Macroom Municipal District Officer's Report

28th March 2024



1. General Municipal Allocation

To date, the following claims have been submitted in relation to the Amenity, Capital and Community Contract allocations under the GMA.

- **>** 2021 €190,907.75
- **>** 2022 €172,889.50
- ≥ 2023 € 73,128.41

2. Town Development Fund

To date, the following claims have been submitted in relation to the Town Development Fund under the GMA.

- > 2021 €54,967
- > 2022 €86,218
- ≥ 2023 €21,391

Below are some images of recently completed projects by Rylane Celtic for ball stop nets and Aghinagh GAA for a new shed . Both of these projects were completed with assistance from the Community Fund.









3. 2024 General Municipal Allocation & Town Development Fund

2024 Community Fund

A total of 90 applications were received by the Macroom MD in respect of the 2024 Community Fund Scheme. The total value of applications received was €1,286,166 while the allocation under the Community Fund 2024 is €197,253.

A listing of all applications deemed eligible and recommended for approval by the elected members of the Macroom Municipal District is set out in a separate document as an appendix to this report and will be provided at the MD meeting on Thursday 28th March 2024.

2024 Town Development Fund (TDF)

The 2024 TDF allocation is €98,000. The proposed allocations under the 2024 Town Development Fund is also listed in a separate document and will also be provided at the MD Meeting.

4. 2024 Village Enhancement Scheme

It has been agreed by the elected members that the 2024 Village Enhancement Scheme be allocated to two villages this year and also for speed safety measures. The split of the Fund is as follows:

Installation of Speed Safety Measures - €18,000
Village Enhancements to Cill Na Martra Village - €25,375
Village Enhancements to Ballinora Village - €25,375
Total Village Enhancement Allocation for 2024: €68,750

The locations for the speed safety measures for 2024 have also been agreed as listed below:

2024 Locations for Speed Activated Signs:

Area	No of Signs	Area covered by
Farran	1	James
Kilmurry	1	James
Clondrohid	1	Pat
Ballyanly	1	Pat
Aghabullogue	1	Pat
Béalnamorrive	1	Pat
Total	6	

A meeting will be held in Cill Na Martra and Ballinora over the coming weeks to agree the enhancements for their villages under this Scheme.

5. Macroom Municipal District Civic Reception Awards Night

Cathaoirleach, Cllr Lucey will host a Civic Reception to honour the awards won by various winning teams & individuals at underage, Ages 12-18 throughout Macroom Municipal District. This reception won't be limited to clubs, any individual who have won can also be included in these awards nights.

This Civic Reception will be held over two evenings at the Castle Hotel Macroom on Wednesday 24th & Thursday 25th April 2024.

Members' nominations for inclusion in these awards nights have been sent into the office and preparations are underway for what promises to be a great celebration of local talent & achievements in the MD.

6. 2022 Village Enhancement Scheme (VES)

The Cathaoirleach of Macroom Municipal District, Cllr. Ted Lucey together with elected members of Cork County Council and local volunteers from Aherla village proudly show off some of the enhancements made to Aherla village under the Cork County Council funded 2022 Village Enhancement Scheme. Aherla Village was granted €50,750 under this Scheme for targeted enhancements to the village.

Some of the main enhancements to the village include a new paved focal point for the village, which includes bicycle stand, seating, new display board, together with structure to accommodate the new Christmas Tree for the village showcased during the festive period. New speed detector signage & town signs also added as part of this funding.

Below are some images of recent visit by Cathoirleach, Cllr Lucey & MD Members to meet with the active community who completed these projects for their village.







7. Lights at Carnegie Hall Millstreet

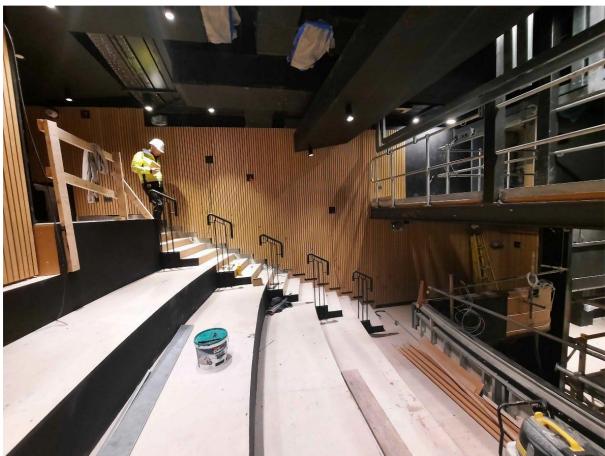
The flood lights onto Carnegie Hall have been replaced & upgraded with energy efficient lighting, which can be programmed & colour change accordingly. This project funded from Millstreet's Town Development Fund are a great addition & enhance the building really well.

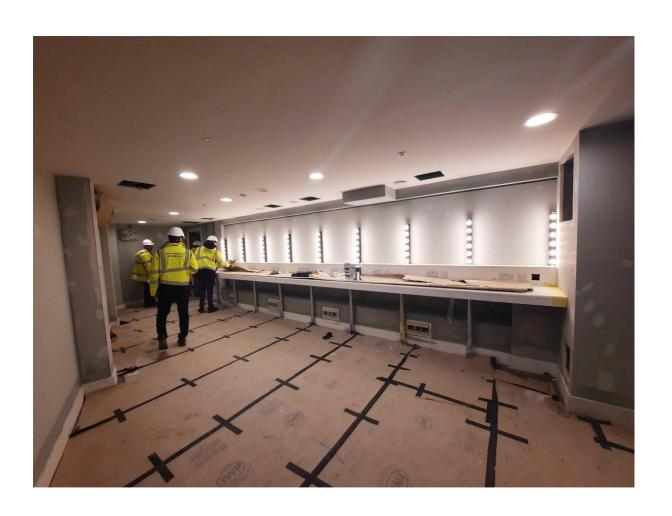
8. Macroom Library & Briery Gap Theatre

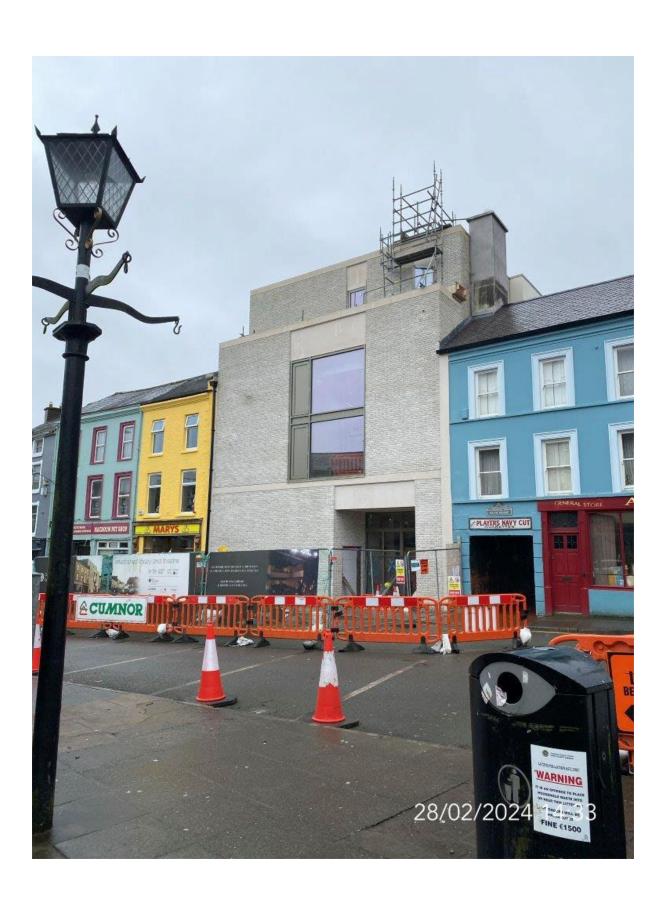
This project is on target to complete the construction phase in mid May 2024 with handover to Cork County Council for internal fit outs by the Library Service & Briery Gap Theatre. A lot of work is currently taking place on site to ensure this handover is met. Below are some interior images of the building which really show how well it is going to look when it has fully opened to the public.











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