



**Minutes for Strategic Policy Committee (SPC) Meeting for (Transportation & Infrastructure)**

**Conference Room Dungarvan 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2023**

<b>Present (Councillor and PPN members)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr Tom Cronin (Chair)</li> <li>• Cllr Joe Kelly</li> <li>• Cllr Mary Roche</li> <li>• Cllr Declan Doocey</li> <li>• Cllr Jody Power</li> <li>• Cllr Seamus O'Donnell</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. James Farnan</li> <li>• Mr. Farid Ahmad Mohamman</li> <li>• Chris Santillo</li> </ul>
<b>Present (WCCC Officials)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gabriel Hynes SE</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aideen Jacob AO</li> </ul>
<b>Apologies</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr Declan Clune</li> <li>• Cllr John O'Leary</li> <li>• Cllr Joe Conway</li> <li>• Cllr Jim Griffin</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Tom O'Brien</li> <li>• Ms. Marian Walsh</li> <li>• Fergus Galvin DOS</li> </ul>

<b>Item No.</b>	<b>Decisions Taken</b>	<b>Responsibility/Action/When?</b>
1. Minutes of last Meeting 17/02/2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minutes of Meeting dated 7<sup>th</sup> July, 2023 were proposed by Cllr Joe Kelly, seconded by Cllr Doocey and agreed.</li> </ul>	Adopted minutes to be published on website and added to Decision Time
2. Matters Arising/Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Johns Hill parking – Cllr Roche asked if the letter drop had gone out to residents. G. Hynes SE said that this had not been done due to district staff vacancies. M. Murphy, SE Active Travel said that there is a planned SRTS project for John of God National school and as part of that they will be looking at the overall area. It was suggested that this issue could be taken out of the SPC and raised at the next Metropolitan workshop.</li> </ul>	
3. Active Travel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Michael Murphy SE Active Travel brought the committee up to date on current active travel schemes. He outlined the funding allocation changes for 2024 and the Safe Route to Schools planned projects. Questions followed from the committee members:-</li> <li>• Cllr O'Donnell asked about Knockateemore footpath. M. Murphy SE AT said TII have not approved N25 but it will be part of a broader scheme. Agreed to bring back to TII.</li> <li>• Cllr Joe Kelly Farronshoneen – enquired if local residents had been informed and about progress on other schemes. M. Murphy SE AT</li> </ul>	



	<p>said Farronshoneen contractor appointed and will commence first week of October, 8 week programme. Lismore Park connecting footpath with crossings at Health Centre and another in the estate. Cork Road and Inner Ring Road – consultation process will commence next week and next year for public. Tramore to Waterford not as advanced.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cllr Jody Power enquired about ducting in trenches, importance of PR for Lismore Park and if Orchardstown junction is included in AT plans. M. Murphy SE AT said NTA will not approve ducting on cycleways or digging. G. Hynes SE - no additional plans for Orchardstown at present. PR/Communications role gone to HR for advertising.</li><li>• Chris Santillo enquired about Clonea Road cycle lane pinch point Friary College at the Greenway for cyclists. M. Murphy SE AT said this will be reviewed by AT. Devonshire Bridge/Walton Park options to improve access to Dungarvan 3for cycling. M. Murphy SE AT said that NTA were looking at Devonshire Bridge re Greenway into the Square in the broader context including the Causeway.</li><li>• Cllr Declan Doocey – enquired about Chapel Street Lismore one way proposal. G. Hynes SE hasn't ruled out one way, banning HGV is a pilot and it can be reviewed again in a number of months. G. Hynes SE said that we are still looking at issues in Lismore where footpath/crossings are required and they will be included for funding requests to NTA. M. Murphy SE AT said that funding is focused on the city going forward concentrating on population levels and urban areas– City, Dungarvan and Tramore.</li><li>• Jim Farnan enquired about pelican crossing at Lismore, cycle lanes at Kingsmeadow roundabout and AT funding for 2024. M. Murphy SE AT said indications were between €10m to €11m funding for next year. Lismore Park crossings pelican maybe Belisha but not push button. The Kingsmeadow roundabout is the junction of two proposed cycle routes in Waterford City (Inner Ring Road and Cork Road). Timescale for the Inner Ring Road cycle route is to commence construction in 2025, with the Cork Road cycle route to follow. The</li></ul>	
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	<p>Kingsmeadow roundabout will be upgraded as part of these cycle route schemes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Farid Ahmad Mohamman asked about the Lismore Park crossings and whether some of the entrances could be closed up. M. Murphy SE AT said that can be considered as this junction is very busy and part of the larger proposed plans.</li><li>• Cllr Joe Kelly Williamstown Glen crossing said that the lights system on the crossing are not bright enough or effective. M. Murphy SE AT said that they had reviewed the crossing and the lights will be electrified at that crossing.</li></ul>	
4. PPN Issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bus Connects – G. Hynes SE said that progress had been made, consultants appointed by NTA engagement with WCCC and other stakeholders and preliminary designs Q1 2024 for consultation.</li><li>• Kingsmeadow Roundabout – selected as AT project and is planned for 2025.</li><li>• Parking Grattan Square – it is a shared space but it can be part of the speed limit review to reduce speed.</li><li>• Youghal Road roundabout to Sports Centre boardwalk – it is a project that is merited, has environmental issues but is on the Council's agenda to develop.</li><li>• Electric vehicles – will be dedicated parking for small and larger scooters going forward.</li><li>• Ballindud Roundabout to Tramore – hedge cutting/verges requirements noted.</li></ul>	
5.SPC Members Issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cllr Cronin - Bus stop Grange Church Carpark – write a letter to Bus Eireann to add an extra school bus stop.</li><li>• Cllr Power - Dunmore East camper vans - G. Hynes SE consideration could be given to leasing land if that was available. M. Murphy SE AT – has been in consultation with landowners regarding footpath requirements at Gaultier, funding is an issue.</li><li>• New speed limit guidelines will be available next year.</li></ul>	
AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cllr Roche – removing Toll off the N25 update. Origin and destination survey required – resources not in place to move it on and the issue will remain on Roads Department agenda.</li><li>• Cllr Power – park and ride Newrath. G. Hynes SE said that NTA will look at Bus Connects first and this will be national decision.</li></ul>	



Date/time next meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 10am online.</li></ul>	
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