

Meeting of the Travel and Transportation Strategic Policy Committee to be held on Friday, the 9th July, 2021

Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor E. O'Donovan (referred from Metro Meeting)

I will move at the next meeting that road markings are reviewed when designing and upgrading roads to ensure they are in line with the Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets to facilitate the reallocation of space from private vehicles to pedestrians and cyclists.

Reply:

Limerick City and County Council uses the relevant design standards, including Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets (DMURS) where appropriate, in designing and upgrading roads. Use of DMURS is obligatory in urban areas. Where feasible, facilities for pedestrians and cyclists are provided using kerb segregation. When resurfacing roads, segregation can be provided where feasible by bolt-down rubber kerbs, typically delineating former hard shoulders or extra wide roads for cyclists/pedestrians, ref: imminent works on Condell Road, Groody Link Road and Plassey Park Road. In some instances, bollards are used to achieve the same delineation, i.e., southern approach to Kilmurray Roundabout in Castletroy.

It should be noted that many of the roads serving the city are designated as Priority Bus Corridors in the draft LSMATS and a detailed design of these corridors forms part of the rollout of improved public transport, cycle and pedestrian facilities. These schemes will form part of Limerick BusConnects. The design and construction of these schemes will of course be in accordance with relevant standards, and forms a significant part of the short-term delivery of the Limerick Shannon Metropolitan Area Transport Strategy (LSMATS).

It should also be noted that segregation of cycleway/walkways following resurfacing on some narrow roads is not always possible because of space considerations and a longer term, more detailed design/construction is required in these instances.

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15th June, 2021