Splashing out £2.6 million on city’s Third Bridge

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IT WAS REVEALED this Friday that Limerick Corporation are to get a total of £3.6 million for road grants this year with the majority of the money going towards the Mallow Street Bridge.

And the man with the good news and who was able to scoop his Fine Gael colleagues in East Limerick was novice city councillor Kevin Kiely.

“I have just been informed of the good news by Minister for the Environment, John Boland, and the £3.6 million will ensure that a number of major works including the Third Bridge will be all but completed this year,” said Cllr. Kiely.

The Minister has set aside £2.6 million for the bridge and approach roads with another £280,000 for road widening at the Dock Road.

Major part

A spokesman for the Corporation expressed satisfaction with the overall grant. “The money for the bridge will ensure that the major part of the works on the bridge will be completed this year and it will be on schedule for completion in 1988.”

Other money allocated includes £62,000 for the weighbridge at Childers Road, £10,000 for snow and ice equipment, £120,000 for Dublin Road/Childers Road roundabout.

In addition there will be £30,000 for the Watchouse Cross work and £115,000 for ordinary maintenance of national primary roads.