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TO: EACH MEMBER OF THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF WATERFORD

Roads Progress Report to end August 2020

1. Road Works Programme

The approved Road Works Programme for 2020 is progressing well following the period of lockdown. Progress has been hampered by weather conditions in particular Storm Ellen and Storm Francis. A number of roads have now been strengthened and include; *The Dunmore Road, Grange Park Crescent, Grange Heights, Tramore Road at Woodies, Poleberry, Lower Branch Road in Tramore, Roselawn in Tramore, Airport Road (St Lawrence's Terrace), Pearse Park, John's Hill, Church Road, Cooltegin, Ballygunnycastle Road and Drumcannon*. Contractors will be back on site in September to complete these works. Surface Dressing is also ongoing in the Metro District and all surface dressing works will be completed by the end of September.

2. Community Involvement Schemes

One CIS scheme has been applied for in the Metro District at Knockavelish. Once approved this should go ahead before the end of October.

3. Low Cost Safety Schemes

The following is a list of schemes for which funding approval has been submitted for 2020 in the Metropolitan District:

- i. Barrack Street, Waterford - narrow the road and install crossing point - Section 38.
- ii. Knockanduff Ballycarnane Tramore - footpaths and cycleway plus accommodation works (Part 8 approved). Works to commence in September.
- iii. O Connell Street/Bridge Street - narrow junction with build outs and provide a shorter crossing for pedestrians.
- iv. Waterford Road, Tramore - build outs, footpath/cycleway plus pedestrian crossing – Section 38.

4. Coastal Repair works

The Tramore Pier application was successful and a detailed design for the Project in Tramore has been completed. The Project has been tendered and a Contractor will be appointed in September. These Projects are 75% funded with the Council having to contribute 25%. The maximum allocation for any single Project is €200,000.

5. Road Closures

The Lacken Road remains closed as the new LIHAF road in Kilbarry nears completion.

6. Other Works

General

Two significant storms (Ellen and Francis) in August caused some damage and flooding across the District and the County.

Public Lighting

Kilaree Lighting Services Limited (KLS) are the Contractor responsible for the maintenance of the public lights in Waterford City and County. In August a total of 216 routine faults reported were repaired all within an average of 4.5 days. There were 4 non routine faults during this period. Power supply issues and rewiring were the main issues with non routine repairs. Each case must be assessed individually and a quotation received and approved before any work can progress. These have become more frequent in recent Years due to an aging public lighting system. However, the budget for fixing these faults is deficient and therefore priority must be given to the most urgent repairs.

Tramore Area

- Drainage works at Islandtarsey, the Dunhill Road, the Outer Ring Road, and Sporthouse in advance of forecasted storms and heavy rainfall.
- Filling of sandbags and distribution of same was also undertaken.
- Sand removal on the beach was also carried out in advance of storms to prevent damage along the Prom from wave action.
- Preparatory works for surface dressing and strengthening works
- Illegal dumping cleared on the Glen Road and Kilbride in August.
- Pothole repairs in Westtown, Riverstown, Islandtarsey, Sporthouse and Garrus.
- Some repairs at Tramore Pier and lifebuoy replaced.
- There were two out of hours callouts during August in Metro West.

Dunmore Area

- The Council Velocity Jet Patcher was in the area working on the L-8054 Ballyloughbeg, the L-8065 Callaghane, the L-8053 Keiloge and the L-4078 Kilcop Upper.
- Preparation works for strengthening and surface dressing across the Area.
- Bin collections continued at 3 times a week plus weekend around the towns and beaches in the Area due to the increased number of local and tourists continues.
- There were five out of hour callouts in August 2020 in Metro East Area for trees down, flooding issues and flood barrier issues in Passage East.
- Drainage works and cleaning gullies required at Cooltegin and Ballinkina.

Waterford City:

- Drainage works and clearing gullies on the Ursuline school, Lisduggan, Six Cross Roads, The sycamores, Ardkeen village, Manor Street, Blenheim Heights, Skibereen Road, Island Lane, Grange Park Avenue, Riverview, Cork Road, Newtown, O Connell Street, Knockboy, Ballinakill, Poleberry, John Street, Carne Glas, Gracedieu, Comeragh Park, Comeragh Drive, Ard Na Greine, Greenbank, Ashley Court, Ballytruckle, St John's Park, Frances Court, Tyrone Avenue, Airmount Villas, Canada Street, Earls court, Collins Avenue, Parnell Street, Old Kilmeaden Road, Butlerstown roundabout, Bishopsfield, Glenville, Clashrea Place, Waterpark, Wellington Street, Barrett Place, Ashe Road and Hennessy's Road.
- Potholes repairs at Mount Sion Avenue, Lismore Park, Hillview, Earls Court, Farran Park, Spring Garden Alley, Ann Street and Ballinakill.
- Footpath repairs at Ursuline School, Woodlawn Grove and Hillview.
- Road signs cleaned and repaired at Skibereen Road, Lismore Lawn, Cannon Street, Griffith Place, Dyehouse Lane, Ballytruckle, Pearse Park, Inner Ring Road, Barrack Street, Belvedere Drive, Keanes Road, Cove Lane, Leoville Close, Willow Terrace, Arbour Road, Cleaboy Road.
- Bollards at Clock Tower and Scotch Quay.
- There were 17 out of hour emergency callouts in August for issues with faulty traffic lights, trees down and flooding on roads.