

Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí Cork City Council

PUBLIC NOTICE

Part 8 Planning Notice

Extension to N40 (South Ring Road) off-ramp at the westbound approach to Mahon, Junction 10.

Notice under Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 and Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended)

Pursuant to the requirements of Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended), notice is hereby given that Cork City Council plans to carry out the project titled:

Extension to N40 (South Ring Road) off-ramp at the westbound approach to Mahon, Junction 10.

The proposed development will comprise the following:

- Extend the existing N40 off ramp at the westbound (coming from the direction of Jack Lynch Tunnel) approach to Mahon, Junction 10 over an approximate distance of 750m. This will involve a re-allocation of road space, but all works will be contained within the footprint of the existing N40 road.
- Upgrade the existing safety barrier in the central median.
- Construct a new Exit Taper Gantry Sign.
- Landscape/profile the verges and central median to match existing.
- Provide reinstated road markings to match existing.

The proposed development has been the subject of a Screening for **Appropriate Assessment** in accordance with Article 6(3) of the EU Habitats Directive (Directive 92/43/EEC) and Article 250(1) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, in relation to any potential impacts upon the Cork Harbour Special Protection Area [Site No. 004030] and the Great Island Channel Special Area of Conservation [Site No. 001058]. The Screening for Appropriate Assessment concluded that the proposed development would not be likely to give rise to significant impacts on any Natura 2000 site and that it was not necessary to undertake any further stage of the Appropriate Assessment process.

In addition, the proposed development has been screened to determine whether an **Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)** is required and it has been concluded that there will be no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development and an EIA is not required.

In accordance with Article 120 (3), as amended by S.I. No. 296 of 2018, a person may, within 4 weeks, beginning on the 27th of April 2023, apply to An Bord Pleanála for a screening determination as to whether the development would be likely to have significant effects on the environment. Such a submission should be addressed to the Secretary, An Bord Pleanála, 64, Marlborough Street, Dublin 1. Plans and particulars of the proposed development will be available to view by visiting https://consult.corkcity.ie/en

Alternatively, the plans and particulars will be available for inspection or purchase at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, during public opening hours, from 10.00am - 4.00 pm Monday to Friday between **27/04/2023 and 29/05/2023** (inclusive, but excluding bank holidays), at the Reception Desk, Cork City Council, City Hall, Cork, T12 T997.

Submissions or observations with respect to the proposed development, dealing with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area in which the development will be situated, may be made by;

using the online submission portal $\frac{https://consult.corkcity.ie/en}{or}$

in writing and addressed to:

Senior Engineer, Infrastructure Department, City Hall, Cork City, T12 T997. The envelope should be clearly marked 'Part 8 in respect of the proposed extension to N40 (South Ring Road) off-ramp at westbound approach to Mahon, Junction 10'.

All submissions must be made no later than 4.00 pm on 14/06/2023.

All comments, including names and addresses of those making submissions and observations, submitted to Cork City Council in regard to this scheme, will form part of the statutorily required report to be presented at the monthly meeting of Cork City Council. Accordingly, they will be included in the minutes of that meeting and may appear in the public domain. Cork City Council will retain data for no longer than is necessary and in accordance with the Council's Retention Policy and relevant Data Protection legislation.

Signed: Ann Doherty, Chief Executive, Cork City Council. 27th April 2023