

**DO: GACH BALL DE CHEANTAR CATHRACH PHORT LÁIRGE  
TO: EACH MEMBER OF THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF  
WATERFORD**

Re: Section 38 Road Traffic Act 1994 – Active Travel Scheme  
Little Patrick Street Improvements

The following proposed Active Travel scheme was advertised for public consultation from 21st September 2021 to 18th October 2021, inviting submissions before 1st November 2021.

- Waterford City & County Council proposes to undertake traffic calming at Little Patrick Street, Waterford City.
- The proposed works include the widening the existing footpaths and resurfacing the existing carriageway.
- The scheme will involve new line marking including parking restriction markings (double yellow lines) and the relocation of 2 No. disabled person's parking bays from the street to the nearby carpark on Little Patrick Street.
- This work is consistent with the Active Travel programmes in its objective to improve pedestrian routes and linkages. The implementation of this scheme will create a safer environment for all road users.
- The scheme is funded through the Additional Outdoor Infrastructure Fund 2021.

**Submissions:**

While no submission was received during the formal submission period the following comments were received following the distribution of the proposed scheme layout to the Members of the Metro District pre-advertising.

***Comment No. 1 – Councillor Eddie Mulligan***

Councillor Mulligan's comment relates to the lack of a loading bay and or Set Down/Pick Up bays in the area for commercial vehicles up to 11am and for private vehicles throughout the day for restaurant access, etc. Councillor Mulligan suggests that a workable and safe traffic management plan should be considered for the John Robert's Square area before works are carried out on the streets leading to it.

Councillor Mulligan considers that this proposal may attract a negative reaction from local businesses as Little Patrick Street is used for deliveries throughout the day.

## ***Response to Comment No. 1***

The proposed works are being funded by the Department of Transport 2021 Additional Outdoor Infrastructure Fund which funds measures which will help to provide safe outdoor urban spaces for the public.

The widening of the existing footpaths from the Little Patrick Street carpark to Broad Street/John Roberts Square will improve accessibility for pedestrians of all abilities. The works will also include resurfacing of the road which is in a poor condition.

There is currently no loading bay on Little Patrick Street and commercial vehicles have access to Barronstrand Street/Broad Street from 7am until 11am each day to carry out deliveries. Car parking is provided in the Jenkins Lane carpark.

These works will make an improvement to the quality and safety of the area including improving the quality of the disabled parking provided. The suggestion in respect to the traffic management plan for John Roberts Square is a wider issue and is being looked at by Waterford City and County Council.

## **Recommendation:**

It is now proposed that the scheme should proceed as advertised under Section 38 Road Traffic Act 1994

Your approval to proceed with the scheme is recommended and requested.

Fergus Galvin  
Director of Services  
Roads, Water and Environment  
05<sup>th</sup> November 2021