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## Limerick community grocery opens to the public

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Privacy

The city's first co-operative enterprise, a group of 19 people have taken over the former Esso garage on Mulgrave Street.

The Limerick Community Grocery is the city's first store to be owned, controlled and operated by the community.

In a bid to encourage members of the community to join up, an open day took place, where the scheme was outlined, and memberships were taken.

At present, it is being used as a collection only 'buying club'. This means at present, it is only possible to buy things online and collect from Mulgrave Street each Friday.

But it is hoped in short order, a full service shop will open on site.

One man who attended the open day, Cllr Kieran O'Hanlon remarked: "What's not to like about this initiative?!"

"I think it is a wonderful idea. I have spoken to Bill Kelly, who is a friend of mine there, and his group have put a lot of work into getting this up and running. This is a something which is owned by the people and not profit making.

"It is a very worthy initiative. At the end of the day, they are making sure people get real value for money, and I welcome it," he <sup>[1]</sup><sub>[SEP]</sub>added.

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