



Comhairle Cathrach & Contae Phort Láirge Waterford City & County Council

Re: Section 38 Road Traffic Act 1994 – Completion of Process Improvement works along the L-3011 /R-675, Ballinroad Cross to R-675 Ballinroad Roundabout

Proposal

Waterford City & County Council proposes to undertake road improvement works along the L-3011 /R-675, Ballinroad Cross to R-675 Ballinroad Roundabout. Works will include the construction of a 2.0m wide concrete footpath on both sides of the Public Road L-3011 extending from the existing footpath and pedestrian crossing facilities at Ballinroad Cross and linking to the existing footpath/cycleways at Ballinroad Roundabout. A 6.0m wide carriageway will be maintained along the L-3011 as part of the road development works as set out on the attached drawings. A raised pedestrian crossing with Belisha Beacons and Lighting heads will be provided on the eastern approach to the R-675, Ballinroad Roundabout, to provide a safe connection from the L-3011 Ballinroad to the Waterford Greenway. The existing raised pedestrian crossing connecting the Greenway along the Clonea Strand Road will be retrofitted with Belisha Beacons with lighting heads for increased illumination.

These works together with the existing footpath, public lighting and surfacing works completed along the L-3012 alongside Ballinroad Church and adjacent to Knocknagranagh Housing development entrance, completed in 2021, will provide a direct and safe connection to the Waterford Greenway and a safer environment for all road users.

Public Consultation

The proposal was advertised in the Dungarvan Leader, on the website, sent to An Garda Síochána and in our Customer Services Departments between 10th August to 6th September, 2022, inviting submissions up to 20th September, 2022.

Submissions

17 number submissions were received and details of the main issues raised and the responses to same are set out on the attached pages 2 to 6.

Recommendation

The proposal will proceed to include the amendments as set out in the responses below and the provision of an additional Belisha Beacon crossing with flashing lights on approach from Ballinroad to the roundabout. Your approval is recommended.

Fergus Galvin
Director of Services
Roads, Water and Environment
10th October, 2022.

Name	Summary of points Raised	Response
Pat and Marcie Barron	It is imperative that when the footpath is constructed that the the height of our wall from the footpath will be 1.2m. Seeking update on relocation on electricity line.	A meeting will be arranged with District Engineers to review height of wall and electricity line.
David Fraher	Seeking an on-site meeting to review plans.	John Leonard E.E. met David Fraher. A further meeting will be arranged with District Engineers to agreed landtake and accommodations works. All agreements will be finalised prior to any works commencing.
Chris Santillo	Welcomes the proposal.	Comments noted.
Don & Jacinta Sheil	Seeking further details on the footpath and how it will impinge on their property.	A meeting will be arranged with District Engineers to agree any land take and accommodations requirements. All agreements will be finalised prior to any works commencing.
Patrick Norris	Requesting that the road surface be lined from the cycle path to the pavement to regulate proper parking and maximise the use of the space.	This area is outside the scope of the section 38. However, outside the main gate of the church was recently surfaced and lined in accordance with traffic signs manual. This includes lining of cycle lane and roadside parking.
Sinead Kilcawley	<p>Pedestrian Crossing – a signalled crossing would favour pedestrians, particularly those with special needs, over vehicles.</p> <p>Kerb Height – The standard height of 125mm is important to provide definition to cane users.</p> <p>Footpath width – that the intended use be clearly defined with embedding of kerb lines or appropriate drainage channels considered.</p>	The comments are noted. Belisha Beacon crossing with flashing lights is proposed on R675 roundabout approach from Tramore. There is a kerb proposed for the edge of footpath along the full length of the scheme. The level of the kerb will be constructed taking account of the levels on the route including entrances where kerbs must be dropped. The scheme will include storm pipe to deal with surface water.
Seamus Norris Ballinroad Community Group	<p>Welcomes the proposal with the following comments:-</p> <p>Pedestrian Crossing – install a pedestrian crossing on approach from Ballinroad to the roundabout. A controlled/signalled crossing would favour pedestrians. Beacons should have partial covers. A</p>	The comments are noted. An additional Belisha Beacon crossing with flashing lights can be included on approach from Ballinroad to roundabout. There is a kerb proposed for the edge of footpath along the full length of the scheme. The level of the kerb will be

	<p>review of the quality of the blister tactile paving quality and colour for visually impaired users. A fourth and final pedestrian crossing should be provided at Ballinroad Cross.</p> <p>Footpath Width and Kerb Height -footpath must be clearly defined to all users with embedding of kerb lines or appropriate drainage channels. Consideration be given to a 1m wide footpath beside but physically segregated from a 1m wide cycle path on both sides of the road where possible. Where pedestrians and cyclists are required to share space it is requested that there be clear surface markings, surface lines, and signage to delineate space.The standard height (125mm) is important to provide definition to cane users.</p> <p>Cúil Fhinín - could the opportunity be taken to widen the existing footpath to the rear of Cúil Fhinín estate near the roundabout and the entrance.</p> <p>Road Surface and Curve - Will the carriageway be fully resurfaced as part of the works? Will the works address the kink in the road from Ballinroad where it meets the roundabout. Will the works improve visibility of drivers exiting Na Fearnóga estate? Will footpath width be unnecessarily wide in some places and grassed – query on maintenance. Consideration to reducing the constant curve of the road by determining if further property set backs could be achieved in co-operation with home-owners?</p> <p>Preparatory Works – queries on duration of drainage works, road closure, footpath works timelines.</p> <p>Access to Ballinroad Hall – can existing footpath width (marked in blue) be addressed. Could shortcut</p>	<p>constructed taking account of the levels on the route including entrances where kerbs must be dropped. The scheme will include storm pipe to deal with surface water. Tactile requirements will be in accordance with design guidelines at all pedestrian crossings. The width of the proposed footpath/cycle lane has a varied width of 1.5m to 3.0m width. This allocated space is a shared space for all users.</p> <p>The existing entrance to Cúil Fhinín will be linked to the proposed scheme. It is planned to resurface the scheme and there will be some section realigned and boundary wall set back to accommodate new footpath and entrance sightlines. The alignment will be improved in so far as possible as consideration to exiting entrances and properties will have to be taken into account. Traffic calming is part of the design. It is not planned to have grass areas as it is recognised that this will involve ongoing maintenance. The timeline will be linked to funding. Any road closures will be advertised to provide adequate notice. The access to hall will be from R675 and not through the slip road due to properties and land ownership. Ballinroad cross Knocknagranagh village is outside the scope of this section 38, however there will be future schemes to address this area. There will be public lighting on the proposed scheme.</p>
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	<p>be provided for pedestrians/cyclists from Ballinroad to Hall.</p> <p>Ballinroad Cross / Knocknagranagh Village – can lighting be installed in front of Knocknagranagh Village and Lord Maguires (L3011) to Ballinroad Cross. Can further traffic calming be provided in the vicinity of Knocknagranagh Court? Parking – suggestion that the set-back area directly across the road from the Church main gate (in front of Keith's), between the cycle path and the pavement, be lined from the cycle path to the carriageway.</p>	
James Veale	Further details required on footpath layout.	A meeting will be arranged with District Engineers to agree any land take and accommodations requirements. All agreements will be finalised prior to any works commencing.
Pat Keane	Storm drain – request for external survey re cracks to property.	The works referred to relates to a scheme completed by the Housing Department. However, all walls will be checked in advance of works.
Anne Marie le Flohic	Carpark near Ballinroad Roundabout – enlargement of carpark in the future to cope with increased traffic in summertime re Greenway.	The comment is noted. This can be included in a future scheme. However, it is outside the scope of this scheme.
Jim O'Dwyer	The speed of traffic using the road through the village towards Clonea and vice versa needs to be addressed with some effective traffic calming measures. Illegal parking on cycle lane which runs parallel to the main entrance gates of the catholic church - can NO PARKING sign be erected here.	The scheme will include traffic calming which will reduce speed. Gardai enforcement will address illegal parking. This will be monitored. The area outside the church has been recently surfaced and lined.
Kevin Falvey	Addition of a raised pedestrian crossing across the L3011 at the junction with the R675 roundabout would enhance the safety of pedestrians. Is public lighting being provided on new footpath along L3011.	Additional belisha beacon pedestrian crossing will be provided. Public lighting is included throughout the scheme. There will be future schemes for other roads.

	Disappointed that the improvement works do not extend further along the L3011.	
Sean O'Hare	The existing footpath locally between Ballinroad Cross & An Rosan is extremely narrow following works to widen the road a number of years back. Can this short stretch of footpath be replaced with 1.8m – 2.0m. Drawing included.	The comment is noted. This can be included in a future scheme. However, it is outside the scope of this scheme.
Rosarie Kealy	R675 Roundabout- could there be a raised crossing on all 4 roads leading into the roundabout? Could the left turn off the roundabout when travelling from Dungarvan to Ballinroad be looked at? Ballinroad crossroads - a footpath and raised crossing at Dwanes side of the crossroads is badly needed. Ballinroad crossroads - church corner. Would it be possible to widen the path on the church side as you come off the crossing, turn right and travel around the corner towards Clonea roundabout. Can you confirm that the new footpath on both sides can be used by cyclists. Would it be possible to also add the smiley face speed signs on approach to Ballinroad crossroads from N25 x 2 and from Ballinroad roundabout? Removing the uncontrolled pedestrian crossing at the Ballinroad roundabout - my preference would be to move the raised pedestrian crossing and lights to where the uncontrolled pedestrian crossing is.	Additional belisha beacon pedestrian crossing will be provided. The alignment will be improved in so far as possible as consideration to exiting entrances and properties will have to be taken into account. The comments on Dwanes side of the crossroads are noted. This can be included in a future scheme as it is outside the scope of this scheme. The width of the proposed footpath/cycle lane has a varied width of 1.5m to 3.0m width. This allocated space is a shared space for all users. The scheme will include traffic calming which will reduce speed. There are no plans for other electronic signage. Controlled pedestrian crossing must be located with adequate visibility. The uncontrolled crossing will be removed and existing belisha beacon crossing will be fitted with public lighting heads.
Tony O'Donoghue	Has consideration been given to the provision of public lighting on the L3011 in the vicinity of Knocknagranagh. Has consideration been given to the provision of an appropriate pedestrian crossing point on the North West side of Ballinroad Cross Roads? Has consideration been given to providing	The comment is noted. This can be included in a future scheme. It is outside the scope of this scheme

	further traffic calming/speed ramp in the vicinity of Knocknagranagh Court?	
René Murray	Welcomes project and supports the proposed road safety improvements. Only concern has been the current safety of the road, especially where it gets rather narrow and there's almost a blind bend.	The width of the proposed footpath/cycle lane has a varied width of 1.5m to 3.0m width. This allocated space is a shared space for all users. The scheme will include traffic calming which will reduce speed. The alignment will be improved in so far as possible as consideration to exiting entrances and properties will have to be taken into account.
Paul Connolly	Supports proposal with following observation to help further enhance the road safety of the L3011 road. More traffic calming management is needed along the L3011 road, such as speed ramps placed along the entire L-3011 road. Cars/ Vans/ Trucks constantly driving over the continues white line / bend in the road leading to the Ballyrandle round-about - see image attached with red circle lines. Gardai should be consulted to review/ evaluate this section of the road nearest to the round-about. Cycle lane facility in both directions. Drawing attached.	The width of the proposed footpath/cycle lane has a varied width of 1.5m to 3.0m width. This allocated space is a shared space for all users. The scheme will include traffic calming which will reduce speed. The alignment will be improved in so far as possible as consideration to exiting entrances and properties will have to be taken into account. . Traffic calming is part of the design.