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Public Consultation – Response

Proposed Traffic Calming on Public Road R-582 at Gurteenroe, Millstreet Road, Macroom, County Cork.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for giving the general public and stakeholders the opportunity to feed into the proposed R582 Millstreet Road, Macroom Pedestrian Crossing and associated connectivity and Traffic Calming Measure.

The Transport and Mobility Forum, Cork (TMF) is a cross-sectoral representative group of organisations who have a common interest in sustainable travel *. The TMF fully supports measures and policies promoting sustainable and active travel. Sustainable and Active Travel (cycling and walking) help to reduce congestion on roads, improve air quality, support a low carbon economy, reduce noise pollution and improve public health.

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As such it is the TMF's aim to support the UN's Sustainable Development Goals, in particular SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-Being), SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities) and SDG 13 (Climate Action).

Overview

We broadly support this proposed scheme, as it will reduce motor traffic speeds and therefore improve the safety, comfort, accessibility, and desirability of this section of road for pedestrians, in particular. We would like to particularly support the reduction of turning radii for its positive effect on reducing speed and improving pedestrian safety and convenience. We would also have liked to have seen or to see in the near future further provision for cyclists and pedestrians in the area as well as ideally a 30kph speed limit.

At the re-designed junction with L9316 (plan sheet 04), we would suggest some additional landscaping (e.g. further trees) for part of the gained footpath space.

We would be obliged to further participate in the discourse and planning processes around active travel schemes as we feel that TMF can provide valuable input into the process. Please do not hesitate to contact us at any time at tmfcork@gmail.com.

Kind regards

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