

To each Member of Roscommon County Council

9th February 2024

Schedule of Uncollected Rates at 31st December 2023

Section 26(1) of the Local Government (Financial Procedures and Audit) Regulations states that a report is provided to Members outlining the level of Rate arrears at the end of each financial year.

Arrears of Rates at 31st December 2023 amounted to €1.46M, a decrease of €213,911 on the figure reported for 2022. The total rate demand for 2023 was €12.4M with an amount of €11.2M collected.

In 2022 we received notification of support from the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, in the sum of €337,421, in respect of loss of commercial rates income following conclusion of valuation appeals by Global Utility Companies. This support was received in early 2023.

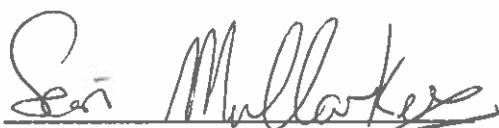
Adjustments for vacant premises, business closures, exemptions, uncollectable amounts and liquidated companies equated to €1.45M for the year.

The collection percentage for 2023 was 88% and details will be provided when the Annual Financial Statement for 2023 is presented.

The table below breaks down the invoices, receipts, adjustments and level of arrears by Collector Area:

Collector Area	Opening Balance	Invoices	Receipts	Write Offs	Closing Balance
Area 1 Athlone	167,724	1,827,520	1,605,106	181,552	208,586
Area 2 Roscommon	324,220	2,720,013	2,334,526	419,352	290,355
Area 3 Castlerea/Strokestown	107,609	2,100,357	1,845,306	221,194	141,466
Area 4 Ballaghaderreen	198,103	1,058,830	715,061	301,450	240,422
Area 5 Boyle	225,454	1,862,842	1,504,943	331,939	251,414
Globals	320,740	2,896,658	2,882,282		335,116
Dept Funding	337,421		337,421		
	€ 1,681,271	€ 12,466,220	€ 11,224,645	€ 1,455,487	€ 1,467,360

*As part of the 2022 AFS process the Opening Balance figure was reported as €1,793,767; this was corrected to €1,681,271 as part of the audit process.



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