



Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Carrick-on-Suir & Environs Local Area Plan 2025 - 2031

Appendix 5 Monitoring and Evaluation of LAP

June 2025



Local Planning and Development Implementation Plan		
Objective No.	Objective Text	Implementation
Chapter 2 – Planning and Development Strategy		
Objective 2A	Support the local community to identify and implement measures and actions to reduce energy consumption, produce renewable energy from local resources and to adapt to a changing climate, in accordance with the Tipperary County Council Climate Action Plan 2024-2029.	Incremental delivery throughout the Plan period, as local community groups seek the assistance of the local authority in implementing schemes or seek planning permission.
Objective 2B	Work in partnership with community and civic groups in the regeneration and revitalisation of Carrick-on-Suir and to actively seek and secure funding and investment under available national and regional investment and funding programmes in line with the development strategy as set out.	Delivery through identification of (i) projects included in the LAP and other local plans; (ii) appropriate community groups to support these projects; and (iii) appropriate national, regional and local funding programmes
Objective 2C	Support and facilitate the development of lands in collaboration with landowners and service providers for residential and employment development over the lifetime of the LAP.	To be progressed during the lifetime of the plan.
Objective 2D	Actively respond to the specific need in Carrick-on-Suir for affordable housing and housing units for one and two-bedroom units, through the delivery of local authority social and affordable housing programmes and through the implementation of funds and programmes available from central government to support the delivery of new homes.	Ongoing delivery by Local Authority throughout the Plan period based on need as per Housing Needs Demand Assessment and Housing Directorate.
Objective 2E	Monitor the scale, type, tenure and location of constructed and permitted developments in Carrick-on-Suir to ensure compliance with the Core Strategy and to achieve the delivery of strategic plan-led and coordinated balanced development within the town.	To be reported annually through the core strategy monitoring.
Objective 2F	Undertake Town Centre Health Checks periodically, in accordance with the methodology set out in the Heritage Council's guidance, in	To be carried out periodically subject to resources, and as part of baseline assessment for TCF plan.

	order to ascertain the quantum of vacant building stock in the town centre.	
Objective 2G	Continue to engage with the Tipperary Energy Agency, and other relevant energy agencies, to develop targeted energy and climate action measures within the geographic area of the local area plan, including measures such as the electrification of heating under the National Residential Retrofit Plan.	Engagement ongoing as appropriate projects within LAP area emerge.
Objective 2H	Provide support, data and information where available to developers seeking to develop or be part of district heating and centralised biomass / biogas boiler / heat pump systems, whether private/public or mixture of both.	Engagement ongoing as appropriate projects within LAP area emerge.
Chapter 3 – Town Centre Strategy		
Objective 3A	Support the Town Regeneration Officer and the Town Team in the preparation and implementation of a collaborative Town Centre First Plan for Carrick-on-Suir that will build on collaborative work and successful funding applications to date, and to provide a framework for which further funding will be sought.	To be progressed in line with local authority schedule and resourcing.
Objective 3B	Support landowners with potential sites for regeneration and development through the Council's planning, housing and local enterprise services and offer regeneration schemes such as the Commercial Vacancy Incentive Scheme, the Croí Cónaithe Scheme, the Repair and Lease Scheme, Buy and Renew Scheme etc. as part of a Town Centre First programme.	Ongoing throughout the plan. Dedicated webpage to be set up with all relevant information and points of contact listed.
Objective 3C	Offer support in the form of advice and pre-planning services to landowners and planning agents, to help overcome planning obstacles to the occupation and reuse of vacant upper floors and commercial units in the town centre; and develop best practice guidance in the re-use of upper floors.	Implemented through pre planning service in conjunction with Vacant Homes Officer.
Objective 3D	Develop and improve areas in need of regeneration, renewal and redevelopment and to apply, where appropriate, the provisions of the Finance Act, Urban Regeneration and Housing Act, Derelict Sites Act, and use Compulsory	To be progressed through the lifetime of plan. Funding opportunities for regeneration of vacant properties to be maximised.

	Purchase Orders to enable regeneration, reduce vacancy, increase housing supply, employment opportunities and provide community facilities.	
Objective 3E	Support the development of a Site Development Brief for the 'Goldcrop Site' in consultation with the community and relevant stakeholders; whilst ensuring the development brief has due regard to site specific biodiversity protection requirements and enhancement opportunities.	Explore funding/means for the delivery of a Site Development Brief.
Objective 3F	Deliver the Carrick-on-Suir Regeneration Plan; "A Journey from the Suir Blueway to the Ormond Castle Quarter - Delivering Our Community's Ambition".	To be progressed through the lifetime of plan. Funding opportunities to be maximised.
Objective 3G	Identify suitable locations for car, campervan and coach parking to support businesses and grow tourism, within the town. Also, to examine the possibility of adapting existing car parks to provide for coach parking bays - having due regard to the Sustainable Transport Plan and safety along with the needs of businesses and traders in the town.	To be progressed in consultation with the Council's Roads Section and the MD.
Objective 3H	Encourage and facilitate the reuse and regeneration of derelict buildings in the town centre for retail, commercial, residential, mixed uses and other strategic purposes, and where necessary through appropriate legislative mechanisms / instruments and / or by supporting the progression and delivery of projects funded by the Rural Regeneration and Development Fund and other appropriate funds.	To be progressed through the lifetime of plan. Implemented through pre planning service in conjunction with Vacant Homes Officer and Municipal District. Funding opportunities to be maximised.
Chapter 4 – Economic Development Strategy		
Objective 4A	Recognise and support Carrick-on-Suir's role in the Waterford MASP Hinterland area and seek to improve employment provision in the town.	Ongoing implementation as per objective.
Objective 4B	Enable enterprise and employment development in Carrick-on-Suir, through the spatial planning framework of this LAP and the economic support frameworks of the LECP, Leader LDS and provided by the Local Enterprise Office of the Council.	Assess proposals as per policies, objectives and standards of the LAP.

Objective 4C	Support the development and use of the Ballylynch Business Park, Three Bridges Business Park, the Mill River Business Park and the Tinvane Retail Park, through the work of the Local Enterprise Office, and to maintain these Strategic Employment locations as high-quality settings for employment uses with active travel linkages with the town centre.	Assess proposals as per policies, objectives and standards of the LAP. Explore funding from NTA and other sources to develop active travel linkages to the business parks.
Objective 4D	Support the development of an Enterprise and Digital Hub at the disused former Post Office on Main Street.	Implement as funding becomes available.
Objective 4E	Regenerate Carrick-on-Suir as an immersive visitor destination through public realm enhancements, developing the Ormond Castle Quarter and improving linkages to the town centre, rail station and The Suir Blueway Tipperary in line with the Carrick-on-Suir Regeneration Plan.	Ongoing implementation as per objective and as funding becomes available.
Objective 4F	Work with project partners, including the Minister for Housing, Local Government & Heritage, Fáilte Ireland and the OPW to develop the Ormond Castle Quarter, cultural activities and events to support the tourism industry in the town. Any works in proximity to Ormond Castle may be subject to Ministerial Consent under Section 14 of the National Monuments Act 1930 (and Amendments).	Ongoing implementation as per objective and as funding becomes available.
Objective 4G	Engage with the local community and other relevant stakeholders to develop tourism projects, activity-based tourism and water-based activities- whilst appropriately conserving biodiversity through good visitor and recreation management.	Ongoing implementation as per objective.
Objective 4H	Support and facilitate the development of a greenway connection between the Suir Blueway Tipperary and the Waterford Greenway, including improved or additional cycle and pedestrian links over the River Suir.	Ongoing implementation as per objective and as funding becomes available.
Objective 4I	Build synergies between Carrick-on-Suir and the tourism assets of the Munster Vales, the Butler Trail, Thoroughbred Country and Irelands Ancient East and promote and expand physical and cultural tourism linkages with neighbouring areas	Ongoing implementation as per objective.

	and towns including the Irish Walled Towns network.	
Objective 4J	To engage and support all relevant stakeholders in creating a Carrick-on-Suir Brand and in the successful marketing of the town as an attractive location for new enterprise and tourism ventures.	Ongoing implementation as per objective.
Objective 4K	Increase the tourist accommodation capacity of Carrick-on-Suir by supporting and facilitating the development of a diversity of tourist accommodation, and particularly hotel accommodation in the town centre.	To be progressed through the lifetime of plan. Through the Development Management function pre-planning service.
Chapter 5 – Sustainable Communities		
Objective 5A	Support the local community and relevant sectors in engaging in programmes such as ‘the SEAI Sustainable Energy Community’ through the provisions of the Tipperary Climate Action Plan and Delivering Climate Action 2030 (CCMA, 2021). In preparing sectoral adaptation plans and sustainable energy and climate action initiatives, including in the preparation of an Energy Master Plan and in the identification and use of local renewable energy sources.	Point of contact to be provided from Planning Team to SEAI/Community regarding renewable energy and climate adaption initiatives, to inform of planning requirements that may arise regarding same.
Objective 5B	Develop, in conjunction with the Council’s Active Travel Team, interconnectivity and linkages within, and between the neighbourhoods as identified in Section 5.1.1 and the town centre, the train station, employment areas and local schools.	Implemented through funding from NTA and required as part of application proposals for new development within identified neighbourhoods.
Objective 5C	Ensure the continued operation and expansion of schools in Carrick-on-Suir, in line with the Provision of Schools and the Planning System Code of Practice (DoE, 2008).	Ongoing implementation as per objective.
Objective 5D	Work with Age-Friendly Ireland and AS-I-AM in implementing the strategies and objectives of Tipperary Age-Friendly Strategy, and the Autism Innovation Strategy.	Ongoing implementation as per objective.
Objective 5E	Consult with local community groups and civic groups, including the PPN and broad-based organisations such as Comhairle na nOg, as part of the development of local policies and strategies.	Ongoing implementation as per objective. Pro-active engagement through SPC.

Objective 5F	Secure high-quality digital connectivity in Carrick-on-Suir in line with the National Broadband Plan.	Dedicated planning team member to respond to licence application proposals within LAP area that form part of NBS.
Objective 5G	Support educational, community-led and cultural projects which enhance the well-being of residents of the town and protect existing community uses and sporting facilities.	Through the Development Management function as new applications come forward.
Objective 5H	Seek the development of additional recreational and amenity spaces in Carrickbeg and on lands between Ormond Castle and adjacent to the River Suir, having due regard to environmental constraints and sensitivities in this area.	Ongoing over the lifetime of the LAP, in conjunction with the MD.
Objective 5I	Support access to public open space along the Glen River, at the Duck Pond and along the River Suir and promote passive recreational activities (subject to the sensitivity of riverside habitat), whilst protecting and enhancing the natural character and ecological value of the river and stream corridors.	Ongoing over the lifetime of the LAP, in conjunction with the MD.
Objective 5J	Seek to provide appropriate amenity spaces or playgrounds in the Clairin and Green Hill Village areas.	To be progressed through the lifetime of plan. Implemented in conjunction with the MD and through the pre-planning service, as new applications come forward.
Chapter 6 – Transport and Connectivity		
Objective 6A	Actively seek funding for investment in active travel and public transport in the town in line with the provisions of the Sustainable Transport Plan as outlined in Appendix 2 (and any review thereof).	Ongoing in conjunction with Council's Active Travel Team.
Objective 6B	Work in partnership with TII and regional stakeholders to deliver the proposed N24 Waterford to Cahir Scheme as part of the upgrade of the N24 National Route linking Limerick and Waterford - having due regard to the need to protect sensitive aspects of the receiving environment, such as water bodies, biodiversity, flora and fauna, European sites and local population, from potential negative effects of this strategic infrastructural development.	Ongoing in conjunction with Council's Roads Section.

Objective 6C	Collaborate with the NTA and Irish Rail to consider how the rail service, infrastructure and facilities can be better tailored to the needs of the community including passengers commuting to Waterford City for work or education.	Proactive engagement with stakeholders on All Ireland Rail Strategy. Ongoing advocacy on improvement of rail services throughout lifetime of LAP.
Objective 6D	Collaborate with the NTA, national and local bus service providers to consider how the bus service, infrastructure and facilities can be better tailored to the needs of the community, including for a consideration of the nature and location of public bus stops, and improved connectivity and parking at the Rail Station.	Pro-active engagement with NTA, stakeholders and services providers. Ongoing through lifetime of the plan.
Objective 6E	Achieve a modal shift in transport modes as set out in the Sustainable Transport Plan (Appendix 2) through collaboration with the community and transport sectors over the life time of this LAP.	Seek funding from NTA to undertake active travel schemes as identified in Sustainable Transport Plan. Monitor modal shift use on implementation of schemes.
Objective 6F	Control the proliferation of non-road traffic signage on and adjacent to national roads within the LAP area in accordance with TII Policy on Provision of Tourist & Leisure Signage on National Roads (March 2011) and Spatial Planning and National Roads Guidelines for Planning Authorities' (DoECLG, 2012).	Through active enforcement of unauthorised signage and through Development Management function.
Objective 6G	Seek opportunities to improve permeability in existing developed areas in accordance with NTA's Permeability Best Practice Guide, and where the opportunity exists, require that new development incorporates pedestrian and cycle routes to increase permeability for walking and cycling within the neighbourhoods identified in Section 5.1.1 and the wider area, and as outlined in Map 1 within Appendix 2 of this Plan.	Through DM function as new applications come forward.
Objective 6H	Support the development of feasibility studies for the delivery an appropriately designed and constructed river crossing and associated road network as and when appropriate funding is identified and subject to further environmental assessment.	Engagement with the TII and other relevant government agencies, in conjunction with Council's Roads Section and the MD.
Objective 6I	Support and prioritise improved public transport connectivity to the Waterford Metropolitan area.	Pro-active engagement with NTA, stakeholders and services

		providers. Ongoing through lifetime of the plan.
Objective 6J	Liaise with Iarnród Éireann to seek improvements to the existing rail crossing on the R697 Cregg Road.	Pro-active engagement with Irish Rail. Ongoing through lifetime of the plan.
Chapter 7 – Recognising Our Local Heritage		
Objective 7A	Support and work with the local community, and other stakeholders in the development of blue and green infrastructure in the town, including the enhancement of the biodiversity and conservation value of the River Suir, Glen River and Lingaun River.	Ongoing as per objective.
Objective 7B	Work in partnership with stakeholders and the local community in the delivery of projects for Carrick-on-Suir in the Green and Blue Infrastructure Masterplan Roadmap for Tipperary Waterways (TCC, 2018) and the proposed Tipperary Greenway and Trail Strategy and seek funding opportunities as they arise.	Ongoing as per objective.
Objective 7C	Support the actions and objectives of the Carrick-on-Suir Local Biodiversity Plan and the forthcoming County Tipperary Biodiversity Plan.	Ongoing as per objective.
Objective 7D	Ensure that new development, extensions, renovation works and infill development within or adjacent to the ACA is sympathetic to the distinctive character of the area and enhances the special character and visual setting of the Carrick-on-Suir ACA.	Through Development Management function as new applications come forward.
Objective 7E	Ensure that Carrick-on-Suir remains a member of the Irish Walled Towns Network. Protect the town walls, have regard to the Town Wall Conservation Management and Implementation Plan and secure funding for conservation work to the Walls.	Ongoing as per objective.
Objective 7F	Mark the original route of the town walls (particularly in the Castle Park) with signage, planting or ornate paving stones as appropriate.	To be progressed through the lifetime of the LAP, in consultation with the MD and subject to funding.
Objective 7G	Review and update as appropriate the Record of Protected Structures for Carrick-on-Suir, and amalgamate the RPS for Carrick-on-Suir into the	To be commenced and progressed in parallel with the adoption of the LAP.

	Record of Protected Structures for the Tipperary County Development Plan 2022- 2028.	
Chapter 8 – Infrastructure, Energy and Utilities		
Objective 8A	Continually progress, in conjunction with Uisce Éireann, water supply and sewer rehabilitation activities, extension of the municipal waste water network, capital maintenance activities, and to continue to monitor the performance of the networks to ensure that the most urgent works are prioritised as required.	Early engagement with Uisce Éireann regarding any road improvement/public realm works that will present opportunity to rehabilitate sewers, separate combined sewers as part of scheme.
Objective 8B	Support Uisce Éireann in surface water separation works to alleviate system surcharge and facilitate additional foul network capacity.	Ongoing as per objective.
Objective 8C	Integrate a Nature Based Approach to SUDS, with a focus on biodiversity and climate adaptation, as part of new public realm and public sector development in the town.	Part 8 Protocol updated to require Nature Based drainage proposals as part of all Public Realm schemes developed by Local Authority.
Objective 8D	Support the sustainable management of waste and enable a significant reduction in the production of waste in Carrick-on-Suir, in line with the principles of the Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy 2024-2030 (and any review thereof).	Ongoing as per objective.
Objective 8E	Support and work in co-operation with the Office of Public Works in the design, development and implementation of upgrades to the Suir River/ Carrick-on-Suir Flood Relief Scheme.	Ongoing as per objective.
Objective 8F	Support any further remediation of the historic municipal landfill in Carrickbeg, if deemed necessary.	Ongoing as per objective.
Chapter 10 – Monitoring and Evaluation		
Objective 10A	Undertake a programme of monitoring and evaluation of the LAP over its lifetime in accordance with the monitoring framework, set out in Appendix 5 and in accordance with the methodology prepared for the TCDP 2022-2028.	Ongoing as per objective.