

**OFFALY COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**DEVELOPMENT CONTRIBUTION SCHEME 2014 – 2020**  
**Sections 48 and 49 of the Planning & Development Act 2000, as amended.**

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 48(9) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, that Offaly County Council at its meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2014, decided to adopt a revised Development Contribution Scheme. The Scheme is effective from 1<sup>st</sup> March 2014 and will be applied to all decisions to grant permission which are made on or after that date, irrespective of when the application was submitted to the Council.

It will also apply to any order made by An Bord Pleanála on or after the date where it is a condition of the order that the amount of a development contribution is to be determined by the Planning Authority.

Details of the revised contributions under the Draft Development Contribution Scheme are as follows:

	<b>CLASS OF INFRASTRUCTURE</b>	<b>€ PER RESIDENTIAL UNIT</b>	<b>€ PER M<sup>2</sup> OF FLOOR AREA INDUSTRIAL / COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT</b>
A	Open spaces, cultural, recreational and community facilities, playgrounds, school sites, libraries, arts, amenities and landscaping works, town and village improvement, sports facilities – including land acquisition.	€1,000	€4.68
B	Roads, flood relief work, infrastructure including public lighting, footpaths, cycle, public transport and pedestrian facilities, bus corridors and lanes, bus interchange facilities (including car parking for these facilities), car parking, traffic calming measures and land acquisition, drainage, high capacity telecommunications infrastructure and traffic management.	€2,010	€9.32
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>€3,010 *</b>	<b>€14.00 *</b>

\* Previously a development contribution charge for; (a) Wastewater treatment facilities, sewers and drains – including land acquisition, and (b) Water treatment facilities and water mains – including land acquisition, were levied by Offaly County Council. These charges are now charged by / payable to **Irish Water**. Please visit the Irish Water web site (<http://www.water.ie/>) for further details, or phone 1890 448 448.

**Table 2 – Levels of Contributions – Other Categories of Development**

	<b>Category</b>	<b>Amount of Contribution</b>
A	Shortfall in provision of car-parking space: (i) Large settlement (ii) Small settlement	€4,800 per space €2,400 per space
B	Agricultural / Horticultural Development	First 500m <sup>2</sup> development within a farm = nil 501 m <sup>2</sup> - 1000 m <sup>2</sup> = €1.80 per m <sup>2</sup> > 1000 m <sup>2</sup> = €3.98 per m <sup>2</sup>
C	Initial afforestation / replacement of broad-leaf high forest by conifer species / peat extraction	€850 per hectare of site area, only where planning permission is required.
D	Land use for: (a) the winning and working of minerals (b) deposit of refuse or waste (c) land filling (inert material)	€1,526 per 0.1 hectare of site area subject to a minimum charge of €10,000
E	Storage and Warehousing (not for retailing)	€7.00 per m <sup>2</sup>

F	Raising of sites (inert material)	€0.52 per m <sup>2</sup>
G	Wind Turbines	€10,000 per MW of capacity, apportioned as follows: €6,500 Roads €3,500 Amenities
H	New Communications Masts (other than those in 2.5 paragraph n)	€16,080 per mast
I	Renewable Energy Projects	< 0.5 MW of capacity = nil > 0.5 MW of capacity, €10,000 per MW

Copies of the revised Development Contribution Scheme may be viewed on the Council's website [www.offaly.ie/dcs2014-2020](http://www.offaly.ie/dcs2014-2020) or inspected at the following locations during the relevant opening hours

- Planning Department, Offaly County Council, Áras an Chontae, Charleville Road, County Offaly.
- Birr Town Council, Wilmer Road, Birr, County Offaly.
- Tullamore Town Council, Cormac Street, Tullamore, County Offaly.
- Edenderry Town Council, Town Hall, Edenderry, County Offaly.
- Branch Libraries at Banagher, Birr, Clara, Daingean, Edenderry, Ferbane, Kilcormac, Portarlinton and Tullamore (during branch opening hours).

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26<sup>th</sup> February 2014