

WORKS UNDERTAKEN:

1995: Water meters being installed firstly on farms and commercial premises, to cut down on the amount of water being wasted.

Jim Enright, Chairman.

Tony Marston appointed as caretaker..

Apr 1995: Ballinleena reservoir pumping 55,000 gals of water/day which is well over the amount used by members. (very bad breaks on the line).

2001: Water line on the Liskennett Rd extended by Conor Curtin, Contractor.

2004: New borehole well at the Creamery.

2006: ** Water group acquired creamery site from Dairygold.

** All houses being metered.

** New Reservoir at Mossy Kirwans'

2008: New rising main from Ballinleena quarry to reservoir on Mark O'Shea's land – was laid in Jan '08. Distributor water line replaced from Ballinleena to Coolruss, as far as Kit Burke's house. This had to be carried out due to amount of water being lost and the excessive number of burst pipes/repairs over a number of years.

The work was carried out by Ruttle Contractors, Cappagh, at a cost of over €500,000. Members contribution 15%, County Council grant of 85%.



GRANAGH GROUP WATER SCHEME CO-OP SOCIETY LTD.

September 2009

Dear Member

The upgrading of the water main from Ballinleena to Coolruss was completed during 2008 with a new 4" waterline. This work was carried out by Ruttle Contactors costing in the region of €400,000. The Granagh Group Water Scheme had to pay 15% of the cost roughly €60,000. The new line has been very beneficial and successful in that it was reduced greatly the number of water breaks.

The committee has now decided to continue to upgrade other water lines in the future due to a number of leaks and poor condition of these lines. We are again asking you for your continued support with this venture and thank you for your support to date.

The committee has decided that your contribution for 2009 is now €100 per household, down €50 from last year

Thanking you


On Behalf of the Committee

Granagh Group Water Scheme Coop Society Ltd

Kilmore
Granagh
Kilmallock
Co. Limerick
09/09/2013

Dear Member,

Unfortunately due to lack of finance, Limerick Co. Co. are unable to fund the proposed replacement of water mains from Granagh Creamery to Knockfierna for 2013. This is very disappointing as we are losing a vast amount of water due to a large number of leaks.

We are hopeful that some of this work will be done in 2014. The committee of Granagh Group Water Scheme have decided that your annual contribution will remain the same for 2013 i.e. €100 for household and €10 per acre for farmers, to help finance this water line replacement etc.

The committee are also proposing that water contributions for 2014 will be based on meter readings. It is proposed that households will have a standard charge of €100 with an allocation of 100,000 litres and anything over this allocation will be charged at a rate of 80 cents per 1000 litres. Farmers and businesses will also have a standard charge and a charge of 80 cents per 1000 litres over. The standard charge will be what you have paid on annually over that last number of years.

Enclosed you will find an estimate of what it will cost you when these rates are implemented in 2014 based on the readings taken in 2012 – 2013.

Water consumption must be our main priority in the future and we must be more aware of how much water is being used and wasted through leaks etc.

It is as proposed that water meter readings will be taken in September 2013 and again in September 2014 to establish how much water was used in a 12 month period.

We would encourage all farmers to cut off water supply to water troughs during the winter months when cattle are indoors.

Thanking you

Yours Sincerely

Tom Noonan
Secretary

Granagh Group Water Scheme March 2014

Dear Member,

Following recent media reports about Uisce Eireann/Irish Water, you may have concerns about how all of this might affect your water supply and the future of your group water scheme.

The board wishes to reassure you that you have no cause for concern whatsoever. Like all other group water schemes across Ireland, your scheme does not come under Uisce Eireann/Irish water. The independence of our group scheme is now enshrined in law and there is no earthly reason why that should change.

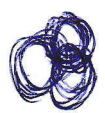
Of course, our members may decide at some point to hand over the scheme to Irish Water, but we very much doubt that this will happen, because the value of belonging to a community owned and community run group water scheme is likely to become increasingly apparent in the years ahead.

Unlike those who live on public supplies, whose charges will be determined by a regulator in Dublin, the community served by this scheme will retain the right to set its own level of charges, consistent with the need to run the business properly and to build a reserve.

Mind you, it is important to understand that at present your scheme is able to keep the cost of its service exceptionally low thanks to a subsidy paid in respect of each household on the supply. Should that subsidy be reduced at any point, water charges may have to increase on our scheme, but your committee will keep you fully informed of any imminent change in this regard.

Regardless of what else happens, this scheme will remain as a not-for-profit business, which aims to provide quality water and a quality service to you as a member at the best value possible.

Following on from all of the above you should not be alarmed if you receive correspondence from Irish Water. Hopefully this will not happen, but please let us know if it does so that we can take immediate steps to have your details removed from the Irish Water database.



We would urge our members to be alert also to bogus correspondence from criminal elements pretending to be from 'Irish Water'. Those have already been busy requesting band details etc. from members of the public. Don't ever give such details out, but please let us know if you get such correspondence so that we can alert the authorities.

As to future of our scheme, it is secure, but only if you as members play your part in paying monies due without delay, reporting leakage where you come across it and playing whatever part you can in ensuring the overall success of the business.

Yours sincerely

Tom Noonan
Secretary Granagh Group Water Scheme

Granagh Group Water Scheme

Dear Member,

04 September 2014

The committee of your scheme have been informed that the water line from the Creamery to Knockfierna is to be upgraded shortly. We are very pleased with this news, as we had a large number of leaks this year resulting in major water loss.

It will cost in the region of €500,000 approx. of which the group has to contribute 15% of the total cost. There will be major traffic restrictions while this work is ongoing and we apologise for any inconvenience.


Your contribution to your water scheme for 2014 was agreed at our A.G.M. €100 was set as standard charge per household which entitles you up to 100,000 litres of water plus €0.80 per 1000 litres thereafter.

Meters were read in September 2013 and again in 2014. Total usage is enclosed and your contribution is based on these readings.

Please take note of enclosed letter regarding Irish water and respond to any correspondence received from them, stating that you are a member of Group Water Scheme.

Thanking You

Yours Sincerely,



Tom Noonan

Secretary

Granagh Group Water Scheme

Granagh Group Water Scheme

Re: Irish Water correspondence to all households (including GWS households)

Dear Member,

04 September 2014

We have been advised by the National Federation of Group Water Schemes that during September 2014 Irish Water will write to all households, including Group Water Scheme (GWS) households, seeking confirmation of whether or not the household is serviced by Irish Water's (public) water and/ or sewerage systems. This is part of Irish Water's process for ensuring the accuracy of its list of customers. The list compiled through this process will be used by Irish Water to issue domestic water and sewerage bills, the first of which will be sent out in January 2015. The Irish Water communication will enclose a form for completion and return. If you confirm that your dwelling receives water or sewerage services from Irish Water (formerly Local Authority) you will then be asked to provide further details regarding the occupancy of your household, to enable Irish Water apply the correct charging rates and allowances.

Granagh GWS wishes to advise you that, as a member of our Group Water Scheme, you will need to ensure that your household is excluded from Irish Water's list of water services customers (water and/or sewerage as appropriate) so as to avoid further unnecessary correspondence from Irish Water, including bills for water services. In order to do this it is most important that you respond to Irish Water's communication, clearly confirming that your dwelling DOES NOT receive its water supply from Irish Water. The most important section of the form is SECTION B on page 2 where, at question 4, you should confirm that your piped water supply is provided by a Group Water Scheme (i.e. tick the box at option b.). if your wastewater (sewerage) is treated by way of an on-site system (such as a septic tank) you should also confirm this at question 5 (i.e. tick the box at option b. or c. as appropriate). If you are not on a Public Sewer the only other parts of the form that you need complete are Section A and Section F. The response can be submitted by returning the completed form by post, by phoning Irish Water or online at www.water.ie.

If you do not respond to Irish Water by 31st October 2014 you will be included in Irish Water's billing system by default – resulting in you receiving bills from Irish Water from January 2015.

The correspondence from Irish Water will also enclose a detailed information booklet which will give further guidance on the completion of the form. Contact details for Irish Water (for any additional clarification you require) will also be provided.

Yours Sincerely,



Tom Noonan Secretary
Granagh group Water Scheme

Granagh Group Water Scheme Co-op Society Ltd.

Kilmore
Granagh
Kilmallock
Co. Limerick
10/09/2015

Mr Tom Noonan
Kilmore
Granagh
Kilmallock
Co. Limerick

On behalf of the Committee of our water scheme, I am pleased to inform you that replacement of water mains from Knockfierna to Granagh School came into operation on the 1st May 2015 and has since been completed. This has considerably reduced the amount of water being wasted.

A special word of thanks to the Sheahan and Ahern families for granting us wayleave to take water mains to the reservoir in Knockfierna, also thanks to Limerick Co-co and all others involved for their cooperation and help in getting the work done.

The cost of water mains replacement so far is in the region of €400,000 and the total cost to be expected to be around €500,000. 85% of this cost is grant aided by Limerick Co.co and we have to pay the remaining 15% which will come to €75,000.

Your contribution for 2015 was agreed at our A.G.M in March and it remains the same as 2014 i.e. €100 up to 100,000 litres and €0.80 per 1000 litres thereafter. This will help to pay for the water mains replacement.

I would also like to remind you that as members of Granagh Water Group we are independent of Irish Water.

Thanking You

Yours Sincerely,

Tom Noonan
Secretary

Granagh Group Co-op Society Ltd.

Dear Member,

Water contributions 2016 for Granagh G.W.S. were adopted at the A.G.M last March. It was agreed that contributions will remain the same on 2015 i.e. €100 for up to 100,000 litres of water and 80 cent per 1,000 litres thereafter. Water meters were read this September and a number of leaks were detected. Each member would need to keep an eye on water meters to cut down on the amount of water being lost.

The contributions that you make each year are needed to finance the upgrading of water mains which consists of around 13 miles of pipe covering most of the parish. Roughly 7 miles of water pipes have been replaced over the last 10 years at a large cost to the water group. Some of the remaining 6 miles of old pipe may have to be replaced in the near future as we are still losing some water.

The committee of our group water scheme consists of a small number of members some of these members have been there for a long time and have given great service to water scheme. New members are needed to keep the water group going in the future, so when the A.G.M comes next March 2017 we hope you will give this some consideration.

Remember it is your water scheme and if we want to keep it in our own hands we have to work at it.

Thanking you.

Yours sincerely,

Tom Noonan

Granagh Group Water Scheme Co-op Society Ltd
Granagh, Kilmallock, Co. Limerick.

October 2017

Dear Member,

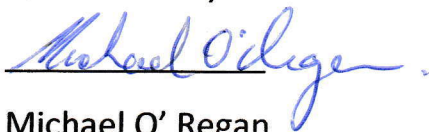
At our AGM last March it was agreed to keep the contribution the same as previous years. The rate is €100.00 for up to 100,000 litres at €0.80 per 1,000 litres thereafter.

Over the last number of years a lot of work and money has been spent upgrading the network. There are still five or Six miles of pipe work to be replaced in the future.

Your annual contribution helps us to pay for the works already done along with saving for future works. It costs over €100,000 each year to run the scheme, all our Officers and Committee Members work voluntary and pay the same rate as every other member.

The group water scheme of which you are a member is a major asset to the parish of Granagh and with your ongoing support it will continue to be so.

Your Sincerely



Michael O' Regan

Granagh Group Water Scheme Co-op Society LTD

A.G.M. 3rd April 2018

The annual general meeting of Granagh Group Water Scheme was held in the community centre Granagh on March 14th 2017.

The Chairperson Martin Carroll welcomed all members present and also Mr William Carey of Carey and Associates chartered accountants. He paid tribute to the late Jim Enright who was chairman of the Water group from 1989-1996 and extended sympathy to his family on behalf of the group.

Those present at the A.G.M. were Mark O' Shea, Jim Houlihan, Dan Sheehan, Tim Nelligan, Pat Joe Lake, Jim Chawke, John Chawke, William Power, Michael O' Regan, John Sheehy, Pat O' Rourke, Martin Carroll and Tom Noonan.

The minutes of the 2016 A.G.M. were read and approved – Proposed by Michael O' Regan and Seconded by John Sheehy.

Matters arising:

Jim Houlihan was thanked for his wonderful presentation on the history of the Water Group in December 2016 and for the amount of work that he put in to researching it.

In reply Jim thanked everyone for their help and he apologised if he left anyone out as it was not easy with so many people involved in the running of the Water Group and also the amount of time on the night was limited.

Auditors Report:

Mr William Carey of Carey and Associates presented financial statements for year 2016 and it showed

Income for year	€127,744
Expenditure for year	€141,045
Surplus	€13,301

Mr Carey went through the financial statement and answered all relevant questions in relation to it. He explained that Repairs and Maintenance looked very high but Earthworks Profiling were paid €16,000 as a final payment for the Creamery to Knockfierna Water Mains replacement. It was also noted that EPS charges are still very high despite replacing the old water mains to Knockfierna.

Adoption of financial statement – proposed by Jim Houlihan and seconded by John Chawke.

Appointment of auditor for 2017

Mr William Carey of Carey and associates was proposed by Michael O' Regan and seconded by Jim Chawke. As there were no other proposals, Mr. Carey accepted and thanked the water group and also thanked Pat O' Rourke Treasurer for all his help during the year. He is delighted to be working with Granagh Water Group again for 2017 and wished everyone well for the coming year.

Chairman's Address

Chairman Martin Carroll thanked Mr Carey and his fellow officers and committee members for all their help during the year for recording meters and helping sending out notices and water bills.

Election of officers

Mr. William Carey acted as presiding officer for election of officers.

Chairman	Michael O' Regan
Proposed by:	Martin Carroll
Seconded by	William Power
Vice Chairman	John Chawke
Proposed by:	Martin Carroll
Seconded by:	Dan Sheehan
Secretary	Tom Noonan
Proposed by:	Dan Sheehan
Seconded by:	Jim Chawke
Assistant Secretary	William Power
Proposed by:	Tom Noonan
Seconded by:	John Sheehy
Treasurer	John Sheehy
Proposed by:	Pat O' Rourke
Seconded by:	Tom Noonan
Assistant Treasurer	Pat O'Rourke
Proposed by:	Jim Chawke
Seconded by:	William Power

Committee Members were all returned:

Jim Houlihan, Mark O' Shea, Jim Chawke, Jim Kelly, Pat Joe Lake, Sean Cagney, John Chawke, Dan Sheehan & Tim Nelligan.

Water Contributions and bills for 2017

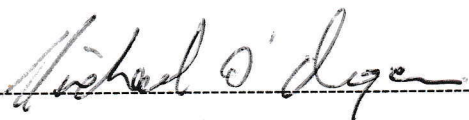
It was agreed that water contributions will remain the same for 2017 i.e. €100 for 100,000 litres and 80 cent per 1000 litres thereafter. – Proposed by Martin Carroll and seconded by Jim Houlihan.

Any Other Business

The meeting was informed that Grasstec have carried out a mapping system of all water meters on houses and land on the scheme and hope to have meter readings updated on to the computer. It was suggested that a computer would be of great benefit to the scheme regarding billing and invoices and it was agreed that a computer as well as a printer should be purchased.

As there was no other business the Chairman Michael O' Regan wished all present the very best for 2017 and thanked all for their attendance and closed the meeting.

Signed



Michael O' Regan.

3/4/2018

GRANAGH GROUP WATER SCHEME SOCIETY LTD - 4413R

NOTICE OF SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

A Special General Meeting of **GRANAGH GROUP WATER SCHEME SOCIETY LIMITED** will be held on -

Thursday 7th Nov, 2019 at 8.30pm in Granagh Community Centre.

The purpose of the meeting is to decide on the proposal to rationalise our Group Water Scheme with our neighboring Group Water Scheme – West Limerick Group Water Scheme Society Limited.

Current EU regulations place onerous responsibilities on Group Water Schemes in relation to the quality of their drinking water and the management of their schemes. In order to comply with these requirements it is necessary for our Group Water Scheme to implement a quality assurance system.

An amalgamation of the two Group Water Schemes would ensure that we continuously meet these responsibilities.

We will be asking those present on the night to vote on the following Motion:

Motion 1:

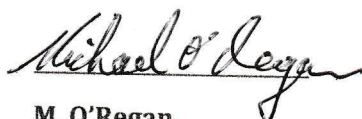
- The committee proposes to amalgamate our Group Water Scheme with our neighboring Group Water Scheme – West Limerick Group Water Scheme Society Limited.

I am enclosing the following documentation for your information in advance of the meeting:

- Resolutions for Amalgamation of Granagh Group Water Scheme Society Limited and West Limerick Group Water Scheme Society Limited for your consideration on the night.

We look forward to seeing you on the night.

Yours Sincerely,



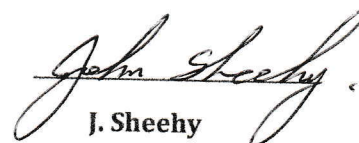
M. O'Regan.

Chairman:



T. Noonan

Secretary:



J. Sheehy

Treasurer:

Amalgamation Resolutions:

1. Group Water Scheme Amalgamation:

That Granagh Group Water Scheme Society Limited and West Limerick Group Water Scheme Society Limited be amalgamated as follows:

- All the existing members of Granagh Group Water Scheme Society Limited shall become members of West Limerick Group Water Scheme Society Limited on equal terms
- The Committee of West Limerick Group Water Scheme Society Limited shall consist of members from each of the boards / committees of the existing West Limerick Group Water Scheme Society Limited and Granagh Group Water Scheme Society Limited
- The property and assets of the Granagh Group Water Scheme Society Limited shall be granted, conveyed, transferred, assigned and credited to West Limerick Group Water Scheme Society Limited and shall vest in West Limerick Group Water Scheme Society Limited as from the date of winding down the Granagh Group Water Scheme Society Limited. At such date, West Limerick Group Water Scheme Society Limited shall undertake all the obligations of the Granagh Group Water Scheme Society Limited and all debts due to the Granagh Group Water Scheme Society Limited shall become due to West Limerick Group Water Scheme Society Limited.

2. Special Resolution – cancellation of registration

That, subject to the special resolution above being passed by the requisite majority at this general meeting, this general meeting resolves as follows:

- That the registrar be requested to cancel the registration of this society upon the registration by him of the special resolution above.

West Limerick Group Water Scheme.

Kantoher Offices,

Kantoher,

Ballagh,

Co Limerick.

Dear Customer,

As you are aware Granagh GWS amalgamated with West Limerick GWS on the 01/01/2020. West Limerick GWS is made up of Cappagh, Croagh, Killeedy and now Granagh.

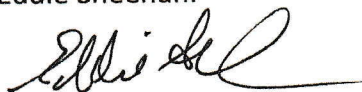
The bills to customers were always due in September but this is changing to January to bring all the schemes in line. The bill you have received is from September 2019 to January 1st 2020. You won't receive another bill until January 2021. Each customer with a domestic connection was allowed a free allowance of 53m³ which is 1/3rd of the allowance for a full year.

The rate per m³ for last year was €1. This is going to drop to €0.60/m³ for 2020 which will bring all the schemes in line with each other. The cost of a new water connection will also drop from €2000 to €1500.

As we are facing extremely difficult times with the advent of Covid-19 we are having very little interaction with customers at present but I can be contacted on 0877088828 at any time.

We would appreciate if payments could be made by cheque or by paying through Credit Transfer and all details are on the invoice you have received. If paying by cheque, make payable to West Limerick GWS and you will receive a receipt by post or if you submit your email address it will be emailed. Payments can also be made through PayPal and all payment details are on our website www.westlimerickgws.ie.

Eddie Sheehan.



Manager WLGWS.

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