

Galway County Council

Galway Group Schemes DBO Bundle No. 2

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Summary

The EU published a list of group schemes which were not compliant with the Drinking Water Regulations in a document referred to as Annex 14. This list contained in excess of 170 group water schemes in County Galway and swift and immediate action was required to evaluate these schemes and plan for their future compliance with the Drinking Water Regulations. The schemes were evaluated and where possible were connected to a public supply and where this was not feasible grant assistance was put in place to provide full treatment for those schemes. In order to ensure the security of the water quality into the future it was decided nationally that DBO contracts would be entered into for the water treatment and in order to ensure the affordability this approach it was decided that the scheme would be tendered on groups or bundles. This project is one such bundle and provides for the building of sixteen treatment plants to supply 44 formerly individual schemes (see appendix 2 for list) including two public schemes. Amalgamations took place which reduced the number of group schemes from 39 to 15 and three groups schemes and two group water schemes were all connected into on public scheme to make up the 16 new plants.

The DBO tender was advertised in June 2008 and a contract was signed in March 2010 and the project duration was approximately 18 months. The project consists of a design build element and an operate element. The Local Authority is the client for the Design Build element and the Group Schemes the client for the operate element which is a 20 year contract.

Schemes Included in DBO 2

	New Plant	Former Schemes
1	Ballinabanba	Ballinanbanba, Clonbrock Pallas, Doon
2	Lydacan	Ballinduff/Tullira, Crannagh, Ballinastaig/Killamoran
3	Barnaderg/Gortbeg	Barnaderg, Gortbeg
4	Caltra/Castleblakeney	Caltra Castleblakeney Ballymacward, Castlefrench/Ballyvoneen
5	Kiltiernan	Kiltiernan, Castletaylor, Lisnagranchy, Lavallyconnor
6	Ballyaneen/Rakerin	Rakerin/Annagh, Ballyaneen
7	Cappataggle	Cappataggle, Oatfield, Killoran, Killalaghtan, Garrymore, Cloughagalla/Oatfield, Coraneena, Aughrim, Carra, Poppyhill, Derrada
8	Peterswell/Castledaly	Peterswell, Cloughaun/Castleboy
9	Kilconieron	St. Clerans/Lecarrow, Lissalondon, Ganty, Rathgorgin
10	Kylemore Abbey	
11	Ballinakill	
12	Bullaun	
13	Gallagh	
14	Loch Hibirt	
15	Menlough	
16	An Fhairce	An Fhairce, Corr na Móna, Gort gClasach, Ceathrú Shéicín, Na hArdáin/Dúraithe

Funding

The Design Build element of the project runs to some €14m in total.

The works involved are funded partly at 100%, partly at 85% and partly at 75%.

The funds are provided by the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government to the County Council and the Department in turn recoups part of that funding from European Structural Funds.

Those parts not funded at 100% are funded either by the group schemes or by the local authority out of their own funds.

The Design Build element of the project should conclude by the end of 2011 with all schemes entering the operate phase from 2012 onwards.