

Pre Draft Bray LAP Submission - Report

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Topic

Infrastructure - Sustainable Movement – Transportation

Submission

I would like to bring to your attention to continued instances of speeding, dangerous driving resulting in many near misses and accidents on both Greenpark road and also the 4 way junction at Sutton Rd which we feel is being ignored by Wicklow County Council.

The residents and I feel that if nothing is done now, a person or child will be seriously injured or killed and it's only a matter of time.

After a verbal agreement in-person by the district engineer Liam Bourke during a meeting in October 2023 that improvements would be quickly sought to improve signage and road markings at a minimum we have heard nothing since and I got in touch with Joe Behan who raised the point at the bray local council meeting in July 2024 to understand delays. Liam Bourke in his response mentioned that new guidelines need to be considered as the reason for the delay for a proposed traffic calming solution at the junction of Greenpark and pearse road.

This is only adding to the sense of being ignored for repeated calls to introduce traffic calming measures to reduce dangerous incidents the residents having been seeking solutions for over 20 years three core issues: Speeding on Greenpark road after Speedtable at Sutton road

The dangerous layout + poor signage on Sutton Rd Junction (many many mostly unrecorded incidents occur here each year).

Heavy traffic use of Greenpark road/Esmonde terrace as a rat run and by large heavy vehicles as its only of the only stretches of road not covered by traffic calming (ramps or otherwise)

Additionally I have a number of video clips from the front door security camera I can consider sharing with a view to sharing with counsellors to understand the gravity of what residents both young and old face daily.

Examples include:

Numerous speeding instances

Examples of when cars use the path to pass each other

Articulated Trucks using the small narrow residential road

Business and Private vehicles where drivers are using their mobile device while driving.

Speeding car coming to an abrupt stop to avoid children playing on the road.

An Garda Siochana (Bray Community Guard & SuperIntendent) have been contacted to report these instances and supply recordings. Garda enforcement of traffic violations is simply non-existant or in the past have arrived when pressed and sit on the road conspicuously in plain view leading to safer traffic only until they vacate the location.

Potential Solutions:

Residents and I feel the need to propose multiple options as there's a sense of being ignored if we don't propose something that fits into appropriate regulations.

Increased signage/road markings & altering the position of the stop signs on the Sutton/Greenpark Junction. Some form of calming measure on greenpark road/esmonde terrace stretch to prevent speeding after speed table

Pedestrian crossing near the creche

Speed bump at the creche.

Double yellow lines and safety barriers on each corner (Sutton rd junction)

Bollards across the road equidistant from one end of the road and the other and create 2 cul de sacs which would benefit both residents and also the creche.

A 'slow down' one way entry system, like they have on Sidmonton Road.

Signage regarding kids at play would also be good.

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2 Cul De Sac Separation.png, 2.6MB

Current View Esmonde Terrace.png, 2.78MB

Pedestrian Crossing.png, 2.62MB







