



Comhairle Chontae Liatroma  
Leitrim County Council

# Chief Executive Monthly Management Report

## December 2025

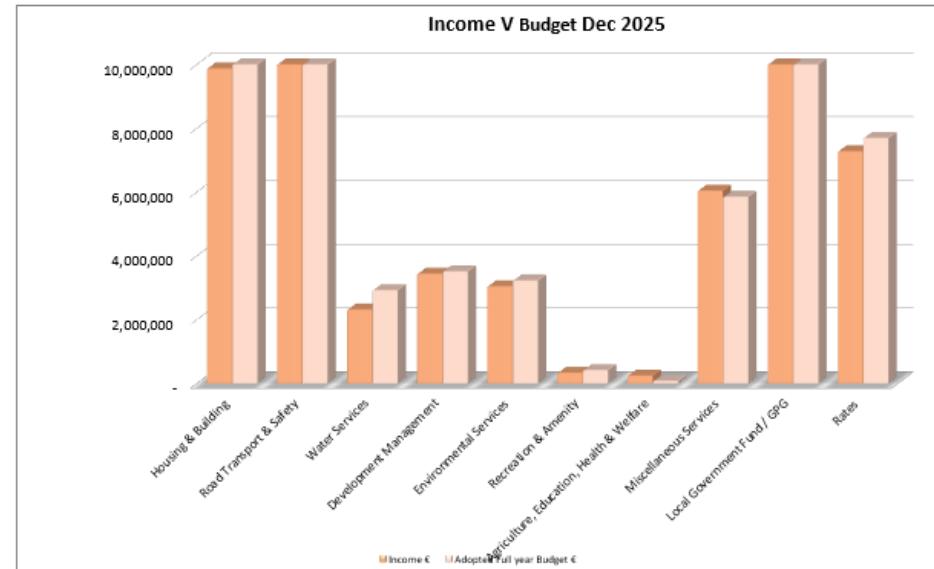
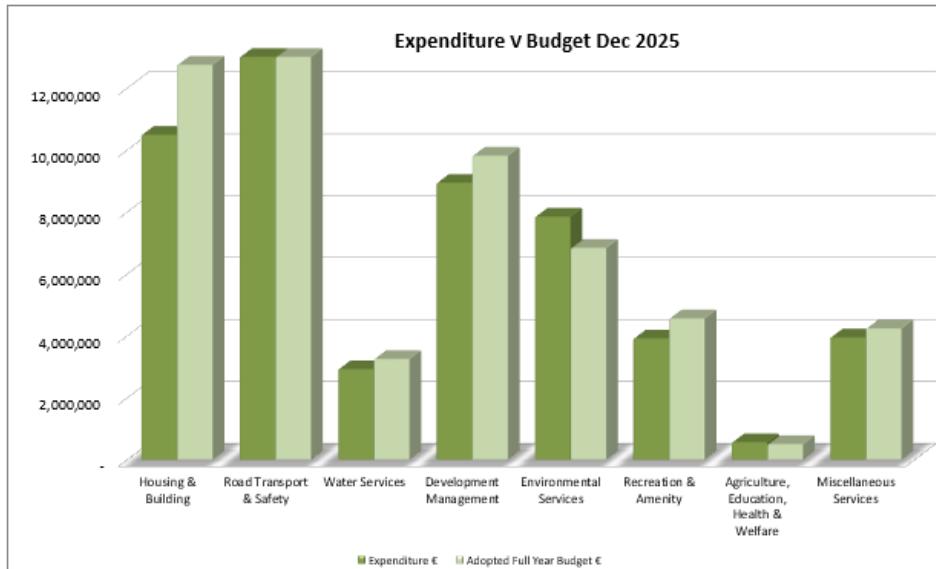


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# FINANCE, ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE, SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES & LIBRARY SERVICES

## FINANCE



### Dec 2025 - Revenue Account Income & Expenditure Summary by Service Division (PRELIMINARY Dec. 2025 - FIGURES)

	EXPENDITURE			
	Expenditure €	Adopted Full Year Budget €	% Budget Spent	Budget Remaining €
A Housing & Building	10,484,316	12,743,118	82%	2,258,802
B Road Transport & Safety	21,753,988	18,203,366	120%	(3,550,622)
C Water Services	2,918,569	3,246,837	90%	328,268
D Development Management	8,933,056	9,808,667	91%	875,611
E Environmental Services	7,840,968	6,832,982	115%	(1,007,986)
F Recreation & Amenity	3,909,914	4,554,668	86%	644,754
G Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	558,171	497,784	112%	(60,387)
H Miscellaneous Services	3,942,854	4,232,110	93%	289,256
LG Local Government Fund / GPG	0	0	0%	0
RA Rates			0%	0
		€60,341,836	€60,119,532	100% <span style="color:red;">(€222,304)</span>

INCOME				NET	
Income €	Adopted Full year Budget €	% Budget Raised	Budget outstanding €	Actual Overall Surplus/ (Deficit) €	Fav/(Unfav) €
9,872,038	12,147,236	81%	2,275,198	(612,278)	(16,396)
17,033,580	13,527,511	126%	(3,506,069)	(4,720,407)	(44,552)
2,313,779	2,922,862	79%	609,083	(604,790)	(280,815)
3,437,596	3,510,597	98%	73,001	(5,495,460)	802,610
3,042,237	3,224,033	94%	181,796	(4,798,731)	(1,189,782)
331,812	416,707	80%	84,895	(3,578,102)	559,859
241,961	80,183	302%	(161,778)	(316,210)	101,391
6,041,501	5,850,618	103%	(190,883)	2,098,647	480,139
10,745,778	10,745,778	100%	0	10,745,778	0
7,276,524	7,694,007	95%	417,483	7,276,524	(417,483)
€60,336,807	€60,119,532	100%	<span style="color:red;">(€217,275)</span>		
				(5,029)	(5,029)

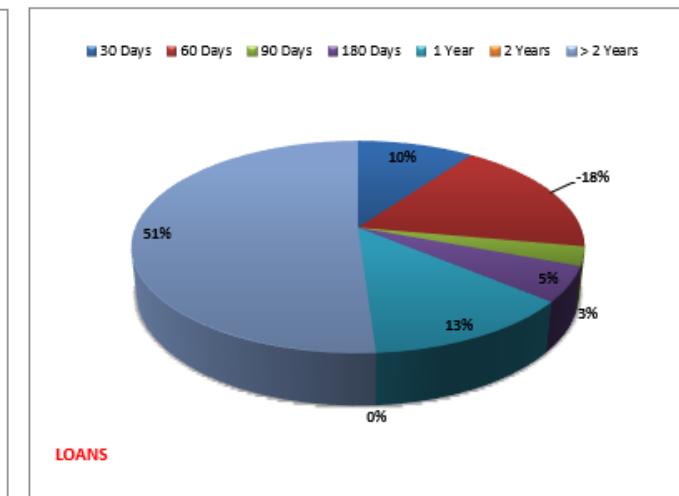
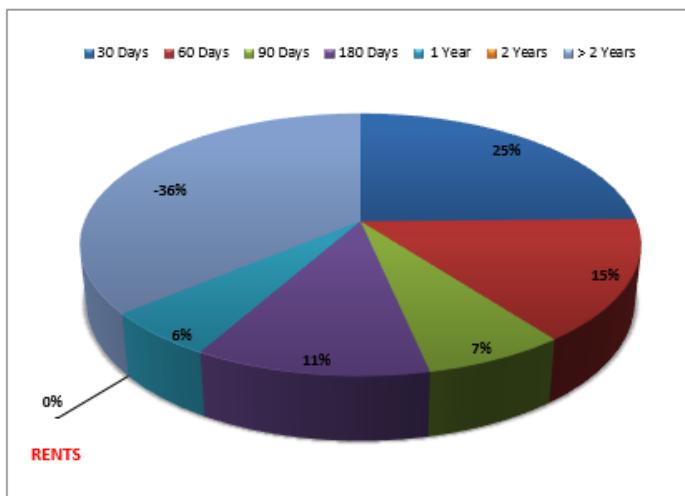
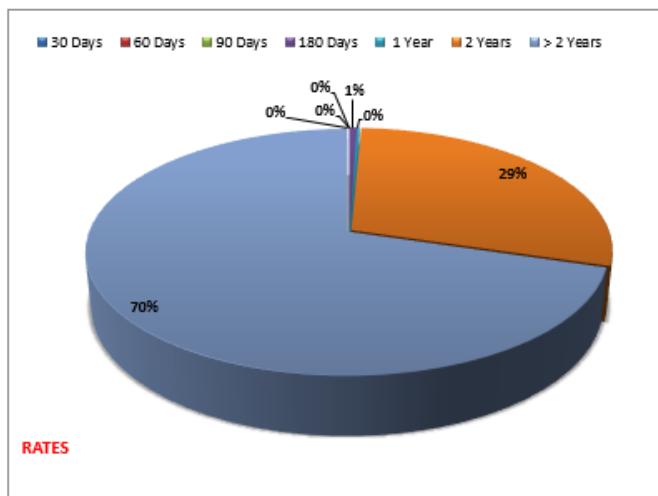
### 2025 - Collection Rates

	YTD € Dec-25	YTD € Dec-24	YTD € FY 2024
Housing Rents	€3,019,585	€2,913,258	€2,913,258
Commercial Rates	€7,276,524	€6,412,781	€6,412,325
Housing Loans	€374,628	€309,577	€309,577

	YTD % Dec-25	YTD % Dec-24	YTD % FY 2024
	97%	99%	99%
	80%	80%	80%
	98%	88%	88%

COMMENTARY
Rents collection % consistent with Dec 2024.
Rates collection % consistent with Dec 2024.
Loans collection % ahead of Dec 2024.

### Dec 2025 - Aged Debt Analysis



	30 Days	60 Days	90 Days	180 Days	1 Year	2 Years	> 2 Years
RATES	€0	€0	€0	€18,649	-€6,441	€982,213	€2,392,854
RENTS	€59,461	€36,020	€16,757	€27,643	€13,666	€0	-€86,968
LOANS	€4,418	€7,994	€1,288	€2,386	€5,733	€0	€22,763

## CLIMATE ACTION

### Climate Action Plan (CAP)

1. Attended official launch of Climate Connected website in Galway which features the Carrick on Shannon DZ amongst others. <https://climateconnected.ie/category/decarbonization-zone/>
2. Q4 Climate Action Committee Meeting (04 Dec 25), minutes available.
3. NWRA funding for Decarbonising Zones Q&A session attended (18 Dec 25), €50,000 available for studies and €250,00 for shovel ready projects in Climate Adaptation or Green Infrastructure, presentation included in December folder. Request made to NWRA for one to one follow up on eligibility/timing of Leitrim projects, awaiting meeting.
4. Carrick-on-Shannon Climate Action DZ taskforce meeting (2 December 2025), minutes available
5. CARO Border Region climate action operational team meeting (12 December 2025), minutes available
6. NWRA consultation on the Interreg Northern Periphery and Arctic Programme (12 December 2025)
7. Directorate Briefing for Climate Action (15 December 2025)
8. Evaluation of quotations for energy data software platform (17 December 2025), letter of intent to Energy Elephant Ltd (19 November 2025)
9. Stakeholder Engagement emails to identified parties for District Heating issued through AECOM Ireland Ltd (19 December 2025)

### Community Climate Action Programme (CCAP) Fund

#### CCAP Strand 1 Phase 1 & Strand 1a

- Climate Action continue to work with groups on the close out of projects from Strand 1 Phase 1 & Strand 1a.
- The closing date for completion of works under Strand 1 Phase 1 & Strand 1a is 19 Feb 26.
- Some projects may need an extension to this date & Climate Action have been in contact with the DCEE on that. Extensions will be permissible, but groups must now give a realistic completion date. There will be no extension dates permitted past the end of April.
- Climate Action will liaise with affected groups to support successful completion of projects, grant payout and drawdown.

#### CCAP Strand 1 Phase 2

- Applications for CCAP Strand 1 Phase 2 closed on 16 December 2025.
- 29 applications received from community groups across the county with funding sought totalling approximately €1.16 million versus an available fund of €300,000.
- The local level evaluation process for completed applications will be completed by early February with Department (DCEE) evaluation completed by early April with letters of offer issued soon after.

## ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES

Dog Control Activities	Count
Stray Dogs	5
Surrendered Dogs	4
Seized Dogs	0
Dogs Re-Homed	12
Dogs Reclaimed	0
Dog Deaths	0
Dogs Euthanised	0
Dogs Neutered	0

Dog Waste Management	Count
Dog Waste Station Service Visits	46
Dog Waste Bags Dispensed	3,200

Community & Waste:	Count
Social Media Posts	30
Dog Waste Bags	3,200
Service Visits	46

Neutering Vouchers Issued	3
Dogs Micro-Chipped	0
<b>Other Animal Control</b>	<b>Count</b>
Equines Seized	0
Animal Carcasses Removed	0

<b>Complaints &amp; Enforcement</b>	<b>Count</b>
Dog Fouling Complaints	0
Barking Complaints	0
Livestock Attacks/Worrying	0
Dog Control & Roaming Complaints	5
Fines Issued – Dogs	0

## COMMUNITY AND INTERGATION

### Local Enhancement Programme 2025

On 13<sup>th</sup> June 2025, the Department of Rural and Community Development and an Gaeltacht announced €114,782.86 for 148 projects in Co Leitrim under the Local Enhancement Programme 2025. All payments have been made under the Current and Capital stream and redistribution of funds has been approved and paid out. Preparation of final report to Department commenced with submission due in January.

### Age Friendly Programme

January date confirmed for delivery of the Age Friendly Business programme in Carrick on Shannon, location Carrick Campus. The end of year reporting submitted to Age Friendly Ireland and preparation of 2026 plans commenced. Age Friendly content was delivered as part of the 'Stay Safe Stay Well' winter ready events which were delivered in Ballinamore and Mohill.

### Healthy Ireland

Healthy Leitrim attended the Healthy Ireland Local Government 2026 Planning Conference in Wexford on December 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Healthy Leitrim presented on physical and mental resilience in Mohill on December 5<sup>th</sup> as part of Leitrim County Councils Stay Safe, Stay Well workshop series. Healthy Leitrim continues to work with Mohill FSC to identify a coordinator to reinvigorate and relaunch the 'We're Breastfeeding Friendly Leitrim' campaign across businesses in the County with a work plan being devised in collaboration with peer support groups and other collaborators being sought including Carrick Chamber of Commerce and the Local Enterprise Office.

A selection of baby friendly toys have now been provided to each of 4 libraries as we continue to work in collaboration with Rory & Caroline and the 'Healthy Ireland in your Library' project to identify baby friendly opportunities within libraries including access to peer support groups for parents (Dromahair Library, Mohill Library and Ballinamore Library), introduction of a series of breastfeeding books, and opportunities for pregnant, postpartum and new parents to avail of services including talks from health care professionals, baby massage programmes, dads to be masterclasses and pediatric first aid.

Healthy Ireland continues to sit on various sub committees including CYPSC Active and Healthy sub-group, Tusla Child and Family Support Network, and Mental Health Ireland wellbeing board subgroup.

Healthy Ireland continues to collaborate with Sharon Richardson of the HSE on making Leitrim Dementia Friendly through the Understand Together Initiative. The latest event was the inaugural 'Music Café' which took place in Breffni Family Resource Centre with Charlie McGettigan and local musicians leading a music circle for people living with dementia, while carers were treated to a session with Inner Harmony Health practitioner and nutritional Therapist Laura Fergus who provided coping mechanisms and nutritional advice for the carers.

Healthy Ireland presented a summary of results from 2025 to The Age Friendly Alliance.

## **Community Recognition Fund**

Leitrim has been allocated over €2.2 million under this funding programme, which will be invested across 16 capital projects throughout the county. All projects have commenced and two projects now completed.

- Allen Gaels GAA Club for which €207,275 was granted for the installation of an Astro Turf pitch
- Lough Rinn Dragon Boating Club New Building and Equipment Expansion project with grant aid of €84,000

## **Local Authority Integration Team (LAIT)**

In December, we initiated the administration of the Irish Refugee Protection Programme (IRPP) by recruiting a Resettlement Worker

The Integration Team delivered 11 clinics to assess needs and identify supports for the cohort we work with. Three clinics focused on Beneficiaries of Temporary Protection (BOTP), while the remaining eight were dedicated to International Protection Accommodation Centres in Leitrim.

Three ‘Offer a Home’ activations were successfully completed in December, securing accommodation for three family units. In total, this provided housing for five adults and three children.

The Integration Team collaborated with North Connaught Youth Services to host two sensory-friendly Santa events—one in Drumkeerin and the other in Ballinamore. These community integration events were open to all families with children who are neurodivergent or have additional needs. In total, 13 families attended across both events, representing the Irish community, International Protection Applicants, and Beneficiaries of Temporary Protection.

The LAIT collaborated with Leitrim Development Company (LDC) and Leitrim International Community Group (LICG) to host the Festival of Nations at the Island Theatre, Ballinamore. This event was a celebration of cultural diversity, bringing together communities from across the region. Attendees included members of the Irish community, International Protection Applicants, and representatives from Ukrainian, Chinese, and Indian communities. To facilitate participation, LAIT funded transport from the IPAS Centre in Dromahair and provided on-the-day support to ensure the event’s success.

## **PEACEPLUS**

### **Leitrim PEACEPLUS Action Plan (1.1)**

#### **Local Community Regeneration & Transformation**

- Tender for Play & Art Therapy Facility in Drumkeeran was advertised on eTenders and we are in the process of appointing a contractor
- Construction works proceeding on schedule at Coleman’s (Carrick Youth Arts & Community Space)

#### **Thriving & Peaceful Communities**

- Recruitment for the QQI Level 7 is completed. We received 45 applications for 25 places. Applications were assessed and successful candidate were notified before the Christmas break. The course is due to start 14<sup>th</sup> January

- The first meeting on the Environmental & Biodiversity Steering Committee took place on 4<sup>th</sup> December in Drumshanbo. Philip Farrelly Ltd have been contracted to deliver a cross-border biodiversity and environmental project also attended the meeting.
- We are continuing to roll out Digital Camps for young people with the next camp scheduled to take place in Kinlough Digital Hub.

### **Celebrating Cultural Diversity**

- The Leitrim Development Company officially launched their PEACEPLUS Traveller Development programme in December.

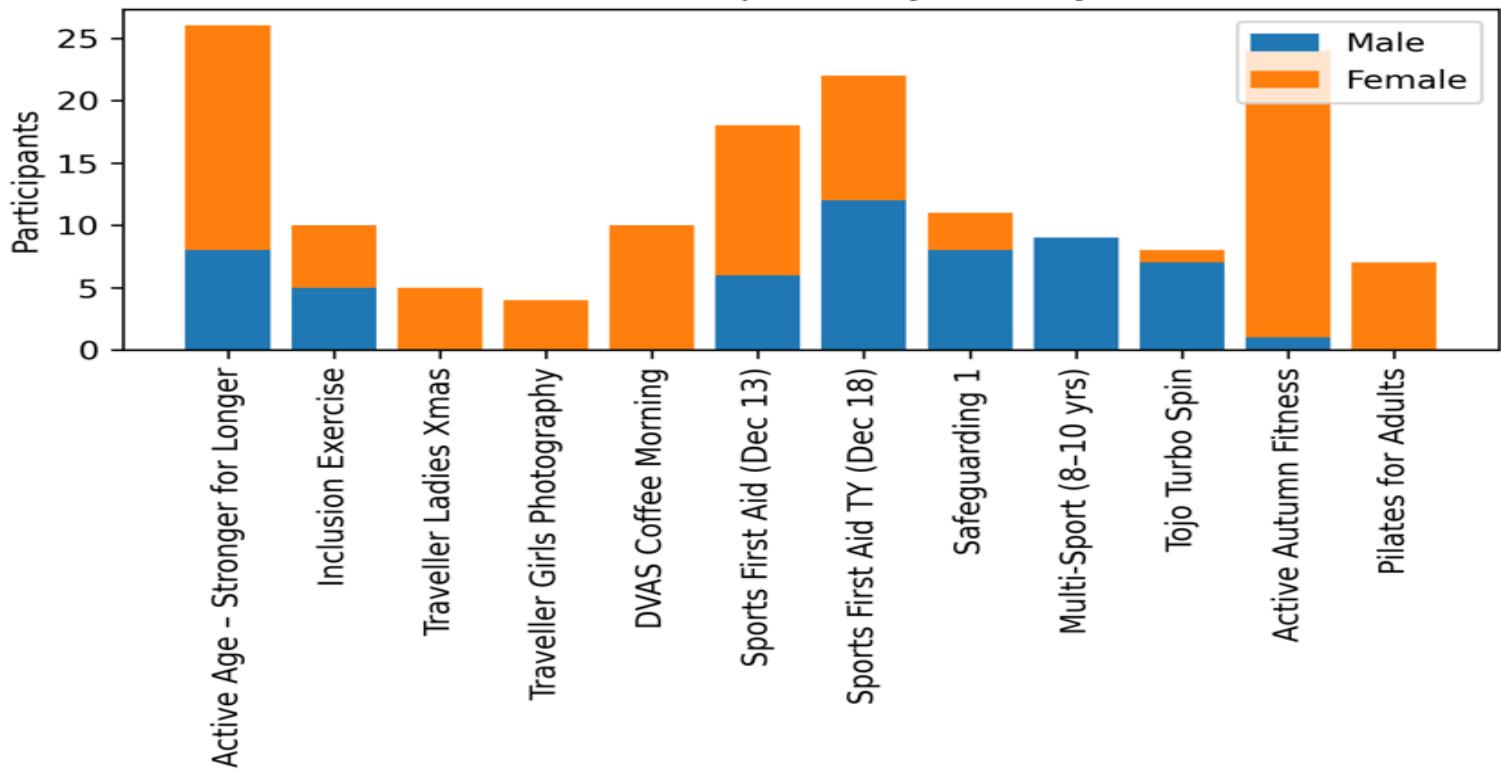
### **PEACEPLUS Shannonside Peace Arena (1.4)**

- Senior management and the SRC committee have had a number of meetings with McAdam Design who are finalising designs and QS budget costings for the entire SRC development.
- These should be ready for the next Project Board meeting in January which includes reps from funders SEUPB, Dept of Communities, NI and the DRCDG

### **Local Community Safety Partnership (LCSP)**

- Ministerial approval received for Leitrim LCSP nominations. All members notified of their appointment by Minister.
- Induction of Leitrim Community Safety Partnership Members scheduled for January 27<sup>th</sup> 2026, with inaugural meeting to elect Chairperson to happen the following week.
- €10,000 set up costs and salary recoupment were received from Dept of Justice. Further clarification on future funding of the programme to be received in early 2026.
- Attendance at Local Community Safety Partnership Engagement Meeting. Additional clarifications on National Strategy received with first draft to be completed by April 14<sup>th</sup> 2026.
- Supported the roll out of cross county Storm Preparedness Workshops for community members delivering information on Health, Personal Safety and Storm Preparedness. Events held in Ballinamore and Mohill with a further event to be scheduled for Manorhamilton in Q1 of 2026.
- Coordination of the development of a public information video on Storm Preparedness to roll out on social media channels over Christmas period to provide clear messaging on personal responsibility to be prepared for 72 hours ahead of any emergency.
- Work ongoing on the set up of 10 Community Support Centres across the County to support in the event of an emergency.

December 2025 Participation by Activity and Gender

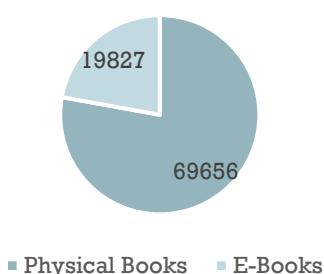


Category	Activity Description	Total Participants	Male	Female
Active Age - Stronger for Longer	Sports Inclusion Hub (4 weeks) – Tues 2nd Dec	26	8	18
Inclusion Exercise	BeePark Manorhamilton NLN (3 weeks)	10	5	5
ESF+ Social Innovation in Sport	Traveller Ladies End-of-Year Meeting & Christmas Breakfast	5	0	5
ESF+ Social Innovation in Sport	Traveller Teenage Girls Photography Workshop (Dec 5)	4	0	4
ESF+ Social Innovation in Sport	DVAS Christmas Coffee Morning & Flower Arranging (Dec 11)	10	0	10
CSDO	Sports First Aid – GaelScoil Liatroma / Carrick Rugby / ESF+ (Dec 13)	18	6	12
CSDO	Sports First Aid TY Workshop – Lough Allen College (Dec 18)	22	12	10
CSDO	Safeguarding 1 – Online Workshop	11	8	3
CSDO	Multi-Sport Programme (8-10 yrs)	9	9	0
CSDO	Tojo Turbo – Adult Mixed Spin	8	7	1
CSDO	Active Autumn – Adult Fitness (Wed & Sat)	24	1	23
CSDO	Pilates for Adults	7	0	7

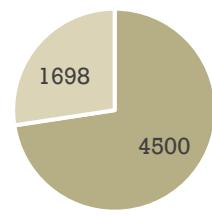
- Total Participants in December 2025: 154 (Male: 56, Female: 98)

## LIBRARY SERVICES

### Total Borrowed Library Books Year to Date 2025



### December 2025



December was a very busy month across the library network. Over 9000 visits were made to the libraries over the course of the month and there were 125 new members who joined Leitrim library Service in December.

During the month of December, the usual events such as book club and writer group meetings as well as craft groups, exercise classes, scrabble, bridge and language sessions took place. There was good usage of the Sensory Room at Mohill Library and Cubbie at Manorhamilton Library.

#### **Family Time at your Library**

A range of Christmas themed events took place across the library network. There was great fun at Carrigallen Library's Holly Jolly Christmas Craft event with Julie Smith, who read some lovely Christmas stories, including 'Santa got stuck up the Chimney'.

Santa dropped into Drumshanbo Library to meet the children from St. Patrick National School and Bo Peep Kids. It was a fun morning of stories and singing.

Carrick Library had both the Senior Infants classes from Scoil Mhuire in for Christmas Storytime with Grainne. The Children sang Christmas songs and listened to lots of lovely Christmas stories.

Kiltyclogher Library had a clay modelling session for the children of Scoil Mhic Diarmada .

#### **Healthy Ireland**

Health and Well Being Pharmacist, Maj Cunningham, provided a number of insightful discussions on women's health.

#### **Ciorcal Comhrá/ Irish Language**

Irish Language session continues to attract strong attendance and enthusiasm in Ballinamore, Mohill and Dromahair library.

#### **Digital skills**

Digital skills programs funded under Healthy Leitrim continued to be rolled out across the library network, meeting an overwhelmingly high demand.

#### **Local Studies**

Mary Conefrey and Sarah Garden visited TY History Students in Manorhamilton and Carrigallen and made a presentation to students and History teachers re Young Historian Award 2026

Local Historian Padraig Griffin presented a talk in Ballinamore Library on Thursday December 11th entitled 'Church – State relations in Ireland since 1800' was well attended. The talk looked at how the Influential Roman Catholic Church maintained relations with the State both before and after the Anglo-Irish Treaty and the setting up of the independent Irish State in 1922.

# **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, REGENERATION, SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT & EMERGENCY SERVICES**

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

### **STEM Passport for Inclusion- Maynooth University & ATU**

3 Secondary Schools, Lough Allen College, Drumshanbo Vocational School and Mohill Community college had the second one day workshop of STEM Passport for Inclusion programme (level 6 award) during the month of December. TY students from Carrigallen Vocational School will commence the programme in January 2026. A number of National Schools around the County have signed up to take part in the Microsoft Dreamsphere Programme 2025/2026.

### **Carrick on Shannon Community CCTV Scheme Extension**

Approval was received from The Garda Commissioner in December for an extension of the Community CCTV Scheme in Carrick on Shannon, adding a further 25 cameras at 12 additional locations in Carrick on Shannon including the new boardwalk, the riverside and the new carpark to the rear of main street.

### **Carrick on Shannon Business Campus**

The tender for consultancy services in relation to the proposed Enterprise Hub at Carrick on Shannon Business Campus closed on 15<sup>th</sup> December, with three tenders received. This body of work involves the development a suite of work packages to move the project from concept validation to implementation readiness, through the development of a comprehensive business, design and governance framework. The tender will be evaluated on 9<sup>th</sup> January.

### **County Promotion**

The “50 Miles in January” Challenge was officially launched at Carrick Business Campus on December 3rd. This initiative, delivered in partnership with Leitrim GAA and LGFA, is expected to enjoy strong community support once again. As part of its commitment, Leitrim County Council has funded a series of ambassador videos to promote the campaign while aligning with key council objectives. In addition, consistent with previous years, the council has provided sponsorship to Leitrim GAA and LGFA to help drive the success of this popular initiative.

### **Leitrim Diaspora**

Progress continued on developing the framework for the Leitrim Diaspora Strategy 2026–2030. On 16<sup>th</sup> December, Leitrim County Council met with representatives from the Department of Foreign Affairs’ Irish Abroad Unit, where the department provided an update on the development of the national diaspora strategy.

### **Leitrim Economic Forum and Global Business Network**

A meeting of the Leitrim Economic Forum took place on 5<sup>th</sup> December; the next meeting of the group is scheduled for 6<sup>th</sup> February 2026. A meeting of the Leitrim Global Business Network took place on 10<sup>th</sup> December; the next meeting of the group is scheduled for 24<sup>th</sup> February 2026. Work is ongoing on the procurement of a consultant to deliver a new Economic and Skills Strategy for County Leitrim, it is anticipated that work will commence early in 2026. Discussions are taking place on planning a Leitrim Business/Ambassadors Summit for 2026. A meeting of the working group for the Leitrim Business/Ambassadors summit is scheduled to take place on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2026.

### **DRCD Funded Schemes**

Funding announcements under the Town and Village Main Scheme and Project Development Measures were made in December. A total of €26 million was allocated to 116 projects nationwide, with Leitrim

receiving a total of 4 projects amounting to €966,801. The 3 projects funded under the Main Scheme include phase 2 redevelopment works to the former Garda Barracks Keshcarrigan - €500,000, enhancement of the public realm at The Dock, Carrick on Shannon - €300,000 and Streetscape Enhancement Scheme for Carrigallen - €139,705. The Project Development Measure project funded was for the redevelopment and extension of the Fenagh Visitor Centre - €27,096.

## **TOURISM**

### **Fáilte Ireland DEDP**

An in-person meeting of the Fáilte Ireland Destination and Experience Development Plan (DEDP) was held at the Arigna Mining Centre. Representatives from each county participated in a detailed review of the plan's priorities and actions. Fáilte Ireland also presented updates on several ongoing projects aligned with the DEDP, including initiatives to enhance visitor experiences, strengthen regional branding, and support sustainable tourism development.

### **NPA**

The Tourism Team, in collaboration with the Northwest Regional Assembly, is actively exploring the scope of a potential project for submission under the new Northern Periphery and Arctic (NPA) programme call in February. Discussions are underway with potential partners to ensure a strong consortium and a competitive application.

### **Festival & Event Grants**

All claims for the 2025 Festival and Event Grants have now been processed. These grants have played a key role in sustaining community led events and attracting visitors to the county. Looking ahead, planning has commenced for the development of a new scheme to be introduced in 2026.

### **Budget Preparation**

Budget and marketing plans for the upcoming year have been prepared to support tourism initiatives. This includes allocating resources for promotional campaigns, digital marketing, and experience development. The plans also prioritise investment in collaborative projects with regional partners, ensuring that Leitrim's tourism offering is effectively positioned within the regional and national tourism landscape.

### **Social Media Engagement**

Throughout December, the Tourism Team maintained active engagement across Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter, sharing seasonal content and promoting local attractions. This activity was strengthened by the countywide photography competition held earlier in the year, with winning entries featured prominently in the Leitrim Calendar. The calendar was distributed through libraries, council offices, and to members of the overseas diaspora, where it has been warmly received. Feedback highlighted its role in fostering community pride and maintaining connections with Leitrim abroad. The campaign also helped grow online audiences, increase post reach, and encourage user-generated content that showcases the county's natural beauty and cultural heritage.

## **LOCAL ENTERPRISE OFFICE (LEO)**

### **Training, Mentoring & Export**

A number of people received training in December as we ran a series of courses such as AI Training; Business Advice Clinic; Women in Business Event in Longford Arms Hotel. Demand for one-to-one mentoring continues to remain high. Assistance is also available on Export related issues and can be booked online free of charge to discuss any issues facing businesses or identifying and managing opportunities available for exporting.

## **All In A Days Work Programmes & Associated Financial Supports**

The “All In A Days Work” campaign continues to be rolled out on the areas of Lean, Green and Digital supports. There is significant growth in demand for all three supports, in particular the Energy Efficiency Grant (EEG) and Grow Digital (GD) Voucher. The EEG, with up to 75% of eligible costs up to a maximum grant of €10,000 can be supported following the completion of a Green for Business, Green Start or a SEAI Energy Audit. The GD voucher is a grant covering 50% of eligible costs (minimum grant of €500 up to a maximum grant of €5,000) limited to new software subscriptions for a period of 12 and training and configuration of the software.

## **Atlantic Economic Corridor Update:**

### **Interreg Europe Digital Rural**

Leitrim continues its partnership under Interreg Europe. The Digital Rural Project empowers rural communities through smart technologies and collaborative policymaking to foster sustainable regional development.

### **PEACE Plus – DS3 Project**

The DS3 Project under PEACE Plus (Smart Towns & Villages) launched in November 2025, running until July 2028. It promotes cross-border collaboration through ICT in community services and economic activity. Leitrim County Council leads Work Package 2 to lead out a mobile fab lab. Workshops are due to commence in February.

### **Creative Heartlands**

The programme ‘Creative Heartlands on Screen’ continues with training and mentoring for the screen sector in Leitrim, Sligo and Roscommon with funding from Screen Ireland. Training and networking events commenced in October and will run until May 2026. A comprehensive mentorship programme will be established.

## **Northwest Regional Enterprise Plan Implementation**

### **Northwest Vision Development**

The three Chief Executives from Leitrim/Sligo/Donegal are collaborating to develop a Northwest Region Vision which will feed into the REP development in 2026. In December the three Chief Executives met to review OCO’s progress and to provide guidance.

### **Energy Working Group**

A multi-agency supported project is underway which will explore the opportunities available to the region with available unused energy from our renewable energy sources in the region e.g. onshore wind energy. Opportunities being explored are green energy parks, marketing, hydrogen etc.

### **10xNW 2026**

Following a very successful event in 2025, a collaborative course of multiple agencies in the Northwest region are coming together to host the 10xNW entrepreneurship exchange in February 2026 in Leitrim. The working group have convened and are planning this.

### **Next REP development**

The final report of the Northwest Regional Enterprise Plan 2022-2025 is currently in draft form and once approved by DETE will be published on DETE website. Currently DETE are undergoing a review of the REP’s with the intention of taking recommendations from the review towards the next REP development which is due to kick off Q1 2026.

## ACTIVE TRAVEL

### Active Travel Schemes completed by direct labour:

- Ballinamore – Tully Heights.
- Dromahaire – Churchfield Active Travel Link.

### Active Travel Scheme is under construction by direct labour and will be completed in Q1/2026:

- Aughnasheelin Active Travel Link.
- Pedestrian Crossing – Hilly Road, Drumshanbo.

### Currently at Part 8 Planning stage:

- Drumshanbo – Town Junction upgrade.
- Carrick on Shannon – Attifinlay Roundabout to Summerhill Active Travel Scheme

### Currently at Preliminary and detailed Design Stage in house:

- Carrick-on-Shannon Junction tightening/Pedestrian Crossing.
- Carrigallen Active Travel Link and additional Permeability Link.

### Design and Part 8 Planning are required for the following when resources allow:

- Carrick on Shannon – Glas na hAabhainn Housing Estate Link.
- Manorhamilton – Park Road Upgrade.
- Ballinamore Junction Upgrade.

## Safe Route to Schools

- Mohill Community College currently under construction by Contractors.
- St. Clare's NS, Manorhamilton – Advertised on eTenders – Closing 23/01/2026.
- Preliminary Design received from NTA, Road Safety Audit scheduled to complete:
  - SRTS Rd 3 – Drumeela NS.
- Delivery Plan received and Design underway and Part 8 necessary for the following:
  - SRTS Rd 3 – Ballinamore Scoill Chlann Naofa.
- Delivery Plan received and Design ongoing:
  - SRTS Rd 3 – Drumshanbo VS.

## Bus Stop Enhancement Programme

Bus Shelter Enhancement Programme at Kinlough, Co. Leitrim – Section 38 passed and Contractor appointed to commence construction.

## CAPITAL PROJECTS

### Carrick on Shannon Flood Relief Scheme

The project team are currently progressing environmental assessments required to support a planning application for the scheme. A workshop focused on enhancing the environment where possible whilst also achieving robust flood protection was held which was attended by members of various departments in Leitrim and Roscommon County Councils, OPW, NMS and the Local Authorities Waters Programme (LAWPRO). A design freeze has been achieved having identified a preferred scheme. Archaeology Slit trenching in the surrounds of the old castle are scheduled are complete, and the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIAR) is nearing completion. Full details of the project are available on the project website: [www.carrickonshannonfrs.ie](http://www.carrickonshannonfrs.ie).

### Leitrim Village Flood Relief Scheme

A design freeze has been achieved having identified a preferred scheme. Archaeology Slit trenching in the surrounds of the old castle are scheduled are complete, and the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIAR) is well underway. An additional workshop was held with Ryan Hanley, LCC and OPW, to discuss the cost benefit of the scheme and a potential business case to progress the project to planning and detailed design. Full details of the project are available on the project website Full details of the project are available on website [www.leitrimvillagefrs.ie](http://www.leitrimvillagefrs.ie)

### **Mohill Flood Relief Scheme**

The hydraulic analysis and economic feasibility on this project to determine the need/extent for flood defences have been substantially complete in Mohill by OPW in partnership with LCC Capital Projects Office. We await OPW's determination, following a business case submitted to them in September 2024.

### **OPW Minor Flood Schemes**

#### **Dromahair Scheme**

The Capital Projects Team received planning consent from An Coimisiún Pleanála in Q2 of 2025. We are currently drafting land owner agreements. We plan to go to tender in March 2026 to assess the most economically advantageous tender. Following this, we will seek approval from the OPW to proceed with the construction of the scheme in June 2026.

#### **Leitrim Village (Keadue Road Scheme) Scheme**

This minor works scheme is substantially complete, with some outstanding accommodation works in the adjacent Drumhierny Housing Estate.

#### **Manorhamilton Minor Works Scheme**

This minor works scheme is substantially complete with a claim for funding to be complete.

#### **Carrick on Shannon Urban Regeneration Scheme**

We are awaiting thermal imaging to facilitate the repair of the damaged handrails. Contact has been made with DHB regarding defects identified in some of the lighting.

#### **Manorhamilton Public Realm Scheme**

Contract No 1 for public realm works on Main Street has been completed. A contractor has been appointed to complete Contract No 2 for works at Enterprise lands. Works will commence in Q1 2026.

#### **Mohill Public Realm Scheme**

Works have been completed. A Substantial Completion Certificate has been issued to the Contractor. Outstanding snags to be completed.

#### **Drumshanbo ExChange.**

Tenders for the works contract have now been returned and a report on tenders prepared. It is expected that a contractor will be appointed later in Q1 2026 subject to Department approval and available budget.

#### **Carrick Business Campus**

DHB Architects have completed the detailed design and tender documents for the current project. The Tender Documents and Bill of Quantities (BOQ) are divided into two elements:

- **Element 1:** Fit-out of the ground floor of Phase 2, including a full mechanical and electrical upgrade and installation.

- **Element 2:** Energy reduction works (fabric upgrade) for the ground and first floors of Phase 2, along with completion of mechanical and electrical works to shell and core standard.

Additional funding is required to proceed with the upgrade proposals, as only partial funding has been received from SEAI and RRDF. An application for increased funding is currently with the RRDF, and we await their decision

### **Drumshanbo Food Innovation & Knowledge Hub**

Collins Boyd Engineers and Architects have been appointed as designers, ER and PSDP. They are currently developing the detailed design for the scheme.

### **Shannonside Recreational Campus**

Pre-qualification tenders have been received and are currently being assessed. The final design is being prepared, with the full tender scheduled for publication in Q1.

### **Carrick Arts and Community Centre (Colemans Building along Main Street)**

Works commenced in October and are progressing steadily. Handover is expected before Q3 2026.

### **Manorhamilton NCYS Building**

Works are substantially completed with only snagging outstanding. Building to be handed over in Q1.

### **Leitrim Village Community Facility**

A planning application for the scheme was submitted in December 2025 by the Leitrim Village Development Group and we await a decision.

### **SLNCR Greenway – Sligo to Enniskillen**

Funding is now in place via Shared Island fund and DFI for service contracts & PLO services in Fermanagh. Phase 2 (Deliverables & Reports) are now complete. Phase 3 (Design & Environmental) has commenced. Surveys are being undertaken at present and the Design Team are now working on optioneering the best fit route within the Preferred Corridor.

### **Carrick on Shannon to Battlebridge Blueway**

The consultants are required to carry out additional aquatic surveys in accordance with the IFI scoping response and the opinion from An Coimisiún Pleanála submission. They are also progressing the EIAR with the intention of lodging a planning application to An Coimisiún Pleanála by the end of November 2026.

### **South Leitrim Greenway**

The Project Outline Document has been updated for the TII and we are awaiting TII approval to commence Phase 1 (Concept & Feasibility) and appoint a Consultant Engineer for Phases 1 to 4 inclusive.

### **Hartley Bridge**

Following planning approval from An Bord Pleanála in December 2023, funding has been received from the Department of Transport to advance this project. Punch Consulting Engineers have been appointed the detailed design and tender documents were completed in Q4 2025.

### **Dromod Roosky Greyway**

Funding was approved by the Department of Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht in the amount of €500,000 in Dec 2025. Tender Documents for the scheme are currently being prepared.

## **Acres Lake Facility Centre**

The contractor is currently completing the snagging of the building and we await certification of the works. It is expected that the facility will be open to the public in Q1 2026.

## **Narrow Gauge Trail Drumshanbo**

The trail is completed and open to the public with a couple of minor snagging works to be completed.

## **Fenagh Abbey Trail**

A geo physical Survey has now been completed on site. It is expected that the scheme will be submitted for planning consent in Q1 2026.

## **Parkes Castle**

This scheme is now substantially complete with a number of snags outstanding

## **Carrick on Shannon Amenity Parks Upgrade**

Helena Mc Elmeel Architects have been appointed as design team for the scheme. A working group have been developing the scheme, and it is expected that this will be submitted for planning consent in Q1 2026.

## **Drumkeeran NW Stop Play and Therapy Centre**

Paul Gallagher Construction are currently in the process of being appointed as contractor and PSCS for the project.

## **Ballinamore M.U.G.A.**

Maguire Architects have been appointed as the design team. It is expected that works will commence in Spring 2026.

## **Lurganboy Church of Ireland Community Centre**

Quotations are currently being sought to carry out refurbishment works to roof and floor of building. Works will commence in late January 2026, with works expected to be completed by Q3 2026.

## **Kinlough Community Garden**

Members of the Men's Shed are currently in discussion with the community group, to seek permission to construct ground mounted PV system on the grounds.

## **Kinlough Arroo Project**

Cat 2 RRDF funding of €572,334 was approved in December 2025 for the scheme. The preparation of tender documents for the appointment of a Design Team will commence shortly.

## **The Dock – Carrick on Shannon**

Part 8 Planning for this scheme is currently on public display.

# HOUSING, PLANNING, CORPORATE SERVICES AND TRANSFORMATION DIRECTORATE

## HOUSING

### Traveller Accommodation Programme 2024-2029

- Target over 5 years 20 units of accommodation
- As of 31<sup>st</sup> December 2025, there was 6 No. Outputs achieved.
- This represents a 30% completion of the overall 5-year target.

### Social Housing

- 170 – Applications received for Social Housing Support
- 587 – Social Housing Waitlist
- 58 – New Tenancies

### Housing Maintenance

#### Private Rented Inspection Programme 2025

As part of its ongoing regulatory responsibilities, the Housing Department conducts annual inspections of private rented accommodation to ensure compliance with prescribed minimum standards. For the year 2025, the Department has set an indicative target to inspect a total of 326 properties within the private rental sector.

2025 Target for Inspection	No. of Dwelling inspections completed on 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2025	% Complete on 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2025 out of the overall target
326*	328	100.61%

Note: Previous Report showed inspection figures rather than dwellings inspected.

There are **328** dwellings inspected, and **355** inspections carried out to date.

#### Stock Condition Surveys on Local Authority Houses 2025

The Housing Department have an annual target to inspect 20% of the Local Authority Housing Stock. In 2025, a total of 219 houses will be inspected. (\*The indicative target for the number of inspections in 2025 is 219 and this may be subject to change at a later date). The revised target is 252.

2025 Target for Surveys	No. of surveys completed on 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2025	% Complete on 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2025 out of the overall target.
252*	218	86.50%

### Energy Efficiency

The Energy Efficiency Retrofit Scheme is now complete for 2025 with the target of retrofitting 16 units achieved.

### Private House Grants

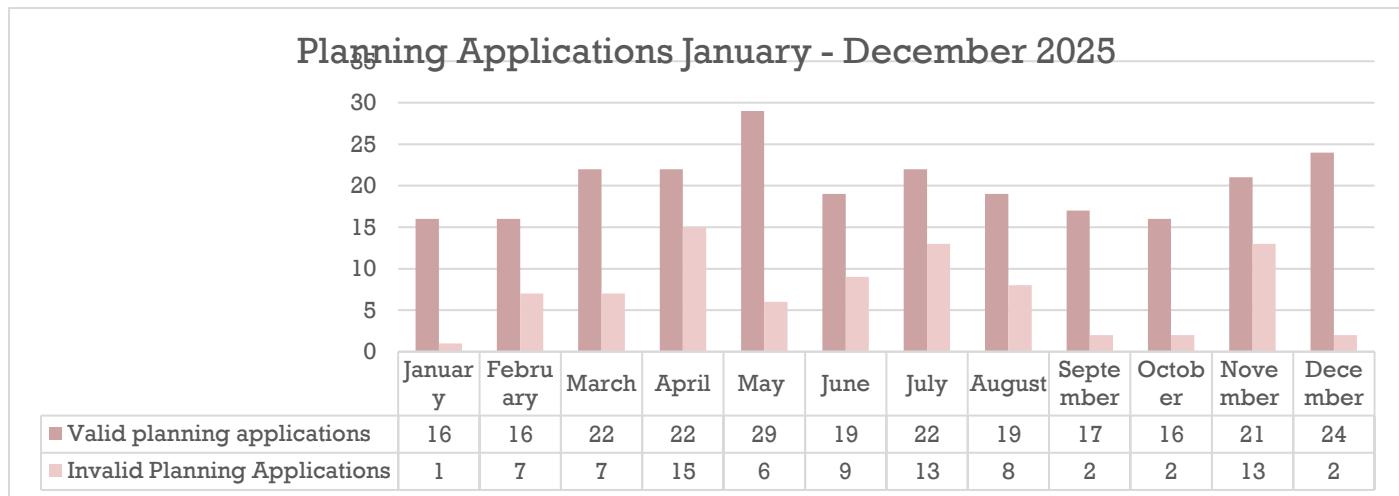
As of 31<sup>st</sup> December 2025, a total of **€978,608.16** was paid out in private house grants under the Housing Adaptation for People with a Disability, Housing Aid for Older People, and Mobility Aid Grants. The breakdown is as follows:

- Housing Aid for Older People (HOP): €449,275.85 (109 HOP Grants)
- Housing Adaptation for People with a Disability (HGD): €417,890.78 (48 HGD Grants)
- Mobility Aid Grants (MAG): €111,436.53 (27 MAG Grants)

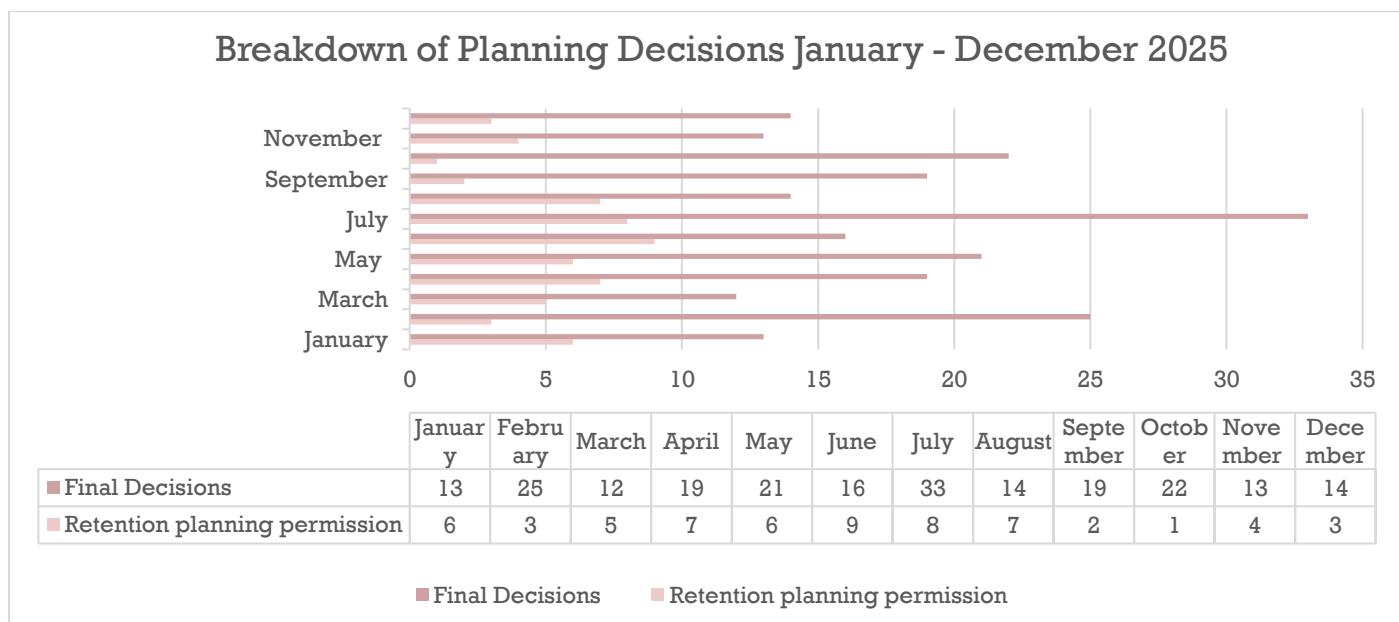
## Affordable Housing in Carrick On Shannon

During December, Expressions of Interest were invited from individuals interested in purchasing an affordable home from the Council as part of a proposed Affordable Housing Scheme in Carrick-on-Shannon. EOIs are currently being received and the data gathered will inform the application to the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH) for the scheme.

## DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT



Of the 24 valid planning applications all but 1 no. of these applications were submitted using the e-planning portal.



## Further Information Requests

Further Information Requests Issued	Further Information Responses Received	Formal Pre-Planning Enquiries
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<b>January</b>	12	12	9
<b>February</b>	10	7	4
<b>March</b>	9	9	4
<b>April</b>	12	6	21
<b>May</b>	7	6	7
<b>June</b>	14	7	7
<b>July</b>	18	12	2
<b>August</b>	13	8	4
<b>September</b>	14	12	6
<b>October</b>	10	14	7
<b>November</b>	7	6	10
<b>December</b>	11	13	7

A Part 8 Public Consultation process is underway with respect to the removal of the existing hard-standing plaza area to the front and side of the Dock, Carrick-on-Shannon and its replacement with a remodelled hard and soft landscaped space. Submissions are invited before 4<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

## **Forward Planning**

### **Variation to County Development Plan 2023-2029**

Work is well underway to give consideration to the preparation of a variation to the County Development Plan 2023-2029 to increase the quantum of land zoned for residential purposes so as to provide for 50% headroom. Ministerial Guidelines instructing Local Authorities to update housing targets in line with the revised National Planning Framework issued at the end of July. A report on the development capacity of existing zoned residential lands as required pursuant to the Section 28 Guidelines '*National Planning Framework (NPF) Implementation – Housing Growth Requirements*' issued to the Members in late October for consideration at the November Council meeting. It is expected to publish the draft variation towards the end of February.

### **Heritage**

- The Leitrim Heritage Plan projects for 2026 have been developed in preparation of funding applications to The Heritage Council County Heritage Plan Fund.
- A presentation on the draft *Leitrim Heritage Plan 2026 – 2031* was given to the SPC and the public consultation on the draft plan has been prepared. Invitations to quote for the Heritage Plan design have also been issued.
- The *O'Rourke's of Leitrim* website and project resources have been promoted.
- The Community Monument Fund 2026 and the Historic Structures Fund 2026 have been promoted and potential applicants engaged with.
- The Community Monument Fund grant recoupment was submitted and approved for the Old Church of Ireland, Manorhamilton Conservation Plan.

### **SIGNED BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

**Signed:**   
Mary Quinn Deputy Chief Executive

**Date: 14<sup>th</sup> January 2026**