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Friday, 1 May 2026

**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, 14th May, 2026** to consider the following Agenda.

Yours faithfully

Ciara O hAodha
Meetings Administrator
Corporate Services

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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) held on Thursday the 9th April 2026**

QUESTIONS

- 2 **Councillor C. Johnston - Request for Reinstatement of Road Surface - Entrance to St. Patrick's Terrace - Donabate - AI107644**

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to reinstating the road surface at the entrance to St. Patrick's Terrace, Donabate given its current condition?"

- 3 **Councillor C. Johnston - Provision of Pedestrian Crossing - Whitestown Road - Rush - AI107650**

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of a pedestrian crossing (uncontrolled or controlled) on the Whitestown Road in Rush near the Eurostar shop given the increase in pedestrians crossing this busy road to get to the bus stop?"

- 4 **Councillor C. Johnston - Upgrade and Widening of Footpath - Palmer Road Junction to Clifflands Estate - Rush - AI108371**

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to upgrade including widening and reinstatement of the public footpath from the junction of Palmer Road to the Clifflands Estate on the R128 Skerries Road in Rush given that the footpath is very narrow and in poor condition?"

- 5 **Councillor C. Johnston - Traffic Calming and Pedestrian Safety Measures - Hand's Lane/Minister's Road Junction - Lusk - AI108372**

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to the provision of traffic calming and pedestrian safety measures at the Hand's Lane/Minister's Road junction in Lusk, given the safety concerns with no safe designated crossing point for pedestrians, lack of road markings and no traffic calming measures, as this road is a frequent rat run for vehicles, with children trying to cross the road to/from school via this busy road?"

- 6 **Councillor C. Johnston - Request for Sight Lines to be Examined - New Road/Main Street - Donabate - AI108373**

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to examining the sight lines at the junction of the New Road/Main Street Junction in Donabate, given the difficulties with the sight lines for motorists and cyclists trying to exit this junction turning right onto Main Street?"

7 Councillor C. Johnston - Traffic Calming Measures - Lower Main Street - Rush - AI108374

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of traffic calming measures on Lower Main Street in Rush between the town and Anchor Square and the harbour playground given the increase in speeding vehicles along this section of road?"

8 Councillor C. Johnston - Provision of Pedestrian Crossing - New Road - Donabate - AI108375

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of a pedestrian crossing on the New Road in Donabate in the vicinity of The Strand Estate given the increasing traffic along this stretch of road with pedestrians finding it increasingly difficult to cross the road at this location?"

9 Councillor C. Johnston - Traffic Calming and Pedestrian Safety Measures - Ballyboughal - AI108376

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of traffic calming measures, road markings, warning signage and pedestrian crossings at Ballyboughal National School and GAA Club given the safety concerns of parents and club users with children recently clipped by passing speeding vehicles along this road while accessing the school?"

10 Councillor C. Johnston - Trimming of Hedge Balscadden Cemetery - Balbriggan - AI108377

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to trimming the hedge on the right-hand side of the Balscadden Cemetery entrance to eye level to improve accessibility and make the area safer enabling passive observation?"

11 Councillor J. Newman - Tree Audit - Swords Area - AI107710

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for an audit of trees that have been removed from public land in the Swords area and what additional plans are there for the removal/relocation of other healthy trees in the area?"

12 Councillor M. Quinn - "Children at Play" Signage - Pinewood Green Road - Balbriggan - AI107739

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

installation of "Children at Play" sign at two locations along Pinewood Green Road in Balbriggan?"

13 Councillor M. Quinn - Resurfacing of High Street - Balbriggan - AI107965

"To ask the Chief Executive, with the completion of the Quay Street works in the coming months, if consideration can be given to make provision for the resurfacing of High Street in Balbriggan in a future Programme of Works, as per the response to my request at the Services "A" Meeting on 9th of October 2024 to also include the footpaths at this location?"

14 Councillor M. Quinn - Lighting of Pathway - Mill Pond Park - Balbriggan - AI108162

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to arrange for the lighting of the public pathway from the gym equipment to the Skate Park onto the church car park exit in Mill Pond Park in Balbriggan in advance of the future improvement works at the park?"

15 Councillor M. Quinn - Dublin Street Road Markings - Balbriggan - AI108270

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the repainting of road markings along Dublin Street in Balbriggan, in particular the pedestrian crossing at the Combined Clubs/Bank of Ireland?"

16 Councillor M. Quinn - Replacement of Signage - Hamilton Road - Balbriggan - AI108272

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the replacement of the illuminous signage on the traffic medium along Hamilton Road, Balbriggan?"

17 Councillor M. Quinn - Pavement Surface Dressing in Town Centre - Balbriggan - AI108275

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the surface dressing of the pavements from George's Square to SuperValu in Balbriggan?"

18 Councillor J. Smyth - Changes to Council Pitches in this LEA - AI107903

"To ask the Chief Executive, following confirmation that changes will be made to current Council pitches in this Local Electoral Area, if

consideration can be given to increase their utility for adult GAA games and increase playable hours?"

19 Councillor J. Smyth - Request for Additional Bins in Ridgewood - Swords - AI107906

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the installation of additional bins in Ridgewood Estate, in areas such as Ridgewood Green and adjacent to the shops?"

20 Councillor E. Dockrell - Review of the Fieldstown East Junction - AI107915

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to review the Fieldstown East junction with a view to improving signage, road markings and any other safety improvements that are deemed necessary?"

21 Councillor E. Dockrell - Review of the Keogh's Cross Junction - Oldtown - AI107916

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to review the Keogh's Cross junction in Oldtown as the "Stop" sign road markings, at this location, have worn away almost completely?"

22 Councillor E. Dockrell - Review of the Junction North of The Grallagh - Garristown - AI107917

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to review the junction north of The Grallagh in Garristown, as many drivers unfamiliar with this area are unaware that they are approaching a junction?"

23 Councillor E. Dockrell - Review of the Junction at Baldurgan Hill and Newlands - Ballyboughal - AI107918

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to review the junction at Baldurgan Hill and Newlawns, Ballyboughal, with a view to improving signage and road markings at this location and any other road safety improvements that traffic engineers deem necessary?"

24 Councillor E. Dockrell - Review of the Junction on the R108 between Damastown and Sallowood View - AI107919

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to review the junction on the R108 between Damastown and Sallowood View?"

25 Councillor E. Dockrell - Drainage Issues in Front of the Cultural Centre - Lusk - AI107920

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to addressing the drainage issues on the green in Lusk in front of the Cultural Centre?"

26 Councillor E. Dockrell - Resurfacing of Quay Road - Portrane - AI107921

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to resurfacing Quay Road in Portrane, particularly at the section in front of St Ita's cemetery?"

27 Councillor E. Dockrell - Update on Clean and Re-seal of the Séamus Ennis Statue - The Naul - AI107922

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the timeline for completion of the request to clean and re-seal the Séamus Ennis Statue in the Naul?"

28 Councillor L. Corkery - Park Gates Policy in this LEA - AI108002

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide information on the policy in relation to the opening of park gates in this Local Electoral Area and to advise if there are circumstances in which public parks are locked overnight?"

29 Councillor M. Boland - Reinstatement of the Road Outside the Entrance to The Forge Estate - Lusk - AI108284

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the reinstatement of the road outside the entrance to The Forge Estate in Lusk, as there has been significant damage to the road following the Road Opening Licence being granted in 2025?"

30 Councillor M. Boland - Interim Minor Works at the Rush/Lusk Train Station - AI108285

"To ask the Chief Executive if the Operations Department can provide an update on the proposed interim minor works at the Rush/Lusk train station on the R128, that were promised during Quarter 1 of 2026, such as enhanced line-marking and signage on the eastern approach to the train station?"

31 Councillor M. Boland - Waterlogging on Chapel Green - Lusk - AI108286

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to carry out an inspection on any repairs that are required to address issues of waterlogging on Chapel Green in Lusk, at the Church, including whether road run-off/attenuation infrastructure is contributing, and what remedial options and timelines are being progressed?"

32 Councillor M. Boland - Re-enhancement of the Hedgerows and Public Realm along the Dublin Road - Lusk - AI108287

"To ask the Chief Executive if a commitment can be given for a re-enhancement of the hedgerows and public realm along the Dublin Road, on the approach into Lusk Village, as part of a comprehensive project in a future Programme of Works?"

33 Councillor M. Boland - Update on any Road Painting to be carried out in Lusk - AI108288

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on any road painting to be carried out in the village of Lusk and to confirm a timeline for these works to commence?"

34 Councillor M. Boland - Re-Enhancement and Road Re-Surfacing of Hand's Lane - Lusk - AI108289

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for a re-enhancement and road re-surfacing of Hand's Lane, at the GAA Club, to traffic lights at the new estate as the road surface was not brought back up to standard following works by an external contractor?"

35 Councillor M. Boland - Re-Enhancement Programme Roundabout in Lusk - AI108290

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for a re-enhancement programme to be implemented on the four roundabouts on the Ring Road around Lusk and to outline a potential list of works that could be done?"

36 Councillor M. Boland - Footpath Completion - Kenure Gate Estate - Rush - AI108291

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to completing the small section of footpath across the stream between Kenure Gate Estate and the footpath to the southwest toward Brook Lane?"

37 Councillor M. Boland - Provision of a Bin Outside Costcutters - Lusk - AI108292

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to provide a new bin outside Costcutters, due to the derelict building that has fallen down and the existing bin that was there is now behind fencing, this is leading to extra litter in the area, as the bin is not usable at present?"

38 Councillor B. Ryan - Request for Installation of Yellow Box - Balbriggan - AI108318

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the installation of a yellow box at the junction of St. Paul's Crescent and Dublin Street in Balbriggan, as it is very difficult to enter and exit St. Paul's Crescent by car with increasing levels of traffic and the impact of the fast response of the pedestrian crossing at the church?"

39 Councillor B. Ryan - Installation of new Lighting Column at Margaretstown Road - Skerries - AI108319

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise a timeline for the installation of the new lighting column at the R127 Margaretstown Road junction, adjacent to the bring bank as contained in the Programme of Works?"

40 Councillor B. Ryan - Report on Entrance to Ardgillan Castle and Demesne - AI108390

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on plans to modify the main entrance to Ardgillan Castle and Demesne?"

41 Councillor B. Ryan - Inclusion of Bus Stop - Piercetown Lane - Skerries - AI108393

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise what consideration has been given to the inclusion of bus stop 3826, Piercetown Lane, Skerries, in the Bus Stop Enhancement Programme, as committed to during the debate on Motion AI103965 on 11th September 2025?"

42 Councillor T. Murphy - Assessment of Gormanston Bridge on the R132 - AI107771

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the relevant Department to conduct an assessment of the condition of Gormanston Bridge on the R132 as masonry appears to be falling off the interior wall of the western parapet?"

43 Councillor T. Murphy - Graveyard Capacity - Columbarium Wall in this LEA - AI108368

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the Columbarium Wall option in graveyards that are reaching capacity, in particular The Naul and Balrothery and to support families who choose cremation for their deceased loved ones?"

44 Councillor T. Murphy - Yellow Box - Drogheda Street - Balbriggan - AI108369

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to reinstating the yellow box at SuperValu on Drogheda Street and at the junction of Clonard Street and Bridge Street?"

45 Councillor G. Maguire - Water Fountain - Balbriggan Skate Park - AI108402

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an urgent update into the long-awaited water fountain at the Balbriggan skate park?"

46 Councillor G. Maguire - Public Lighting - Balbriggan Skate Park - AI108403

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to provide funding in the budget for 2027 for the installation of public lighting at Balbriggan Skate Park?"

47 Councillor P. Mulville - The Burrow, Portrane - Footpath Extension - AI108408

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to extending the footpath further down The Burrow in Portrane, from where it currently ends, in the interests of improving pedestrian safety?"

48 Councillor P. Mulville - Turvey Avenue - New Pedestrian Lights - Donabate - AI108409

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise on the reasons for the delay with the new pedestrian lights on Turvey Avenue in Donabate being switched on and when they will be made operational?"

49 Councillor P. Mulville - Glaslinn Safe Pedestrian Crossing - Donabate - AI108411

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise on the current position regarding a safe pedestrian crossing at Glaslinn Estate on the Portrane Road in Donabate, to serve the schools and the Community Centre, given the opening of the new library at Ballisk House which is leading to an increase in children crossing the road?"

50 Councillor P. Mulville - Provision of Lifeguards - Donabate - AI108412

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise if there is a summer lifeguard plan in place for the Donabate/Portrane area, taking into account the increasing number of swimmers and beach users during the summer period?"

51 Councillor P. Mulville - Provision of Public Toilets - Donabate - AI108414

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise when new public toilets will be provided at Donabate beach as the current ones are not fit for purpose?"

52 Councillor P. Mulville - Eco-Toilets at Portrane - Coastal Flood Risk Analysis - AI108415

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise if a coastal flood risk analysis has been carried out before deciding on a location for the Eco-toilets at Portrane beach?"

53 Councillor P. Mulville - Re-instatement of Litter Bin - Donabate - AI108416

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to re-instate the bin near the GP surgery on Donabate Main Street?"

54 Councillor P. Mulville - Outdoor Table Tennis and Chess Facilities - AI108417

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for future plans for the provision of outdoor table tennis and chess facilities along this Area Committee's coastline and in public parks?"

55 Councillor D. Kelly - Clean-up of Knocksedan Bridge - AI108410

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for a clean-up of Knocksedan bridge, which has deteriorated over the winter months?"

**OPERATIONAL NEW
WORKS, ETC.**

56 Programme of Works 2026 Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Traffic Calming Schemes

**CATHAOIRLEACH'S
BUSINESS**

57 Councillor L. Corkery - Safety Improvements on Church Road - Swords AI108234

"That the Chief Executive arranges a site meeting with residents of Church Road, Swords with a view to installing a series of safety improvements on this road, including more speed ramps, clear speed limit signs and a physical height restriction barrier, as this is a one-way minor road that was not designed for the volume of traffic that uses it."

MOTIONS

58 Councillor D. Kelly - Condition Assessment - Seatown Villas - Swords - AI107170

"That the Chief Executive carry out an assessment on the oldest estate in Swords, namely Seatown Villas, in relation to the provision of new roads and pathways."

59 Councillor J. Newman - Traffic Build Up on L2300 - Swords - AI107706

"That the Chief Executive ask the relevant department to carry out an assessment and provide a report on what action can be taken to resolve the traffic build up on the L2300 between Forrest Road and the R132 as there is traffic build-up in the early morning and late afternoon into the evening."

60 Councillor J. Smyth - Amenities for Older Children - Holywell, Swords - AI107901

"That the Chief Executive provides additional amenities to the North Holywell Community, through the provision of a MUGA and/or pump track adjacent to the current playground, while maintaining ample green space for ball games."

61 Councillor B. Ryan - Bus Shelter at Northcliffe Heights - Skerries - AI108279

"That the Chief Executive arranges for the provision of a bus shelter at Stop Number 3815 at Northcliffe Heights/Mourne View in Skerries, as part of the Bus Stop Enhancement Programme."

62 Councillor T. Murphy - Coastal Erosion Mitigation Measures - Balbriggan Beachfront - AI108370

"That the Chief Executive engage a suitably qualified Consultant to assess and report on the cost of appropriate coastal erosion

mitigation measures at the northern end of Balbriggan beachfront."

63 Councillor D. Butler - Replacement Bin in Glasmore Park - Swords - AI108382

"That the Chief Executive replaces the bin in Glasmore Park that was removed from outside Howard's Shop."

64 Councillor P. Mulville - Traffic Management at Beaches in this LEA - AI108418

"That the Chief Executive report on plans for traffic management at beaches and coastline in this Committee's area in advance of the busy summertime season."

65 Councillor D. Kelly - Traffic Management - Forrest Road - Swords - AI107257

"That the Chief Executive arrange a survey of the current traffic model on Forrest Road and provide a new Traffic Management Plan for the future."

66 Councillor J. Newman - Traffic Calming Measure in Rivervalley Drive - Swords - AI107707

"That the Chief Executive give consideration for traffic calming measures in Rivervalley Drive in Swords to encourage motorists to slow down at this location."

67 Councillor J. Smyth - Safe Pedestrian Crossing - Holywell North - Swords - AI107902

"That the Chief Executive give consideration to the construction of a safe pedestrian crossing, between the current opening from Holywell Drive green space across the Holywell Distributor Road, in a future Programme of Works."

68 Councillor B. Ryan - Reinstatement of HGV Restriction on Moylaragh Road - Balbriggan - AI108394

"That the Chief Executive arrange for the reinstatement of the Heavy Goods Vehicle (HGV) restriction on Moylaragh Road in Balbriggan."

Comhairle Contae Fine Gall Fingal County Council

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

Thursday, 9th April, 2026

PRESENT

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 Luke Corkery, James Humphries, and Darren Jack Kelly.

In the absence of The Area Chairperson, Councillor Tom O'Leary, presided.

OFFICIALS PRESENT

Áine Donlan Kavanagh (Senior Executive Officer), Paul Graham (Senior Executive Engineer), Aileen O'Connor (Senior Executive Parks & Landscape Officer), Senior Executive Parks and Landscape Officer), James Culhane (Senior Executive Engineer), Tim Hanway (Administrative Officer), Megan Devaney (Senior Staff Officer), Pedro Magalhaes (Executive Engineer), Claudiu Dima (Executive Engineer), Leticia Moore (Executive Engineer) Conor Sheehan (Staff Officer), Alvean Finnegan (Assistant Staff Officer), Laura Doyle (Clerical Officer).

BSA/205/26 (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 12th March 2026.

Minutes of the Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area Committee (Services A – Operational Matters) held on the 12th March 2026, which had been circulated were submitted, **APPROVED** as a true record and signed.

It was proposed by Councillor O'Leary and seconded by Councillor Newman and **RESOLVED**:

“That the recommendations contained in the Minutes of the Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area Committee (Services A – Operational Matters) Meeting held on 12th March 2026 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED**”.

BSA/206/26 (Agenda Item No)

QUESTIONS

It was proposed by Councillor O’Leary and seconded by Councillor M. Boland and **RESOLVED**:

“That pursuant to Standing Order No 51,
Questions numbered 02 to 15 inclusive be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED**.”

BSA/207/26 (Agenda Item No 2)

Councillor J. Smyth - Installation of Bin - Berwick Walk Bus Stop - Swords - AI107122

BSA/208/26 (Agenda Item No 3)

Councillor C. Johnston - Extension of Footpath - Oldtown - AI107191

BSA/209/26 (Agenda Item No 4)

Councillor C. Johnston - Provision of Pedestrian Crossing - Turvey Avenue - Donabate - AI107193

BSA/210/26 (Agenda Item No 5)

Councillor C. Johnston - Reinstatement of Road Surface - Balscadden - AI107585

BSA/211/26 (Agenda Item No 6)

Councillor C. Johnston - Footpath Improvement Works - Corballis Road, Donabate - AI107586

BSA/212/26 (Agenda Item No 7)

Councillor C. Johnston - Upgrade of Donabate Beach Car Park - AI107587

BSA/213/26 (Agenda Item No 8)

Councillor C. Johnston - Report on Impact of Coastal Erosion - Donabate Beach - AI107638

BSA/214/26 (Agenda Item No 9)

Councillor C. Johnston - Request for Footpath Widening - The Naul Village - AI107640

BSA/215/26 (Agenda Item No 10)

Councillor D. Mulligan - Surface Water and Drainage Capacity Issues in Rural Areas in this LEA - AI107242

BSA/216/26 (Agenda Item No 11)

Councillor D. Mulligan - Strategic Review of Signalised Junctions - Swords - AI107246

BSA/217/26 (Agenda Item No 12)

Councillor P. Mulville - Provision of a Community Garden/Outdoor Educational Space - Holywell Educate Together National School, Swords - AI107275

BSA/218/26 (Agenda Item No 13)

Councillor P. Mulville - Removal of Barrier at the Portrane Cliff Walk - AI107276

BSA/219/26 (Agenda Item No 14)

Councillor P. Mulville - Clean and Clear Pedestrian Entrance - Ballisk House, Donabate - AI107277

BSA/220/26 (Agenda Item No 15)

Councillor B. Ryan - Procedures for Reinstatement of Roads in this LEA - AI107669

BSA/221/26 (Agenda Item No 16)

Councillor L. Corkery - Safety Measures at Brackenstown Avenue/Rathbeale Road Junction - Swords - AI107477

The motion in the name of Councillor Corkery was proposed by Councillor O'Leary and seconded by Councillor Murphy.

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

BSA/222/26 (Agenda Item No 17)

Councillor D. Kelly - Condition Assessment - Seatown Villas, Swords - AI107170

In the absence of Councillor Kelly the following Motion in the name of Councillor Kelly is to be **DEFERRED** and listed on the Agenda for the next Balbriggan / RushLusk / Swords (Services A – Operational Matters) Area Committee Meeting to be held on 14th May 2026 .

BSA/223/26 (Agenda Item No 18)

Councillor D. Mulligan - Drainage Improvement and Enhancement Works - Church Road, Rolestown - AI107222

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

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

BSA/224/26 (Agenda Item No 19)

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

The motion in the name of Councillor Mulville was proposed by Councillor Mulville 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/225/26 (Agenda Item No 20)

Councillor J. Newman - Report on Provision of Bus Shelters - Rivervalley and Rathingle Road - Swords - AI107556

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

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

BSA/226/26 (Agenda Item No 21)

Councillor C. Johnston - Road Safety Review - Fieldstown East Junction - Oldtown - AI107581

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

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

BSA/227/26 (Agenda Item No 22)

Councillor B. Ryan - Provision of Public Bus Service in Rural Areas - AI107654

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/228/26 (Agenda Item No 23)

Councillor D. Kelly - Installation of Additional Lighting in Swords Community Park - AI107256

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

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

BSA/229/26 (Agenda Item No 24)

Councillor L. Corkery - Church Road Footpath Parking - AI107549

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

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

BSA/230/26 (Agenda Item No 25)

Councillor C. Johnston - Road Safety Review - Oldtown - AI107583

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

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

BSA/231/26 (Agenda Item No 26)

Councillor D. Mulligan - Assessment of Fieldstown Bridge Crossroads on the R122 - AI107653

The motion in the name of Councillor Mulligan was proposed by Councillor Mulligan 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/232/26 (Agenda Item No 27)

Councillor B. Ryan - Bus Services between Balbriggan and Ashbourne - AI107655

The motion in the name of Councillor Ryan was proposed by Councillor Ryan 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**.

The Meeting concluded at Time Not Specified

AREA CHAIRPERSON

DATED

**COMHAIRLE CONTAE FHINE GALL
FINGAL COUNTY COUNCIL**

**BALBRIGGAN/RUSH-LUSK/SWORDS AREA COMMITTEE MEETING
[SERVICES A – OPERATIONAL MATTERS]**

THURSDAY 14TH MAY 2026

ITEM NO. 02

**REQUEST FOR REINSTATEMENT OF ROAD SURFACE - ENTRANCE
TO ST. PATRICK'S TERRACE - DONABATE - AI107644**

Question: Councillor C. Johnston

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to reinstating the road surface at the entrance to the St. Patrick's Terrace Estate in Donabate given its current condition?”

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. 03

PROVISION OF PEDESTRIAN CROSSING - WHITESTOWN ROAD - RUSH - AI107650

Question: Councillor C. Johnston

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of a pedestrian crossing (uncontrolled or controlled) on the Whitestown Road in Rush near the Eurostar shop given the increase in pedestrians trying to cross this busy road to get to the bus stop?”

Reply:

The location has been inspected, and the initial assessment would suggest that installing a controlled pedestrian crossing on the Whitestown Road Rush is viable.

Consideration will be given for a pedestrian crossing at the requested location when the 2027 Programme of Works is being prepared.

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

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ITEM NO. 04

**UPGRADE AND WIDENING OF FOOTPATH - PALMER ROAD
JUNCTION TO CLIFFLANDS ESTATE - RUSH - AI108371**

Question: Councillor C. Johnston

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to upgrade including (widening and reinstatement) of the public footpath from the junction of Palmer Road to the Clifflands estate on the R128 Skerries Road in Rush given that the footpath is very narrow and in poor condition?"

Reply:

The Area Engineer has confirmed the works regarding the condition and width of the footpath from the Palmer Road/R128 junction to Clifflands Estate junction will be considered in the context of preparation of a future programme of works. From case FCC-2026-038533-H0R4C Apr 2026:

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

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ITEM NO. 05

TRAFFIC CALMING AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY MEASURE'S - HANDS LANE/MINISTERS ROAD JUNCTION - LUSK - AI108372

Question: Councillor C. Johnston

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of traffic calming and pedestrian safety measures at the Hands Lane/Minister's Road junction in Lusk, given the safety concerns of residents with no safe designated crossing point for pedestrians, lack of road markings and no traffic calming measures especially as this road is a frequent rat run for vehicles with children trying to cross the road to/from school via this busy road?"

Reply:

The location has been inspected, and the initial assessment suggests that the installation of a designated pedestrian crossing point and associated traffic calming measures would require a full junction design and the construction of new footpaths within existing verge areas.

Such works are outside the scope of the Operations Department, as they would likely require a more comprehensive capital funding scheme, which is not undertaken by the Operations Department.

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

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ITEM NO. 06

**REQUEST FOR SIGHT LINES TO BE EXAMINED - NEW ROAD/MAIN
STREET - DONABATE - AI108373**

Question: Councillor C. Johnston

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to examining the sight lines at the junction of the New Road/Main Street Junction in Donabate given the difficulties with the sight lines for motorists and cyclists trying to exit this junction turning right onto Main Street?"

Reply:

Following a site visit, the sight lines for vehicles exiting onto Main Street have been identified as adequate. It should be note that this junction is a legacy junction.

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

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ITEM NO. 07

Traffic Calming Measures - Lower Main Street - Rush - AI108374

Question: Councillor C. Johnston

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of traffic calming measures on Lower Main Street, Rush between the town/Anchor Square and the harbour playground given the increasing speeding vehicles along this section of road?"

Reply:

The Traffic Section have confirmed Lower Main Street, Rush has been examined and will continue to be monitored for consideration in a future programme of works.

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

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ITEM NO. 08

PROVISION OF PEDESTRIAN CROSSING - NEW ROAD - DONABATE - AI108375

Question: Councillor C. Johnston

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of a pedestrian crossing on the New Road in Donabate in the vicinity of The Strand Estate given the increasing traffic along this stretch of road with pedestrians finding it increasingly difficult to cross the road at this location?"

Reply:

Following a review of the request for a pedestrian crossing, it has been identified that there is already an uncontrolled pedestrian crossing on Main Street within approximately 240 meters of the entrance to the Strand Estate. This crossing is located at the junction on a tabletop, which serves as a traffic calming to slow vehicles at the uncontrolled crossing point.

Therefore, the Operations Department does not intend to install pedestrian crossing at the entrance to the Strand Estate.

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

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ITEM NO. 09

Traffic Calming and Pedestrian Safety Measures - Ballyboughal - AI108376

Question: Councillor C. Johnston

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of traffic calming measures, road markings, warning signage and pedestrian crossings at Ballyboughal National School and GAA club given the safety concerns of parents and Club users with children recently clipped by passing speeding vehicles along this road while accessing the school?"

Reply:

The location has been inspected, and it was found that appropriate road markings and signage have been provided in accordance with current guidelines and the Traffic Signs Manual.

As part of the Council's ongoing maintenance programme, as well as this report of safety issues, the location will continue to be monitored. Issues relating to speeding should be reported to An Garda Síochána as they occur.

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

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ITEM NO. 10

TRIMMING OF HEDGE BALSCADDEN CEMETERY - BALBRIGGAN - AI108377

Motion: Councillor C. Johnston

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to trimming the hedge on the right-hand side of the Balscadden Cemetery entrance to eye level to improve accessibility and make the area safer enabling passive observation?"

Report:

Regarding the request to cut back hedging on the right-hand side of the entrance to Balscadden Cemetery, I wish to confirm that hedge cutting can only be carried out in very limited situations during the bird nesting season which extends from the 1st of March until the 31st of August each year, as per the Wildlife Act 1976.

The location in question has been examined and, while works cannot be carried out at this time in accordance with the Wildlife Act 1976, this location is listed on the Cemeteries Winter Works Programme 2026/27."

Source of Reply: Mr. A Plant, Foreman of Works, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 11

TREE AUDIT – SWORDS AREA – AI107710

Question: Councillor J. Newman

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for an audit of trees that have been removed from public land in the Swords area and what additional plans are there for the removal/re-location of other healthy trees in the area?”

Report:

The Council has a Tree Management System called ‘Arbortrack’ in place that is a live audit of all trees on publicly owned lands in the Fingal area. This system identifies the species, age, condition and any recommendations on the day of each cyclical survey. The ‘Arbortrack’ system also retains the record of trees that are removed and planted as each tree has a unique location ID number.

As per the Council’s Tree Strategy, any removal of trees will require the Council to plant replacements in or as close to the same location. As per the ‘Forest of Fingal Tree Strategy’, the Council will only remove a healthy tree from Council owned land as a last resort and after all other options have been considered. Sometimes a re-location can be considered, but only if it is a viable option. The Council can only make recommendations to trees on privately owned lands as part of a planning process that this recommendation would usually be a condition of any planning permission.

Source of Reply: Mr. C Downey, Tree Officer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 12

**"CHILDREN AT PLAY" SIGNAGE - PINWOOD GREEN ROAD -
BALBRIGGAN - AI107739**

Question: Councillor M. Quinn

"To ask the Chief Executive, if consideration can be given for the installation of "Children at Play" sign at two locations along Pinewood Green Road in Balbriggan?"

Reply:

There is currently a 'Children at Play' sign at the entrance of Pinewood Green road. An additional double-sided sign will be put in place along this road.

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

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ITEM NO. 13

Resurfacing of High Street - Balbriggan - AI107965

Question: Councillor M. Quinn

“To ask the Chief Executive, with the completion of the Quay Street works in the coming months, if consideration can be given to make provision for the resurfacing of High Street in Balbriggan in a future Programme of Works, as per the response to my request at the Services “A” Meeting on 9th of October 2024, to also include the footpaths at this location?”

Reply:

This section of road is still listed for considered for inclusion in the context of preparation of a future programme of works along with the worst affected sections of footpaths..

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

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ITEM NO. 14

Lighting of Pathway - Mill Pond Park - Balbriggan - AI108162

Question: Councillor M. Quinn

“To ask the Chief Executive, if consideration can be given to arrange for the lighting up of the public pathway from the gym equipment to the Skate Park onto the Church car park exit in Mill Pond Park in Balbriggan in advance of the future improvement works at the Park?”

Reply:

The Council will examine how people access and move throughout the entire length of Millpond Park in Balbriggan in conjunction with the ongoing upgrades of this linear park that will eventually link onto the main street. There is some existing public lighting within the park. The routes that currently have lighting are linking the residential areas with the main street, crossing the open space linking Vauxhall Street with Clonard Court and Clonard Street.

The Council will assess the possibility of additional lighting linking the Church car park to the Harry Reynolds Road to the west and towards Clonard Court to the east. If feasible, this could be added to a future programme of works subject to finance and resource available.

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

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ITEM NO. 15

Dublin Street Road Markings - Balbriggan - AI108270

Question: Councillor M. Quinn

“To ask the Chief Executive if arrangements can be made for the repainting of road markings along Dublin Street in Balbriggan, in particular the pedestrian crossing at the Combined Clubs/Bank of Ireland?”

Reply:

The road markings at the referenced pedestrian crossing will be examined jointly by the Area Engineer and the Traffic Engineer and any re-lining identified as being necessary will be added to the priority list of re-lining works to be undertaken this year as also will the previously requested loading bays and disabled parking spaces.

We are constrained by a limited budget for road re-lining across the entire LEA and in the context of competing priorities we may not be able to re-line the entire length of Dublin Street this year.

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

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ITEM NO. 16

Replacement of Signage - Hamilton Road - Balbriggan - AI108272

Question: Councillor M. Quinn

“To ask the Chief Executive if an arrangement can be made for the replacement of the illuminous signage on the traffic medium along the road?”

Reply:

The signage has recently been replaced by the Fancourt Depot Staff.



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

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ITEM NO. 17

**PAVEMENT SURFACE DRESSING IN TOWN CENTRE - BALBRIGGAN -
AI108275**

Question: Councillor M. Quinn

“To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the surface dressing of the pavements from George’s Square to SuperValu in Balbriggan?”

Reply:

A periodic deep clean is scheduled for this coming month as part of the Area’s General Maintenance programme in an effort to restore and maintain the pavement slabs’ slip resistance.

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

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ITEM NO. 18

CHANGES TO COUNCIL PITCHES IN THIS LEA - AI107903

Question: Councillor J. Smyth

“To ask the Chief Executive, following confirmation, that changes will be made to current Council pitches in this Local Electoral Area, to increase their utility for adult GAA games and the increase playable hours?”

Reply:

A full review of all Council playing pitches was carried during 2024. As part of this process all the sports pitches were mapped, numbered and added to digital portal application process. The Council also examined and implemented a system where shared pitch allocation arrangements would increase playability on underused grass pitches. Following the completion of this review, the Council was satisfied that all sports pitches are used to full capacity and going forward that a shared allocation arrangement was preferable for all new sports pitches coming into Council ownership and maintenance.

The Councils grass sports pitches are only allocated and suitable for use during daylight hours. To facilitate after day light hours, use, this would require the installation of sports grade lighting. The provision of sports grade lighting is not suitable for publicly owned grass pitches for the following reasons.

- Sports Grade Lighting is subject to a planning process due to light pollution and restricted to shut off times. The light pollution caused by sports grade lighting has an impact on wildlife and adjacent residential developments.
- Sports Grade Lighting is excessively expensive to install and pay for ongoing running costs and therefore only suitable for all fully designed all-weather sports pitch facilities where the additional playing time does not cause irreversible wear and tear on the sports playing surface.
- The conversion of a grass pitch to additional after-hours use would involve enormous investment into the construction and modification of the grass surface to facilitate and accommodate the wear and tear that additional use would cause. This would involve the amelioration of sand and a new drainage system into the playing area and effectively the construction of a new playing pitch which would cost more than 100k per sports pitch (depending on the size of grass area) and approximately 18months to two years to construct and bring back to playability.

The Council is fully satisfied that maximum usage is currently achieved in the 170 publicly owned and maintained sports pitches located across the entire Fingal area.

Source of Reply: Ms. A O'Connor, Senior Executive Parks & landscape Officer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 19

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL BINS IN RIDGEWOOD - SWORDS - AI107906

Question: Councillor J. Smyth

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the installation of additional bins in the Ridgewood estate in areas such as Ridgewood Green and adjacent to the shops?”

Reply:

The Council intends to install a new public bin beside one of the benches on the large open space in the area. It is the responsibility of private businesses to provide bins outside their own premises if one is required.

The Council currently services 335 litter bins in the LEA which are emptied on a daily basis.

It is generally the Council’s practice not to provide litter bins in housing estates as we would not have the resource capacity to meet this demand and residents have a personal responsibility with regard to the disposal of their litter in a responsible manner which is generally accepted.

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

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ITEM NO. 20

REVIEW OF THE FIELDSTOWN EAST JUNCTION - AI107915

Question: Councillor E. Dockrell

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to review the Fieldstown East junction with a view to improve signage, road markings and any other safety improvements that are deemed necessary?”

Reply:

An assessment of Fieldstown East Junction between and road safety improvements have been implemented.

Road markings renewal works were completed and appropriate warning signage is in place on the approach to the junction. These measures are considered appropriate for the current characteristics of the junction in accordance with Traffic Signs Manual and relevant guidance.

The junction will continue to be monitored as part of ongoing traffic management and road safety reviews. Any further measures, if required, will be considered within the Operations Department Programme of Works.

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

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ITEM NO. 21

REVIEW OF THE KEOGH'S CROSS JUNCTION - OLDTOWN - AI107916

Question: Councillor E. Dockrell

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to reviewing the Keogh’s Cross junction in Oldtown as the “Stop” sign road markings, at this location, have worn away almost completely?”

Reply:

An assessment of Keogh's Cross has been carried out in response to safety concerns raised at these locations.

Road markings renewal works are completed and appropriate warning signage in place.

The locations will continue to be monitored as part of ongoing traffic management and road safety reviews. Any further measures, if required, will be considered within the Operations Department Programme of Works.

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

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ITEM NO. 22

REVIEW OF THE JUNCTION NORTH OF THE GRALLAGH - GARRISTOWN - AI107917

Question: Councillor E. Dockrell

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to review the junction north of The Grallagh in Garristown, as many drivers unfamiliar with this area are unaware that they are approaching a junction?”

Reply:

An assessment of the junction R122/L-1040 north of Grallagh has been carried out in response to safety concerns raised at this location.

Road markings renewal works have been completed and appropriate warning signage is in place.

The locations will continue to be monitored as part of ongoing traffic management and road safety reviews. Any further measures, if required, will be considered within the Operations Department Programme of Works.

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

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ITEM NO. 23

REVIEW OF THE JUNCTION AT BALDURGAN HILL AND NEWLANDS - BALLYBOUGHAL - AI107918

Question: Councillor E. Dockrell

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to review the junction at Baldurgan Hill and Newlawns, Ballyboughal, with a view to improving signage and road markings at this location and any other road safety improvements that traffic engineers deem necessary?”

Reply:

Following receipt of specific location on 13/05/2026, an inspection is noted to be carried out in due course for inclusion in the list of works as required. Please note, traffic signage and road markings works have been carried out in 2025/2026 at all three locations provided, including Vehicle Activated Driver Feedback Signages, SLOW markings, pedestrian crossing facilities and traffic calming ramps reconstruction.

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

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ITEM NO. 24

**Review the Junction on the R108 between Damanstown and
Sallowood View - AI107919**

Question: Councillor E. Dockrell

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to reviewing the junction on the R108 at the location between Damanstown and Sallowood View?”

Reply:

The requested location has been included in the list of locations under ongoing monitoring and will continue to be assessed for potential improvements as part of Operations Department Programme of Works.

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

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ITEM NO. 25

**DRAINAGE ISSUES IN FRONT OF THE CULTURAL CENTRE - LUSK -
AI107920**

Question: Councillor E. Dockrell

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to addressing the drainage issues on the green in Lusk in front of the Cultural Centre?”

Reply:

The drainage system installed at the public open space The Green, Lusk will be re-assessed by the Area Engineer and liaison will be made with the local resident's group regarding any works deemed necessary.

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

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ITEM NO. 26

RESURFACING OF QUAY ROAD - PORTRANE - AI107921

Question: Councillor E. Dockrell

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to resurfacing Quay Road in Portrane, particularly at the section in front of St Ita's Cemetery?”

Reply:

Road resurfacing works at this location can be considered in the context of the future preparation of a future Programme of Work subject to competing demands and priorities as well as the availability of funding and staff resources.

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. 27

**Update on Clean and Re-seal of the Séamus Ennis Statue - The
Naul - AI107922**

Question: Councillor E. Dockrell

“To ask the Chief Executive for an update on the timeline for completion of the request to clean and re-seal the Séamus Ennis Statue in the Naul?”

Reply:

I wish to advise our Area Inspector has confirmed that the Seamus Ennis Statue in the Naul is on works list for cleaning.

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

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ITEM NO. 28

Park Gates Policy In This Lea - AI108002

Question: Councillor L. Corkery

“To ask the Chief Executive, to provide information on the policy in relation to the opening of park gates in this Local Electoral Area and advise if there are circumstances in which public parks are locked overnight?”

Reply:

The gates at the main Regional Parks in Fingal are closed in line with daylight hours, and the times change four times throughout the year. There are also several local enclosed parks with car parks, and some of these have gates on an automatic timed open and closure arrangement, and the times are advertised at entrance locations. The requirement to have locked gates on parks varies at different locations and is specific to the individual sites.

Source of Reply: Ms. A O'Connor, Senior Executive Parks & Landscape Officer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 29

REINSTATEMENT OF THE ROAD OUTSIDE THE ENTRANCE TO THE FORGE ESTATE - LUSK - AI108284

Question: Councillor M. Boland

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the re-instatement of the road outside the entrance to The Forge estate in Lusk, as there has been significant damage to the road following the Road Opening Licence being granted in 2025?”

Reply:

The Council has initiated contact on numerous occasions to Uisce Eireann and their works contractor GMC regarding timelines for their carrying out the permanent reinstatements at this location. A further request will be made on foot of this ACM Item and an update on timelines will be provided once the information has been provided by Uisce Eireann and GMC

Should there not be a satisfactory and prompt resolution to this matter we are advised by the FCC Road Opening Licence Administration Team that future Road Opening Licence Applications from GMC can be refused.

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

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ITEM NO. 30

**INTERIM MINOR WORKS IN THE RUSH/LUSK TRAIN STATION -
AI108285**

Question: Councillor M. Boland

“To ask the Chief Executive if the Operations Department can provide an update on the proposed interim minor works at the Rush/Lusk train station on the R128, that were promised during Quarter 1 of 2026, such as enhanced line-marking and signage on the eastern approach to the train station?”

Reply:

Road marking works will be undertaken at this location as part of the 2026 Programme of Works, with additional measures considered as appropriate.

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

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ITEM NO. 31

Waterlogging ON CHAPEL GREEN - LUSK - AI108286

Question: Councillor M. Boland

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to carry out an inspection on any repairs that are required to address issues of waterlogging on Chapel Green in Lusk, at the Church, including whether road run- off/attenuation infrastructure is contributing, and what remedial options and timelines are being progressed?”

Reply:

The drainage system installed at the public open space The Green, Lusk will be re-assessed by the Area Engineer and liaison will be made with the local resident's group regarding any works deemed required.

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

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ITEM NO. 32

**RE-ENHANCEMENT OF THE HEDGEROWS AND PUBLIC REALM
ALONG THE DUBLIN ROAD - LUSK - AI108287**

Question: Councillor M. Boland

“To ask the Chief Executive if a commitment can be given for a re-enhancement of the hedgerows and public realm along the Dublin Road, on the approach into Lusk Village, as part of a comprehensive project in a future Programme of Works?”

Reply:

Operations have carried out some replanting of hedgerows in this area earlier on in the year. Any further areas needing replanting will be identified and listed for the planting season in Autumn / Winter of 2026/27.

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

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ITEM NO. 33

UPDATE ON ANY ROAD PAINTING TO BE CARRIED OUT IN LUSK - AI108288

Question: Councillor M. Boland

“To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on any road painting to be carried out in the village of Lusk and to confirm a timeline for these works to commence?”

Reply:

There is currently no overall or general scheme of road re-lining planned for Lusk due to the ongoing and planned development in the area which invariably involves excavations and openings being made into the roads. However, where developers have applied for Road Opening Licences, part of the conditions for reinstatement of the road surface is the provision of new road markings. Outside of this, if there are any specific locations of particular concern, please provide details to the Operations Team, and they can be examined by the Area Engineer or Roads Inspector.

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

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ITEM NO. 34

Re-Enhancement and Road Re-Surfacing of Hand's Lane - Lusk - AI108289

Question: Councillor M. Boland

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for a re-enhancement and road re-surfacing of Hand’s Lane, at the GAA Club, to traffic lights at the new estate as the road surface was not brought back up to standard after works by an external contractor?”

Reply:

The Council has initiated contact on numerous occasions to Uisce Eireann and their works contractor GMC regarding timelines for their carrying out the permanent reinstatements at this location. A further request will be made on foot of this ACM Item and an update on timelines will be provided once the information has been provided by Uisce Eireann and GMC.

Should there not be a satisfactory and prompt resolution to this matter we are advised by the FCC Road Opening Licence Administration Team that future Road Opening Licence Applications from GMC can be refused.

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

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ITEM NO. 35

RE-ENHANCEMENT PROGRAMME ROUNDABOUT IN LUSK - AI108290

Question: Councillor M. Boland

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for a re-enhancement programme to be implemented on the four roundabouts on the Ring Road around Lusk and to outline a potential list of works that could be done?”

Reply:

The roundabouts on the Lusk Bypass were landscaped in 2014 for the Giro d'Italia cycle race that came through the Fingal area.

As it stands the current landscaping schemes do not require a considerable amount of maintenance and are maintained and managed by direct labour.

To have the roundabouts re-landscaped, significant investment would be required. Depending on the landscape scheme, it may necessitate a more intensive maintenance regime which would have to be outsourced. This would carry further ongoing costs.

The Operations Department can, however, note this request and consider carrying out landscape works on a phased basis as part of a future Programme of Works and available budgets.

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

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ITEM NO. 36

**FOOTPATH COMPLETION - KENURE GATE ESTATE - RUSH -
AI108291**

Question: Councillor M. Boland

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to completing the small section of footpath across the stream between Kenure Gate Estate and the footpath to the southwest toward Brook Lane?”

Reply:

The as-built arrangement is in accordance with Planning Approvals Ref. F17A/0165 and F18A/0071 and any conditions pertaining to those approvals.

To now join these two footpaths across the stream would require the detailed Engineering design of a bridge/culvert and associated environmental and nature studies to be assessed by and agreed with both the Office of Public Works and Inland Fisheries Ireland as part of a statutory approval process.

A project of this scale and nature is not included for on any Operations Department Plan or budgetary provision.

The Operations Department intends to explore other possible solutions which do not involve culverting the stream and if assessed to be feasible will be brought to the attention of the Members at a later date.

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

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ITEM NO. 37

PROVISION OF A BIN OUTSIDE COSTCUTTERS - LUSK - AI108292

Question: Councillor M. Boland

“To ask the Chief Executive if the Operations Department can provide a new bin outside Costcutters, due to the derelict building that has fallen down and the existing bin that was there is now behind fencing, this is leading to extra litter in the area, as the bin is not usable at present?”

Reply:

A new bin will be installed at this location taking into consideration the inaccessibility of the original bin. We are currently awaiting an order of bins to arrive which we expect to have in stock in the next two weeks. ,

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

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ITEM NO. 38

**REQUEST FOR INSTALLATION OF YELLOW BOX - BALBRIGGAN -
AI108318**

Question: Councillor B. Ryan

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the installation of a yellow box at the junction of St. Paul's Crescent and Dublin Street, Balbriggan, as it is very difficult to enter and exit St. Paul's Crescent by car with increasing levels of traffic and the impact of the fast response of the pedestrian crossing at the church?”

Reply:

The provision of a yellow box at this location will be considered as part of road marking renewal works, in line with other priority works.

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

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ITEM NO. 39

INSTALLATION OF NEW LIGHTING COLUMN AT MARGARETSTOWN ROAD - SKERRIES - AI108319

Question: Councillor B. Ryan

“To ask the Chief Executive to advice a timeline for the installation of the new lighting column at the R127 Margaretstown Road junction, adjacent to the Bring Bank as contained in the Programme of Works?”

Reply:

The installation of the new lighting column at the R127/Margaretstown Road junction beside the bring bank, will be completed in 2026 as part of the 2026 Programme of Works. We are currently waiting for the supply connection agreement from ESB Networks for the new supply required for this new light. When this connection agreement is received, the required works will then be added to the public lighting contractor’s work schedule.

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

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ITEM NO. 40

REPORT ON ENTRANCE TO ARDGILLAN CASTLE AND DEMESNE - AI108390

Question: Councillor B. Ryan

“To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on plans to modify the main entrance to Ardgillan Castle and Demesne?”

Reply:

The Council is currently examining the entrance to Ardgillan Demesne with a view to carrying out modifications to the existing gates and piers. These modifications will allow for larger tourist buses to access the Demesne with greater ease.

It should be noted that while design works are currently underway, the delivery works required will require a dedicated budget provision and full design and construction sign off.

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

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ITEM NO. 41

Inclusion of Bus Stop - Piercetown Lane - Skerries - AI108393

Question: Councillor B. Ryan

“To ask the Chief Executive to advice what consideration has been given to the inclusion of bus stop 3826, Piercetown Lane, Skerries, in the Bus Stop Enhancement Programme, as committed to during the debate on Motion AI103965 on 11/09/25?”

Reply:

The Operations Department is currently assessing the Shortlist provided by the National Transport Authority (NTA) under the Bus Stop Enhancement Programme (BSEP), which will be prioritised for delivery.

It should be noted that, while the Council may advance proposals submitted by elected members through representations or Area Committee Meetings, the final programme will be determined by the NTA in accordance with its Project Approval system. In this regard, bus stop 3826 will be brought forward to the NTA for consideration as part of this process.

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

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ITEM NO. 42

ASSESSMENT OF GORMONSTOWN BRIDGE ON THE R132 – AI107771

Motion: Councillor J. Smyth

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to for the relevant department to conduct an assessment on the condition of Gormanstown Bridge on the R132 as masonry appears to be falling off the interior wall of the western parapet?”

Report:

An engineering inspection of Gormanstown Bridge was completed last year and it was found to be in a good overall condition. A further inspection of the structure is planned in the coming weeks to assess the current condition of the parapets.

Source of Reply: Mr. S Coyle, Executive Engineer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 43

GRAVEYARD CAPACITY - COLUMBARIUM WALL IN THIS LEA - AI108368

Question: Councillor T. Murphy

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the Columbarium Wall option in graveyards that are reaching capacity, in particular The Naul and Balrothery and to support families who choose cremation for their deceased loved ones?”

Reply:

The extension of Naul Graveyard to accommodate additional plots is currently underway. While a Columbarium Wall hasn't been considered to date at this location, the Operations Department will examine the feasibility of the provision of same.

In relation to Balrothery Graveyard, the Operations Department is currently investigating options to determine if an expansion is feasible and as part of this enquiry we can include the feasibility of the provision of a Columbarium Wall.

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

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ITEM NO. 44

YELLOW BOX - DROGHEDA STREET - AI108369

Question: Councillor T. Murphy

“To ask the Chief Executive to reinstate the yellow box at Supervalu Drogheda Street and at the junction of Clonard street and Bridge Street?”

Reply:

These works have been added to the re-lining programme for 2026 and will be carried out in the context of order of priority and availability of contractor resources.

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

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ITEM NO. 45

WATER FOUNTAIN - BALBRIGGAN SKATEPARK - AI108402

Question: Councillor G. Maguire

“To ask the Chief Executive to give an urgent update into the long-awaited water fountain at this location?”

Reply:

The Operations Department were waiting on Irish Water to make the connection to install the water fountain. This connection is now complete.

The foundation for the base has been poured, the concrete needs to cure for a number of days and the contractor will be on site within the next fortnight to install the unit.

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

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ITEM NO. 46

PUBLIC LIGHTING - BALBRIGGAN SKATEPARK - AI108403

Question: Councillor G. Maguire

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide funding in the budget for 2027 for the installation of public lighting at Balbriggan Skate Park?"

Reply:

The Balbriggan Skate Park was installed for use during daylight hours in line with the Parks byelaws.

The only lighting that is considered for installation in parks like Mill Pond Park is standard public lighting along footpaths. The lighting requirements for after-hours sports type recreational activities requires sports grade lighting.

Regular pedestrian-grade lighting would not be sufficient for after-hours active recreations usage and Sports Grade Lighting is only provided on the Council's all-weather sports facilities. Sports Grade lighting would also be subject to planning regulations and would require planning permission. Any Sports Grade lighting under planning conditions requires a 10pm curfew for switch off. These facilities are always managed and supervised to ensure they are vacated by 10pm and that the lighting is switched off at that time.

The Council has sought advice from its insurance section through its insurer IPB who have also confirmed that provision of lighting of public skate parks for use after daylight hours is not permitted.

Therefore, the Council will not be providing lighting at the Balbriggan Skate Park, due to both Planning and Insurance implications that arise with the proposed installation.

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

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ITEM NO. 47

THE BURROW, PORTRANE - FOOTPATH EXTENSION - AI108408

Question: Councillor P. Mulville

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to extending the footpath further down the Burrow, Portrane, from where it currently ends, in the interests of improving pedestrian safety?”

Reply:

To extend the footpath further along the Burrow, Portrane could create other issues, particularly with some house levels being lower or at level with the existing carriageway also narrowing the space available within the existing roadway would made it difficult to management both vehicular traffic and pedestrian movements.

To improve safety concerns, edge of road yellow line markings can be installed which should help define the edge of the road for vehicles.

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

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ITEM NO. 48

Turvey Avenue - New Pedestrian Lights - Donabate - AI108409

Question: Councillor P. Mulville

“To ask the Chief Executive the reason for the delay with the new pedestrian lights on Turvey Avenue, Donabate, being switched on, and when they can be made operational?”

Reply:

An application for a connection has been made to ESB Networks. The Operations Department are awaiting on an update from ESB in relation to a connection date.

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

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ITEM NO. 49

GLASLINN SAFE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING - DONABATE - AI108411

Question: Councillor P. Mulville

“To ask the Chief Executive the current position regarding a safe pedestrian crossing at Glaslinn estate, on the Portrane Road, Donabate, to serve the schools and community centre, in particular given the opening of the new library at Ballisk House which is leading to an great increase in children crossing the road?”

Reply:

The specified location is currently served by a raised uncontrolled pedestrian crossing which was installed as part of the 2025 Programme of Works. On both sides, adjacent to the uncontrolled pedestrian crossing, the layout includes warning signage and speed ramps. This infrastructure was included at the location to improve pedestrian safety and provide additional traffic calming measures.

The requested location has been included in the list of locations under ongoing monitoring and will continue to be assessed for potential improvements as part of future Programme of Works.

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

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ITEM NO. 50

PROVISION OF LIFEGUARDS - DONABATE - AI108412

Question: Councillor P. Mulville

“To ask the Chief Executive if there is a Summer lifeguard plan in place for the Donabate Portrane area, taking into account the increasing number of swimmers and beach users?”

Reply:

The Lifeguard Service is recruited each year by the People, Corporate & Digital Services Department to work during the official bathing season. The 2026 season will run from Saturday the 30th of May until Sunday the 30th of August. Blue Flag beaches will also be manned the first two weekends of September. Lifeguard employment is contingent on the candidate being deemed suitable at interview, successfully passing the beach lifeguard test, holding a valid beach lifeguard certificate and passing Garda vetting.

To open all stations requires a minimum of 28-30 available lifeguards. There can be situations on a particular day where fewer lifeguards are available and in these circumstances some of the quieter lifeguard stations would not be opened. There are some beaches that take priority when not all lifeguard stations can be opened, these are either Blue Flag beaches or beaches that are deemed as higher risk. A lifeguard station requires a minimum of two lifeguards to open and so in rare cases where one lifeguard is unable to attend work on a rostered day it may be

necessary to redeploy the working lifeguard and not open a particular lifeguard station. Up to date information on which lifeguard stations are open is always communicated on the Fingal County Council website and social media.

For the 2026 season 63 candidates were called for interview with 52 being successful at interview and progressing to the beach lifeguard test. The beach lifeguard test took place on the 9th of May 2026. Candidates who successfully pass the beach lifeguard test and Garda Vetting will then be invited to the induction day which is scheduled for the 22nd of May 2026. As the process is still underway, the number of lifeguards to be employed for the upcoming season cannot be determined at this time. It is only on the induction day when contracts are signed that the number of lifeguards can be confirmed.

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

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ITEM NO. 51

PROVISION OF PUBLIC TOILETS - Donabate - AI108414

Question: Councillor P. Mulville

“To ask the Chief Executive when new public toilets will be provided at Donabate beach as the current ones are long unfit for purpose?”

Reply:

Three new Eco-Toilets, including an accessible toilet unit are scheduled for installation at Donabate Beach Car Park and will be insitu in the coming weeks for the Summer season.

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

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ITEM NO. 52

ECO-TOILETS AT PORTRANE - COASTAL FLOOD RISK ANALYSIS - AI108415

Question: Councillor P. Mulville

“To ask the Chief Executive if a coastal flood risk analysis has been carried out before deciding on a location for the Eco-toilets at Portrane beach?”

Reply:

The Operations Department have not carried out any coastal flood risk analysis of the area. The area is not prone to flooding and there is rock armour in place on the beach to prevent erosion at this location. The Operations Department is adopting a like for like replacement approach. The current temporary toilets will be decommissioned and moved offsite with three new modular, self-contained Eco toilets being moved onsite, including an accessible toilet unit. The area where the toilets will be situated also fall outside the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment Zones A & B

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

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ITEM NO. 53

REINSTATEMENT OF LITTER BIN - DONABATE - AI108416

Question: Councillor P. Mulville

“To ask the Chief Executive if the bin near the GP surgery on Donabate Main Street can please be re-instated?”

Reply:

There are currently public bins situated both 20 metres to the right and 30 metres to the left of this premises.

It is deemed that the current provision is adequate and there is no requirement for any further bins at this location at this time, we have not observed any increase in littering in the area.

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

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ITEM NO. 54

OUTDOOR TABLE-TENNIS AND CHESS FACILITIES - AI108417

Question: Councillor P. Mulville

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for future plans for provision of outdoor table tennis and chess facilities along the Area Committee’s coastline and in public parks?”

Reply:

The Operations Department is currently liaising with community groups on an ongoing basis in the Local Electoral Area regarding proposals for the installation of both table tennis tables and chess tables in suitable public realm locations.

In 2024 two chess tables plus a table tennis table were installed in Skerries Mills Park. In 2025 a total of four chess tables were installed in Rush and Lusk and two chess tables and two teqball tables in Holywell Park.

In 2026 further areas have been identified for the provision of chess tables, table tennis and teqball. The extreme coastal locations are not particularly suitable for table tennis tables due to wind hindrance to play, unless the location is sheltered from the wind.

Source of Reply: Sara Brady, Executive Parks and Landscape Officer, Operations Department

Shane Sutton, Executive Parks and Landscape Officer, Operations Department

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ITEM NO. 55

CLEAN UP OF KNOCKSEDAN BRIDGE - AI108410

Question: Councillor D. Kelly

“To ask the Chief Executive to please arrange a clean-up of Knocksedan bridge, which has deteriorated over the winter months?”

Reply:

The vegetation will be removed from the bridge in the autumn outside of bird nesting season.

Source of Reply: Mr. S Coyle, Executive Engineer, Operations Department.

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ITEM NO. 56

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

A presentation will be given to the committee.

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Proposed Traffic Calming Schemes Balbriggan/ Rush- Lusk/Swords Operational- Public Consultation Report

14th May 2026



Proposed Traffic Calming Schemes

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. – 8 No. Round Top Traffic Calming Ramps.

Old Market Green, Balbriggan – 1 No. Raised Zebra Crossing & 1 No. Raised Uncontrolled Pedestrian Crossing.

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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 treatment, Kerbing & Road Markings.

Jugback Lane, Swords, Co. Dublin. – 1 No. Raised Uncontrolled Pedestrian Crossing.

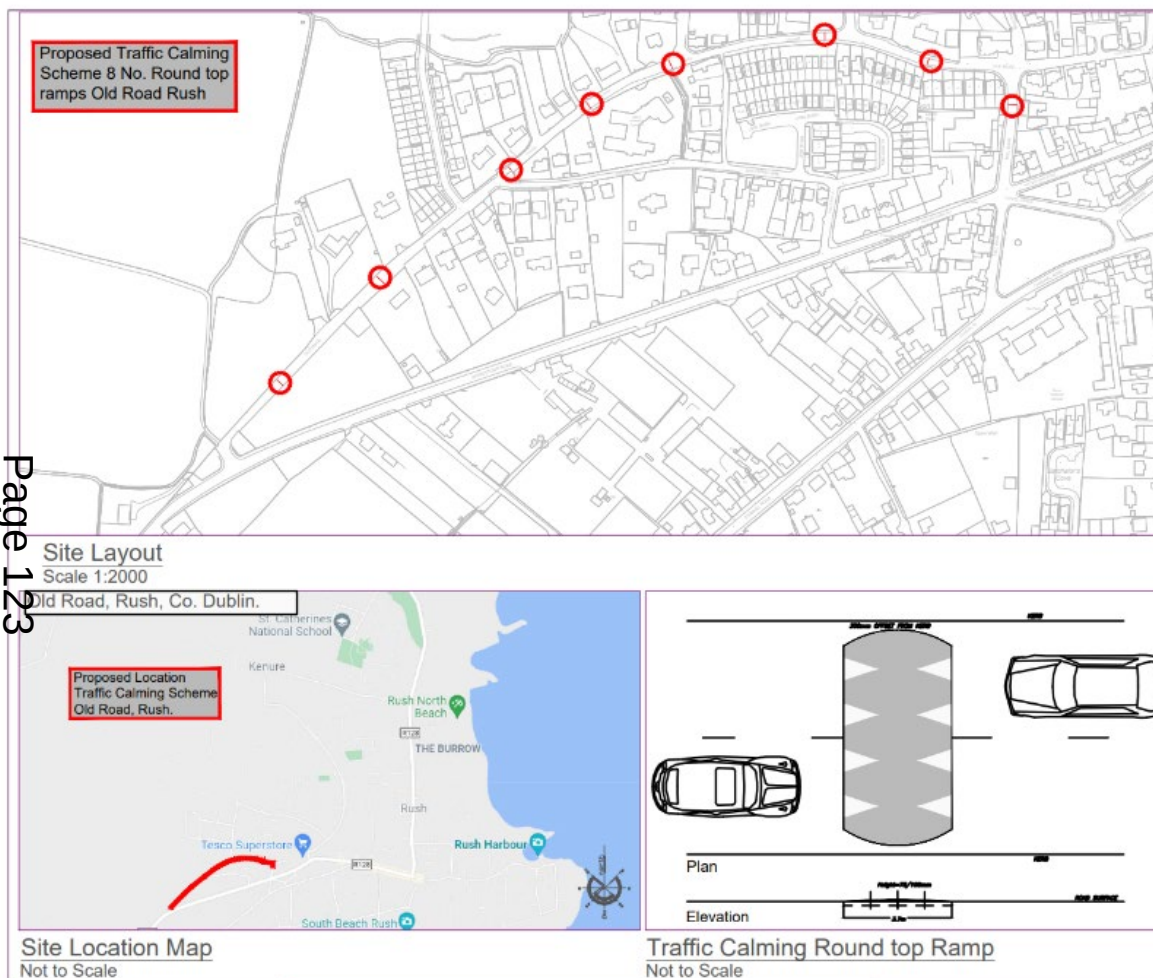
Published on Wednesday 18th March 2026, inviting observations and submissions.

A total of 5 submissions were received.

Traffic Calming Scheme-Old Road Rush Update

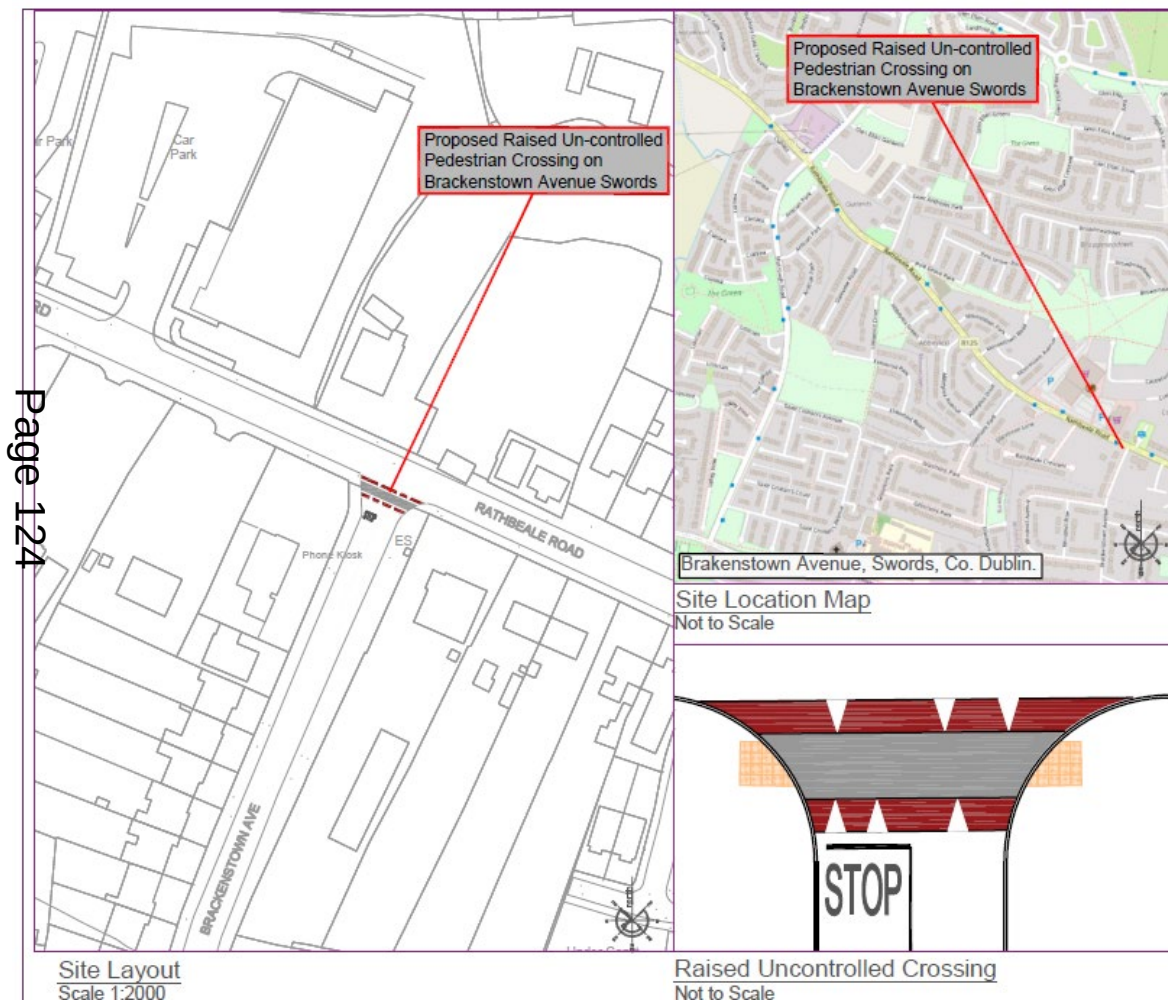


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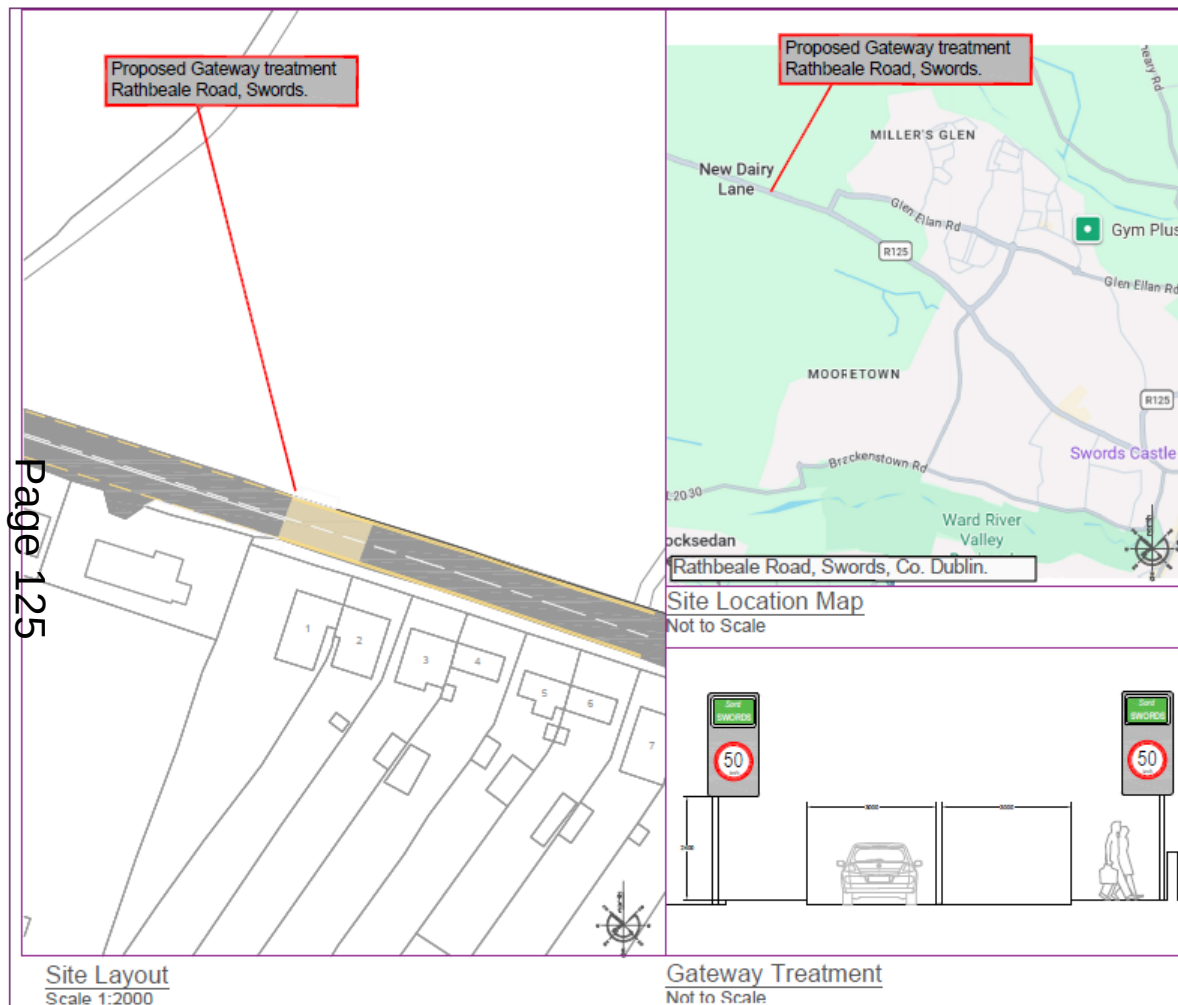
Old Road, Rush, Co. Dublin. – 8 No. Round Top Traffic Calming Ramps.

Traffic Calming Scheme - Brackenstown Avenue, Swords



Brackenstown Avenue, Swords, Co. Dublin. –
1 No. Raised Uncontrolled Pedestrian Crossing.

Traffic Calming Scheme-Rathbeale Road, Swords



Rathbeale Road, Swords, Co. Dublin. –
Gateway treatment, Kerbing & Road Markings



It is recommended that the proposed Traffic Calming Schemes be approved

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MOTION NO. 57

SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS ON CHURCH ROAD - SWORDS AI108234

Motion: Councillor L. Corkery

“That the Chief Executive arranges a site meeting with residents of Church Road, Swords with a view to installing a series of safety improvements on this road, including more speed ramps, clear speed limit signs and a physical height restriction barrier, as this is a one-way minor road that was not designed for the volume of traffic that uses it.”

Report:

The Operations Department carried out a site inspection and automated traffic count at the location in question.

Speeding:

The existing speed limit along section of Church Road is 30 km/h.

A speed survey was carried out on Church Road, Swords between 20/03/2026 to 26/03/2026. The data from the speed survey is as follows.

- Total two-way traffic is 4,155 vehicles with an average of 594 vehicles per day over the duration of the survey.

- 85th Percentile speed was 32.4 km/h and average speed was recorded was 26.5 km/h.

Given the results of the speed survey there is no indication of excessive speeding at this location. Any issues of speeding should be reported to An Garda Síochána.

Line Marking and Signage:

There is sufficient line marking and signage along this section of Church Road e.g. Double Yellow Lines, SLOW markings, Speed Limit Signage, School Ahead Signage etc.

Due to the existing road and footpath widths, there is little to no scope for the installation of further signage.

The Operations Department will assess however if the installation of 30 km/h roundels on the road surface would be feasible at this location.

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

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MOTION NO. 58

CONDITION ASSESSMENT - SEATOWN VILLAS - SWORDS - AI107170

Motion: Councillor D. Kelly

“That the Chief Executive carry out an assessment on the oldest estate in Swords, namely Seatown Villas, in relation to the provision of new roads and pathways.”

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

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MOTION NO. 59

TRAFFIC BUILD UP ON L2300 - SWORDS - AI107706

Motion: Councillor J. Newman

“That the Chief Executive ask the relevant department to carry out an assessment and provide a report on what action can be taken to resolve the traffic build up on the L2300 between Forrest Road and the R132 as there is traffic build-up in the early morning and late afternoon into the evening.”

Report:

The Operations Department carried out a review of the L2300 between Forrest Road and the R132. The traffic build-up experienced in the morning and afternoon is due to peak-period demand exceeding the available road capacity. This results in temporary congestion typical of commuter routes during these hours, with normal traffic conditions returning outside peak times.

The two junctions along the L2300 currently operate under MOVA.

The Operations Department will review the signal timings to ensure the lights are operating at the most efficient rate.

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

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MOTION NO. 60

AMENITIES FOR OLDER CHILDREN - HOLYWELL, SWORDS - AI107901

Motion: Councillor J. Smyth

“That the Chief Executive provides additional amenities to the North Holywell Community, through the provision of a MUGA and/or pump track adjacent to the current playground, while maintaining ample green space for ball games.”

Report:

The construction of a half MUGA area is planned to commence in June 2026 on the Open space of Holywell Drive. The area Operations team recently met with the appointed contractor to agree layout which retains as much kick-about and recreation grass area as possible. The location selected for the Half MUGA will require additional tar pathways to be installed and will allow for the potential future extension of the area to a full MUGA.

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

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MOTION NO. 61

BUS SHELTER AT NORTHCLIFFE HEIGHTS - SKERRIES - AI108279

Motion: Councillor B. Ryan

“That the Chief Executive arranges for the provision of a bus shelter at Stop Number 3815 at Northcliffe Heights/Mourne View in Skerries, as part of the Bus Stop Enhancement Programme.”

Report:

Bus Stop 3815 has been included on the National Transport Authority's (NTA) Shortlist under the Bus Stop Enhancement Programme (BSEP) for the provision of a bus shelter.

It should be noted, however, that the Council's role, under the BSEP, in relation to bus shelters is limited to undertaking the necessary civil engineering works in advance of installation by the NTA's appointed supplier. Notwithstanding this, bus shelters do require planning permission to be applied for by the shelter supplier on behalf of the NTA.

As the Council is not involved in the procurement, supply chain, or submitting a planning application for the shelter, a definitive timeline for delivery cannot be confirmed at this stage.

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

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MOTION NO. 62

COASTAL EROSION MITIGATION MEASURES - BALBRIGGAN BEACHFRONT - AI108370

Motion: Councillor T. Murphy

“That the Chief Executive engage a suitably qualified Consultant to assess and report on the cost of appropriate coastal erosion mitigation measures at the northern end of Balbriggan beachfront.”

Report:

The Report of the Inter-Departmental Group on the National Coastal Change Management Strategy was prepared jointly by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage and the Office of Public Works (OPW) and was published in October 2023.

The report recommended that the OPW be designated as the lead body for co-ordinating the monitoring of physical coastal change, to include the gathering, collation, mapping and analysis of geo-spatial and other relevant datasets and takes the lead role for coastal erosion monitoring and funding for associated protection works.

The OPW has a national Coastal Change Monitoring Programme which is focusing on the Coastal Erosion hazard areas. This was preceded by a Pilot Coastal Monitoring Survey Programme which identified monitoring areas for annual

surveys. The OPW is also working on the development of Policies and Standard for National Coastal Monitoring.

The OPW is establishing and maintaining a national Past Coastal Defence Asset Database (PCED) of relevant regional and local coastal infrastructure for the coast of Ireland, which will capture all coastal defences, both natural and human-made, at a scale suitable for use in the assessment of hazard and risk associated with coastal change, including their location, purpose, physical dimensions and condition. All Local Authorities have recently been granted access to this database to report coastal erosion.

The PCED allows coastal Local Authorities (and will eventually allow members of the public and any other interested parties) to report coastal erosion quickly and easily to the OPW, building a centralised body of local knowledge to support the management of coastal change.

Reports received by the OPW will help identify locations at potentially significant risk, inform and verify any predictions of future coastal change, and assist in targeting coastal survey and monitoring programmes. The database has been set up in a way that ensures the OPW and Local Authorities have easy access to all coastal erosion being reported in their locality, and the OPW can produce a summary of reports of coastal erosion received (e.g. on an annual basis).

This location has already been logged on the PCED database and in addition Fingal County Council will formally write to the OPW to bring this location again to their attention for inclusion in their monitoring programme. The monitoring programme will inform the response to the coastal change at this location.

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

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MOTION NO. 63

REPLACEMENT BIN IN GLASMORE PARK - SWORDS - AI108382

Motion: Councillor D. Butler

“That the Chief Executive replaces the bin in Glasmore Park that was removed from outside Howard's Shop.”

Report:

The Council currently services 335 litter bins in the LEA which are emptied on a daily basis.

The bin in question in Glasmore, Swords was outside “Howards” shop, which has now closed and the Area Inspector has advised that there has been no noted increase in littering in the area since the bin was removed.

It is generally the Council’s practice not to provide litter bins in housing estates and residents have a personal responsibility with regard to the disposal of their litter in a responsible manner which is generally understood.

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

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MOTION NO. 64

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AT BEACHES IN THIS LEA - AI108418

Motion: Councillor P. Mulville

“That the Chief Executive report on plans for traffic management at beaches and coastline in this Committee’s area in advance of the busy summertime season.”

Report:

Traffic management plans (TMP) are put in place for known events such as construction projects or events such as the Swords 10k run or Malahide Concerts for example. TMPs must be in accordance with Chapter 8 under the Traffic Signs Manual. For certain TMPs, temporary road closures are required to aid or complement a TMP. A separate process is outlined for this under section 75 of the Roads Traffic Act 1993 to temporarily close a road. Public consultation is required to carry out for temporary road closures.

It is not feasible to have static traffic management plans for beaches or coastal areas in this LEA. This is due to several factors such as:

- Feasibility of planning a TMP in advance
- Weather
- Estimated number of attendees

- Access
- Resources

An Garda Síochána have separate powers to respond to dynamic traffic scenarios and address illegal parking.

Accordingly, based on the reasons outlined above, the Operations Department are unable to provide traffic management plans for all beaches and coastal areas in this LEA.

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

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MOTION NO. 65

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT - FORREST ROAD - SWORDS - AI107257

Motion: Councillor D. Kelly

“That the Chief Executive arrange a survey of the current traffic model on Forrest Road and provide a new Traffic Management Plan for the future.”

Report:

The junction of Forest Road/Main Street, Swords is a signalised T-Junction. This junction is controlled under a Vehicle Actuated controller unit.

The signal timings have been reviewed and are optimised to ensure the junction is performing as efficiently as possible. There are plans in the short term to upgrade the junction to a MOVA controlled junction as part of a future Programme of Works scheme. The timing of these works is dependent on the project schedule for the Main Street upgrade.

In addition, it will be assessed if demand cancellation technology (kerbside detectors) could be added to the pedestrian crossings to improve junction throughput. If this is feasible this will be included as part of the future Programme of Works.

In the medium term the junction is earmarked to be included as part of the FCC's urban traffic control network which will be controlled via the Split Cycle and Offset Optimised Technique (SCOOT).

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

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MOTION NO. 66

TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURE IN RIVERVALLEY DRIVE - SWORDS - AI107707

Motion: Councillor J. Newman

“That the Chief Executive give consideration for traffic calming measures in Rivervalley Drive in Swords to encourage motorists to slow down at this location.”

Report:

A site visit has been carried out by the Operations Department. Based on the site visit, the following traffic calming measures were identified:

- At the entrance in the estate, currently there is an uncontrolled raised pedestrian crossing, junction tightening and high visibility flexible bollards.
- There are appropriate line markings and signage installed in the estate.
- The location also has passive traffic calming measures, implemented to naturally reduce vehicle speeds by altering the road's users perceived environment.
- The road has 30 km/h speed limit and Warning Signage (W 141) installed highlighting the presence of cyclists, to protect the vulnerable road users.
- The layout includes double yellow lines at the existing bend, to prevent obstructive parking and maintain clear sightlines.

Rivervalley Drive is not a through road, so it is not used as a short cut for commuting motorists.

The rules of the road apply to road users to drive at the appropriate speed giving due care to the prevailing road conditions and other road users.

Any issues of speeding and dangerous driving are enforcement issues and should be managed by An Garda Síochána.

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

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MOTION NO. 67

SAFE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING - HOLYWELL NORTH - SWORDS - AI107902

Motion: Councillor J. Smyth

“That the Chief Executive give consideration to the construction of a safe pedestrian crossing, between the current opening from Holywell Drive green space across the Holywell Distributor Road, in a future Programme of Works.”

Report:

The Operations department carried out a site inspection of the area in question. The following pedestrian infrastructure was noted during the visit.

- One Zebra crossing and one controlled pedestrian crossing at L2067-1 / L2067-2 roundabout.
- One Zebra crossing and one controlled pedestrian crossing at L2067-15 / L2067-13 roundabout.

At present, due to the aforementioned existing pedestrian infrastructure there is insufficient demand for a new controlled crossing.

Currently, a pedestrian crossing would not be considered at this location because:

- Approx 150m away from the proposed location, there is existing controlled crossings near Tesco Store roundabout.

- Further assessment will be carried out to determine if a controlled crossing would be suitable in future. If deemed appropriate will be included in the future Programme of works.

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

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MOTION NO. 68

REINSTATEMENT OF HGV RESTRICTION ON MOYLARAGH ROAD - BALBRIGGAN – AI108394

Motion: Councillor B. Ryan

“That the Chief Executive arrange for the reinstatement of the Heavy Goods Vehicle (HGV) restriction on Moylaragh Road in Balbriggan.”

Report:

A Traffic Survey was conducted on Moylaragh Road, Balbriggan, over the course of one week between 09/11/2024 and 15/11/2024. The survey results indicated the following key findings:

The 85th percentile speed recorded was 30.2 km/h, whilst posted speed limit was 50km/h. Speeding was not highlighted as an issue.

The speed limit on Moylaragh Road has been changed from 50 km/h to 30km/h via a special speed limit bye law.

Heavy Goods Vehicles (HGVs) and buses account for approximately 2% of the total traffic volume on this road.

Based on these findings, the request to impose a vehicle weight restriction has not been granted. The low proportion of heavy vehicles does not suggest an

excessive volume of HGV traffic, and their presence is essential for deliveries and public transportation. Implementing a restriction could negatively impact residents and local businesses who rely on these services.

Additionally, the low recorded speeds suggest that the current road conditions do not pose safety concerns related to speeding that would warrant such a restriction.

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