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To **Each Member of the Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area Committee (Services A - Operational Matters)**

Dear Councillor

A meeting of the **Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area Committee (Services A - Operational Matters)** will be held Hybrid in the **Council Chamber - County Hall, Swords** at **2.00 pm** on **Thursday, 12th March, 2026** to consider the following Agenda.

Yours faithfully

Ciara O hAodha
Meetings Administrator
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A G E N D A

1 Confirmation and Re-affirmation of Minutes of Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area Committee (Services A - Operational Matters) Meeting held on Thursday the 12th February 2026

QUESTIONS

2 Councillor E. Dockrell - Implementation of Flood Mitigation Measures - Oldtown and Ballyboughal - AI106699

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the implementation of long-term flood mitigation measures on Oldtown and Ballyboughal Main Streets as these two locations have experienced significant flooding in recent times?"

3 Councillor E. Dockrell - Remedial Works - Ashbourne/Garristown Road - AI107202

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to carrying out remedial works on the road leading directly off the Ashbourne/Garristown Road leading to Borranstown?"

4 Councillor E. Dockrell - Surface Water Drainage - Naul Hill - The Naul - AI107205

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for a review of the surface water drainage on Naul Hill as it is no longer fit for purpose, the drain in place (under the footpath from the school to the pedestrian crossing at the bottom of the hill) does not have the capacity to deal with the volume of water currently flowing into it?"

5 Councillor E. Dockrell - Resurfacing of Road - Newtown Lane - Oldtown - AI107206

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to include Newtown Lane, Oldtown in a future Programme of Works as this road requires resurfacing?"

6 Councillor E. Dockrell - Resurfacing of Uneven Road Surface - Clifflands Estate - Rush - AI107207

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to carrying out a comprehensive review of Clifflands Estate, Rush with a view to resurfacing uneven road surfaces in this estate?"

7 Councillor E. Dockrell - Traffic Safety Review - The Bog Road - Garristown - AI107209

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to carry out a safety review of The Bog Road in Garristown, with a view to implementing further traffic calming measures at this location?"

8 Councillor E. Dockrell - Improvements to Footpaths - Garristown Village - AI107210

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the footpaths in Garristown Village, from the 'triangle' to the graveyard side on Church Road, to be improved along with extending the nearby footpath on the Naul Road to Stoneyridges Lane?"

9 Councillor E. Dockrell - Resurfacing of Road - Wimbletown Road - Ballyboughal - AI107211

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for Wimbletown Road in Ballyboughal to be assessed to repair existing potholes and to have this road included for resurfacing in a future Programme of Works?"

10 Councillor E. Dockrell - Safety Assessment of Garristown National School Area - AI107214

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to carry out a safety assessment in the area around Garristown National School, including the junction in front of the school, with a view to implementing additional traffic calming measures at this location?"

11 Councillor J. Smyth - Traffic Calming Measures - Church Road - Swords - AI106813

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for traffic calming measures and/or a raised traffic light crossing on Church Road in Swords, as residents have highlighted how many motorists drive in excess of the speed limit, fail to adhere to the "Stop" sign at the junction with Bridge Street and put pedestrians at risk when crossing this road?"

12 Councillor J. Smyth - Bus Shelter - Stop 8269 - Northwood, Santry - AI107086

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for bus stop 8269 on the E1 bus route to be included in the next Bus Enhancement

Programme as this stop already caters for a large number of passengers which is likely to increase with the opening of three large apartment developments in the area?"

13 Councillor J. Smyth - Litter Picking - Swords Manor/Ormond Green Space - Swords - AI107115

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for litter picking on the green space between Swords Manor and Ormond Estates as a large amount of litter has been dumped in the bushes in recent weeks?"

14 Councillor J. Smyth - Crime Statistics in this LEA - AI107116

"To ask the Chief Executive to share the most up-to-date crime statistics presented to the Council/Fingal North Local Community Safety Partnership by An Garda Síochána?"

15 Councillor J. Smyth - Traffic Management Assessment for Thornleigh Terrace - Swords - AI107118

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for an up-to-date traffic management assessment/plan for Thornleigh Terrace and the surrounding area, in light of the increased reports of illegal parking, higher traffic volume and risk to emergency service access, due to the volume of motor vehicles that require use of the roads in this vicinity?"

16 Councillor J. Smyth - Improvements to Santry Demesne and Surrounds - AI107119

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report to outline the improvements planned for Santry Demesne and surrounds mentioned in the Capital and Works Programmes?"

17 Councillor J. Smyth - Anti-Slip Materials for Utility/Drain Covers for this LEA - AI107121

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise if the Council have access to anti-slip materials which can be applied to plastic water meters and other utility/drain covers on public paths, in this Local Electoral Area, which become hazardous at times of frost and ice?"

18 Councillor L. Corkery - Resurfacing of Road - Swords Road - Santry - AI106851

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to resurface the section of Swords Road that passes bus stop 1637, opposite Northwood in Santry, as part of a future Programme of Works?"

19 Councillor L. Corkery - Update on Footpath Build-Outs for Hospitality in this LEA - AI106927

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on previous commitments in regard to footpath built-outs in advance of the summer, following the removal of parklets outside a number of hospitality businesses in this Local Electoral Area?"

20 Councillor L. Corkery - Parking Enforcement - Balheary Road - Swords - AI107021

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for further measures to enforce the no parking measures being enacted on the section of Balheary Road that runs across the bridge between Watery Lane and North Street?"

21 Councillor L. Corkery - Car Parking Issues - Gym Plus/Jugback Lane, Applewood - Swords - AI107050

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to examine options, including double yellow lines or bollards, to deter car parking at the Jugback Lane side of Gym Plus in Applewood?"

22 Councillor M. Quinn - Cleaning of Terry Sherlock Memorial Plaque - Sherlock Park - Skerries - AI107023

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the cleaning of the Terry Sherlock Plaque at Sherlock Park in Skerries at the earliest opportunity?"

23 Councillor M. Quinn - Resurfacing of Road - Chapel Street - Balbriggan - AI107024

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the inclusion of Chapel Street, Balbriggan for road resurfacing as part of a future Programme of Works?"

24 Councillor M. Quinn - Resurfacing Works - Dublin Street - Balbriggan - AI107249

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for an

assessment of the road surface along Dublin Street, Balbriggan, in particular between Balbriggan Credit Union and Saint Peter and Paul's Church?"

25 Councillor M. Quinn - Road Surface Improvements - Holmpatrick - Skerries - AI107250

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for road surface improvements at Holmpatrick in Skerries, in particular the stretch of road from Skerries Rugby Club to Miller's Lane?"

26 Councillor M. Quinn - Resurfacing of L1085, Grange Mount - AI107252

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the resurfacing of the L1085 in a future Programme of Works and, in the interim period, if consideration can be given to install reflective signage to highlight the extensive ditch just up from the Grange Mount Surgery?"

27 Councillor C. Johnston - Resurfacing of Road - Hand's Lane - Lusk - AI107042

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to including the necessary finance for the road resurfacing works at Hand's Lane in Lusk in next year's Programme of Works given the very poor condition of the road?"

28 Councillor C. Johnston - Resurfacing of Road - Quay Road - Portrane - AI107043

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to including the necessary finance in next year's Programme of Works for road resurfacing on Quay Road in Portrane given the poor condition of the road surface and ongoing issues with potholes?"

29 Councillor C. Johnston - Provision of Double Yellow Lines - Rush Main Street - AI107155

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of double yellow lines on Rush Main Street, in the vicinity of Walsh's pub, given the ongoing issues with traffic congestion at this point in the town with cars parked along this stretch of road impacting the free flow of traffic at this location?"

30 Councillor C. Johnston - Remedial Measures - Portrane to Donabate Cliff Walk - AI107156

"To ask the Chief Executive if serious consideration can be given for the provision of remedial measures to the surface of the path along the Portrane to Donabate cliff walk, from Tower Bay to the access to Lady's Beach, given the poor condition of the path surface which is inaccessible to families with prams/buggies and wheelchair users?"

31 Councillor C. Johnston - Provision of Pedestrian Crossing - Station Road - Lusk - AI107159

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of a pedestrian crossing on Station Road in Lusk at Collie Maher Park given ongoing safety concerns of parents with children trying to cross this busy road to access the sports pitches?"

32 Councillor C. Johnston - Provision of Litter Bins - Garristown Village - AI107189

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of litter bins in Garristown Village in the vicinity of Windmill Row housing estate, close to the school and on the Naul Road east of the Mace store?"

33 Councillor C. Johnston - Provision of Dog Fouling Signs - Garristown - AI107190

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of 'Dog Fouling' signage in Garristown in the vicinity of Windmill Way close to the school and the football field/running track, particularly as this is the starting point for the annual 5K/10K Windmill Run taking place in early April?"

34 Councillor G. Maguire - Update on Replacement of Bins - Balbriggan Beach - AI107101

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the replacement of the bins which were removed from the pathway on Balbriggan Beach?"

35 Councillor G. Maguire - Update on Erosion - Martello Beach Car Park - Balbriggan - AI107162

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update and timeline for the investigation into the erosion at Martello car park in Balbriggan?"

36 Councillor G. Maguire - Maintenance of Steps - Balbriggan Beach - AI107165

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to examine and make safe the old steps that are still in existence prior to the provision of the ramp to the beach in Balbriggan?"

37 Councillor M. Boland - Provision of Road Safety Sign - Forge Estate - Lusk - AI107195

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to providing a safety sign at the entrance to the Forge Estate, Dublin Road, Lusk, primarily a speed sign and 'Children at Play' sign, in line with the sign that is erected at the entrance to the neighbouring estate in Dun Emer – see photos attached for reference?"

38 Councillor M. Boland - Maintenance of Hedgerows and Public Realm - Dublin Road - Lusk - AI107197

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for repair works to be carried out on the hedgerows and public realm along the Dublin Road, on the approach to Lusk Village with a view to a more comprehensive enhancement programme including cutting back overgrowth, replacing missing hedging and improving visual appearance as this is a gateway into the town, see map reference and photo attached?"

39 Councillor M. Boland - Provision of Unsignalised Pedestrian Crossing - Upper Main Street - Rush - AI107199

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the installation of a zebra crossing at the location outlined in the photo (Upper Main Street, Rush) to provide a safe crossing point for children to access Sandy Road which brings them to Rush National School?"

40 Councillor M. Boland - Installation of Kerb - Whitestown Road Cemetery - Rush - AI107200

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the installation and/or building of a kerb along the cemetery wall on Whitestown Road and/or improvements to the road surface along the wall of the cemetery which has seen significant deterioration in the last number of years?"

41 Councillor M. Boland - Comprehensive Flood Study - Brook Lane - Rush - AI107201

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to conduct a review of what works are required to prevent flooding in the long term on Brook Lane in Rush and to confirm when a comprehensive study will be conducted to assess capacity of the catchment drainage network to meet existing and proposed development needs?"

42 Councillor M. Boland - Re-surfacing of Road - Treen Hill - Lusk - AI107203

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to re-surface Treen Hill Road in Lusk in the next Programme of Works as this road has seen significant deterioration in recent years?"

43 Councillor M. Boland - Update on Refurbishing Works - Rush Harbour Playground - AI107213

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the remaining refurbishing works of the Rush Harbour Playground and to outline any remaining works and when they are due to be completed?"

44 Councillor M. Boland - Road Report and Repairs on R129 from Lusk Train Station towards Rush - AI107215

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on the condition of the road for the section of the R129 from Lusk Train Station towards Rush and outline the immediate pothole repairs that are required, as this road has seen significant deterioration over the last few years, especially since the recent flooding, and to provide a schedule of repairs to be undertaken in 2026?"

45 Councillor M. Boland - Update on Traffic Calming Measures - Palmer Avenue - Rush - AI107216

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the proposed traffic calming measures at the crosswalk at Palmer Avenue in Rush and to give an outline of the date these works are due to commence?"

46 Councillor D. Mulligan - Traffic Signalling - L2300/Boroimhe - Swords - AI107229

"To ask the Chief Executive, given the increase in traffic volumes along the L2300 and surrounding residential areas, to advise the basis on which the current signal timings at the junction of Forest Road and

Boroimhe Road were determined?"

47 Councillor D. Mulligan - Ongoing Works Update - Hilltown Park - Swords - AI107230

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide the anticipated completion date for the ongoing works at Hilltown Park in Swords and to outline the reason for the current delay in progress on site?"

48 Councillor D. Mulligan - Airport Trolley Recovered Near Ward River - Swords - (K67 Y6T1) - AI107232

"To ask the Chief Executive if give consideration can be given to collect the recovered airport trolley reported near the Ward River and to outline what agency is responsible for such removals?"

49 Councillor D. Mulligan - Shopping Trolleys in the Ward River - Swords - AI107234

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to arrange for the removal of the shopping trolleys reported in the Ward River in Swords and to outline what measures are in place to prevent recurrence?"

50 Councillor D. Mulligan - Removal of Debris - Balheary Road Bridge (Ward River) - Swords - AI107235

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on whether the debris reported at the eastern side of the bridge on Balheary Road has been inspected and to advise what remedial action is proposed?"

51 Councillor D. Mulligan - Prioritisation of Bus Shelters - Northwood Estate - Santry - AI107239

"To ask the Chief Executive, in light of the size and residential density of the Northwood Estate in Santry, to advise on whether the bus stops serving the area have been prioritised for shelter provision and to outline the current status?"

52 Councillor D. Mulligan - Speed Ramp Modifications and Related Signage - Ashfield Grove, Ridgewood - Swords - AI107240

"To ask the Chief Executive to confirm when the agreed speed ramp modifications and related signage works at Ashfield Grove in Swords are scheduled to be carried out?"

53 Councillor B. Ryan - Report on Coastal Erosion in this LEA - AI107247

"To ask the Chief Executive to report on how recent weather and tidal conditions have impacted on coastal erosion at locations, other than Portrane, in this Local Electoral Area, and to indicate what, if any, short term measures will be required to prevent additional serious damage?"

54 Councillor B. Ryan - Installation of 'Stop' Sign - Killary Grove/Killalane towards Grange Lodge Avenue - Skerries - AI107248

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the installation of a 'Stop' sign at the T-junction from Killary Grove/Killalane towards Grange Lodge Avenue where local people have recently placed their own homemade stop sign in an effort to prevent accidents?"

55 Councillor B. Ryan - Update on Road Lining - Holmpatrick - Skerries - AI107266

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the planned road lining at Holmpatrick in Skerries, which was due to be carried out in 2025?"

56 Councillor B. Ryan - Installation of 'Children Crossing' Sign - Balruddery Fields, Balrothery - AI107272

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the erection of a sign warning of 'Children Crossing' at a point on the Man O' War side of Balruddery Fields Estate in Balrothery?"

57 Councillor D. Kelly - Maintenance of Shrubbery - Belle Laneway - Swords - AI107258

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to cut back the shrubbery of both sides of Belle Laneway in Swords?"

58 Councillor P. Mulville - Clearing of Surface Water Drains - Donabate Main Street - AI107263

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the surface water drains on the footpath on Donabate Main Street, from

the Green towards the Church, to be cleaned and emptied to ensure proper drainage and prevent pedestrian slip hazards, see photos attached?"

59 Councillor P. Mulville - Out of Use Litter Bin - Crepeberry's Donabate - AI107264

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise on the reason why the litter bin near Crepeberry's in Donabate has been covered with a blue bag for an extensive period of time and if the bin can be brought back into use, see photo?"

60 Councillor P. Mulville - Removal of Street Pole - Station Court - Donabate - AI107265

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the redundant street pole in front of the Station Court apartments in Donabate to be removed and the grass area reseeded, see photo?"

61 Councillor P. Mulville - Trip Hazard Repair - Donabate Health Centre - AI107267

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the trip hazard/collapsed drain on the public footpath on the way into Donabate Health Centre to be addressed, see photo?"

62 Councillor P. Mulville - Ongoing Water Pooling/Drainage Issues - New (Corballis/Balcarrick) Road - Donabate - AI107268

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the ongoing water pooling/drainage issues on the New (Corballis/Balcarrick) Road in Donabate, across from Lanestown View to be addressed, see photo?"

63 Councillor P. Mulville - Replacement of Public Seating - Donabate Green - AI107269

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the provision of the much-needed replacement public seating benches in the vicinity of Donabate Green, following the removal of the seating at the centre of the green?"

64 Councillor P. Mulville - Safety Improvements - North Street/Balheary Road Junction - Swords - AI107270

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to improving the North Street/Balheary Road junction in Swords, to improve the safety for pedestrians crossing the road?"

65 Councillor P. Mulville - Improvements to Footpaths/Public Realm and Road Surface - Longstone Park - Portrane - AI107271

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the footpath, public realm and road surface improvement works for Longstone Park, Portrane?"

66 Councillor J. Humphreys - Traffic Management Impacts in Swords - AI107284

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on why the traffic management impacts arising from the current wastewater works on the R125 Balheary Road were not identified as requiring a higher level of intervention at the planning and approval stage, particularly in light of the traffic surveys and studies undertaken in Swords during the summer of 2025 in preparation for a range of connectivity and transport projects, and to confirm what engagement, if any, took place between the Council and Uisce Éireann in advance of approving the traffic management arrangements for these works?"

67 Councillor J. Humphreys - Clarification in Regard to Park Signage - Broadmeadow Linear Park, Swords - AI107285

"To ask the Chief Executive to confirm the legal basis for, and interpretation underpinning, the erection of signage in Broadmeadow Linear Park stating that "motorised vehicles" are prohibited (except Fingal County Council staff), where the imagery on the sign appears to prohibit both e-scooters and e-bikes and
in particular, to confirm:
1. Whether the Council is relying on byelaw 4.6(c) of the Regional Parks and Open Spaces byelaws 2017 (mechanically propelled vehicles) as the enforcement basis for this signage.
2. Whether the Council considers a pedal-assist e-bike (250W maximum continuous rated power, motor assistance only while pedalling, cutting out at 25km/h) to be a "mechanically propelled vehicle" for the purposes of these byelaws, noting the Department of Transport definition of an e-bike.
3. Whether the Council will review the wording and imagery on the signage to ensure it is legally accurate, clear to the public, and consistent with the Council's wider policy objectives on sustainable and Active Travel and to avoid a blanket ban being implied where this

is not supported by the byelaws?"

68 Councillor J. Humphreys - Contingency Plans for Grass Cutting in Swords - AI107287

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise if contingency plans are in place to manage the likely delay to the first grass-cutting cycle in Swords arising from prolonged wet weather in late winter and early spring and how the Council intends to prioritise?"

69 Councillor J. Humphreys - Installation of Footpath - Glen Ellan/Sandford Wood - Swords - AI107289

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the well-established desire line across the green at Glen Ellan/Sandford Wood to be formalised with a simple surfaced path and edge protection, to prevent further erosion of the grass verge and to improve pedestrian safety and accessibility?"

70 Councillor J. Humphreys - Provision of Footpath - Broadmeadow Linear Park - Swords - AI107290

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for a formal footpath to be provided for the community book swap Broadmeadow Linear Park, as shown in recent site photographs, in order to prevent ongoing damage to the green area and to improve accessibility for residents, particularly during wet weather?"

71 Councillor J. Humphreys - Removal of Tree Stump - Castleview - Swords - AI107291

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the remaining tree stump at the pedestrian entrance to Castleview to be removed and the surrounding area reinstated and whether additional planting can be provided to improve the appearance of this entrance following recent hedge cutting works?"

OPERATIONAL NEW WORKS, ETC.

72 Programme of Works 2026 Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Traffic Calming Schemes - Public Display

CATHAOIRLEACH'S BUSINESS

73 Councillor L. Corkery - Resurfacing of Footpaths and Roads - Seatown Villas - Swords - AI106855

"That the Chief Executive include the resurfacing of eroded footpaths and roads in Seatown Villas in Swords in the next Programme of Works."

MOTIONS

74 Councillor D. Kelly - Installation of Disabled Parking Bay - North Street - Swords - AI106648

"That the Chief Executive make provision to install a disabled parking bay on North Street in Swords."

75 Councillor J. Smyth - Repair of Potholes - Glen Ellen Road/Balheary Road - Swords - AI106966

"That the Chief Executive instruct that immediate repairs to a number of large potholes on both the Glen Ellen and Balheary roads be carried out as they have been badly affected by the recent heavy rain and the increase in heavy machinery using this route."

76 Councillor L. Corkery - Improvement of Drainage - Pine Grove Park - Swords - AI107022

"That the Chief Executive examine measures to improve drainage from the footpaths that run along the green area adjacent to Pine Grove Park."

77 Councillor T. O'Leary - Installation of Pedestrian Gate - Malting Estate - Skerries - AI107147

"That the Chief Executive install, as soon as possible, a new controlled pedestrian access gate for the residents at the Malting Estate in Skerries as vulnerable residents in the area are constantly trapped in the estate due to increased frequent flood events."

78 Councillor C. Johnston - Assessment of Road Surface - Rush - AI107194

"That the Chief Executive undertakes an assessment of the R128 from the Rathmore roundabout through Whitestown Road and Rush Main Street to the junction with the Skerries Road and to report on the assessment findings with a view to prioritising the reinstatement of these roads."

79 Councillor D. Mulligan - Reinstatement of Bus Stop - Lispopple Cross - Swords - AI107217

"That the Chief Executive progress the reinstatement of the previously existing bus stop at Lispopple Cross opposite Kettles Country House Hotel, serving Routes 197 and 41B, by advancing the necessary land acquisition and prioritising its delivery under Fingal County Council's Bus Stop Enhancement Programme 2026."

80 Councillor M. Quinn - Additional Financial Resources for Road Upkeep and Maintenance in this LEA - AI107259

"That this Area Committee calls on the Chief Executive to make provision for additional financial resources to address the maintenance issues on the roads in this Local Electoral Area following the change in climate patterns."

81 Councillor P. Mulville - Installation of Pedestrian Crossing - Longstone Park/Hospital Gates Bus Stop - Portrane - AI107273

"That the Chief Executive give further consideration to the provision of a much-needed pedestrian safety crossing between Longstone Park and the Saint Ita's Hospital gates bus stop in Portrane."

82 Councillor D. Kelly - Provision of Traffic Survey - Saint Columba's Estate - Swords - AI106651

"That the Chief Executive conducts a traffic survey at Saint Columba's Estate in Swords due to speeding and traffic congestion complaints from the residents."

83 Councillor L. Corkery - Taking in Charge Issues - Thornleigh Terrace - Swords - AI107028

"That the Chief Executive conducts a site visit to Thornleigh Terrace in Swords to discuss various outstanding issues since the estate was taken in charge."

84 Councillor J. Smyth - Resurfacing Works - Seatown Villas - Swords - AI107111

"That the Chief Executive include the resurfacing of the roads and paths in Seatown Villas Estate in Swords in the 2027 Programme of Works."

85 Councillor D. Mulligan - Estate Signage Upgrades - River Valley and Surrounding Estates - Swords - AI107219

"That the Chief Executive carry out an assessment of estate signage and road markings within River Valley and surrounding estates in Swords and to schedule any necessary repairs or replacements."

86 Councillor C. Johnston - Infrastructural Issues - Brook Lane, Rush - AI107227

"That the Chief Executive report on how major infrastructural issues with ongoing flooding and lack of pedestrian path along Brook Lane in Rush, which are having a detrimental impact on existing residents, can be addressed and to ensure that all future planning permissions along this section of road include conditions for the provision of these urgent measures by developers."

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Comhairle Contae Fine Gall
Fingal County Council

Minutes of Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area Committee (Services A - Operational Matters)

Thursday, 12th February, 2026

PRESENT

Boland, Cathal
Boland, Mark
Butler, Darragh
Corkery, Luke
Johnston, Corina
Kelly, Darren Jack
Maguire, Grainne
Mulligan, Dean
Murphy, Tony
Newman, Joe
O'Leary, Tom
Quinn, Malachy
Ryan, Brendan
Smyth, John

Apologies for inability to attend were received for Councillors Dockrell, Eoghan, Humphreys, James and Mulville, Paul.

The Area Chairperson, Councillor Luke Corkery, presided.

OFFICIALS PRESENT

Áine Donlan Kavanagh (Senior Executive Officer), Paul Graham (Senior Executive Engineer), Sinead Murphy (Senior Engineer), James Walls (Senior Executive Engineer), Shane McMorrow (Senior Executive Engineer), Aileen O'Connor (Senior Executive Parks & Landscape Officer),Senior Executive Parks and Landscape Officer), James Culhane (Senior Executive Engineer),Cormac Downey (Executive Parks and Landscape Officer), Sara Brady (Executive Parks and Landscape Officer), Megan Devaney (A/Administrative Officer), Brian Rochford (Executive Engineer), Joseph Dowler (Executive Engineer), Seamus Coyle (Executive Engineer), Claudiu Dima (Executive Engineer), Leticia Moore (Executive Engineer) Conor Sheehan (A/Senior Staff Officer), Alvean Finnegan (Assistant Staff Officer), Laura Doyle (Clerical Officer).

BSA/40/26 (Agenda Item No 1)
Confirmation and Re-affirmation of Minutes of Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area Committee (Services A - Operational Matters) Meeting held on Thursday the 15th January 2026.

Minutes of the Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area Committee (Services A – Operational Matters) held on the 15th of January, which had been circulated were submitted, **APPROVED** as a true record and signed.

It was proposed by Councillor Murphy and seconded by Councillor Boland and **RESOLVED**:

"That the recommendations contained in the Minutes of the Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area Committee (Services A – Operational Matters) Meeting held on 15th of January be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED".**

BSA/41/26 (Agenda Item No)

QUESTIONS

It was proposed by Councillor Corkery and seconded by Councillor Newman and **RESOLVED**:

"That pursuant to Standing Order No 51,
Questions numbered 02 to 30 inclusive be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED**."

BSA/42/26 (Agenda Item No 2)
Councillor M. Boland - Update on the Installation of Road Markings (Unsignalized Crossing) - The Forge Estate and Chapel Farm Estate, Lusk - AI106013

BSA/43/26 (Agenda Item No 3)
Councillor M. Boland - Maintenance of Pathway - Dublin Road/R127, Lusk - AI106666

BSA/44/26 (Agenda Item No 4)
Councillor M. Boland - Drainage Inspections Prior to Road Re-surfacing Works - Church Road, Lusk - AI106667

BSA/45/26 (Agenda Item No 5)
Councillor M. Boland - Resurfacing of Road - R129 Road from Lusk Train Station towards Rush - AI106668

BSA/46/26 (Agenda Item No 6)
Councillor M. Boland - Installation of New Flower Bed and Bench - The Forge Green Space, Lusk - AI106669

BSA/47/26 (Agenda Item No 7)
Councillor M. Boland - Installation of Drinking Water Fountain - Orlynn Park Green, Lusk - AI106670

BSA/48/26 (Agenda Item No 8)
Councillor M. Boland - Updating Position of Rock Armour - Rush South Beach - AI106671

BSA/49/26 (Agenda Item No 9)
Councillor M. Boland - Speed Limit Review - Airport View Hotel/R129, Lusk - AI106672

BSA/50/26 (Agenda Item No 10)
Councillor M. Boland - Road Markings - Rush and Lusk - AI106673

BSA/51/26 (Agenda Item No 11)
Councillor J. Newman - Upgrading of Rathingle and Ridgewood Playgrounds, Swords - AI106069

BSA/52/26 (Agenda Item No 12)
Councillor L. Corkery - Junction Improvement at Jugback Lane, Swords - AI106180

BSA/53/26 (Agenda Item No 13)
Councillor L. Corkery - Installation of Footpath - Rathbeale Road/New Dairy Lane, Swords - AI106360

BSA/54/26 (Agenda Item No 14)
Councillor L. Corkery - Soundproofing - South Bank, Glen Ellan Road, Swords - AI106386

BSA/55/26 (Agenda Item No 15)
Councillor L. Corkery - Pedestrian Safety Crossing the R125 at Holywell, Swords - AI106388

BSA/56/26 (Agenda Item No 16)
Councillor L. Corkery - Tender for Corballis Golf Course - AI106459

BSA/57/26 (Agenda Item No 17)
Councillor G. Maguire - Update on Park Opening - North-West Balbriggan - AI106528

BSA/58/26 (Agenda Item No 18)
Councillor G. Maguire - Installation of 'Keep Clear' Sign - Convent Lane, Balbriggan - AI106529

BSA/59/26 (Agenda Item No 19)
Councillor G. Maguire - Examination of Road Markings and Signage - Hastings Estate, Balbriggan - AI106531

BSA/60/26 (Agenda Item No 20)
Councillor G. Maguire - Repainting of Balbriggan Lighthouse - AI106614

BSA/61/26 (Agenda Item No 21)
Councillor G. Maguire - Resurfacing of Railway Street, Balbriggan - AI106631

BSA/62/26 (Agenda Item No 22)
Councillor J. Smyth - Additional Pedestrian Crossing - L2300 Boroimhe Road, Swords - AI106540

BSA/63/26 (Agenda Item No 23)
Councillor J. Smyth - Report on Changes to Pedestrian Crossings - Holywell Distributor Road, Swords - AI106543

BSA/64/26 (Agenda Item No 24)
Councillor J. Smyth - Planned Upgrade Works - Swords Castle Playground, Swords - AI106546

BSA/65/26 (Agenda Item No 25)
Councillor J. Smyth - Assessment of Cycle Lanes - Blake's Cross to Ballough, Lusk - AI106547

BSA/66/26 (Agenda Item No 26)
Councillor J. Smyth - Applications for Salt/Grit Bins in this LEA - AI106548

BSA/67/26 (Agenda Item No 27)
Councillor J. Smyth - Removal of Shrubbery - Knocksedan, Swords - AI106549

BSA/68/26 (Agenda Item No 28)
Councillor J. Smyth - Improvements to Footpath - Ward River Valley Park, Swords - AI106608

BSA/69/26 (Agenda Item No 29)
Councillor M. Quinn - Remarking of Cycle Paths - Hamlet Lane, Balbriggan - AI106533

BSA/70/26 (Agenda Item No 30)
Councillor M. Quinn - Installation of Parking Measures - Dún Saithne Road from Flemington Lane, Balbriggan - AI106534

BSA/71/26 (Agenda Item No 31)
Councillor M. Quinn - Bus Shelter at Bus Stop 100411 (101) at the R132, Balbriggan - AI106535

BSA/72/26 (Agenda Item No 32)
Councillor E. Dockrell - Update/Upgrade of Playground - Newbridge, Donabate - AI106557

BSA/73/26 (Agenda Item No 33)
Councillor E. Dockrell - Installation of Modern Outdoor Gym Equipment - AI106558

BSA/74/26 (Agenda Item No 34)
Councillor E. Dockrell - Update on Rush Harbour Works - AI106600

BSA/75/26 (Agenda Item No 35)
Councillor E. Dockrell - Repair of Potholes - Clifflands Rise, Rush - AI106601

BSA/76/26 (Agenda Item No 36)

Councillor E. Dockrell - Number and Frequency of Potholes - R128, Lusk/Rush - AI106603

BSA/77/26 (Agenda Item No 37)
Councillor E. Dockrell - Resurfacing of Road - Grallagh/R130 - AI106617

BSA/78/26 (Agenda Item No 38)
Councillor E. Dockrell - Review of Car Park - Newbridge Park, Donabate - AI106618

BSA/79/26 (Agenda Item No 39)
Councillor T. Murphy - Installation of Signage Prohibiting E-Bikes and E-Scooters - Balbriggan Beach

BSA/80/26 (Agenda Item No 40)
Councillor C. Johnston - Update on Completion of Path/Inclusion of Litter Bins - St. Catherine's Rush - AI106633

BSA/81/26 (Agenda Item No 41)
Councillor C. Johnston - Request for Assessment of Footpaths and Road Surface - Ballygarra, Garristown - AI106634

BSA/82/26 (Agenda Item No 42)
Councillor C. Johnston - Public Toilets Refurbishment - Portrane and Donabate - AI106635

BSA/83/26 (Agenda Item No 43)
Councillor C. Johnston - Update on Naul Cemetery Extension - AI106641

BSA/84/26 (Agenda Item No 44)
Councillor C. Johnston - Request for Drainage Improvements - Reynoldstown Bridge, Naul - AI106642

BSA/85/26 (Agenda Item No 45)
Councillor C. Johnston - Request for Clearing of Ditches - Portrane Road - AI106691

BSA/86/26 (Agenda Item No 46)
Councillor C. Johnston - Provision of Signage and Road Markings - Portrane Road, Donabate - AI106692

BSA/87/26 (Agenda Item No 47)
Councillor D. Kelly - Update on Maintenance Works - St. Colmcille's Well, Swords - AI106650

BSA/88/26 (Agenda Item No 48)
Councillor D. Butler - Removal of Graffiti - Ward River Valley Park, Swords - AI106655

BSA/89/26 (Agenda Item No 49)
Councillor D. Butler - Provision of Kilometre Markers - Ward River Valley Park, Swords - AI106656

BSA/90/26 (Agenda Item No 50)
Councillor B. Ryan - Trip Hazards - Church Roundabout, Balbriggan - AI106662

BSA/91/26 (Agenda Item No 51)
Councillor B. Ryan - Examination of Drainage System - Harbour Road/Red Island, Skerries - AI106664

BSA/92/26 (Agenda Item No 52)
Councillor B. Ryan - Cutting Back of Vegetation - Old Balrothery Graveyard, Balrothery - AI106694

BSA/93/26 (Agenda Item No 53)
Councillor B. Ryan - Installation of Signage - Balrothery/Man O' War - AI106695

BSA/94/26 (Agenda Item No 54)
Councillor B. Ryan - Erection of Signage - Lambeecher/Bath Road, Balbriggan - AI106696

BSA/95/26 (Agenda Item No 55)
Councillor P. Mulville - Removal of Litter - Turvey Avenue, Donabate - AI106707

BSA/96/26 (Agenda Item No 56)
Councillor P. Mulville - Water Pooling - Donabate Main Street - AI106708

BSA/97/26 (Agenda Item No 57)
Councillor P. Mulville - Repair of Potholes - Donabate Main Street - AI106709

BSA/98/26 (Agenda Item No 58)
Councillor P. Mulville - Removal of Kissing Gates in this LEA - AI106710

BSA/99/26 (Agenda Item No 59)
Councillor P. Mulville - Repair of Pothole - Station Road, Lusk -AI106711

BSA/100/26 (Agenda Item No 60)
Councillor P. Mulville - Widening of Footpath - Station Road, Lusk - AI106712

BSA/101/26 (Agenda Item No 61)
Councillor D. Mulligan - Remediation Works - Malahide Road

BSA/102/26 (Agenda Item No 62)
Change to 2026 Programme of Works - Montgorry Way Road Resurfacing

The attached report by the Manager which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**.

Mr. Paul Graham, Senior Executive Engineer, gave the attached presentation to the meeting.

Following discussion, the report was **NOTED**.

BSA/103/26 (Agenda Item No 63)
Presentation of Public Consultation Balbriggan Beach 2025

The attached report by the Manager which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**.

Ms. Aileen O'Connor, Senior Executive Parks and Landscape Officer, gave the attached presentation to the meeting.

Following discussion, the report was **NOTED**.

BSA/104/26 (Agenda Item No 64)
Councillor L. Corkery - Resurfacing of Rathbeale Road, Swords - AI106356

The motion in the name of Councillor Corkery was proposed by Councillor Corkery and seconded by Councillor Mulligan.

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED** and following discussion the motion was **PASSED**.

BSA/105/26 (Agenda Item No 65)
Councillor C. Boland - Removal of Diseased Trees/Ash Dieback in this LEA - AI098707

The motion in the name of Councillor C. Boland was proposed by Councillor C. Boland and seconded by Councillor Corkery.

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED** and following discussion the motion was **PASSED**.

BSA/106/26 (Agenda Item No 66)
Councillor J. Newman - Nitrous Oxide Disposal in this LEA - AI105937

The motion in the name of Councillor Newman was proposed by Councillor Newman and seconded by Councillor Kelly.

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED** and following discussion the motion was **PASSED**.

BSA/107/26 (Agenda Item No 67)
Councillor L. Corkery - Resurfacing of Rolestown Drive, Rolestown - AI106357

The motion in the name of Councillor Corkery was proposed by Councillor Corkery and seconded by Councillor Mulligan.

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED** and following discussion the motion was **PASSED**.

BSA/108/26 (Agenda Item No 68)
Councillor E. Dockrell - Resurfacing of Car Park - Rush - AI106553

The motion in the name of Councillor Dockrell was proposed by Councillor Corkery and seconded by Councillor Johnston.

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED** and following discussion the motion was **PASSED**.

BSA/109/26 (Agenda Item No 69)
Councillor G. Maguire - Illegal Parking - Green Space/Market Green, Balbriggan - AI106632

The motion in the name of Councillor Maguire was proposed by Councillor Maguire and seconded by Councillor Quinn.

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED** and following discussion the motion was **PASSED**.

BSA/110/26 (Agenda Item No 70)
Councillor C. Johnston - Traffic and Road Assessment - Main Street, Rush - AI106643

The motion in the name of Councillor Johnston was proposed by Councillor Johnston and seconded by Councillor M. Boland.

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED** and following discussion the motion was **PASSED**.

BSA/111/26 (Agenda Item No 71)
Councillor D. Kelly - Reopening of Public Toilets - Santry Demesne - AI106645

The motion in the name of Councillor Kelly was proposed by Councillor Kelly and seconded by Councillor Corkery.

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED** and following discussion the motion was **PASSED**.

BSA/112/26 (Agenda Item No 72)
Councillor D. Butler - Solutions to Deal with Flooding - Ward River Valley Park, Swords - AI106654

The motion in the name of Councillor Butler was proposed by Councillor Butler and seconded by Councillor Corkery.

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated,
was **CONSIDERED** and following discussion the motion was **PASSED**.

BSA/113/26 (Agenda Item No 73)
Councillor B. Ryan - Engagement with Uisce Éireann regarding Overflowing Sewage - Wildcat Lane, Skerries - AI106663

The motion in the name of Councillor Ryan was proposed by Councillor Ryan and seconded by Councillor Boland.

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated,
was **CONSIDERED** and following discussion the motion was **PASSED**.

BSA/114/26 (Agenda Item No 74)
Councillor D. Mulligan - Installation of Footpath - R108/Brackenstown Road, Knocksedan

The motion in the name of Councillor Mulligan was proposed by Councillor Mulligan and seconded by Councillor Quinn.

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated,
was **CONSIDERED** and following discussion the motion was **PASSED**.

BSA/115/26 (Agenda Item No 75)
Councillor L. Corkery - Review and Amendment of Road/Cycle Lane Sweeping - River Valley, Swords - AI106358

The motion in the name of Councillor Corkery was proposed by Councillor Corkery and seconded by Councillor M. Boland.

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated,
was **CONSIDERED** and following discussion the motion was **PASSED**.

BSA/116/26 (Agenda Item No 76)
Councillor E. Dockrell - Road Safety Review - The Hand Junction, Donabate - AI106554

The motion in the name of Councillor Dockrell was proposed by Councillor Corkery and seconded by Councillor Kelly.

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated,
was **CONSIDERED** and following discussion the motion was **PASSED**.

BSA/117/26 (Agenda Item No 77)
Councillor D. Kelly - Safety Report of Old Bridges in Swords - AI106646

The motion in the name of Councillor Kelly was proposed by Councillor Kelly and seconded by Councillor Corkery.

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated,
was **CONSIDERED** and following discussion the motion was **PASSED**.

The Meeting concluded at 6pm.

AREA CHAIRPERSON **DATED**

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ITEM NO. 02

IMPLEMENTATION OF FLOOD MITIGATION MEASURES - OLDTOWN AND BALLYBOUGHAL - AI106699

Question: Councillor E. Dockrell

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the implementation of long-term flood mitigation measures on Oldtown and Ballyboughal Main Street as two locations that have experienced significant flooding in recent times?"

Reply:

The months of January and February 2026 were exceptionally wet with both months ranking among the wettest on record for the region with 22 out of 31 days in January having recorded rainfall. Average rainfall was 113% of the norm making it the 17th wettest winter since records began.

There is no long-term flood mitigation measures for Oldtown and Ballybough main street, however, following the recent heavy rainfall each operational area is reviewing roads which did flood to so see what works can be done to alleviate future flooding. There is an increased gully cleaning programme in place and gullies are checked and cleaned on a regular basis and in advance of weather warnings. Going forward operations will also be doing messaging on website and social media platforms reminding landowners of their statutory responsibility to ensure ditches on their lands are not closed over preventing water flowing from the road onto their lands.

Source of Reply: Mary T Daly, Director of Services, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 03

REMEDIAL WORKS - ASHBOURNE/GARRISTOWN ROAD - AI107202

Question: Councillor E. Dockrell

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to carrying out remedial works on the road leading directly off the Ashbourne/Garristown Road leading to Borranstown?"

Reply:

Any localised repairs will be listed for inclusion as part of the Road Inspectors general maintenance programme. Works of a greater scale than that will be considered for inclusion in a future roads programme depending upon the availability of funding and engineering staff resources.

Source of Reply: Mr J Dowler, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 04

SURFACE WATER DRAINAGE - NAUL HILL - THE NAUL - AI107205

Question: Councillor E. Dockrell

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for a review of the surface water drainage on Naul Hill as it is no longer fit for purpose, the drain in place (under the footpath from the school to the pedestrian crossing at the bottom of the hill) does not have the capacity to deal with the volume of water flowing into it?"

Reply:

The above location was inspected by our Storm Water Inspector and a number of issues were identified for action. The Operations Department will arrange for gullies in the road drainage at the school to be cleaned. Water is also running off land onto the road upstream of the school which is in breach of the Roads Act and enforcement action may be warranted. Similarly, a water leak at a house is feeding water onto the road surface and this will be reported to UE for follow up.

Lastly the storm water sewer from Naul Hill requires jetting and this will be included in our jetting programme.

Source of Reply: Mr J Walls, Senior Executive Engineer, Operations department.

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ITEM NO. 05

RESURFACING OF ROAD - NEWTOWN LANE - OLDTOWN - AI107206

Question: Councillor E. Dockrell

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to adding Newtown Lane, Oldtown to a future Programme of Works as this road requires resurfacing?"

Reply:

This road will be included for consideration in the context of the preparation of a future roads programme depending upon the availability of funding and engineering staff resources.

Source of Reply: Mr J Dowler, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 06

RESURFACING OF UNEVEN ROAD SURFACE - CLIFFLANDS ESTATE - RUSH - AI107207

Question: Councillor E. Dockrell

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to carrying out a comprehensive review of Clifflands Estate, Rush with the aim of resurfacing uneven road surfaces in this estate?"

Reply:

Any localised repairs will be listed for inclusion as part of the Roads Inspector's general maintenance programme. Works of a greater scale than that will be considered for inclusion in a future roads programme depending upon the availability of funding and engineering staff resources.

Source of Reply: Mr J Dowler, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 07

TRAFFIC SAFETY REVIEW - THE BOG ROAD - GARRISTOWN - AI107209

Question: Councillor E. Dockrell

"to ask the chief executive if consideration can be given to carry out a safety review of the the Bog Road in Garristown, with a view to implementing further traffic calming measures at this location?"

Reply:

A road safety review of the L1006, Garristown will be undertaken in due course. Any maintenance or remedial works considered appropriate will be included in the list of works subject to the availability of resources.

The L1006 in Garristown is a rural local road with a posted speed limit of 60km/h. Therefore, physical traffic calming measures, such as ramps, are not considered appropriate on roads with speed limit above 50km/h.

Issues of speeding and dangerous driving are enforcement matters under the rules of the road which should be reported to An Garda Siochana as they occur.

Source of Reply: Ms L Moore, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 08

IMPROVEMENTS TO FOOTPATHS - GARRISTOWN VILLAGE - AI107210

Question: Councillor E. Dockrell

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the footpaths in Garristown Village from the 'triangle' to the graveyard side on Church Road to be improved along with extending the nearby footpath on the Naul Road to Stoneyridges Lane?"

Reply:

There is insufficient road width available to extend footpaths beyond their current locations.

Source of Reply: Mr P Graham, Senior Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 09

RESURFACING OF ROAD - WIMBLETOWN ROAD - BALLYBOUGHAL - AI107211

Question: Councillor E. Dockrell

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for Wimbletown Road in Ballyboughal to be reviewed to fill in existing potholes and have this road marked for resurfacing in a future Programme of Works?"

Reply:

Any localised repairs will be listed for inclusion as part of the Roads Inspector's general maintenance programme. Works of a greater scale than that will be considered for inclusion in a future roads programme depending upon the availability of funding and engineering staff resources.

Source of Reply: Mr J Dowler, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 10

SAFETY ASSESSMENT OF GARRISTOWN NATIONAL SCHOOL AREA - AI107214

Question: Councillor E. Dockrell

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to carry out a safety assessment in the area around Garristown National School, including the junction in front of the school, with a view to implementing additional traffic calming measures at this location?"

Reply:

A road safety review of the requested area around Garristown National School will be undertaken in due course. Any maintenance or remedial works considered appropriate will be included in the list of works subject to the availability of resources.

Source of Reply: Ms L Moore, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 11

TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES - CHURCH ROAD - SWORDS – AI106813

Question: Councillor J. Smyth

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for traffic calming measures and/or raised traffic light crossing on Church Road in Swords as residents have highlighted how many motorists drive in excess of the speed limit, fail to adhere to the "Stop" sign at the junction with Bridge Street and put pedestrians at risk crossing this road?"

Reply:

The Operations Department will carry out a review of Church Road, Swords to determine if any additional traffic calming measures can be implemented. An automated traffic survey (ATC) will be commissioned to determine if speeding is occurring at the section of road in question. If that data indicates that speeding is occurring, then further traffic calming measures will be considered under a future programme of works.

Source of Reply: Mr. J. Culhane, Senior Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 12

BUS SHELTER - STOP 8269 - NORTHWOOD, SANTRY - AI107086

Question: Councillor J. Smyth

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for bus stop 8269 on the E1 bus route to be included in the next Bus Enhancement Programme as this stop already caters for a large number of passengers which is likely to increase with the opening of three large apartment developments in the area?"

Reply:

Bus Stop 8269 on Northwood Avenue has been included on the National Transport Authority's Shortlist for assessment and potential provision of a bus shelter under the 2026 Bus Stop Enhancement Programme of Works.

It should be noted, however, that Northwood Avenue has not been taken in charge by the Council and remains part of a privately managed estate. Accordingly, any matters relating to the provision of public transport infrastructure at this location should be directed to the NTA and to the estate's Property Management Company.

Source of Reply: Mr. P Magalhaes, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 13

LITTER PICKING - SWORDS MANOR/ORMOND GREEN SPACE - SWORDS – AI107115

Question: Councillor Councillor J. Smyth

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for litter picking on the green space between both Swords Manor and Ormond Estates as a large amount of litter has been dumped in the bushes in recent weeks?"

Reply:

The open space between Swords Manor and Ormond Estates will be inspected and any litter will be cleared in the coming week. Any reports of litter build up can be reported to Balswooparea@fingal.ie or raised as a Representation by the Elected Members.

Source of Reply: Mr. C Connell, Area Inspector, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 14

CRIME STATISTICS IN THIS LEA – AI107116

Question: Councillor J. Smyth

"To ask the Chief Executive to share the most up-to-date crime statistics presented to the Council/Fingal North Local Community Safety Partnership by an Garda Siochana?"

Reply:

To date we have not received any crime statistics from An Garda Síochána for the Fingal North Local Community Safety Partnership.

Source of Reply: Ms S McCarthy, Community Safety Officer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 15

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ASSESSMENT FOR THORNLEIGH TERRACE - SWORDS – AI107118

Question: Councillor J. Smyth

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for an up-to-date traffic management assessment/plan for Thornleigh Terrace and the surrounding area in light of the increased reports of illegal parking, higher traffic volume and risk to emergency service access due to the volume of motor vehicles that require use of the roads in this vicinity?"

Reply:

A site visit was conducted by the Traffic Engineer at the specified location. At the time of the site visit, no illegal parking was observed.

Under Section 36 (2) of the Road Traffic (Traffic and Parking) Regulations, An Garda Síochána have powers of enforcement which do not require the installation of statutory signage or road markings. The following regulations apply in a general context and do not require the installation of statutory signage or road markings.

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(c) within 5 metres of a road junction

(g) in any place, position or manner that will result in the vehicle obstructing an entrance or an exit for vehicles to or from a premises, save with the consent of the occupier of such premises

(i) on a footway, a grass margin or a median strip

(k) in a manner in which it will interfere with the normal flow of traffic, or which obstructs or endangers other traffic

Any issues of illegal parking are enforcement issues which should be reported to An Garda Síochána.

Source of Reply: Mr. C Dima, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 16

IMPROVEMENTS TO SANTRY DEMESNE AND SURROUNDS - AI107119

Question: Councillor J. Smyth

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report to outline the improvements planned for Santry Demesne and surrounds mentioned in the Capital and Works Programmes?"

Reply:

The 2026-2028 Capital Budget provision for Santry Demesne includes for Boundary, Entrance and Path Improvement Works and continuing ongoing Playground Refurbishment Works.

Source of Reply: Aileen O'Connor, Senior Executive Parks & Landscape Officer, Operations

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ITEM NO. 17

ANTI-SLIP MATERIALS FOR UTILITY/DRAIN COVERS – AI107121

Question: Councillor J. Smyth

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise if the Council have access to anti-slip materials which can be applied to plastic water meters and other utility/drain covers on public paths which become hazardous at times of frost and ice?"

Reply:

The Council does not have access to anti-slip materials which can be applied to plastic water meters and other utility/drain covers. However, all chamber covers and frames must comply with IS EN 124 standards which include slip/skid resistance requirements to ensure they are suitable for pedestrian and wheel traffic.

All chamber covers and frames bear a certification symbol to comply with this standard and the name of the owner/statutory undertaker/utility company who have responsibility for each chamber must be clearly identifiable on all chamber covers.

Source of Reply: Ms K Leeson, Senior Executive Engineer, Public Lighting, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 18

RESURFACING OF ROAD - SWORDS ROAD - SANTRY – AI106851

Question: Councillor L. Corkery

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for resurfacing the section of Swords Road that passes bus stop 1637, opposite Northwood in Santry, as part of a future Programme of Works?"

Reply:

The NTA will be resurfacing this section of the R132 as part of their Bus Connects project.

In the meantime, Fingal County Council will be carrying out repairs. A tender has been completed for repairs, a contractor has been appointed, and we are in the process of scheduling repair works.

Source of Reply: Mr B Rochford, Executive Engineer, Operations

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ITEM NO. 19

UPDATE ON FOOTPATH BUILD-OUTS FOR HOSPITALITY IN THIS LEA - AI106927

Question: Councillor L. Corkery

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on previous commitments in regards to footpath built-outs in advance of the summer, following the removal of parklets outside a number of hospitality businesses in this Local Electoral Area?"

Reply:

Following the removal of parklets outside hospitality businesses in 2025, any business that wish to have their parklets re-instated can express their interest by contacting the relevant operational area. The location in question will then be assessed by the Area Engineer to gauge the feasibility of the parklet being reinstated. Each expression of interest will be assessed on a case-by-case basis.

Contact details for each operational area below:

BalSwoOpArea@fingal.ie

CasMulOpArea@fingal.ie

HowMalOpArea@fingal.ie

Source of Reply: Mr Tim Hanway, Administrative Officer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 20

PARKING ENFORCEMENT - BALHEARY ROAD - SWORDS – AI107021

Question: Councillor L. Corkery

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for further measures to enforce no parking being enacted on the section of Balheary Road that runs across the bridge between Watery Lane and North Street?"

Reply:

The Operations Department have added the referenced section on Balheary Road to the additional enforcement patrol list. Parking Wardens will monitor these areas on a rotational basis.

Source of Reply: Ms. B Ryan, Senior Staff Officer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 21

CAR PARKING ISSUES - GYM PLUS/JUGBACK LANE, APPLEWOOD - SWORDS – AI107050

Question: Councillor L. Corkery

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to examining options, including double yellow lines or bollards to deter car parking at the Jugback Lane side of Gym Plus in Applewood?"

Reply:

A site visit was conducted by the Traffic Engineer at the specified location. At the time of the site visit, no illegal parking was observed.

Providing double yellow lines will result in the removal of passive traffic calming by way of the on-street parking, which may result in increased speeds.

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(k) in a manner in which it will interfere with the normal flow of traffic, or which obstructs or endangers other traffic

Any issues of illegal parking are enforcement issues under the rules of the road which should be reported to An Garda Síochána.

It is also impractical from a funding and maintenance perspective to provide Double Yellow Lines in a piecemeal fashion. Furthermore, An Garda Síochána are not in favour of the introduction of piecemeal lining throughout the country, as it becomes unenforceable which leads to the Double Yellow Lines being ignored by the public.

Source of Reply: Mr. C Dima, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 22

CLEANING OF TERRY SHERLOCK MEMORIAL PLAQUE - SHERLOCK PARK - SKERRIES – AI107023

Question: Councillor M. Quinn

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the cleaning of the Terry Sherlock Plaque at Sherlock Park in Skerries at the earliest opportunity?"

Reply:

Cleaning of the stone plaque will be carried out in the coming week.

Source of Reply: Mr M Hackett, Area Inspector, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 23

RESURFACING OF ROAD - CHAPEL STREET - BALBRIGGAN – AI107024

Question: Councillor Councillor M. Quinn

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the inclusion of Chapel Street in Balbriggan for road resurfacing as part of a future Programme of Works?"

Reply:

This road will be considered for resurfacing in the context of the preparation of a future programme of works.

Source of Reply: Mr J Dowler, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 24

RESURFACING WORKS - DUBLIN STREET - BALBRIGGAN – AI107249

Question: Councillor M. Quinn

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for an assessment of the road surface along Dublin Street in Balbriggan in particular between Balbriggan Credit Union and Saint Peter and Paul's Church?"

Reply:

Any localised repairs will be listed for inclusion as part of the Roads Inspector's general maintenance programme. Works of a greater scale than that will be considered for inclusion in a future roads programme depending upon the availability of funding and engineering staff resources.

Source of Reply: Mr J Dowler, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 25

Road Surface Improvements - Holmpatrick - Skerries - AI107250

Question: Councillor M. Quinn

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for road surface improvements at Holmpatrick in Skerries, in particular the stretch of road from Skerries Rugby Club to Miller's Lane?"

Reply:

Any localised repairs will be listed for inclusion as part of the Roads Inspector's general maintenance programme. Works of a greater scale than that will be considered for inclusion in a future roads programme depending upon the availability of funding and engineering staff resources.

Source of Reply: Mr J Dowler, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 26

RESURFACING OF L1085, GRANGE MOUNT – AI107252

Question: Councillor M. Quinn

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the resurfacing of the L1085 in a future Programme of Works and in the interim period to place reflective signage to highlight the extensive ditch just up from the Grange Mount Surgery?"

Reply:

This road will be included for consideration in the context of the preparation of a future roads programme depending upon the availability of funding and engineering staff resources. Sections of the ditches at this location have recently been piped due to subsidence issues. Further works have been identified and are included as part of the general maintenance programme for later this year.

Source of Reply: Mr J Dowler, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 27

RESURFACING OF ROAD - HAND'S LANE - LUSK – AI107042

Question: Councillor C. Johnston

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to including the necessary finance for the resurfacing of the road surface at Hand's Lane in Lusk in next year's Programme of Works given the very poor condition of the surface?"

Reply:

This road will be included for consideration in the context of the preparation of a future roads programme depending upon the availability of funding and engineering staff resources.

Source of Reply: Mr J Dowler, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 28

RESURFACING OF ROAD - QUAY ROAD - PORTRANE - AI107043

Question: Councillor C. Johnston

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to including the necessary finance in next year's Programme of Works for the resurfacing of the road surface on Quay Road in Portrane given the poor condition of the road surface and ongoing issues with potholes?"

Reply:

Road resurfacing at this location can be considered in the context of the preparation of a future Programme of Work. However, this will be subject to funding being made available and other competing road surfacing demands in the area.

In the interim, temporary repairs will continue to be carried out when necessary.

Source of Reply: Mr B Rochford, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 29

PROVISION OF DOUBLE YELLOW LINES - RUSH MAIN STREET - AI107155

Question: Councillor C. Johnston

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of double yellow lines on Rush Main Street in the vicinity of Walsh's pub given the ongoing issues with traffic congestion at this point in the town with cars parked along this stretch of road impacting the free flow of traffic at this location?"

Reply:

The request to rescind the existing parking bays and provide double yellow lines at this location is currently under review. Subject to approval, the works will be scheduled accordingly.

Source of Reply: Ms L Moore, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 30

REMEDIAL MEASURES - PORTRANE TO DONABATE CLIFF WALK – AI107156

Question: Councillor C. Johnston

"To ask the Chief Executive if serious consideration can be given for the provision of remedial measures to the surface of the path along the Portrane to Donabate cliff walk from Tower Bay to the access to Lady's Beach given the poor condition of the path surface which is inaccessible to families with prams/buggies and wheelchair users?"

Reply:

The cliff walk has been inspected and is listed for inclusion in the Area Engineer's general maintenance programme.

Source of Reply: Mr B Rochford, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 31

PROVISION OF PEDESTRIAN CROSSING - STATION ROAD - LUSK - AI107159

Question: Councillor C. Johnston

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of a pedestrian crossing on Station Road in Lusk at Collie Maher Park given ongoing safety concerns of parents with children trying to cross this busy road to access the sports pitches?"

Reply:

The location has been assessed by Traffic Operations. It was determined the current condition does not warrant further investigation for installation of a controlled pedestrian crossing at this section of R128. The reasons include the rural setting, which is not considered suitable for installation of pedestrian traffic signals, the absence of public footpath and insufficient pedestrian demand.

Source of Reply: Ms L Moore, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 32

PROVISION OF LITTER BINS - GARRISTOWN VILLAGE – AI107189

Question: Councillor C. Johnston

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of litter bins in Garristown Village in the vicinity of Windmill Row housing estate, close to the school and on the Naul Road east of the Mace store?"

Reply:

This area in Garristown will be assessed to establish the most appropriate location for additional bins, and they will be installed as soon as a new supply of bins is in stock.

Source of Reply: Mr O Byrne, Area Inspector, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 33

PROVISION OF DOG FOULING SIGNS - GARRISTOWN – AI107190

Question: Councillor C. Johnston

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of 'Dog Fouling' signage in Garristown in the vicinity of Windmill Way close to the school and the football field/running track, particularly as this is the starting point for the annual 5K/10K Windmill Run taking place in early April?"

Reply:

Signage will be installed at the appropriate locations to notify dog owners.

Source of Reply: Mr M Hackett, Area Inspector, Operations Department.

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ITEM 34

UPDATE ON REPLACEMENT OF BINS - BALBRIGGAN BEACH - AI107101

Question: Councillor G. Maguire

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the replacement of the bins which were removed from the pathway on Balbriggan Beach?"

Report:

The Solar–Powered bins that were installed at Balbriggan Beach were vandalised beyond repair at the end of 2025. The bins were removed and it is now planned to replace with standard bins. There is an order placed and once delivered will be scheduled for installation.

Source of Report: Mr. M Hacket, Area Inspector, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 35

UPDATE ON EROSION - MARTELLO BEACH CAR PARK - BALBRIGGAN – AI107162

Question: Councillor G. Maguire

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update and timeline for the investigation into the erosion at the Martello car park in Balbriggan?"

Reply:

Coastal erosion is a natural phenomenon and is the process whereby the coastline is worn away by the sea through wave and storm actions and tidal currents.

Projected changes in sea level and in the occurrence of more intense coastal storms and surges mean that areas currently at risk will be at greater risk under projected changes in climate.

The Operations Department by way of emergency response made the decision to close off access to the outermost car park at Martello Beach Car Park, Balbriggan to public parking following the recent extreme weather events.

A review study is needed to understand the full impact off the coastal erosion at this location and to inform possible options to address it. A scoping brief will be required for the procurement of a suitable consultant in the first instance.

Subject to the scale and complexity of the options presented to the Operations Department, the outcome of this study may require cross Departmental support and collaboration with various other stakeholders including the Office of Public Works, the Department of Housing, Local Government & Heritage and the

National Parks & Wildlife Service who have a national remit with regard to coastal change.

Source of Reply: Áine Donlon, Senior Executive Officer, Operations

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ITEM NO. 36

MAINTENANCE OF STEPS - BALBRIGGAN BEACH – AI107165

Question: Councillor G. Maguire

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to examine and make safe the old steps that are still in existence prior to the provision of the ramp to the beach in Balbriggan?"

Reply:

The old steps down to the Beach have been decommissioned & rock armour has been put in place. The new access route to the beach is along the new ramp.

Source of Reply: Mr M Hackett, Area Inspector, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 37

PROVISION OF ROAD SAFETY SIGN - FORGE ESTATE - LUSK - AI107195

Question: Councillor M. Boland

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to providing a safety sign at the entrance to the Forge Estate, Dublin Road, Lusk, primarily a speed sign and children at play sign as per the sign that is erected at the entrance to the neighbouring estate in Dun Emer – see photos attached for reference?"

Reply:

The Operations Department will organise an install of the traffic sign during Q2/2026.

Source of Reply: Ms L Moore, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 38

MAINTENANCE OF HEDGEROWS AND PUBLIC REALM - DUBLIN ROAD - LUSK - AI107197

Question: Councillor M. Boland

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for repair works to be carried out on the hedgerows and public realm along the Dublin Road, on the approach to Lusk Village with a view to a more comprehensive enhancement programme including cutting back overgrowth, replacing missing hedging and improving visual appearance as this is a gateway into the town, see map reference and photo attached?"

Reply:

This proposed works outlined have been carried out and completed following previous requests. This type of work can be carried out during winter months only and weather permitting.

Source of Reply: Ms S Brady, Executive Parks and Landscape Officer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 39

PROVISION OF UNSIGNALIZED PEDESTRIAN CROSSING - UPPER MAIN STREET - RUSH - AI107199

Question: Councillor M. Boland

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the installation of a zebra crossing at the location outlined in the photo (Upper Main Street, Rush) to provide a safe crossing point for children in order to access the Sandy Road which brings them to the Rush National School?"

Reply:

An initial assessment has been carried out and further investigation is required. If a controlled pedestrian crossing is warranted, the location will be included in the list of consideration for a future programme of works.

Source of Reply: Ms L Moore, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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Location of ramp proposed for a zebra crossing



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ITEM NO. 40

INSTALLATION OF KERB - WHITESTOWN ROAD CEMETERY - RUSH - AI107200

Question: Councillor M. Boland

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the installation and/or building of a kerb along the cemetery wall on Whitestown Road and/or improvements to the road surface along the wall of the cemetery which has seen significant deterioration in the last number of years?"

Reply:

The road is sufficiently wide enough at this location to cater for vehicular traffic without having the need for kerbing. Furthermore, the current arrangement facilitates, to a limited degree, parking for visitors to the graveyard and the provision of a kerb may not be a welcome addition particularly by those with impaired mobility who have reason to visit the graveyard.

Source of Reply: Mr J Dowler, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 41

Comprehensive Flood Study - Brook Lane - Rush - AI107201

Question: Councillor M. Boland

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for committing to carrying out a review of what works are required to prevent flooding in the long term on Brook Lane in Rush and when a comprehensive study will be conducted to assess capacity of the catchment drainage network to meet existing and proposed development needs?"

Reply:

A review study is needed to understand the prime mechanisms of the flooding and to consider possible options to address it. A scoping brief is being prepared for the procurement of a suitable consultant. The outcome of this study may be referred to our incoming Infrastructure and Transport Directorate for further action, subject to scale and complexity of the options presented.

Source of Reply: Mr J Walls, Senior Executive Engineer, Storm Water Operations

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ITEM NO. 42

RE-SURFACING OF ROAD - TREEN HILL - LUSK - AI107203

Question: Councillor M. Boland

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to re-surface Treen Hill Road in Lusk in the next Programme of Works as this road has seen significant deterioration in recent years?"

Reply:

This road will be included for consideration in the context of the preparation of a future roads programme pending the upgrading of existing surface water infrastructure along this section of road.

Source of Reply: Mr J Dowler, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 43

UPDATE ON REFURBISHING WORKS - RUSH HARBOUR PLAYGROUND – AI107213

Question: Councillor M. Boland

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the remaining refurbishing works of the Rush Harbour Playground and to outline any remaining works and when they are due to be completed?"

Reply:

The repairs outstanding for the Harbour Park Playground in Rush include the replacement of handrails for the ramp and an adjacent side panel which have been ordered from the original manufacturer and are both due to be delivered to the dedicated repair contractor this week. Once the parts are received, the installation will be quick as the maintenance crew is in the vicinity twice weekly. The last item is the brackets at the top of the sail posts on the central multi-play unit. These works require a scaffold, and this work is currently being scheduled, which is planned for the coming weeks, but it is weather dependent.

The second Independent Quarterly Inspections for 2026 is due during March and will inform the next set of repairs required. The Park Rangers will also be carrying out the weekly playground inspections as part of their regular duties, so both combined will ensure that the playground is always maintained and in good working order.

Source of Reply: Ms. S Brady, Executive Parks & Landscape Officer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 44

ROAD REPORT AND REPAIRS ON R129 FROM LUSK TRAIN STATION TOWARDS RUSH - AI107215

Question: Councillor M. Boland

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on the condition of the road for the section of the R129 from Lusk Train Station towards Rush and outline the immediate pothole repairs that are required, as this road has seen significant deterioration over the last few years, especially since the recent flooding and to provide a schedule of repairs to be undertaken in 2026?"

Reply:

The designation of this road is the R128.

From a visual assessment of this road it is noted that much of the pavement surface has few defects. However, some sections, particularly in areas where surface water has entered the carriageway from adjoining private lands, present moderate to significant surface defects and possibly other structural distress due to water ingress into the pavement. Drainage works were conducted by the Roads Depot team late in 2025 and in early 2026 to address some of the road drainage issues (not all) in order to allow remedial works of the road pavement at some of the worst affected localised areas. Any further repairs to a greater scale will be subject to the availability of funding and engineering staff resources and co-operations with adjoining landowners to prevent water run-off from entering the road carriageway

Source of Report: Mr J Dowler, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 45

UPDATE ON TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES - PALMER AVENUE - RUSH - AI107216

Question: Councillor M. Boland

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the proposed traffic calming measures at the crosswalk at Palmer Avenue in Rush and to give an outline of the date these works are due to commence?"

Reply:

Traffic calming measures at Palmer Avenue are planned to be completed by Q4 2026 as part of 2026 Operations Department Programme of Works.

Source of Reply: Ms L Moore, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 46

TRAFFIC SIGNALLING - L2300/BOROIMHE - SWORDS – AI107229

Question: Councillor D. Mulligan

"To ask the Chief Executive, given the increase in traffic volumes along the L2300 and surrounding residential areas, to advise on the basis on which the current signal timings at the junction of Forest Road and Boroimhe Road were determined?"

Reply:

The Operations Department have set this junction under MOVA control. MOVA stands for MOVA (Microprocessor Optimised Vehicle Actuation) system utilizes sensors in the road to monitor traffic flow in real-time.

This allows the junction to:

- Adapt to Demand: Increase green time for busier approaches as needed.
- Minimize Delay: End a phase early if no more vehicles are detected, reducing unnecessary waiting time for other road users.
- Manage Peaks: Automatically transition between different strategies to handle morning, evening, and off-peak traffic patterns most efficiently.

Because the system is dynamic and responds to live traffic conditions, timings may vary slightly from cycle to cycle to ensure the best possible output given the live traffic conditions.

Source of Reply: Mr. J. Culhane, Senior Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 47

ONGOING WORKS UPDATE - HILTON PARK - SWORDS – AI107230

Question: Councillor D. Mulligan

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide the anticipated completion date for the ongoing works at Hilltown Park in Swords and to outline the reason for the current delay in progress on site?"

Reply:

Landscaping works at Hilltown Park were delayed due to the poor weather conditions over the last number of weeks. It is hoped that once conditions improve, the works will recommence in the coming weeks.

Source of Reply: Mr. C Connell, Area Inspector, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 48

AIRPORT TROLLEY RECOVERED NEAR WARD RIVER - SWORDS - (K67 Y6T1) - AI107232

Question: Councillor D. Mulligan

"To ask the Chief Executive if give consideration can be given to collect the recovered airport trolley reported near the Ward River and to outline what agency is responsible for such removals?"

Reply:

Reports of trolleys abandoned or dumped on public lands are dealt with on a case-by-case basis as they are reported to the Operations Department. If a trolley (or other litter) is accessible by the Operations Crew, it will be removed.

If a trolley (or other litter) is located adjacent to a riverbank and can be reached by Operations staff without entering the water, then staff will endeavour to remove the trolley/litter from the river in a safe manner. Where retrieval is not deemed possible the location and information will be given to an appointed specialist contractor. This contractor is appointed to retrieve litter and debris from the Ward River and Broadmeadow River on request, with a general sweep of the river undertaken at specific locations on a quarterly basis also.

Due to the nature and safety requirements of the works, the operation must be planned accordingly and undertaken at the appropriate time which can be affected by weather conditions, water levels and accessibility.

Source of Reply: Mr. S Sutton, Executive Parks & Landscape Officer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 49

SHOPPING TROLLEYS IN THE WARD RIVER - SWORDS – AI107234

Question: Councillor D. Mulligan

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to arrange for the removal of shopping trolleys reported in the Ward River in Swords and to outline what measures are in place to prevent recurrence?"

Reply:

Reports of trolleys abandoned or dumped on public lands are dealt with on a case-by-case basis as they are reported to the Operations Department. If a trolley (or other litter) is accessible by the Operations Crew, it will be removed.

If a trolley (or other litter) is located adjacent to a riverbank and can be reached by Operations staff without entering the water, then staff will endeavour to remove the trolley/litter from the river in a safe manner. Where retrieval is not deemed possible the location and information will be given to an appointed specialist contractor. This contractor is appointed to retrieve litter and debris from the Ward river and Broadmeadow river on request, with a general sweep of the river undertaken at specific locations on a quarterly basis also.

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Source of Report: Mr. S Sutton, Executive Parks & Landscape Officer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 50

REMOVAL OF DEBRIS - BALHEARY ROAD BRIDGE (WARD RIVER) - SWORDS - AI107235

Question: Councillor D. Mulligan

"To ask the Chief Executive provide an update on if the debris reported at the eastern side of the bridge on Balheary Road has been inspected and to advise what remedial action is proposed?"

Reply:

Initial assessment has been carried out and resources will be put in place to clear the debris once suitable conditions are in place i.e. weather, ground and river water levels.

Source of Reply: Mr B Rochford, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 51

PRIORITISATION OF BUS SHELTERS - NORTHWOOD ESTATE - SANTRY - AI107239

Question: Councillor D. Mulligan

"To ask the Chief Executive, in light of the size and residential density of the Northwood Estate in Santry, to advise on whether the bus stops serving the area have been prioritised for shelter provision and to outline the current status?"

Reply:

Bus Stop 8269 on Northwood Avenue has been included on the National Transport Authority's Shortlist for assessment and potential provision of a bus shelter under the NTA's 2026 Bus Stop Enhancement Programme of Works.

It should be noted, however, that Northwood Avenue has not been taken in charge by the Council and remains part of a privately managed estate. Accordingly, any matters relating to the provision of public transport infrastructure at this location should be directed to the NTA and the estate's Property Management Company.

Source of Reply: Mr. P Magalhaes, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 52

SPEED RAMP MODIFICATIONS AND RELATED SIGNAGE - ASHFIELD GROVE, RIDGEWOOD - SWORDS - AI107240

Question: Councillor D. Mulligan

"To ask the Chief Executive to confirm when the agreed speed ramp modifications and related signage works at Ashfield Grove in Swords are scheduled to be carried out?"

Reply:

The Operations Department are currently preparing the tender for the countywide traffic calming ramps contract. This is due to be published during late Q2/2026. Subject to contractor being appointed it is estimated that works will be carried out during late Q3/2026 and Q4/2026.

Source of Reply: Mr. J. Culhane, Senior Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 53

REPORT ON COASTAL EROSION IN THIS LEA – AI107247

Question: Councillor B. Ryan

"To ask the Chief Executive to report on how recent weather and tidal conditions have impacted on coastal erosion at locations, other than Portrane, in this Local Electoral Area, and to indicate what, if any, short term measures will be required to prevent additional serious damage?"

Reply:

Coastal erosion is a natural phenomenon and is the process whereby the coastline is worn away by the sea through wave and storm actions and tidal currents. Projected changes in sea level and in the occurrence of more intense coastal storms and surges mean that areas currently at risk will be at greater risk under projected changes in climate.

Following the exceptionally bad weather during January and February coastal erosion has occurred in various locations in the Local Electoral Area which has affected public infrastructure. The Council has carried out restorative works as a short term measure in a number of locations to deal with the issues as they arose. Areas include:

- South Strand Skerries
- South Shore Beach Car Park Rush
- Martello Tower Car Park Balbriggan

- Kilcree, Donabate
- Red Island, Skerries

We will continue to monitor and examine appropriate means to deal with the impacts caused by coastal change including coastal erosion with a view to the protection of infrastructure noting that cross Departmental support and collaboration with various other stakeholders including the Office of Public Works, the Department of Housing, Local Government & Heritage and the National Parks & Wildlife Service who have a national remit with regard to coastal change.

Source of Reply: Áine Donlon Kavanagh, Senior Executive Officer

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ITEM NO. 54

INSTALLATION OF 'STOP' SIGN - KILLARY GROVE/KILLALANE TOWARDS GRANGE LODGE AVENUE - SKERRIES - AI107248

Question: Councillor B. Ryan

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the installation of a 'Stop' sign at the T-junction from Killary Grove/Killalane towards Grange Lodge Avenue where local people have recently placed their own homemade stop sign in an effort to prevent accidents?"

Reply:

A Yield priority junction is currently in place at this location. In response to this request, road markings renewal and signage maintenance works have been scheduled to reinstate the current yield priority junction.

Source of Reply: Ms L Moore, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 55

UPDATE ON ROAD LINING - HOLMPATRICK - SKERRIES - AI107266

Question: Councillor B. Ryan

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the planned road lining at Holmpatrick in Skerries, which was due to be carried out in 2025?"

Reply:

Road marking works at the R128 Holmpatrick Skerries are planned to take place in Q2 2026.

Source of Reply: Ms L Moore, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 56

INSTALLATION OF 'CHILDREN CROSSING' SIGN - BALRUDDERY FIELDS, BALROTHERY – AI107272

Question: Councillor B. Ryan

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the erection of a sign warning of 'Children Crossing' at a point on the Man O' War side of Balruddery Fields Estate in Balrothery?"

Reply:

The Operations Department will install a warning sign at this location during Q2/2026.

Source of Reply: Ms L Moore, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 57

MAINTENANCE OF SHRUBBERY - BELLE LANEWAY - SWORDS - AI107258

Question: Councillor D. Kelly

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to cut back the shrubbery of both sides of Belle Laneway in Swords?"

Reply:

The vegetation at Bells Lane, Swords, would have been flayed during the most recent winter works programme. If there are any additional areas of concern at this location, please send in a representation with full details of the exact location for the request.

Source of Reply: Mr C Connell, Area Inspector, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 58

CLEARING OF SURFACE WATER DRAINS - DONABATE MAIN STREET – AI107263

Question: Councillor P. Mulville

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the surface water drains on the footpath on Donabate Main Street, from the Green towards the Church to be cleaned and emptied to ensure proper drainage and prevent pedestrian slip hazard, see photos attached?"

Reply:

Clearing of road gullies and connecting pipes was carried out week ending Saturday the 28th of February.

Source of Reply: Mr B Rochford, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 59

OUT OF USE LITTER BIN - CREPEBERRY'S DONABATE – AI107264

Question: Councillor P. Mulville

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise on the reason why the litter bin near Crepeberry's in Donabate, has been covered with a blue bag for a long period and if the bin can be brought back into use, see photo?"

Reply:

The bin in question is an electric bin, which was covered with a blue bag as it was damaged and out of use. There were delays with the supplier replacing a damaged part and repairing the bin. These works have now been completed, and the bin is back to full functionality.

Source of Reply: Mr. C Connell, Area Inspector, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 60

REMOVAL OF STREET POLE - STATION COURT - DONABATE – AI107265

Question: Councillor P. Mulville

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the redundant street pole in front of the Station Court apartments in Donabate to be removed and the grass area reseeded, see photo?"

Reply:

Works required at this location have been listed for inclusion in the Area Engineer's general maintenance programme.

Source of Reply: Mr B Rochford, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 61

TRIP HAZARD REPAIR - DONABATE HEALTH CENTRE – AI107267

Question: Councillor P. Mulville

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the trip hazard/collapsed drain on the public footpath on the way into Donabate Health Centre being addressed, see photo?"

Reply:

This location has been inspected and is listed for inclusion in the Area Engineer's general maintenance programme

Source of Reply: Mr B Rochford, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 62

ONGOING WATER POOLING/DRAINAGE ISSUES - NEW (CORBALLIS/BALCARRICK) ROAD - DONABATE – AI107268

Question: Councillor P. Mulville

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the ongoing water pooling/drainage issues on the New (Corballis/Balcarrick) Road in Donabate, across from Lanestown View to be addressed, see photo?"

Reply:

Developers on the adjacent sites along New Road, Donabate have been contacted and made aware of their responsibility under the Roads Act to manage the surface water runoff from their sites. Should they fail to comply and the problem persists, we will refer the matter to the Planning Department for enforcement under the Planning & Development Act.

Source of Reply: Mr B Rochford, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 63

REPLACEMENT OF PUBLIC SEATING - DONABATE GREEN - AI107269

Question: Councillor P. Mulville

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the provision of much needed replacement public seating benches in the vicinity of Donabate Green, following the removal of the seating at the centre of the Green?"

Reply:

The seating on the Green at St. Patricks Terrace was removed in 2018 at the request of the Local Elected Representatives following reports of antisocial activity allegedly caused by this seating. Following requests from the Local Elected Representatives and inclusion in the 2025 Programme of Works to reinstall seating on the same green as part of a new landscaping scheme, the contractor working on behalf of the Council was prevented from installing any seating during 2025 by the residents who live adjacent to the green. The Council is available to add new seating but only when the location is agreed with the local Tidy Towns Group and the residents who live adjacent to the green.

Source of Reply: Aileen O'Connor, Senior Executive Parks & Landscape Officer, Operations

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ITEM NO. 64

SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS - NORTH STREET /BALHEARY ROAD JUNCTION - SWORDS – AI107270

Question: Councillor P. Mulville

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration to be given to improving the North Street/Balheary Road junction in Swords, to improve the safety of pedestrians crossing the road?"

Reply:

This area will be inspected by Fingal County Council in further detail and following this, if deemed necessary and funding is available, it will be considered for inclusion as part of future Programme of Works.

Source of Reply: Mr. C Dima, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 65

SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS - IMPROVEMENTS TO FOOTPATHS/PUBLIC REALM AND ROAD SURFACE - LONGSTONE PARK - PORTRANE – AI107271

Question: Councillor P. Mulville

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the footpath, public realm and road surface improvement works for Longstone Park, Portrane?"

Reply:

Resources have been approved under the 2026 Programme of Works for footpath replacements in the Longstone, Portrane. The aim is to have these works completed within 2026.

Source of Reply: Mr B Rochford, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 66

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT IMPACTS IN SWORDS - AI107284

Question: Councillor J. Humphreys

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on why the traffic management impacts arising from the current wastewater works on the R125 Balheary Road were not identified as requiring a higher level of intervention at the planning and approval stage, particularly in light of the traffic surveys and studies undertaken in Swords during the summer of 2025 in preparation for a range of connectivity and transport projects, and to confirm what engagement, if any, took place between the Council and Uisce Éireann in advance of approving the traffic management arrangements for these works?"

Reply:

The works currently being carried out by Uisce Eireann on the R125, between Estuary Roundabout and R125/Balheary Road/Watery Lane junction, is for the essential extension of 360m of the wastewater network in Swords. This upgrade of the wastewater network is strategic infrastructure works which will facilitate the construction of over 3,000 much needed housing units in the Swords area.

Engagement was carried out with Uisce Eireann with regards the wastewater works during 2025 with Operations and Infrastructure. Operations held a number of meetings with Uisce Eireann as part of the T1 Notification and meetings have been held during the course of the works. Due to the deep open excavation

required to the road to facilitate the works it was not possible for the works to be done at nighttime.

As with all large-scale projects, the traffic impacts are monitored and since its original implementation, the Traffic Management Plan has been changed in response to difficulties observed with stacking of vehicles on the roundabout back onto the R132. An eastbound lane closure on the R125 has now been implemented. In addition, traffic lights timings were changed and right turn/left turn filters removed at the Fire station traffic lights. It was also found that motorists were not using the signed diversion routes which then impacts on their journey times leading to traffic build up. The Uisce Eireann works were commenced in January 2026 and Uisce Eireann has confirmed the works will be completed by the end of March prior to the commencement of the Fingal County Council's R132 Road Connectivity Project.

As with any large-scale construction works, unfortunately delays or diversions are a result. Fingal County Council both internally and externally are coordinating with all stakeholders to minimise the disruption as much as feasibly possible.

Source of Reply: Ms. Áine Donlon Kavanagh, Senior Executive Officer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 67

CLARIFICATION IN REGARD TO PARK SIGNAGE - AI107285

Question: Councillor J. Humphreys

"To ask the Chief Executive to confirm the legal basis for, and interpretation underpinning, the erection of signage in Fingal parks stating that "motorised vehicles" are prohibited (except Fingal County Council staff), where the imagery on the sign appears to prohibit both e-scooters and e-bikes.
In particular, to confirm:
1. Whether the Council is relying on Bye-Law 4.6(c) of the Regional Parks and Open Spaces Bye-Laws 2017 (mechanically propelled vehicles) as the enforcement basis for this signage.
2. Whether the Council considers a pedal-assist e-bike (250W maximum continuous rated power, motor assistance only while pedalling, cutting out at 25km/h) to be a "mechanically propelled vehicle" for the purposes of these Bye-Laws, noting the Department of Transport definition of an e-bike.
3. Whether the Council will review the wording and imagery on the signage to ensure it is legally accurate, clear to the public, and consistent with the Council's wider policy objectives on sustainable and Active Travel and to avoid a blanket ban being implied where this is not supported by the Bye-Laws?"

Reply:

The current Fingal Regional Parks and Open Spaces Bye-Laws 2017 are Bye-Laws regulating Regional Parks, Open Space and Recreational Playing Grounds owned, controlled or in the charge of Fingal County Council.

These Bye-Laws are in force to ensure that parks, open spaces and recreational playing grounds and their facilities are used to the maximum extent, in safety

and comfort and for the protection of parks, open spaces and recreational playing grounds which are provided as a public amenity and for respect and consideration for park users to ensure as much enjoyment as is possible of these amenities.

Section 4.6 refers to all Traffic related issues and 4.6 (c) makes reference to unauthorised vehicles *'No person other than authorised officials and employees of the Council shall drive or allow to be driven or be a passenger in any mechanically propelled vehicle in the park on unauthorised routes save with the permission in writing of the Council and then only in such areas as may be designated by the Council'.* Section 4.6 (h) specifically refers to Motorbikes & Scramblers *'No person shall in any park or open space engage in motorcycle scrambling except in an area designated by the Council for that purpose.*

While the current Parks Bye Laws do not specifically mention the new phenomenon that is e-Bikes & e-Scooters, these new modes of transport are causing huge issues for park users. The Council has always clarified that while not specifically mentioned, these new types of transport are mechanically propelled / motorised and covered by Section 4.6(c). However, following many requests from the public and the Elected Representatives asking the Council to provide specific signage explaining that the use of e-Bikes/e-Scooters are prohibited, the Council has issued additional pole mounted signs displaying e-Bikes/e-Scooters.

The Council is aware that there are also versions of e-Bikes used by users that require assisted mobility. The Councils Park Rangers are aware that 'Assisted Mobility Bikes' are not prohibited, and the Council is not aware of any conflict regarding the use of 'Assisted Mobility Bikes' in public spaces. The signage installed is simply an intermediary measure until the next review of the Regional Parks & Open Space Bye-Laws are due in 2027.

The use of the various types of e-Bikes and e-Scooters having cognisance for the variety of 'Assisted Bikes' currently in use will have specific sections to outline the rules and regulations of their uses for the next chapter of Regional Parks & Open Space Bye-Laws for Fingal County Council.

Source of Reply: Aileen O'Connor, Senior Executive Parks & Landscape Officer, Operations

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ITEM NO. 68

CONTINGENCY PLANS FOR GRASS CUTTING – AI107287

Question: Councillor J. Humphreys

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise if contingency plans are in place to manage the likely delay to the first grass-cutting cycle arising from prolonged wet weather in late winter and early spring and how the Council intends to prioritise?"

Reply:

Grass Cutting will commence as soon as ground conditions allow for it, taking into consideration the recent high levels of rain and ground saturation. Grass cutting teams have already carried out some grass cutting on playing pitches and park areas using smaller machines. Until the weather and ground conditions improve, Grass Cutting teams will continue to cut what they can weather permitting until full schedule can be resumed.

Source of Reply: Mr. C Connell, Area Inspector, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 69

INSTALLATION OF FOOTPATH - GLEN ELLAN/SANDFORD WOOD - SWORDS - AI107289

Question: Councillor J. Humphreys

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the well-established desire line across the green at Glen Ellan/Sandford Wood being formalised with a simple surfaced path and edge protection, to prevent further erosion of the grass verge and to improve pedestrian safety and accessibility?"

Reply:

The provision of a path at the proposed location could be considered as part of a future Programme of Works subject to funding and resources available.

Source of Reply: Aileen O'Connor, Senior Executive Parks & Landscape Officer, Operations

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ITEM NO. 70

PROVISION OF FOOTPATH - BROADMEADOW LINEAR PARK - SWORDS – AI107290

Question: Councillor J. Humphreys

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for a formal footpath being provided for the community book swap Broadmeadow Linear Park, as shown in recent site photographs, in order to prevent ongoing damage to the green area and to improve accessibility for residents, particularly during wet weather?"

Reply:

Consideration will be given to installing a more permanent pathway to the book swap unit in Broadmeadow Linear Park. The Area Inspector along with our parks team will look into this matter in the coming weeks.

Source of Reply: Mr. C Connell, Area Inspector, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 71

REMOVAL OF TREE STUMP - CASTLEVIEW - SWORDS – AI107291

Question: Councillor J. Humphreys

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the remaining tree stump at the pedestrian entrance to Castleview to be removed and the surrounding area reinstated and whether additional planting can be provided to improve the appearance of this entrance following recent hedge cutting works?"

Reply:

The area of planting in question is not a tree stump; it is the base of a cherry laurel shrubbery that was cut back as part of the recent winter works on request due to reported antisocial behaviour. This will regrow at which time consideration can be given to additional planting in the area.

Source of Reply: Mr. C Connell, Area Inspector, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 73

PROGRAMME OF WORKS 2026 BALBRIGGAN/RUSH-LUSK/SWORDS TRAFFIC CALMING SCHEMES - PUBLIC DISPLAY

A presentation will be given to the committee.

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ROAD TRAFFIC ACTS 1993 – 2023
PUBLIC TRANSPORT REGULATION ACT, 2009

TRAFFIC CALMING SCHEMES

R122, Oldtown, Co. Dublin.
Palmer Road, Rush, Co. Dublin.
Old Road, Rush, Co. Dublin.
Old Market Green, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin.
Dublin Road, Lusk, Co.Dublin.
Brackenstown Avenue, Swords, Co. Dublin.
Entrance at School Portrane Road, Donabate, Co. Dublin.
Rathbeale Road, Swords, Co. Dublin.
Jugback Lane, Swords, Co.Dublin.

Fingal County Council in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act, 1994 and Section 46 of the Public Transport Regulation Act, 2009 hereby gives notice that it has prepared a Scheme for the provision of traffic calming measures at the following locations:

- **R122, Oldtown, Co. Dublin. –** 8 No. Bus Friendly Ramp Traffic Calming Ramp.
- **Palmer Road Rush, Co. Dublin. –** 6 No. Round Top Traffic Calming Ramp.
- **Old Road, Rush, Co. Dublin. –** 9 No. Round Top Traffic Calming Ramps.
- **Old Market Green, Balbriggan –** 1 No. Raised Zebra Crossing & 1 No. Raised Uncontrolled Pedestrian Crossing.
- **Dublin Road, Lusk, Co.Dublin**. - 1 No. Raised Pedestrian Crossing.
- **Brackenstown Avenue, Swords, Co. Dublin. -** 1 No. Raised Uncontrolled Pedestrian Crossing.
- **Entrance to School Portrane Road, Donabate, Co. Dublin. –** 1 No. Raised Uncontrolled Pedestrian Crossing.
- **Rathbeale Road, Swords, Co. Dublin.** - Gateway treatments Road Signage, Kerbing & Road Markings.
- **Jugback Lane, Swords, Co.Dublin.** – 1 No. Raised Uncontrolled Pedestrian Crossing.

The scheme includes the provision of traffic calming ramps, appropriate road signage and road markings where necessary.
Plans and particulars of the Scheme as shown on Drawing Numbers 2026-PD-TC-BRLS-001 to 2026-PD-TC-BRLS-009, are available for inspection from Wednesday 18th March 2026 as follows:-

Location	Day	Opening Hours
Fingal County Council, County Hall, Main Street, Swords, Co. Dublin.	Monday – Friday	9.00 am – 5.00 pm (4.30 p.m. Friday)
Balbriggan Library	Opening Hours	Check locally for times
Donabate Library	Opening Hours	Check locally for times
Rush Library	Opening Hours	Check locally for times

The proposed Scheme is also available to view on Fingal County Council's website: https://consult.fingal.ie/
Representations in relation to the proposed Scheme may be made in writing to: Administrative Officer, Balbriggan Rush Lusk Swords Operations, Fingal County Council, Grove Road, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15 or online consultation Portal to be received no later than 4.30 pm on Wednesday 15th April 2026.

Administrative Officer
Balbriggan Swords Operations

Dated: 18th March 2026

All comments, including the names of those making comments, submitted to the Council in regard to this Traffic Calming Scheme will form part of the statutory report to be presented to the monthly meeting of Fingal County Council.

Accordingly the statutory report will list the persons or bodies who made submissions or observations with respect to the proposed Traffic Calming Scheme in accordance with the regulations of the Road Traffic Act 1994.

The submissions will also be included in the minutes of that meeting and consequently will appear on the Council's Website. By making a submission the name of individual or bodies will appear on the statutory report and minutes of the meeting.

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MOTION NO. 73

RESURFACING OF FOOTPATHS AND ROADS - SEATOWN VILLAS - SWORDS - AI106855

Question: Councillor L. Corkery

"That the Chief Executive include the resurfacing of eroded footpaths and roads in Seatown Villas in Swords in the next Programme of Works."

Reply:

Investment in the Seatown area is ongoing; there have been various and extensive road and footpath works funded through the annual revenue Programme of Works in recent years (2019, 2020 and 2024) as approved by the elected members. Other works and localised footpath works have also been carried out under the general works programme and in response to Councillors' Representations.

If there is a certain section of road/footpath or location that is of particular concern, please have it reported so that follow-up investigations and assessments can take place. Larger projects will be considered in the context of the preparation of future Programmes of Work and will be subject to funding and engineering staff resources being available taking into account other demands and competing priorities in the area.

Source of Reply: Mr B Rochford, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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MOTION NO. 74

INSTALLATION OF DISABLED PARKING BAY - NORTH STREET - SWORDS - AI106648

Motion: Councillor D. Kelly

"That the Chief Executive make provision to install a disabled parking bay on North Street in Swords."

Report:

The Irish Wheelchair Association (IWA) sets out the following required width and lengths, in metres, for accessible parking spaces as follows:

- Perpendicular: 3.6m W x 6m L
- Parallel: 3.6m W x 7.8m L

Care must be taken to ensure that adequate space is provided between a disabled person's parking bay and adjacent bays to permit a wheelchair to be manoeuvred safely onto the public road.

Unfortunately, there are significant width and length restrictions at the requested location that prevent an accessible parking space from being installed. However, it should be noted that the Swords Cultural Quarter is currently under construction. The approved layout for this project includes purpose-built accessible parking spaces designed to meet the standards and provide improved access to local amenities.

Source of Report: Mr. C Dima, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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MOTION NO. 75

REPAIR OF POTHOLES - GLEN ELLEN ROAD/BALHEARY ROAD - SWORDS - AI106966

Motion: Councillor J. Smyth

"That the Chief Executive instruct immediate repair to a number of large potholes on both the Glen Ellen and Balheary roads which have been badly affected by the recent heavy rains and the increase in heavy machinery using this route."

Report:

There are active road opening licences in this area with works due to be scheduled to have minimal impact on traffic. Once these works are finished permanent road repairs will be scheduled in the meantime temporary repairs will be carried out.

Source of Report: Mr. B Rochford, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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MOTION NO. 76

IMPROVEMENT OF DRAINAGE - PINE GROVE PARK - SWORDS - AI107022

Motion: Councillor L. Corkery

"That the Chief Executive examine improving drainage from the footpaths that run along the green area adjacent to Pine Grove Park."

Report:

The Council is currently investigating the best approach to find a solution to resolve the drainage issues at this location. This entire green space was built over an old historic roadway surface so there are challenges underground to channel the water away. The current investigation works will assist with formulating a plan to carry out the works once ground conditions are suitable.

Source of Report: Aileen O'Connor, Senior Executive Parks & Landscape Officer, Operations

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MOTION NO. 77

INSTALLATION OF PEDESTRIAN GATE - MALTING ESTATE - SKERRIES - AI107147

Motion: Councillor T. O'Leary

"That the Chief Executive install as soon as possible a new controlled pedestrian gate access for the residents at the Malting Estate in Skerries as the area and vulnerable residents are constantly trapped in the estate by more frequent flood events."

Report:

A recent site meeting was held between the Operations Department, the Environment Department and the Surface Water Drainage section and investigations are ongoing to examine both the circumstances that give rise to flooding as well whether any improvements to the drainage can be carried out to alleviate the flooding.

Until these investigations are completed, this request to provide a new pedestrian access from The Maltings through to Holmpatrick (which may require Planning Approval), will be kept under consideration.

Source of Report: Mr. J Dowler, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.
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MOTION NO. 78

ASSESSMENT OF ROAD SURFACE - RUSH - AI107194

Motion: Councillor C. Johnston

"That the Chief Executive undertakes an assessment of the R128 from the Rathmore roundabout through Whitestown Road and Rush Main Street to the junction with the Skerries Road and to report on the assessment findings with a view to prioritising the reinstatement of these roads."

Report:

From a visual assessment of this road it is noted that the majority of the pavement surface to have little or no surface defects however, some sections, particularly in areas where surface water has entered the road carriageway from adjoining private lands, present moderate to significant surface defects and possibly other structural distress due to water ingress into the pavement. Drainage works were conducted by the Roads Depot team late in 2025 and in early 2026 to address some of the road drainage issues (not all) in order to allow remedial works of the road pavement at some of the worst affected localised areas. Any further repairs to a greater scale will be subject to the availability of funding and engineering staff resources and co-operations with adjoining landowners to prevent water run-off from entering the road carriageway.

Source of Report: Mr J Dowler, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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MOTION NO. 79

REINSTATEMENT OF BUS STOP - LISPOPPLE CROSS - SWORDS - AI107217

Motion: Councillor D. Mulligan

"That the Chief Executive progress the reinstatement of the previously existing bus stop at Lispopple Cross opposite Kettles Country House Hotel, serving Routes 197 and 41B, by advancing the necessary land acquisition and prioritising its delivery under Fingal County Council's Bus Stop Enhancement Programme 2026."

Report:

The Operations Department acknowledges the long-standing request for a bus stop at Lispopple Cross. It should be noted, however, that while the NTA had initiated the design process for this proposal in 2023, it was subsequently put on hold due to their realisation of the complexity of the location and the requirement for land acquisition with associated costs.

The NTA has recently confirmed that the delivery of this bus stop is now to be undertaken by Fingal County Council and funded in its entirety via the Bus Stop Enhancement Programme (BSEP).

Accordingly, the Council will include the proposed bus stop at Lispopple Cross in the 2026 BSEP Works Programme. As the standard design details for rural bus stops have been updated since this location was last assessed by the NTA, a new design will be required to be undertaken by a firm of consulting engineers appointed to the NTA's framework. This design will define the precise landtake necessary to enable the Council's Property Section to initiate the land acquisition process.

Source of Report: Mr. P Magalhaes, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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MOTION NO. 80

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FOR ROAD UPKEEP AND MAINTENANCE IN THIS LEA - AI107259

Motion: Councillor M.Quinn

"That this Area Committee calls on the Chief Executive to make provision for additional financial resources to address the maintenance issues on the roads in this Local Electoral Area following the change in climate patterns."

Report:

The months of January and February 2026 were exceptionally wet with both months ranking among the wettest on record for the region with 22 out of 31 days in January having recorded rainfall. Average rainfall was 113% of the norm making it the 17th wettest winter since records began.

The financial resources assigned to Regional and Local Roads has continued to increase over the last number of years. The total Revenue Budget for Regional and Local Roads for 2026 is €28.6m. This is an increase of €11.8m since 2021.

Additional funding is assigned in the Revenue Budget for roads maintenance under the annual Programme of Works. This year, the amount allocated to this LEA was over €2.55M which is an increase of €68k on 2025. The annual Programme of Works was presented to and agreed by the elected members at their ACM held on 15th January 2026.

In addition, there is approximately another €2.8M allocated to the Regional Roads Capital Programme, which is spread across the three LEAs. It is not necessarily allocated on an equal basis but rather on a needs basis across the County as

assessed by the Engineers. This year for example, it is anticipated that €1.5M will be spent in this LEA resurfacing the R127 from Lusk as far as Ardla (just south of Skerries) which is a total length of over 5km. This represents more than half of the entire county budget allocated to this LEA.

In recent years, the following, to name but only some of the roads addressed under the Capital Programme, have been resurfaced:

R132 from Bremore to the County Boundary with Meath

- R122 Naul to the M1
- R108 through Ballyboghill
- R129 Ballyboghill to the R132
- R127 from Blakes Cross to Lusk
- R128 from Rush to Skerries
- Sections of the R125 Swords-Ashbourne Road
- Airport south perimeter linking R108 Ballymun to R132 Dardistown

There has been a lot of damage to the roads in this LEA following the recent bad weather and works to repair damage and potholes will be carried out by the area engineers and their teams. It should be noted that the Council has applied through the Department for funding to recoup some additional costs incurred during the recent extreme weather events to the value of €143,136.

Source of Report: Ms. Áine Donlon Kavanagh, Senior Executive Officer, Operations Department and Mr. Paul Graham, Senior Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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MOTION NO. 81

INSTALLATION OF PEDESTRIAN CROSSING - LONGSTONE PARK/HOSPITAL GATES BUS STOP - PORTRANE – AI107273

Motion: Councillor P. Mulville

"That the Chief Executive give further consideration to the provision of a much needed pedestrian safety crossing between Longstone Park and the Saint Ita's Hospital gates bus stop in Portrane."

Report:

Traffic calming in the form of two speed readers are in place on the Portrane Road on both approaches to the St. Ita's Campus junction notifying motorists of their speed and to slow down if exceeding the speed limit.

As previously reported in the reply provided at the April 2023 meeting, comprehensive observations were carried out to evaluate the necessity of a controlled pedestrian crossing. The site visit determined that the current volumes of both vehicular traffic and pedestrian activity are not sufficient to warrant the installation of a controlled pedestrian crossing at this location.

Further changes to the road infrastructure are required to facilitate this proposed crossing.

A site visit was carried out at the specified location between Longstone Park and the Saint Ita's Hospital gates.

Following the site visit, it has been determined that the levels of traffic and pedestrian movement remain consistent with previous findings; therefore, the earlier observations are still considered valid.

At present, The Operations Department have no plans to alter the current layout at the specified location.

It should be noted that the Active Travel Section are planning to implement a scheme between Donabate and Portrane on the R126. As part of these works a controlled pedestrian crossing is proposed to be installed at the location in question along with additional infrastructure changes to the R126. The scheme is currently at preliminary design stage.

Source of Report: Mr. C Dima, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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MOTION NO. 82

PROVISION OF TRAFFIC SURVEY - SAINT COLUMBA'S ESTATE - SWORDS – AI106651

Motion: Councillor D. Kelly

"That the Chief Executive arrange a traffic survey of Saint Columba's Estate in Swords due to speed and traffic congestion complaints from the residents."

Report:

A site visit was carried out at the specified location to assess any issues regarding speed and traffic congestion.

During this site visit, the existing traffic conditions were closely monitored. Based on the observations made at the time, no instances of speeding or traffic congestion were identified. The flow of vehicles within the estate was found to be operating within normal parameters for a residential area.

The location will be kept under review. If it is deemed necessary, following further monitoring, an automated traffic count (ATC) survey will be carried out at the location to determine if speeding is present.

Source of Report: Mr. C Dima, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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MOTION NO. 83

TAKING IN CHARGE ISSUES - THORNLEIGH TERRACE - SWORDS – AI107028

Motion: Councillor L. Corkery

"That the Chief Executive arrange a site visit to Thornleigh Terrace in Swords to discuss various outstanding issues since the estate was taken in charge."

Report:

A site visit will be arranged at Thornleigh Terrace in Swords, to discuss issues that have arose since the estate was taken in charge which need to be clarified to the Operations Department.

Source of Report: Ms. Á Donlon Kavanagh, Senior Executive Officer, Operations Department.

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MOTION NO. 84

RESURFACING WORKS - SEATOWN VILLAS - SWORDS - AI107111

Motion: Councillor J. Smyth

"That the Chief Executive include the resurfacing of the roads and paths in the Seatown Villas Estate in Swords in the 2027 Programme of Works."

Report:

Investment in the Seatown area is ongoing; there have been various and extensive road and footpath works funded through the annual revenue Programme of Works in recent years (2019, 2020 and 2024) as approved by the elected members. Other works and localised footpath works have also been carried out under the general works programme and in response to Councillors' Representations.

If there is a certain section of road/footpath or location that is of particular concern, please have it reported so that follow-up investigations and assessments can take place. Larger projects will be considered in the context of the preparation of future Programmes of Work and will be subject to funding and engineering staff resources being available taking into account other demands and competing priorities in the area.

Source of Report: Mr B Rochford, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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MOTION NO. 85

ESTATE SIGNAGE UPGRADES - RIVERVALLEY AND SURROUNDING ESTATES - SWORDS - AI107219

Motion: Councillor D. Mulligan

"That the Chief Executive carry out an assessment of estate signage and road markings within Rivervalley and surrounding estates in Swords and to programme any necessary repairs or replacements."

Report:

Estate signage is repaired /replaced as they are reported. Traditionally in the more established estates the signage would be of a cast iron type which can be repainted rather that replaced. If replacement is required there is generally a long-lead in time as they must be cast individually. If there is a particular sign that needs attention please send on the location details.

Road markings through Rivervalley Rd and Rathingle Rd and where the adjoining roads meet the main road are visible. Many of the local roads off the main roads do not have road markings unless there is a particular requirement for markings e.g. a school. If there is a particular location that has been missed, please have it reported so follow up action can be taken.

Source of Report: Mr. B Rochford, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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MOTION NO. 86

INFRASTRUCTURAL ISSUES - BROOK LANE, RUSH - AI107227

Motion: Councillor C. Johnston

"That the Chief Executive report on how major infrastructural issues with ongoing flooding and lack of pedestrian path along Brook Lane in Rush, which are having a detrimental impact on existing residents, can be addressed and to ensure that all future planning permissions along this section of road include conditions for the provision of these urgent measures by developers."

Report:

A comprehensive assessment will be required to identify the causes of recent flooding and to examine the capacity of the catchment to accommodate existing and future development. To advance this, a preliminary review of the network within the catchment will need to be carried out by a consultant, to determine what further investigations and studies or works would be required.

No date can be given at this stage for the review but it has been added to the 2026 Storm Water Capital Programme.

Roads Operations are managing each situation as it arises. Screens have been installed in front of culvert openings and these are checked when warnings are raised by Met Eireann. In addition, blockages are cleared when they occur.

The months of January and February 2026 were exceptionally wet with both months ranking among the wettest on record for the region with 22 out of 31 days

in January having recorded rainfall. Average rainfall was 113% of the norm making it the 17th wettest winter since records began.

Through the development management process, Transport Planning will seek to have pedestrian connectivity provided by developers as part of their planning permissions.

Source of Reply: Mr. J Walls, Senior Executive Engineer, Storm Water Operations.