

DO: GACH BALL DE CHEANTAR BARDASACH AN CHOMARAIGH
TO: EACH MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF COMERAGH

ROADS PROGRESS REPORT MAY 2021

A. Road Works Programme 2021

Strengthening and Surface dressing Works has being approved. Drainage discretionary works will be included in RWP 2021 which will be provided across all 3 Areas of the District and these works will continue to take place under the Maintenance budgets.

B. Road Maintenance Works

The District area crews have been continuously filling potholes and repairing roads. Road repairs (potholes and damaged edges) and drainage discretionary works will continue to take place under the Maintenance budgets.

C. Active Travel Measures

The Comeragh District have been allocated approximately €1.6 million in funding for the following projects:

- Portlaw Village Footpath replacement - €200,000 Gone out to tender for phase 1.
- Upper Queen Street (L4500) – Signalised Crossing - €30,000 – Section 38 Advertised.
- Carrick Road, Portlaw (L4033) – Design and construction of new footpaths, bus stop, raised surfaces, traffic calming measures under design - €350,000
- Brown Street, Portlaw (L4033) – Design - €5,000
- Kilmacthomas Village East Link Greenway (R677) – Design & construction for footpath, signalized crossing, provision for drainage and lighting - €300,000 – Design Stage.
- Kilmacthomas Village West Link Greenway West Terrace (L70991) – Macadam overlay - €45,000
- Main Street, Kilmacthomas (L4043) – Signalised crossing - €30,000 – Section 38 Advertised.
- Walsh’s place to Main Street – Macadam overlay (L4043) - €40,000
- Main Street Car park, Kilmacthomas – Provision of cycle parking - €20,000 Contractor on site.
- St. James National School, Stradbally (L30250) – New footpath - €70,000 – Landowner Consultation
- GAA centre toward Comeragh Estate in Stradbally (L3032) – Design of new footpath - €4,000
- Knockmahon School to Geopark in Bunmahon (L3033) – New footpaths and lighting - €200,000
- Bunmahon (R675) – Signalised crossing with civil works - €25,000
- Lemybrien (R676) – Provision for footpath or cycle track with underground services - €250,000 Final Design for tender.
- Rathgormack (L3058) – Design of new footpath with signalised crossing - €5,000
- Kill Village (R681) – Improved crossing and raised surfaces - €25,000
- Dunhill Village (L4007) – Cois Chille to Main Street – Design for road alignment for new footpath, raised surfaces, pedestrian crossings, parking provision, reduce road width at junctions - €20,000
Consultant engaged and preliminary design under review.

D. Low Cost Schemes (Non-National Roads)

Local Cost Schemes for 2021 for the Comeragh District Area.

- Carrick Road Portlaw/ L4033 - €70,000

- R671/L5075 Drumgorey - €30,000
- R678/L7083 Powers the Pot/Mountain Road Junction - €40,000

E. Bridge Rehabilitation Works on Regional and Local Roads

- Tooraneena - €30,000
- Mahon Bridge (Local) - €20,000
- Mahon Bridge (Regional) - €20,000

F. Mahon Falls Car park & Lay bys development

Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme (ORIS), Measure 2 recently announced €200,000 funding by the Minister for Rural and Community Development for the proposed extension to an existing car park at Mahon Falls trailhead and additional lay bys along the local road L3047 with the enhancement to the existing lay bys to allow for safe passing. A Section 177 AE application has been submitted to An Bord Pleanála for this proposed development which is subject to their approval, also included in this proposal is improved walking trail access, bicycle parking and amenity area. Deadline for submissions was 30th April. An Bord Pleanála has until 2nd September to issue their decision.

G. Road Design Section

These works are being project managed by the Road Design Section.

- N25 Lemybrien – Traffic Calming Scheme
Detailed design and preparation of Tender documents in progress. CCTV survey of the existing drainage completed. The slit trenches works scheduled in the following weeks. Section 12 completed in relation to the R676 slip road.
- N25 Carroll’s Cross – Traffic Calming Scheme
TII approval received for Feasibility and Options Report and Preliminary Design Report. Section 38 (Road Act) process completed. Detailed design and preparation of Tender documents in progress. CCTV survey and the slit trenches works completed. Public Lighting designer appointed and design in progress.
- Fingerpost - works substantially complete; raised roads, roundabout and footpaths all in operation. Public lighting working. Pedestrian crossing electrical works being completed. Pondering on the crossing and on Knocklofty side of the roundabout being rectified. Final Landscaping not complete, scheduled for good weather.

H. Clár

In June 2021, the department announced applications for Measures 1 & 2 Clár Programme for Safety Measures and Community Recreational Areas and were submitted by Waterford Council in August 2021. In November 2021, the Department announced projects which secured funding under Measures 1 & 2 Clár Programme for Safety Measures and Play Areas improvements in the Comeragh Area.

Measures 1 Clár Programme the following works to be undertaken and update on progress:

- **Kilroassanty School/Community** - To provide for lighting improvements and footpaths - € 49,500 - Planned works to commence in the Summer – gone out to tender.