

Development Contribution Scheme 2021-2026

Online Presentation

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Introduction & Context

- **Provision of Section 48 of the Planning and Development Act**
- **Planning authority may, when granting permission, include conditions for payment of contributions in respect of public infrastructure and facilities benefiting development in the area**
- **Development Contributions Scheme sets out basis for the determination of contributions**
- **Scheme may make provision for payment of different contributions in respect of different classes or descriptions of development**
- **New Scheme is made every six years, usually after adoption of new County Development Plan**
- **Six week public consultation on draft scheme and adoption by elected members**

Need for Development Contributions

- Ensures that the development will make a contribution to the publicly provided services and facilities that it will benefit from. e.g. public footpaths and lighting
- Allows development to be granted where it would otherwise be refused. e.g. where car parking serving a development can't be provided on site
- Provides 'match funding' to central government funding for local projects. e.g. recreation and amenity facilities
- On average over €500,000 a year is collected and expended on car parking, footpaths, public lighting and recreational, amenity and community facilities, as outlined in the scheme and approved by the elected members

Projects Funded During Period 2013-2020

- **Urban Link Roads in towns and villages**
- **Footpath & Public Lighting works in towns and villages**
- **Garage Theatre, Monaghan**
- **Peace Link, Clones**
- **Branch Library, Monaghan**
- **Market House, Carrickmacross**
- **Recreation Facilities Lough Muckno, Castleblayney**
- **Court House and Gate Houses, Castleblayney**
- **Post Office Community Arts Centre, Clones**
- **Patrick Kavanagh Centre, Inniskeen**

Projects to be Funded During Period 2021-2026

- Urban Link Roads in towns and villages
- Footpath & Public Lighting works in towns and villages
- Peace Campus, Monaghan
- Peace Link Extension Clones
- Leisure Centre, Monaghan
- Carrickmacross Town Centre Regeneration (RRDF)
- Workhouse, Carrickmacross
- Castleblayney, Market Square Regeneration (Gate Lodge 2)
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- Clones Regeneration and Dev Fund (RRDF)
- Ballybay Regeneration and Dev Fund (RRDF)
- My Open Library & Upgrades

Development Contribution Scheme Changes

- **Exemption for development contributions on telecommunications infrastructure that is part of a Government endorsed strategy, plan or initiative, or where operators demonstrate service is being provided where no or inadequate mobile or broadband service**
- **Previous car parking exemptions removed to take account of County Development Plan reductions in car parking standards in town centres**
- **Inclusion of Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015 provision that any reductions in charges in a newly adopted development contributions scheme will apply to previously permitted developments not yet commenced or to unsold housing units**
- **Other clarifications provided such as in respect of agricultural and industry exemptions**
- **No changes to charges (which are among lowest in State) except for scale of charging based on area of infilling development, and output of renewable energy development exported to grid**

Adoption and Date of Effect of Development Contribution Scheme

- The Development Contribution Scheme was adopted by the Elected Members at the Council Meeting on 6th September 2021
- The Scheme becomes effective from that date and will be applied to all planning permissions hence forth