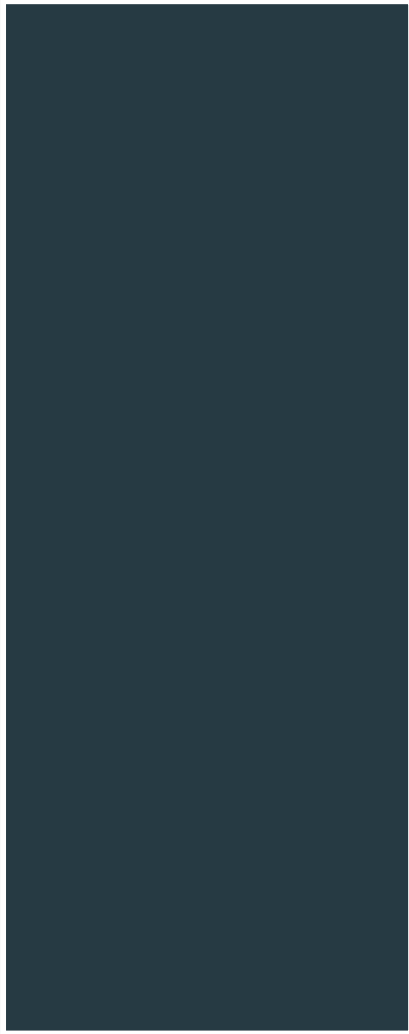


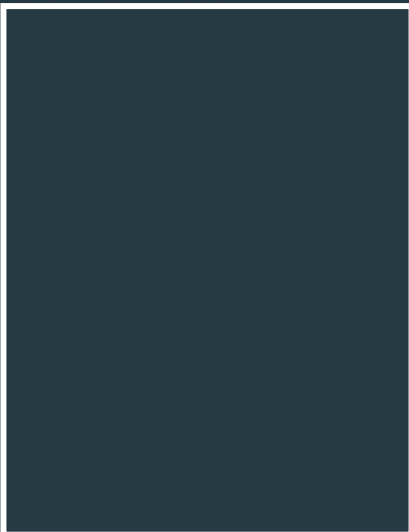


MONTH, YEAR

Highlights



Dates to Note



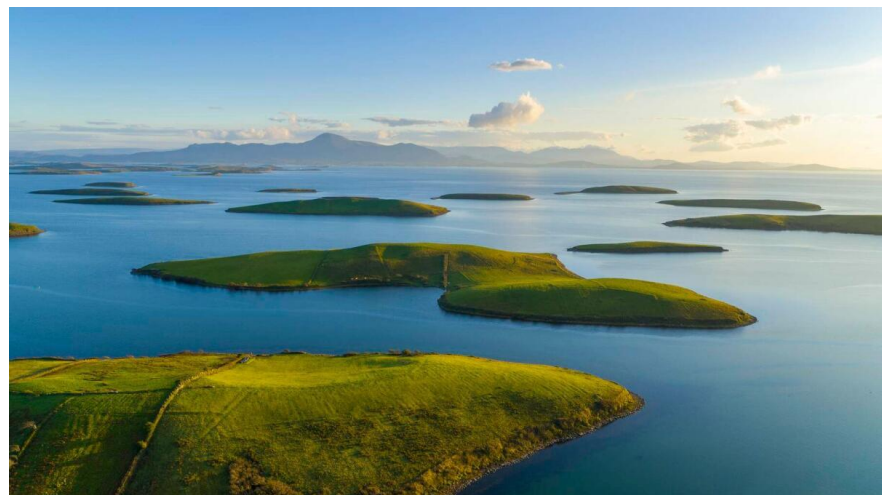
CHIEF EXECUTIVE REPORT

Chief Executive Report

KEVIN KELLY



The **Clew Bay Destination and Experience Development Plan** was launched on 19th November 2021. Key stakeholders in the area and the local community were consulted and inputted into the plan including Mayo County Council, the Office of Public Works, the National Parks and Wildlife Service, Westport Chamber of Commerce and local tourism marketing groups as well as many local tourism operators and networks. This is an important element in developing the tourism potential of this area and ensuring continual Failte Ireland support. This is one of a number of DEDP's which are planned to be developed for Mayo in the coming years and will provide a real opportunity for the sector, communities and agencies to come together with a common vision. Failte Irelands continued commitment to the Wild Atlantic Way will present opportunities for action in the period ahead and we will be engaging fully to deliver on our tourism potential across the entire County.





Housing, Roads and Service Development

TOM GILLIGAN



Directorate Highlights

Contract signed for N17 Lisduff Claremorris scheme with contractor to commence on site in Q1 2022.

2021 Pavement Overlay schemes all completed.

Strategic Assessment Report in relation to R345 Cong Outer Relief Road has been approved by Department of Transport. Appointment of Consultants to undertake a business case to follow in 2022 subject to funding allocation.

Survey works have commenced in relation to Active Travel plans for Ballina and Castlebar.

Corporate Procurement Plan 2022-2024 approved and signed off by the Chief Executive.

Dates to Note

Public information event held on 4th November for N60 Manulla scheme with design works on going.

MAC Meeting with TII – 9th December.

Members of Roads & Transportation SPC met with TII on 30th November.

Housing & Roads Strategic Policy Committee meetings to be held in December.

Roads

- Construction works ongoing to N5 Westport – Turlough scheme with project completion due in Q1 2023.
- Design work practically complete on N60 Heathlawn scheme with the aim to secure approval from TII to proceed to tender and appoint a contractor in Q2 2022.
- Design work practically complete on N59 Newport - Derrada scheme with the aim to secure approval from TII to proceed to tender and appoint a contractor Q2 2022.
- N26 / N59 Ballina By -Pass Phase 1 at route option stage with procurement of specialist Consultants on going.
- Design and survey works ongoing for N60 Breaffy Active Travel and Safety Scheme with Part 8 planning to follow in Q1 2022.
- Consultants appointed by Department of Transport to undertake pavement analysis in relation on R332 Kilmaine to Foxhall road. Report currently being reviewed by Department prior to submission to Mayo County Council.

Housing

Progress on 2016-2021 programme is as follows:

- 573 units have been completed with another 373 in different stages of progress.

HAP & RAS

17 No. delivered under HAP,

3 No. delivered under RAS

Total of 2,133 active households supported by RAS & HAP.

Leasing

Total: 285 No. households currently supported under the Leasing Programme in Mayo at the end of November, 2021

Homelessness

7 No. homeless presentations for November, 2021(8 adults & 3 children)

Total for January to November 2021 is 86 presentations.

Defective Concrete Block Grant Scheme

To date: -

180 Stage 1 Confirmation of Eligibility Applications received

94 Stage 1 Confirmation of Eligibility have been issued

14 Stage 2 Grant approval applications received – 10 of which approved to date.

Procurement & Efficiency Unit

- Continued to monitor plant hire requisitions .
- Assisted the Broadband Section on a tender for works project surrounding an Eco-Health Pod for Clare Island.
- Assisted Digital Transformation Team with tendering for new conference room equipment for the Council Chamber
- Tendered for Mayo County Council (Supply Only) of unBound Materials for Minor Works 2022
- Tendered for the Supply of Bituminous Bound Materials to Mayo County Council for 2022



Water Services, Environment, Climate Change & Emergency Services

JOHN CONDON



Directorate Highlights



RURAL WATER

In the past month the following have been appointed:

P J Tobins Consulting Engineers as our Employers Representative for the PBKS GWS and Derryvohey GWS amalgamation project (€625,000.00),

SDS Consulting Engineers as our Employers representative for the Callow Lake GWS and Attymass GWS amalgamation project (€1,326,000.00),

SDS Consulting Engineers as our Employers representative for Roy Bingham GWS MARWP project (€200,000.00)

SDS Consulting Engineers as our Employers representative for Killgalligan GWS connection to the public mains and TIC by Irish Water (€400,000.00).

We are also in the process of appointing Consulting Engineers as our Employers Representative for Rossport GWS (€150,000.00) and Cornboy GWS (€50,000.00) connection to the public mains and TIC by Irish Water.

Sewer Rehab:

This national programme being rolled out by Irish Water is targeted at identifying and addressing structural defects in sewers. Funding has been approved for works in County Mayo at Moy Heights, Ballina; Ballindine Village; Lurga Road, Charlestown & The Docks, Belmullet.

Critical Sewer Survey Programme:

This national programme being rolled out by Irish Water is targeted at surveying our most critical sewers with a view to confirming asset data and identifying any structural issues that may need to be addressed under the Sewer Rehab Programme. Approval has issued for **1,227m** of sewer surveys in County Mayo at various locations in Castlebar, Crossmolina, Foxford & Westport.

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS

The annual Information Seminars for the Teachers of Green Schools were held online again this year. Six different themes of the Green Schools Programme were covered

- Litter & Waste Theme.
- Water Theme.
- Biodiversity Theme.
- Global Citizenship Litter & Waste Theme.
- Global Citizenship Energy Theme.
- Global Citizenship Marine Theme.
-

The aim of these Seminars is to inform and enable schools to progress their Green Schools work for the coming year, to collaborate with other schools and ultimately renew their green flag.

A public awareness campaign called the Solid Fuel Winter Campaign 2021 was rolled out on local media and social media platforms to reach maximum audience in County Mayo. The Department provided the media pack to the Local Authority, and it included consistent messaging on the ABC of cleaner air this winter.

Dates to Note

- Tourmakeady Decarbonising Community will be presenting to Castlebar MD at their 8th December MD meeting.
- To coincide with the end of COP26 Mayo County Council together with Ballina Green Town held Mayo's Climate Action Gathering in Ballina on Nov 12th and 13th.



Directorate Highlights

Planning Statistics

01/11/21 to 26/11/21

- Planning Applications Received: 101
- Planning Decision to Grant: 88
- Planning Decision to Refuse: 7
- Forthcoming Decisions: 129
- Preplanning Applications: 27
- Appeals: 2

Dates to Note

Planning, Human Resources, Communications, Information Systems, Corporate Affairs & Architectural Services



CATHERINE MCCONNELL

HR - Performance Management Development System (PMDS) Relunched with Leadership Team in preparation for 2022.

New Appointments

- 1 Assistant Staff Officer ■ 1 Assistant Chief Fire Officer ■ 1 Traffic/Litter Warden
- 1 Temp CO

Promotions

- 2 Administrative Officers ■ 1 Temp Traveller Accommodation Officer (1 Year)
- 1 ISTSO ■ 1 Sports Dev Officer
- 3 Assistant Staff Officers ■ 1 Env Tech Grade 11 ■ 1 WWC Grade 5

Interviews held in November 2021

- Senior Library Assistant ■ Plant Fitter

Competitions Advertised in November

- Executive Engineer ■ Assistant Engineer ■ Sláinte Care Healthy Communities Local Development Officer
- Water & Sewerage Caretaker Grade III ■ Assistant Fire Officer

Competitions Screened / Shortlisted

- Clerical Officer ■ Assistant Scientist

Retirements

- 1 Staff Officer ■ 2 Clerical Officers

CORPORATE

Insurance Claims

7 Public Liability claims

Freedom of Information

8 FOI requests

Ombudsman

4 queries

In line with Publications Scheme guidance, the publication of FOI Disclosures Log on www.mayo.ie commenced. This excludes requests for personal information. The FOI Act is under review with full public consultation to take place in 2022.

Training

- 116 indoor staff completed Online Climate Awareness Training
- 69 indoor staff participated in training
- 132 outdoor staff participated in training

Information Systems Department

Major upgrade to Áras data centre Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) system.

Upgrade to core infrastructure hardware for user authentication systems and removal of security-vulnerable legacy hardware.

Recipient of Maynooth University/IVI award for *Leadership in Digital Transformation in the Public Sector*.

Digital Transformation - Projects:

- Customer Relationship Management (CRM): - Discovery Phase
- CE Orders Project - Procurement Phase underway
- Chamber Teams Technology Upgrade - RFT evaluation stage

Library

Castlebar was a location for filming of a documentary for RTE.

Castlebar Library took part in the #OneMillionStarsToEndViolence campaign.

More than 200 Little Library Bags of books were distributed.

Corporate Communications / Road Safety / Diaspora / Offig na Gaeilge

Public information updates on Road Gritting, weather alerts, traffic disruption, Covid-19, Water repairs, recruitment.

Cathaoirleach Awards – Preparation and co-ordination of Awards event

Diaspora – Attendance at Mayo Association dinner London

Key promotional Campaigns: Home to Mayo - Light up for Road Safety - Mature Road

Users Conference - Launch of Climate Action signage strategy - Mayo's first climate

action gathering - Mayo primary schools road safety art competition.



Directorate Highlights

22-26 Nov - RTE Nationwide featured a week of programmes on Mayo, including a dedicated programme on Achill Island.

The 2022 Student Enterprise programme was launched. Now in its 20th year, it has seen over 15,000 Mayo students taking part.

The LCDC Training & Education working group & MSLETB held a 'Welcome to FET' Webinar, introducing adult learners to Further Education Training opportunities with a focus on Apprenticeships. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4grW3cDOXPg>

The Clew Bay Destination & Experience Development Plan launched on 19/11/2021

The Clew Bay Bike Trail featured in the Nov/Dec edition of "Ireland of the Welcomes".

Lough Lannagh Leisure Complex has obtained the highest-level National Quality Standard Award for the 2nd year in a row.

Funding of €450,000 announced for Mayo outdoor recreation spaces at Moorehall, Towerhill Forest, Killala, Turlough Greenways & Céide Fields.

Dates to Note

The Arts Office is promoting the Come together, on-line networking event taking place on 03/12/2021.

"Run Up to Christmas Challenge" is back. Set your goal, use our Milestones, hit your target. Register www.mayo.ie

Announcement of Sports Capital Grants in early December.

MSP's Sports Inclusion Disability Programme is being assessed for a National Silver Xcessible Award on 07/12/2021.

Enterprise, Community, Economic Development & Tourism

JOANNE GREHAN



Enterprise and Investment Unit

- Administration of the Outdoor Seating & Accessories for Tourism and Hospitality Business Grant is ongoing – circa €600,000 to Mayo businesses.
- LEO Mayo hosted a Green for Micro drop-in session for businesses as part of the recent Ballina Green Town Climate Action event.
- Surveying and design works for the National Broadband Plan continues with work ongoing within the Liscarney Deployment Area.
- The free public outdoor WiFi4EU service is now active in 9 Mayo towns. Works are currently taking place to install street signs to advertise the service.
- Work is ongoing involving the DRCD and Broadband Connection Points on projects funded by the Connected Hubs Call to upgrade existing BCP facilities.
- MCC in partnership with the Mayo Chambers will run a Shop Local Mayo campaign in December instore and online from local providers.

Strategic Capital Projects

- T&VRS & CLÁR: review and analysis of how these schemes operate within MCC. Recommendations for streamlining processes, particularly in relation to audits.
- Contribution re T&VRS & CLÁR for Community Funding workshop for Elected Reps.
- Urban Regeneration & Development Fund (URDF): Planning & review meeting with DHPLG in relation to all approved projects in Mayo and timelines for delivery.
- Equality Action Team: Disability Participation & Awareness Funding - managing strategic submission for the library service.

Community, Arts, Sports, Childcare

- MCC received an allocation of €290,406 to deliver a Community Activities Grant Scheme providing small grants for community groups impacted by the Pandemic (closing date 02/02/2022).
- The 15th annual Science Week took place in November, with over 100 Primary and Secondary schools <https://www.mayo.ie/science-technology>
- Mayo County Childcare Committee is participating in a pilot programme entitled Transitions from Preschool to Primary school.
- 9 childcare services are involved in the preschool music and sound programme "Soundworlds", a collaborative project with Music Generation Mayo & MSLETB.
- MCC sought applications under the Local Live Performance Programming Scheme - Phase 2, which provides support in respect of live performances that will take place up to 31/12/2021. Applications have been assessed and events will commence immediately.
- 34 Sports Clubs / Groups allocated €35,000 in funding under Mayo Sports Partnerships round 2 of COVID19 Support funding.
- Application submitted for €185,000 in Dormant Account funded projects including Sports Hubs, Adventure Initiatives, Sports Inclusion Capital and Volunteer supports.

Tourism, Recreation and Amenity

- Landowner liaison and construction works are ongoing on a new section of Greenway located between Achill Sound and Cashel.
- Signage scheme complete on the Euro Velo 1 – Atlantic Coast Cycle route.
- Pre-planning works are ongoing relating to a number of capital projects.

Marine Unit

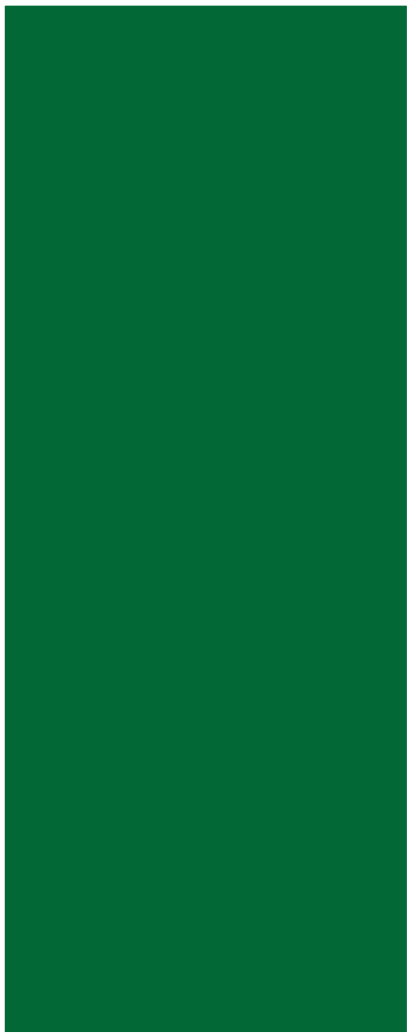
- An Island Connectivity Development Plan is currently underway for Inishturk, Clare Island and the Mainland.



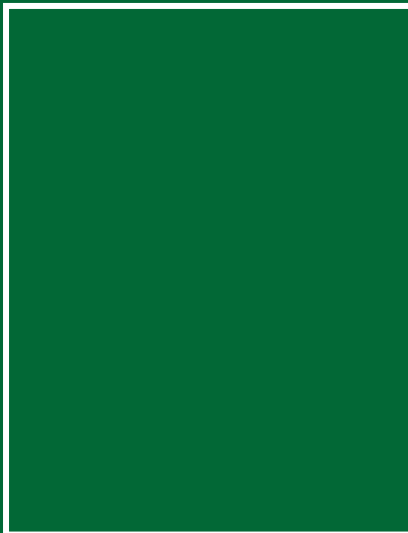
Financial Management & Motor Taxation

PETER DUGGAN

Directorate Highlights



Dates to Note



Mayo County Council
 1. Major Expenditure and Income by Division with 2021 Adopted Budget
 Ten months ended 31st October 2021

APPENDIX A
 FINANCIAL REVIEW DEC 2021

| Service Division | Description | EXPENDITURE | | | | INCOME | | | |
|------------------|--|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| | | Exp. To Date Oct-21 | Budget 2021 | Remaining 2021 | % Spent 2021 | Inc. To Date Oct-21 | Budget 2021 | Not Rec'd 2021 | % Rec'd 2021 |
| A | Housing and Building | 15,937,307 | 19,682,822 | 3,745,515 | 81% | 15,961,574 | 19,831,762 | 3,870,188 | 80% |
| B | Roads Transport and Safety | 35,977,582 | 47,892,469 | 11,914,887 | 75% | 27,815,423 | 40,820,501 | 13,005,078 | 68% |
| C | Water Services | 12,773,998 | 16,726,566 | 3,952,568 | 76% | 15,712,256 | 20,253,755 | 4,541,499 | 78% |
| D | Development Management | 14,116,587 | 13,859,093 | -257,493 | 102% | 6,210,369 | 4,187,315 | -2,023,054 | 148% |
| E | Environmental Services | 13,314,713 | 16,396,894 | 3,082,171 | 81% | 4,422,367 | 5,174,900 | 1,322,533 | 77% |
| F | Recreation and Amenity | 8,704,065 | 10,724,014 | 2,019,949 | 81% | 2,131,700 | 3,386,330 | 1,254,630 | 63% |
| G | Agriculture, Education, Health and Welfare | 1,684,330 | 1,954,527 | 370,197 | 81% | 500,339 | 588,260 | 87,921 | 85% |
| H | Miscellaneous Services | 18,543,171 | 11,486,138 | -7,055,033 | 161% | 17,866,149 | 7,213,963 | -10,652,186 | 248% |
| J | Central Management Charges | 17,368,216 | 20,444,108 | 3,075,892 | 85% | 1,344,238 | 1,500,000 | 155,762 | 90% |
| | Rates | - | - | - | - | 17,380,754 | 34,784,930 | 17,404,176 | 50% |
| | Local Government Fund | - | - | - | - | 28,957,641 | 20,856,905 | -8,100,736 | 139% |
| | GRAND TOTAL | 138,319,989 | 159,168,621 | 20,848,633 | 87% | 138,302,809 | 159,168,621 | 20,865,812 | 87% |

2. Performance of Local Authority Revenue Collection Levels

| | Total for collection | Collected Oct-21 | Arrears Oct-21 | % Collected |
|---------------|----------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------|
| Rents | 7,558,874 | 6,339,320 | 1,219,554 | 84% |
| Rates | 25,787,452 | 20,781,169 | 5,006,283 | 81% |
| Housing Loans | 3,525,095 | 2,752,092 | 773,003 | 78% |

3. Recourse to Overdraft Facility

| | Number of days in overdraft | Estimated Interest Incurred |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | 24 | 2,676 |