

AILG TRAINING SEMINAR

ROADS

An Elected Member's Perspective

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Council**

Sources of Funding

- Expenditure on Roads is funded by Grants from the Department of Transport for National and Non-National Roads and the Council's own funds for local road maintenance.**
- The NRA allocate the funding for National Roads but the funding source is the Department of Transport.**
- The Council Receives funding from the Department of Agriculture for specific works mainly coastal improvement works**

Road Works Programme:

The Road Works Programme is developed each year in consultation with the Area Councillors and taking into account the Five Year Road Works Programme. The Grants notified to the Council from Dept of Transport and the Council's own funds are allocated to the areas national and non-national roads.

RESERVED FUNCTIONS
OF
The Elected Member

**Approving an Annual
Programme of
expenditure and works
in relation to local
roads.**

Covering expenditure/works in relation to items such as

- surface dressing, maintenance**
- general maintenance, general improvement**
- road restoration/reconstruction**
- remedial/engineering measures**

- **bridge maintenance**
- **public lighting**
- **traffic management, traffic maintenance/improvement**
- **publicity/road safety**
- **Traffic wardens, on/off-street parking**

- **Deciding to provide or remove prescribed traffic calming measures and the consideration of observations or representations in relation to such proposals (section 38 of Road Traffic Act 1994)**
- **Speed Ramps/Pedestrian Crossings/Narrowing Carriageway**

- **Declaring a public road and consideration of objections or representations (section 11 of Roads Act 1993 as amended by section 180 of the Planning and Development Act 2000)**
- **Industrial Estates etc**

- **Making representations to the Garda Commissioner and the Minister for Transport in relation to certain proposed bye-laws to be made by the Commissioner under the Road Traffic Acts (Road Traffic Act 2002)**

Making of an order to provide for the extinguishment of a public right of way and the consideration of objections or representations (section 73 of Roads Act 1993)

- **Making of bye-laws specifying speed limits on certain roads (sections 45 and 46 of Road Traffic Act 1961 as substituted by sections 32 and 33 of Road Traffic Act 1994)**
- **(Insofar as local roads are concerned)**

- **Specifying the places in which vehicles may be parked either indefinitely or for any period not exceeding a specified period subject to regulations to be made by Minister (section 36 of Road Traffic Act 1994)**

- **Making of bye-laws for the control and regulation of the parking of vehicles in specified places on public roads and the consideration of observations or representations and the making of a resolution to indicate the manner in which parking fees shall be disposed of (section 36 of Road Traffic Act 1994)**

- **Making of bye-laws in relation to stands for taxis (section 15 of the Road Traffic Act 2002)**