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Circular L4/17

To each Director of Service (Water Services)

To each Rural Water Liaison Officer

Dear Sir/Madam

**Rural Water Multi-Annual Programme 2016 - 2018
Interim Allocations to Local Authorities for Measures 2, 3, 4 and 5^a**

Thank you for your recent submissions in response to our funding request for under Measures 1 and 2 of the Multi-Annual Rural Water Programme 2016-2018.

We are currently reviewing all funding requests submitted by local authorities under these measures and we hope to be in a position to advise you about the overall 2017 allocations to local authorities as soon as submissions under both measures have been considered.

However, in order to ensure programme momentum, local authorities should progress works during this year up to a maximum value of the amounts set out in the attached Appendix 1.

In the case of Measure 2 these interim amounts are based on 75% of:

- the Department's payments made to your authority in 2016 under this measure or
- your authorities recent bid under the measure

whichever is the lesser.

Authorities should ensure that only schemes approved and works eligible for funding should be progressed and previous guidance from the Department should be considered in this context, most especially with respect to specific source protection works (Circular L5/13 of 2

^a **Measure 1** - Environmental and Public Health Compliance (Group Water Sector)

Measure 2 - Enhancement of existing schemes (Group Water Sector)

Measure 3 - Rural Development (Group Water Sector)

Measure 4 - Transition of schemes to public water and waste water sector

Measure 5 - Innovation and Research

Measure 6 - Individual wells and on-site waste water treatment systems

September 2013 refers, available on www.housing.gov.ie for ease of reference); and funding for capital replacement should be on a demand-led basis as heretofore.

As was the case last year, specific funding is being earmarked under Measure 1.(a) for those schemes which have had TTHM exceedances and which are the subject of a Pilot Infringement case initiated by the European Commission against Ireland (referred to in the funding circular on the multi-annual programme last year). And so, the interim allocations outlined in Appendix 1 provide allocations for the schemes in the seven local authority areas in order that the works necessary to deal with the TTHM exceedances for these schemes can progress as quickly as possible.

Similarly interim allocations, as outlined in Appendix 1, are being provided under Measure 1.(b). - Amalgamation/Rationalisation projects that were identified last year.

Otherwise the recent bids under Measure 1 will be examined by the Expert Panel (referred to in the guidance on the multi-annual programme last year) and their recommendation will be considered by the Department in deciding on approvals and funding in due course.

Thus local authorities will be notified of the full and complete 2017 allocation for Measures 1 to 5, as appropriate following the Department's consideration of the funding requests and the Expert Panel's deliberations on the bids under Measure 1.

Any queries in relation to this circular can be directed to Mary Smyth at 096-24460 (mary.smyth@housing.gov.ie) or the undersigned.

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Attached: Appendix 1 - Breakdown of Interim 2017 Allocations under Measures 2, 3, 4 & 5 of the Multi-annual Rural Water Programme 2016-2018.

**Appendix 1 – Breakdown of Interim Allocations for 2017 under Measures 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the
Multi-Annual Rural Water Programme 2016-2018.**

Measure 2 – Block Grant Based Allocations (excluding Measure 2(d) – Capital Replacement Costs)			
Local Authority	2016 Payments to LAs (€)	2017 Bids under Measure 2 (excluding Measure 2(d) – Capital Replacement Costs (€)	2017 Interim Allocations for Measure 2 (excl. – Capital Replacement Costs) (€)
Carlow	53,607	163,200	40,205 ^a
Cavan	315,550	1,583,817	236,663 ^a
Clare	187,455	1,091,974	140,591 ^a
Cork	112,519	331,500	84,389 ^a
Donegal	0	40,000	30,000 ^b
Galway	991,014	290,000	217,500 ^b
Kerry	0	0	0 ^c
Kildare	43,980	123,525	32,985 ^a
Kilkenny	120,046	236,858	90,035 ^a
Laois	179,115	292,774	134,336 ^a
Leitrim	84,803	184,844	63,602 ^a
Limerick	119,939	561,212	89,954 ^a
Longford	0	60,000	45,000 ^b
Louth	172,851	296,346	129,638 ^a
Mayo	775,143	375,000	281,250 ^a
Meath	212,762	199,692	149,769 ^b
Monaghan	371,673	6,011,352	278,755 ^a
Offaly	100,682	641,963	75,512 ^a
Roscommon	254,623	614,295	190,967 ^a
Sligo	7,650	9,089	5,738 ^a
Tipperary	298,972	508,110	224,229 ^a
Waterford	0	70,000	52,500 ^b
Westmeath	0	50,660	37,995 ^b
Wexford	178,616	187,000	133,962 ^a
Wicklow	99,015	13,585	10,189 ^p
Measure Totals	4,680,015	13,936,796	2,775,764

^a Interim Allocation is being based on 75% of the amount recouped to the Local Authority in respect of Measure 2, excluding Capital Replacement Costs.

^b Interim Allocation is being based on 75% of the funding sought in the Local Authority's 2017 bids under Measure 2, excluding Capital Replacement Costs.

^c One Local Authority did not have any expenditure in 2016 or did not seek any funding in their 2017 bids under Measure 2.

Measure 1(a) – Improvements on Group Water Schemes in order to achieve compliance with the quality parameters of the Drinking Water Regulations. Schemes with TTHM Exceedances (these schemes are the subject of a pilot infringement case initiated by the European Commission against Ireland).

Local Authority	Name of Supply	Amount of Interim Funding being provided in 2017.
Cavan	Barraghy, Crossdowney, Drumkeery, Milltown, Mountain Lodge.	€61,267
Clare	Killone	€11,200
Galway	Claren/ Knocklehard, Cloonluane (Renvyle), Lettergesh/ Mullaghgloss, Milltown Co-Op	€235,000
Kerry	Bonane	€90,000
Mayo	Brackloon/ Spaddagh, Dromindoo/ Fahy, Kilmeena, Kilmovee/ Urlar, Parke, Robeen.	€4,500,000
Roscommon	Polecat Springs.	€35,000
Sligo	Keash, Geevagh/Highwood.	€38,259
Measure Total		€4,970,726

Measure 1(b) – Rationalisation / Amalgamation of Group Water Schemes in order to provide a sustainable supply of water and enhance compliance with the quality parameters of the Drinking Water Regulations.

Local Authority	Scheme Name	Amount of Interim Funding being provided in 2017
Galway	Belclare and Claretuam	€30,000
Laois	Ballymaddock	€5,000
Mayo	Derryvohey	€25,000
Limerick	Cappagh, Croagh & Killeedy	€34,250
Offaly	Aghancon & Clareen	€340,900
Measure Total		€435,150

Measure 3 – Rural Development (Group Water Sector).		
Local Authority	Scheme Name	Amount of Interim Funding being provided in 2017
Donegal	Lower Keadue No. 3	€36,500
Donegal	Magheraclogher No. 3	€25,000
Donegal	Tullyard No. 2	€83,850
Galway	Ballinakill No. 2	€30,000
Galway	Kilreekil / Kilcooley	€70,000
Laois	Knock	€50,000
Mayo	Aghalonteen	€22,000
Mayo	Massbrook / Terry	€254,110
Mayo	Tonacrick / Culinakillew	€10,000
Wicklow	Coolmore	€42,500
Measure Total		€623,960

Measure 4(a) – Quality Deficient Private Group Water Schemes where connection to the public supply is the only technical and economical viable option to secure improvements in supply.		
Local Authority	Scheme Name	Amount of Interim Funding being provided in 2017
Donegal *	Drumaweil Muff	€0
Donegal	Maghera	€15,000
Kerry	Inch Foidaun	€450,000
Limerick	Kilglass	€70,000
Mayo	Cushin & Ayle	€706,000
Mayo	Irishtown	€200,000
Measure Total		€1,441,000

*While this scheme has been approved under the Multi-Annual Programme, no funding is approved for 2017.

Measure 4(b) – Publically and privately sourced Group Water Schemes which wish to be taken over by Irish Water

Local Authority	Scheme Name	Amount of Interim Funding being provided in 2017
Cork	Ballyglass	€12,000
Cork	Ballygurteen	€5,000
Cork	Clonpriest	€30,000
Cork	Rossmore	€2,000
Cork	Tragumna	€47,000
Galway *	Carranurlaur	€0
Galway *	Cuillagh	€0
Galway	Mannin Toureen	€8,000
Kerry	Brosna	€40,000
Kerry	Clanmaurice	€170,000
Kerry	Fahaduff No. 1	€25,000
Kerry	Laccabawn	€20,000
Kerry *	Lyrecrompane	€0
Kerry	Muingaphuca	€20,000
Kerry	Tuoist	€14,000
Kildare	Kileen East	€6,000
Kildare	Millicent	€35,000
Kildare	Sherlockstown	€20,000
Kildare	Whitehouse	€8,000
Kilkenny	Newtown Ballinearla	€140,000
Leitrim *	Aghagrania	€0
Leitrim *	Fawn / Drumlease	€0
Leitrim *	Kiltoghert	€0
Leitrim *	Tawneyfeacle	€0
Longford	Clooncolligan	€3,500
Longford	Moydow	€12,000
Mayo *	Abbey Quarter	€0
Mayo	Ballyholan	€50,000
Mayo	Cloonkeen	€20,000
Mayo *	Friarsquarter	€0
Mayo	Glenhest Road	€30,000
Mayo *	Ross / Cortoon	€0
Tipperary	Clonmore South	€18,000

Measure 4(b) – Publically and privately sourced Group Water Schemes which wish to be taken over by Irish Water (continued).

Local Authority	Scheme Name	Amount of Interim Funding being provided in 2017
Westmeath	Cartronganny	€6,900
Westmeath	Emper	€5,000
Westmeath *	Garlandstown	€0
Westmeath	Hodgetown	€12,500
Westmeath	Shureen	€6,000
Measure Total		€765,900

*While these schemes have been approved under the Multi-Annual Programme, no funding is approved for 2017.

Measure 4(c) – Group Water Schemes where there is no longer any management in place (“orphan schemes”).

Local Authority	Scheme Name	Amount of Interim Funding being provided in 2017
Cork	Ballydonegan	€52,000
Cork	Insemor Inchibeg	€37,000
Galway	Claregalway No. 1	€60,000
Galway	Foreglass Dolan	€5,000
Kerry *	Cordal Kilmurray	€0
Kildare	Great Connell	€15,000
Laois *	Clonranny No's 1 & 2, Lea Road No's 1 & 2, Lower Lea Road and Ullard	€0
Laois	Cloonkeen / Fermoye	€197,000
Mayo	Derry	€10,000
Mayo	Lecarrow	€10,000
Westmeath	Simonstown	€40,000
Measure Total		€426,000

*While these schemes have been approved under the Multi-Annual Programme, no funding is approved for 2017.

Measure 4(d) – Cluster of households and / or Group Sewerage Schemes where individual septic tanks are not a viable option, particularly from an environmental perspective. (Only two demonstration projects are being brought forward in any one year of the multi-annual programme).

Local Authority	Scheme Name	Amount of Interim Funding being provided in 2017
Kerry	Alderwood Road	€50,000
Leitrim *	Hartley / Cartown	€0
Clare *	Barefield	€0
Leitrim *	Edenvilla	€0
Monaghan **	Milltown	€0
Wexford **	Oilgate	€0
Measure Total		€50,000

* While these schemes have been approved under the Multi-Annual Programme, no funding was sought by the relevant local authorities for 2017.

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Measure 5(b) – Proposals for use of new technology in group water sector.

Local Authority	Proposal	Amount of Interim Funding being provided in 2017
Cavan	Ultra-sonic Technology to alleviate Algal Bloom problem for Cliffferna	€70,000
Clare	Ice pigging on Kilmaley / Inagh GWS	€17,422
Galway	Auto Scour Valves in Caherlistrane	€21,792
Galway	OSEC in Coole	€9,000
Mayo	Zebra Mussel Removal from PBKS	€100,000
Monaghan	Glaslough / Tyholland Surface Water Source Improvement Innovation Measure	€20,910
Measure Total		€239,124

Measure 5(c) – Projects in the Rural Water Sector to support Water Framework Directive objectives, including raising awareness.

Local Authority	Proposal	Amount of Interim Funding being provided in 2017
Louth	Source Protection: An Innovative approach to Community Engagement	€28,750
Tipperary	Awareness Visits at National Schools, Gaa Clubs, Sports Committees, and Community Halls	€10,450
Measure Total		€39,200