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Kilkenny County Council*



New Footpath at Tullaroan

A Guide to Kilkenny County Council's Development Contribution Scheme

Introduction

The Kilkenny County Council Development Contribution Scheme applies to planning permissions granted by requiring the payment of a development contribution in respect of public infrastructure and facilities.

Such facilities will include improvements and upgrading of roads, water and waste water treatment plants and recreational and community facilities.

Between 2008 and 2012 the Council will spend €57 m of development contribution monies on the following infrastructure:

	€m
Roads	21
Water Services	22
Recreation, Community facilities etc.	14
TOTAL	57

Roads

Of the €21 million roads spending, the following are some of the projects to benefit from the Development Contribution Scheme:

Kilkenny Western Environs, Thomastown Bypass, Graiguenamanagh Relief Road, Mooncoin Bypass.

Other works include provision of new footpaths and footpath renewal, school safety markings, resurfacing of car parks etc. The works are approved in advance by your local councillors and are carried out throughout the county by your local area staff. This work will continue to be carried out with funds being allocated on an annual basis from the Development Contribution Scheme Fund.

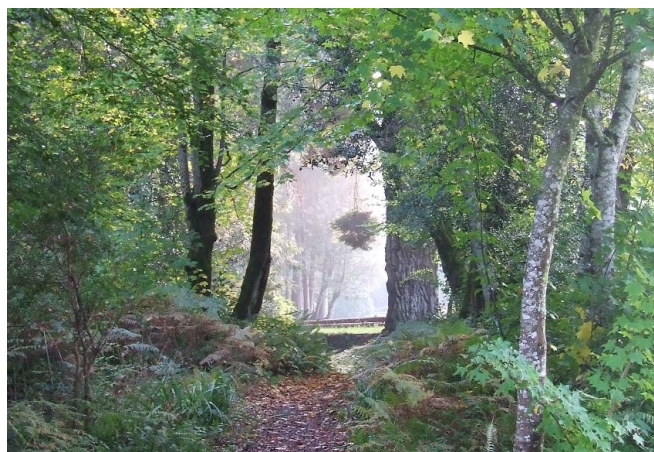


New footpath at Athy Road, Castlecomer

Recreation and Amenities

Kilkenny County Council fund flagship projects such as Woodstock Gardens, Waterford City Environs Flagship, Scanlon Park Sports Complex in Kilkenny, new Library for South Kilkenny and the Graigenemanagh project. To date seven playgrounds have received funding through the Development Contribution Scheme.

Kilkenny County Council has also created a Recreational Capital Fund grant scheme aimed at supporting communities in providing medium scale projects in their areas.



Woodstock Gardens, Inistioge

Water & Waste Water

Kilkenny County Council have to provide funding to meet a proportion of the cost of all public water and waste water schemes. This funding comes from the Development Contribution Scheme.

Major waste water schemes in a number of areas throughout the County are part financed by way of the Development Contribution Scheme.

Smaller projects include mains replacement, quality improvement measures and new schemes and these will continue around the County

Calculation of Contributions - Dwellings

The development charges payable will depend on the floor area of the proposed building so the amount charged will be proportionate to house size. It will also depend on whether or not you are availing of public water supply and/or public waste water facilities. For example, the following charges would apply to these illustrative house sizes:

House Size	Without public water or waste water	With public water and waste water facilities
125 m ² (1300 sq ft)	€2,250	€8,125
200 m ² (2100 sq ft)	€4,100	€13,000
300 m ² (3100 sq ft)	€7,000	€19,500

Charges correct at 1st April 2008 but subject to change. Please see insert to confirm contributions due.

Domestic Extensions

Any residential extension up to 40 m² in floor area is exempt from development contributions. Where a residential extension exceeds 40 m² then the normal development contribution charge applies to the entire floor area, including the first 40 m².

Calculation of Contributions – Other

A full schedule of calculations is attached. The calculation is charged per square metre of development in most cases, except for categories 12, 13, 14, 16, 17 and 18.

Payment

The development contribution is due upon commencement of development with the amount due being index linked to construction inflation. However, no inflation indexation increase will apply if development commences and contributions are paid within 6 months from the date of grant of permission.



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Further Information/Enquiries

Enquiries regarding the Development Contribution Scheme can be directed to:

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