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## Traveller Accommodation Programme

# 2025-2029

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Housing (Traveller  
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## Introduction and Legal Background

Roscommon County Council under the provisions of the Housing (Traveller Accommodation) Act 1998, is required to prepare and adopt a new Traveller Accommodation Programme for a five-year period.

The following statutory obligations have been placed on the local authority to:

1. To prepare and adopt a Traveller Accommodation Programme, subject to periodic review, for the provision of Traveller Accommodation in the County.
2. To provide for a public notification and consultation process in respect of the preparation of the Traveller Accommodation Programme, including an opportunity to comment on draft programmes.
3. To take reasonable steps to secure the implementation of the Traveller Accommodation Programme in the County.
4. To provide for the establishment of a Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee (See Appendix 1 LTACC committee membership) to facilitate consultation with Travellers about the preparation and implementation of Traveller Accommodation Programme.
5. To extend to halting sites the powers available to local authorities under the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1997 relating to anti-social behaviour and estate management.

In December 2023, the Minister of State for Housing, Local Government and Heritage with special responsibility for Planning and Local Government directed in Circular 46/2023 that Housing Authorities shall commence preparation of the next five year Traveller Accommodation Programme (TAP's).

The new five-year programme will cover the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2025 to the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2029 and will replace the current 2019-2024 Programme which expires on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024. Under Section 7 (4) of the Act, the Minister has specified the accommodation programme must be adopted by the Council no later than 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024.

This document has been prepared and formatted in accordance with the above referenced Circular and associated guidelines.

## Policy Statement

Section 10(2)(c) requires that a statement of policy in relation to meeting accommodation needs is included in the programme.

Roscommon County Council is committed to addressing equality and human rights concerns for all in the delivery of its Housing functions, including Traveller Accommodation, by promoting of the values of dignity, inclusion, social justice, democracy and autonomy. The Equal Status Acts 2000-2018 ('the Acts') prohibit discrimination in the provision of goods and services, accommodation and education. They cover the nine grounds of gender, marital status, family status, age, disability, sexual orientation, race, religion, and membership of the Traveller community.

Roscommon County Council recognises under Section 42 of the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission Act 2014, its duty as a public body shall, in the performance of its functions, amongst other things have regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, promote equality of opportunity and treatment of its staff and the persons to whom it provides services and protect the human rights of its members, staff and the persons to whom it provides services.

Roscommon County Council seek to provide a high standard of living accommodation, which will be based on the distinct needs of Travellers, which will be accommodated in so far as is possible.

RCC's policy statement is outlined hereafter:

### Provision of Accommodation

Category	Policy
Permanent accommodation	<p>Permanent accommodation will be provided on the basis of need and in accordance with the applicant's preference. Permanent accommodation options include standard social housing options and Traveller-specific options.</p> <p><b>Standard Social Housing</b> options include LA Housing, LA leased property, AHB housing and rented private property (RAS and HAP) and units are allocated in accordance with RCC's allocations policy. As these are standard social housing options, they are not funded under the <i>Capital Provision for Traveller-specific Accommodation</i> annual allocation. The majority of Travellers on the social housing waiting list in the County have a preference for standard social housing options.</p> <p><b>Single Instance Housing</b> (once-off rural dwelling) is no longer considered as a permanent housing option under the Traveller Accommodation Programme on the basis that this option was not consistent with planning objectives.</p> <p><b>Traveller-specific Group Housing</b> consists of a cluster of houses built for Travellers in a setting that facilitates Traveller culture and traditions. These houses are constructed in accordance with the applicable building regulations and good practice (<i>Quality Housing for Sustainable Communities</i>). Provision of Traveller-specific Group Housing qualifies for funding under the Traveller Accommodation Programme. Demand for additional Traveller-specific Group Housing is low; however, sitting Group Housing tenants appear to be satisfied with this form of accommodation.</p>

	<p><b>Traveller-specific Hybrid Housing</b> refers to housing that may fall below the spatial standards recommended in <i>Quality Housing for Sustainable Communities</i> but provides for permanent caravan parking in the immediate vicinity (accommodation needs are met by a permanent structure and adjoining caravans). Provision of Traveller-specific Hybrid Housing qualifies for funding under the Traveller Accommodation Programme. In the past this hybrid form of accommodation appears to have had a role in the transition from transient forms of accommodation to permanent forms of accommodation; however, it is now generally accepted that this type of accommodation does not meet the needs of the Travelling Community. Where no demand exists for existing hybrid housing, consideration will be given to adapting/extending/amalgamating hybrid units to comply with modern spatial standards.</p> <p><b>Traveller-specific Halting Sites</b> refers to a cluster of serviced caravan bays. Provision of Traveller-specific Halting Sites qualifies for funding under the Traveller Accommodation Programme. However, as with hybrid housing, this form of accommodation does not meet the needs of the Travelling Community.</p>
Homelessness and emergency accommodation	Emergency accommodation for those presenting as homeless is provided for in accordance with RCC's homeless procedures. Emergency accommodation is provided via a network of B&B standby arrangements in the major towns. All housing options are considered in order to secure suitable long-term accommodation on a case by case basis. The Traveller Accommodation Programme does not fund the provision of emergency accommodation services.
Transient accommodation	Transient caravan bays (for short-term, occasional use and emergency use)
Support for those waiting for accommodation	Private rental options including HAP are available to support applicants waiting for an alternative form of accommodation.
Meeting the distinct needs of Travellers	To the extent they can be identified and agreed, the distinct accommodation needs of Travellers have and will be incorporated into the Traveller Accommodation Programme.
Unauthorised encampments	<p>Previous programmes have successfully accommodated any unauthorised encampments within authorised settlements. There is one unauthorised encampments within the County at this time, on a privately owned site. This is a matter for our Planning Department.</p> <p>RCC will continue to use the powers under the Roads and Housing Legislation to move and/or relocate illegally parked caravans or other forms of temporary accommodation from the public road, as they are a hazard to the illegal occupants and road users alike. Other forms of illegal parking will be assessed on a case-by-case basis.</p>

## Programme Preparation Notification and Consultation

Section 8 of the Housing (Traveller Accommodation) Act 1998 requires RCC to give notice to and elicit feedback from the following prescribed bodies:

- Adjoining Housing Authorities
- The Health Service Executive (HSE)
- Roscommon Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee (LTACC)
- Relevant Community Groups
- Relevant Housing Associations
- Traveller support groups within the functional area and within adjoining functional areas

On 3 January 2024, RCC issued notice to the prescribed bodies seeking pre-draft comments by 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024.

On January 3<sup>rd</sup> 2024, RCC issued Public Notice of its intention to prepare a new Traveller Accommodation Programme in Local Papers and on Social Media.

Submissions were received from:

- Roscommon Traveller Health Project
- Thelma Birrane, Regional Coordinator for Traveller Health
- Niall McGinley

Late Submissions were received from:

- Joint submission: Irish Traveller Movement, National Traveller Women's Forum and Pavee Point Traveller & Roma Centre
- CENA Culturally Appropriate Homes
- MABS
- National Traveller Health Implementation Group
- Irish Coalition to end youth homelessness / Focus Ireland

Submissions generally raised a number of issues and contained a total of 61 observations or recommendations. Observations or recommendations could be loosely categorised under the following heading, which are further divided into issues the Traveller Accommodation Programme can and cannot address directly.

Issues the Traveller Accommodation Programme can address directly:	Issues the Traveller Accommodation Programme cannot address directly: (for further consideration by the LTACC)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Accountability</li><li>▪ Engagement</li><li>▪ Equality/Public standards</li><li>▪ Appropriate Design</li><li>▪ Demand (Assessment of Need)</li><li>▪ Works programme (Design/Planning/Budget)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Homelessness (Procedure)</li><li>▪ Overcrowding (Homelessness)</li><li>▪ Domestic violence safe house</li><li>▪ Traveller Count (Ethnic Identifier)</li><li>▪ Health Impact Assessments</li><li>▪ Cultural awareness Training</li><li>▪ Unauthorised Sites</li></ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Health (address via Design)</li> <li>▪ Energy Retrofit</li> <li>▪ Caravan Loan scheme</li> <li>▪ Signposting to other support organisations in the community</li> <li>▪ Youth homelessness</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provision of Housing by Travellers from own resources</li> <li>▪ Maintenance in HAP</li> <li>▪ Increase the amount on caravan loan scheme/caravan rentals</li> </ul>
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Observations/recommendations were reviewed in detail. A response was prepared for each observation/recommendation by RCC with particular emphasis on whether or not the Traveller Accommodation Programme could directly address issues raised. The detailed responses were reviewed by the LTACC and taken into consideration in the preparation of the Draft Traveller Accommodation Programme 2025-2029. Following this, the draft issued to all members of the LTACC for comment prior to public display. Key observations and issues raised pertaining to the Traveller Accommodation Programme were as follows:

- Energy retrofit works for existing Traveller accommodation
- All design and construction shall be in accordance with applicable building regulations. RCC will consult extensively with Travellers and adopt good design practice (current and relevant practice) including for mental and physical health.
- LTACC to look at ongoing engagement and consultation with organisations in relation to youth Homelessness which is included in the Regional Youth Homeless strategy currently at draft stage with the Regional Lead Authority.
- An inter-agency approach to resolving issues between different Traveller family groups would be welcomed.
- Accommodation for the Traveller population should not be subject to Traveller specific accommodation only.
- Issues raised that some Traveller families want to provide culturally appropriate accommodation from their own resources.
- Monitor progress of TAP targets, standing item for LTACC meetings.
- Refer Travellers to local MABs and other support organisations for advice.

### **Programme Adoption Procedure**

- The Draft Programme will be placed on public display during a two-month consultation period.
- The Draft Programme will also be circulated to the prescribed bodies and members of Roscommon County Council.
- Submissions from the public, prescribed bodies and Council members are invited within the consultation period.
- Roscommon County Council prepares a report based on the submissions received.
- The report and Draft Programme is submitted to Council Members for formal adoption.
- The adopted Programme is published and circulated to the prescribed bodies.

## Strategy Statement

Section 10(2)(d) requires that an accommodation programme should specify a strategy for securing the implementation of the programme. This strategy statement should be read in conjunction with the above policy statement regarding the provision of accommodation.

Category	Strategy
Provision of Accommodation	Objectives of this programme will be incorporated into RCC's annual housing programme. Applications will be made to the Department for funding approval to proceed with and progress projects in line with programme objectives. Allocations shall be recorded to ensure proportional representation for Travellers with regard to all social housing options.
Provision in Local Area Plans and County Development Plans	Section 5.5 of the County Development Plan aims to provide Travellers with access to good quality, affordable and well located housing (specific locations are not identified in advance). A demand for additional Traveller-specific sites was not identified in the assessment of needs associated with the 2025-2029 Traveller Accommodation Programme with Travellers expressing a strong preference for standard social housing.
Effective Consultation	Consultation strategy has been prescribed by the programme and referenced in other sections of this programme (see Policy Statement and Implementation Measures).
Implementing the Plan	See section on Implementation Measures contained in this programme.
Dealing with Issues	It is difficult to prescribe a strategy for dealing with unspecified issues; however and to the extent possible, RCC will address issues via its consultation policy and programme implementation consultation strategy as outlined in this programme.
Monitoring Progress	See section on Programme Monitoring and Review.
Maintenance	Common areas within Traveller-specific settlements are maintained by RCC (Housing Caretaker). Tenant responsibilities and Council responsibilities are specified in the current edition of RCC's Tenant Handbook and in the Tenant Agreement. Tenants can log maintenance issues for which the Council is responsible for using a dedicated phone number (hot line).
Estate Management and Anti-social Behaviour	The Tenant Handbook references RCC's Anti-social Behaviour Strategy and Estate Management in general including the role of residents associations and RCC's Tenant Liaison Officer.
Waste Management	Tenants must provide for proper management and collection of household waste by using an authorised waste collection service. Tenants are encouraged to reduce and recycle waste and compost waste, as appropriate. Dumping of waste and back yard burning of waste are illegal practices in the County. Guidance and advice is provided by RCC's Tenant Liaison Officer and the Traveller caretaker

## Youth Homelessness

Housing for All - Youth Homeless Strategy 2023 – 2025 identified young Travellers as one of the six vulnerable cohorts at risk of homelessness. Early intervention and interagency collaboration involving Roscommon County Council, Local Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee, Traveller Representative Groups and HSE Regional Traveller Health Forum is essential to prepare young Travellers to find their preferred accommodation and to access any necessary supports in the community.

It is important that there is early liaison with community health care workers and Roscommon County Council regarding the housing needs of young Travellers. Housing preferences and options should be explored to avoid young people accessing mainstream homeless services.

The Homeless Section, the Traveller Liaison Officer and the Tenancy Sustainment Officer of Roscommon County Council will engage with young Travellers who are at risk of homelessness and provide guidance towards mediation, tenancy sustainment and other available supports as necessary.

Roscommon County Council will provide regular training to community health care workers to enable them to assist young Travellers to complete and submit a complete social housing support application at the earliest opportunity.

## Assessment of Need

The assessment of need for Traveller accommodation, and Traveller-specific accommodation in particular, is addressed in this section. Before providing the *initial position* and an estimate of *projected need over programme duration*, a review of the previous programme is outlined.

### Review of Previous Programme (TAP 2019-2024)

**Programme Target - Transient Sites:** The Housing (Traveller Accommodation) Act, 1998 gives statutory recognition to transient sites as one of a range of accommodation options for Traveller families. Sites are intended for short stays by transient Travellers only. In 2022 funding was sought and approved to upgrade a previously decommissioned transient site in Ballinacullia. The upgrade works were completed in 2023. This site now includes 5 transient sites with a welfare unit that contains a toilet and showers. One modular home remains next to this site.

**Programme Target - Single Instance Housing:** A house acquisition specially adapted for a family in Roscommon town. One house acquisition was made under that Traveller programme in Ballaghaderreen. A further Disability extension was provided for a Traveller family in the West of the County to facilitate a child with a Disability.

### Programme Target – Group Housing: Cluain Airne:

The 2019-2024 programme proposed advancing two units to planning stage and thereafter progressing to construction subject to a review of demand. RCC had previously progressed a proposal of two units for this site. However, due to an increase in demand RCC have now applied to the DHPLG for approval for the construction of five no. 4 bed units. Whilst the current demand does not reflect a need for all 4-bed units it is recommended to proceed due to possible future needs, the current age profile of Travellers in Roscommon and the fact the 50% of Travellers in Roscommon are made up of 4 or more person household.

**Torpan Beg extensions:**

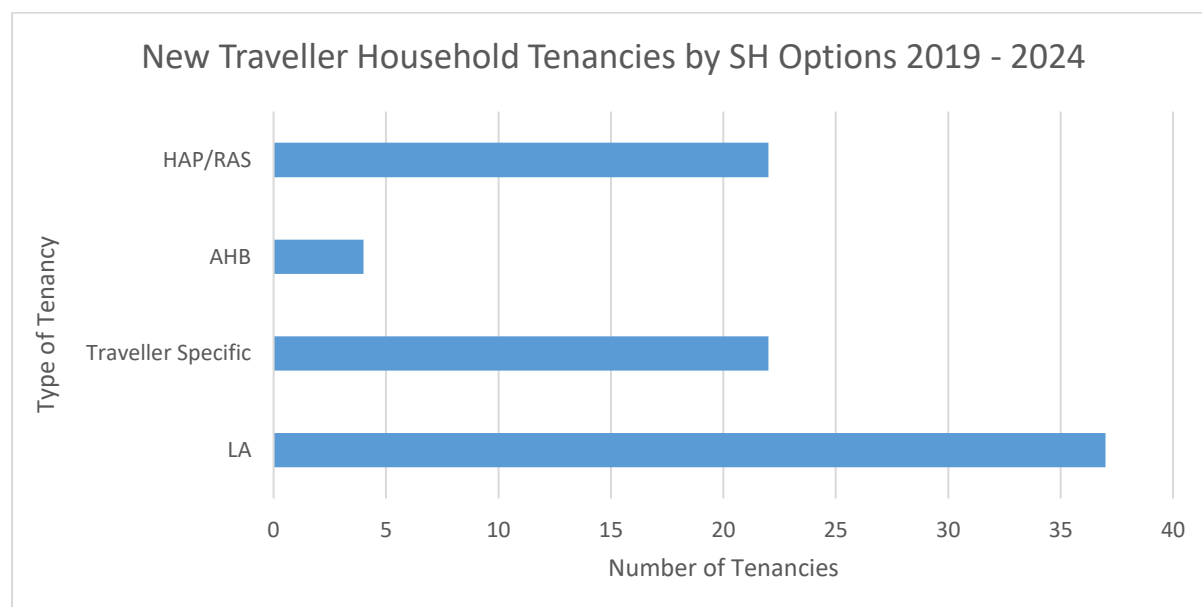
Torpan Beg extensions formed part of the 2019-2024 programme, however the original design consultants were no longer in a position to proceed with the development. A new consultant was procured and appointed causing delays to the project along with new foundation designs requirements as a result of site investigation works. It is proposed the development will be included as part of TAP 2025-2029 pipeline.

**Programme Target – LA and AHB Allocations:** Target of 5 LA/AHB allocations to Traveller households was exceeded. In total, 37 LA tenancies and 4 AHB units were allocated to Traveller households during the period. The large allocation of LA houses confirms a notable trend towards a preference for standard LA social housing and a trend away from Traveller-specific types of accommodation.

**Programme Target – RAS and HAP Tenancies:** Target of 14 Traveller households entering into RAS/HAP tenancy agreements was exceeded. In total, 22 Traveller households entered into RAS/HAP tenancy agreements during the period. Travellers had a stronger preference for standard LA housing and find it hard to source Private Rented accommodation through the HAP/RAS Scheme.

**Traveller-specific Allocations** – 22 allocations were made to Traveller-specific accommodation over the course of the programme.

**All Traveller Household Tenancies** – In total, 85 Traveller households were tenanted over the five-year programme.



### **Initial Position (TAP 2025-2029)**

A detailed Traveller count and accommodation survey was carried out by RCC in Q4 2023. This survey was more detailed than the housing assessments prepared under section 21(c) of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009 as it relates to Travellers specifically.

Key findings of the survey can be summarised as follows:

- 532 Total number of Travellers in Roscommon
- 319 Number of Traveller children in the County (under the age of 18 years)
- 127 Number of Traveller households
- 8 Number of Traveller households not living in their own home (of which are on the social housing list)
- 2 Number of Traveller households living in illegally parked caravans (of which are on the social housing list) and a further 2 Traveller Family not on the list are in illegally parked caravans.
- 38 Total number of Traveller households/applicants on the social housing list, 7 of which are in receipt of HAP/RAS
- 11 Total number of Traveller households/applicants on the social housing waiting list and seeking Traveller-specific accommodation (equates to 29%)
- 27 Total number of Traveller households/applicants on the social housing waiting list and seeking standard local authority accommodation (equates to 71%)

### **Projected Need over Programme Duration**

Based on survey findings, the projected need for Traveller-specific accommodation over the duration of the programme is low and current demand is low on some sites. Demand among the Traveller Community for standard social housing options will rise in line with demographic projections for the Traveller population and the population in general.

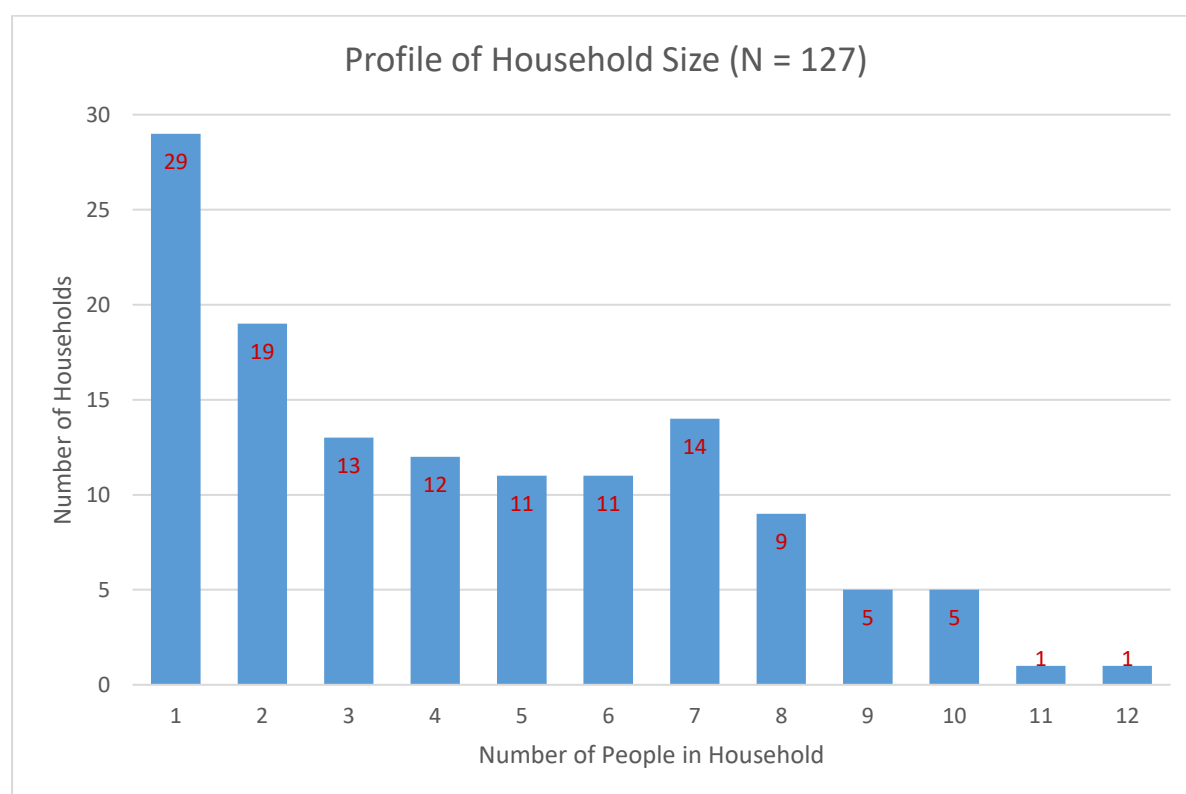
There were 565 Travellers in Roscommon in Census 2022, compared with 516 in 2016 (+9%). This included 254 females and 311 males. There were 32,949 Travellers in Ireland, compared with 30,987 in 2016 (+6%). Census 2022 states that Irish Traveller households had an average size of 4 people per household, down 5% from 2016. Irish Traveller households were largest in Leitrim, Roscommon and Kildare with an average size of 4.6 persons, followed by Clare with 4.5 persons per household.

In 2023 the Traveller count for Roscommon shows 60% percent of the Traveller population is under 18 years of age. There is a strong trend towards a preference for standard housing options among successive Traveller generations who currently reside in standard housing. There is an indication that the demand for Traveller-specific accommodation is only required where families are within specific group housing.. In the main, standard social housing will be required to accommodate future Traveller generations that qualify for social housing support.

**Vacant Traveller-specific Group Housing** exceeds the demand for this type of accommodation on some sites with 7 units vacant throughout the County. There are 3 additional tenants in Traveller-specific Group Housing requesting transfers to standard social housing. Notwithstanding the above, sitting tenants in Traveller-specific Group Housing appear to be satisfied with their current accommodation.

**Vacant Traveller-specific Hybrid Housing** There are 3 of these properties planned for renovation / extensions.

*The figure below shows the distribution of Traveller household/family size in County Roscommon. (e.g., 29 out of 127 households surveyed are 1 person households)*



## 2025-2029 Programme and Targets

Based on data collected, it is proposed to advance the following projects under the 2025-2029 Traveller Accommodation Programme.

- Complete conversion/extension of 3 Traveller-specific Hybrid Housing units at Pairc Naomh Phadraig to Group Housing (3 bed houses)
- Attain planning permission for one or more additional Group Housing units at Cluain Airne and proceed to construction of 5 (4 bed) units at Cluain Airne

The following measures are not funded by the Traveller Accommodation Programme but will be considered part of Roscommon County Councils Traveller Accommodation Programme.

- Ensure Travellers are proportionally represented with regard to allocation of all social housing options.
- Subject to suitability and agreement, consider acquisition of standard LA social housing to facilitate requests for single instance (location specific) Traveller housing.

*The targets and objectives outlined above are represented below in tabular format:*

Location/Reference	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	Target Total	Output Achieved
Cluain Airne, Roscommon Group Housing – Major refurbishment	0	5	0	0	0	5	
Torpan Beg, Ballyforan Group Housing - complete 4 extensions (carried over from previous programme)	3	0	0	0	0	3	
LA or AHB Social Housing Appoint as Tenants	4	4	4	4	4	20	
RAS and HAP Appoint as Tenants	2	2	3	3	3	13	
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>41</b>	

## Implementation Measures

### Resources

Financial resources to implement Traveller-specific accommodation targets referenced in the Traveller Accommodation Programme 2025 - 2029 are provided by the Department (DHPLG) via the office of Homelessness and Housing Inclusion Supports.

Roscommon County Council is committed to providing the resources required to implement this Programme. Provision of any new units and/or modification of existing units will involve general project management and the following:

- Preparation of appraisal reports necessary to secure Department funding in accordance with programme requirements (single or four stage approval process)
- Appointment and management of design consultants from in-situ framework, as appropriate
- Planning and design works
- Public procurement process
- Construction works, contract management, supervision and certification

Other general services provided by the Housing Department include:

- Full time Housing Accommodation Caretaker with responsibility for maintenance of common areas within Traveller-specific accommodation sites.
- Tenant orientation and assistance with regard to key features of the property, tenant responsibilities and Council responsibilities (also refer to RCC Tenant Handbook).
- Tenant Liaison Officer will advise and assist tenants with regard to complying with their tenancy agreements, estate management and formation of residents' associations.
- The HAP Placefinder will advise on properties and assist tenants secure properties via the rental market, in addition to assisting those at risk of homelessness as a result of notice of termination.
- Roscommon County Council intend to employ a Social Worker within the timeframe of this plan, subject to approval by the Traveller Accommodation Unit to support the needs of the Traveller Community.
- General advice and assistance with regard to various tenancy issues as they arise (succession, termination, transfers, etc.).
- The Council also work with other agencies, as required (HSE, AHBs, MABS, TUSLA, An Garda Síochána, etc.).
- Provision of Housing Loans (Local Authority Home Loan Scheme)
- Pilot Caravan Loan scheme
- Private Housing Grants for Older People (HOP Grants)
- Private Housing Adaptation Grants for People with a Disability (HGD Grants)
- Local Authority Housing Adaptation Grants for People with a Disability (LA HGD Grants)

### **Programme Implementation Consultation**

Consultation during the implementation of the Programme will consist of

- Representations from LTACC members including members representing the Traveller Community
- Representations from local and national Traveller Support Groups including the Traveller Interagency Group
- Consultation with individual families and family groupings directly affected by proposals
- Consultation required by planning and Part 8 processes
- Discussions with social housing applicants with regard to available accommodation options
- Information meetings with local community groups and residents, as appropriate

The main purpose of the consultation process is to lead to a more inclusive and informed decision-making process by ensuring that the views and experiences of the Traveller families directly affected by projects proposed in this programme are taken into consideration. Effective consultation should ensure the following:

- Provision of accommodation in accordance with demand.
- Provision of appropriate accommodation with regard to individual choice, Traveller culture and distinct needs.
- An understanding of the constraints that determine accommodation options.
- An awareness of the responsibilities of all parties involved in this programme.

There will also be consultation through the Part 8 process (planning process for local authorities) in respect of proposed development. Observations by and submissions from members of the general public are facilitated under this process.

### **Allocation of Social Housing**

Applications for social housing support must be made by means of the prescribed application form. Eligibility for social housing is determined in accordance with the Social Housing Assessment Regulations 2011 as amended and all applicants for social housing support must be assessed in accordance with these regulations. Advice and assistance will be provided to applicants if requested by the applicant to address any difficulties that may arise in the application process. Applicants for standard housing will be considered when suitable housing becomes available in the applicant's area of preference in conjunction with all other eligible applicants.

Roscommon County Council's Allocation Scheme of Letting Priorities determines the priority of applicants for social housing support. The scheme provides for the granting of transfers to tenants within the Council's housing stock and tenants in other social housing supports in order to make the best use of the available housing stock. Subject to conditions, the scheme may also provide for succession of tenancy by family members living in the dwelling in the case of death or departure of a sitting tenant, where they are disclosed as residing at the property for a minimum of 1 year and income is disclosed for rent purposes (also refer to the Tenant Handbook).

In the interest of clarity, RCC would note that local residents are not consulted when standard social housing is allocated.

### **Programme Monitoring and Review**

Targets proposed in this Programme will be included in the annual operational plan for the Housing Unit. Progress will be monitored against the timelines included in the Programme and reason for any deviations from schedule will be investigated and documented. As prescribed, a formal review of the programme will be carried out no later than 30<sup>th</sup> of June 2027.

## APPENDIX 1 – LTACC Members 2019 - 2024

Name	Representing	Position (if relevant)
Cllr Tom Crosby	Electorate	Elected Council Member
Cllr John Cummins	Electorate	Elected Council Member
Cllr Kathleen Shanagher (Chair)	Electorate	Elected Council Member
Ms Gail Murray	Roscommon Leader Partnership	Traveller Representative
Mr John Ward	Traveller Community	Traveller Representative
Mr Martin Gerard Ward	Traveller Community	Traveller Representative
Mr John McDonagh	Traveller Community	Traveller Representative
Mr David Kelly	Roscommon County Council	Caretaker
Ms Patricia Cassidy	Roscommon County Council	AO/Housing
Ms Ann McHugh	Roscommon County Council	SEO/Housing
Ms Fiona Ni Chuinn	Roscommon County Council	A/DOS/Housing
Ms Sandra Walsh	Roscommon County Council	HLO/Housing

### LTACC Members for TAP 2025 – 2029

Name	Representing	Position (if relevant)
Cllr Tom Crosby	Electorate	Elected Council Member
Cllr John Keogh	Electorate	Elected Council Member
Cllr Liam Callaghan	Electorate	Elected Council Member
Ms Gail Murray	Roscommon Leader Partnership	Traveller Representative
Mr Martin Gerard Ward	Traveller Community	Traveller Representative
Mr James McDonagh	Traveller Community	Traveller Representative
Mr Niall McGinley	Traveller Community	Traveller Representative
Ms. Ellen Louise Ward	Traveller Community	Traveller Representative
Mr David Kelly	Roscommon County Council	Caretaker
Ms Geraldine Farry	Roscommon County Council	SSO/Housing
Ms Ann McHugh	Roscommon County Council	SEO/Housing
Ms Fiona Ni Chuinn	Roscommon County Council	A/DOS/Housing
Ms Jeanette Dolan	Roscommon County Council	HLO/Housing

## APPENDIX 2 - Review of the previous Programme (2019-2024)

Initial Programme Targets and Output - Permanent and Emergency Halting Sites							
Location/Reference	Number of Sites or Units by Year						
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Target Total	Output Achieved
Re-development (Roscommon)	0	0	1	2	0	2	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>

Initial Programme Targets and Output - Other Accommodation								
Location/Reference	Number of Units or Households by Year							Output Achieved
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Target Total	
Single Instance House Acquisition					1		1	1
Extension for families with Disability					2			2
Cluain Airne, Roscommon Group Housing							1	0
Torpan Beg, Ballyforan Traveller-specific/Group Housing							7	0
LA or AHB Social Housing Appoint as Tenants	7	5	10	10	8		5	41
RAS and HAP Appoint as Tenants	6	3	5	4	4		12	22
<b>Total</b>							<b>26</b>	<b>66</b>

## APPENDIX 3 - Map of existing Traveller Accommodation

