



PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACTS 2000-2006

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 13 of the Planning and Development Acts 2000-2006, that Sligo County Council proposes to make a variation of the Sligo and Environs Development Plan, 2004-2010.

The reason for the proposed variation is for the purposes of reserving a strategic corridor for a Sligo Western Bypass. This is in compliance with objective T1.9 of the Sligo and Environs Development Plan 2004 – 2010, which states:

Prepare a Route Selection Study on the proposed Western Bypass, in order to explore the range of options available and make a recommendation on the optimum route alignment.

A feasible route has now been selected and it is proposed to vary the Plan to incorporate a corridor for the proposed route and junctions. The route extends from Carraroe through Tonafores, Knocknashammer, Oakfield, Ballydoogan, Knappaghmore, Finisklin crossing Sligo Harbour and through the townlands of Ballincar, Ballinvoher, Lisnalurg to Teesan.

The proposed variation is detailed on the map titled “Sligo & Environs Development Plan 2004-2010, Proposed Variation to Map 21.2: Transport Objectives. February 2008”.

In accordance with Section 13K of the Planning and Development (Strategic Environmental Assessment) Regulations 2004, Sligo County Council has determined that the proposed variation is likely to have significant effects on the environment and has prepared an Environmental Report in this regard.

Public consultation is an essential part of the Development Plan variation procedure. It is important therefore, that the proposed variation is considered by all relevant parties.

A copy of the proposed variation and Environmental Report will be available for inspection from **Tuesday 26th February, 2008 to Wednesday, 2nd April, 2008**, at the following locations:

Planning Section, Sligo County Council, County Hall, Riverside, Sligo	Monday – Friday 9.00a.m. to 5.00p.m. (including lunchtime)
Planning Section, Sligo Borough Council City Hall, Sligo	Monday – Friday 9.30a.m. to 4.30p.m.
Road Design Section, Sligo County Council Business Centre, Market Yard, Sligo	Monday – Friday 9.30a.m. to 4.30p.m.
Sligo Central Library, Stephen Street, Sligo	Tuesday-Friday: 10a.m. – 5pm Saturday: 10am – 1pm; 2pm-5pm.

Copies of the proposed variation and the Environmental Report may be purchased during this period at the Planning Section, Sligo County Council / Planning Section, Sligo Borough Council and Roads Design Section, Sligo County Council.

Your views on the proposed variation are invited. Submissions or observations with respect to the proposed variation should be made in writing, and headed, “Sligo Western Bypass”. All submissions should be sent to: Ms J McNamara, Administrative Officer, Planning Section, Sligo County Council, County Hall, Riverside, Sligo, Tel: 071-9111216 Email: planning@sligococo.ie

Any submission relating to a particular site should be accompanied by a map identifying the location concerned. All submissions received by **4.30p.m. on Wednesday 2nd April, 2008**, and addressed as set out above, will be taken into consideration before the making of the variation.

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Director of Services

