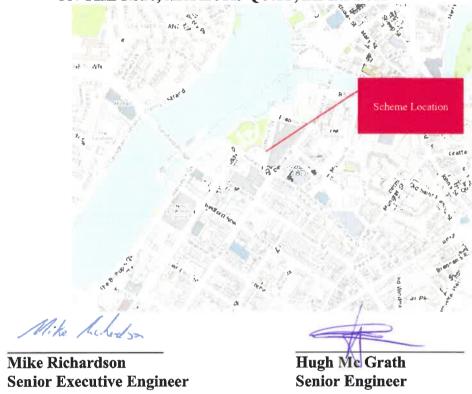
TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION REPORT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 38 OF THE ROAD TRAFFIC ACT, 1994, AS AMENDED BY SECTION 46 OF THE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION REGULATION ACT 2009

RAISED TABLE TOP AT CONTROLLED PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ON THE R526, ARTHURS QUAY, LIMERICK



Pursuant to SECTION 38 OF THE ROAD TRAFFIC ACT, 1994, AS AMENDED BY SECTION 46 OF THE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION REGULATION ACT 2009 this report is submitted to the members of Limerick City & County Council. In accordance with Section 38 of the above Act, it is proposed to proceed as indicated in Section 5 of this report.

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Limerick City & County Council

Date: 18/11/22

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1.0 Foreword

This report has been prepared pursuant to provisions of Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act, 1994, as amended by Section 46 of the Public Transportation Regulation Act 2009, Limerick City and County Council hereby gives notice of its intention to carry out traffic calming works at the existing controlled Pedestrian Crossing on the R526, Arthurs Quay, Limerick.

2.0 Description of the nature and extent of the proposed development

The proposed traffic calming works will be completed the existing controlled Pedestrian Crossing on the R526, Arthurs Quay, Limerick that occurs between Honan's Quay and Francis Street. The works consists of improving traffic control measures on the approach to this crossing by the introduction of a flat top ramp to reduce traffic speed.

Refer to Figures 2.1 to 2.2 of this report.

The plans and particulars went on public display from the 30th of September to the 28th of October 2022. Submissions and observations had to be submitted by 4pm on the 28th of October 2022.

Location:

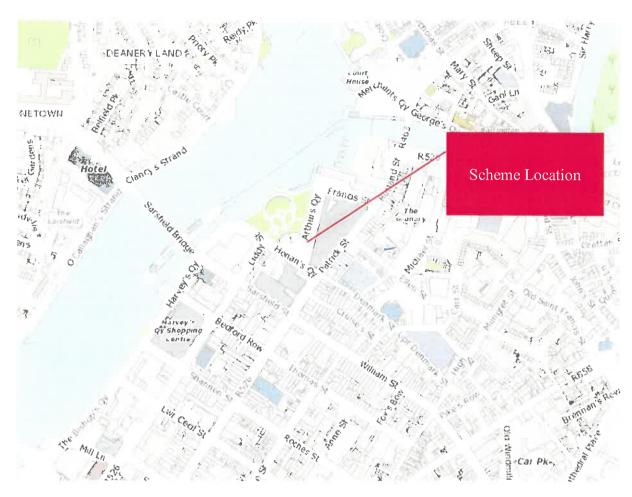


Figure 2.1: Site Location

Figure 2.2: Site Layout

3.0 Likely implications, if any, with respect to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area

This project does not have any likely implications, with respect to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area. No significant road infrastructure amendments will be made as part of this scheme that could have any further planning implications in the area.

4.0 Submissions with respect to the proposed development

Submission Ref	Submitted by	
1	Joe Kennedy	

4.1 Submissions:

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Submission Summary:

Theme: Road layout Title: Good layout

Documents Attached: No

Boundaries Captured on Map: No

Observations:

This pedestrian crossing certainly needs to be improved. Access is too narrow on the shopping centre side currently and the drop down from street to road level is too sharp. Ideally the raised pedestrian crossing will be of equal height on both sides of the street and be paved in the same material to present a continuous pathway, giving primacy to pedestrians instead of cars along this busy shopping area/bus hub/public park.

Could something also be done about cars parking up from the bus stops, beside the Revenue offices? I daily encounter cars and vans stopped on the double yellows just beyond the bus stop, impeding traffic flow considerably. A widening of the footpath or installation of pole barriers to discourage this would be most welcome

Transport and Mobility comments:

- 1. It is envisaged that the newly proposed tabletop ramp will raise the height of the existing crossing making it safer and easier for pedestrians especially those that are venerable to access.
- 2. This new raised surface should also alleviate the issue raised regarding the narrow access and descending ramp from the shopping centre side of the crossing.
- 3. Issues in relation to illegal parking on the double yellow lines in this area will be brought to the Gardaí's and the LCCC traffic's attention to enforce where necessary.

Operations & Maintenance Services (Roads), Limerick City & County Council

Transport and Mobility comments:

Limerick City and County Council Roads department envisages that a tabletop ramp will increase the safety of all road users at the Arthurs Quay pedestrian crossing. This newly raised surface will slow down traffic on approach to this junction to increase the safety of all road users especially pedestrians in this area.

The ramp on approach will be installed as per the raised table top specifications to suit traffic calming requirements.

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5.0 Conclusion

The Limerick City and County Council road department currently intend to proceed with this scheme. All comments issued on submissions have been reviewed and scheme will proceed based on Transport and Mobility comments given above.

6.0 Action taken by Local Authority

1. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, on the 30th of September. This project does not require planning as it does not meet the planning thresholds as laid out in the Planning & Development Regulations, 2001-2021.