



WESTMEATH COUNTY COUNCIL

Planning and Development Acts 2000-2006

In particular Planning & Development Act 2000 Section 179

Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (Part 8) as amended by

Planning and Development Regulations 2006

Planning and Development (No.2) Regulations 2007

Public Notice

N4 The Downs Grade Separation

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the requirements of the above Regulations, that Westmeath County Council proposes to undertake the following development.

The development will consist of:

The improvement of the N4 National Primary Route in the townlands of Clongawny, Greatdown and Newdown between the N4/N52 Junction at Marlinstown, Mullingar and the N4 McNeads Bridge junction at Heathstown comprising the closure of the existing N4/R156 Killucan Road Junction, the construction of a new grade separated junction located approximately 700m east of the existing N4/R156 junction, the construction of a single carriageway road to connect the new grade separated junction to the existing R156. The nine existing central reserve openings along the N4 between Clongawny and Newdown will be closed. The existing N4 junctions with local roads L1703 at Clongawny, LS05026 at Newdown, Old N4 at Newdown and LT56031 at Newdown and the combined access to two properties at Clongawny will be closed.

The grade separated junction will be a dumb-bell style grade separated junction comprising two roundabouts at the top of slip roads and an overbridge. A 745m reduced single carriageway connector road will be constructed from the northern roundabout of the grade separated junction to the existing R156 at the R156/LS05603 junction. A roundabout will be constructed at this junction. The local roads LT56031 at Newdown and the Old N4 at Newdown will be realigned for 230m and 350m respectively to tie in to the roundabouts at the new grade separated junction. A 480m access road will be constructed from the realigned Old N4 at Newdown to provide access to three properties. A 350m access road will be constructed at Clongawny to provide local access for two properties to the L1703.

Plans and particulars of the proposed development may be inspected at the **Westmeath County Council, County Buildings, Mullingar and the Westmeath County Council National Roads Design Office, Culleen Beg, Mullingar, between 9.00am to 1.00pm and between 2.00pm to 4.00pm each day, excluding weekends, from Tuesday 26th January to Thursday 11th March 2010.**

Submissions and observations with respect to the proposed development, dealing with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area, may be made in writing to Westmeath County Council, and should be addressed to:-

The Planning Section, Mullingar Area Office, County Buildings, Mullingar, to reach there not later than 4.00pm on Friday 26th March 2010.