

# Comhairle Contae Chorcaí Cork County Council

Secretary,  
An Bord Pleanála,  
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Re: M28 Cork to Ringaskiddy Motorway Scheme – ~~Pre Application Consultation~~

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I refer to the pre-application meetings for the M28 Cork to Ringaskiddy Motorway Scheme held on Thursday Nov 17<sup>th</sup> 2016 (Meeting No. 2) and Thursday January 12<sup>th</sup> 2017 (Meeting No. 3).

I wish to comment on the record of the second meeting (17-11-16) as follows to clarify the order in which the various matters arose:

*“Following public consultation for the Scheme on the 9<sup>th</sup> Nov 2015, a number of significant changes were made to the scheme’s layout at the northern end of the Scheme, i.e. Mount Oval diverge lane is retained and upgraded; the link road through Maryborough Ridge is replaced by a 2-way link road from Maryborough Hill to Carr’s Hill adjacent to Douglas Golf Club; Carr’s Hill Interchange layout is revised to a smaller footprint.*

*These changes were presented at a further public consultation event in April 2016. While there was broad acceptance for the changes presented, a group representing residents at the northern end of the scheme questioned the location of the tie-in to the N40 at Bloomfield Interchange. They suggested that the M28 Scheme could tie in with the N40 at another junction/location, i.e. at Interchanges at Mahon, Kinsale Road, Sarsfield Road or Bandon Road. The design team carried out an appraisal of other possible alternatives in accordance with the Public spending Code, TII’s Project Appraisal Guidelines and the Department of Transport’s Common Appraisal Framework. This appraisal sifted out some options as being unfeasible at realistic costs and others for not meeting the key project objectives as well as the current proposed route along the N28 corridor”.*

Also, from the second meeting, it is noted that one habitable property will be demolished on Maryborough Hill and while another property will be acquired in Shanbally due to the proximity of the Scheme, there is no requirement to demolish this property.

Minor notes to clarify matters relating to the interchange junctions on Page 3 of 7 as follows:

Carr’s Hill Interchange – the existing merge lane going north at Maryborough Hill is being removed as it is not to motorway standard. This is being replaced by a merge lane at Carr’s Hill and will be connected to Maryborough Hill via a 2-way link road.

Shannonpark Interchange – the new roundabout on the Carrigaline Road is on the R611.

Regarding the Record of Meeting from 12th January 2017, I wish to note that the number of pupils attending the Lower Harbour National School in Ringaskiddy is 85 and the number attending the National School in Shanbally is 218. It is understood that one new school will replace the 2 existing schools. A site in IDA owned lands has been identified and zoned in the current LAP.

I wish to confirm that the scheme will be submitted under the title "M28 Cork to Ringaskiddy Project" and that project will comprise of a motorway scheme, a protected road scheme and a service area scheme for which application for approval is being made under Section 49 of the Roads Acts, together with an application for approval for the proposed development to which the scheme relates pursuant to Section 51 of the Roads Acts. Concurrently application is being made for consent to the proposed development pursuant to Part XAB of the PDA pursuant to the provisions of Articles 6 of the Habitat's Directive.

I wish to formally request that this pre-application process be closed and thank you for your comments and input to date.

Yours faithfully,

  
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**TIM LUCEY**  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE**  
**CORK COUNTY COUNCIL**  
*Designated Public Official under the Regulation of Lobbying Act 2015*

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