



PART XI OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 (as amended)

PART 8 OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, 2001 (as amended)

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

Construction of Pedestrian and Cycle link from Killucan/Rathwire to the Royal Canal Greenway at Thomastown.

This project is to create a 1.7km walking and cycling linkage between Killucan/Rathwire village and the Royal Canal Greenway by the construction of a surfaced footpath/cycleway from Thomastown to Killucan/Rathwire together with the installation of associated signage and cycle parking facilities in the town centre. The proposed works comprise of the following:-

- Construction of a 3m wide paved pedestrian and cycleway.
- Erection of new boundary fences, entrances, and hedges.
- Construction of a pedestrian and cycleway bridge.
- Signage (Mapboards, tourist information) and Public Lighting where required.
- Cycle parking facilities i.e benches, cycle stands etc.

The proposed scheme has undergone **Appropriate Assessment Screening** under the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and screening for **Environmental Impact Assessment** under the EIA Directive 2014/52/EU. Any person may, within 4 weeks from the date of this notice, apply to An Bord Pleanála for a screening determination as to whether the proposed development would be likely to have a significant effect on the environment.

Plans and Particulars of the proposed development are available for inspection at <https://consult.westmeathcoco.ie/en> and can be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the Municipal District of Mullingar-Kinnegad, Áras an Chontae, Mullingar from 9.30a.m. to 4.00p.m. each day, excluding weekends and Bank Holidays, from **13th September 2021 up to and including 26th October 2021**.

Submissions and observations with respect to the proposed development, may be made via the Councils Consultation Portal at <https://consult.westmeathcoco.ie/en> or written submissions or observations in relation to the proposed development, clearly marked "**Construction of Pedestrian and Cycle link from Killucan/Rathwire to the Royal Canal Greenway at Thomastown**", may also be submitted to **District Manager, Municipal District of Mullingar-Kinnegad, Áras an Chontae, Mullingar** to arrive not later than **4.00 p.m. on Tuesday 9th November 2021**.

Written submissions or observations received will form part of a statutory report to be presented to a meeting of Westmeath County Council and will form part of a public document. The information contained in submissions may be available for public inspection, to be published on the Councils website and available at the Council's public counter. Details, including the names of those making submissions may be shared with relevant Council Departments or their agents involved in this Part 8 process.