



HERBERT ROAD, KILBRIDE FOOTPATH

PART 8 PROJECT BRIEF

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

Municipal District of Bray

July 2022

Introduction:

- Pursuant to the provisions of **Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001** Wicklow County Council has given notice of its intention to carry out works at **Herbert Road, Kilbride, Bray, Co. Wicklow**. The proposed works involves:
 - **Regrading of verges, vegetation clearance and tree felling as required.**
 - **Construction of about 410m of concrete kerb and macadam footpaths varying from 1.5-1.8m in width.**
 - **Reducing roadway width to 6.0m on straight sections and 6.5m on curves, including widening of existing concrete footpath. Existing width on hairpin bend maintained.**
 - **Install cable ducts, maximum 6m high lighting columns and S2 class lighting.**
 - **Install an advisory pedestrian crossing and ancillary warning signs on the route.**
 - **New road surface overlay and landscaping disturbed ground at completion of other civil works.**

- Where any person, having consulted these documents, considers that the proposed development would be likely to have significant effects on the environment, he or she may, at any time before **12:00pm Thursday 25th August 2022**, apply in accordance with the provisions of Article 120 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001-2018, to An Bord Pleanála for a screening determination as to whether the development would be likely to have such effects.

- Submissions and observations on the proposed development as outlined in plans and particulars contained herein, dealing with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area, may be made in writing on or before 12:00pm **Thursday 8th September 2022** as follows:
 - (a) in writing to Linda Healy, District Administrator, Bray Municipal District, Civic Offices, Bray, County Wicklow.
 - (b) by email to BrayMD@wicklowcoco.ieSubmissions should be headed "**Herbert Road Footpath – Part 8**".

- The Chief Executive Officer of Wicklow County Council or Bray District Manager shall, after receipt of written submissions or observations, prepare a written report in relation to the proposed footpath and ancillary works and submit the report to the elected members. The report shall list the persons or bodies who made submissions or observations, summarise the issues raised with respect to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area and recommend whether or not the proposed development should be proceeded with as proposed or with modification.

- Following the consideration of the executive report by the members, the proposed Herbert Road Kilbride Footpath may be carried out as recommended in the report, unless the members by resolution made not later than 6 weeks after receipt of the report, decide to vary or modify the development, otherwise than as recommended in the manager's report, or decide not to proceed with the development. Wicklow County Council shall send notice to persons or bodies who made submissions or observations in respect of the proposed footpath and ancillary works as soon as may be after a decision is made as to how it shall proceed with the development.

Appropriate Assessment Screening

In accordance with Article 81 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001-2018, Wicklow County Council had concluded from a preliminary examination pursuant to the provisions of article 120(1)(b)(i) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001-2018 that there is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development and that an Environmental Impact Assessment is not required.

In accordance with the provisions of article 250 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 to 2019, Wicklow County Council has carried out a screening of the proposed development to assess, in view of best scientific knowledge, if the development, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, would be likely to have a significant effect on a European site. Accordingly, Wicklow County Council has determined that the proposed development would not be likely to have a significant effect on a European site.

Planning Context

In **Wicklow County Development Plan 2016-2022** and the **Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan 2018**, the land use zoning identifies the woodlands abutting part of the site as passive open space (OS2). The proposed footpath is permitted within this zoning. Trees will likely be impacted by the development along the perimeter of the woodland. The existing register in County Wicklow of Tree Preservation Orders does not include this woodland.

The provision of this link is set out under Road Objective 10 (R10) and aligns with the Public Transport Objectives outlined in the Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan 2018, see Appendix A.

Development Context

The proposed footpath will provide a safe passage for pedestrians who live in the area and people wishing to access the N11 overbridge to the west and Enniskerry from the Herbert Road and the South Bray area.

The footpath route close to the hairpin bend has a relatively steep incline. To improve accessibility, an average maximum gradient of 15% is proposed that includes rest platforms at 6m intervals. This will necessitate the path being elevated by up to 1m above the roadway edge at the western side of the woodland. A pedestrian safety rail will be provided the finished level difference exceeds 250mm.

New public lighting is proposed along the route of the new footpath, extending from Ashton Wood. Cabling will be ducted underground. Lighting shall be in accordance with EN. 13201 and designed to minimise the impact on the adjacent woodland habitats. Lighting column height shall not exceed 6m above the roadway. The lanterns shall be fully shielded and 97% of the total light flux shall be within 75.5 degree of the vertical to reduce light spill and glare. The correlated colour temperature (CCT) shall not exceed 2700K (This reduces lighting in the blue spectrum and has less impact for wildlife) The installation of public lighting will provide improved road safety, pedestrian safety and security along with social benefits.

A 2.4m wide zebra pedestrian crossing with belisha beacons will provide a safe crossing point for pedestrians. The zebra crossing shall be installed in accordance with the NRA 'Pedestrian Crossing specification and Guidance' with road markings conforming to RPC 001 as detailed in the Traffic Signs Manual.

Having regard to the site constraints that will require significant ground preparation, the total expenditure of the footpath and ancillary works may exceed €126,000. Where a local authority that is a planning authority proposes to carry out any development, the estimated cost of which exceed €126,000, not being development consisting of the laying underground of sewers, mains, pipes or other apparatus, it shall be subject to public

consultation in accordance with Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 and regulations under this section.

Document Register

Herbert Road Kilbride Footpath

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

Document	Issue Date	Scale	Size
Project Brief	27/06/22	na	A4
Copy of advert	25/07/22	na	
Copy of site notice	27/07/22	na	A4 (original A3)
Site Location/site notice location	27/07/22	1:10,000/1:1,000	A3
Site Survey	25/07/22	1:1,000	
Overall Layout Plan	25/07/22	1:1,000	A3
Layout Plan 1 and Existing Images	25/07/22	1:500	A3
Layout Plan 2 and Typical Section	25/07/22	1:500	A3

Appendix A – Extracts from Bray Municipal District Local Area Plan 2018

8.1.5 Road Objectives

R10	<p><i>To improve existing or provide new foot and cycle links (as funding allows) at the following locations in Bray MD, and ensure developments along these routes are so designed as to allow for / not impede the delivery of required improvements²⁷:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- <i>Across the River Dargle in Bray town centre via improvements to Bray Bridge or a new pedestrian / cycle only bridge</i>- <i>Herbert Road from Killarney Lane to N11 footbridge</i>- <i>Killarney Road</i>- <i>Boghall Road</i>- <i>Schools Road</i>- <i>From Boghall Road to Bray SCR via Ard na Greine and via Pinewood Close – Riddlesford</i>- <i>Bray SCR</i>
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Public Transport Objectives

PT1 - To cooperate with NTA and other relevant transport planning bodies in the delivery of a high quality, integrated transport system in the Bray MD area.

PT2 - To support and facilitate the implementation of measures to improve overall accessibility, public transport and walking / cycling opportunities within the Municipal District and between the Municipal District and other centres of population and activity identified in the Bray and Environs Local Transport Study, currently being undertaken by the NTA, Wicklow County Council and TII.

PT3 - To promote the development of transport interchanges and 'nodes' in the Bray MD where a number of transport types can interchange with ease. In particular:

- to facilitate the development of park and ride facilities at appropriate locations along strategic transport corridors which will be identified through the carrying out of required coordinated, plan-led transport studies and consultation with the appropriate transport agencies;
- to support the improvement of bus links to the train station in Bray;
- to promote the linkage of the Luas extension or other mass transit to Bray town centre, Bray train station and Fassaroe; with respect to the major development area of Fassaroe, west of the N11, the development of this area shall make provision for mass transit such as Luas or BRT, including any necessary infrastructure such as stabling;
- to encourage the improvement of bicycle parking facilities at all transport interchanges;
- to improve existing and provide new footpath / footway linkages to existing / future transport interchange locations; and in particular, the provision of a pedestrian link/shortcut shall be investigated between the centre of Enniskerry and the proposed BRT/LUAS terminus in Fassaroe.