



**Comhairle Contae Chill Dara**  
Kildare County Council

### FORBAIRT CHUID 8

**Fógra maidir le Forbairt Bheartaithe ón Údarás Áitiúil  
An tAcht um Pleanáil agus Forbairt 2000 (arna leasú)  
Rialacháin um Pleanáil agus Forbairt, 2001 (arna leasú)  
Airteagal 81 de Chuid 8 de na Rialacháin um Pleanáil  
agus Forbairt 2001 (arna leasú)**

**Tagairt Phleanála: P82026.01  
Tionscadal Beartaithe:  
Conaire Ghormbhealach na Bearú**

De réir Chuid 8, Airteagal 81 de na Rialacháin um Pleanáil agus Forbairt 2001 (arna leasú), tá Comhairle Contae Chill Dara ag tabhairt fógra leis seo maidir le togra chun forbairt a dhéanamh mar seo a leanas; Tógáil limistéir páirceála agus áiseanna nua ag tús an chosáin in aice leis an gcosán tarraingthe nuathógtha ar bhruach thuaidh Líne na Bearú den Chanáil Mhór ag Taobh na Canálach, Baile Átha I, Co. Chill Dara. Comhordanáid ITM: X-667981, Y-693615.

Is éard atá sna hoibreacha atá beartaithe ná saoráid do cheann conaire a sholáthar, mar aon le bóthar rochtana dromchla comhroinnte nua, áiseanna páirceála lena n-áirítear seacht spás páirceála dhéag do ghluasteáin (lena n-áirítear dhá bhá inrochtana), sé spás déag do rothair (lena n-áirítear dhá spás inrochtana), trí thaisceadán stórála rothair, nasc rochtana coisithe amháin chuig cosán tarraingthe Ghormbhealach na Bearú siar ó dheas ón láithreán, áiseanna gaolmhara glasbhealaigh lena n-áirítear soilsiú, limistéar spraoi, binsí, boird phicnic, boscaí bruscair, agus comharthaíocht ghaolmhar.

Déanfar draenáil a dhearadh agus a sheachadadh i gcomhréir le modhanna Draenála Uirbí Inbhuanaithe, lena n-áirítear clais do chrainn, gairdín báistí, cosáin thréscailteacha agus draein claise reatha a thógáil agus inislothú iomlán ar an láthair den uisce dromchla.

Áireofar leis an bhforbairt freisin tógáil beart rialaithe tráchta amháil tógáil colbha ar an mbóthar rochtana, bacainn srianta airde ag an mbealach isteach, mullaird tráchta a shuiteáil agus na hoibreacha láithreáin ghaolmhara go léir. Tá Tuarascáil Measúnaithe Tionchair Timpeallachta (EclA) ullmhaithe maidir leis na hoibreacha atá beartaithe.

Tá Scagthástáil Measúnaithe Iomchuí déanta ar an togra faoin Treoir maidir le Gnáthóga (92/43/CEE), mar aon leis na forálacha ábhartha a ghabhann leis an Acht um Pleanáil agus Forbairt 2000, arna leasú, agus Rialacháin Phleanála agus Forbartha 2001, arna leasú, agus Rialacháin na gComhphobal Eorpach (Éin agus Gnáthóga Nádúrtha) 2011 – 2015. Tá sé cinntithe ag Comhairle Contae Chill Dara nach mbeidh aon tionchar suntasach ag an bhforbairt atá beartaithe ar Láithreán Eorpach, agus nach bhfuil gá le Measúnú Cúil.

Rinneadh scagadh ar an togra freisin le haghaidh Measúnú Tionchair Timpeallachta faoi Threoir EIA 2011/92/AE arna leasú le Treoir

2014/52/AE agus forálacha ábhartha den Acht um Pleanáil agus Forbairt 2000, arna leasú, agus Rialacháin um Pleanáil agus Forbairt 2001, arna leasú. Ag féachaint d'fhorálacha na reachtaíochta, do chineál agus do scála na forbartha atá beartaithe, don fhaisnéis a cuireadh ar fáil de réir Sceideal 7A de na Rialacháin, agus ag breithniú scála, chineál agus shuíomh na dtionchar atá beartaithe, na dtionchar féideartha agus na mbearta maolaithe atá beartaithe agus thorthaí aon mheasúnuithe ábhartha eile ar na héifeachtaí ar an gcomhshaoil, tá cinneadh déanta ag Comhairle Contae Chill Dara nach bhfuil aon dóchúlacht iarbhir ann go mbeidh éifeachtaí suntasacha ar an gcomhshaoil mar thoradh ar an bhforbairt atá beartaithe agus nach bhfuil gá le Measúnú Tionchair Timpeallachta. De réir Alt 120 de na Rialacháin um Pleanáil agus Forbairt (arna leasú) féadfaidh aon duine, laistigh de 4 seachtaine ó dháta an fhógra seo, iarratas a dhéanamh chuig an mBord Pleanála ar chinneadh scagtha maidir le cibé an mbeadh tionchair shuntasacha ag an bhforbairt seo ar an gcomhshaoil.

Beidh pleananna agus sonraí na forbartha atá beartaithe, Uimh. Thag. P82026.01, ar fáil lena n-íniúchadh nó lena gceannach ar tháille nach mó ná costas réasúnta cóip a dhéanamh, le linn gnáthuaireanta oscailte ag Uirlár 1, Comhairle Contae Chill Dara, Áras Chill Dara, Páirc Devoy, An Nás, Co. Chill Dara, W91 X77F ó 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Luan go hAoine ar feadh tréimhse 6 seachtaine ón gCéadaoin, 11 Márta 2026 go dtí Dé Máirt, 28 Aibreán 2026 san áireamh.

Chun rochtain phoiblí a éascú, ní bheidh cóip de na pleananna agus na sonraí ar fáil lena bhfeiceáil amháin ag Oifig Cheantar Bardasach Baile Átha I, Ráth Stiobhaird, Baile Átha I, Co. Chill Dara R14 Y163 ó 10:00 am – 4:00 pm Luan go hAoine ar feadh tréimhse 6 seachtaine ón gCéadaoin, 11 Márta 2026 go dtí Dé Máirt, 28 Aibreán 2026 san áireamh.

Tá sonraí na forbartha atá beartaithe ar fáil ar shuíomh gréasáin Chomhairle Contae Chill Dara ag: <https://kildarecoco.ie/AllServices/Planning/Part8Schemes/StrategicProjectsandPublicRealm/index.html> nó ón gcód MF ar an bhfógra seo.

Féadfar aighneachtaí nó tuairimí maidir leis an bhforbairt atá beartaithe, a bhaineann le pleanáil chuí agus forbairt inbhuanaithe an cheantair ina mbeidh an fhorbairt suite, a dhéanamh chuig: An tOifigeach Feidhmiúcháin Sinsearach, Foireann Tionscadal Straitéiseach agus Réimse Phoiblí, An Roinn Tithíochta agus Athghiniúna, Uirlár 5, Comhairle Contae Chill Dara, Áras Chill Dara, Páirc Devoy, An Nás, Co. Chill Dara, nó ar líne ag: <https://consult.kildarecoco.ie/en/consultation/part-8-proposed-barrow-blueway-trailhead> nó trí ríomhphost chuig [spprpart8@kildarecoco.ie](mailto:spprpart8@kildarecoco.ie)

Ní mór aighneachtaí a dhéanamh tráth nach déanaí ná 5:00 p.m. ar Dé Máirt, 28 Aibreán 2026. Ba chóir gach aighneacht agus tuairim a bheith faoi cheannteideal: 'Conaire Ghormbhealach na Bearú Beartaithe Chuid 8 P82026.01'

Beidh na tuairimí uile, lena n-áirítear ainmneacha na ndaoine a rinne tuairimí a chur faoi bhráid na Comhairle maidir leis an scéim mar atá leagtha amach thuas, mar chuid den tuarascáil reachtúil atá le cur i láthair ag cruinniú de chuid na gcomhaltai tofa. Dá réir sin, cuirfear san áireamh iad i miontuairiscí an chruinnithe sin freisin, agus féadfaidh siad a bheith ar fáil don phobal.

### PART 8 DEVELOPMENT

**Notice of Proposed Development by Local Authority  
Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)  
Planning and Development Regulations 2001  
(as amended)**

**Article 81 of Part 8 of the Planning and Development  
Regulations 2001 (as amended)**

**Planning Reference: P82026.01**

**Proposed Project: Barrow Blueway Trailhead**

In accordance with Part 8, Article 81 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended), Kildare County Council hereby gives notice of a proposal to develop as follows; The construction of a new trailhead parking and amenity area adjacent to the newly constructed towpath on the northern bank of the Grand Canal Barrow Line at Canalside, Athy, Co Kildare. ITM Co-ordinate: X-667981, Y-693615.

The proposed works comprise of the provision of a trailhead facility, a new shared surface access road, parking facilities including seventeen car parking spaces (including two accessible bays), sixteen bicycle spaces (including two accessible spaces), three bicycle storage lockers, one pedestrian access link to the Barrow Blueway towpath south west of the site, ancillary greenway amenities including lighting, play area, benches, picnic tables, bins, and associated signage.

Drainage will be designed and delivered in compliance with Sustainable Urban Drainage methods including the construction of a tree pit, rain garden, permeable pavements and a swale drain with full on-site infiltration of all surface water.

The development will also include the construction of traffic control measures such as kerb buildouts on the access road, height restriction barrier on the entrance, installation of traffic bollards and all associated site works. An Ecological Impact Assessment (EclA) Report has been prepared in respect of the proposed works.

The proposal has undergone Appropriate Assessment Screening under the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), and the relevant provisions of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, and the European Communities (Bird and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 – 2015. Kildare County Council has determined that the proposed development will not have a significant effect on a European Site, and an Appropriate Assessment is not required.

The proposal has also undergone screening for Environmental Impact Assessment under the EIA Directive 2011/92/EU as amended by Directive 2014/52/EU and the relevant provisions of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended. Having regard to the provisions of the legislation, the nature and scale of the proposed development, the information provided in accordance with Schedule 7A of the Regulations, and having regard to the scale, nature and location of the proposed impacts, the potential impacts and proposed mitigation measures and the results of the any other relevant assessments of the effects on the environment, Kildare County Council has determined that there is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development and that an Environmental Impact Assessment is not required. In accordance with Section 120 of the Planning and Development Regulations (as amended) any person may, within 4 weeks from the date of this notice, apply to An Bord Pleanála for a screening determination as to whether the development would be likely to have significant effects on the environment.

Plans and particulars of the proposed development, Ref. No. P82026.01, will be available for inspection or purchase at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, during normal opening times at Level 1, at the address below, from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday for a period of 6 weeks from Wednesday, 11 March 2026 to Tuesday, 28 April 2026 inclusive.

To facilitate public access, a copy of the plans and particulars will be available for viewing only at Athy Municipal District Office, Rathstewart, Athy, Co Kildare R14 Y163 from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Monday to Friday for a period of 6 weeks from Wednesday, 11 March 2026 to Tuesday, 28 April 2026 inclusive.

Details of the proposed development are also available on Kildare County Council's website online at: <https://kildarecoco.ie/AllServices/Planning/Part8Schemes/StrategicProjectsandPublicRealm/index.html> or from the QR code on this notice.

Submissions or observations with respect to the proposed development, dealing with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area in which the development will be situated, may be made to: Senior Executive Officer, Strategic Projects and Public Realm Team, Housing and Regeneration Department, Level 5, Kildare County Council at the address below, or online at: <https://consult.kildarecoco.ie/en/consultation/part-8-proposed-barrow-blueway-trailhead> or by email to [spprpart8@kildarecoco.ie](mailto:spprpart8@kildarecoco.ie).

Submissions must be made no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 28 April 2026. All submissions and observations should be headed: 'Part 8 Proposed Barrow Blueway Trailhead P82026.01'

All comments, including the names of those making comments submitted to the Council regarding the scheme as outlined above, will form part of the statutorily required report to be presented at a meeting of the elected members. Accordingly, they will also be included in the minutes of that meeting and may appear in the public domain.

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