



Comhairle Chontae Liatroma
Leitrim County Council

Chief Executive Monthly Management Report

November 2025

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Nov 2025 - Revenue Account Income & Expenditure Summary by Service Division

(PRELIMINARY Nov. 2025 - FIGURES)

		EXPENDITURE			
		Expenditure €	Adopted Full Year Budget €	% Budget Spent	Budget Remaining €
A	Housing & Building	9,502,068	12,743,118	75%	3,241,050
B	Road Transport & Safety	21,166,865	18,203,366	116%	(2,963,499)
C	Water Services	2,706,567	3,246,837	83%	540,270
D	Development Management	6,631,158	9,808,667	68%	3,177,509
E	Environmental Services	7,110,378	6,832,982	104%	(277,396)
F	Recreation & Amenity	3,419,800	4,554,668	75%	1,134,868
G	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	502,584	497,784	101%	(4,800)
H	Miscellaneous Services	3,620,776	4,232,110	86%	611,334
LG	Local Government Fund / GPG	0	0	0%	0
RA	Rates			0%	0

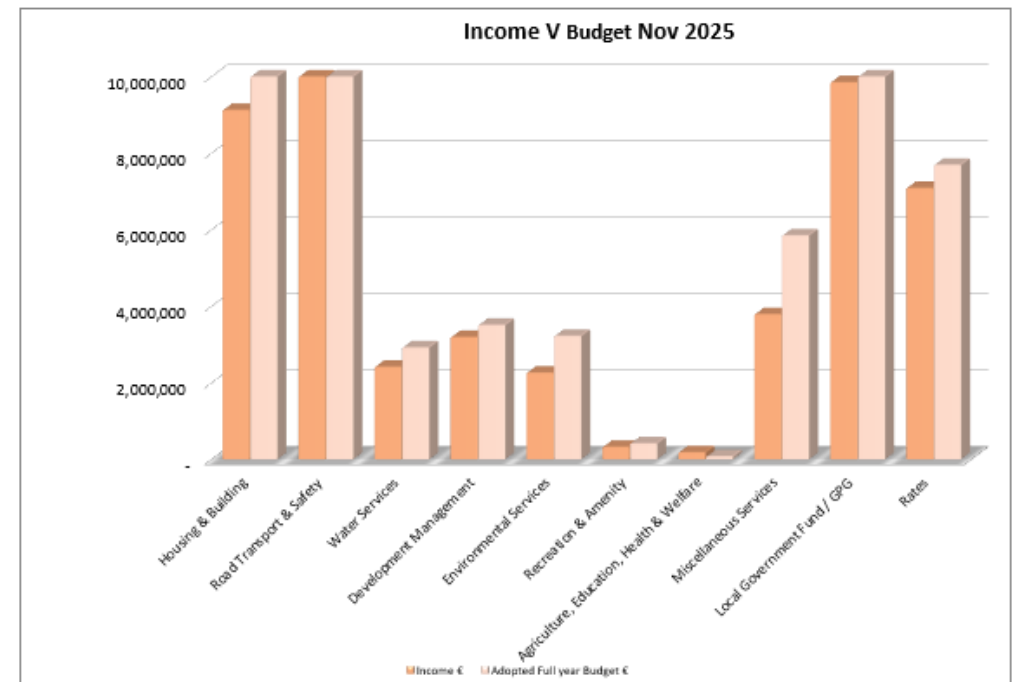
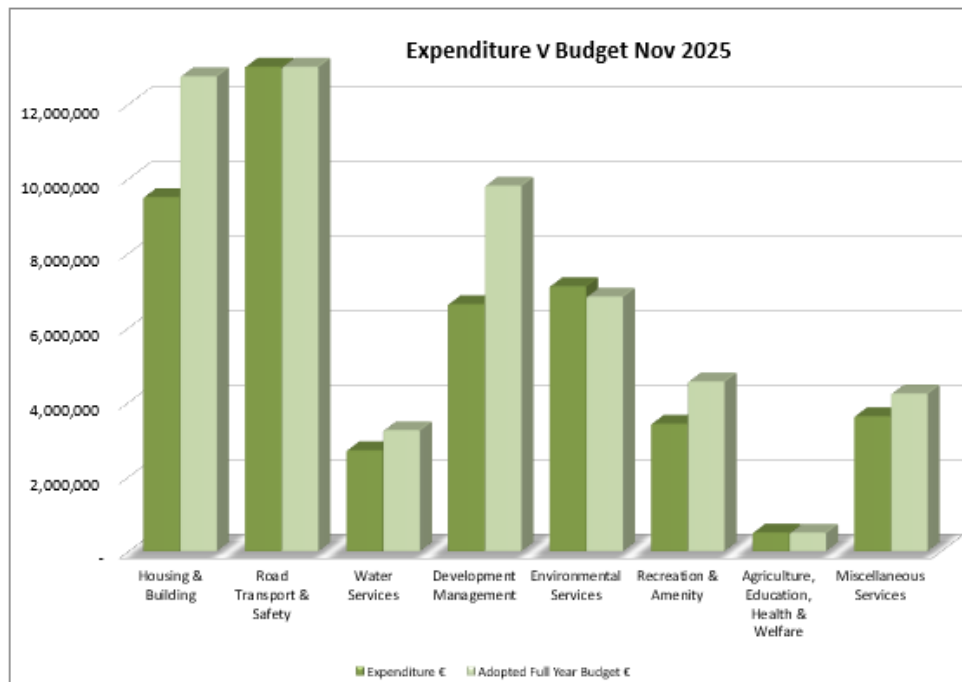
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		INCOME			
		Income €	Adopted Full year Budget €	% Budget Raised	Budget outstanding €
		9,126,486	12,147,236	75%	3,020,750
		16,411,150	13,527,511	121%	(2,883,639)
		2,417,009	2,922,862	83%	505,853
		3,192,502	3,510,597	91%	318,095
		2,263,633	3,224,033	70%	960,400
		325,690	416,707	78%	91,017
		184,829	80,183	231%	(104,646)
		3,791,582	5,850,618	65%	2,059,036
		9,850,297	10,745,778	92%	895,482
		7,088,200	7,694,007	92%	605,807

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		NET	
		Actual Overall Surplus/ (Deficit) €	Fav/(Unfav) €
		(375,582)	220,300
		(4,755,714)	(79,859)
		(289,558)	34,417
		(3,438,656)	2,859,414
		(4,846,745)	(1,237,796)
		(3,094,110)	1,043,851
		(317,755)	99,846
		170,806	(1,447,702)
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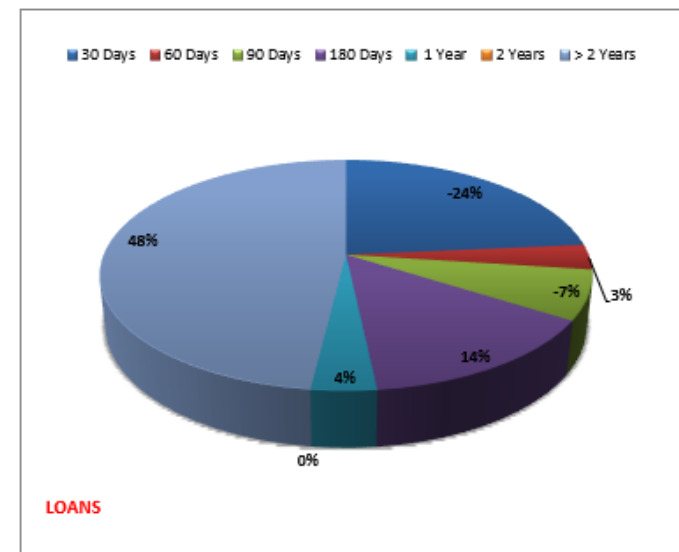
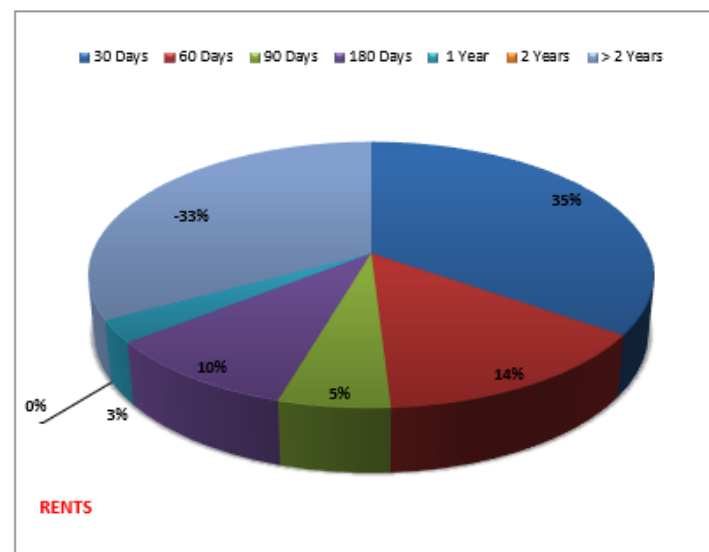
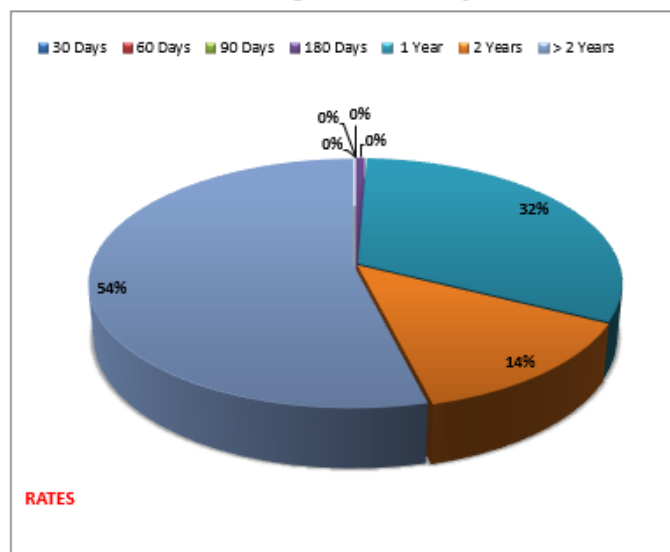
2025 - Collection Rates

	YTD		
	€ Nov-25	€ Nov-24	€ FY 2024
Housing Rents	€2,769,859	€2,678,125	€2,913,258
Commercial Rates	€7,088,200	€6,172,970	€6,412,325
Housing Loans	€344,148	€280,041	€309,577

	YTD		
	% Nov-25	% Nov-24	% FY 2024
Housing Rents	97%	98%	99%
Commercial Rates	78%	75%	80%
Housing Loans	97%	86%	88%

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

Nov 2025 - Aged Debt Analysis



	30 Days	60 Days	90 Days	180 Days	1 Year	2 Years	> 2 Years
RATES	€0	€0	€0	€22,428	€1,129,724	€486,071	€1,917,734
RENTS	€84,665	€34,918	€13,418	€23,874	€6,685	€0	€80,213
LOANS	€8,633	€1,288	€2,535	€5,240	€1,328	€0	€17,610

CLIMATE ACTION

Climate Action Plan (CAP)

1. Department (DCEE) event on EU LIFE programme (Tullamore, 5 November 2025). Department to assist Local Authorities through training, partnering, building consortiums from January 2026 ahead of call opening in April 2026.
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4. A Request for Quotation (RFQ) issued out to 5 companies for supplying an energy data software platform, following a pilot in 2025 (issued 14 November 2025, close of call 12 December 2025).
5. Energy WG meeting (15 November 2025), minutes available.
6. Facilitated home retrofit event in Manorhamilton with Sligo Leitrim Energy Agency (17 November 2025)
7. Reclaim made to the Department under SLA for Phase 3 – implementation of the Climate Action Plan for November 2024 to October 2025 (19 November 2025)
8. High level review of Climate Action Plan direction (20 November 2025)
9. SDG Workshop in Manorhamilton facilitated by Leitrim PPN and Saolta (27 November 2025)
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Community Climate Action Programme Fund

Climate Action continue to work with groups in developing their projects and preparing for drawdown of funding in Phase 1. There was a window for reclaim with the Department in September for recovery of claims made to date. There following claims made in November:

- Bornacoola GAA - (Solar Panels, Lighting) (S1)

- Fenagh Development Company (Bike shelter) (S1)
- Northwest Stop (Solar panels, windows & doors, cavity) (S1)
- The Hive (Energy Management Software) (S1a)
- Belcoo GAA (Windows & Doors) (S1a)
- Leitrim GAA (Lighting) (S1a)
- Dromore Ladies GFC (Solar panels) (S1a)
- Gortletteragh GAA (Lighting) (S1a)

Phase 2 was formally rolled out for Strand 1 (€300,000 available for community climate action projects), call remains open to 16 December 2025. Work ongoing with groups to develop ideas and make applications.

Biodiversity

Biodiversity Action Plan 2025 – 2030: The Draft Biodiversity Action Plan 2025 - 2030 public consultation closed on 10 November 2025. Submissions received are under review for updating the Plan, Assessments and Report in preparation for Plenary meeting to adopt the Plan.

All Ireland Pollinator Plan: Completed and submitted Leitrim County Council's annual report to National Biodiversity Data Centre as a Council partner.

Local Biodiversity Action Fund: Funding recoupment has been submitted to NPWS for biodiversity projects which were completed in 2025

Heritage Council: Local Biodiversity Action Plan funding recoupment has been submitted to the Heritage Council for actions related to the development of the Biodiversity Action Plan.

COMMUNITY AND INTEGRATION

Local Enhancement Programme 2025

On 13th 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.

Age Friendly Programme

Briefing session with businesses completed in Mohill in relation to delivering Age Friendly and Dementia training. Recruitment for delivery of the programme is underway in both Carrick on Shannon and Mohill with programme delivery scheduled for the end of January 2026.

LEO updated the details of all businesses currently recognised as Age Friendly in Mohill.

Age Friendly content was prepared and included in the 'Stay Safe Stay Well' winter ready events.

Healthy Ireland

Healthy Leitrim in conjunction with EduFit delivered an online programme 'MenoWell' to over 180 participants in Leitrim. This course is an online evidence-based exercise, nutrition, and health education programme promoting wellness for women in all stages of adult life. These educational pieces were delivered through our Period Dignity programme funded through the Department of Health. We also delivered two workshops online for teenage girls focusing on menstrual health education, with the first workshop delivered to active girls, and the second aimed at more sedentary teenagers.

Healthy Leitrim continues to collaborate with Age Friendly Ireland and the HSE Understand Together programme, with an information afternoon held in Mohill for local businesses on November 6th. Healthy Leitrim also continues to collaborate with Age Friendly Ireland on the pilot project within Leitrim nursing homes, with potential funding to be allocated to the project in 2026 for 'Book of Life' memory books to be run as a pilot project.

On International Mens Day Healthy Leitrim collaborated with the Integration Team to deliver walking and talk café's for mental health. These events took place in Ballinamore and Dromahair.

Healthy Leitrim presented at the 'Stay Safe, Stay Well This Winter' roadshows in Ballinamore and Mohill in collaboration with Leitrim Fire Services, Leitrim Community Policing Unit, and Leitrim Community Safety Partnership.

Healthy Leitrim collaborated with Peace Plus on the very successful delivery of three events. A caring for the carers event took place in Manorhamilton with a strong attendance, and two events targeting people living in severe isolation – specifically older adults in Ballinamore, and men in North Leitrim of no fixed abode or living in total isolation. From the isolation events 5 people were referred on to their GP for further health checks.

Healthy Leitrim attended Leitrim PPNs plenary in North Leitrim on November 13th.

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. The Community Development and Integration team continues to support the grantees in the roll out of their capital projects.

PEACEPLUS

Leitrim PEACEPLUS Action Plan (1.1)

Local Community Regeneration & Transformation

- We are finalising tender packages for Play & Art Therapy Facility in Drumkeeran and the MUGA in Ballinamore.
- Construction tenders assessed for Coleman's (Carrick Youth Arts & Community Space) Sean Quigley has been appointed to carry out the refurbishment works

Thriving & Peaceful Communities

- The Community Biodiversity Programme was promoted at the Love Where You Live Awards where an information leaflet was circulated to over 200 members of Leitrim's community & voluntary network.
- The first of our Digital Camps for young people was held in The Junction in Ballinamore over the October mid-term. Over 60 young people attend a day long camp which included digital awareness, VR & coding and digital art.
- Applications for the QQI Level 7 in Community Work (Special Purpose Award) were opened up with the deadline for submissions the 8th December.

Celebrating Cultural Diversity

- Ballinamore Area Community Council have been appointed to deliver a Practical Skills Training Programme which will include tractor skills, first aid, quad bike certification among others. It will be delivered in locations around the county.

PEACEPLUS Shannonside Peace Arena Timeframes (1.4)

	McAdam Current Programme	Proposed Completion
Onboarding – Review of Stage 2(a) Design	3 months	Completed
Stage 2(b) Detailed Design & Technical Preparation	4 months – currently in month 3	End of November 2025
Stage 3 – Procurement, Tender Actions, Evaluation and Award	9 months	End of May 2026
Stage 4 – Construction	14 months	Mid August 2027
Stage 5 – Handover	1 month	Mid September 2027

Management

- Crowleys DFK have been formally appointed as Auditors (Controllers) and will be certifying all financial claims and expenditure under both PEACEPLUS programmes 1.1 & 1.4

Local Community Safety Partnership (LCSP)

The Policing, Security and Community Safety Act 2024, has commenced. Regulations have been received which will provide a framework for establishing the Local Community Safety Partnership in line with the provisions of the Act.

In accordance with the legislation the membership of the LCSP will be community focused. Statutory services including AGS, HSE, TUSLA and seven local Councillors will be mandated onto the LCSP. Local Members have been recruited to represent local residents groups & minority groups via the PPN, Rural interests, Victims of Crime, Older Persons, Sports & Business Reps are also being recruited and have been submitted to the National Office of Community Safety (NOCS) for approval by Minister O' Callaghan. Induction of LCSP partnership members will take place on receipt of Ministerial approval of members with first meeting due to take place in January.

Financial claim has been submitted to NOCS for salary recoupment and €10,000 partnership set up cost. Issues paper submitted to NOCS for Leitrim to inform development of National Community Safety Strategy.

LCSP coordinator has commenced in Post in November.

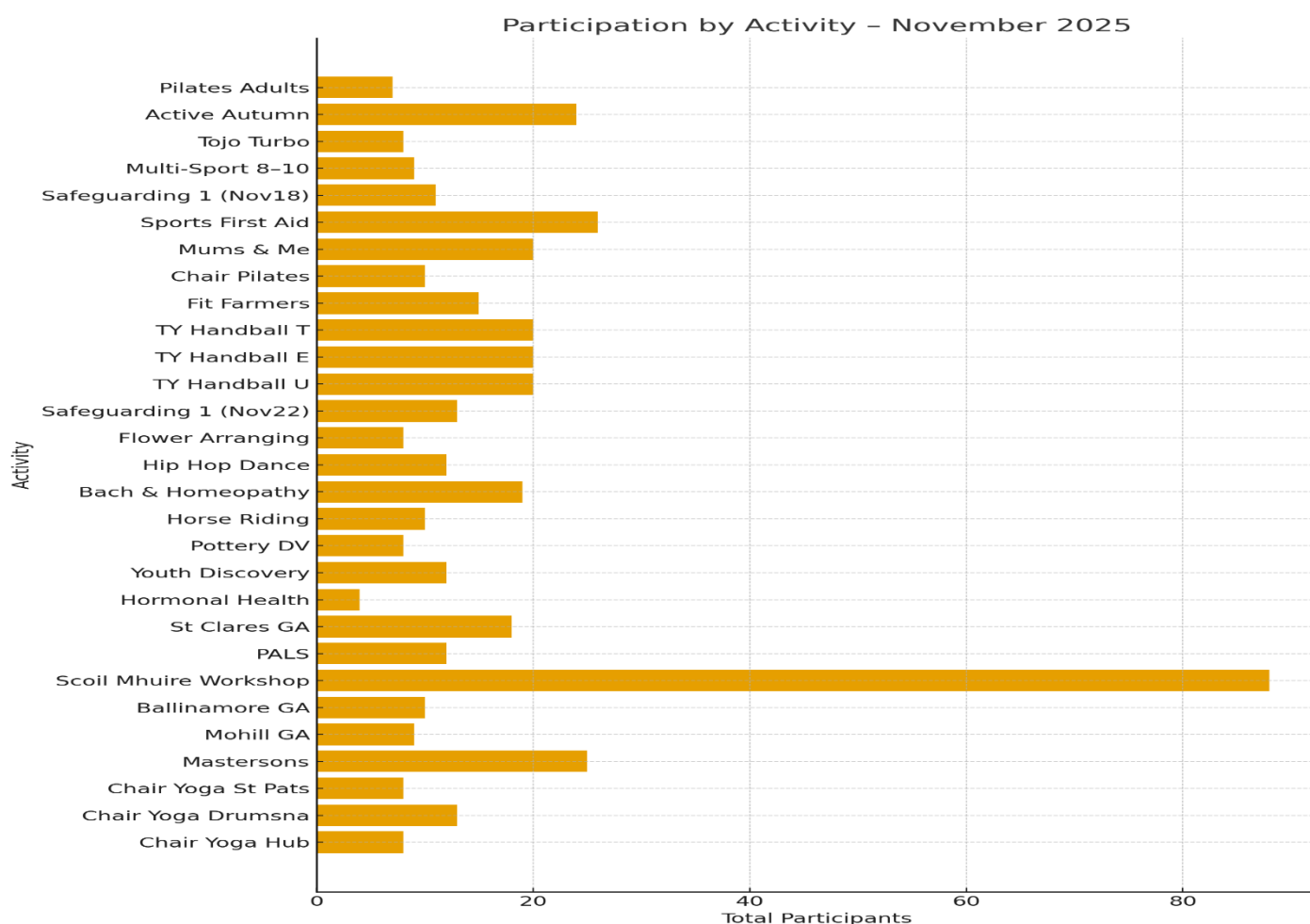
Local Authority Integration Team (LAIT)

- In November, the Integration Team conducted 10 clinics aimed at identifying the needs of residents and families. Three clinics focused on Beneficiaries of Temporary Protection (BOTP) and the 7 remaining focused on International Protection Accommodation Centres in Leitrim.
- One 'Offer a Home' activation was successfully completed in November, providing accommodation for two families units accommodating 5 individuals in total.

- The Integration Team partnered with Tusla Child and Family agency to carry out a consultation with Parents residing in Dromahair to ascertain the needs and challenges when parenting in Ireland a total of 15 parents were in attendance
- Children not currently availing of the Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) Scheme –have received Play Pack funded nationally through County Childcare Committee's. Children In Abbey Manor and Carraig Accommodation received packs
- Young People aged 12–17: “Finding the Balance” – This initiative explored themes such as culture, diversity, and integration. The programme supported 7 young people in navigating their new environment, flourishing within it, and actively engaging with their peers and the wider community. This programme was funded through the Children and Young People Service Committee – Healthy Ireland Fund.
- The Integration Team held a Community and Integration Christmas Event in November in the Island Theatre, Ballinamore. This event was attended by families residing at Abbey Manor Hotel, Dromahair, Carraig Accommodation Centre, Ballinamore, Beneficiaries of Temporary Protection and families from the community. A total of 98 people attended the event where they took part in Christmas t-shirt printing, face painting and a disco.

LEITRIM SPORTS PARTNERSHIP

Leitrim Sports Partnership – November 2025 Participation Summary



<u>Category</u>	<u>Activity Description</u>	<u>Total Participants</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
<i>Active Age – Chair Yoga</i>	Sports Inclusion Hub – Nov 7 (6 weeks)	8	1	7
<i>Active Age – Chair Yoga</i>	Golden Age Group, Drumsna – Nov 6 (6 weeks)	13	0	13
<i>Active Age – Chair Yoga</i>	St. Pats (6 weeks)	8	4	4
<i>Ag Sugradh Le Cheile</i>	Mastersons – Nov 4	25	10 1 man	9 5 women
<i>Girls Active</i>	Mohill – Nov 5	9	0	9
<i>Girls Active</i>	Ballinamore – Nov 12	10	0	10
<i>Ag Sugradh Le Cheile Workshop</i>	Scoil Mhuire – Nov 10	88	20 8 men	33 27 women
<i>PALS – Physical Activity Leaders</i>	Inclusion Hub	12	1	11
<i>Girls Active</i>	St. Clare’s – Nov 27	18	0	18
<i>ESF+ Social Innovation</i>	Hormonal Health Workshop – Nov 4 (Hub)	4	0	4
<i>ESF+ Social Innovation</i>	Youth Discovery Session – Ballinamore Nov 12	12	2	10
<i>ESF+ Social Innovation</i>	Pottery Workshop for DV Victims – From Nov 13	8	0	8
<i>ESF+ Social Innovation</i>	Horse Riding Programme – From Nov 14	10	2	8
<i>ESF+ Social Innovation</i>	Bach & Homoeopathy Workshop – Nov 22	19	4	15
<i>ESF+ Social Innovation</i>	Hip Hop Dance – Nov 22	12	2	10
<i>ESF+ Social Innovation</i>	Flower Arranging – Nov 27	8	0	8

CSDO	Safeguarding 1 – Nov 22	13	6	7
CSDO	TY Olympic Handball – Class U – Nov 10	20	11	9
CSDO	TY Olympic Handball – Class E – Nov 6	20	12	8
CSDO	TY Olympic Handball – Class T – Nov 7	20	10	10
CSDO	Fit Farmers Follow-On – Mohill	15	15	0
CSDO	Chair Pilates – Bee Park	10	0	10
CSDO	Mums & Me Postnatal – Ballinamore	20	3	7 10 women
CSDO	Sports First Aid – Ballinamore CS	26	14	12
CSDO	Safeguarding 1 – Nov 18	11	8	3
Drumshanbo Hub	Multi-Sport (8–10 yrs)	9	9	0
Drumshanbo Hub	Tojo Turbo – Spin	8	7	1
Drumshanbo Hub	Active Autumn Fitness	24	1	23
Drumshanbo Hub	Pilates for Adults	7	0	7
	Totals	467		

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 first one day workshop of STEM Passport for Inclusion programme (level 6 award) during the month of November. Carrigallen Vocational School will commence in January 2026. A number of National Schools around the County have signed up to take part in the Microsoft Dreamspace Programme 2025/2026.

Broadband Connection Points – Upgrade of BCP equipment.

The upgrade of the BCP equipment for the 12 BCP sites is almost complete with one to be finalised.

Carrick on Shannon Business Campus

Building on the completed feasibility study for a proposed Enterprise Hub at Carrick on Shannon Business Campus, work advanced on planning for a tender for consultancy services to develop 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 was published on the eTenders platform on 31st October, and the closing date has been extended to 15th December 2025.

County Promotion

The Intercounty Promotion Event on Nov 27th at the Irish Embassy in London was well received with very positive feedback and over 100 attendees on the evening.

The breakfast meeting with Leitrim Diaspora in London on Nov 28th went well with those in attendance keen to support future initiatives.

Leitrim Diaspora

Works continues the development of the framework for the Leitrim Diaspora Strategy, 2026-2030. Meetings of the Diaspora Working Group and Steering Groups took place in November, further meetings are planned for Q1, 2026.

Leitrim Economic Forum and Global Business Network

There were no meetings of the above groups in November, the next meetings of the groups are on the 5th and 10th December, respectively.

Work is ongoing on the procurement of a consultant to deliver a new Economic and Skills Strategy for county Leitrim. Discussions are taking place on planning A Leitrim Business Summit for 2026, both of these initiatives will be part of the Economic Forum Work programme.

DRCD Funded Schemes

ORIS Measure 2 & 3 funding was announced, and of the 63 projects nationally, Leitrim has received funding for one project, the construction of a 1.95km greyway between Dromod and Roosky, along the L1601, which was approved €500,000.

The CLÁR funding announcements were made during November, a total of 206 approvals were made throughout the country, with Leitrim receiving approval on nine projects, totalling €537,118.

FIRE SERVICES

Fire Stations

Manorhamilton FS

Negotiations are ongoing between the Fire Service and the Design team regarding the design Team's fees for the completion of the project. Once these are concluded, work can recommence on the tender documentation

Existing Fire Stations

The Fire Service Management will advance proposals for Carrick-on-Shannon, Mohill, Ballinamore & Drumshanbo fire stations during 2026

Building Control activity in November 2025

	Received	Valid	Granted	Inspections Undertaken
Commencement Notices	4	4	6	
Fire Safety Certificates	0	2	3	2
Disabled Access Certificates	0	0	2	
Certificate of Compliance on Completion	0	0		
Building Control Act Inspections (Commencements, on-site, BERs, Market Surveillance etc)				1
FSA Inspections (complaints, licence, etc.)	4	4	1	5
DSA – Dangerous Substances Licence				

LOCAL ENTERPRISE OFFICE (LEO)

Training, Mentoring & Export

A large number of people received training in November as we ran a series of courses such as Small Business Accounts training; Canva Advanced Design Techniques; Small Business Accounts for Childminders; Workshop for Limited Company Directors; MicroFinance Ireland Loans Information Session; an in person Start Your Own Business Course and a 1:1 Marketing Review Clinic.

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) launches 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, with one contract awarded for a mobile fab lab and another tender currently live. Workshops are due to commence in the new year.

Creative Heartlands

Screen Ireland funding has been secured and a new programme of training and mentoring for the screen sector has been developed. The programme launched in October and will run until May 2026. This will cover Leitrim, Sligo, and Roscommon. Two events have already taken place under this programme, and a comprehensive mentorship programme will be established.

Northwest Regional Enterprise Plan Implementation

Northwest Vision Development

The x3 Chief Executives from Leitrim/Sligo/Donegal are collaborating to develop a Northwest Region Vision which will feed into the REP development in 2025. There has been a number of working groups with hypotheses presented to the working group. Leitrim CoCo is represented on the project by Director of Economic Development and the NW Programme Manager. In November the x3 Chief executives of Sligo Leitrim and Donegal 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. This package was kicked off in October. Leitrim CoCo is represented on the project by Director of Economic Development and the NW Programme Manager.

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 REPs

with the intention of taking recommendations from the review towards the next REP development which is due to kick off Q1 2026.

TOURISM

Influencer Marketing

In November, Sara Kennedy from Irish Weddings visited four venues in County Leitrim: Drumhierny Woodland Hideaway, Lough Rynn Castle, The Old Rectory, and The Landmark Hotel. Each offers a distinctive setting for celebrations, showcasing the diversity and charm of Leitrim as a destination. Sara will be publishing reviews and features on these venues, highlighting Leitrim's appeal as a unique location for couples planning their special day.

Fáilte Ireland Seminar Part 1 & 2: Developing Outdoor Accommodation

The webinar highlighted the growth of outdoor accommodation in Ireland, with discussions on market opportunities, planning challenges, and funding supports. The second phase of planning was emphasised as a critical step for successful development, covering issues such as environmental impact, traffic, and local policy. A case study from Drumhierny Woodland Hideaway provided practical insights into marketing strategies and the steps involved in creating a successful outdoor accommodation business. The session also underlined the importance of sustainability, accessibility, and added experiences to enhance visitor appeal. Overall, the webinars offered both strategic guidance and real-world examples to inspire future projects in this sector.

NPA

The tourism team attended a workshop hosted by Interreg Europe that focused on potential Northern Periphery and Arctic (NPA) projects. The session provided valuable insights into upcoming funding priorities, thematic areas, and partnership opportunities. It also outlined the application process and key timelines, with the next open call scheduled for February 2026. The workshop offered an opportunity to network with stakeholders from across Europe and to explore collaborative ideas that could strengthen regional development and innovation.

Festival & Event Grants

Claims for festival and event grants are actively being processed. Promotional support for upcoming events continues, with efforts focused on increasing visibility and driving attendance.

Social Media Engagement

Throughout November, the Tourism Team maintained active engagement across Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter. This activity was supported by the county-wide photography competition hosted earlier in the year, with winning entries selected to feature in the Leitrim Calendar. The final calendar has now been printed.

Acres Lake

The Tourism Team is currently finalising the design and installation of signage for the new facility at Acres Lake. The signage will include clear directional markers, information boards, and accessibility features to ensure visitors can easily navigate the site. Branding elements will highlight Leitrim's identity and promote the facility as part of the wider tourism offering. The final stage involves coordinating with contractors to ensure the signage is in place ahead of the official launch, with attention given to visibility, and consistency across all entry points and key areas of the lake.

ROADS

Annual Area Programme 2025

The Annual Area Programme of Works for 2025 are now substantially complete. Road crews are continuing to carry out routine maintenance work as necessary. Winter Maintenance (i.e. Gritting of Roads) is being carried out as and when required.

N4 Carrick-on-Shannon Bypass & Traffic Management Project

The N4 Carrick-on-Shannon Bypass & Traffic Management Project is progressing as follows:

- Phase 3 – Design and Environmental Evaluation is ongoing.
- The Phase 3 Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) is currently being finalised, with draft chapters under review by Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) and the legal team.
- Ground investigation fieldwork has been completed on-site in the Material Deposition/Reuse Area located east of the River Shannon.
- The River Shannon Bridge is under final design with input from specialist bridge architects

Surveys ongoing in 2025 include:

- Ground Investigation Contract
- Hydrology Monitoring
- Topographical Survey Contract
- Ecology Survey Contract
- Archaeology Surveys

Ongoing stakeholder consultations and meetings are being held with:

- Land and Property Owners
- Inland Fisheries Ireland (IFI)
- Irish Rail
- National Transport Authority (NTA)
- Irish Water
- Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII)
- Leitrim County Council (LCC) / Roscommon County Council (RCC) Planning Departments
- ESB Networks and ESBI
- Eir

Pavement Overlays

- **N16 Pavement Overlay Scheme (POS) - Manorhamilton to Cornacloy Phase 1** – This POS Scheme was completed in 2023, and final Retention has now been paid to the Contractor. A small section of the pavement scheme in Manorhamilton was excluded and is to be completed under the Manorhamilton Safe Routes to School Programme.
- **N16 Pavement Overlay Scheme (POS) - Manorhamilton to Cornacloy Phase 2** – This POS commenced in November 2024, and works are now substantially completed. Scheme to be closed out in early 2026.
- **N4 Pavement Overlay Scheme – Carrick on Shannon** – Consultants are currently working on the design and tender documents for this Pavement Overlay Scheme. This Pavement Overlay Scheme overlaps with the N4 Carrick on Shannon Road Safety Improvement Scheme currently under development. It is anticipated that both schemes will be completed in two phases, with the

first phase incorporating a Pavement scheme to be completed in 2026 with the second phase incorporating the remaining pavement and safety scheme in 2027.

- **N16 Pavement Overlay Scheme - Stradrine to Esky Bridge** – Consultants have been appointed, topographical survey to be procured. It is anticipated that the scheme will be completed in two phases, one of which will overlap with the N16 Glenfarne VRU improvements.

Realignment of N16

- **Realignment of the N16 at Drummahon** – Works on this Realignment Scheme are now complete. Area office has completed additional residual works. Consultants have completed Stage 4 Road Safety Audit and 2 minor items to be rectified to close out scheme.
- **N16 Lissingroagh to Kilmakerril** - Leitrim County Council submitted a Project Information Summary Notice (PISN) & Estimated Total Scheme Budget Sheet to the TII for this proposed minor works scheme.

N16 HD17 Road Safety Inspections – Works include:

- **Strabrick Junction** – Safety Works at this Junction on the N16 were substantially completed in 2024. Stage 3 Road Safety Audit has been completed and minor issues which were identified have now been completed by the Area Office to close out scheme.
- **N15 Tullaghan Traffic Calming** – A revised preliminary design has been submitted to TII and has been approved. Documentation for Part 8 Planning Approval has been reviewed by Planning Department and documentation is being revised by Road Design.
- **N16 Glenfarne VRU improvements** – Leitrim County Council to procure a consultant to complete Preliminary design report & detailed design as feasibility and options report has been approved by TII. This scheme overlaps with the N16 Stradrine to Esky Bridge Pavement Overlay Scheme and it is anticipated that the scheme will be completed in conjunction with the pavement scheme.

HD15 Road Safety Improvements N4 – Roundabouts on N4 (Shannon Lodge Roundabout to end of Speed Limits)

- **N4 Carrick on Shannon Road Safety Improvement Scheme** – This Scheme has been approved by the TII and is under development, to be developed and completed in conjunction with the N4 Carrick on Shannon Pavement Overlay Scheme.

Leitrim Greenways & Active Travel Severance Scheme

- **The N16 Manorhamilton VRU Improvement scheme** - Topographical survey completed in 2024 & Traffic survey completed. In conjunction with technical staff of the TII, Leitrim County Council is currently assessing traffic report, and a Feasibility and Options Report is being prepared.

Bridge Rehabilitation Works

- Bridge rehabilitation works have been substantially completed on 13 Bridges in 2025. In addition, De-vegetation works were completed on 6 No. Bridges in North Leitrim and 13 No. Bridges in South Leitrim. Also, 2 Bridges are currently with Consultant Engineers for Design Works.

Specific Improvement Grants – Works include:

- **R289 Kilcoon** – Design Consultant appointed. Report on Options approved by Department. Ground Investigations and Topographical survey complete and under review. Detailed design is almost completed and will go to tender asap. Landowner negotiations are ongoing.
- **R280 Killarga** – Design Consultant appointed, and Topographical survey completed. Options Report has been completed and approved by the Department. GI contractor has completed site works with technical reports under review. Preparation of Draft Part 8 documents is almost complete. Detailed design process is almost complete. Landowner discussions are ongoing.
- **R280 Loughmurren Realignment** – Following a retender for a Design Consultant for this SIG, a Design Consultant is now in the process of being appointed.
- **R278 Junctions** – Proposed Land take drawings issued to Area office for agreement with landowners.
- **R280 Erriff Retaining wall Rehabilitation** – Design Consultant has been appointed, Topographical survey completed, the De-vegetation of the Retaining wall has been completed, Bat survey completed. Ground investigation works are currently being procured. Landowner negotiations are ongoing.

Community Involvement Schemes (CIS)

The CIS allocation for 2025 was €375,650 and all have now been completed. There were five CIS's completed in the Ballinamore MD, three CIS's completed in the Carrick MD and two CIS's completed in the Manorhamilton MD.

Local Improvement Schemes (LIS)

The total allocation for Leitrim for Local Improvement Schemes in 2025 was €901,577. A total of 19 No. LIS Schemes has been completed in 2025 as follows - 5 No. in Carrick on Shannon MD, 9 No. in Manorhamilton MD and 5 No. in Ballinamore MD.

Roads in Charge (RIC) Queries

Processed This Month	Processed Year To Date
46	384

All queries regarding water and wastewater services are now processed by Uisce Eireann.

Abnormal Load Permits

Permits Processed This month	Permits Issued Year to Date
0	28

Hedge Cutting Grant Scheme 2025/2026

The Hedge Cutting Grant Scheme for the Hedge Cutting season 2025/2026 has been launched. The Hedge Cutting Grant is €75 per km of public roadside hedges and an additional grant of €50 per km to

encourage the cutting of dangerous overhanging tree canopies/branches. This gives applicants a potential grant claim of €125 per km. **Closing date is Friday 30th January 2026.**

Apps per MD (Total No of Apps)	48
Carrick on Shannon	12
Ballinamore	22
Manorhamilton	14

Application Type	# Applicants
Hedges Only	42
Hedge & Trees	6

HOUSING, PLANNING, CORPORATE SERVICES AND TRANSFORMATION DIRECTORATE

HOUSING

Social Housing Applications and Assessments

To date in 2025, the Housing Department has received a total of **162** new applications for social housing support. Of these, **142** have been assessed – with **112** approved and **30** refused/closed. **5** applications are currently undergoing assessment, while **15** have been deemed invalid and require further information. There are currently **516** approved applicants on the housing waiting list.

To date in 2025 a total of 52 new tenancies have been established, with the breakdown by property acquisition method detailed as follows.

PROPERTY ACQUISITION METHOD	Total
AHB CAS	5
LA Acquired Tenant In Situ	1
LA Acquired Property	5
LA Constructed Property	25
LA Part V Property	4
LA Turnkey Property	1
Private MTR	3
RAS - Housing (Private)	8
Grand Total	52

Traveller Accommodation Programme 2025-2029

The Traveller Accommodation Programme 2025–2029, which commenced on 1st January 2025, sets out a target to deliver 20 accommodation units over a five-year period.

As of 30th November 2025, a total of 6 No. units has been delivered through the Standard Local Authority Housing Scheme, representing 30% progress toward the overall target. Three of these units were completed during the month of September.

The Housing Department remains focused on progressing delivery in line with the programme's objectives for the remainder of the term.

Housing Grants

Grants Allocation and Expenditure Report – 2025

Expenditure at end of November, Breakdown by Grant Category

2025 Allocation = €1,368,174	Expenditure to Date in 2025	No. of Grants Paid to date under each Grant Category
HOP	€393,334.24	123
HGD	€362,376.92	41

MAG	€81,797.84	18
Totals	€835,109.00	182

The Housing Grants Team has continued processing payments for applicants who submitted their completion documentation throughout December. The final expenditure for Private House Grants in 2025 will be reported in the upcoming Chief Executive's Report.

Housing Grants Under Assessment

As of the date of this report, the following grants are under assessment at the end of November 2025:

Grant Category	No. of Grants	Estimated Value of Grants On Hand (at Old Unit Rates)
HOP	24	€121,384
HGD	15	€204,030
MAG	13	€93,351
Totals	52	€418,765

Social Housing Rent Review

Rent reviews have taken place for tenants who have returned rent review documents that were issued earlier in the year. New rents will be applied to all social housing tenants from the first week in November 2025.

For tenants that did not submit the required documentation or failed to reply, a penalty rent will apply to their account from the first week in November. Housing will then commence the process of assessing all RAS and Leasing Tenants rents for application to their accounts in Mid-November 2025.

Housing Capital

Social Housing Delivery

The Housing Capital Team continue to progress the delivery of the annual targets under 'Housing for All'. Details on the social housing (new housing construction dwellings pipelined for delivery) are as outlined in the table below:

Location	Number of Units	Delivery Mechanism	Expected Delivery
Drumkeeran	6	Turnkey	Q4 2025
Carrick-On-Shannon	18	Direct Build	Q4 2025
Drumshanbo	4	Turnkey	Q4 2025
Drumshanbo	1	Part V	Q4 2025
Keshcarrigan	4	Direct Build	Q4 2025

Acquisitions Programme – November Update

Progress under the Acquisitions Programme continued steadily throughout November. One number purchase was completed during the month; it is envisaged that another 2 number purchases will be completed by year end.

The programme continues to prioritise the identification of suitable properties to address housing needs across the county.

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 30 th November 2025	% Complete on 30 th November 2025 out of the overall target
326*	311	95.39%

Note: Previous Report showed inspection figures rather than dwellings inspected. There are **311** dwellings inspected, and **338** 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.

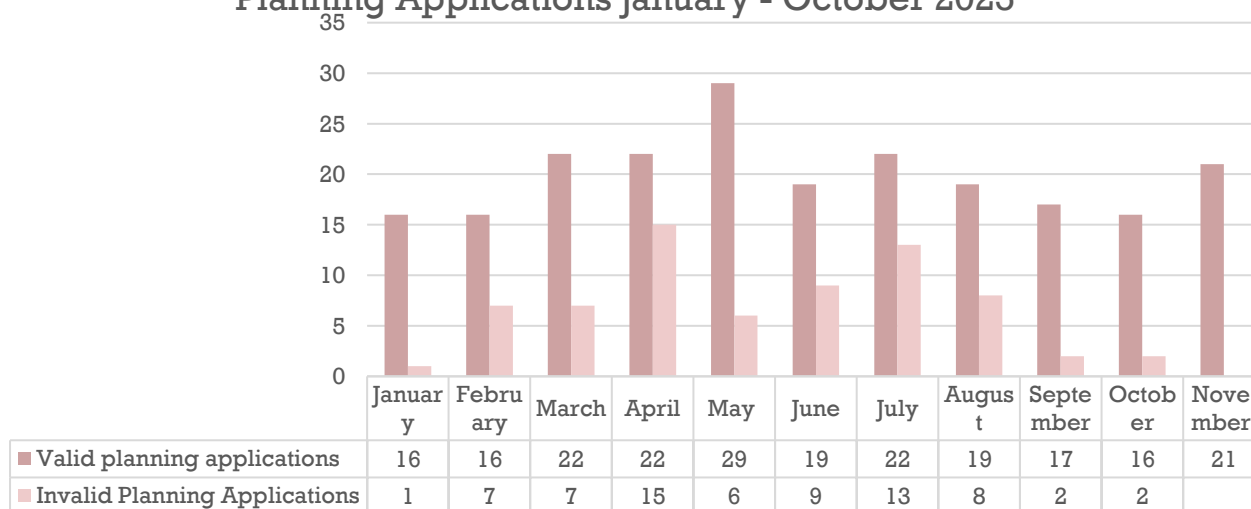
2025 Target for Surveys	No. of surveys completed on 30 th November 2025	% Complete on 30 th November 2025 out of the overall target.
252*	218	86.50%

Energy Efficiency

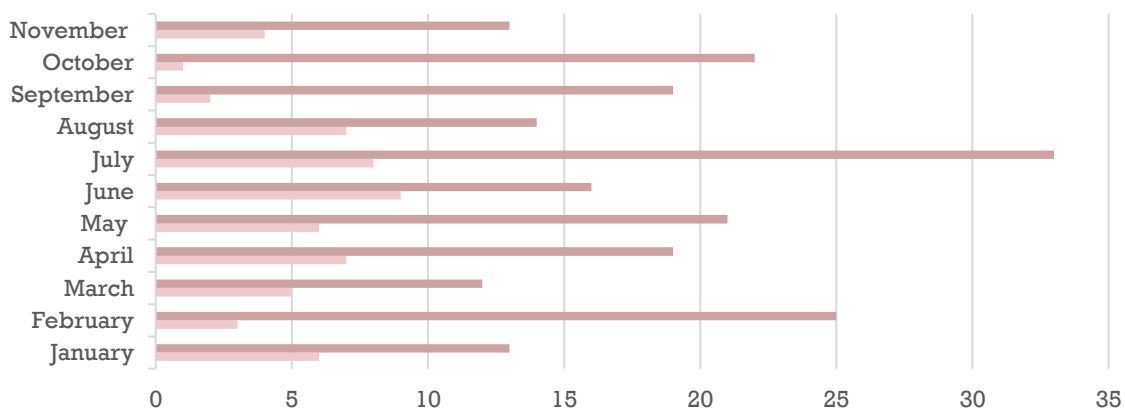
The Energy Efficiency Retrofit Scheme is now complete for 2025 with the target of retrofitting 16 units achieved.

DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT

Planning Applications January - October 2025



Breakdown of Planning Decisions January - October 2025



	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November
Final Decisions	13	25	12	19	21	16	33	14	19	22	13
Retention planning permission	6	3	5	7	6	9	8	7	2	1	4

■ Final Decisions ■ Retention planning permission

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

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.

Heritage

- *The O'Rourke's of Leitrim* Website has been launched and promoted. The website celebrates the important legacy of the family and raises awareness about their impact on the county over the centuries.

- The *Leitrim Memory Meitheals* podcast (series 2) has been launched and promoted. Fionnuala Maxwell speaks to Leitrim residents in five new episodes about the heritage of their local area and their memories of growing up and living in Leitrim.
- *The Exploring O'Rourke's of Leitrim Trail Map* has been launched and distributed.
- A Heritage in Schools historian has visited six primary schools as part of the promotion of the launch of the *O'Rourke's of Leitrim Education Pack for Primary Schools*.
- Community Monument Fund grant recoupment is being processed for the Old Church of Ireland, Manorhamilton Conservation Plan.
- The *O'Rourke's of Leitrim Project* and the *Leitrim Heritage Awareness Project* are both complete and a funding claim has been submitted to the Heritage Council to recoup 75% of funding for the projects.
- A nomination for the *Mummers Join Project* has been submitted for the LAMA Ceangal Local Heritage Award.

SIGNED BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Signed: 
 Joseph Gilhooly Chief Executive

Date: 12th December 2025