



Galway City Community Network
Líonra Pobail Chathair Na Gaillimhe

Galway City Waters
Need Your Help
Have your say!

Galway City - Draft River Basin Management Plan Meeting

January 27th at 6pm via Zoom



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Riadas na hÉireann
Government of Ireland

Draft River Basin Management Plan for Ireland

2022 - 2027

View the full plan by clicking
the link below.

[gov.ie - Public Consultation on the draft River Basin
Management Plan for Ireland 2022-2027 \(www.gov.ie\)](https://www.gov.ie/public-consultation-on-the-draft-river-basin-management-plan-for-ireland-2022-2027)

Prepared by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage
www.gov.ie/housing

What is in the Draft River Basin Management Plan?

Ireland's Draft River Basin Management Plan 2022 - 2027

The Right Measure, in the Right Place

Supported by



An increased level of ambition



Integrated Catchment Management



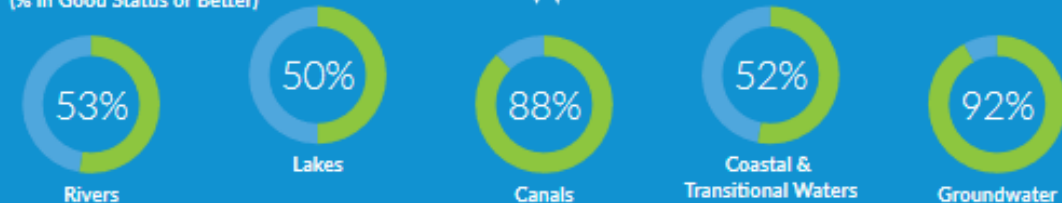
Multiple benefits for our water, biodiversity and climate



Collaboration between stakeholder and clear roles for implementation

Total Number of Water Bodies: 4,842

Status of our Waters (% in Good Status or Better)



People, nature, and our economy all rely on clean rivers and lakes, groundwater and coastal waters.

Characterisation of water bodies



1,603

'At Risk' - Restoration measures required to ensure they achieve WFD objectives



1,256

Currently in 'Review' and require ongoing protection and further assessment



1,983

'Not at Risk' - require measures to protect from deteriorating

Changes in the Significant Pressures Impacting our Waters

(Total number of water bodies impacted in brackets)



- ⬆️ Agricultural pressures has increased by 223 (1,000)
- ⬆️ Hydromorphological pressures (physical alterations) has increased by 100 (442)
- ⬆️ Pressures from Forestry have decreased by 5 (233)
- ⬆️ Pressures from Urban Waste Water have decreased by 83 (208)
- ⬆️ Urban Surface Water Run-off pressures have increased by 60 (196)
- ⬆️ Pressures from Peat and Industry have decreased by 20 (195)
- ⬆️ Pressures from Domestic Waste Water Treatment Systems have increased by 23 (188)

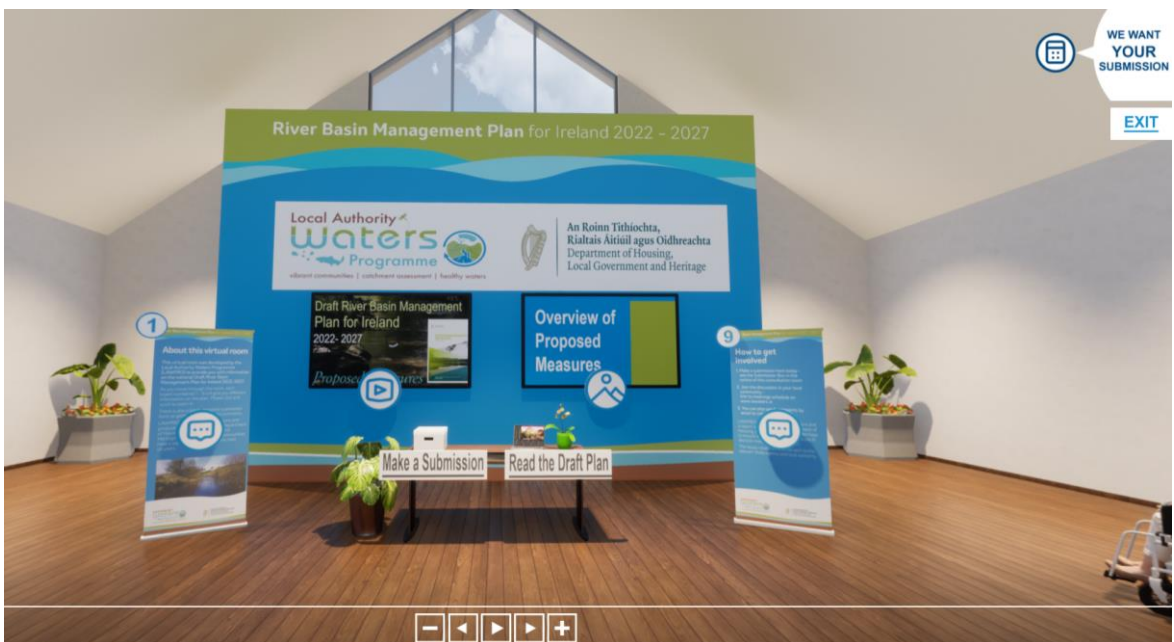
Key Measures required to



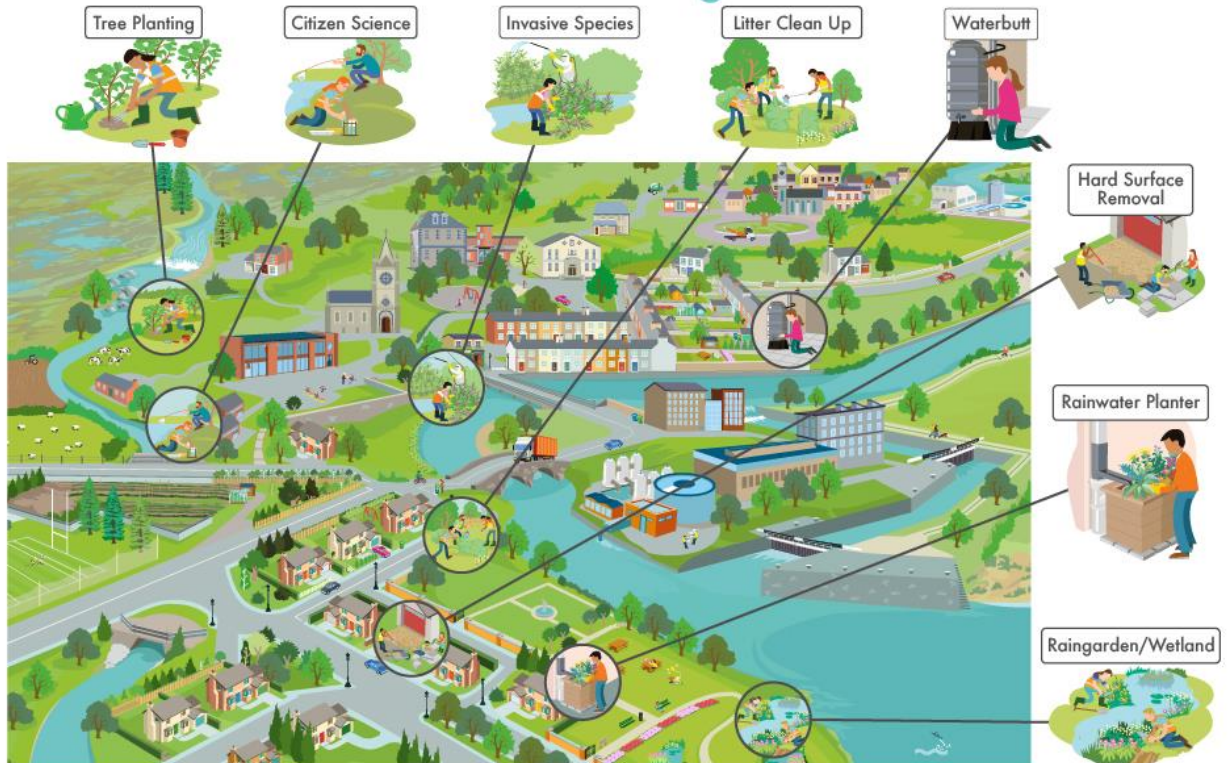
- ✅ Reduce the loss of fertilisers and soil from farmland into water
- ✅ Reduce the physical impacts on water bodies - caused by the drainage of lands and rivers and the presence of barriers (weirs, dams, etc.)
- ✅ Ensure continued investment in urban and rural water services
- ✅ Protect water bodies from future deterioration

Local Authority Waters Programme

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Visit our Virtual Consultation Room via our Website: Local Authority Waters Programme - <https://drbmp-vcr.ie/>



Community Water Development Fund now open for 2022

- **Grants available for communities to deliver water, biodiversity, and climate action initiatives**
- Projects should show benefits for water quality, biodiversity, and climate action.
- Grants awarded will range from €500 to €25,000. For support with your application contact Conor Ruane Community Water Officer at cruane@lawaters.ie