## **COMHAIRLE CONTAE FHINE GALL**

# **RECORD OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ORDER**

#### **Traffic Works Order**

Safe Routes to School Programme – Pope John Paul II National School, Malahide, Co. Dublin.

Safe Routes to School is a national programme funded by the NTA, administered by An Taisce and delivered by Fingal County Council. Pope John Paul II NS applied, and successfully qualified for Round 1 of the programme. A tailored Safe Routes to School design has been provided for Pope John Paul II National School. The proposed changes will promote walking and cycling and make travelling to and from school safer, easier and more convenient for all.

At Pope John Paul II NS we will provide the following:

- Creation of a car-free School Street each morning and afternoon.
- Tightened junctions at Inbhir ide with Caves Strand, Sea Road. Tightened junctions slow down approaching traffic and make crossing the road quicker and safer.
- Resurfaced footpath on Caves Strand adjacent to the junction.
- Extended footpath around the green area in Inbhir ide, with flexible bollards protecting the path.
- Added school zone signs and coloured road surfacing at Inbhir Íde Drive.
- Tightened junction at Inbhir Íde Close with Inbhir Íde Drive, and tightened junction at Sonesta.
- Extended footpath from the corner of Inbhir ide Close to the school along Inbhir ide Drive.
- Tightening junction at Ard na Mara with Yellow Walls Road.
- Upgraded zebra crossing at Caves Marsh.
- Signage to formalise the one-way system already in place during school drop off and pick up times.
- A series of other minor changes to signage, junctions and crossings to support the Safe Routes to School scheme.

Section 38 of the Roads Traffic Act (1994) sets out powers of a local authority in relation to the provision and removal of certain measures categorised as "traffic calming measures". Certain measures include:

- Roadway alterations to enhance safety
- Re-allocation of roadspace

- Junction enhancement schemes to improve safety.

The proposed works fall within the requirements of a Section 38 scheme, namely:-

- The proposal falls within the definition of traffic management measures or traffic calming measures.
- The proposed measure, or measures, is on a public road (or roads),
- Neither an Environmental Impact Assessment Report nor an Appropriate Assessment is required.
- The works are exempted from Part 8 Procedure.

Non-statutory public consultation was carried out with various stakeholders between 2021 and 2024. Non-statutory consultation was also carried out via the online Consultation Portal, from 17 August 2024 to 30 August 2024. Local elected members were also briefed on the scheme.

There were 83 submissions. These submissions were noted and considered by the Active Travel Unit and it was determined that the proposal should proceed with some modifications.

This traffic works order will be published on Fingal County Council's website and the elected members of the Council will be informed of the determination.

The provision of traffic signs and road markings will be carried out in line with section 96 of the Road Traffic Act 1961, this will be outlined in a separate Chief Executives Order and shall be published on Fingal County Council's website.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

I hereby recommend, pursuant to powers under section 38 of the Roads Traffic Act 1994 (as amended), the implementation of a Traffic Works Order for the Safe Routes to School Programme at Pope John Paul II National School, Malahide, Co. Dublin. The traffic calming/management measures include provision of a school street, extension of footpaths, tightened junctions, reallocation of road space, formalisation of a one-way system and associated engineering works.

Recommender Sinead Murphy

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Senior Engineer

#### ORDER:

I hereby order, pursuant to powers under section 38 of the Roads Traffic Act 1994 (as amended), the implementation of a Traffic Works Order for the Safe Routes to School Programme at Pope John Paul II National School, Malahide, Co. Dublin. The traffic calming/management measures include provision of a school street, extension of footpaths, tightened junctions, reallocation of road space, formalisation of a one-way system and associated engineering works, as recommended by the Senior Engineer.

**Approver** David Storey

Director Of Services

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thereunto empowered by order of the Chief Executive, Fingal County Council C.E No **8920** delegating to me all powers, functions and duties in relation to the Council of the County of Fingal in respect of this matter.