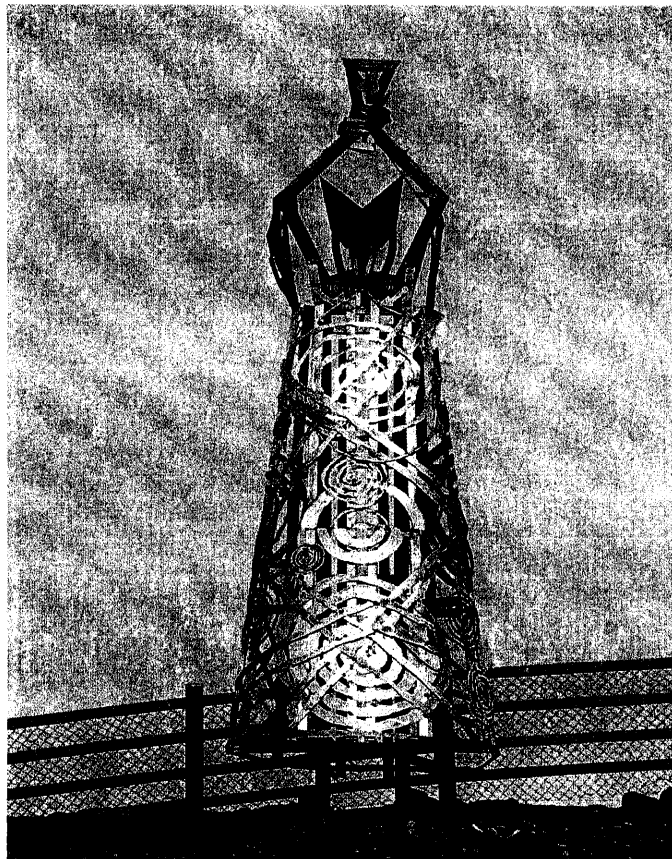


OFFALY COUNTY COUNCIL



LOCAL AUTHORITY BUDGET 2010 AND EXPLANATORY TABLES



**FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2010
(ADOPTED 11TH JANUARY 2010)**

Offaly County Council

Adjustment by Elected Members to proposed disbursement of additional €1,220,799 as outlined in Head of Finance report dated December 21st 2009

(Adopted Jan 11th 2010)

	€
Arts	
Grants to other bodies	15,000
Tullamore Arts Centre	8,200
Oxmanstown Hall	5,500
Community Initiatives	20,000
Economic Development	15,000
Disabled Persons Grants (Gross expenditure €500,000)	100,000
Housing Maintenance	20,250
Shinrone Library	25,000
Library Book fund	30,000
County Roads	314,000
Swimming Pools	10,000
Water Services	
Health & Safety Improvements	160,000
Health & Safety Training	20,000
Drinking water regulations	61,000
Environmental Services	112,849
Climate Change Strategy	10,000
Tidy Towns	17,000
Clean Up week	11,250
Provision of Burial grounds	17,000
Heritage services	10,000
Fire services	250,000
Less Landfill operations	-11,250
	<u>1,220,799</u>

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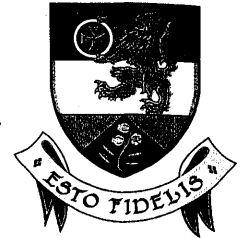
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Dear Councillor

I refer to the report which you received on December 14 outlining that there was €1,220,799 to be restored back to our 2010 budget as a result of the notification of our funding for 2010. I have detailed below and more comprehensive analysis in the areas of Water Services and Environment to assist you with your deliberations and decisions.

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{ Grants to other Bodies	21,500
Tullamore Arts Centre	10,200
Oxamstown Hall	7,000
Community Initiatives- Drainage	20,000
Economic Development	25,000
DPG's	100,000
Housing Maintenance	49,000
{ Shinrone Library	30,000
Library Book Fund	50,000
County Roads	314,000
Swimming Pools	12,000
<u>Water Services:</u>	
Essential Health and Safety improvement Works	200,000
Health & Safety Training	20,000
Drinking Water Quality Supervision - Group/Private Supplies	61,000
<u>Environment:</u>	
Landfill Operation Costs - New Regs	112,849
Litter Control	80,000
Climate Change Strategy	30,000
Tidy Towns	30,000
Clean up Week	11,250
Provision of Burial Grounds	17,000
Heritage	10,000
Tourist Promotion	10,000
	<u>€1,220,799</u>

Declan Conlon, Head of Finance – December 21, 2009.

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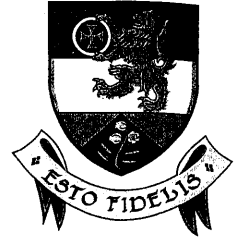
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14 December 2009

Dear Councillor

Advised Local Government Fund Allocation 2010

Since my original report to you on the 2010 budget we have this morning received notification of our Local Government Fund allocation for 2010 (see attached letter). The advised allocation is €15,388,672. This equates to a 5% reduction on our original allocation for 2009. We had been anticipating a reduction of 10%. We are expecting that the above allocation includes the special water allocation that we get each year. The above allocation is €620,799 greater than we had projected in our budget circulated to you.

It is still a considerable reduction on the funding that was available to us in 2009. I draw your attention also to the fact that the letter says that this is a "provisional" General-Purpose Grant allocation. I remind you that in July 2009, our local government Grant was reduced in July by a further 2%. There is a risk that this may happen in a similar fashion in 2010. It is important therefore, that we adopt a prudent and cautious approach to our 2010 budget.

Payroll Savings

The financial benefit of payroll saving measures in 2009 accrued to the Exchequer. We are advised in the attached letter, that pay reductions announced by the Minister for Finance last week will be apportioned 35% to the Exchequer and 65% to the local authority. We estimate that this apportionment will add another approximately €600,000 to the funding available to us.

The combination of the above means that we will have €1,220,799 extra available to us. You have been advised that we have taken €1.142 million from the 2010 budget and also in July 2009 we made reductions in our 2009 budget.

Regularly/Compliance Risk

To mitigate significant risks referred to in my original report; I recommend restoration of funding to Water/Sewerage Services and Environmental Services.

Taking account of views expressed by the CPG, and having regard to difficult decisions to reduce expenditure in our adjusted 2009 and draft 2010 budget, members may wish to restore provisions in the 2010 budget as follows:

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	{ Ovmanstown Hall	7,000
	Community Initiatives	20,000
	Economic Dev	25,000
	DPG's	100,000
	Housing maintenance	49,000
	{ Shinrone Library	30,000
	{ Library Book Fund	50,000
	County Roads	314,000
	Swimming Pools	12,000
	WaterServices	281,000
	{ Environment	222,849
	{ Tidy Towns	30,000
	{ Clean up Week	11,250
	{ Provision Burial Grounds	17,000
Heritage	10,000	
Tourist Promotion	10,000	
	<u>1,220,799</u>	

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Pat Gallagher

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