Residents of Mill Lane & Mill Road,



Philippe Beubry
Municipal District of Castlecomer
Kilkenny County Council,
County Hall,
John Street,
Kilkenny R95 A39T

29th July 2016

CC: John Paul Phelan (TD) & John Connelly (Gowran Development Association)

Re: Health and Safety Issue - Gowran - Footpath, Street Lighting & Speed Limits

Dear Philippe

We the residents of Mill Lane, Mill Road and locality would like to petition Kilkenny County Council to install a footpath and street lighting from the grotto at the junction for Bennettsbridge from Gowran to the junction at L6731 (Mill Lane), a pedestrian crossing at the junction of L6731 and adjustment of the speed limits in the area – refer to map attached - under the grounds of Health and Safety.

This short stretch of road (which is only about 100 meters long) is used frequently by:

- Children for access to local primary school,
- Elderly walkers
- Wheelchair users
- Families' (walkers, children cyclists and strollers)
- Runners and Cyclists'

The road is particularly hazardous on dark, wet, winter mornings and we have already had cases of 'near misses' in the past year.

Following your meeting with Ted Ryan, we are aware of the proposal to prioritise structural works at the Gowran to Gorsebridge junction within the village, however we feel the risk to death or injury to pedestrians (particularly children) and other road users is significantly higher on the stretch of road described above and that the funds would be better allocated to reducing the health and safety risk level along this stretch of road.

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