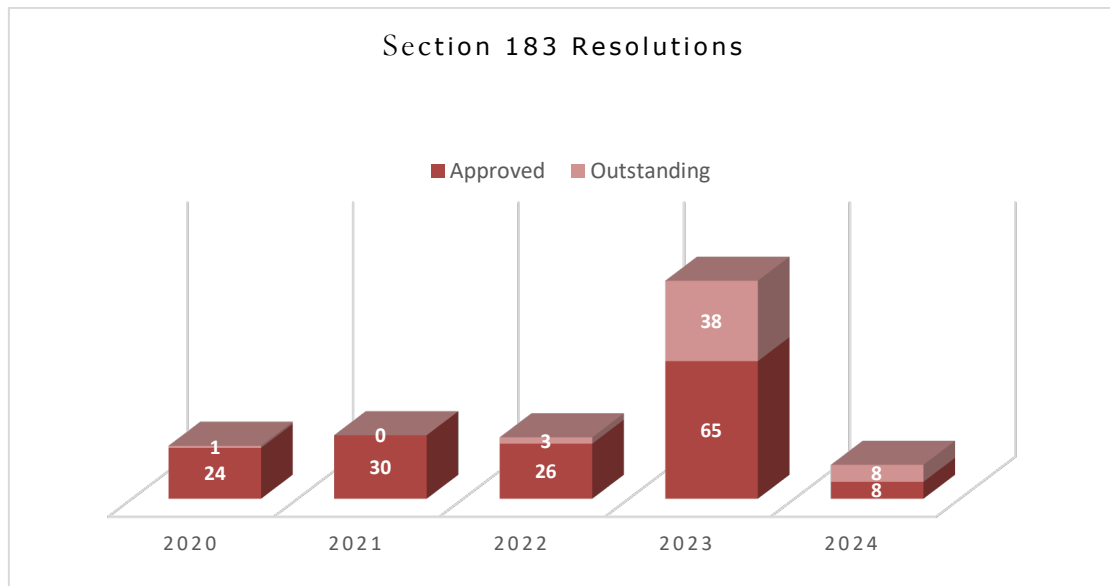
Property Management

1. Property Transactions/Enquiries as of 22/05/2025

No. of open/outstanding Transactions brought forward from 2024	234
No. of new Transactions opened	62
No. of transactions closed	38
No. of open/outstanding transactions as of 18/04/2024	279



2. Section 183 Resolution approved by the Council as of 22/05/2025



3. Schedule of approved S183 resolution where legal transfer has not completed.

The Mall, Templemore	NO. 22/26 Greenane Drive Tipperary Town
Yewston, Nenagh	Kilballygorman, Ardfinnan
No. 12 Heywood Terrace, Clonmel	Lisbunny Business Park
Main Street, Templemore	Limerick Road, Nenagh
Nenagh Road, Borrisokane	Terryglass, Nenagh
Wilderness, Clonmel	Terryglass, Nenagh
Old Bridge, Clonmel	No. 1 Michael Collins Row, Clonmel
Curragh Portroe	No. 2 Michael Collins Row, Clonmel
Nenagh Road, Borrisoleigh	No. 3 Michael Collins Row, Clonmel
Lisbunny Business Park, Nenagh	No. 4 Michael Collins Row, Clonmel
Kilballygorman, Ardfinnan	No. 5 Michael Collins Row, Clonmel
Gortnahoe (Boulick)	No. 6 Michael Collins Row, Clonmel
Erasmus Smith House, Cahir	Old Bridge, Clonmel
Foilaclugh, Kilnamanagh	Rosegreen, Cashel
Longfordpass South, Gortnahoe	Ballyporeen, Co. Tipperary
Gort Na Cholchairir, Borrisokane	Bulterstown, Ballynagh
No. Fontenoy Terrace, Thurles	Roscrea Road, Templemore
Roscrea Business and Technology Park	Monksgrange, Clonmel
Cormack Drive, Nenagh	Kilnoran, Moyne, Thurles
Slieve Loche, Portroe	Ballylynch Business Park, Carrick on Suir
Unit 1 Slieveardagh CITE Enterprise Centre, Ballingarry	Waller's lot, Cashel
Unit 2 Slieveardagh CITE Enterprise Centre, Ballingarry	Nenagh North, Nenagh
Brittas, Thurles	Tyone, Nenagh
No. 4 Galtee View Bansha	Townsfeld, Cloughjordan
Poulmucka, Clonmel	Clonmel Business Park
Boherlahsn Site, Boherlahan	Ballinderry, carrick on Suir
Roscrea Business Park	

4. Letting Agreements managed as of 22/05/2025

No. of Short term licences issued in 2025	16
No. of Invoices issued in 2025	82
No. of Existing Agreement reviewed in 2025	113
No. of Agreements surrendered in 2025	0
No. of New Lease Agreement set up in 2025	1

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All figures relate to the period
01 January 2025 – 30th April 2025

New Policy/Strategic Issues

Policy Changes/Updates	Current Position/Progress made	Next Stage
Right Sizing (Enabling tenants who may be overaccommodated to transfer to properties more suited to their needs)	An examination of properties to identify those that are potentially overaccommodated is currently taking place.	<p>Development of a policy, through examination of the learnings of other local Authorities.</p> <p>This will be worked through the SPC and brought to the plenary.</p> <p>Write to the identified households informing them of the scheme to determine interest.</p>
Disability strategy	HDSG steering group established with alternative sub-groups set up. Pathways set for collaboration between TCC and relevant stakeholders identifying need, expectation and proactively planning for future infrastructure to support the need.	Three-year capital plan based on disability strategy to be finalised.



Housing Delivery

2022 – 2026 Construction Programme

Delivery Summary	
Department Target 2025	170
Projected 2025 Delivery	259

The current status of the projects is as follows:

<i>Address</i>	<i>No of Units</i>	<i>Current Status</i>	<i>Next Stage</i>
Kilcooley Way, Gortnahoe	12	Stage 1 Approved	Appoint Design team
Donohill Phase 3	7	Stage 1 Approved	Appoint Design team Tender Live
Bansha Phase 2	16	Stage 1 Approved	Appoint Design team - Tender Live
Churchview, Killenaule	15	Stage 1 Approved	Appoint Design team - Tender Live
Borrisoleigh	30	Stage 1 Approved	Design team appointment
Presentation Fethard	14	Stage 2 submission	Stage 2 Approval
CuChulainn Road, Thurles	6	Review design & Stage 2 prep	Stage 2 submission
Rathcabbin	7	Stage 2 submission	Stage 2 approval



Fr Matthew Street, Tipperary Town	2	Design review & engagement with National Monuments	Revised Stage 2 approval
Ballingarry (South)	18	Revised Stage 2 design (Increase in units)	Stage 2 submission
Gantley Road, Roscrea	17	Part 8 Planning Approval	Stage 3 submission
Clogheen	15	Part 8 Planning process	Stage 3 submission
Gort an Oir, Fethard Belmont Park Housing Association	7	Belmont, Planning granted	Stage 3 Submission
Croke Street, Thurles	6	CAS Thurles Lions Trust	Planning Submitted FI requested
Morton Street, Clonmel (FHIST)	6	Planning Approval	Stage 3 submission
Ashbury, Roscrea	10	Part 8 Planning process	Tender Works
Longfield Park, Boherlahan	7	Turnkey – Department Approval	Re-commence on site
Slieve Alainn, Drangan	7	Turnkey	Contractor on Site Delivery 2025
Thomas Street, Clonmel	61	Turnkey Dept Approved -	Ongoing legals - Delivery 2026
Mountain Road, Cahir	45	Part 8 Planning process	Stage 4 submission & Contractor appointment
Grove Street, Roscrea	9	Contractor appointed	Commence Demolition under derogation license
Church Street, Templemore	2	1 Complete	1 awaiting ESB connection
Springfort Meadows, Nenagh	19	Turnkey – 9 Delivered	Phased delivery, completion 2025



Farranahassery, Cahir	48	Respond AHB	Phased delivery, completion 2025
Ma Chaoín, Templemore	13	Turnkey – 6 delivered Construction Ongoing	Phased Delivery, completion 2026
Coopers Lot, Cashel	44	Respond AHB	On site – Phased delivery
Friary Walk, Parkmore Roscrea	32	Cluid AHB – Contractor on site	Phased Delivery, completion 2025
Ivowen, Kilsheelan	23	Turnkey	Phased Delivery, completion 2025
SHIP Renewals	4	On Site	4 completions for 2025
Glencarrick, Roscrea	50	Cluid AHB, - Contractor on site	Completion 2025
Dun Lia, Thurles	61	Cluid AHB – Under Construction	Delivery 2025
Rosefield, Dundrum Road, Tipperary	16	Cluid AHB	Delivery 2025 -2026
Glenconnor Road, Clonmel	6	Contractor on Site	Delivery 2025 -2026
Radharc na Carraige, Glencarrick, Roscrea	47	Contractor Onsite	2026 completion
Tyone Road, Nenagh	67	Respond AHB - Commenced on site	Completion 2026
Wallors Lot, Cashel	20	Tuaith AHB	Completion 2026
Templemore	35	Turnkey	Submitted for department approval
Puckane	21	Utility connection viability review	
Gortlandroe, Nenagh	27	On Hold – Uisce Éireann	UE Connection confirmation
Millersbrook, Nenagh	13	On Hold – Uisce Éireann	UE Connection confirmation
New Line Road, Nenagh	10	On Hold – Uisce Éireann	UE Connection confirmation



Rialto site, Nenagh	13	On Hold – Uisce Eireann	UE Connection confirmation
William Street, Nenagh	5	On Hold – Uisce Eireann	UE Connection confirmation

RAS Voluntary

Total tenancies	420
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RAS Private

Total tenancies	544
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Long term lease

Total tenancies	254
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Mortgage to rent

Total tenancies	124
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Housing Assistance Payment (HAP)

HAP tenancies set up	37
Total tenancies	1368



Inspections

	1 st inspection	2 nd inspection
RAS	35	5
Private rented	93	100
Long term lease	2	2
HAP	163	156
Mortgage to rent	1	1
Total	294	264

Energy Efficiency Retrofit Programme (EERP)

EERP Programme Delivery	
Units Completed to Date	237
2025 Allocation	71
2025 Completions	7
Construction on-site	28

Housing Grants

The Council has received confirmation that we have received a total of €4,189,105 in private grant funding for 2025.

	Budget	Allocated	No. of Paid Applications
Housing Adaptation for People with A Disability (HGD)	€2,585,707	€936,802	106
Mobility Aids Grant (MAG)	€90,000	€51,936	15
Housing Aid for Older People (HOP)	€1,513,398	€788,224	183
TOTAL	€4,189,105	€1,776,692	304

Where applications are not progressed in a calendar year, these works roll into the next year pending funding.

LA Grants

The Council has not yet received confirmation of its 2025 allocation for LA grants. In 2024 we received a total of €1,984,478. The Council has received approval to spend 65% of the 2024 budget pending confirmation of the full 2025 allocation.

	Allocated	No. of Paid Applications
Local Authority DPG Grants	€1,289,910	16

Voids

The number completed is 38.

- Tipp/Cashel/Cahir – 10
- Nenagh – 5
- Templemore/Thurles/Roscrea – 9
- Carrick - 10
- Clonmel – 4

Vacant Houses¹

District	Approved Applicants	Vacant Houses	% Vacant Houses ²
Carrick	385	16	0.28
Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel	838	29	0.51
Clonmel	589	15	0.26
Nenagh	782	18	0.32
Templemore/Thurles	868	28	0.49
Total	3462	106	1.86%

Number of Housing Applications received

There were 337 housing applications received of which:

- 275 were found to be valid
- 62 were found to be invalid

Offers of Tenancy

	Offers	Accepted/ Pending	Refused	Nomination to AHBs
Carrick	12	12	0	1
Tipperary-Cahir- Cashel	34	25	5	16
Clonmel	14	14	0	2
Nenagh	20	20	0	4

¹ Includes available for letting and houses where works are being carried out

² Calculated as a percentage of overall housing stock

Templemore Thurles	27	27	0	12
Total	107	98	5	35

Choice Based Lettings

- 50 offers of accommodation have been made to applicants who expressed an interest
- There have been no refusals

AHB forum

There is continuous engagement with Approved Housing Bodies (AHB's) through the AHB forum. The Council is proposing quarterly meetings with AHB's both through zoom and in person for 2025 as these have proven to be beneficial in building relationships with AHBs and is an effective means of communicating with them. First meeting held on 1st April 2025.

Over the duration of the Housing For All programme the AHB's have been tasked with delivering 40-45% of the 1,125 houses set to be delivered over the period 2022-2026. The AHB forum provides a means of managing delivery of that target. Individual AHB schemes are at various stages of construction and delivery and are listed above in the Construction Programme 2022-2026.

Local Authority Home Loans³

Number of Applications Received	16
Number of Valid Applications Received	6
Number of Loan Applications Approved	3
Number of Loans Issued	2
Total Value of Loans Issued	€183,000

Tenant Purchase Scheme

Formal applications to purchase received	25
Applications approved (i.e. offer letter issued)	14
Sales completed	8
Total proceeds of sales received	€676,520

³ Please note any application received which is deemed to be invalid i.e. missing information will be returned to the applicant for updating. Therefore, not all applications received will be moved on to "Valid"

Homelessness

The Homeless Team provide a number of dedicated homeless clinics to support individuals presenting as homeless.

Homeless Support Services		Number
Presentations	Total No.	698
	Individual presentations	479
Secured HAP accommodation from prevention work	Singles	5
	Families	2
HAP Placefinder - exit EA to HAP	Singles	1
	Families	1
Exits from EA to LA/AHB/RAS	Singles	11
	Families	4
Number In emergency accommodation B&B	Singles	32
	Families	9
Number in OFD	No of units	34
CWI 9-9	No of beds	14
Number in Housing First	North	9
	South	14
Tenancy Support & Settlement (TSS)	Number of cases	34
North Tipperary Intensive TSS	Number of cases	24
START	Number of units	7

Traveller Accommodation Programme

The Traveller Accommodation Programme has now been adopted. To support this a capital programme of works for the next 3 years has been developed and assists the team meet the objectives set out in the Traveller Accommodation Programme. The Council continues to support members of the traveller community accessing CBL as the primary mechanism for allocation Social Housing Support

SHIP Renewals

SHIP Renewal	
Completed 2023	5
Completed 2024	6
Projected Completions 2025	4
Units Purchased / Sale Agreed	2

Repair and Lease

Repair and Lease Delivery	
Delivered 2023 (Units)	19
Delivered 2024 (Units)	2
Projected Delivery 2025	9
Live Applications	17
Under Review	4
Contract Stage	8

Affordable Housing

The Affordable Sites in Boherlahan:

1 of the 4 sites sold and after exhausting all Expressions of Interest (EOI) the other 3 remain unsold. The scheme was re-advertised in Q2 2025 to seek additional EOI's from potential purchasers with the closing date 30th May 2025.

Affordable Housing Clonmel

Two potentially viable schemes have presented and a business case has been forwarded to the Department in respect of the first of these. Discussions are ongoing with the developer of the second scheme. This is all subject to ongoing dialogue and communication with the developers.

Affordable Housing Nenagh

The EOI for interested developers was advertised over an extended time period but no EOIs were received.