



**MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF NEWCASTLE WEST
TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 4TH MARCH 2020**

Question submitted by Councillor Liam Galvin

I will ask at the next Meeting for the following (i) a detailed update on works for Ward's Cross, Abbeyfeale (ii) a detailed update on works for Devon Cross, Abbeyfeale.

Reply:

(i) N21 Ward's Cross

The technical consultants appointed for the scheme, Barry Transportation, have progressed the detailed design for the right turn lane and a number of design issues arose as part of this process. These issues arose from retrofitting a right turn lane into a road constrained by the carriageway alignment, the location of properties in the vicinity of the junction and the topography of the surrounding land. Many of these issues do not conform to current road design parameters and will require a departure from standards from TII.

The technical consultants have worked to refine the design and remove as many departures from standards as possible by means of a workshop and consultations with the Road Design Office and TII Safety and Pavement sections. This process has been largely successful but a number of issues still require a departure from standards.

We are endeavouring to finalise the design, prepare the Preliminary Design Report and submit the departure application as soon as possible.

(ii) N21 Devon Cross

Barry Transportation have recently submitted a draft feasibility report for the N21 Devon Cross junction and the report outlines three options that have been developed for the junction. The three options are as follows:

1. To construct traffic calming measures on approaches to and through Devon Cross
2. To create a staggered junction by realigning the local road north of the N21, the L7059 that commences at Buckley's Shop, to the east of Devon Cross

3. To create a roundabout junction to the west of Devon Cross and realigning the regional road, the R515 that commences at Hartnett's Service station, to the west.

Staff of the Road Design Office have reviewed the options developed and the draft report was also submitted to TII for their consideration.

Subject to TII approval of the recommendations in the finalised feasibility report and allocation of the necessary funding, Barry Transportation could then proceed with the detail design process for the preferred option and preparation of tender documents.



Deirdre Clarke
Executive Engineer
Mid West National Road Design Office

26th February 2020

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Question submitted by Councillor L. Galvin

I will ask at the next municipal meeting for a detailed update on the plan for the Cryle View estate junction, Abbeyfeale.

REPLY:

The revised feasibility report has been submitted to TII safety section for approval. A response is expected in the coming weeks.

Signed


Trevor McKechnie

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Date

26.02.2020

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Question submitted by Councillor L. Galvin

I will ask at the next Meeting for the following (i) a detailed update on works for Ward's Cross, Abbeyfeale (ii) a detailed update on works for Devon Cross, Abbeyfeale, (iii) a detailed update on the plan for the Cryleview estate junction Abbeyfeale, (iv) a detailed update on the plan for St. Ita's Road, Abbeyfeale with regard to road widening and traffic calming measures

REPLY to part (iv)

St. Ita's Road is not included in the Abbeyfeale Traffic Management Plan and therefore there are currently no plans to carry out road widening and traffic calming measures on this roadway.

Gerard O'Connor
Senior Executive Engineer
Newcastle West Municipal District

28th February, 2020

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Question submitted by Councillor L. Galvin

I will ask at the next Meeting that a reflector be placed on the ESB pole at Healy's bend on the Hill Road Abbeyfeale as it is in a dangerous location

REPLY:

A reflector will be placed on the ESB pole within the next 2 weeks.

Gerard O'Connor
Senior Executive Engineer
Newcastle West Municipal District

28th February, 2020

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Question submitted by Councillor L. Galvin

I will ask at the next Meeting that an emergency mobile number be given out to the Councillors on weekends.

REPLY:

The Council has a Service Level Agreement (SLA) with Voxpro for out of hours calls. This SLA is for 80% of calls to be answered in 20 seconds during normal service demands. Any service issues will be followed up with Voxpro regarding their service levels.

Also officials of the Council prioritise responding to the Elected Members and are committed to ensuring they are supported in their public role. The senior staff have been and continue to be available to the Members in cases of emergency during out of hours periods. In this regard the Newcastle West Municipal members have the numbers of key staff in the area.

James Clune
Senior Executive Officer
26th February, 2020

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Question submitted by Councillor T. Ruddle

I will ask at the next Meeting for an update on the progress being made with the TII on the re-surfacing of the N21 at South Quay Newcastle West as the roadway is in very bad condition with sinking in parts and is a danger at present.

REPLY:

Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) have identified the entire N21 in Newcastle West town within the speed limits for a Pavement Strengthening Scheme.

Funding of €240,000 has been included in 2020 National Roads Allocations for the N21 Newcastle West Pavement Scheme. This scheme is to be developed by the Mid West Road Design Office.

In the meantime, Limerick City and County Council have applied for special funding to TII to address the current serious condition of the carriageway along South Quay.

A decision is still awaited on this funding application.

Gerard O'Connor
Senior Executive Engineer
Newcastle West Municipal District
26th February, 2020

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Question submitted by Councillor T. Ruddle

I will ask at the next Meeting for an update on when re-surfacing works will be carried out at Upper Maiden St. Newcastle West as the road surface is poor and the speed ramps are disintegrating.

REPLY:

Road resurfacing works will be carried out at Upper Maiden St. on the first week of April 2020 as a temporary road closure is required to facilitate these works.

**Gerard O'Connor
Senior Executive Engineer
Newcastle West Municipal District
21st February, 2020**

Limerick City and County Council

Meeting of the Municipal District of Newcastle West 4th March 2020

Question submitted by Councillor J. Scanlan

I will ask at the next Meeting for an update as to the acquisition of No. 15 Assumpta Park, Newcastle West.

Reply:

Contracts for the acquisition by the Council of this Property are signed by both parties and the purchase of the House will close on 12th March, 2020.

Jayne Leahy,
Head of Property & Community Facilities

Date: 28th February, 2020

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Question submitted by Councillor J. Scanlan

I will ask at the next Meeting when the footpath is likely to be extended from Churchtown Road Newcastle West along the R522 towards the speed limit.

REPLY:

The draft Public Realm and Movement Plan for the town of Newcastle West includes provision of a footpath at this location. This necessitates land acquisition and a number of discussions have taken place with the landowner to date.

Gerard O'Connor
Senior Executive Engineer
Newcastle West Municipal District
26th February, 2020

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Question submitted by Councillor J. Scanlan

I will ask at the next Meeting when drainage work is likely to be undertaken between the Pike and Lenihan's garage in Dromcollogher.

REPLY:

This matter will be investigated and resolved within the next few weeks.

Gerard O'Connor
Senior Executive Engineer
Newcastle West Municipal District
26th February, 2020

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Question submitted by Councillor F. Foley

I will ask at the next Meeting that flashing speed limit signs be erected on the N21 at Glenashrone on the Killarney Road Abbeyfeale in the interest of safety.

REPLY:

A speed survey will be carried out in this location and if warranted driver feedback signs can be erected with the approval of TII.

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Senior Executive Engineer
Newcastle West Municipal District
26th February, 2020

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Question submitted by Councillor F. Foley

I will ask at the next Meeting that a continuous white line be placed at Dillane's Forge Templeglantine.

REPLY:

The responsibility for road lining and signs on National Primary routes is with the TII. Contact will be made with TII with regard to this request.

Gerard O'Connor
Senior Executive Engineer
Newcastle West Municipal District
26th February, 2020