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TII25-130622

Re: Proposed Material Alterations to the Draft Carrick on Suir and Environs Local Area Plan, 2025 – 2031

Dear Sir/Madam,

Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) acknowledges receipt of referral of the Proposed Material Alterations to the Draft Carrick on Suir and Environs Local Area Plan, 2025 – 2031, and welcomes the Proposed Material Alterations arising from the consideration of the Authority's initial submission on the Draft Plan. In relation to other Proposed Material Alterations on display, TII outlines the following observations for the Councils consideration;

Proposed Amendment no. 28 (EM12)

Proposed Amendment no. 28 (EM12) proposes amendment to Table 11 'Table of Sustainable Travel and Public Realm Projects' in Section 6.3 of the Draft Plan and Appendix 2.

In relation to measures impacting the national road network, the Council will be aware of TII's initial observations on the Draft Plan outlining that the N24, national primary road, through the Local Area Plan area is an important strategic national road and provides important regional and inter-regional connectivity within and through the Southern Region, Tipperary, Carrick on Suir and the Carrick on Suir Environs. The route is an important strategic national road and gives access to regional and national markets and links with other strategic national roads providing onward connection to strategic airport and port locations with access to international markets.

Pending the delivery of the NDP N24 Waterford to Cahir Scheme, safeguarding the function and capacity of the existing N24 strategic route and the safety of all road users remains a critical consideration in accordance with Government policy.

Having regard to the range of measures proposed that impact the national road, some at a high speed location outside urban speed limit locations, TII reiterates the requirement that a Design Report is completed and submitted for works impacting national roads in accordance with TII Publications DN-GEO-03030 (Design Phase Procedure for Road Safety Improvement Schemes, Urban Renewal Schemes and Local Improvement Schemes).

Proposed Amendment no. 49

TII notes and welcomes that Proposed Amendment no. 49 incorporates reference to the Section 28 Ministerial Guidelines 'Spatial Planning and National Roads Guidelines for Planning Authorities' (DoECLG, 2012) and acknowledges that in urban areas where DMURS applies, complementary TII Publication 'The Treatment of Transition Zones to Towns and Villages on National Roads' (TII Publications DN-GEO-03084) will also apply to measures impacting the national road network.

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Conclusion

The Authority welcomes the Proposed Material Alterations arising from the consideration of the Authority's initial submission on the Draft Plan and respectfully requests that the foregoing observations are taken into consideration by the Council prior to the adoption of the Carrick on Suir and Environs Local Area Plan, 2025 – 2031.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'M McCormack', is written over a horizontal line.

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