

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 (As amended)
PLANNING & 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 13th April 2021 until Wednesday 12th 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, Aras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas. Co. Kildare. W91 X77F (Public Display Area)

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 & 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, Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas, Co. Kildare, W91 X77F on or before 5:00pm on **Wednesday, 26th 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:

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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.


Pamela Pender, A/SEO

12th April 2021
Date