

Section 38 for Freshford Road / Granges Road Safe Routes to School Scheme 2023/2024

Comhairle Chontae Chill Chainnigh Kilkenny County Council

Municipal District of Kilkenny City

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act, 1994 as amended by the Public Transport Regulation Act, 2009 (Section 46), Kilkenny County Council hereby gives notice of its intention to carry out works on the Granges Road / Freshford Road consisting of the following:

- New Zebra Crossing on Loreto View with localised footpath improvements into Thomas Street.
- Widened footpath from Loreto View to Granges Road.
- New Zebra Crossing on Granges Road at intersection with location of widened footpath to Loreto View.
- New raised platform just before existing Pelican Crossing at Ayrfield Medical Centre to identify start of Granges Road School Zone. Pelican Crossing changed to zebra.
- Junction tightening and dished crossing point at access to Ayrfield Housing Development.
- New Zebra Crossing at lay-by at main Loreto building.
- New Zebra Crossing beside main vehicular entry point to Loreto.
- New raised platform and zebra crossing adjacent to St. Canice's NS.
- Existing zebra crossing on Granges Road to be relocated approximately 80m north of existing location towards junction with Outrath Road.
- Existing zebra crossing at Freshford Road / Granges Road mini-roundabout to be upgraded to wider ramped crossing point.
- Upgraded and widened footpath to southern side of existing mini-roundabout.
- New Zebra Crossing on Freshford Road approach to Freshford Road / Granges Road mini-roundabout.
- Existing bus stops on Freshford Road upgraded as per new Cycle Manual detail for 'Shared Bus Stop Landing Zone'.
- New raised platform just before existing Pelican Crossing on Freshford Road to identify start of Freshford Road School Zone. Pelican Crossing changed to zebra.
- New raised platform and zebra crossing at top of Bishop's Hill.
- New Zebra Crossing between Riverside Drive and Troy's Lane.
- Junction tightening and dished crossing at entrance to Riverside Drive.
- Continuous footpath across Troy's Lane.

- Light segregation bollards at 4m centres from the top of Bishops's Hill to the Freshford Road / Granges Road mini-roundabout.
- Light segregation bollards at 4m centres from the Freshford Road / Granges Road mini-roundabout to the 30 kph speed limit on the Granges Road near Lord Edward Street.

In accordance with the requirements of Article 120(1)(a) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) and Section 50(1) of the Roads Act 1993 (as amended), the local 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) 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 4 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.

Drawings and particulars of the proposals are available for inspection as follows:

- On this website under Materials on the right hand side
- At the Kilkenny Municipal District Office, City Hall, High Street Kilkenny from 9.30 to 16.30 .

Submissions or observations with respect to the proposed development dealing with the proper planning and development of the area in which the development will be carried out may be made in writing to the undersigned or may be submitted online at <https://consult.kilkenny.ie>. Submissions should be clearly marked

“Freshford Road / Granges Road Active Travel Improvement Scheme 2023/2024.”

Please note that all submissions will be made available for public viewing on Kilkenny County Council's consultation website during the plan-making period. Kilkenny County Council will treat all personal data provided as confidential. We will retain your data for no longer than is necessary for the purpose of this plan and in accordance with Kilkenny County Council's Retention Policy and the relevant Data Protection legislation.

The latest time and date for receipt of comments on the above scheme is **4pm on Wednesday 15th November 2023**.

Please note late submissions will not be accepted.

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