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RE: N2 Rath Roundabout to Kilmoon Cross Public Consultation No. 1 – Key Stakeholders

Dear Sir/Madam

ROD-AECOM have been appointed by Meath County Council to commence the development of the N2 Rath Roundabout to Kilmoon Cross Scheme.

The study area for the proposed scheme is located immediately north of Ashbourne and commences close to the Rath Roundabout and continues north to the R152 Kilmoon Cross junction. The study area covers areas within both Meath County Council and Fingal County Council boundaries.

Scheme History

The need for an improvement of the N2 between Rath Roundabout and Kilmoon Cross has been identified by Meath County Council. It is referenced in a number of policy documents including the National Planning Framework (Ireland 2040), the National Development Plan (2018-2027) and the National Transport Authority's Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area.

Current Scheme

The Government's current National Development Plan (2018 – 2027) has selected the N2 Rath to Kilmoon as one of a selection of schemes to be developed as part of the Plan.

ROD-AECOM were appointed by Meath County Council in September 2019 to progress the scheme through the Planning and Preliminary Design phases as set out in TII Project Management Guidelines. The scheme has progressed through Phase 1 Concept and Feasibility and is currently in Phase 2 Options Selection. During this phase, the project team will look to establish a preferred option to carry forward to Phase 3 Design and Environmental Evaluation.

As part of Phase 2, the project team will look to:

- Establish constraints, both natural and artificial, within the Study Area
- Identify potential options
- Investigate these options and assess the feasibility of each option before selecting an emerging preferred option

The drawing enclosed with this letter presents the Study Area for the scheme.

To facilitate your early involvement in this project and to ensure the identification of any key issues and constraints in relation to the location and/or the extent of the proposed scheme, we invite you to submit any relevant information or highlight any issues/constraints within the study area that you consider should be addressed. Any issues that are raised will be considered in the preparation of options selection documentation.

Please could you send any observations or comments to the following contact emails, and if possible, advise us of the preferred contact within your organisation for future correspondence.

Project Team Contact Details

N2 Rath to Kilmoon Project team – N2Rath2Kilmoon@aecom.com

If you or others in your organisation require any further information or would like to discuss the scheme further, please get in contact with the project team. It is our intention to consult with you again as the project progresses.

Yours sincerely,

N2 Rath to Kilmoon Project Team