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TO: EACH MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF COMERAGH

ROADS PROGRESS REPORT AUGUST 2021

A. Roads Works Programme 2021

Strengthening and Surface dressing Works programme is ongoing (approx. 60% complete). Drainage discretionary works are being 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 has been allocated approximately €1.6 million in funding for the following projects:

- Portlaw Village Footpath replacement - €200,000 - Works are ongoing.
- Upper Queen Street (L4500) – Signalised Crossing - €30,000 – Section 38 approved.
- Carrick Road, Portlaw (L4033) - €350,000 at Part 8 stage.
- Brown Street, Portlaw (L4033) – Design - €5,000 - Design complete.
- Kilmacthomas Village East Link Greenway (R677) - €300,000 – Section 38 process commenced.
- Kilmacthomas Village West Link Greenway West Terrace (L70991) – Macadam overlay - €45,000 – Completed.
- Main Street, Kilmacthomas (L4043) – Signalised crossing - €30,000 – Section 38 approved.
- Walsh’s place to Main Street – Macadam overlay (L4043) - €40,000 completed.
- Main Street Car park, Kilmacthomas – Provision of cycle parking - €20,000 Works substantially complete.
- 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. Design stage.
- Knockmahon School to Geopark in Bunmahon (L3033) – New footpaths and lighting - €200,000 – Contractor onsite, works ongoing.
- Bunmahon (R675) – Signalised crossing with civil works - €25,000 – Design being finalised.
- Lemybrien (R676) – Provision for footpath or cycle track with underground services - €250,000 final Design and agreement stage.
- Rathgormack (L3058) – Design of new footpath with signalised crossing - €5,000, complete.
- 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 finalising design.

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 – works ongoing
- R678/L7083 Powers the Pot/Mountain Road Junction - €40,000 awaiting landowner agreement

E. Bridge Rehabilitation Works on Regional and Local Roads

- Touraneena - €30,000 Contractor appointed
- Mahon Bridge (Local) - €20,000 Contractor appointed
- Mahon Bridge (Regional) - €20,000 Contractor appointed

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. Awaiting Decision from An Bord Pleanála.

G. Road Design Section

- N25 Lemybrien – Traffic Calming Scheme
Detailed design and preparation of Tender documents in progress. Land Agreements in progress.
- N25 Carroll's Cross – Traffic Calming Scheme
Detailed design and preparation of Tender documents completed. Tender documentation being finalised, due out to tender this week.
- Fingerpost - is substantially complete with the pedestrian crossing turned on 29th of July. Pondering issue at pedestrian crossing and Knocklofty side of roundabout being addressed at the moment.

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 2020. In November 2020, 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 - Works are substantially complete, awaiting ESB connections to complete the works.