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The Department for Infrastructure, Northern Ireland
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**RE: PRESCRIBED FORM OF NOTICE FOR THE PURPOSES OF
SECTION 51(3) (c) OF THE ROADS ACT 1993 (AS AMENDED)
DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL
TEN-T PRIORITY ROUTE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, DONEGAL**

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Donegal County Council has applied under Section 51(2) of the Roads Act, 1993 (as amended) to An Coimisiún Pleanála ('the Commission') for approval in relation to a proposed road development consisting of the construction of the TEN-T Priority Route Improvement Project, Donegal together with all ancillary and consequential works associated therewith. The TEN-T Priority Route Improvement Project, Donegal (the Proposed Development) proposes improvement to three targeted and appropriate sections of Donegal's TEN-T/ national road network. The Proposed Development includes online improvement and upgrade, bypass of three urban centres and route realignment. It includes over 60km of segregated active travel network and as well as transport hubs at key locations for transition between different transport modes. It also has significant green credentials and has been designed cognisant of climate and includes decarbonisation initiatives and climate resilience features.

The Proposed Development consists of three sections over approximately 40km in length as summarised below:

- **Section 1** – N15/N13 Ballybofey/ Stranorlar Urban Region
Active travel, modal hubs, urban bypass
- **Section 2** – N56/N13 Letterkenny to Manorcunningham
Active travel, online/upgrade, route realignment, urban bypass (Letterkenny), modal hub
- **Section 3** – N14 Manorcunningham to Lifford / Strabane/ A5 Link
Active travel, route realignment, urban bypass (Lifford) and access to border connection (Lifford/Strabane), modal hubs

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The proposed road development is located fully within the County Donegal, passing through the electoral divisions of (i) Dooish, (ii) Stranorlar, (iii) Convoy, (iv) Lettermore, (v) Magheraboy, (vi) Letterkenny Rural, (vii) Manorcunningham, (viii) Kincaigry, (ix) Treantaghmucklagh, (x) Feddyglass, (xi) Clonleugh North, and (xii) Clonleugh South.

Donegal County Council has submitted to the Commission the Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) prepared in accordance with Section 50 of the Roads Act, 1993 (as amended) and Directive 2011/92/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 December 2011 on the assessment of the effects of certain public and private projects on the environment as amended by Directive 2014/52/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 in respect of the proposed road development. A Natura Impact Statement (NIS) has also been prepared and has been submitted to the Commission in respect of the proposed road development.

An electronic copy of the EIAR and NIS is enclosed within the USB supplied with this Notice.

Submissions may be made in writing to the Commission at **An Coimisiún Pleanála (Strategic Infrastructure Division), 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902** in relation to:

- the likely effects on the environment of the proposed road development;
- the implications of the proposed road development for proper planning and sustainable development in the area in which it is proposed to situate the proposed road development; and
- the likely significant effects of the proposed road development on a European site.

between Friday **15th May 2026** to Friday **10th July 2026**.

Further, in accordance with Section 51(3)(d) of the Roads Act, 1993 (as amended), as soon as may be after this Notice has been sent to you enclosing as it does the electronic copy of the EIAR and NIS, Donegal County Council will enter into consultations with the Department for Infrastructure (Northern Ireland) regarding the potential effects on the environment of the proposed road development and the measures envisaged in the said documentation to reduce or eliminate any such effects.

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Further information may be obtained from:

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A hard copy of the EIAR and/or the NIS can be provided upon request if there are any difficulties with the enclosed soft copies.

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For and on behalf of Donegal County Council

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