

Mullingar-Kinnegad Municipal District : Group Submissions and MD Responses, for 2024-2025

GROUP	ISSUE	SUGGESTED SOLUTION	Final WCC Municipal District Response
Abbeylands RA, Mullingar Town	Unclear and faded road markings in estate.	Repainting of all white/yellows lines including yellow boxes on main road at entrance/exit and ramps at the estate entrance.	Road markings have been carried out in Abbeylands.
Abbeylands RA, Mullingar Town	Entrance wall cracked and damaged.	Repair crumbling wall and reinstate dashing.	Walls adjoining properties are the responsibility of the homeowner.
Ashcroft Park/Village Close RA, Raharney	Sewage overspill in Ashcroft Park - concerns for health of residents.	Fix sewage issues; ask WCC to put pressure on Irish Water to resolve this issue (53.522719N, -7.100226W).	An updated response has been requested from Uisce Eireann.
Ashcroft Park/Village Close RA, Raharney	Overgrown trees in Ashcroft Park and Village Close - safety issue for children.	Trim the trees back in the estates (53.523542N, -7.101449W).	Still on the pruning schedule for 2025. Storm Eowyn has affected the works in quarter 1 2025.
Ashcroft Park/Village Close RA, Raharney	Road beside estate is uneven and potholed - difficult to move bins etc from rear of houses to front.	Resurface the Road in Village Park (53.523070N, -7.096179W).	Pothole repairs have been carried out at this location.

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Ashcroft Park/Village Close RA, Raharney	Road to the entrance of community pavilion is dilapidated and unsafe.	Resurface road to entrance of pavilion (53.524498N, -7.098145W).	This will be considered as part of future roads estimates.
Ashcroft Park/Village Close RA, Raharney	Wall around the front of Ashcroft Park damaged with loose stones being thrown by children causing anti-social behaviour.	Fixing the 'caps' of the wall. (53.523542N, -7.101449W)	The Municipal District of Mullingar Kinnegad has confirmed that this will be repaired.
Bun Daire RA, Kinnegad	Previous repairs to shores by WCC not finished off - ground not level and cleared - loose stones damaging lawnmower.	RA recommend that the shores be fixed and loose stones removed.	WCC have carried out works here in the past, there are natural springs in this area and these are draining away into gullies.
Bun Daire RA, Kinnegad	Problem of consistent speeding within the housing estate.	RA suggests that the installation of ramps in the estate will combat speeding.	Two ramps will be installed in quarter 3, 2025.
Bun Daire RA, Kinnegad	Lack of parking available to residents of estate - potential for blockage of emergency vehicles.	RA suggests that the green area could be transformed into car-parking area.	This will be considered as part of future estimates.

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Castlegrove RA, Castlepollard	Field close to estate being used in anti-social way - hazardous drug paraphernalia here - dangerous to estate's children.	RA recommend a new fence be put on the council side of field, to deter use of the area for anti-social behaviour.	MKMD will review this location and can be considered as part of the estimates in 2025.
Castlegrove RA, Castlepollard	Vehicles speeding through estate - concern for safety.	RA recommend <u>reinstallation</u> of a ramp in estate.	This will be examined by MKMD as part of future works.
Castlegrove RA, Castlepollard	Residents have to park cars alongside the narrow road - access for emergency vehicles a concern.	RA suggest that the tarmacked area available in the estate be opened as a car park for residents of estate.	This will be considered as part of future estimates.

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<p>Castlepark RA, Rochfortbridge</p>	<p>Only one litter bin in the estate at entrance - not in areas where children congregate.</p>	<p>Additional litter bin to be placed in the Castlepark estate across from House no 27 - most children tend to gather at the back of the estate or at green area.</p>	<p>MKMD will review the location of this bin, as per WCC Litter Management Plan 2024-2026 section 7.3 Westmeath County Council continues with the policy to reduce the number of litter bins in some public areas, under circumstances where this will improve litter management and cleanliness and to encourage people to bring their litter home for disposal.</p>
<p>Castlepark RA, Rochfortbridge</p>	<p>Vehicles speeding through estate - concern for safety - existing calming measures have not stopped speeding</p>	<p>RA request that 2 speed ramps be installed at no.21 and no. 9 on way to old persons' dwellings</p>	<p>This will be examined by MKMD as part of future works.</p>
<p>Castlepark RA, Rochfortbridge</p>	<p>Dark unlit area in the in end of estate in a tarmacked area.</p>	<p>Additional street lighting past number 30 near gateway to the field at back of the estate</p>	<p>The Council is currently investing available funding in the upgrade of the existing public lighting infrastructure to energy efficient lighting. When this work has been completed, extensions to the network can be considered.</p>

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<p>Castlepollard Local Development</p>	<p>Pedestrian safety and road crossing on R394/Finnea Rd inside 50km zone in town especially at Cluan Estate - vehicle speed, no crossing points, no footpath to 'Old Road' walkway - all discourage walking and cycling.</p>	<p>Installation of traffic calming measures and expansion of 30km speed zone; build a footpath from the estate to join the existing footpath and install a safe pedestrian crossing.</p>	<p>A new light and footpath has been constructed on the Finea road, Castelpollard. The Municipal District of Mullingar Kinnegad have applied for funding for a pedestrian crossing.</p>
<p>Castlepollard Local Development</p>	<p>Failure to reinstate 'school parking' area at Castlepollard Parochial School, Packenham Hall Rd/R395 - safety concern for children.</p>	<p>Reduce size of "No Parking" road markings at entrance. Increase parking spots to right by remarking and carving out a further spot outside no.1 from pavement. Encourage residents to use 5 parking spots at rear. Reinstate "School Set Down" box marking to left.</p>	<p>This will be considered as part of future estimates.</p>

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<p>Castletown Court/ Clondone Park RA, Delvin</p>	<p>Lack of footpath outside houses along road - resulting in inappropriate parking blocking the passage of elderly/wheelchairs, who are forced into roadway to avoid parked cars.</p>	<p>Widen roadway/footpath by taking in some of the green verging (53.607511N, - 7.085188W).</p>	<p>This will be examined as part of future estimates.</p>
<p>Castletown Court/ Clondone Park RA, Delvin</p>	<p>Little space for residents to park.</p>	<p>Reduce large green area in front of the estate to provide additional parking and reduce green area to maintain.</p>	<p>This will be considered as part of future estimates.</p>
<p>Clonmore Road RA, Mullingar Town</p>	<p>Footpaths require resurfacing.</p>	<p>Review and resurface where necessary.</p>	<p>This will be considered as part of the 2025 footpath repair works.</p>
<p>Clonmore Road RA, Mullingar Town</p>	<p>Additional lighting required at entrance to estate.</p>	<p>Install public lighting - opposite to side of street to where LED lighting was previously installed.</p>	<p>The Council is currently investing available funding in the upgrade of the existing public lighting infrastructure to energy efficient lighting. When this work has been completed, extensions to the network can be considered.</p>

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Hillview RA, Mullingar Town	Stream located along southern boundary of estate full of debris/garden waste - not fenced off - concern about flooding, vermin and accidents.	Stream needs to be cleaned annually as per planning permission and a fence erected up to the bridge.	Fencing contractor issued with instruction to carry out works.
Hillview RA, Mullingar Town	Footpath completely blocked at the entrance to Derrycarne House (N91V1F1) - extremely dangerous for pedestrians to navigate and poor visibility for drivers.	Move entrance walls of Derrycarne House back in line with adjacent property boundaries and install footpath. Compulsory purchase order necessary - house has been vacant for 15 years.	The Municipal District of Mullingar Kinnegad will commence a CPO on the site in quarter 3.
Hillview RA, Mullingar Town	Obstructed view of oncoming traffic when exiting estate - caused by parked cars on Ballinderry Rd. Cars also exit Lynn Heights in this area.	The grass verges could be removed - similar to WCC measures at Newlands on Millmount Road. This would allow parking by carers visiting HSE house for elderly without causing an obstruction.	The HSE have provided on-site parking at this location.
Michaels Park Residents Group, Mullingar	Large cement boulders outside caretaker's office - hazard as children playing on and around it.	Remove boulders using heavy lifting machinery.	This will be examined to see if these can be removed.

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<p>Michaels Park Residents Group, Mullingar</p>	<p>Area around large heavy wooden box on estate, has become a dumping ground and health hazard.</p>	<p>Remove object with forklift/heavy lifting machinery.</p>	<p>The Housing Department are engaging with the Municipal District of Mullingar Kinnegad to examine and have the box removed by contractors.</p>
<p>Michaels Park Residents Group, Mullingar</p>	<p>Existing speed ramps in estate are in a very poor condition and need to be replaced.</p>	<p>Repair speed ramps.</p>	<p>A new speed ramp will be installed in St. Michaels Park.</p>
<p>Milltownpass Tidy Towns</p>	<p>Illegal dumping of household waste at recycling bring bank on the Mullingar Road, beside school - risk to volunteers cleaning this.</p>	<p>CCTV monitoring of Recycling Area to combat illegal dumping and suggest pilot trial of strategies to deter illegal dumping in Milltownpass.</p>	<p>CCTV surveillance of litter blackspots is already underway at a number of locations around the district. The Municipal District of Mullingar Kinnegad will continue to prioritise selection of candidate sites in accordance with the Codes of Practice Pertaining to the Prevention, Detection and Prosecution of Waste and Litter Offences using CCTV.</p>

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Milltownpass Tidy Towns	Align speed limit to national norms and introduce speed ramps on approach roads, with priority given to Milltownpass NS.	Update the overall speed in village to 50km/h as per Department's 2015 Guidelines; install two speed ramps outside St. Josephs NS with signage; install two speed ramps along R446 through village with signage.	Speed limits are currently being examined on regional roads.
Milltownpass Tidy Towns	Excessive and overbearing road signage along R446 approach roads to Milltownpass.	Proposed removal of 7 large double pole signs and replace with standard size road signage. Signs dominate the streetscape, detract from the appearance of village, and are now excessive as there is less through traffic due to motorway/bypass.	Municipal District Engineer can arrange for their removal following discussion with Transportation Department
Milltownpass Tidy Towns	No kerbing on the Kinnegad side of the R446 resulting in obstructed road markings/cat's eyes and heavy goods vehicles driving on grass margins.	Install concrete roadside kerbing on R446 on eastern approach to village like that installed on western side of village; refresh road markings.	This will be considered as part of 2026 budget.

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<p>Milltownpass Tidy Towns</p>	<p>Reduction of speed limit on L5006 to 25km/h.</p>	<p>Reduce speed limit on L5006 (Bog Road, Milltownpass) from 60km/h to 25km/h to align with other local roads in area.</p>	<p>Speed limits have been reduced to 60km per hour.</p>
<p>Milltownpass Tidy Towns</p>	<p>Center of the village is very dark at night and does not create a safe environment for pedestrians.</p>	<p>Acceleration of replacement of older non-LED lighting with efficient/brighter LEDs with priority given to LED lighting on poles 8,9,11-16,23.</p>	<p>Works are underway on the replacement of public lighting infrastructure with energy efficient lighting, both through the Council's maintenance budgets and the Public Lighting Energy Efficiency Project (PLEEP) and significant sections of the Municipal Districts have already been changed to energy efficient lighting. Currently 72.6 % of the public lighting infrastructure has been changed to LED's. Retrofit installation works on the PLEEP project have now commenced across the County and the Council will request the contractor to concentrate on priority areas in the first instance.</p>

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Newbrook Grove/Drive RA and Clonmore Road RA, Mullingar Town	Further drainage works required for green area of Newbrook Grove - previous works have not rectified problem.	Carry out further drainage works in the green area of Newbrook Grove.	Westmeath County Council have carried out works previously. Natural springs are in this area and drain to existing gullies.
Newbrook Grove/Drive RA and Clonmore Road RA, Mullingar Town	Footpaths on Newbrook Drive require resurfacing.	Resurface the footpaths in Newbrook Drive, as previously agreed, but never carried out.	This will be considered as part of the 2025 footpath repair works.
Newbrook Grove/Drive RA and Clonmore Road RA, Mullingar Town	Ramp at the entrance to Newbrook Grove/Drive not slowing down traffic to Clonmore Business Park sufficiently.	Either extend and heighten the current table top speed ramp, or provide a roundabout on the main road of Clonmore Business Park at the entrance to Newbrook Grove/Drive.	This will be examined as part of future works in 2026.
Newbrook Grove/Drive RA and Clonmore Road RA, Mullingar Town	Need for a speed ramp by the first left hand turn in Newbrook Grove.	Install a speed ramp down by the first left hand turn in Newbrook Grove.	This will be examined as part of future works in 2026.

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Newbrook Grove/Drive RA and Clonmore Road RA, Mullingar Town	Not enough 30km speed limit signage in both estates.	Install additional 30km signs in estate.	The speed limit signs are located at all the main entrances.
Newtown Lawns RA, Mullingar Town	Uneven and hazardous footpaths in estate - especially sections of path leading into driveways.	Repairs to footpaths required.	Some repair works have been carried at Newtown Lawns.
Newtown Lawns RA, Mullingar Town	Obstructed view for traffic entering/exiting Newtown Lawns estate entrance and for 102 Chestnut Drive caused by dip in the New Ballinderry Road.	Works to New Ballinderry road or entrance to Newtown Lawns estate to eliminate dip OR install ramps/effective traffic-slowing measures at entrance to estate.	Sight lines are adequate at this location.
Newtown Lawns RA, Mullingar Town	Lack of lighting on footpath at Newtown Lawns estate.	Install extra public lighting - between public light number 8 and 9 / 3rd road to right after entering estate	The Council is currently investing available funding in the upgrade of the existing public lighting infrastructure to energy efficient lighting. When this work has been completed, extensions to the network can be considered.

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Newtown Lawns RA, Mullingar Town	Lack of public lighting on public footpath.	Install extra public lighting - between public light no.13 on Old Ballinderry Road going in direction of Newtown Roundabout and the next public light along this road.	The Council is currently investing available funding in the upgrade of the existing public lighting infrastructure to energy efficient lighting. When this work has been completed, extensions to the network can be considered.
Rahanine Trail Blazers, Rochfortbridge	Insufficient parking spaces at start of the walking trail on Rahanine Bog - visitors parking in front of farm gates.	Extend car park to address this issue.	WCC constructed car parking spaces in this area. Could be considered under Outdoor Recreation Scheme.
Rochfortbridge Tidy Towns	Domestic rubbish being dumped into public bin at pedestrian walkway into Rahanine manor.	Remove bin/ place it somewhere else in estate.	Environment Warden will monitor this area.
Rochfortbridge Tidy Towns	Overgrown trees at Mullingar junction - low branches , view obstructed, blocking out light.	Prune back trees.	This work was carried out by the Municipal District of Mullingar Kinnegad in Spring 2025.

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Rochfortbridge Tidy Towns	Overgrowth at Gibbonstown road junction on R400 - obstruction and visibility issues for traffic.	Strim grassy areas at junction, remove overgrown bushes and falling tree.	The Municipal District of Mullingar Kinnegad will cut these verges as part of routine maintenance.
Rochfortbridge Tidy Towns	Badly damaged and dangerous path around manhole at 25 Rahanine Manor.	Repair pathway.	This is in the current works schedule.
Rochfortbridge Tidy Towns	Potholes in church carpark and extension of footpath on the Tyrrellspass side of Main Road needed.	Repair carpark and extend footpath.	This is not under the ownership of Westmeath County Council. Footpath works are being examined as part of a planning application.
Rochfortbridge Tidy Towns	No bus stop road-markings/sign on Dublin Rd side of Rochfortbridge following resurfacing - illegal parking at bus stop	Reinstall the BUS STOP road markings and no parking sign	Bus and carparking are being examined as part of the new school development.

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St Etchen's Court RA, Kinnegad	Wall surrounding estate has loose and missing bricks.	Repair or put capping on wall - RA has collected the bricks.	This estate is not in charge of Westmeath County Council.
St Etchen's Court RA, Kinnegad	Concerns that tall tree in estate could fall in high winds, causing damage.	Trim top of tree - but RA wouldn't like it cut down completely.	This estate is not in charge of Westmeath County Council.
St Etchen's Court RA, Kinnegad	Uneven footpaths in the estate.	Mend the uneven footpaths.	This estate has not been taken in charge by Westmeath County Council.
Stonebridge Park RA, Rochfortbridge	Overgrown trees blocking light.	Prune back trees.	Still on the pruning schedule for 2025. Storm Eowyn has affected the works in quarter 1 2025.
The Sycamores RA, Rochfortbridge	Mature trees in estate obstructing the light from the streetlamps.	Trees need to be cut back.	Pruning works in the District were delayed due to storm events.

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<p>The Sycamores RA, Rochfortbridge</p>	<p>A pathway around the green in the estate would benefit the entire community.</p>	<p>Create pathway around the 2 acre green and install large flower planter to enhance area/attract pollinators.</p>	<p>This will be considered as part of the 2025 footpath repair works.</p>
<p>Westmeath Disability Working Group</p>	<p>Traffic lights changing too quickly at certain pedestrian crossings in Mullingar.</p>	<p>Change the timings to make them more accessible for people with mobility issues - some lights change lights very quickly eg 6 seconds; the audio 'bleeps' from traffic lights are not loud enough for individuals with hearing issues.</p>	<p>Traffic lights are under constant review. Settings are as per Traffic Light Standards.</p>
<p>Westmeath Disability Working Group</p>	<p>Concern over accessibility to the disability parking space outside the Main Post Office in Mullingar.</p>	<p>Group suggests that the pavement should be flush with the road in this spot; issue raised previously and at Make Way Day.</p>	<p>The Municipal District of Mullingar Kinnegad have installed an Age Friendly parking space at this location.</p>

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MK Municipal District Submissions: Total of 59 submissions received					
	Acted on/Completed	Deferred due to budget constraints	To be completed	Refused - will not be done	Other
Total	13	17	15	8	6

