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Kildare County Council

**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 (As amended)
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS 2001
(As amended) (PART 8)**

**Proposed Improvements at Newhall Junction R445
Planning Reference: P82021.05**

Pursuant to the requirements of the above, Kildare County Council proposes to provide a roundabout to replace an existing cross-roads junction known as Newhall Crossroads on the R445 Regional Road between Naas and Newbridge.

The site is located approximately 700m west of the newly constructed Newhall junction 10 on the M7.

The R445 is a dual carriageway (former N7). There is currently a median crossing of the L6064 local road which runs south of the R445 to Ladytown and the L2031 local road which runs north from the R445 to Flood's Cross.

The Proposed Development comprises:

- Replacement of the existing junction with a 70m diameter roundabout centred approximately at the location of the existing junction.
- Realignment of the approach roads as required to facilitate the connection of these roads to the proposed roundabout in accordance with the relevant Design Standards (Design Manual for Road and Bridges).
- The provision of a cycleway and footway on both sides of the R445 with appropriate crossings of the local road approaches to the proposed roundabout.
- Extinguishment of three public rights of way; the first between the R445 and Lady's Cross Road; the second between the R445 and a service road serving a number of private residences immediately northwest of the existing junction and the third between that service road and Local Road L2031.
 - Closing the existing left in / left out access directly onto the R445 from Lady's Cross Road;
 - Closing the existing left in / left out access directly onto the R445 from the service road mentioned above; and
 - Provision of a new access from the service road onto the L2031.

Particulars of the proposed scheme will also be available to view on Kildare County Council's website at <https://consult.kildarecoco.ie/en/consultation/proposed-improvements-newhall-junction-part-8-planning-ref-p8202105> from Tuesday, 13 April 2021 until Wednesday, 12 May 2021.

Particulars of the proposed scheme will be available for inspection or purchase at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of Kildare County Council, Level 4 (Public Display Area) at the address below.

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. Appointments must be made in advance for the Public Display Area at <http://kildare.ie/countyCouncil/OnlineBookingSystem/>.

The proposed development has undergone **Appropriate Assessment Screening** under the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended and the Planning Authority has determined that a Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment is not required in this instance. In addition, the proposal has also undergone screening for **Environmental Impact Assessment** under the EIA Directive 2014/52/EU (and the relevant provisions of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended) and the Planning Authority has determined that there will be no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development and therefore 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 proposed development would be likely to have significant effects on the environment.

Submissions or observations with respect to the proposed development, dealing with the proper planning and development of the area in which the proposed development would be situated can be made online at <https://consult.kildarecoco.ie/en/consultation/proposed-improvements-newhall-junction-part-8-planning-ref-p8202105>

OR in writing to: **Senior Executive Officer, Roads Transportation and Public Safety Department, Kildare County Council at the address below on or before 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, 26 May 2021.**

Please make your submission by one medium **only** i.e. in hard copy or online. Late submissions will not be accepted.

Submissions should be headed: **"Proposed Improvements at Newhall Junction R445 Planning Reference P82021.05"**.

All comments, including names of those making comments, submitted to the Council in regard to this scheme 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.

Kildare County Council is subject to the provisions of Freedom of Information (FOI Acts 1997 and 2014) and the Data Protection Acts 1988 and 2013.

**KILDARE TOWN
TRANSPORT STRATEGY**

Kildare County Council are currently developing a Transport Strategy for Kildare Town and have commissioned consultants, AECOM for this purpose. The Transport Strategy intends to address current issues, anticipate future problems in the transport network and aid in informing future land use proposals.

A 'Phase 1' public consultation survey was undertaken during June and July 2020 which gathered views from the public on transport issues in Kildare Town as well as ideas for potential solutions. This feedback helped to inform the development of the measures in the draft Transport Strategy.

Kildare County Council now wishes to invite feedback from members of the public on the specific measures contained in the draft Kildare Town Transport Strategy.

A survey will be opened on **Thursday, 15 April 2021** on the Kildare County Council's Public Consultation Portal, available at: <https://consult.kildarecoco.ie/en/surveys>.

Links to the draft Kildare Town Transport Strategy Report and a Summary Document will be given on the opening page of the survey.

Comments will be welcomed from the public with respect to the specific measures contained in the Draft Strategy.

Responses to the survey will be collected between **Thursday, 15 April 2021 and Thursday, 13 May 2021**.

Submissions or observations can be made via the consultation portal or in writing to the **Senior Executive Officer, Roads, Transportation and Public Safety Department, Kildare County Council at the address below.**

**TEMPORARY CLOSING OF ROADS
NOTICE OF DECISION
ROADS ACT, 1993
ROADS REGULATIONS, 1994**

Kildare County Council, on behalf of Gas Networks Ireland (Aurora Telecom), gives notice in accordance with Section 75 of the Roads Act, 1993 and the Roads Regulations, 1994 that it will close the following road during the period commencing **Monday, 26 April 2021 to Tuesday, 27 April 2021** to facilitate essential telecommunications infrastructure works:

No.	ROAD TO BE CLOSED	
1	L8075	Ardreigh Road, Athy, Co. Kildare (at Ardreigh Bridge)
Alternative Routes:		
Vehicles travelling on the R417 will be redirected at the L8075 junction. They will be directed north along the R417, east along the N78 and then south along the R418 to the L8075 junction. Vehicles travelling on the R418 will be redirected at the L8075 junction. They will be directed north along the R418, west along the N78 and then south along the R418 to the L8075 junction.		
The works will take place at Ardreigh Railway Bridge and local access will be maintained from either end of the L8075 during these works.		

Diversions routes will be clearly signposted, as agreed with the Council and An Garda Síochána. Emergency access and restricted local access will be maintained.



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