

Limerick City and County

Notice of Application to An Bord Pleanála for Approval

The proposed works at Bruree bridge in Co. Limerick comprise of rehabilitation of the 7 arch bridge. There is no demolition or new build involved.

Pursuant to section 177AE of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and the requirements of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended), notice is hereby given that Limerick City and County Council proposes to make an application for approval to an Bord Pleanála for the following development: **Bruree bridge in Co. Limerick**

A Natura Impact Statement(NIS) has been prepared in respect of the proposed development.

The Board may, in relation to an application for approval under section 177AE, of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, may give approval to the application for development with or without conditions or may refuse the application for development.

Bruree bridge is located in small village of Bruree in Co. Limerick. Bruree is a small rural village situated approximately 6km northwest of Killmallock. The general land use in the surrounding area is agriculture. The works are to take place on the bridge section of the R518 that crosses the River Maigue in the village. The Screening for Appropriate Assessment Report identified the potential for impacts on the Lower River Shannon SAC due to water quality, disturbance and invasive species impacts. No potential for impacts was identified on the SPA, neither of the sites have optimal or even reasonable lamprey/salmonid spawning habitat within or adjacent to them, the potential for disruption is still there in the form of incidence of suspended solids into the river system. In order to mitigate against disruption to lamprey (brook and river) and salmonids during the breeding season, works shall be carried out outside their breeding season.

The Plans and Particulars and NIS will be available for inspection free of charge, or may be purchased on payment of a small fee (which fee shall not exceed the reasonable cost of making such a copy) during normal office 9.00 -3.30pm Monday to Friday (excluding bank holidays), except where stated otherwise, during the period from 3rd of April 2025 to 16th of May 2025, at the following locations;

- The offices of An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1
- By appointment at Limerick City and County Council Dooradoyle Rd, Dooradoyle, Limerick
Appointments must be arranged in advance by emailing Matthew Clark matthew.clark@limerick.ie or by contacting 061-556000
- The Natura Impact Statement will be available for viewing online at:
<https://mypoint.limerick.ie/en/browse?page=1> from 3rd of April 2025 to 16th of May 2025, Submissions or observations with respect to the proposed development may be made in writing to the An Bord Pleanála in relation to
 - i. The likely effects on the environment of the proposed development;
 - ii. The implications of the proposed development for proper planning and sustainable development in the area in which it is proposed to situate the proposed development; and
 - iii. The likely significant effects of the proposed development on a European Site, If carried out. Submissions or observations should be made in writing to An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, not later than on or before 5.00pm on 16th of May 2025.

MR SEAMAS O'REILLY

SENIOR EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,

ROADS, TRAFFIC & CLEANSING – CENTRAL SERVICES

(On behalf of the Limerick City & County Council)