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

Dear Councillor

A meeting of the **Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area Committee (Services A - Operational Matters)** will be held Hybrid in the **Council Chamber - County Hall, Swords/MS Teams on conclusion of the Services B meeting on Thursday, 9th October, 2025** to consider the following Agenda.

Yours faithfully

**Ciara O hAodha
Meetings Administrator
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A G E N D A

- 1 **Confirmation and Re-affirmation of the Minutes of Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area Committee (Services A - Operational Matters) Meeting held on Thursday the 11th of September 2025**

QUESTIONS

- 2 **Councillor M. Boland - Hidden Disability Parking Spaces in this LEA - AI103988**

“To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on the scope for the introduction of a pilot scheme, similar to that being trialled in other Local Authorities, that promote autism friendly/hidden disability parking spaces in car parks in this Local Electoral Area such as Ardgillan Castle?”

- 3 **Councillor M. Boland - Reinstatements following Road Openings - AI103991**

“To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on the steps being taken by the Clerk of Works and/or the Area Engineer to ensure that utility companies and developers reinstate sections of roads and footpaths that have been dug up on the foot of Road Opening Licences in the Rush and Lusk area over the last year and if sanctions can be applied to repeat offenders?”

- 4 **Councillor M. Boland - Provision of Cats Eyes from Reynoldstown Crossroads to Naul Village - AI104565**

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of cats eyes from Reynoldstown Crossroads to Naul Village as part of the 2026 Programme of Works to complete the stretch of cats eyes which run from the motorway to the Naul to improve road safety conditions along this stretch of road?”

- 5 **Councillor M. Boland - Re-Painting of Road Markings - Hedgestown School, Jordanstown, Lusk - AI104566**

“To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to repaint the line markings outside Hedgestown School, Jordanstown, along with the cutting back of foliage at the stop signs?”

6 Councillor M. Boland - Solutions to Dangerous Crossroads - Palmer Avenue, Rush - AI104567

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for an interim solution, such as painting a "yellow box" at the junction at the crossroads at Palmer Avenue, Rush or an alternate form of road marking that makes this junction more visible to drivers and encourages them to slow down, due to the high rate of accidents that occur at this location?"

7 Councillor M. Boland - Parking Space Removal - Rush Main Street - AI104568

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the removal of the two parking bays located outside Walsh's pub on Upper Main Street in Rush as they are causing traffic disruption especially since the introduction of the new junction into Ormond Avenue?"

8 Councillor P. Mulville - Resurfacing - Turvey Avenue, Donabate - AI104048

"To ask the Chief Executive, in commending the resurfacing recently completed along Turvey Avenue, to provide an update as to when the remaining section of Turvey Avenue will be resurfaced?"

9 Councillor P. Mulville - Re-Painting of Temporary Public Toilets - Portrane Green, Portrane - AI104050

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the relevant contractor to be requested to freshen up and repaint the temporary public toilets at Portrane Green as they are in need of attention?"

10 Councillor P. Mulville - Road Surface Repairs - Dun Emer, Lusk - AI104052

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the road surface at the second entrance into Dun Emer Estate off Minister's Road in Lusk to be repaired as it is in a poor condition (see photo attached)?"

11 Councillor P. Mulville - Improvements to Balheary Skate Park - Swords - AI104056

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise if there are plans to improve and enhance the play area at Balheary Park in Swords, for example the removal of the outdated fencing around the skate park, the addition of some play/sports equipment nearby, so that different age ranges are in close proximity and the provision of some seating?"

12 Councillor P. Mulville - Upgrade of Footpaths - Donabate - AI104401

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to a public realm upgrade of footpaths in Donabate?"

13 Councillor P. Mulville - Provision of Double Yellow Lines - Oaklands Avenue, Swords - AI104594

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to installing double yellow lines at the stretch of road along Oaklands Avenue in Swords, given the ongoing dangerous and illegal parking taking place and given the clearly demonstrated appetite for parking controls as the stretch is constantly lined with traffic cones?"

14 Councillor P. Mulville - Improvements to Potholes/Dips in the Road - Lusk Town Centre - AI104595

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the improvement of potholes/dips in the road alongside the footpath from Lusk Town Centre to the railway station, as when it rains, they fill with water and the path becomes almost impassable, soaking commuters on the way to work?"

15 Councillor P. Mulville - Repair of Potholes - Minister's Road/Treen Hill - AI104596

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the repair of potholes adjacent to the footpath along Minister's Road, Lusk, near the turn at Treen Hill?"

16 Councillor C. Johnston - Extending and Upgrading Footpath - Naul Village - AI104438

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to include the upgrading and extension of the footpath from the cottages at the

eastern point of the RV Zone in Naul Village on the north side of the R122 to extend around the corner to meet the path at Delvin Banks in next year's Programme of Works?"

17 Councillor C. Johnston - Provision of Pedestrian Crossing - Naul - AI104525

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to include the provision of an uncontrolled pedestrian crossing on the R122 between the Naul Village Park site and the Naul graveyard in next year's Programme of Works, as a flat-topped ramp was previously proposed at this location but was omitted from the Naul Traffic Calming Scheme 2025, given the need for a safe pedestrian access to Naul graveyard?"

18 Councillor C. Johnston - Provision of Pedestrian Crossing - New Road, Donabate - AI104527

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of a pedestrian crossing on the New Road, Donabate in the vicinity of the Strand Estate in next year's Programme of Works, given that construction is underway for 2,500 housing units which will have vehicular access onto this road and with an increase in vehicular traffic pedestrians will be impacted trying to cross this busy road?"

19 Councillor C. Johnston - Provision of Road Markings - Clonard/Balscadden Junction - AI104529

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the provision of road markings at the Clonard/Balscadden junction as a priority, given the poor visibility at this junction which is a safety concern for motorists?"

20 Councillor C. Johnston - Upgrade of Donabate Beach Car Park - AI104530

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to include the necessary finance in the Capital Plan for the upgrading of the Donabate Beach car park which is in poor condition?"

21 Councillor C. Johnston - Refurbishment of Donabate and Portrane Public Toilets - AI104532

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide a progress report on the refurbishment of the Donabate and Portrane public toilets and to include a timeline for the refurbishment works to commence and be

completed?"

22 Councillor C. Johnston - Provision of Beach Swim Shelter and Shower Facilities - The Brook, Portrane - AI104535

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to include the necessary finance in next year's Programme of Works for the provision of a beach swim shelter and shower unit at The Brook Beach in Portrane?"

23 Councillor C. Johnston - Resurfacing of Beach Lane, Portrane - AI104547

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to include the necessary finance in next year's Programme of Works for the resurfacing of the section of Beach Lane Road from (details supplied) around the left turn to (details supplied) given the uneven surface and gaps along the side of the carriageway?"

24 Councillor M. Quinn - Re-painting of Yellow Boxes in Balbriggan - AI104487

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the repainting of the yellow boxes at the junctions of Station Street with Drogheda Street, Mill Street with Clonard Street and Convent Lane with Drogheda Street?"

25 Councillor M. Quinn - Traffic Assessment at Hamilton Road, Balbriggan - AI104488

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to conduct a traffic assessment of Dublin Street (Church) roundabout, Balbriggan between 8.00 am and 9.00 am to improve the traffic flow in this area during the morning?"

26 Councillor M. Quinn - Resurfacing of High Street, Balbriggan - AI104489

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to make provision for the resurfacing of High Street in Balbriggan following the completion of the Quay Street project by including it in a future Programme of Works?"

27 Councillor J. Smyth - Bonfire Diversion Projects in this LEA - AI104496

"To ask the Chief Executive to outline any bonfire diversion projects which have been trialled in this Local Electoral Area and to detail the outcomes of these?"

28 Councillor J. Smyth - Road Safety Assessment - Jugback Terrace, Swords - AI104497

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise when the most recent road safety assessment was carried out in relation to Jugback Terrace adjacent to Gym Plus and to outline the findings of same?"

29 Councillor J. Smyth - Measures to deal with Unsafe Parking - Rathbeale Court, Swords - AI104498

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to assess and implement appropriate measures to deal with unsafe parking practices in Rathbeale Court, Swords?"

30 Councillor J. Smyth - Update on Holywell Community Garden - AI104501

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on the progress of the Holywell Community Garden?"

31 Councillor D. Kelly - Update on Saint Cronan's Abbey, Swords - AI104507

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on St. Cronan's Abbey, Swords in relation to Motion AI098630 which was raised at the Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area Committee Meeting on 10th October 2024?"

32 Councillor C. Boland - Provision of Bus Shelters in the Rush/Lusk LEA - AI104536

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise if the Council has entered discussions with TFI or other bodies in reaching agreement for the provision of bus shelters and hard stands at rural bus stops in the Rush/Lusk Local Electoral Area and to advise on the current standing of those discussions?"

33 Councillor C. Boland - Installation of Public Light - Knightstown, Lusk - AI104538

"To ask the Chief Executive, in noting safety aspects, to advise when the committed to public light will be commissioned at (details supplied) Knightstown as currently young people are left standing in the dark in the mornings and evenings as this is the pick-up/set down point for school transport?"

34 Councillor C. Boland - Electrical Connection for Christmas Tree Lights - Ballyboughal - AI104578

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise if a permanent electrical connection will be established in Ballyboughal Pocket Parks, as already agreed, to provide a power supply for the annual Christmas tree and to support the Community Council's ongoing building of village spirit?"

35 Councillor B. Ryan - Sale of Used Grave Plots in the Balbriggan LEA - AI104557

"To ask the Chief Executive to advise if any previously used grave plots have been sold in recent years in graveyards in the Balbriggan Local Electoral Area?"

36 Councillor B. Ryan - Footpath Improvements in Skerries Town Park - AI104559

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on plans to improve the footpath network at Skerries Town Park?"

37 Councillor B. Ryan - Emergency Access to Red Island, Skerries - AI104560

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide an update on plans to ensure that emergency services have the means to access Red Island, Skerries, at all times?"

38 Councillor E. Dockrell - Removal of Kissing Gate - The Links Estate/Donabate Village Estate, Donabate - AI104576

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the removal of the kissing gates between The Links Estate and Donabate Village Estate, as the gate is quite restrictive for buggy, bike and wheelchair users and if an alternative, such as the positioning of a bollard, could be installed?"

39 Councillor E. Dockrell - Resurfacing of Harlockstown Lane, Wimbletown, Ballyboughal - AI104579

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to resurface the remainder of Harlockstown Lane?"

40 Councillor E. Dockrell - Safety Inspection - Delvin Banks/R122 - AI104580

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for an inspection to be carried out on a section of the R122, on the bend before the left turn into Delvin Banks and if additional speed signage and other speed reduction measures can be installed to reduce the number of accidents at this location?"

41 Councillor E. Dockrell - Safety Inspection - Prospect Hill, Donabate - AI104582

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for signage to be repositioned at the entrance to Prospect Hill, Donabate to make the entry and exit to this area safer with a clearer sightline, in addition, can consideration be given to carrying out a safety inspection of this exit/entrance into this estate?"

42 Councillor E. Dockrell - Resurfacing of Road - Newtown Lane, Garristown - AI104583

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given for the resurfacing of Newtown Lane in Garristown as a matter of urgency given the current poor state of this road?"

43 Councillor E. Dockrell - Report on Tree Planting in this LEA - AI104587

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on the number of trees planned to be planted by the Council in this Local Electoral Area over the remainder of this Council's term and a breakdown (if possible) of where these trees will be planted?"

44 Councillor J. Humphreys - Re-check for Blue LED Lights - Swords LEA - AI104609

"To ask the Chief Executive if consideration can be given to carrying out a re-check to ensure that all faulty LED streetlights in the Swords

Local Electoral Area have been identified and replaced in the approach to the winter months?"

45 Councillor J. Humphreys - Criteria included in Bus Stop Enhancement Programme - Swords - AI104612

"To ask the Chief Executive to outline the criteria used to prioritise what bus stops in Swords are included in the Bus Stop Enhancement Programme and whether consideration is given to passenger numbers, interchange value and local weather exposure?"

46 Councillor J. Humphreys - Clarification for Planning Applications for Bus Stop Enhancement Programme - AI104613

"To ask the Chief Executive to clarify the process for submitting planning applications for new bus shelters under the Bus Stop Enhancement Programme and whether Dublin Bus or the NTA has responsibility for making these applications?"

**OPERATIONAL
NEW WORKS, ETC.**

47 Draft Fingal County Council Parking Control Bye-Laws 2025

MOTIONS

48 Councillor J. Newman - Parking Issues - Brackenstown Village - AI104462

"That the Chief Executive carry out a comprehensive assessment of the parking problems at the row of houses across from St. Cronan's School and Brackenstown Church, the assessment should take account of the parking issues that have arisen since the introduction of efforts to prevent dangerous parking at this location."

49 Councillor J. Smyth - Measures to Curtail Anti-Social Behaviour Associated with Halloween - Lioscian/Cianlea, Swords - AI104493

"That the Chief Executive ensure urgent repairs are carried out in the coming weeks to a section of fencing between the Lioscian and Cianlea estates which is allowing for illegal dumping/bonfire wood stock piling to occur in the run up to Halloween."

50 Councillor D. Kelly - Installation of Road Studs in this LEA - AI104505

"That the Chief Executive place reflective road studs (cat's eyes) on regional and local roads in this Local Electoral Area, where public lighting is not available, as a safety measure for the public."

51 Councillor P. Mulville - Removal of Vegetation - Naul Graveyard - AI104506

"That the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Operations Department and the Conservation and Heritage Officers, undertake vegetation removal and repointing of the tops of the walls of the ruined chapel in Naul graveyard, as long-established growth may be affecting the structure of the south and east walls."

52 Councillor C. Johnston - Provision of Pedestrian Crossing - Turvey Avenue, Donabate - AI104531

"That the Chief Executive includes the necessary finance in next year's Programme of Works for the provision of a pedestrian crossing on Turvey Avenue, in the vicinity of the junction with The Square, given the difficulties for pedestrians trying to cross this increasingly busy road which will increase when the Aldi store opens before the end of the year."

53 Councillor C. Boland - Road Markings in the Rush/Lusk LEA - AI104581

"That the Chief Executive ensures that the road markings be refreshed, renewed or provided as necessary on the rural road network in the rural area of the Rush/Lusk Local Electoral Area."

54 Councillor E. Dockrell - Completion of Footpath - Dun Emer, Lusk - AI104585

"That the Chief Executive build the unfinished footpath that the Council granted planning permission for prior to 2008 as part of the Master Plan for Dun Emer and that a plan is put in place to continue this footpath to the R132 to ensure that pedestrians who walk this road daily can have safe access to bus services on the R132."

**55 Councillor J. Newman - Cycleway Bollards Maintenance -
Rivervalley, Swords - AI104480**

"That the Chief Executive provide a report on the maintenance, repair and cleaning regime for the bollards on the cycleway in Rivervalley."

**56 Councillor E. Dockrell - Resurfacing of Road - Ballyboughal Village
- AI104590**

"That the Chief Executive prioritise the road resurfacing at Main Street, Ballyboughal Village as part of the 2026 Programme of Works."
