

COMHAIRLE CONTAE FHINE GALL FINGAL COUNTY COUNCIL

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Swords
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Tuesday, 5th May 2026

**To Each Member of the
Public Realm, Transportation/Mobility Management SPC
Strategic Policy Committee**

Dear Member

A meeting of the **Public Realm, Transportation/Mobility Management SPC Strategic Policy Committee** will be held **Hybrid** in the **Conference Room 3A6 in County Hall, Swords/MS Teams** at **4.30 pm** on **Tuesday, 2nd June, 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 the Public Realm,
Transportation/Mobility Management Strategic Policy Committee
Meeting held on Tuesday the 3rd of March 2026**
- 2 Beach/Foreshore Bye-laws Review**

Comhairle Contae Fine Gall Fingal County Council

Minutes of Public Realm, Transportation/Mobility Management SPC Strategic
Policy Committee

Tuesday, 3rd March, 2026

PRESENT

Johnston, Corina
Hopkins, Joan
Kelly, Darren Jack

Quinlan, Patrick
Quinn, Malachy

Lenehan, Michael (PPN)

The Committee Chairperson, Councillor Darragh Butler, presided.

OFFICIALS PRESENT

Mary T Daly (Director of Operations), Vanessa Carey (Senior Executive Officer, Operations), Aine Donlan Kavanagh (Senior Executive Officer, Operations), James Culhane (Senior Executive Engineer, Operations), Tim Hanway (Administrative Officer, Operations), Deirdre Sinclair (Administrative Officer, Operations), Megan Devaney (Senior Staff Officer, Operations), Conor Sheehan (Staff Officer, Operations).

TSPC/50/26 (Agenda Item No 1)

**Confirmation and Re-Affirmation of Minutes of the Public Realm,
Transportation/Mobility Management Strategic Policy Committee Meeting
held on Tuesday the 9th of December 2025**

It was proposed by Councillor M. Quinn and seconded by Councillor D. Butler
and **RESOLVED:**

“That the recommendations contained in the Minutes of the Public Realm,
Transportation/Mobility Management SPC Meeting held on the 9th December
2025 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED**”

TSPC/51/26 (Agenda Item No 2)

National Speed Limit Review - Phase 2 - Urban Areas

A presentation was given to the Committee by James Culhane, Senior Executive Engineer, providing an update on the National Speed Limit Review - Phase 2 - Urban Areas

Following discussion and questions the Committee **NOTED** the presentation.

TSPC/52/26 (Agenda Item No 3)

M. Lenehan - Visibility and Prioritisation of Footpath Remediation Works in Fingal

The Motion in the name of Michael Lenehan was proposed by Michael Lenehan and seconded by Councillor D. Butler.

Motion:

"That the Chief Executive develops and adopts a policy to provide the public with clear and accessible information regarding planned footpath remediation works throughout the County."

Report:

The Operations Department presents its proposed Annual Programme of Works for consideration by the elected members at their respective Area Committee Meetings at the start of every year. This includes planned footpath remediation works. The extent of the Programme is determined by the allocation of funding made by the members at the Council's Annual Budget Meeting, as well as by that which can reasonably be achieved by the staff resources available.

The 2026 Programme of Works will be brought to each respective Area Committee in January 2026 for approval by Elected Members.

Alongside the Annual planned Programme of Works, unplanned minor works are also carried out on an ad hoc and emergency basis within budgetary constraints as part of the respective Area Engineers' General Maintenance Programme.

When footpath works are due commence, the Elected Members for the affected location are notified and public notices are also issued on the Council's social media channels.

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

The Meeting concluded at 17:15.

CHAIRPERSON

DATED

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**COMHAIRLE CONTAE FHINE GALL
FINGAL COUNTY COUNCIL**

**MEETING OF PUBLIC REALM, TRANSPORTATION/MOBILITY
MANAGEMENT STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

TUESDAY 02ND JUNE 2026

ITEM NO. 02

BEACH/FORESHORE BYE-LAWS REVIEW

A presentation will be given to the Committee.

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Review of Fingal County Council Beach & Foreshore Bye-Laws 2006

Public Realm, Transportation/Mobility Management Strategic Policy Committee Meeting

2nd June 2026

Fingal County Council Statutory Powers to make Bye-Laws



- Fingal County Council in exercise of the power conferred on the Council by Part VII of the Local Government Act, 1994 and in the interest of the common good of the local community make the Bye-Laws governing beach and foreshore in the County of Fingal for the purpose of regulating the use of the beach/foreshore adjoining the functional area of the County of Fingal.

Why Review the Beach Bye-Laws



- The current beach Bye-Laws were adopted on the 13th February 2006, came into force on the 15th of March 2006 and are in need of updating and review.
- To update terminology and rules to align with modern practices and technological change.
- To consider community feedback/complaints received
- To resolve any ambiguities and update provisions.
- To address any new issues that have arisen.
- To align the Bye-Laws with some of the Council's newer plans and policies e.g. Fingal Climate Action Plan 2024, the Fingal County Outdoor Recreation Plan and the Biodiversity Action Plan.

Proposed Amendments to Beach Bye-Laws



- More stringent rules around animal control
- Ban on inflatable toys
- Regulation of use of Drones
- Regulation of use of Motor/Electric Vehicles
- Ban on BBQ's
- Beach habitat protection
- Ban on metal detectors
- The capacity to designate smoke/vape free areas
- Regulation of campervans at beaches and the surrounding areas, including carparks
- Clarity on sports training on beaches
- Change to Fixed Penalty Amount

Proposed Timelines for Review



June 2026

Presentation of proposed amendments and indicative timelines for the review of the Fingal County Council Beach/Foreshore Bye-Laws to the Public Realm, Transportation/ Mobility Management Strategic Policy Committee



Proposed Timelines for Review



June 2026

Consultation with
Elected Representatives
on Beach/Foreshore
Bye-Laws 2026



Proposed Timelines for Review



July & August 2026



Public Consultation (8 Weeks)

Proposed Timelines for Review



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October Council Meeting:



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October 2026

Report to Council on Public
Consultation and presentation of
Draft Bye-Laws 2026 for adoption

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Any Questions?