

Roscommon County Council
Comhairle Chontae Ros Comáin



Adopted Budget 2012

For the year ended 31st December 2012

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Manager's Foreword

ADOPTED BUDGET 2012

To the Cathaoirleach and the Elected Members of Roscommon County Council

A Chairde,

I enclose the Adopted Budget for Roscommon County Council for the year ended December 31, 2012.

The Minister for Environment, Community and Local Government determined the period November 24, 2011 to January 13, 2012 as the prescribed period for County Council's to hold their 2012 budget meetings.

As required in legislation I have consulted with the Corporate Policy Group in the preparation of the Budget and with the Management Team. The CPG have met on four occasions to consider and discuss our options.

Our statutory budget meeting was held on Wednesday 21st December at 10.00am.

Local authorities are required by law to adopt a budget that is sufficient to meet their proposed expenditure – total estimated expenditure must be met with total estimated income from commercial rates, charges for goods and services and government grants. In addition to adopting the budget for the coming year, Elected Members must also determine the annual rate on valuation that should be levied on commercial properties.

The Adopted Budget is based on no changes to the current Annual Rate on Valuation and the price of water and waste water.

Introduction

During 2011, the Elected Members and staff have again demonstrated their commitment to maintaining the quality of services in the County. Since I reported to you in my 2011 budget statement, we have had a year of challenging circumstances at local and national level. We have had to adapt to having less resources at our disposal. Our staff, have shown great resilience and co-operation notwithstanding adjustments faced by them in their personal capacities. It has been our primary objective to try and maintain the quality of service as best we can while the country is going through a period of difficult economic and social transition.

Looking at the programme of services that I have set out in this budget, the economic forecast both nationally and globally sees little or no expansion in 2012. Consumer sentiment, liquidity and demand remain low and uncertainty on key fundamentals persists.

A critical part of preparing this budget has been an acknowledgement of the impact of the costs of services provided by the Council.

Local Government Fund

The Department of Environment, Community and Local Government advised us that our 2012 Local Government Fund cash allocation of 2012 is €15,967,965, which is a reduction of 7.24% on the 2011 figure.

	Actual 2008	Actual 2009	Actual 2010	Actual 2011	Actual 2012
	€	€	€	€	€
LGF	23,308,000	21,982,459	20,110,463	18,490,254	17,231,265
Pension Levy Deduction			1,284,000	1,276,903	1,263,300
35% Pay Adjustment			312,996		
NET	23,308,000	21,982,459	18,513,467	17,213,351	15,967,965
Difference %		5.69%	15.78%	7.02%	7.24%

The above table outlines our funding structure over the last four years. As a relatively small authority we are heavily dependent on income from the DoEC& LG Local Government Fund which accounts for 24% of our income. Gross Local Government Fund is down 31.5% over the period 2008 – 2012. The significant reduction in income from this source since 2008 has had a major impact on our budget.

Given the constraints on income available, and the cumulative effects of reductions in expenditure since 2008, it has proven to be extremely challenging to prepare a balanced budget for 2012.

Doing so has required further significant reductions in all areas of expenditure, which will continue to constrain our ability to deliver services in the year ahead. Notwithstanding such constraints I wish to acknowledge the continued commitment and flexibility shown by staff in serving the public to the best of their ability.

In the context of the above reduction in funding, difficult choices had to be made. I remind members that the requirements of Section 16 of the Local Government Act 2001, in particular, requires that the Local Authority, in discharging its functions, shall have regard to the resources available to it, the need to maintain essential services, and ensure that a reasonable balance is achieved between its functional priorities.

The Budget shows a decrease in expenditure of 2.1% and a reduction in income of 0.05% excluding the Local Government Fund.

	Financial Year	Financial Year	Difference	
	2011 (Budgeted) €	2012 (Budgeted) €	€	%
Expenditure	66,421,335	65,005,500	- 1,415,835	-2.1%
Income	37,422,600	37,245,700	- 176,900	-0.5%
Local Government Fund (net)	17,226,254	15,968,000	- 1,258,254	-7.3%
Pension Levy Deduction	1,264,000	1,263,300	- 700	-0.1%
Rates	10,508,300	10,528,500	20,200	0.2%

Local Government Efficiency Review Group

The report of the Local Government Efficiency Review Group issued in July 2010 provided proposals for change for the Local Government Sector. There are a number of important recommendations in the report with regard to improving Local Government receipts, including proposals to incentivise online motor tax applications, eliminate the "off the road" facility for car owners, social housing rents due to local authorities being deducted from Social Protection payments, full cost recovery of planning fees and levying of property and domestic water charges.

The implementation of the above recommendations can only be taken at national level. It is essential that Local Government is adequately funded to provide the range of services and enforcement duties that we are required to provide to a standard that complies with statutory obligations.

Such are the ongoing pressures on budgets that we have had to reconfigure services and deliver them differently. This will continue in 2012, when services in many areas will unavoidably be affected by reduced human and financial resources.

Public Sector Agreement (Croke Park)

The Public Sector Agreement (Croke Park) provides a structure to manage change across the public sector up to 2014. Stability measures were included for staff on the issue of pay and compulsory redundancies in return for a critical review and removal of restrictive practices and barriers to efficiencies. Roscommon County Council agreed its local action plan in November 2010. Many actions have been achieved under this agreement to date.

Roscommon County Council have taken decisive action to reduce staff numbers and control payroll costs in response to the economic downturn. A key factor in this has been our annual budget discipline, efficiencies, reassignments/flexibility and non replacement of vacant posts at all levels, as well as nationally introduced measures such as pay reductions, pension levies and the staffing moratorium.

Over the past four years employee numbers in the Council have reduced significantly through the loss of 90 indoor and 49 outdoor staff due to retirement, expiration/non renewal of contracts, a-typical working arrangements and untimely deaths in service. In view of the severe fiscal restraints the reality is that further reductions are unavoidable. At the same time we must ensure that services to the public are maintained and improved where possible. We cannot lose sight of the fact that, despite the economic downturn, there is an increasing demand on services being provided by the Local Authority Sector with diminishing staffing and financial resources.

One consequence of such a large scale reduction in staff numbers is an increase in the number of retired staff. Our pension budget for 365 people is €3,469,000, which equates to 5.3% of our revenue expenditure. The pension levy deducted from staff, is being used to finance services, rather than funding future pension liabilities.

The local government sector as a whole has reduced its numbers of staff from just over 35,000 in 2008 to 29,000 currently. This is in excess of the requirements of the Employment Control Framework agreed in 2009 between the DoELG and the Department of Finance, which envisaged a reduction to 32,000 by 2012. Under the Local Government Efficiency Review Group targets numbers are to further reduce by approximately 15%.

This budget is based on further such proposals being implemented over the next twelve months.

Roads Maintenance and Improvement

A significant programme of capital investment has been undertaken in 2011.

The focus in 2012 will be to maintain the road network in a reasonable state of repair, despite reduced resources and to carry out surface improvement works as the 2012 grant allocations will permit. Notwithstanding a clear imperative to hold maintenance schedules on roads, grants from Central Government for this purpose may decrease in 2012.

Year		(NRA) - National	(DOT) - Non	Total €
		Roads €	National Roads €	
2008	Maintenance	2,261,000	5,067,000	7,328,000
	Improvements	4,900,000	13,304,000	18,204,000
2009	Maintenance	1,773,000	5,062,000	6,835,000
	Improvements	1,404,000	8,098,000	9,502,000
2010	Maintenance	1,594,000	4,900,000	6,494,000
	Improvements	8,579,000	9,354,000	17,933,000
2011	Maintenance	1,252,000	5,592,000	6,844,000
	Improvements	9,532,000	8,820,000	18,352,000

In addition to adhering to maintenance schedules, despite reduced funding, the Council is anxious to progress the National Primary upgrades for which approval has been included in the recently published Capital Programme. Under this Programme we will move towards commencing construction of the 13km Ballaghaderreen By-Pass in the coming year.

Responding to Severe Weather

Roscommon County Council has responded in 2009, 2010 and 2011 to the severe weather that was encountered during the winter maintenance season. This represented a major call on our resources. I wish to compliment the work and commitment of our staff during those extraordinary periods when they worked without compromise in responding.

It should be noted that there is no provision in this budget for a reserve to fund such exceptional events.

Operational Facilities

This budget provides for the operation of the leisure centre in Roscommon and the swimming pool in Castlerea.

The budget will allow for the continuation of the service at a slightly reduced level than in 2011. This can be reviewed during the year if revenue income can be increased. We hope that through a current programme of investment in more efficient energy capacity, co-financed by the Department of Tourism and Sport, we can reduce the running costs of these facilities. Focus will be placed in 2012 on programming to ensure that our centres remain attractive to potential users.

The upgrade and modernisation of our County Library was completed recently and design works are underway on our new corporate headquarters which will bring all sections together, with the consequent cost savings and improvements in operational efficiencies, access, health & safety and customer service.

Discretionary Community Funding

Due to the massive reduction of funding available it will no longer be possible to provide the range and scale of discretionary funding, as in recent years, towards community based initiatives. This will manifest itself in reduced grants towards burial grounds, swimming pools, arts and voluntary bodies, maintenance of amenity areas and land drainage.

Water Services

There is a legal requirement on us to recover the full economic cost of providing water and sewerage services to the commercial sector. Applying this methodology the Council charge should be €1.50 per 1000 litres of water. The charge in 2011 was set at €1.22 per 1000 litres. This represents an annual subsidy by Roscommon County Council of €442,000 towards the provision of commercial water. The cost of water and waste water will remain at 2011 levels, though there has been an increase of 30-40% in energy costs.

Further water conservation works to the value of €10m are expected to be complete before the end of 2012.

We have adopted a policy of providing customers with information, conservation recommendations and flexible payment arrangements to suit their cash flow situation. Where bills remain outstanding and there is no agreement reached with the customer we will regretfully be forced to implement disconnection or legal remedies or both.

Irish Water

The Minister for the Environment Community and Local Government is considering proposals relating to the establishment of Irish Water. A decision has yet to be made around the format of the new entity. A number of options are under consideration:

- Operated by an existing Semi-State company;
- A self-financing entity with responsibilities for operation, maintenance, investment, customer billing and charging;
- An entity responsible for strategic planning and investment, using local authorities as its agents of delivery.

We await the outcome of this process and will have to consider the consequences locally for services and resources in due course.

Waste Management

The annual loan repayments of €1,346,000 in respect of the Ballaghaderreen Landfill will not be concluded until 2013.

Commercial Rates

We acknowledge that commercial businesses are experiencing a difficult economic situation. We will continue to endeavour to accommodate ratepayers who are experiencing difficulties with flexible payment arrangements to suit their cash flow situation. The Council seeks to balance the value of services provided in maintaining the fabric of life along with the impact of the level of commercial rate set.

For the year ahead, a rate multiplier of 74.38 is proposed.

Non-Principal Private Residences (NPPR)

A charge of €200 was introduced on non-principal private residences in July 2009. The Local Government Management Agency collects the charge on a shared services basis for local authorities. The structure of this charge has promoted self-certification with significant penalties for late payment, which has encouraged compliance. 75% of all payments have been made online (www.nppr.ie) thereby reducing the overheads and support costs associated with collection. The yield from this charge to Roscommon County Council has varied since commencement. As part of the 2011 Budget, it was estimated that €800,000 income would accrue. The actual value for 2011 is currently at €797,900. A projected income of €850,000 in 2012 is included in this budget, as those properties within the Rental Accommodation Scheme will become liable for the charge.

Household Charge

The new Household Charge is being introduced from January 2012. It is expected that this income stream will derive €160m and this funding will be used to replace the Exchequer's contribution to the Local Government Fund. The funds will support the delivery of local services and it is important that the charge is paid as any shortfall in the €160m would lead to a further reduction in the Local Government Fund leading to a deterioration in services.

The collection of the charge will be based on a shared service model. The collection of the income will be the responsibility of the Local Government Management Agency, with all account queries and payments being dealt with in Dublin.

Capital Investment in Infrastructure

The Capital Programme for the year period 2012 – 2014 (with reference to Section 135 of the Local Government Act 2001) is tabled with the Revenue Budget. I have prepared the Capital Programme having due regard to available resources. The County's Capital Programme may be funded from Government Grants, proceeds from development contributions and the sale of assets. These funding sources have significantly contracted in recent years. The three-year investment plan amounts to €178,496,600, of which €53,856,900 is scheduled to be incurred in 2012. In particular there is substantial investment in housing and water services.

This level of spend is a welcome investment in our County's infrastructure.

Conclusion

Notwithstanding the cutbacks, Roscommon County Council will invest a revenue budget of over €65m through payments towards employees, contractors and local suppliers in the coming year. This represents a major investment in the social, economic and cultural fabric of County Roscommon.

While this budget represents a fourth year of contracting resources every effort is being made by our staff to support the ongoing development of the county's economy.

In order for us to comply with legal requirements to provide a balanced budget we have had to take some major decisions. Adherence to this budget will entail constant monitoring of performance and if necessary taking corrective action as the year progresses.

We will continue to provide regular financial updates to the CPG and elected members in the year ahead.

I wish to thank the elected members and staff of the Council for their support over the past year. I wish to record my appreciation to the current Cathaoirleach, Cllr Eugene Murphy and his predecessor Cllr Ernie Keenan, for their commitment to the special responsibilities of the office and for their courtesy and co-operation, along with the Corporate Policy Group, in doing the business of the Council.

I also wish to thank the staff of all the Council Directorates. Staff have shown great flexibility in adapting to the changing work environment and working to ensure the maintenance of quality services. The work of every member of staff is of real and tangible value in supporting the economic and social vibrancy of this county.

I would also like to acknowledge and thank members of staff who retired in 2011, and to remember all associated with the Council who have passed away during the year.

I thank the members of my Management Team, Tommy Ryan, Majella Hunt, Martin Lydon and Kathleen Martin for their continued commitment and support.

I especially wish to thank Martin Lydon, Head of Finance, and the staff of the Finance Unit for their work and support in the preparation of this Budget.



Frank Dawson
County Manager
December 2011

Overall Summary



Expenditure Variation Statement

	€	€
2011 Working Budget: After allocation of Road Grants		66,421,335
Payroll Expenses		- 336,887
Operational Expenses		
Purchase of Equipment	4,200	
Repairs & Maintenance	-34,100	
Contract Payments	-180,964	
Agency Services	-120,700	
Machinery Yard Charges incl Plant Hire	-339,310	
Purchase of Materials and Issues from Stores	-161,344	
Payment of Grants	-243,400	
Members Costs	0	
Travelling & Subsistence Allowances	-56,050	
Consultancy and Professional Fees Payments	-105,907	
Energy Costs	-80,034	
Other	-74,307	
		-1,391,916
Administration Expenses		
Communication Expenses	-8,120	
Training	-20,000	
Printing and Stationery	62,800	
Contributions to Other Bodies	-24,599	
Other	-43,600	
		-33,519
Establishment Expenses		
Rent and Rates	- 48,259	
Other	-	
		- 48,259
Financial Expenses		375,100
Miscellaneous Expenses		19,646
Total Expenditure		<u>65,005,500</u>

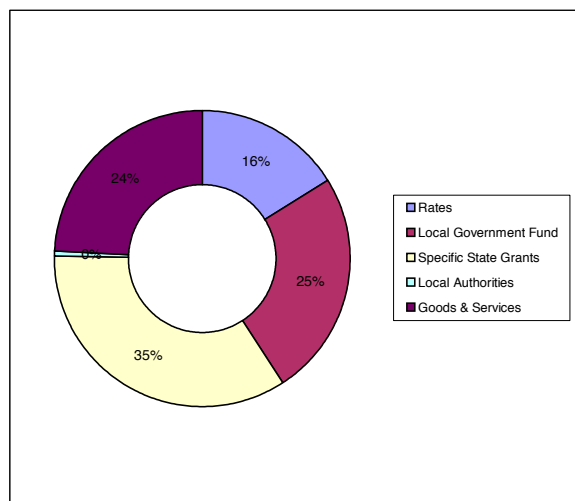
Income Variation Statement

	€	€
2011 Working Budget: After allocation of Road Grants		-37,422,600
Government Grants		
Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government	- 240,000	
National Roads Authority (NRA)	-	
Higher Education Grants	-	
VEC Pensions	-	
Miscellaneous Government Grants	7,000	
		- 233,000
Goods and Services		
Rent from Houses	- 62,900	
Housing Loans and Interest Charges	30,000	
Commercial Water	-	
Commercial Sewerage	-	
Planning Fees	120,000	
Library Fines and Charges	21,000	
Agency Services	107,500	
Pension contributions	-	
Property Rental of Land	60,000	
Landfill and Recycling Charges	110,000	
Fire charges	20,000	
NPPR Income	- 50,000	
Miscellaneous Services	54,300	
		409,900
Total Income		<u>-37,245,700</u>

How Money is Spent

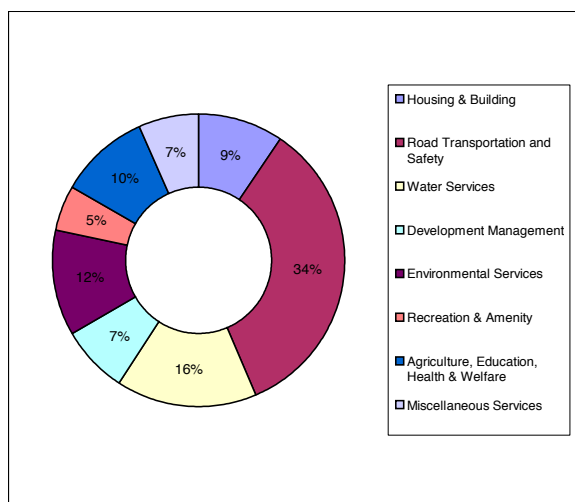
Main Sources of Revenue Income 2012

	2012	2012
	€	%
Rates	10,528,500	16%
Local Government Fund	15,968,000	25%
Specific State Grants	22,502,400	35%
Local Authorities	322,100	0%
Goods & Services	15,684,500	24%
Total	65,005,500	100%



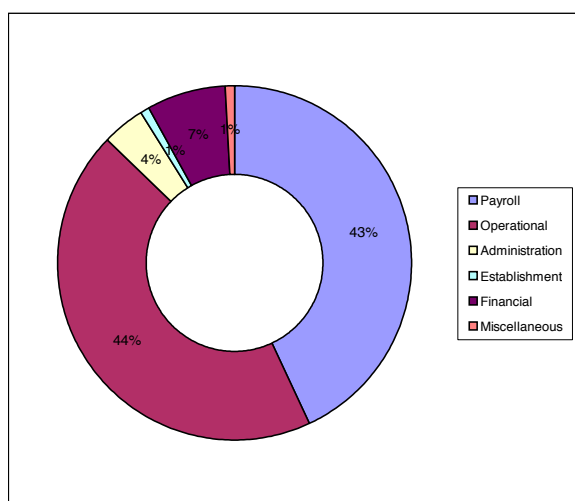
How Income will be spent by Programme Group

	2012	2012
	€	%
Housing & Building	6,078,698	9%
Road Transportation and Safety	22,291,994	34%
Water Services	10,096,144	16%
Development Management	4,824,100	7%
Environmental Services	7,631,189	12%
Recreation & Amenity	3,217,834	5%
Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	6,497,026	10%
Miscellaneous Services	4,368,515	7%
Total	65,005,500	100%

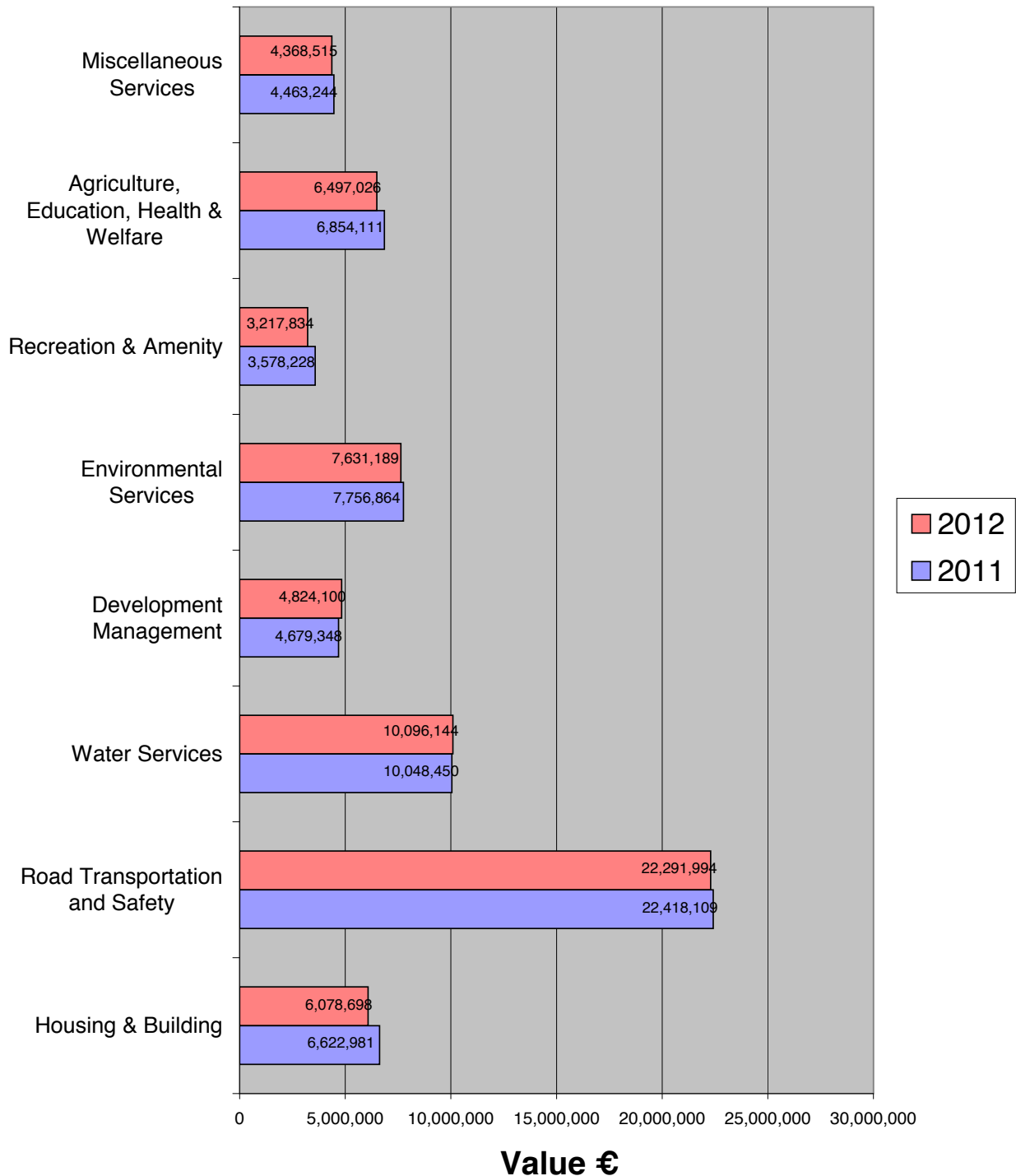


What Income will be spent on

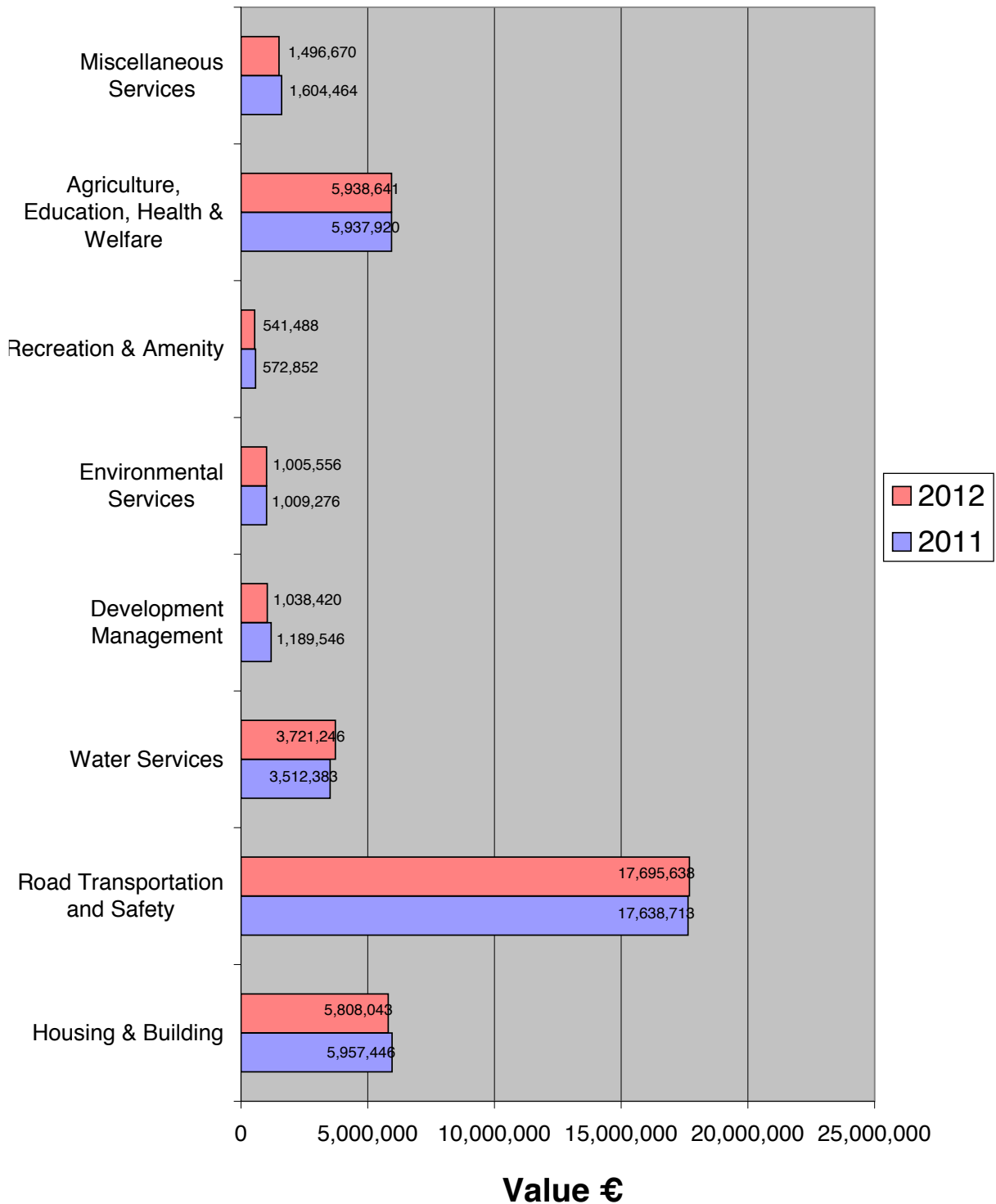
	2012	2011
	€	%
Payroll	28,023,734	43%
Operational	28,762,965	44%
Administration	2,481,037	4%
Establishment	594,200	1%
Financial	4,738,710	7%
Miscellaneous	404,853	1%
Total	65,005,500	100%



Comparison of Year on Year Divisions: Expenditure Budgets



Comparison of Year on Year Divisions: Income Budgets



History of Annual Rate on Valuation

Local Authority Budget for the Financial Year Ending 31st December 2012			
HISTORY OF ANNUAL RATE ON VALUATION			
Year	Rate	Year	Rate
1984	21.67	1999	44.99
1985	23.84	2000	47.24
1986	25.03	2001	50.78
1987	26.28	2002	54.33
1988	27.59	2003	59.22
1989	28.97	2004	63.37
1990	30.42	2005	66.54
1991	31.33	2006	70.53
1992	32.90	2007	73.35
1993	34.55	2008	76.28
1994	35.59	2009	76.66
1995	37.37	2010	75.13
1996	39.24	2011	74.38
1997	41.20	2012	74.38
1998	42.85		

Statutory Tables



TABLE A - CALCULATION OF ANNUAL RATE ON VALUATION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2012						
Roscommon County Council						
Summary by Service Division	Expenditure €	Income €	Estimated Net Expenditure 2012 €	%	Estimated Outturn 2011 Net Expenditure €	%
Gross Revenue Expenditure and Income						
A Housing and Building	6,078,698	5,808,043	270,655	1.0%	837,842	
B Road Transport & Safety	22,291,994	17,695,638	4,596,356	16.6%	4,786,429	
C Water Services	10,096,144	3,721,246	6,374,898	23.0%	6,849,408	
D Development Management	4,824,100	1,038,420	3,785,680	13.6%	3,578,610	
E Environmental Services	7,631,189	1,005,556	6,625,633	23.9%	6,870,975	
F Recreation and Amenity	3,217,834	541,488	2,676,346	9.6%	2,976,472	
G Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	6,497,026	5,938,641	558,385	2.0%	1,101,878	
H Miscellaneous Services	4,368,515	1,496,670	2,871,845	10.3%	2,935,182	
	65,005,500	37,245,702	27,759,798	100.0%	29,936,796	
Minus County Charge			-		-	
Provision for Debit Balance			-		-	
ADJUSTED GROSS EXPENDITURE AND INCOME (A)			27,759,798		29,936,796	
Provision for Credit Balance			-		-	
Local Government Fund / General Purpose Grant			15,968,000		18,490,254	
Pension Related Deduction			1,263,300		-	
SUB - TOTAL (B)			17,231,300		18,490,254	
AMOUNT OF RATES TO BE LEVIED (C)=(A)-(B)			10,528,498			
NET EFFECTIVE VALUATION (D)			141,550			
GENERAL ANNUAL RATE ON VALUATION (C) / (D)			74.3801			

Table B: Expenditure and Income for 2012 and Estimated Outturn for 2011									
	2012				2011				
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income		
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	
Division and Services									
A Housing and Building									
A01	1,472,838	1,472,838	3,005,814	3,005,814	1,567,671	1,697,697	2,943,617	3,106,248	
A02	208,446	208,446	12,369	12,369	189,603	214,571	462	353	
A03	136,637	136,637	6,815	6,815	611,441	622,813	31,197	23,844	
A04	225,289	225,289	14,716	14,716	169,898	132,215	135,121	135,093	
A05	10,401	10,401	3,031	3,031	8,026	3,327	-	-	
A06	524,104	524,104	146,535	146,535	625,592	614,408	147,225	131,266	
A07	2,515,039	2,515,039	2,446,446	2,446,446	2,333,607	2,534,049	2,454,826	2,516,340	
A08	547,590	547,590	145,134	145,134	510,070	519,499	193,580	164,153	
A09	438,241	438,241	183	183	607,073	603,873	418	319	
A11	113	113	27,000	27,000	-	6	51,000	27,000	
A Division Total	6,078,698	6,078,698	5,808,043	5,808,043	6,622,981	6,942,458	5,957,446	6,104,616	

Table B: Expenditure and Income for 2012 and Estimated Outturn for 2011								
Division and Services	2012				2011			
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
B Road Transport & Safety								
B01 NP Road - Maintenance and Improvement	897,000	897,000	667,395	667,395	1,163,420	1,105,396	759,788	692,181
B02 NS Road - Maintenance and Improvement	771,010	771,010	579,009	579,009	1,010,442	1,031,059	691,382	689,809
B03 Regional Road - Maintenance and Improvement	7,054,897	7,054,897	6,211,882	6,211,882	6,912,033	7,439,942	6,149,816	6,563,680
B04 Local Road - Maintenance and Improvement	10,339,871	10,339,871	7,790,487	7,790,487	10,455,095	10,651,860	7,340,294	7,833,422
B05 Public Lighting	680,102	680,102	109,790	109,790	686,820	700,616	94,352	112,792
B06 Traffic Management Improvement	23,391	23,391	29,796	29,796	21,924	(29,369)	44,831	34,265
B07 Road Safety Engineering Improvement	800,762	800,762	402,015	402,015	346,119	738,200	264,145	368,281
B08 Road Safety Promotion & Education	119,200	119,200	20,626	20,626	103,673	64,529	24,542	19,114
B09 Car Parking	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B10 Support to Roads Capital Prog	406,268	406,268	50,139	50,139	350,584	250,082	64,789	49,519
B11 Agency & Recoupable Services	1,199,493	1,199,493	1,834,499	1,834,499	1,025,942	312,458	1,862,674	1,115,281
B Division Total	22,291,994	22,291,994	17,695,638	17,695,638	22,076,052	22,264,773	17,296,613	17,478,344

Table B: Expenditure and Income for 2012 and Estimated Outturn for 2011									
	2012				2011				
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income		
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	
Division and Services									
C	Water Services								
C01	5,482,656	5,482,656	2,584,009	2,584,009	5,352,759	5,901,522	2,380,956	2,611,667	
C02	3,250,909	3,250,909	903,453	903,453	3,222,220	3,311,092	902,112	904,116	
C03	902,875	902,875	11,744	11,744	1,017,461	957,773	12,484	9,542	
C04	58,742	58,742	51,250	51,250	64,305	37,144	28,095	22,409	
C05	119,589	119,589	23,900	23,900	124,516	104,494	21,320	16,295	
C06	237,367	237,367	48,235	48,235	322,343	252,293	69,765	53,322	
C07	44,006	44,006	98,655	98,655	44,846	22,753	97,651	120,312	
C	10,096,144	10,096,144	3,721,246	3,721,246	10,148,450	10,587,071	3,512,383	3,737,663	

Table B: Expenditure and Income for 2012 and Estimated Outturn for 2011									
Division and Services	2012				2011				
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income		
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	
D Development Management									
D01 Forward Planning	632,472	632,472	486	486	511,792	512,042	237		181
D02 Development Management	1,854,370	1,854,370	148,538	148,538	1,921,894	1,952,199	268,820		163,778
D03 Enforcement	796,023	796,023	553	553	744,396	750,104	525		401
D04 Industrial and Commercial Facilities	141,730	141,730	11,182	11,182	101,079	81,531	17,541		13,407
D05 Tourism Development and Promotion	112,602	112,602	35,702	35,702	67,719	415,272	9,672		358,842
D06 Community and Enterprise Function	478,566	478,566	98,883	98,883	489,103	428,450	92,190		88,025
D07 Unfinished Housing Estates	89,022	89,022	7,567	7,567	5,704	25,389	5,117		3,911
D08 Building Control	117,968	117,968	17,411	17,411	133,787	122,281	24,035		28,838
D09 Economic Development and Promotion	96,073	96,073	26,966	26,966	101,189	83,808	9,875		25,255
D10 Property Management	76,355	76,355	293,712	293,712	90,884	124,030	360,382		298,935
D11 Heritage and Conservation Services	163,887	163,887	132,420	132,420	243,757	161,993	107,749		52,037
D12 Agency & Recoupable Services	265,032	265,032	265,000	265,000	273,044	93,830	293,403		138,709
D Division Total	4,824,100	4,824,100	1,038,420	1,038,420	4,684,348	4,750,929	1,189,546		1,172,319

Table B: Expenditure and Income for 2012 and Estimated Outturn for 2011								
Division and Services	2012				2011			
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
E Environmental Services								
E01 Landfill Operation and Aftercare	1,940,855	1,940,855	89,210	89,210	2,064,755	2,004,214	1,003	85,703
E02 Recovery & Recycling Facilities Operations	766,293	766,293	237,458	237,458	806,943	792,001	235,823	172,629
E03 Waste to Energy Facilities Operations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
E04 Provision of Waste to Collection Services	2,322	2,322	-	-	2,766	1,280	-	-
E05 Litter Management	485,644	485,644	32,314	32,314	478,933	488,568	32,800	28,612
E06 Street Cleaning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
E07 Waste Regulations, Monitoring and Enforcement	388,441	388,441	189,766	189,766	334,669	339,364	212,661	193,478
E08 Waste Management Planning	55,017	55,017	27,641	27,641	60,820	3,702	58,163	46,222
E09 Maintenance of Burial Grounds	335,729	325,729	110,956	110,956	394,593	392,002	110,387	70,296
E10 Safety of Structures and Places	261,075	261,075	99,458	99,458	277,358	279,480	90,331	91,516
E11 Operation of Fire Service	2,886,302	2,886,302	80,465	80,465	2,913,712	2,915,412	51,802	(123,623)
E12 Fire Prevention	355	355	50,000	50,000	3,026	27	100,000	50,000
E13 Water Quality, Air and Noise Pollution	444,035	444,035	72,311	72,311	354,279	360,047	72,713	83,399
E14 Agency & Recoupable Services	65,121	65,121	15,977	15,977	65,010	25,607	43,593	32,497
E Division Total	7,631,189	7,621,189	1,005,556	1,005,556	7,756,864	7,601,704	1,009,276	730,729

Table B: Expenditure and Income for 2012 and Estimated Outturn for 2011									
	2012				2011				
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income		
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	
Division and Services									
F Recreation and Amenity									
F01 Leisure Facilities Operations	168,234	188,234	47,374	47,374	194,178	152,686	68,703	51,035	
F02 Operation of Library and Archival Service	1,500,425	1,495,425	60,485	60,485	1,681,207	1,796,254	48,468	64,665	
F03 Outdoor Leisure Areas Operations	704,482	699,482	4,056	4,056	531,611	557,150	1,082	827	
F04 Community Sport and Recreational Development	114,661	114,661	117,179	117,179	120,575	151,610	109,325	153,270	
F05 Operation of Arts Programme	730,032	730,032	312,394	312,394	1,003,943	1,037,880	303,574	449,311	
F06 Agency & Recoupable Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
F Division Total	3,217,834	3,227,834	541,488	541,488	3,531,514	3,695,580	531,152	719,108	

Table B: Expenditure and Income for 2012 and Estimated Outturn for 2011								
	2012				2011			
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Division and Services								
G Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare								
G01 Land Drainage Costs	311,002	311,002	7,140	7,140	364,895	364,184	2,466	1,885
G02 Operation and Maintenance of Piers and Harbours	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
G03 Coastal Protection	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
G04 Veterinary Service	350,719	350,719	228,808	228,808	421,597	434,469	231,702	227,177
G05 Educational Support Services	5,835,305	5,835,305	5,702,693	5,702,693	6,067,619	6,558,482	5,703,752	6,026,195
G06 Agency & Recoupable Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
G Division Total	6,497,026	6,497,026	5,938,641	5,938,641	6,854,111	7,357,135	5,937,920	6,255,257

Table B: Expenditure and Income for 2012 and Estimated Outturn for 2011									
	2012				2011				
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income		
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	
Division and Services									
H	Miscellaneous Services								
H01	Profit & Loss Machinery Account	187,081	187,081	1,259	1,259	126,231	(8,677)	100,828	241,633
H02	Profit & Loss Stores Account	13,996	13,996	9,807	9,807	26,236	388	16,927	13,606
H03	Adminstration of Rates	1,808,613	1,808,613	30,376	30,376	1,333,545	2,176,318	15,945	49,146
H04	Franchise Costs	143,163	143,163	677	677	145,407	124,162	18,510	14,115
H05	Operation of Morgue and Coroner Expenses	113,256	113,256	33,294	33,294	115,726	221,253	11,652	3,556
H06	Weighbridges	1,226	1,226	-	-	1,658	1,161	-	3,000
H07	Operation of Markets and Casual Trading	32,503	32,503	17	17	34,224	(16,795)	31,440	24,030
H08	Malicious Damage	2,526	2,526	31,620	31,620	2,917	(3,044)	5,202	3,976
H09	Local Representation & Civic Leadership	1,465,202	1,465,202	992	992	1,541,711	1,524,105	1,477	1,129
H10	Motor Taxation	546,106	546,106	25,628	25,628	572,616	568,190	25,883	25,675
H11	Agency & Recoupable Services	54,843	54,843	1,363,000	1,363,000	462,966	41,013	1,376,808	1,313,026
H	Division Total	4,368,515	4,368,515	1,496,670	1,496,670	4,363,237	4,628,074	1,604,672	1,692,892
Overall Total		65,005,500	65,005,500	37,245,702	37,245,702	66,037,557	67,827,724	37,039,008	37,890,928

TABLE C - CALCULATION OF ANNUAL RATE ON VALUATION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2012

Roscommon County Council						
Name of Town	Money Demanded		Irrecoverable Rates and Cost of Collection		Total sum to be raised	Annual Rate on Valuation to meet sum required in Col 6
	Estimated Col 2 €	Adopted Col 3 €	Estimated Col 4 €	Adopted Col 5 €		
Boyle	8,360				8,360	1.03

Table D		
ANALYSIS OF BUDGET 2012 INCOME FROM GOODS AND SERVICES		
Source of Income	2012 €	2011 €
Rents from houses	5,226,600	5,247,600
Housing Loans Interest & Charges	127,900	157,900
Parking Fines & Charges	-	-
Commercial Water	2,054,000	2,054,000
Domestic Waste Water	-	-
Commercial Waste Water	900,000	900,000
Planning Fees	147,700	246,500
Sale/leasing of other property/Industrial Sites	290,000	350,000
Domestic Refuse Charges	312,000	-
Commercial Refuse Charges	-	-
Landfill Charges	-	-
Fire Charges	60,000	30,000
Recreation/Amenity/Culture	221,800	162,600
Library Fees/Fines	19,000	40,000
Agency Services & Repayable Works	2,858,100	3,038,400
Local Authority Contributions	367,100	342,100
Superannuation	828,002	828,198
NPPR	850,000	800,000
Other income	2,694,900	3,165,610
Total Goods and Services	16,957,102	17,362,908

Table E		
ANALYSIS OF BUDGET 2012 INCOME FROM GRANTS AND SUBSIDIES		
	2012	2011
	€	€
Department of Environment, Community and Local Government		
Housing & Building	308,200	359,300
Road Transport & Safety	-	-
Water Services	-	-
Development Management	172,000	142,000
Environmental Services	211,000	229,500
Recreation & Amenity	-	-
Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	-	-
Miscellaneous Services	-	23,500
Sub-total	691,200	754,300
Other Departments and Bodies		
NRA & DoT	14,638,300	14,360,800
Arts, Sports and Tourism	-	-
DTO	-	-
Social and Family Affairs	-	-
Defence	-	-
Education and Science	3,400,000	3,400,000
Library Council	32,500	-
Arts Council	110,000	110,000
Transport and Marine	-	-
Justice Equality and Law Reform	50,000	81,000
Agriculture Fisheries and Food	-	-
Non Dept HFA and BMW	-	-
Other Grants & Subsidies	1,366,600	970,000
Sub-total	19,597,400	18,921,800
Total Grants and Subsidies	20,288,600	19,676,100



Division A
Housing and Building



A Housing and Building

A01 Maintenance / Improvement of LA Housing Units

The level of expenditure provided for the management, maintenance, repair and improvement of Local Authority housing in 2012, of €610,500, is a significant reduction of 24% on the 2011 Budget (€799,500), and a reduction of 49% on the 2009 allocation (€1,194,800). This figure includes for insurance of council properties, the repair and refurbishment of casual vacancies that may arise and routine maintenance and repairs to occupied houses. Due to the significant reduction in funding in this area the ability of the Council to carry out repair programmes and routine repairs will be severely restricted in 2012. Consideration will be given to prioritisation of repair requests for occupied properties as the 2012 budget will not cover the cost of all requests that will be received. It will prove even more difficult to return casual vacancies to stock, ready for re-letting in a timely fashion.

Under the 2011 Energy Efficiency Plan Roscommon County Council was allocated €400,000 for the retrofitting of insulation and other energy efficiency measures together with general refurbishment works to vacant Local Authority stock. Depending on the BER achieved, the Dept funds on a sliding scale from 90% to 50% of the costs up to a maximum of €15,000 for energy works and €20,000 for general works per unit for long term voids (> 6 months vacant). A maximum of €15,000 is provided for energy works and €3,000 for general works per unit for casual vacancies (< 6 months vacant), with the balance funded from the revenue budget or Internal Capital Receipts. A total of 39 houses were upgraded under this scheme in 2011. The significant decrease in the 2012 allocation will mean that the Council may not be able to provide matching funds to supplement allocations from the Department to upgrade our own housing stock.

Traveller Accommodation

A figure of €125,200 is included in the Budget towards the cost of the management and maintenance of Traveller accommodation in the County, a further reduction of 17%. The budget was reduced by 48.8% in 2011. Caretaking arrangements for Traveller Accommodation in the County have been restructured and the cost reduced significantly. The further reduction in budget allocation will result in prioritisation of maintenance and repair works to Traveller Accommodation.

Housing Rents

The Council operates a Differential Rent Scheme (DRS), which is reviewed on an annual basis. The rent charged is based on household income and is calculated in such a way that the amount of rent is reasonable and does not lead to undue financial difficulties. If a tenant's circumstances change, their rent will be re-assessed as soon as possible following notification to the Housing Authority of the change in circumstances. The Housing Authority will deal sympathetically with individual cases of hardship which arise pursuant to the provisions of the hardship clause in the DRS. The estimated rental income for 2012 is €2,883,900.

A02 Housing Assessment, Allocation and Transfer

A total of 90 houses (28 new, 2 Long Term Leasing and 60 casual vacancies) have been allocated in 2011.

Eligibility for social housing is determined in accordance with the Social Housing Assessment Regulations 2011 and the allocations are made in accordance with the Scheme of Letting Priorities. Under Section 9 of the Housing Act 1988, housing authorities are required to carry out periodic assessments, at intervals not exceeding three years, of the need for the provision of suitable accommodation for persons in need of re-housing. The most recent assessment carried out by Roscommon County Council in March 2011 showed a net need of 483 applicants on the waiting list. There are currently 478 on the approved housing list.

A03 Housing Rent and Tenant Purchase Administration

Tenant Purchase

Tenants of non-vested Council houses appointed for at least 12 months are eligible to apply to the Council to purchase their existing accommodation. The market value of the property is determined by the Council. Tenants are entitled to a discount of 3% off the market value of the property for each year of tenancy, subject to a maximum of 10 years, in addition to an allowance of €3,810 for first time buyers. Certain types of dwelling including 1 / 2 bedroom units, demountables and mobile units are precluded from sale under the scheme.

In 2011 the Government introduced the 2011 Fixed Term Tenant Purchase for tenants in local authority houses for over 10 years. The 2011 scheme provides for a maximum discount of 45% on market price, based on 3% discount for each year of tenancy up to 15 years. The closing date for applications under this Scheme is 31st December 2011. Sales will have to be finalised by 31 December, 2012 as the scheme will expire on that date.

Only two houses were sold under both Schemes in 2011 and as a consequence the Internal Capital Receipts are depleted for 2012.

Sale of Rural Housing Plots

The Council advertised fifteen old rural houses for sale and tenders were accepted for ten of the plots. Four sales have been completed in 2011.

A04 Housing Community Development Support

A number of initiatives have been undertaken over the past number of years under the heading of estate management at Lisnamult, Roscommon, Carrownabrickna Roscommon, Church View, Boyle, Castlehill, Castlerea and Monksland, Athlone. It is essential that vibrant and committed local communities are supported, encouraged and empowered to play a meaningful role in social partnership. This policy will be continued during 2012.

The Housing Liaison Officer continues to meet with Council tenants on a regular basis. The officer works closely with agencies including the Health Service Executive, Gardaí, Roscommon LEADER Partnership, local sports and voluntary groups, Tenants and Residents Associations.

The completion of pre-tenancy training is now a prerequisite for all local authority tenants and the Estate Management Plan adopted by the Council will assist in ensuring a consistent approach in managing estates.

A05 Administration of Homeless Service

The Roscommon Homeless Forum Action Plan 2008 – 2011 was adopted by this Council on 28th April, 2008. It is an integrated strategy to tackle homelessness in County Roscommon.

A sum of €10,401 (including Service Support Costs) has been included in the Budget for the provision of emergency accommodation for homeless persons. Expenditure incurred by Local Authorities is recoupable at a rate of 90% from the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government.

A06 Support to Housing Capital & Affordable Programme

Affordable Housing Scheme

The Junior Minister for Housing announced a standing down of Affordable Housing programmes in June 2011 and has commissioned a comprehensive review of Part V of the Planning & Development Act 2000.

Sale of Private Sites

The Council continues to have available a number of fully serviced sites for sale to first time buyers. The sites are sold at a significant discount from market value and purchasers are allowed to select their own house type subject to planning permission being granted. There are currently 12 sites available to purchase, one at Ardsallaghmore, Roscommon Town and eleven at Forest View, Boyle.

Voluntary Sector

The Voluntary Sector is a valuable provider of social and affordable housing, whether working in partnership with the Local Authority or private developers. The Council acknowledges the contribution of the sector towards the provision of housing in the County and welcomes the opportunity to work with the Voluntary and Co-operative Housing Sector to meet the accommodation needs of the County.

The Council maintains close contact with every voluntary housing group when planning and constructing a scheme or when selecting suitable tenants. Under the Capital loan and subsidy scheme, a subsidy is payable to the voluntary body in the sum of €436 per house per annum and a figure of €13,600 to cover the maintenance and upkeep of the Strokestown Scheme and the Ballinagare Scheme is provided. A figure of €146,300 to meet the loan charges in respect of the three Loan Subsidy Schemes is also provided. The loan charges and maintenance charges in respect of these schemes are 100% recoupable from the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government.

A07 RAS Programme

The Rental Accommodation Scheme (RAS) is a housing initiative introduced by the Government in 2004, and involves local authorities progressively assuming responsibility for accommodating rent supplement recipients who have a defined long term housing need, through direct arrangements between the local authority and the private rented sector. The scheme is now considered to be a long term social housing option.

In 2011, a total of 94 units have been transferred under the scheme. Total units currently in the scheme at the end of 2011 come to 362. This is made up of 73 units in the Voluntary Sector and 289 in the Private Sector. There are a number of contracts at the pending stage and we are continuing to interview RAS applicants to assess their eligibility for the scheme and interested Landlords are being contacted in order to negotiate lease agreements on a continuous basis.

The scheme is self financing and the ongoing costs of administering it, including staff, office accommodation costs, legal fees, advertising etc., are met out of savings, together with a direct administrative fee for each household managed under the scheme. The Department has informed the Council that any surplus of funds generated by the scheme must be retained in a separate fund and used exclusively for the purpose of the RAS scheme.

Under the Private Residential Tenancies Act 2004 local authorities are responsible for enforcement of statutory regulations for Private Rented Accommodation. In line with this Roscommon County Council is inspecting private rented accommodation on an ongoing basis and following up landlords with unfit accommodation. Inspections and enforcement proceedings are managed by the RAS staff.

An amount of €2,515,039 has been provided to meet the direct costs associated with the Rental Accommodation Scheme in 2012.

Leasing

Social housing will also be delivered under the Long Term Social Leasing Scheme. The Council has a total of ten houses leased under the Long Term Leasing Scheme in Castlerea, Boyle and Roscommon.

A08 Housing Loans

Applicants can be considered for house purchase loans for persons who did not previously own a dwelling and for reconstruction loans to modify or extend existing houses. Applicants must meet specific income criteria and the Housing (Local Authority Loans) Regulations 2009 sets out the requirements and process for the approval of loans by a local authority. The maximum house purchase loan that can be advanced is €220,000 depending on the applicant's ability to repay and the maximum house improvement loan is €15,000 (unsecured) and €38,000 (secured).

Shared Ownership

This scheme facilitates access to full home ownership in two or more stages and is designed primarily for first time buyers who meet certain income criteria. Suitable applicants must acquire a minimum equity of 40% in the dwelling initially and rent the Council's equity with an undertaking to acquire the Council's equity within 25 years. The total number of loans advanced under the Shared Ownership Scheme since its inception is 21.

Improvement Works in Lieu of Local Authority Housing Scheme

Under the Improvement Works In Lieu of Local Authority Housing Scheme approved applicants for re-housing can renovate or extend their existing accommodation as an alternative to accepting a local authority house provided their existing house is considered suitable for improvement. The scheme is attractive to certain housing applicants as it allows these people to live in improved living conditions while remaining in their present environment. This scheme has operated successfully throughout the county over the past number of years and 56 houses have been approved under the scheme. One project is currently in progress. This scheme is currently funded from exchequer grants.

A09 Housing Grant

The Housing Adaptation Grant Scheme for Older People and People with a Disability replaced the now discontinued Disabled Persons and Essential Repairs Grant Schemes.

The current framework of grant assistance is funded by a contribution of 80% from the Department and 20% from the Council.

In order to fund the current framework of grant assistance it is intended to provide €185,000 in 2012 to meet the Council's portion of 20% of the new grant schemes. This will significantly reduce the potential spend on grants for 2012 to €925,000, compared to a total budget of €1,850,000 in 2011. This level of funding will only provide sufficient resources to cover the number of grants on hand that are already approved in 2011. Consequently, it is likely that no approval will issue in 2012 for additional housing grant applications.

Table F - Expenditure				
Division A - Housing and Building				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
A0101 Maintenance of LA Housing Units	610,500	610,500	799,500	981,524
A0102 Maintenance of Traveller Accommodation Units	40,000	40,000	55,000	60,000
A0103 Traveller Accommodation Management	85,200	85,200	151,400	90,400
A0104 Estate Maintenance	12,100	12,100	11,800	10,100
A0199 Service Support Costs	725,038	725,038	549,971	555,673
A01 Maintenance & Improvement of LA Housing Units	1,472,838	1,472,838	1,567,671	1,697,697
A0201 Assessment of Housing Needs, Allocs. & Trans.	136,500	136,500	95,000	110,000
A0299 Service Support Costs	71,946	71,946	94,603	104,571
A02 Housing Assessment, Allocation and Transfer	208,446	208,446	189,603	214,571
A0301 Debt Management & Rent Assessment	94,100	94,100	98,100	129,701
A0399 Service Support Costs	42,537	42,537	513,341	493,112
A03 Housing Rent and Tenant Purchase Administration	136,637	136,637	611,441	622,813
A0401 Housing Estate Management	135,700	135,700	132,310	90,560
A0402 Tenancy Management	20,200	20,200	12,600	14,200
A0403 Social and Community Housing Service	-	-	-	-
A0499 Service Support Costs	69,389	69,389	24,988	27,455
A04 Housing Community Development Support	225,289	225,289	169,898	132,215
A0501 Homeless Grants Other Bodies	-	-	-	-
A0502 Homeless Service	5,000	5,000	5,000	500
A0599 Service Support Costs	5,401	5,401	3,026	2,827
A05 Administration of Homeless Service	10,401	10,401	8,026	3,327
A0601 Technical and Administrative Support	269,800	269,800	319,700	305,495
A0602 Loan Charges	146,300	146,300	146,300	130,000
A0699 Service Support Costs	108,004	108,004	159,592	178,913
A06 Support to Housing Capital Prog.	524,104	524,104	625,592	614,408
A0701 RAS Operations	2,092,100	2,092,100	2,092,100	2,092,500
A0702 Long Term Leasing	-	-	-	17,050
A0799 Service Support Costs	422,939	422,939	241,507	424,499
A07 RAS Programme	2,515,039	2,515,039	2,333,607	2,534,049

Table F - Expenditure				
Division A - Housing and Building				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
A0801 Loan Interest and Other Charges	409,200	409,200	446,000	437,700
A0802 Debt Management Housing Loans	27,400	27,400	-	42,000
A0899 Service Support Costs	110,990	110,990	64,070	39,799
A08 Housing Loans	547,590	547,590	510,070	519,499
A0901 Disabled Persons Grants	-	-	-	2,142
A0902 Loan Charges DPG/ERG	-	-	-	6
A0903 Essential Repair Grants	125,000	125,000	190,000	192,091
A0904 Other Housing Grant Payments	-	-	-	-
A0905 Mobility Aids Housing Grants	60,000	60,000	180,000	180,000
A0999 Service Support Costs	253,241	253,241	237,073	229,634
A09 Housing Grants	438,241	438,241	607,073	603,873
A1101 Agency & Recoupable Service	-	-	-	6
A1199 Service Support Costs	113	113	-	-
A11 Agency & Recoupable Services	113	113	-	6
A Division Total	6,078,698	6,078,698	6,622,981	6,942,458

Table F - Income				
Division A - Housing and Building				
Income by Source	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Government Grants				
Environment, Community & Local Government	308,200	308,200	359,300	268,102
Other Grants & Subsidies	-	-	-	-
Total Government Grants	308,200	308,200	359,300	268,102
Goods & Services				
Rents from houses	5,226,600	5,226,600	5,247,600	5,288,660
Housing Loans Interest & Charges	127,900	127,900	157,900	128,850
Agency Services & Repayable Works	5,500	5,500	32,400	16,500
Superannuation	63,443	63,443	82,246	62,860
Local Authority Contributions	-	-	-	-
Other income	76,400	76,400	78,000	339,644
Total Goods & Services	5,499,843	5,499,843	5,598,146	5,836,514
Division 'A' Total	5,808,043	5,808,043	5,957,446	6,104,616

Division B

Roads, Transportation and Safety



B Road Transport and Safety

B01 National Primary Road – Maintenance and Improvement

B02 National Secondary Road – Maintenance and Improvement

B03 Regional Road – Improvement and Maintenance

B04 Local Road – Maintenance and Improvement

Road Grants

The Council has not yet received notification of the road grants for 2012 from the National Roads Authority or the Department of Transport. The figures included in the Budget for 2012 are therefore in line with the 2011 grant allocations. It is not expected that there will be any increase in road grants in 2012.

A further three year multi-annual road restoration programme commenced in 2011. It is estimated that in 2011, 44 km of regional roads and 296 km of local roads had surface dressing, surface restoration or road reconstruction work carried out under the programme.

The continued funding for the improvement of local and regional roads by way of the multi-annual restoration programmes is particularly welcome. It is vital that this source of funding continues at present levels at a minimum, in order to sustain and protect the investment in the network to date.

The Specific Improvement Grant Scheme for improvement works on non-national roads continued in 2011, albeit at a reduced level. In order to qualify for funding under the scheme, projects have to make a significant and justifiable economic impact, particularly in relation to the development of industrial, tourism, agriculture, forestry and rural development projects. Three projects were funded in 2011.

The total amount provided from road grants, falls far short of the monies required for the proper maintenance, repair and ongoing needs of the non-national road network in particular, as has been highlighted in previous years.

Non-National Roads – Own Resources

The shortfall in the allocation for the maintenance of local roads over many years has resulted in a reduced level of maintenance. Some essential elements of maintenance including drainage, verge trimming and the renewal of signs and markings have been inadequately funded.

Local road maintenance is funded from both the Council's own resources and the Discretionary Grant. Accordingly, there is some discretion in the amount of funding that can be provided for this work. Although the amounts provided in previous years have been inadequate to meet all road maintenance requirements, it is regretted that in the current budgetary situation it is necessary to make a substantial reduction in the allocation for 2012. It is proposed to reduce the amount available from own resources for road and footpath maintenance and non- recoupable road works in the coming year to €1,279,200, a reduction of €520,000 compared with 2011. This decrease for local roads represents a 29% reduction on the 2011 allocation. This results in an average decrease of €104,000 per Electoral Area. Reductions of this magnitude, will severely impact on the level of service that can be provided in 2012.

The main elements of road maintenance are road drainage, pavement maintenance (pothole repairs), verge trimming, street cleaning and provision/repairs of signs and lining.

The maintenance works programme for 2012 will prioritise pavement maintenance (pothole repair) and road drainage. Verge trimming, grass cutting in towns and villages, litter control and road sweeping will be provided at a significantly reduced level, if at all. Hedge trimming, which is the responsibility of landowners, will not be undertaken by the Council. Litter control and road sweeping will be carried out in future during normal working hours.

B05 Public Lighting

The Council entered a new contract for the provision of energy for the public lighting system throughout the county at the beginning of 2011. In addition, the Council, in conjunction with the other local authorities in Connacht, entered a new contract recently for the general maintenance and repair costs of the system. It is hoped that these revised arrangements will provide for a more economical public lighting system and will enable the Council to achieve savings of a minimum of €30,000 which is equivalent to the reduced provision in the Budget compared to 2011. Expenditure under this heading will be carefully monitored and further adjustment may be necessary to remain within budget.

B06 Traffic Management Improvement

These costs are a proportion of the Central Management Charge identified in Appendix 1.

B07 Road Safety Engineering Improvements

The Council, as with headings B01-B04, has not yet received notification of the level of grant that will be available for low cost remedial measures. Consequently, the same figure as 2011 has been used.

The level of work undertaken in this area will be dependent on the amount of grant funding made available. The Council will use various engineering measures, such as renewed signing and lining and improved junction definition to improve road safety.

Footpaths

It is proposed to fund the improvement/provision of footpaths in 2012 from the Council's own resources. The allocation for footpaths will be €300,000 i.e. €50,000 per Engineering Area. Priority will be given to the repairs of existing rather than the provision of new footpaths.

B08 Road Safety Promotion / Education

The School Warden service costs are met within this heading as well as publicity and promotion costs that are associated with increasing awareness among the public concerning road safety. The allocation under this heading has been reduced by €9,300. Consequently, priority will be given to the school warden programme in 2012.

B09 Maintenance and Management of Car Parking

New bye-laws for the management and control of car parks were adopted by the Council at the September meeting. There is no funding available for the development of new car parks due to the reduction in income from development levies.

B10 Support to Roads Capital Programme

The administration costs (i.e. indirect costs) in relation to supporting the Roads Capital Programme are met from the revenue budget of the Council.

The budget has identified the staff costs associated with providing support to the programme, as well as a proportion of the Central Management Charge.

B11 Agency and Recoupable Services

The County Council is allowed to charge an agreed overhead rate for all jobs undertaken by County Council staff. The income derived from the overhead charge meets the costs of holiday pay, sick pay and insurance costs.

Income from Road Opening Licences and work undertaken for other bodies such as ESB are accounted for within this budget heading.

Table F - Expenditure				
Division B - Road Transport & Safety				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
B0101 NP - Surface Dressing	80,900	80,900	116,400	80,868
B0102 NP - Pavement Overlay/Reconstruction	-	-	-	-
B0103 NP - Winter Maintenance	170,000	170,000	345,000	236,000
B0104 NP - Bridge Maintenance (Eirspan)	5,000	5,000	2,000	5,000
B0105 NP - General Maintenance	368,200	368,200	294,800	368,264
B0106 NP - General Improvements Works	-	-	-	-
B0199 Service Support Costs	272,900	272,900	405,220	415,264
B01 NP Road - Maintenance and Improvement	897,000	897,000	1,163,420	1,105,396
B0201 NS - Surface Dressing	121,600	121,600	175,100	121,633
B0202 NS - Overlay/Reconstruction	-	-	-	-
B0203 NS - Overlay/Reconstruction – Urban	-	-	-	-
B0204 NS - Winter Maintenance	120,000	120,000	235,000	270,465
B0205 NS - Bridge Maintenance (Eirspan)	5,000	5,000	2,000	5,000
B0206 NS - General Maintenance	284,600	284,600	278,100	288,252
B0207 NS - General Improvement Works	-	-	-	-
B0299 Service Support Costs	239,810	239,810	320,242	345,709
B02 NS Road - Maintenance and Improvement	771,010	771,010	1,010,442	1,031,059
B0301 Regional Roads Surface Dressing	314,000	314,000	537,400	314,000
B0302 Reg Rd Surface Rest/Road Reconstruction/Overlay	3,347,000	3,347,000	2,998,000	3,347,000
B0303 Regional Road Winter Maintenance	415,800	415,800	-	415,798
B0304 Regional Road Bridge Maintenance	-	-	120,000	-
B0305 Regional Road General Maintenance Works	1,432,900	1,432,900	1,612,000	1,435,060
B0306 Regional Road General Improvement Works	700,000	700,000	880,000	1,050,000
B0399 Service Support Costs	845,197	845,197	764,633	878,084
B03 Regional Road - Maintenance and Improvement	7,054,897	7,054,897	6,912,033	7,439,942
B0401 Local Road Surface Dressing	2,194,000	2,194,000	1,970,600	2,194,000
B0402 Local Rd Surface Rest/Road Reconstruction/Overlay	4,313,000	4,313,000	4,612,000	4,333,000
B0403 Local Roads Winter Maintenance	-	-	-	-
B0404 Local Roads Bridge Maintenance	-	-	-	-
B0405 Local Roads General Maintenance Works	2,012,700	2,012,700	2,458,550	2,531,865
B0406 Local Roads General Improvement Works	95,000	95,000	95,000	109,407
B0499 Service Support Costs	1,725,171	1,725,171	1,318,945	1,483,588
B04 Local Road - Maintenance and Improvement	10,339,871	10,339,871	10,455,095	10,651,860

Table F - Expenditure				
Division B - Road Transport & Safety				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
B0501 Public Lighting Operating Costs	517,100	517,100	523,800	560,000
B0502 Public Lighting Improvement	-	-	-	-
B0599 Service Support Costs	163,002	163,002	163,020	140,616
B05 Public Lighting	680,102	680,102	686,820	700,616
B0601 Traffic Management	-	-	-	-
B0602 Traffic Maintenance	-	-	-	-
B0603 Traffic Improvement Measures	-	-	-	-
B0699 Service Support Costs	23,391	23,391	21,924	(29,369)
B06 Traffic Management Improvement	23,391	23,391	21,924	(29,369)
B0701 Low Cost Remedial Measures	215,000	215,000	190,000	215,000
B0702 Other Engineering Improvements	450,200	450,200	74,000	450,170
B0799 Service Support Costs	135,562	135,562	82,119	73,030
B07 Road Safety Engineering Improvement	800,762	800,762	346,119	738,200
B0801 School Wardens	20,800	20,800	25,800	23,500
B0802 Publicity and Promotion Road Safety	48,400	48,400	52,700	30,000
B0899 Service Support Costs	50,000	50,000	25,173	11,029
B08 Road Safety Promotion & Education	119,200	119,200	103,673	64,529
B0901 Maintenance and Management of Car Parks	-	-	-	-
B0902 Operation of Street Parking	-	-	-	-
B0903 Parking Enforcement	-	-	-	-
B0999 Service Support Costs	-	-	-	-
B09 Car Parking	-	-	-	-
B1001 Administration of Roads Capital Programme	247,500	247,500	247,500	210,000
B1099 Service Support Costs	158,768	158,768	103,084	40,082
B10 Support to Roads Capital Prog	406,268	406,268	350,584	250,082
B1101 Agency & Recoupable Service	657,100	657,100	555,900	(135,558)
B1199 Service Support Costs	542,393	542,393	470,042	448,016
B11 Agency & Recoupable Services	1,199,493	1,199,493	1,025,942	312,458
B Division Total	22,291,994	22,291,994	22,076,052	22,264,773

Table F - Income				
Division B - Road Transport & Safety				
Income by Source	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Government Grants				
Environment, Heritage & Local Government	-	-	-	-
Arts,Sports & Tourism	-	-	-	-
NRA & DoT	14,638,300	14,638,300	14,360,800	15,461,701
DTO	-	-	-	-
Other Grants & Subsidies	984,600	984,600	880,000	32,950
Total Government Grants	15,622,900	15,622,900	15,240,800	15,494,651
Goods & Services				
Parking Fines &Charges	-	-	-	-
Agency Services & Repayable Works	100,000	100,000	150,000	87,848
Superannuation	239,738	239,738	182,813	139,726
Local Authority Contributions	-	-	-	-
Other income	1,733,000	1,733,000	1,723,000	1,756,119
Total Goods & Services	2,072,738	2,072,738	2,055,813	1,983,693
Division 'B' Total	17,695,638	17,695,638	17,296,613	17,478,344

Division C

Water Services



C Water Services

C01 Operation & Maintenance of Water Supply

The provision of efficient water and wastewater infrastructure is essential to meet social, public health and environmental protection needs and is also vital to the availability of housing and to the development of the industrial and service sectors.

Roscommon County Council operates sixteen public water supply schemes (from twenty sources) serving over 45,000 customers and provides water to 110 semi private group water schemes.

I propose to allow the sum of €4,399,700 for direct expenditure on water production as well as €1,082,956 to meet a proportion of overheads identified in appendix 1. This is €500,000 less than the estimated outturn for 2011. Meeting this limit will be extremely challenging and interruptions or reductions in service cannot be ruled out.

The operation of the Lecarrow/Knockcroghery water supply treatment plants has now been outsourced to GlanAgua Limited. The Council maintain the network on this scheme.

The Water Conservation Programme to rehabilitate critical mains continued in 2011. The Council carried out work on Boyle town water network, as well as the networks at Portrunny, Bellanamullia, Kiltrustan and Shankhill by direct labour. Further watermain replacement was carried out at Cloonboniffe (Ballinlough), Drumboylan, Grangemore and Cloonmagunnaun (Ballaghaderreen).

Site investigation for the remaining contracts will be undertaken during 2012. Conservation works to the value of €10m are expected to be complete before the end of 2012.

The energy provider for the water and wastewater infrastructure was changed to Energia after competitive tender. The price of electricity remains under review to ensure best value is obtained.

Chemicals for the treatment and disinfection of water supplies are also subject to competitive tendering on a regional basis.

C02 Operation and Maintenance of Waste Water Treatment

Roscommon County Council currently maintains twenty-nine wastewater treatment plants and associated sewerage networks in the county. It is proposed to provide the sum of €3,250,909 including a proportion of overheads to cover the cost of this service in 2012.

A Contract was signed with EPS Limited for the upgrading of ten treatment plants and construction of three new plants under a Design Build and Operate contract. The first three plants are now under their control – Cootehall, Lisacul and Tulsk. A further five plants will come under their control in the medium term.

The operation of the village plants in future years will have a significant impact on the revenue budget and the non-domestic wastewater charge in future years, as the maintenance cost of new and upgraded plants become payable.

Provision for loan charges for Roscommon's part of the upgrading of Roosky treatment plant and the network at Cortober (which form part of a DBO Contract with Leitrim County Council) has been made.

C03 Collection of Water and Waste Water Charges

Water Pricing Policy

As part of the Government's Water Pricing Policy, water meters must be installed on all non-domestic connections. Veolia Water Ireland Ltd. has been employed by Roscommon County Council to install the meters and bill and collect revenue.

The price of non-domestic water for 2011 was €1.22 per cubic metre. This fell short of the true economic cost but it is proposed to maintain this rate for 2012. Similarly the cost of wastewater will remain at €1.50.

Collection rates are continuously monitored and disconnections for non-payment have occurred during 2011. Use of water by customers must be monitored to ensure that leaks do not occur. The scheme of leak allowances was discontinued at the end of December 2010.

Loan charges to cover the cost of the contract and the costs of providing water services throughout the county are now reflected in the imposition of a consolidated water services charge on all non-domestic customers.

C04 Operation and Maintenance of Public Conveniences

The sum of €53,000 has been included in the Budget for the upkeep of public conveniences within the county for 2012.

C05 Admin of Group and Private Installations

The salaries of staff involved in the administration of installations are met from this budget heading, as well as grants and subsidies as required.

C06 Support to Water Capital Programme

Rural Water Programme

A schedule of works to be carried out under the Small Schemes Programme in 2012 will be circulated to Members once allocations have been received from the Department of Environment, Community and Local Government.

Capital grants in the amount of 75% of the cost are available from central government. However the balance must be raised locally. It is proposed to meet the Council's contribution, estimated to be €112,000, from Development Levies.

The construction and operation of six new water treatment plants on behalf of twenty six private group schemes and two public water schemes was completed in 2011.

C07 Agency & Recoupable Service

These costs of fluoridation are recoupable from the Health Services Executive. An amount of €8,330 is receivable from the HSE for the implementation of this programme, in addition to the cost of the chemicals.

Table F - Expenditure				
Division C - Water Services				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
C0101 Water Plants & Networks	3,285,100	3,285,100	3,397,200	3,770,396
C0199 Service Support Costs	2,197,556	2,197,556	1,955,559	2,131,126
C01 Water Supply	5,482,656	5,482,656	5,352,759	5,901,522
C0201 Waste Plants and Networks	1,876,300	1,876,300	1,923,900	1,955,458
C0299 Service Support Costs	1,374,609	1,374,609	1,298,320	1,355,634
C02 Waste Water Treatment	3,250,909	3,250,909	3,222,220	3,311,092
C0301 Debt Management Water and Waste Water	884,300	884,300	991,600	942,600
C0399 Service Support Costs	18,575	18,575	25,861	15,173
C03 Collection of Water and Waste Water Charges	902,875	902,875	1,017,461	957,773
C0401 Operation and Maintenance of Public Conveniences	53,000	53,000	58,000	61,410
C0499 Service Support Costs	5,742	5,742	6,305	(24,266)
C04 Public Conveniences	58,742	58,742	64,305	37,144
C0501 Grants for Individual Installations	-	-	-	-
C0502 Grants for Water Group Schemes	-	-	-	-
C0503 Grants for Waste Water Group Schemes	-	-	-	-
C0504 Group Water Scheme Subsidies	-	-	-	-
C0599 Service Support Costs	119,589	119,589	124,516	104,494
C05 Admin of Group and Private Installations	119,589	119,589	124,516	104,494
C0601 Technical Design and Supervision	177,400	177,400	195,500	190,500
C0699 Service Support Costs	59,967	59,967	126,843	61,793
C06 Support to Water Capital Programme	237,367	237,367	322,343	252,293
C0701 Agency & Recoupable Service	30,000	30,000	30,000	34,600
C0799 Service Support Costs	14,006	14,006	14,846	(11,847)
C07 Agency & Recoupable Services	44,006	44,006	44,846	22,753
C Division Total	10,096,144	10,096,144	10,148,450	10,587,071

Table F - Income				
Division C - Water Services				
Income by Source	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Government Grants				
Environment, Heritage & Local Government	-	-	-	-
Other Grants & Subsidies	-	-	-	-
Total Government Grants	-	-	-	-
Goods & Services				
Commercial Water	2,054,000	2,054,000	2,054,000	2,054,000
Domestic Waste Water	-	-	-	-
Commercial Waste Water	900,000	900,000	900,000	900,000
Agency Services & Repayable Works	75,000	75,000	75,000	103,000
Superannuation	168,146	168,146	159,283	121,741
Local Authority Contributions	322,100	322,100	322,100	324,100
Other income	202,000	202,000	2,000	234,822
Total Goods & Services	3,721,246	3,721,246	3,512,383	3,737,663
Division 'C' Total	3,721,246	3,721,246	3,512,383	3,737,663

Division D

Development Management



D Development Management

D01 Forward Planning

Local Area Plans for Boyle, Castlerea and Strokestown will come into effect in the second quarter of 2012.

Work has started on the Roscommon Local Area Plan and it is hoped that it should be ready for adoption by Members in September 2012.

As well as the above plans there is also a requirement to incorporate the Core Strategy in to the Roscommon County Development Plan (RCDP), which will require a variation. The plan has already been submitted to the SPC and will be brought to the full Council in due course.

There is a statutory responsibility to review the 2008 – 2014 RCDP and this work will start in June 2012. The review will take two years (mandatory timeframe) and will include the revision of the Retail Strategy, Housing Strategy and the Record of Protected Structures.

D02 Development Management

The 2000-2007 Planning Acts and associated Regulations continue to be implemented by the Planning Section. There has been a significant reduction in the number of applications received, which has led to a re-direction of resources to Enforcement issues.

The new 2010 Planning Act has also placed additional responsibilities upon the Planning Authority, which will ultimately lead to additional costs being incurred to ensure compliance with the law.

The section continues to make use of new software and is heavily involved in the capture of data for the whole organisation in relation to GIS information.

D03 Enforcement

The Planning Enforcement Section enforces conditions attached to Planning Permissions granted by Roscommon County Council or An Bord Pleanála and investigates complaints of unauthorised developments.

There are currently 57 live cases, which are at various stages of the process. The work is complex in nature and requires extensive legal input.

As well as ensuring planning conditions are adhered to, the section is also involved in unfinished estates and will soon be embarking on a project to regularise all the quarries in the County as directed by the EU.

The planning enforcement section is also responsible for the collection of all development contributions attached to permissions granted. This work continues, but due to the economic climate it is becoming increasingly difficult to collect funds.

D04 Operation and Maintenance of Industrial Sites and Commercial Facilities

The County Council encourages industrial development throughout the County and uses the funding available to promote County Roscommon for business start-ups. Roscommon County Council has developed industrial sites at The Racecourse Road, Roscommon which are available at a significantly reduced rate. In addition industrial lands are also available in Castlerea, Ballaghaderreen, Elphin, Monksland and Boyle.

D05 Tourism Development and Promotion

Roscommon County Council makes a significant contribution to tourism in the County through many departments, a role that is co-ordinated through the Community & Enterprise Department. The Council is also a central partner in the Roscommon Tourism Action Group which was established under the auspices of the County Development Board to co-ordinate and oversee the delivery of actions contained within the Roscommon Tourism Strategy 2010-2014. Roscommon County Council has provided an amount of €15,000 for the implementation of actions under the Roscommon Tourism Strategy during 2011. This represents a reduction of 50% in funding provided in 2011 (€30,000). This reduction in allocation will severely restrict the ability of the Council to deliver on specific tourism initiatives such as 'Pride of Place, assistance towards the 'Lamb Festival', targeted marketing initiatives etc..

D06 Community and Enterprise Function

Funding has been provided under the Community & Enterprise Section for servicing Roscommon County Development Board (RCDB). This includes an amount of €40,000 for implementing those actions which the Community & Enterprise Section have agreed to lead during 2012 as part of the priorities for RCDB.

MeetWest 2011 is a partnership initiative between the four local authorities – Galway City and County, Mayo and Roscommon County Councils, the County Enterprise Boards of the Region, Enterprise Ireland, Udaras na Gaeltachta and Western Development Commission. The event was held in Galway in November 2011 and 297 delegates attended. The objective of MeetWest is to promote business in the West of Ireland and the programme has been arranged to offer new and innovative networking opportunities. This initiative was warmly received by the business community and it is planned that MeetWest 2012 will be hosted by Roscommon County Council. €20,000 will be needed as our matching funds for this project.

The budget for Community and Enterprise has been reduced significantly, as a result only €5,000 from direct funds has been made available towards the Community Fora in 2012. Support will continue to be provided through advice and assistance and Roscommon County Council will be represented on the executive of the committee. As in previous years, it is anticipated that some funding will be provided to the Community Fora from the Department of Environment, Community and Local Government and I have shown an income of €12,000 under this budget heading.

The Social Inclusion Unit ensures that social inclusion continues to be an integral part of the work of the Council across all of its departments. I have shown an income of €50,000 – this is the amount that will be recouped from the Department of the Environment, Community & Local Government in 2012 in respect of salary costs.

D07 Unfinished Housing Estates

It is the responsibility of the County Council to ensure that housing estates are completed to a satisfactory standard before taking them in charge.

The Enforcement Section of the Planning Authority was successful in obtaining €158,000 of the funds made available by the Department of Environment, Community and Local Government to undertake Health and Safety works to Category 4 estates. Category 4 estates are estates, where the developer is no longer contactable and is deemed to have left the site on a permanent basis. It should be noted that the funding rules do not allow for aesthetic works to be carried out.

Requests have been made to financial organisations regarding outstanding bonds, so that a number of estates can be finished. However, due to the current economic circumstances it has proved difficult to obtain these funds. As a result the County Council is currently involved in difficult negotiations so that funds can be released.

D08 Building Control

A provision of €81,100 is included in the budget for delivering Building Control Services. The objective of the Building Control Section is to encourage good building practice, to ensure that all buildings are constructed correctly and that access for the disabled and elderly is provided for in building plans.

D09 Economic Development and Promotion

The Council established a Business Support Unit in 2009. The purpose of this unit is to facilitate, encourage and develop business investment in County Roscommon by providing information about useful agencies and liaising between clients and relevant Council services.

Other initiatives already mentioned are the provision of the industrial sites at Racecourse Road, Roscommon and the MeetWest initiative.

D10 Property Management

The Council has a considerable land bank to manage and the costs in relation to managing this area of work equate to €76,355 (including Service Support Costs). The rental income received from current agreements generate in the region of €290,000.

D11 Heritage and Conservation Services

The direct costs associated with the provision and operation of the Heritage Office in 2012 is estimated at €105,200. A proportion of the cost of the work undertaken during the year is recoupable from the Heritage Council and subject to approval these arrangements, procedures and conditions will continue in 2012. Four applications have been forwarded to the Heritage Council for consideration in relation to progressing specific actions in 2012 under the Heritage Plan 2012 – 2016 along with a further two applications in relation to projects open to public, with an estimated allocation of €84,770 in 2012. There is a significant work programme to be undertaken as outlined in the new Heritage Plan. Projects are subject to Heritage Council approval and matched funding requirements. Given the limited resources available to the local authority at this time we must accept that it will not be possible to address all commitments.

D12 Agency and Recoupable Services

The payroll costs of the County Enterprise Board come under this heading. These costs are not met by the Council and are fully recoupable.

Table F - Expenditure				
Division D - Development Management				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
D0101 Statutory Plans and Policy	454,500	454,500	406,300	392,268
D0199 Service Support Costs	177,972	177,972	105,492	119,774
D01 Forward Planning	632,472	632,472	511,792	512,042
D0201 Planning Control	1,063,500	1,063,500	1,132,400	1,051,727
D0299 Service Support Costs	790,870	790,870	789,494	900,472
D02 Development Management	1,854,370	1,854,370	1,921,894	1,952,199
D0301 Enforcement Costs	541,500	541,500	539,200	520,200
D0399 Service Support Costs	254,523	254,523	205,196	229,904
D03 Enforcement	796,023	796,023	744,396	750,104
D0401 Industrial Sites Operations	4,800	4,800	4,800	4,800
D0403 Management of & Contris to Other Commercial Facs	-	-	-	-
D0404 General Development Promotion Work	91,500	91,500	89,500	89,500
D0499 Service Support Costs	45,430	45,430	6,779	(12,769)
D04 Industrial and Commercial Facilities	141,730	141,730	101,079	81,531
D0501 Tourism Promotion	44,300	44,300	54,300	54,300
D0502 Tourist Facilities Operations	-	-	-	350,036
D0599 Service Support Costs	68,302	68,302	13,419	10,936
D05 Tourism Development and Promotion	112,602	112,602	67,719	415,272
D0601 General Community & Enterprise Expenses	161,600	161,600	212,500	201,500
D0602 RAPID Costs	9,200	9,200	9,200	9,200
D0603 Social Inclusion	173,000	173,000	168,700	136,700
D0699 Service Support Costs	134,766	134,766	98,703	81,050
D06 Community and Enterprise Function	478,566	478,566	489,103	428,450
D0701 Unfinished Housing Estates	58,200	58,200	4,200	29,630
D0799 Service Support Costs	30,822	30,822	1,504	(4,241)
D07 Unfinished Housing Estates	89,022	89,022	5,704	25,389

Table F - Expenditure				
Division D - Development Management				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
D0801 Building Control Inspection Costs	64,900	64,900	63,000	63,000
D0802 Building Control Enforcement Costs	16,200	16,200	15,700	15,700
D0899 Service Support Costs	36,868	36,868	55,087	43,581
D08 Building Control	117,968	117,968	133,787	122,281
D0901 Urban and Village Renewal	5,700	5,700	5,500	5,500
D0902 EU Projects	-	-	-	-
D0903 Town Twinning	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
D0904 European Office	-	-	-	-
D0905 Economic Development & Promotion	80,300	80,300	86,224	75,867
D0999 Service Support Costs	5,073	5,073	4,465	(2,559)
D09 Economic Development and Promotion	96,073	96,073	101,189	83,808
D1001 Property Management Costs	57,900	57,900	57,800	96,800
D1099 Service Support Costs	18,455	18,455	33,084	27,230
D10 Property Management	76,355	76,355	90,884	124,030
D1101 Heritage Services	105,200	105,200	104,700	92,826
D1102 Conservation Services	20,600	20,600	82,000	23,000
D1103 Conservation Grants	-	-	-	-
D1199 Service Support Costs	38,087	38,087	57,057	46,167
D11 Heritage and Conservation Services	163,887	163,887	243,757	161,993
D1201 Agency & Recoupable Service	265,000	265,000	265,000	117,000
D1299 Service Support Costs	32	32	8,044	(23,170)
D12 Agency & Recoupable Services	265,032	265,032	273,044	93,830
D Division Total	4,824,100	4,824,100	4,684,348	4,750,929

Table F - Income				
Division D - Development Management				
Income by Source	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Government Grants				
Environment, Heritage & Local Government	172,000	172,000	142,000	64,000
Arts, Sports & Tourism	-	-	-	-
Other Grants & Subsidies	12,000	12,000	-	-
Total Government Grants	184,000	184,000	142,000	64,000
Goods & Services				
Planning Fees	147,700	147,700	246,500	134,200
Agency Services & Repayable Works	265,000	265,000	265,000	117,000
Superannuation	113,720	113,720	131,846	100,771
Sale/leasing of other property/Industrial Sites	290,000	290,000	350,000	291,000
Local Authority Contributions	-	-	-	-
Other income	38,000	38,000	54,200	465,348
Total Goods & Services	854,420	854,420	1,047,546	1,108,319
Division 'D' Total	1,038,420	1,038,420	1,189,546	1,172,319

Division E

Environmental Services



E Environmental Services

E01 Maintenance, Operation and Aftercare of Landfill

This budget provides for the cost of maintaining Ballaghaderreen & Roscommon Landfills under the terms of their EPA licences, following their closure. The budgeted figure includes the cost of environmental monitoring and other works at Ballaghaderreen & Roscommon Landfill and all other closed historic landfill sites in the County. The final capping of Cell 8 in Ballaghaderreen is complete; however ongoing maintenance of the gas field and leachate collection system is vital. Roscommon Landfill also produces landfill gas and leachate that require treatment. Provision has also been made for the payment of loan charges and historic capital investments in the landfill. Grant assistance of €48,545 has been allocated by the department for the Pilot Project on Risk Assessment with regard to Castlerea Landfill. 15% of this figure i.e. €8,957 must be provided from the Council's revenue budget.

E02 Maintenance and Operation of Recovery and Recycling Facilities

There are currently four Recycling Centres and 40 bring banks being operated in the county. The direct cost of operating these facilities in 2012 is estimated at €515,800. This represents a reduction in costs of €83,800 from the 2011 budget due to efficiencies planned in 2012. A review of the operations of the Civic Amenity Sites is ongoing in order to identify further savings. This may result in a reduction of the opening hours of the four facilities.

I have estimated an income of €237,000 based on current income levels and on the current fee structure introduced in mid 2010 for use of Civic Amenity Sites. Included in this income is €56,000 in respect of 22 Textile Banks for which a contract was awarded to Eco Environmental Ltd. in 2011.

E04 Provision of Waste to Collection Services

A budget of € 2,000 is available for clearing refuse from rivers adjacent to Water Flow Monitoring stations.

E05 Litter Management

The Environment Section will continue to engage with local community groups and assist them in maintaining and improving the image of the towns and villages in the County. Provision has been included under litter activities to cover the cost of the litter wardens and to monitor areas of illegal dumping in the County.

It is proposed to continue the promotion of Environmental Awareness through the annual Tidy Estates, Tidy Business, Tidy Burial Grounds and Tidy Schools competitions. A budget of €15,000 has been provided to assist community groups with the Spring Clean Campaign.

It is proposed that the Green Schools Programme will continue in 2012 with the extension to eligible schools of the Bio-Diversity programme. Presently eight of the nine Secondary Schools plus one Youth Club in the county are registered on the Green School Programme. 89% of National Schools in the county are registered. There are a total of 75 green flags awarded in the county – 4 Secondary Schools, 70 Primary Schools and 1 Creche.

E07 Waste Regulations, Monitoring and Enforcement

The budget for the enforcement of the waste legislation and environmental education and awareness, includes Roscommon's contribution to the Connaught Regional Waste Co-ordinator's Office. The Enforcement Team not only respond to reports of illegal activities in the area of waste management but play a key role in the enforcement of a broad range of waste regulations including Waste Facility and Collection Permit Regulations, Food Waste Regulations, Waste Presentation Bye Laws, End of Life Vehicles Regulations, Packaging Regulations, WEEE

Regulations, Plastic Bag Regulations, Waste Tyres Regulations, Water Pollution and Water Framework Regulations and Air Pollution regulations.

Under the National Climate Change Strategy (NCCS) Local Authorities have an obligation to achieve energy savings of 33% by 2020. Roscommon County Council is already active in this area with initiatives such as tendering for electricity supply for public utilities and buildings and implementation of an energy reduction programme.

E08 Waste Management Planning

Provision has been made for a contribution of €15,000 to the Environmental Partnership Fund.

There is also the need to meet staff costs in regard to Waste Management Planning as well as the Council's continued involvement in the Connaught Waste Management Plan. The existing plan must be evaluated by the end of 2012 and consequent to such evaluation must be revised as appropriate.

E09 Maintenance and upkeep of Burial Grounds

There are over 100 burial grounds in the County. I have included a figure of €106,500 to meet the direct costs associated with the upkeep of burial grounds in 2012. This is a reduction of €61,100 on the 2011 allocation. This in effect will mean that burial ground maintenance will in the main, be carried out by voluntary groups and persons employed under the Rural Social Scheme.

The Maintenance and Improvement Grant Scheme to voluntary groups is considered to be an effective and efficient means of maintaining burial grounds to a high standard. Accordingly, I propose to retain the allocation at €50,000, the same as in 2011.

E10 Safety of Structures and Places

The €210,900 (excluding overheads) provided under this heading in the budget meets the costs of Civil Defence, the administration involved with Derelict Sites, Major Emergency Planning and Water Safety.

A figure of €167,700 is included for Civil Defence, which continues to provide cover at community events as well as respond to emergency calls if required.

The Civil Defence is made up of voluntary members under the leadership of the Civil Defence Officer and provides a valuable service to the county. This service was very evident during the severe weather in 2009, 2010 and 2011.

A Derelict Sites policy was adopted by the Elected Members in 2010. This policy includes the proposal to enforce a derelict site levy on sites placed on the Derelict Sites Register. These sites must be located in a designated "urban area" before the levy is enforced.

E11 Operation of Fire Service

The estimated cost of the Fire Service for 2012 is €2,596,400.

The Fire Service is the Council's primary emergency service. I would like to thank the Fire Services Management and the retained fire personnel for the professional manner in which they carry out their fire fighting and other emergency duties and the for the efficient administration of the service.

The Fire Services Act, 1981 places an obligation on Fire Authorities to make provision for the prompt and efficient extinguishing of fires and for the protection and rescue of persons from injury by fire and to carry out or assist in any operations of an emergency nature and to make adequate provision for the reception and response to emergency calls for the assistance of the fire brigade.

The CAMP (Computer Aided Mobilisation Project) project, located in Castlebar, with its state of the art systems facilitates the provision of a much-enhanced response to emergency calls for the fire and ambulance services. The HSE has indicated that it will be establishing its own emergency call out system in 2012 and this will lead to an increase in the Local Authorities contribution to the operation of CAMP. Roscommon County Council's contribution for 2012 will be €186,648.

Roscommon County Council charges for its services under the Fire Services Act which provides that a fire authority shall be entitled to charge users or beneficiaries of a fire service for services which it provides. A review has been carried out on the process by which the Council computes the charges and issues invoices. In 2012 it is proposed to introduce the following revised fees. All Chimney Fires Flat Rate €250, All other incidents during the day time €500 per hour per brigade, all other incidents at weekends, night time or public holidays €750 per hour per brigade. This replaces the current charge of €80 for chimney fires and the full cost of attendance at all other incidents.

E13 Water Quality, Air and Noise Pollution

Roscommon County Council continues to discharge its functions under the Water Pollution Act 1977 and 1990 in relation to the issuing and monitoring of licences of discharge to sewers and to waters and the investigation of pollution incidences. A review of all discharge licences to waters has to be undertaken in 2012 to comply with the European Communities Environmental Objectives (Surface Waters) Regulations 2009 and the European Communities Environmental Objectives (Groundwater) Regulations 2010. Air and noise pollution complaints are also investigated.

E14 Agency & Recoupable Services

Under the Water Framework Directive Local Authorities are required to carry out a Water Monitoring Programme for the Shannon International River Basin District. As well as operational monitoring, investigative monitoring is also required and the staff of the Regional Laboratory, have been trained to provide this service for County Roscommon and for other Counties in the Upper Shannon Catchments.

The Shannon and Western River Basin Management Plans were adopted in July 2010 and the Plans will run to 2015. They place obligations on the Local Authority to implement measures to protect good and high quality water bodies and to restore water bodies of less than good status to good status.

Table F - Expenditure				
Division E - Environmental Services				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
E0101 Landfill Operations	1,614,600	1,614,600	1,658,600	1,582,600
E0102 Contribution to other LAs - Landfill Facilities	-	-	-	-
E0103 Landfill Aftercare Costs.	145,000	145,000	145,000	145,000
E0199 Service Support Costs	181,255	181,255	261,155	276,614
E01 Landfill Operation and Aftercare	1,940,855	1,940,855	2,064,755	2,004,214
E0201 Recycling Facilities Operations	515,800	515,800	599,600	569,500
E0202 Bring Centres Operations	-	-	-	-
E0204 Other Recycling Services	-	-	-	-
E0299 Service Support Costs	250,493	250,493	207,343	222,501
E02 Recovery & Recycling Facilities Operations	766,293	766,293	806,943	792,001
E0301 Waste to Energy Facilities Operations	-	-	-	-
E0399 Service Support Costs	-	-	-	-
E03 Waste to Energy Facilities Operations	-	-	-	-
E0401 Recycling Waste Collection Services	-	-	-	-
E0402 Organic Waste Collection Services	-	-	-	-
E0403 Residual Waste Collection Services	-	-	-	-
E0404 Commercial Waste Collection Services	-	-	-	-
E0406 Contribution to Waste Collection Services	-	-	-	-
E0407 Other Costs Waste Collection	2,000	2,000	2,000	500
E0499 Service Support Costs	322	322	766	780
E04 Provision of Waste to Collection Services	2,322	2,322	2,766	1,280
E0501 Litter Warden Service	77,000	77,000	77,000	77,000
E0502 Litter Control Initiatives	65,800	65,800	66,000	62,000
E0503 Environmental Awareness Services	4,700	4,700	6,900	6,900
E0599 Service Support Costs	338,144	338,144	329,033	342,668
E05 Litter Management	485,644	485,644	478,933	488,568
E0601 Operation of Street Cleaning Service	-	-	-	-
E0602 Provision and Improvement of Litter Bins	-	-	-	-
E0699 Service Support Costs	-	-	-	-
E06 Street Cleaning	-	-	-	-

Table F - Expenditure				
Division E - Environmental Services				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
E0701 Monitoring of Waste Regs (incl Private Landfills)	198,400	198,400	173,400	173,400
E0702 Enforcement of Waste Regulations	68,700	68,700	65,000	60,000
E0799 Service Support Costs	121,341	121,341	96,269	105,964
E07 Waste Regulations, Monitoring and Enforcement	388,441	388,441	334,669	339,364
E0801 Waste Management Plan	46,900	46,900	53,400	54,400
E0802 Contrib to Other Bodies Waste Management Planning	-	-	-	-
E0899 Service Support Costs	8,117	8,117	7,420	(50,698)
E08 Waste Management Planning	55,017	55,017	60,820	3,702
E0901 Maintenance of Burial Grounds	219,600	209,600	280,700	278,700
E0999 Service Support Costs	116,129	116,129	113,893	113,302
E09 Maintenance of Burial Grounds	335,729	325,729	394,593	392,002
E1001 Operation Costs Civil Defence	167,700	167,700	167,500	181,100
E1002 Dangerous Buildings	11,900	11,900	11,700	8,200
E1003 Emergency Planning	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
E1004 Derelict Sites	13,300	13,300	13,800	13,800
E1005 Water Safety Operation	13,000	13,000	23,000	10,000
E1099 Service Support Costs	50,175	50,175	56,358	61,380
E10 Safety of Structures and Places	261,075	261,075	277,358	279,480
E1101 Operation of Fire Brigade Service	2,596,400	2,596,400	2,584,400	2,582,194
E1103 Fire Services Training	100,000	100,000	100,000	75,000
E1104 Operation of Ambulance Service	-	-	-	-
E1199 Service Support Costs	189,902	189,902	229,312	258,218
E11 Operation of Fire Service	2,886,302	2,886,302	2,913,712	2,915,412
E1201 Fire Safety Control Cert Costs	-	-	3,000	-
E1202 Fire Prevention and Education	-	-	-	-
E1203 Inspection & Monitoring of Commercial Facilities	-	-	-	-
E1299 Service Support Costs	355	355	26	27
E12 Fire Prevention	355	355	3,026	27

Table F - Expenditure				
Division E - Environmental Services				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
E1301 Water Quality Management	306,700	306,700	256,200	251,800
E1302 Licensing and Monitoring of Air and Noise Quality	-	-	-	-
E1399 Service Support Costs	137,335	137,335	98,079	108,247
E13 Water Quality, Air and Noise Pollution	444,035	444,035	354,279	360,047
E1401 Agency & Recoupable Service	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
E1499 Service Support Costs	15,121	15,121	15,010	(24,393)
E14 Agency & Recoupable Services	65,121	65,121	65,010	25,607
E Division Total	7,631,189	7,621,189	7,756,864	7,601,704

Table F - Income				
Division E - Environmental Services				
Income by Source	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Government Grants				
Environment, Heritage & Local Government	211,000	211,000	229,500	211,373
Social & Family Affairs	-	-	-	-
Defence	-	-	-	-
Other Grants & Subsidies	90,000	90,000	90,000	77,100
Total Government Grants	301,000	301,000	319,500	288,473
Goods & Services				
Domestic Refuse Charges	312,000	312,000	-	247,000
Commercial Refuse Charges	-	-	-	-
Agency Services & Repayable Works	80,000	80,000	6,000	-
Superannuation	79,556	79,556	95,776	73,202
Landfill Charges	-	-	-	-
Fire Charges	60,000	60,000	30,000	(140,000)
Local Authority Contributions	20,000	20,000	20,000	15,000
Other income	153,000	153,000	538,000	247,054
Total Goods & Services	704,556	704,556	689,776	442,256
Division 'E' Total	1,005,556	1,005,556	1,009,276	730,729

Division F Recreation and Amenity



F Recreation and Amenity

F01 Operation and Maintenance of Leisure Centres

The amount of €106,500 has been provided for the operation of Roscommon Leisure Centre and Castlerea Swimming Pool in 2012. This represents a further reduction of €15,000 from the 2011 budget of €121,500.

Castlerea Swimming Pool

Castlerea Swimming Pool incurred expenditure of almost €65,000 in 2011. A budget of €55,000 has been provided for the operation of the pool in 2012 which represents a reduction of €5,000 from the 2011 budget (€60,000). This reduction in budget will mean that Castlerea swimming pool will be open for a shorter period in 2012.

A grant has been sanctioned from the Department of Tourism, Culture & Sports for energy efficiency initiatives at the pool. A Swimming Pool Cover will be installed in December 2011 to assist in energy cost savings and it is anticipated that a saving in the region of €3,000 per annum may be achieved through this measure. It is also proposed to upgrade the heating system and other operational areas in the long-term to achieve further savings.

Roscommon Leisure Centre Ltd.

The company under the auspices of Roscommon County Council – is responsible for the management of Roscommon Leisure Centre. It is likely that there will be an accumulated deficit at the end of 2011 of €27,000 (subvention of €61,500 allocated in 2011 budget). The amount of €51,500 has been provided for subvention of the operation of the leisure centre in 2012.

It is anticipated that energy cost savings of approximately €20,000 will be achieved at Roscommon Leisure Centre through the installation of a wood chip/pellet boiler in early 2012.

Because of the 2012 budget allocation it will be necessary to undertake a review of the operation of Roscommon Leisure Centre. The impact of the budget reduction will include reduction of opening hours, staff numbers and the level of service to the community that can be provided.

Community & Amenity Fund

An amount of €20,000 is being provided to fund contributions to voluntary bodies through the Community & Amenity Fund 2012. This is a reduction of €15,000 on the 2011 allocation. Consequently the number and amount of grants paid to community groups will be reduced.

F02 Operation of Library and Archival Services

The direct costs associated with the provision and operation of the Library Service for 2012 is estimated at €1,198,000.

The budget currently provides for the operation through the six branch locations at Roscommon, Castlerea, Ballaghaderreen, Boyle, Elphin, Strokestown and Mobile Library. Due to reductions in funding and staffing, branch hours will be reduced in order to retain a level of service in all branches. Providing for existing staff costs is a priority and there will be no provision for the use of temporary staff, with further pressure being placed on the opening hours of all branch services. While every effort will be made to minimise the impact to the public, through the continued policy of redeploying administrative staff, periodic closures of branches, interruption to mobile services and reduced delivery of archive services will become a regular occurrence in 2012.

There is reduced funding for the purchase of new stock and materials in 2012. The service will have to rely on reserves of existing stock and sharing of resources under arrangements with other local authorities under the requests and borrow books system.

The range and level of support for the Library Services for the annual events, activities festival participation and other cultural and educational commitments will continue where possible.

The proposed dissolving of An Chomhairle Leabharlanna under the programme for further rationalisation of state agencies means that the annual contribution paid support to this organisation will be reduced. Key residual functions of An Chomhairle Leabharlanna are to be subsumed into a proposed existing public body.

F03 Operation and Improvement of Outdoor Leisure Areas

An amount of €704,482 (including Service Support Costs) has been included in the budget to meet the costs of the various outdoor amenities around the County.

The amount for the maintenance of amenities is being reduced by €50,000 to €351,000 in 2012.

This reduction will mean that some amenity areas in the ownership of the Council will not be maintained in 2012. However every effort will be made to maintain, to a satisfactory state, those areas of greatest usage, with priority being given to amenity areas in towns and villages.

F04 Community Sport and Recreational Development

The Council facilitates the employment of a Sports Co-Ordinator by the VEC by facilitating payment of salaries through payroll. Following discussions with the FAI Roscommon County Council will continue to contribute towards the cost of an FAI Development Officer for 2012.

Roscommon County Council is supportive of community initiatives that provide community sporting and leisure facilities. Support for community initiatives includes the provision of sites to community groups at reduced costs. There is no allocation towards the Community Games in 2012.

F05 Operation of Arts Programme

During 2012 Roscommon County Council Arts Office will be implementing a reduced number of actions under the arts plan 'Sustaining the Arts 2009 – 2012'. The arts programme is part-funded by The Arts Council and because of the reduced budget allocation of €92,900 we will not be in a position to provide the same level of matching funds to supplement Arts Council funding. Consequently, a reduced number of programmes will be undertaken in 2012. The post of Arts Officer is currently vacant and we intend to manage the programmes through the County Library, Cultural and Arts Department from within our existing staff complement. The Arts Officer position will be reviewed in 2013.

Roscommon Arts Centre continues to thrive and develop as a flagship arts venue for the county. The Arts Council continues to support the work of Roscommon Arts Centre and awarded a programming grant of €65,000 in 2011. The Arts Centre continues to play an integral role in Nomad – a successful partnership network of seven theatres and one theatre company located across the north and midlands of Ireland.

The King House caretaker together with casual staff will manage and maintain King House in 2012. The full time manager position at King House will not be refilled. King House will be maintained as a vibrant cultural and tourism centre for the town of Boyle. An entry charge of €5 for adults and €2 for children will be reintroduced in 2012. The 2012 budget for operation and maintenance of King House has been reduced to €64,600.

Table F - Expenditure				
Division F - Recreation and Amenity				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
F0101 Leisure Facilities Operations	121,100	121,100	136,900	156,629
F0103 Contribution to External Bodies Leisure Facilities	20,000	40,000	40,000	35,000
F0199 Service Support Costs	27,134	27,134	17,278	(38,943)
F01 Leisure Facilities Operations	168,234	188,234	194,178	152,686
F0201 Library Service Operations	1,142,300	1,137,300	1,128,254	1,176,677
F0202 Archive Service	-	-	-	-
F0204 Purchase of Books, CD's etc.	45,700	45,700	40,000	60,338
F0205 Contributions to Library Organisations	10,000	10,000	-	10,000
F0299 Service Support Costs	302,425	302,425	512,953	549,239
F02 Operation of Library and Archival Service	1,500,425	1,495,425	1,681,207	1,796,254
F0301 Parks, Pitches & Open Spaces	346,000	341,000	401,000	410,359
F0302 Playgrounds	-	-	-	-
F0303 Beaches	-	-	-	-
F0399 Service Support Costs	358,482	358,482	130,611	146,791
F03 Outdoor Leisure Areas Operations	704,482	699,482	531,611	557,150
F0401 Community Grants	-	-	-	-
F0402 Operation of Sports Hall/Stadium	-	-	-	-
F0403 Community Facilities	-	-	-	-
F0404 Recreational Development	103,000	103,000	103,000	153,500
F0499 Service Support Costs	11,661	11,661	17,575	(1,890)
F04 Community Sport and Recreational Development	114,661	114,661	120,575	151,610
F0501 Administration of the Arts Programme	509,100	509,100	538,000	449,625
F0502 Contributions to other Bodies Arts Programme	-	-	-	-
F0503 Museums Operations	-	-	-	-
F0504 Heritage/Interpretive Facilities Operations	64,600	64,600	142,700	240,050
F0505 Festivals & Concerts	-	-	-	-
F0599 Service Support Costs	156,332	156,332	323,243	348,205
F05 Operation of Arts Programme	730,032	730,032	1,003,943	1,037,880
F0601 Agency & Recoupable Service	-	-	-	-
F0699 Service Support Costs	-	-	-	-
F06 Agency & Recoupable Services	-	-	-	-
F Division Total	3,217,834	3,227,834	3,531,514	3,695,580

Table F - Income				
Division F - Recreation and Amenity				
Income by Source	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Government Grants				
Environment, Heritage & Local Government	-	-	-	-
Education and Science	-	-	-	-
Arts,Sports and Tourism	-	-	-	-
Social & Family Affairs	-	-	-	-
Library Council	32,500	32,500	-	32,514
Arts Council	110,000	110,000	110,000	138,247
Other Grants & Subsidies	90,000	90,000	-	138,500
Total Government Grants	232,500	232,500	110,000	309,261
Goods & Services				
Recreation/Amenity/Culture	215,800	215,800	162,600	29,655
Library Fees/Fines	19,000	19,000	40,000	24,500
Agency Services & Repayable Works	-	-	90,000	-
Superannuation	69,188	69,188	74,552	56,981
Local Authority Contributions	-	-	-	-
Other income	5,000	5,000	54,000	298,711
Total Goods & Services	308,988	308,988	421,152	409,847
Division 'F' Total	541,488	541,488	531,152	719,108

Division G

Agriculture, Education, Health and Welfare



G Agriculture, Education, Health and Welfare

G01 Land Drainage Costs

The budget for land drainage is being reduced by €70,000 to €136,000. This reduction will result in a significant decrease in the amount of drainage work being undertaken in 2012. The contribution to the River Suck Joint Drainage District Committee is being reduced by €10,000 to €115,000 in 2012. This reduction will also impact on the extent of drainage work being undertaken by the Committee.

The OPW provided funding for a number of schemes in 2011 under the Non-Costal Minor Flood Mitigation Scheme. Improvement and maintenance works were carried out on the various schemes and it is hoped that further funding will be available in 2012.

G04 Veterinary Service

The provision to meet the direct costs for the operation of food safety responsibilities is €164,100. The Council is operating a full meat inspection service at 11 licensed abattoirs and four small meat-manufacturing plants in the County. It is expected that in 2012 the full cost of this services will be met by inspection fees under licensing regulations and a grant from the Food Safety Authority of Ireland (FSAI).

Under the Control of Dogs Acts, the Council is responsible for the provision of a Dog Shelter. A service level agreement is in place with the ISPCA to operate the shelter and to operate the provisions of Control of Dogs legislation. An allocation of €114,500 is provided for such a service.

G05 Educational Support Services

The major item of expenditure under this subprogram is in respect of higher educational grants which are estimated at €3,414,000, an increase of 0.4% from 2011. The full cost of Higher Education Grants is not a direct charge on the County Council and this provision will be recouped from the Department of Education & Science.

Table F - Expenditure				
Division G - Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
G0101 Maintenance of Land Drainage Areas	136,600	136,600	206,600	211,743
G0102 Contributions to Joint Drainage Bodies	115,000	115,000	125,000	115,000
G0103 Payment of Agricultural Pensions	12,000	12,000	12,000	15,013
G0199 Service Support Costs	47,402	47,402	21,295	22,428
G01 Land Drainage Costs	311,002	311,002	364,895	364,184
G0201 Operation of Piers	-	-	-	-
G0203 Operation of Harbours	-	-	-	-
G0299 Service Support Costs	-	-	-	-
G02 Operation and Maintenance of Piers and Harbours	-	-	-	-
G0301 General Maintenance - Costal Regions	-	-	-	-
G0302 Planned Protection of Coastal Regions	-	-	-	-
G0399 Service Support Costs	-	-	-	-
G03 Coastal Protection	-	-	-	-
G0401 Provision of Veterinary Service	10,300	10,300	10,000	10,000
G0402 Inspection of Abattoirs etc	110,100	110,100	135,800	153,470
G0403 Food Safety	43,700	43,700	42,300	37,500
G0404 Operation of Dog Warden Service	114,500	114,500	124,400	125,100
G0405 Other Animal Welfare Services (incl Horse Control)	5,200	5,200	5,000	5,000
G0499 Service Support Costs	66,919	66,919	104,097	103,399
G04 Veterinary Service	350,719	350,719	421,597	434,469
G0501 Payment of Higher Education Grants	3,414,000	3,414,000	3,400,000	3,341,000
G0502 Administration Higher Education Grants	66,400	66,400	70,400	70,400
G0503 Payment of VEC Pensions	2,300,000	2,300,000	2,300,000	2,814,327
G0504 Administration VEC Pension	-	-	-	-
G0505 Contribution to VEC	15,000	15,000	12,000	13,610
G0506 Other Educational Services	500	500	1,000	500
G0507 School Meals	-	-	-	-
G0599 Service Support Costs	39,405	39,405	284,219	318,645
G05 Educational Support Services	5,835,305	5,835,305	6,067,619	6,558,482
G0601 Agency & Recoupable Service	-	-	-	-
G0699 Service Support Costs	-	-	-	-
G06 Agency & Recoupable Services	-	-	-	-
G Division Total	6,497,026	6,497,026	6,854,111	7,357,135

Table F - Income				
Division G - Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare				
Income by Source	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Government Grants				
Environment, Heritage & Local Government	-	-	-	-
Education and Science	3,400,000	3,400,000	3,400,000	3,200,000
Arts,Sports & Tourism	-	-	-	-
Transport and Marine	-	-	-	-
Other Grants & Subsidies	190,000	190,000	-	187,620
Total Government Grants	3,590,000	3,590,000	3,400,000	3,387,620
Goods & Services				
Agency Services & Repayable Works	2,332,600	2,332,600	2,300,000	2,814,327
Superannuation	16,041	16,041	15,320	11,710
Contributions by other local authorities	-	-	-	-
Other income	-	-	222,600	41,600
Total Goods & Services	2,348,641	2,348,641	2,537,920	2,867,637
Division 'G' Total	5,938,641	5,938,641	5,937,920	6,255,257

Division H

Miscellaneous Services



H Miscellaneous Services

H01 Profit/Loss Machinery Account

The costs shown within the heading relate to the distribution of the Central Management Charge shown with in Appendix 1.

The costing system dictates that IT, Finance and Corporate costs are distributed using statistical data so that the full costs of providing each service are demonstrated.

H02 Profit/Loss Stores Account

The amount of €13,996 identified in the estimates relates to its proportion of the Central Management Charge.

H03 Administration of Rates

The County Council continues to have a relatively small rate base, which in turns impacts on the level of services that can be delivered to customers.

The costs of collecting rates, in the main relate to staffing, but there are also costs incurred in regard to legal fees, refunds and irrecoverable rates.

Under Procedures and Audit Regulations, 2002 (Part IV), the County Council will prepare a schedule of uncollected rates within 30 days of the end of the financial year, to the Elected Members, so they are fully aware of the level of arrears.

H04 Franchise Costs

Provision has been made under this heading towards the cost of preparing and publication of the Draft, Live, Edited and Supplemental (if required) Register of Electors in accordance with Electoral legislation.

H05 Operation of Morgue and Coroner Expenses

A provision of €113,256 has been made to meet the costs associated with the Coroners expenses.

H06 Weighbridges

The Council operate a number of small weighbridges throughout the county and a small provision is made towards this operation.

H07 Operation of Markets and Casual Trading

Under the Casual Trading Act 1995, a Local Authority may acquire any market right in respect of a market or fair in its functional area by agreement or compulsorily. Roscommon County Council has acquired the market rights in the towns of Ballaghaderreen, Boyle and Castlerea, with the relevant confirmation orders signed in October 2007. Transfer of full ownership is complete.

Bye-laws are currently being prepared in relation to control, regulation, supervision and administration of casual trading; A new EU directive came into force in December 2009 which has raised queries which require clarification from the office of The Attorney General. The Department of Enterprise Trade and Employment are awaiting this clarification and have advised Local Authorities to postpone the making of bye-laws until the Department has concluded its work with the Office of the Attorney General.

A provision of €20,000 is made in this budget for the making and implementation of bye-laws i.e. compensation, acquisition and extinguishment of existing Market Rights, Development of Trading Areas , Roads, Markings, licensing etc.

H08 Malicious Damage

In accordance with the Malicious Injuries Act 1981, a person shall be entitled to compensation from the Local Authority where damage is caused to his property through riotous behaviour. The full cost of Malicious Injuries Claims is not a direct cost to the County Council as sums incurred will be recouped from the Department of Environment, Community and Local Government.

H09 Local Representation / Civic Leadership

In accordance with Section 142 of Local Government Act 2001, provision is made for expenses incurred by its members in connection with attendance at meetings, conferences, seminars, training held within or outside the State. An allowance of €122,200 is made to cater for this expenditure. This allowance is made in accordance with The Local Government Act 2010 (S.142 Regulations).

H10 Motor Taxation

The delivery of the Motor Taxation service is funded as part of the total Local Government Fund Grant to the authority.

During the course of 2011, the opening hours of the Motor Tax Office were extended to increase the level of service to our customers.

It is expected that during the course of the year driving licences will be transferred to the Roads Safety Authority (RSA).

H11 Agency & Recoupable Services

ABK Architects has been appointed as lead consultant of an Integrated Design Team to design new Civic Offices. The design will incorporate all offices which are currently dispersed around Roscommon town and will be based on the existing site to the rear of the Court House. Additional car parking will be provided off site on the lands recently acquired at the rear of Main St. The Design Team has completed the preliminary feasibility, investigations and concept design stages.

The team has commenced the preliminary design stage and it is anticipated that draft design proposals will be ready in early Spring 2012 and Roscommon County Council will proceed through to the Part 8 process in late Spring/early Summer. This will be followed by tenders for the construction of the building which it is expected will commence in September/October 2012 with the building ready for occupation by the end of 2013/early 2014.

Insurances premiums for Employers and Public liability will reduce by 10% and 5% respectively in 2012. In addition, motor and professional indemnity insurance will decrease by 10 %.Premiums for all other insurance policies underwritten by our insurers have remained the same as 2011.

Table F - Expenditure				
Division H - Miscellaneous Services				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
H0101 Maintenance of Machinery Service	-	-	-	-
H0102 Plant and Machinery Operations	-	-	-	(161,000)
H0199 Service Support Costs	187,081	187,081	126,231	152,323
H01 Profit & Loss Machinery Account	187,081	187,081	126,231	(8,677)
H0201 Purchase of Materials, Stores	-	-	-	(10,000)
H0202 Administrative Costs Stores	-	-	-	-
H0203 Upkeep of Buildings, stores	-	-	-	-
H0299 Service Support Costs	13,996	13,996	26,236	10,388
H02 Profit & Loss Stores Account	13,996	13,996	26,236	388
H0301 Administration of Rates Office	145,600	145,600	149,500	268,000
H0302 Debt Management Service Rates	95,400	95,400	105,100	97,987
H0303 Refunds and Irrecoverable Rates	1,425,000	1,425,000	905,000	1,615,900
H0399 Service Support Costs	142,613	142,613	173,945	194,431
H03 Adminstration of Rates	1,808,613	1,808,613	1,333,545	2,176,318
H0401 Register of Elector Costs	104,700	104,700	105,500	101,500
H0402 Local Election Costs	6,700	6,700	7,900	7,900
H0499 Service Support Costs	31,763	31,763	32,007	14,762
H04 Franchise Costs	143,163	143,163	145,407	124,162
H0501 Coroner Fees and Expenses	97,900	97,900	97,900	207,900
H0502 Operation of Morgue	-	-	-	-
H0599 Service Support Costs	15,356	15,356	17,826	13,353
H05 Operation of Morgue and Coroner Expenses	113,256	113,256	115,726	221,253
H0601 Weighbridge Operations	1,000	1,000	1,500	1,000
H0699 Service Support Costs	226	226	158	161
H06 Weighbridges	1,226	1,226	1,658	1,161
H0701 Operation of Markets	-	-	-	-
H0702 Casual Trading Areas	20,000	20,000	20,000	5,000
H0799 Service Support Costs	12,503	12,503	14,224	(21,795)
H07 Operation of Markets and Casual Trading	32,503	32,503	34,224	(16,795)

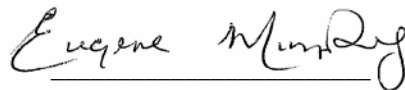
Table F - Expenditure				
Division H - Miscellaneous Services				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
H0801 Malicious Damage	-	-	-	-
H0899 Service Support Costs	2,526	2,526	2,917	(3,044)
H08 Malicious Damage	2,526	2,526	2,917	(3,044)
H0901 Representational Payments	516,000	516,000	516,000	458,400
H0902 Chair/Vice Chair Allowances	44,000	44,000	44,000	44,000
H0903 Annual Allowances LA Members	-	-	-	-
H0904 Expenses LA Members	335,600	335,600	335,600	336,600
H0905 Other Expenses	17,000	17,000	17,000	11,000
H0906 Conferences Abroad	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
H0907 Retirement Gratuities	-	-	-	24,057
H0908 Contribution to Members Associations	22,600	22,600	22,600	16,865
H0999 Service Support Costs	526,002	526,002	602,511	629,183
H09 Local Representation & Civic Leadership	1,465,202	1,465,202	1,541,711	1,524,105
H1001 Motor Taxation Operation	386,100	386,100	395,600	359,900
H1099 Service Support Costs	160,006	160,006	177,016	208,290
H10 Motor Taxation	546,106	546,106	572,616	568,190
H1101 Agency & Recoupable Service	21,700	21,700	441,700	36,200
H1102 NPPR	17,200	17,200	17,200	7,500
H1199 Service Support Costs	15,943	15,943	4,066	(2,687)
H11 Agency & Recoupable Services	54,843	54,843	462,966	41,013
H Division Total	4,368,515	4,368,515	4,363,237	4,628,074
Overall Total	65,005,500	65,005,500	66,037,557	67,827,724

Table F - Income				
Division H - Miscellaneous Services				
Income by Source	2012		2011	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Government Grants				
Environment, Heritage & Local Government	-	-	23,500	135
Agriculture Fisheries and Food	-	-	-	-
Social & Family Affairs	-	-	-	-
Justice Equality and Law Reform	50,000	50,000	81,000	34,000
Non Dept HFA and BMW	-	-	-	-
Other Grants & Subsidies	-	-	-	33,754
Total Government Grants	50,000	50,000	104,500	67,889
Goods & Services				
Agency Services & Repayable Works	-	-	120,000	-
Superannuation	78,170	78,170	86,362	66,007
NPPR	850,000	850,000	800,000	800,000
Contributions by other local authorities	25,000	25,000	-	16,100
Other income	493,500	493,500	493,810	742,896
Total Goods & Services	1,446,670	1,446,670	1,500,172	1,625,003
Division 'H' Total	1,496,670	1,496,670	1,604,672	1,692,892
Overall Total	37,245,702	37,245,702	37,039,008	37,890,928

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

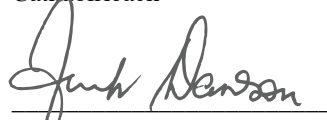
I hereby certify that at the budget meeting of Roscommon County Council held this 21st day of December, 2011 the Council by Resolution adopted for the financial year ending on the 31st day of December 2012, the budget set out in Tables *(A-F) and by Resolution determined in accordance with the said budget the Rates set out in Tables *(B and C) to be the annual rate on valuation to be levied for that year for the purposes set out in those Tables.

Signed



Cathaoirleach

Counter signed



Manager

Dated this 21st day of December 2011

Appendix 1		
SUMMARY OF CENTRAL MANAGEMENT CHARGE FOR YEAR 2012		
Description	2012 €	2011 €
Area Office Overhead	589,400	586,400
Corporate Affairs Overhead	638,200	712,900
Corporate Buildings Overhead	1,654,600	1,286,559
Finance Function Overhead	706,500	800,570
Human Resource Function Overhead	1,822,100	1,988,275
IT Services Overhead	1,133,500	1,208,500
Print & Post Room Service Overhead	191,100	125,700
Pension & Lump Sum Overhead	3,469,000	3,469,000
Total Expenditure Allocated to Services	10,204,400	10,177,904

Roscommon County Council

Capital Programme

2012-2014



Introduction

The 3 year Capital Programme is being presented with the annual budget as prescribed in Section 135 of the Local Government Act, 2001. The Programme indicates projects proposed by the local authority for the current year and the following two years by the County Manager to the Members of the Council for their consideration.

In preparing the Programme it is important that the information available at the time reflects the current status of schemes / projects, the resources likely to be available during the period and the Councils ability to raise finance or obtain external funding if necessary.

The following is an analysis of the anticipated sources of funding;

The last column on the attached document shows the amount of the estimated expenditure which will be funded from Development Contributions.

		€
State Grants and Subsidies	Grants	137,513,400
Borrowings	Loans	21,700,000
Water Pricing Policy	WPP	13,710,000
County Council's own Resources: ● Development Contributions ● Other		5,573,200
Total		178,496,600

Frank Dawson

County Manager

Martin Lydon

Head of Finance and Planning

1. Housing and Building

	Estimated Expenditure €	Sources of Funding	Development Contributions €
1.1 Local Authority Housing Local Authority Social & Affordable Housing <p>The Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government funds the Social Housing Investment Programme (SHIP). Circular SHIP0201/17 advised local authorities that commitments for 2012 & 2013 should not be higher than 50% and 25% of the 2011 allocation, respectively.</p> <p>Roscommon County Council was notified of capital housing allocation of €1,000,000 to cover expenditure under the 2011 Housing Programme. A total of twenty three houses were completed in 2011.</p> <p>It is unlikely that any new construction scheme will commence in 2012 and any funding allocated by the DECLG will be required to cover approvals in 2011 and final accounts for completed schemes. A small allocation may be made available to purchase houses where the Council consider it represents value for money and that there is a demand for the property.</p>	1,500,000	State Grants	
Traveller Accommodation <p>The provision of Traveller Accommodation is funded by way of a Capital Allocation from the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government. Final Approval has been received for the extension of the scheme at Torpan Beg and work is expected to commence in January 2012. The proposed work programme under Traveller accommodation reflects proposals under the Traveller accommodation programme 2009 - 2013 and includes for a single rural house at Mullymux.</p>	1,500,000	State Grants	
Voluntary Housing <p>Roscommon County Council has also approved funding under the Capital Assistance Scheme for the following:</p> <p>Croghan Enterprise Company Limited - Voluntary Housing Group</p> <p>A development incorporating ten units of two bedroom social housing accommodation is being provided by Croghan Enterprise Company Limited in Croghan, Boyle, Co. Roscommon. A balance of €172,000 remains to complete this scheme and it is expected that works will be completed in early 2012. A grant towards the provision of a communal facility to service these units has also been made available.</p>	2,000,000	State Grants	

1. Housing and Building (cont)

	Estimated Expenditure €	Sources of Funding	Development Contributions
The Roscara Housing Association Limited Construction of a seven unit scheme at Ardsallaghmore, Roscommon Town is underway. The site was provided by the Council, total scheme cost of €624,418. A balance of €450,000 remains for completion of this scheme. A further scheme at Lisroyne, Strokestown, total cost €981,009 will commence in early 2012 providing an additional 12 no. units of accommodation for persons with specialised needs and 2 no. caretakers.			
Land It is the policy of the Council to acquire land to meet its requirements in the different locations throughout the county, where the opportunity arises and the land can be bought at a reasonable cost. Furthermore under Part V of the Planning and Development Act, the Council can accept land in lieu of the provision of social and affordable housing units. A small provision has been made in the capital budget for 2012 to 2014 to cover the cost of any land that may be acquired for housing purposes.	50,000	Other	
1.2 Assistance to Persons Housing Themselves House Purchase and Improvement Loans An amount has been included for the provision of house purchase and improvement loans. The Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government has issued new Housing (Local Authority Loans) Regulations 2009. The maximum loan amount which may now be advanced for the acquisition or construction of a house has been increased to €20,000 with effect from the 27th April, 2009. The Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government notifies the Council of a capital allocation for house purchase or improvement loans each year.	1,200,000	Loans	

2. Road Transportation and Safety

	Estimated Expenditure €	Sources of Funding	Development Contributions
<p>2.2 National Roads Network</p> <p>The National Roads Authority has overall responsibility for planning, construction, maintenance and supervision of the national roads network. The Authority provides annual capital funding for a number of major and minor projects on the national roads (245 km) in Co Roscommon. The funding provides for design and construction of major schemes and pavement improvements, strengthening and safety measures at specific locations. The capital allocation for 2011 was €13,320,000 which was inclusive of an allocation for the Ballaghaderreen Bypass and for surface overlay and road safety remedial measures.</p> <p>The approval to proceed with the construction of the Bypass in the coming year will require a significant capital allocation in 2012, 2013 and 2014 for this scheme. However it is not envisaged that the capital funding to be provided for overlay and low cost safety measures will increase in the next three years. The Council has also applied for funding for a number of high cost safety measures at various locations on the national road network throughout the county. It is unclear if these schemes will be funded in 2012. The specific details of work to be financed from capital grants will be included in the Annual Road Work Schemes.</p> <p>Major Schemes</p> <p>N4 – Dublin - Sligo</p> <p>The proposed Carrick-on-Shannon Bypass has been incorporated into the proposed Carrick-on-Shannon to Dromod Scheme. The planning documentation (draft EIS and CPO) is nearing completion.</p> <p>N5 Dublin to Westport</p> <p>The N5 transgresses Roscommon for a distance of 60km and may be divided into three separate schemes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● N5 Tarmonbarry to Scramogue This scheme was completed in 2004 and provides a standard single carriageway from Tarmonbarry to Scramogue. ● Ballaghaderreen By-Pass 13km This scheme extends from the Charlestown Bypass, near the Mayo County Boundary, to Tibohine. It is hoped that the scheme will proceed to construction in the latter half of 2012. The scheme is being designed by the Roscommon National Roads Regional Design Office. 	70,300,000	NRA	

2. Road Transportation and Safety (cont)

	Estimated Expenditure €	Sources of Funding	Development Contributions
<p>● N5 Ballaghaderreen – Scramogue 34km</p> <p>The route corridor has been selected and further work on the planning of the scheme has been suspended as no funding has been provided since 2009.</p> <p>This scheme is also being designed by the Roscommon National Roads Regional Design Office.</p> <p>N6 – Dublin – Galway</p> <p>The M6 Athlone – Ballinasloe was officially opened in July 2009. The new road which is 20km in length forms part of the major inter urban route Dublin to Galway.</p> <p>N61 – Athlone - Boyle</p> <p>● N61 Boyle Bypass</p> <p>The N61 Boyle Bypass preferred route corridor has been selected and has been incorporated into the Roscommon County Development Plan. No funding was received for the scheme since 2009.</p> <p>● N61 Coolteige (Phase1) 3km</p> <p>This scheme extends from the Castle Street roundabout to Coolteige crossroads. Subject to funding being provided in 2012, it is proposed to proceed with the preparation of detailed design and tender documents and to publish the CPO.</p> <p>Other Works</p> <p>Funding for the non-national roads restoration programmes and specific improvements grants is provided by the Department of Transport. These schemes are detailed in the Annual Road Work Schemes and their funding is reflected in the Revenue Budget.</p> <p>Funding for the provision of public lighting, car parking and traffic management is funded by Roscommon County Council from the capital programme. Due to the serious reduction in income from development contributions, all of these programmes have been suspended for the foreseeable future.</p> <p>The funding for footpath repairs is now being met from the Council's own resources, provision for which has been included in the Revenue Budget.</p> <p>The proposed work under the Capital Programme 2012-2014 excluding the amount being provided by the National Roads Authority as set out above, is as follows:</p> <p>● Road Infrastructure Improvements – Various locations</p>	900,000	County Council	900,000

3. Water Supply and Sewerage

	Estimated Expenditure €	Sources of Funding	Development Contributions
3.1 Public Water Supplies			
4 x Regional Water Schemes	25,083,400	State Grants / WPP / County Council	250,800
North East Regional WSS	16,742,700	State Grants / WPP / County Council	184,200
West Roscommon RWS	3,533,400	State Grants / WPP / County Council	91,800
Small Schemes	675,000	State Grants / County Council	168,800
3.2 Public Sewerage Schemes			
Towns and Villages	9,431,800	State Grants WPP / County Council	405,600
Roscommon Main Drainage	5,293,300	State Grants / County Council	160,200
Small Sewerage Schemes	675,000	State Grants / County Council	168,800
3.3 Other Schemes			
Water Conservation	15,000,000	State Grants / County Council	1,500,000

Note 1: WPP (Water Pricing Policy) requires the Local Authority to recoup through Water Service Charges from non-domestic customers the marginal capital costs of the provision of the non-domestic element of new schemes.

Note 2: Small Water and Sewerage Schemes receive 75% funding from State Grants and require 25% to be funded by the County Council.

4. Development Incentives and Controls

	Estimated Expenditure €	Sources of Funding	Development Contributions
4.2 Industrial Development Industrial Sites Provision of €50,000 has been made to facilitate future development works on industrial sites.	50,000	County Council	50,000
4.3 Other Development and Promotion Tourism Projects Provision of €50,000 per annum has been made for projects to be agreed under the County Tourism Strategy 2008 – 2012. Taking – in Charge of Housing Estates A sum of €300,000 has been provided in the 3 year programme to meet the costs of taking in charge of housing estates.	150,000 300,000	County Council County Council	150,000 300,000

5. Environmental Protection			
	Estimated Expenditure €	Sources of Funding	Development Contributions
5.1 Waste Management Projects include following; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Upgrade of Roscommon CAS ● Provision of Green Waste Facility ● Hazardous Waste & WEEE Shed Roscommon CAS 	2,000,000	State Grants / County Council (€1,500,000) / Loans (€500,000)	
5.2 Burial Grounds New burial grounds and extensions are funded under the Annual Capital Programme. A sum of €267,000 is being provided to complete existing commitments and acquire land to extend one existing burial ground. It is not envisaged that any further burial grounds will be provided in the next three years.	267,000	County Council	267,000
5.2 Fire Protection Refurbishment of Elphin Fire Station	400,000	State Grants	

6. Recreation and Amenity

	Estimated Expenditure €	Sources of Funding	Development Contributions
6.1 Swimming Pools Ballaghaderreen Swimming Pool <p>The Department of Arts Sports and Tourism require a preliminary design document to be produced before any scheme is agreed. The funding identified is to meet the costs of this document. The project will require guaranteed funding from the Department before any further stages in the process are undertaken.</p> <p>Should funding be approved by the Department of Arts Sports and Tourism matching additional funding will have to be provided by the Council by way of a loan that could amount to €5m. In addition it is envisaged a substantial subsidy will be required to meet the annual operational costs of the facility.</p>	90,000	County Council	90,000
Roscommon Leisure Centre <p>Provision of energy saving measures such as wood chip/pellet boiler, lighting controls, building management system, solar thermal, water conservation & harvesting will assist in reducing the operational costs of the facility within a short period of time.</p>	340,000	State Grants (€120,000) / County Council	220,000
Castlerea Swimming Pool <p>Grant approval has been received for energy conservation works at Castlerea Swimming Pool to include installation of wood chip/pellet boiler and provision of a pool cover.</p>	135,000	State Grants (€21,000) / County Council	114,000
6.3 Recreation and Amenities <p>Roscommon County Council has committed to part-funding a number of community projects that are being undertaken under the Village Renewal scheme which is funded as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 75% Roscommon Leader Partnership; 20% Roscommon County Council and 5% Local Community. A provision of €100,000 is included for future projects that may be approved. <p>The provision of amenities such as green areas, parks and playgrounds are funded from Roscommon County Council's own resources and grant assistance.</p>	100,000	State Grants / County Council	

6. Recreation and Amenity

	Estimated Expenditure €	Sources of Funding	Development Contributions
Local Authority Playgrounds The provision of playgrounds throughout the County has been identified as a priority through the Play Policy. Playgrounds have been provided in several areas in recent years and this provision will continue subject to land being available and grant funding being available. We have also included an allocation of €30,000 per annum to provide playground equipment in the existing playgrounds that is aimed specifically at children with disabilities. This initiative will be funded under the National Disability Strategy.	30,000	State Grants	
Amenities An amount of €122,000 has been allocated from the Council's development contribution scheme to complete the tourism projects at Lake O Flynn. It is anticipated that this project will finish in 2012.	122,000	County Council	122,000
An amount of €30,000 has been allocated to cover any further development works required at Errit Lough.	30,000	County Council	30,000
A sum of €200,000 is being provided for other amenities including the Council's contribution for schemes being promoted by the Roscommon LEADER Partnership	200,000	County Council	200,000
6.4 Other Recreation and Amenity Capital Works under the National Disability Strategy An amount of €214,368 was allocated to Roscommon County Council under the National Disability Fund 2009 through the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government. This funding is aimed at improving physical access to the Council's buildings and offices and at improving and enhancing Council services for those with disabilities.	398,000	State Grants	200,000

8. Miscellaneous Services

	Estimated Expenditure €	Sources of Funding	Development Contributions
8.8 Administration and Miscellaneous Office Accommodation <p>The provision of new Corporate Headquarters is included in the three-year programme. The development will consist of new office accommodation on the site adjacent to the Courthouse with some off-site parking to the rear of Main St.</p>	20,000,000	Loan	20,000,000

Appendix 2

Roscommon County Council Capital Programme 2012-2014

PROGRAMME GROUPS AND PROGRAMMES	INCOME									
	2012	2013	2014	Total	State Grants	WPP	Loans	Development Contributions	Other	Total
	€	€	€	€	€	€		€	€	€
1. HOUSING & BUILDING	1,750,000	1,775,000	1,525,000	5,050,000	5,050,000	-	-	-	-	5,050,000
	400,000	400,000	400,000	1,200,000	-	-	1,200,000	-	-	1,200,000
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	2,150,000	2,175,000	1,925,000	6,250,000	5,050,000	-	1,200,000	-	-	6,250,000
2. ROAD TRANSPORTATION & SAFETY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	25,050,000	31,600,000	14,550,000	71,200,000	70,300,000	-	-	900,000	-	71,200,000
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	25,050,000	31,600,000	14,550,000	71,200,000	70,300,000	-	-	900,000	-	71,200,000
3. WATER SUPPLY & SEWERAGE	8,822,000	26,323,000	10,889,500	46,034,500	33,030,300	12,308,600	-	695,600	-	46,034,500
	13,612,900	7,768,900	9,018,300	30,400,100	26,764,100	1,401,400	-	2,234,600	-	30,400,100
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	22,434,900	34,091,900	19,907,800	76,434,600	59,794,400	13,710,000	-	2,930,200	-	76,434,600
4. DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES & CONTROL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	25,000	25,000	50,000	-	-	-	50,000	-	50,000
	200,000	150,000	100,000	450,000	-	-	-	450,000	-	450,000
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	200,000	175,000	125,000	500,000	-	-	-	500,000	-	500,000

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PROGRAMME GROUPS AND PROGRAMMES	INCOME									
	2012	2013	2014	Total	State Grants	WPP	Loans	Development Contributions	Other	Total
	€	€	€	€				€	€	€
5. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION										
	30,000	670,000	1,300,000	2,000,000	1,500,000	-	500,000	-	-	2,000,000
	137,000	130,000	-	267,000	-	-	-	267,000	-	267,000
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	50,000	350,000	-	400,000	400,000	-	-	-	-	400,000
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.8 Administration & Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	217,000	1,150,000	1,300,000	2,667,000	1,900,000	-	500,000	267,000	-	2,667,000
6. RECREATION & AMENITY										
	475,000	90,000	-	565,000	141,000	-	-	424,000	-	565,000
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	200,000	200,000	82,000	482,000	130,000	-	-	352,000	-	482,000
	130,000	130,000	138,000	398,000	198,000	-	-	200,000	-	398,000
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6.8 Administration & Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	805,000	420,000	220,000	1,445,000	489,000	-	-	976,000	-	1,445,000
7. AGRICULTURE, EDUCATION, HEALTH & WELFARE										
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8. MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES										
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	3,000,000	16,000,000	1,000,000	20,000,000	-	-	20,000,000	-	-	20,000,000
8.9 Members Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	3,000,000	16,000,000	1,000,000	20,000,000	-	-	20,000,000	-	-	20,000,000
TOTAL	53,856,900	85,611,900	39,027,800	178,496,600	137,513,400	13,710,000	21,700,000	5,573,200	-	178,496,600
ALL PROGRAMME GROUPS TOTAL										



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