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RATES REBATE SCHEME 2017

Dear Ratepayer,

I wish to advise that Offaly County Council continues to operate a Rates Rebate Scheme for 2017 Rates.

The aim of the Scheme is to help reduce the cost pressures on businesses, particularly small to medium enterprises and to foster a healthy environment for economic growth.

The Scheme is available to all Ratepayers in County Offaly subject to certain terms and conditions. The Scheme can amount to a rebate of **10% of the value of your 2017 annual rates bill subject to a maximum of €500.00** which equates to 10% of €5,000. Ratepayers, who have a rates bill of greater than €5,000 and comply with the conditions below, will receive the maximum €500.00.

The qualifying conditions are simple:

- Any Ratepayer who pays their two moiety's when due or enters into a standing order arrangement to clear their rates bill by 1st November, can avail of a 10% reduction in their rates **up to a maximum of €500.00**
- In the event of a Ratepayer having an arrears balance, to qualify for the Rebate an agreed payment plan for current year Rates and to clear any arrears within a 12 month period must be agreed and complied with. The Rebate applies only to the current year portion paid, and not on any portion of arrears paid
- The Rates Rebate will be available to customers who pay their full Rate Demand. The rebate will not be available to customers who are availing of any vacancy allowance

All Rebates will be processed in December and refunded to qualifying customers' Rates account.

If you have any queries regarding the scheme please contact your local Revenue Collector as indicated on your Rates Bill or a member of the Rates Section Team in Offaly County Council.

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