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Subject: [EXTERNAL]TII23-124775 - Bypasses of Newcastle West and Abbeyfeale

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Dear Mr. Curran,

Thank you for your correspondence of 4 October 2023 regarding the above, which has been referred by the Minister for Transport, to Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII), for direct reply. TII's position in relation to your enquiry is as follows.

The preferred route for the N21 Newcastle West Relief Road and the N21 Abbeyfeale Relief Road were published on the 9 November 2021. The next phase of the planning and design process (i.e., Phase 3: 'Design and Environmental Evaluation') commenced in early 2022. This involves further development of the Scheme, including design of the road, identifying the land take required, junction design and the preparation of an Environmental Impact Assessment. Phase 3 will be ongoing into 2024. In order to complete this stage, the N21 Project Team are currently undertaking a range of engineering and environmental site surveys.

As the site surveys are completed, the initial design of the road is being progressed. When the design has reached a level of maturity where informed discussions can take place, the N21 Project Team will consult with directly impacted landowners in relation to the initial design and its impact on land and property. Thereafter, feedback will be considered, and amendments may be made, where feasible, before finalising the design and land take requirements.

TII provided funding to Limerick City and County Council of €1.45m to each scheme respectively, to progress the Design and Environmental Evaluation during 2023.

Funding in relation to road projects for 2024 is currently under review and will be finalised later this year. TII will consider funding for national road schemes throughout the country, including the N21 in County Limerick, taking cognisance of the limited funding available to TII generally and the many competing demands for such funds.

I hope that this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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Subject: Municipal District of Newcastle West

A Chara,

At the Monthly meeting of the Municipal District of Newcastle West, the members requested that correspondence is sent to you.

At present the Foynes to Limerick Road (Including Adare by-pass) is being progressed and all the members of the District are very encouraged by this.

The request from the members is that the bypass of Newcastle West and the bypass of Abbeyfeale are done in conjunction with the Foynes to Limerick Road (including Adare bypass) as a matter of priority.

The rationale is that if the Foynes to Limerick road (including Adare bypass) is complete this will create even larger bottlenecks in the towns of Newcastle West and Abbeyfeale.

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