

Comhairle Chontae Chill Dara

Kildare County Council

Part 8 Development – Proposed Grand Canal Greenway Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) – Part XI Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) – Part 8 Site location: Grand Canal Towpath, Co. Kildare

Proposed Development: Pursuant to the requirements of the above, notice is hereby given that Kildare County Council propose to construct a shared walking and cycling greenway route along the Grand Canal Towpath, through the following townlands; Lyons, Clonaghlis, Tipperstown, Ardclogh, Boston, Clownings, Baronrath, Keeloges, Alasty, Killeenmore, Killeenbeg, Sherlockstown Common, Sherlockstown, Kerdiffstown, Sallins, Osberstown, Waterstown, Barrettstown, Landenstown, Donore, Goatstown, Downings South, Moods, Mylerstown, Robertstown East, Robertstown West, Lowtown, Derrymullen, Allenwood South, Allenwood Middle, Allenwood North, Killinagh Upper, Killinagh Lower, Ballybrack, Kilpatrick, Ticknevin, Ballyhagan and Clonkeen.

The proposed development will comprise of:

- 1. Improvement and upgrading of the existing towpath along the Grand Canal through the provision of a suitable surface i.e. Quarry Dust, Surface Dressing or Asphalt (Tarmac) depending on local conditions for pedestrian and cyclist use.
- Provision of traffic safety measures and signage to facilitate safe pedestrian and cycling crossings and access to shared surfaces at Sallins, Digby Bridge, Landenstown Bridge, Bonynge Bridge and Robertstown and along limited sections of existing local road network.
- 3. Provision of access controls (pedestrian / cycling friendly gates) road markings, traffic calming measures, ducting and associated drainage works on the proposed cycle / walk way.
- 4. Provision of route signage boards and marker/distance posts along the proposed route. The route signage boards will be located at main access points onto the route in towns and villages, while marker/distance posts will be installed at 5km intervals.

There is a number of protected structures located within or adjacent to the proposed route. No works are proposed to any protected structure, and the proposed development will not materially affect the character of any protected structure.

An Ecological Assessment of the Grand Canal has been prepared in respect of the proposed works. The proposed Scheme has undergone Appropriate Assessment Screening under the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and Environmental Impact Assessment Screening under the EIA Directive 2014/52/EU.

Plans and particulars of the proposed development (Part 8 Ref No. P82018.012) will be available for inspection or purchase for a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of Kildare County Council, Planning Department, Aras Chill Dara, Naas, Co. Kildare during its public opening hours during the period from 28th November 2018 to 3rd January 2019, (both dates inclusive).

Plans and particulars of the proposed development are also available to view during that period on Kildare County Council's website at: <u>http://kildare.ie/countycouncil/PublicConsultations-Part8Schemes/RoadsandTransportation/GrandCanalGreenway</u>

Submissions and observations with respect to the proposed development and dealing with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area in which the development would be situated, may be made online at http://kildare.ie/countycouncil/PublicConsultations-Part8Schemes/roadsandtransportation/GrandCanalGreenway/index.html or in writing to: Senior Executive Officer, Planning Department, Kildare County Council, Áras Chill Dara, Naas, Co. Kildare. Please make your submission by one medium only i.e. in hard copy or online. Submissions by email or fax will not be accepted. All submissions and observations should be headed: "Grand Canal Greenway – Part 8".

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS: 5pm Wednesday 16th January 2019. Late submissions will not be accepted.

All comments, including names of those making comments, submitted to the Council in regard to this scheme, will form part of the statutorily required report to be presented at a meeting of the elected members. Accordingly, they will also be included in the minutes of that meeting and may appear in the public domain.

Kildare County Council is subject to the provisions of Freedom of Information (FOI Acts 1997 and 2014) and of the Data Protection Acts 1988 and 2013.