

KILKENNY COUNTY COUNCIL
Comhairle Chontae Chill Chainnigh



Part 8 DISPLAY DOCUMENT
EXPLANATORY BOOKLET

South East Greenway Car Park at Ballyverneen,
Glenmore
July 2020

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1.0 Introduction

This document has been prepared in compliance with Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act 2000-2016 and Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2000-2017.

The background and reason for the scheme in relation to proper planning and sustainable development are set out below and the description of the proposed improvement works associated with this scheme are set out in Section 2.

Brief description of the proposed works: -

The project involves the development of a 29 space car park to facilitate public parking and access to the South East Greenway which connects New Ross to Waterford travelling through rural south Kilkenny. The site for the proposed car park is immediately adjacent to the line of the old railway and future Greenway so direct access on to Greenway from the proposed car park is possible. Access will be from the Local Road L7513 -14 at Ballyverneen, Glenmore.

The proposal put forward provides for the following:-

- Construction of a 29 space car park
- Setting up site boundary fencing and warning signs
- Excavating and removing unsuitable material.
- Installing storm water attenuation tank and petrol interceptor
- Construction of retaining wall using gabions along the road boundary
- Backfilling area
- Laying ducting for lighting
- Laying finished surface including kerbs
- Installing and connecting lighting
- Marking out of car spaces

2.0 Background and reasons for scheme

Kilkenny County Council is about to commence the construction of a 24km Greenway between Waterford and New Ross on the disused railway corridor. This scheme will provide a safe walking and cycling environment for local people and will facilitate cycle tourism in the region. This Part 8

planning process refers to a proposal for a 29 space car park to facilitate public parking and access to this Greenway at Ballyverneen, Glenmore.

The aim of the project can be summarised as follows:

- Provide car parking facilities at a strategic, easily accessible location to provide for public access to the Greenway for local people and visitors
- Safe off-road parking to ensure local roads are not congested with adhoc parking
- Allows an option for local people to complete a shorter cycle or walk on the Greenway rather than having to complete the entire 24km length.
- Access to a high quality facility in accordance with the national cycle standards to encourage cycle tourism in the region as per The TII latest Publication on Rural Cycleway Design.
- Facilitates tourism in the area and supports local commercial enterprises by encouraging locals and tourists alike to cycle and visit the area utilising local access points.
- Improves the connectivity between rural areas in south east Kilkenny and surrounding areas.

Project Benefits

- The proposed works will offer substantial benefits to the local community, local businesses and will increase the potential for tourism in the area.
- The provision of the car parking to access the Greenway will provide a safe facility for people of all ages to walk and cycle safely between Waterford (Ferrybank) and New Ross and shorter loops locally.
- Future connectivity to the Waterford Greenway and Rosslare to Waterford Greenway

3.0 Design Criteria

- The project is designed in accordance with 'Building for Everyone: A Universal Design Approach – Booklet 1 External environment and approach; Building Regulations 2010 Technical Guidance Document M'

And 'Design recommendations for multi-storey and underground car parks (Fourth edition) – IstructE'

Appropriate Assessment Screening

An AA Screening report has been prepared to determine the potential effects, if any, of the proposed scheme on sites with European conservation designations, *i.e.* Natura 2000 sites located near the proposed scheme. This report concluded that the project presents no adverse impacts on the conservation objectives of any site designated under the European Habitats Directive.

4.0 **Funding**

The estimated cost of this car park is €141K. A grant of €8 million has been approved for the purposes of the construction of the Greenway and associated infrastructure of which this proposed car park forms a key part. This grant from the Department of Tourism, Transport and Sport is to be matched with an amount of €5 million by the three Local Authority partners on the project, namely Kilkenny, Wexford and Waterford City and Council Local Authorities

5.0 **Public consultation**

Plans and particulars of the proposed development will be available for inspection from **Friday the 31st of July, 2020 to Friday the 28th of August 2020 inclusive**, on the Consult website : <https://consult.kilkenny.ie/en> , and at the following offices:

Location	Opening Hours
Planning Department, Kilkenny County Council, County Hall, John Street, Kilkenny Phone (056) 7794010	From 9am to 1pm & 2pm to 5pm Monday to Friday (Except Public Holidays)
Ferrybank Area Office, Ferrybank Shopping Centre, Ferrybank, Co. Kilkenny Phone 051 831370	From 9am to 1pm & 2pm to 5pm Monday to Friday (Except Public Holidays)
Wexford County Council New Ross Municipal District Office, Quay Street, The Tholsel, New Ross, Co. Wexford (051) 421 284	From 9am to 1pm & 2pm to 5pm Monday to Friday (Except Public Holidays)

Please note due to current Covid 19 social distancing precautions, access to the above named locations is by appointment only

7.0 **Submissions**

Submissions or observations with respect to the proposed development, dealing with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area in which the development will be carried out, may be made

- online at <https://consult.kilkenny.ie/en> or
- in writing to the Planning Department, County Hall, John Street, Kilkenny

The latest date for receipt of submissions on the above scheme is **Friday 11th of September, 2020**.

Submissions should be clearly marked '**Greenway Car Park at Ballyverneen, Glenmore**'.

Appendix 1 – Public Notice

NOTICE OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT BY A LOCAL AUTHORITY

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Proposed development by a Local Authority

Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act 2000-2018

Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001-2018

South East Greenway Car Park at Ballyverneen, Glenmore

In accordance with Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 – 2018 and Part 8, Article 81 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 - 2018, Kilkenny County Council hereby gives notice of proposals pertaining to the following development:

Provision of a new 29 space car park to facilitate public parking and access to the South East Greenway which connects New Ross to Waterford travelling through rural south Kilkenny. The site for the proposed car park is immediately adjacent to the line of the old railway and future Greenway so direct access on to Greenway from proposed car park is possible. Access will be from Local Road L7513 -14 at Ballyverneen, Glenmore.

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In accordance with the requirements of Article 120 (1) (a) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) the Planning Authority has made a preliminary examination of the nature, size and location of the proposed development. The authority has concluded that there is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development and a determination has been made that an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is not required.

As per Article 120 (3) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) where any person considers that the development proposed to be carried out would be likely to have significant effects on the environment, he or she may, at any time before the expiration of four weeks beginning on the date of the publication of this notice apply to An Bord Pleanála for a screening determination as to whether the development would be likely to have a significant effect on the environment.

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Details of the proposed development can also be viewed at <https://consult.kilkenny.ie/> and www.kilkennycoco.ie

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The latest date for receipt of submissions on the above scheme is **Friday the 11th of September, 2020**. Submissions should be clearly marked '**South East Greenway Car Park at Ballyverneen, Glenmore**'.

Sean McKeown, Director of Services,

Kilkenny County Council,

County Buildings, John Street,

Kilkenny

Appendix 2

Schedule of Drawings accompanying this Part 8 Planning Application

WCC01 – MWP – ZZ 01 DR – C - 1522 Glenmore Car Park Proposed Layout

WCC01 – MWP – ZZ 01 DR – C – 1525 Glenmore Car Park Proposed Lighting

WCC01 – MWP – ZZ 01 DR – C – 1521 Site Survey and Layout

WCC01 – MWP – ZZ 01 DR – C – 1524 Glenmore Car Park Proposed Drainage
Layout

WCC01 – MWP – ZZ 01 DR – C – 1523 Glenmore Car Park Sections

WCC01 – MWP – ZZ 01 DR – C – 1520 Glenmore Car Park Site Location

Appendix 3

Copy of consent to apply for Planning from landowner – Wexford County Council