

GREENWAY GUIDE TO PROCESS

Route Corridor Options

- Scenic / Segregated / Sustainable / Strategic / See and Do (Five S)
- Environment / Economic / Engineering
- Public Consultation No 2
- Independent Agronomist in place for project duration

Preferred Route

- Farmer Agronomists / Property Advisors available to landowners
- Consultation meetings with individual landowners and / or representatives
- Accommodation works outlined and discussed / agreed

Environmental Evaluation

- Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)
- Appropriate Assessment (AA)
- Natura Impact Statement (NIS)

Oral Hearing

- An oral hearing may be held by ABP to examine issues and concerns raised by persons with objections to / issues with the proposed Greenway
- Voluntary Land Acquisition Process continues

Construction of Greenway

- If the scheme is successful at the planning stage, the project promoter will proceed to construction, subject to Government funding

Constraints Study

- Map State-owned lands and stopping points
- Environmental / Physical / Archaeological
- Highlight opportunities and concerns
- Public Consultation No.1
- Project Agronomist (PA) in place for project duration

Preferred Route Corridor

- Farmer Agronomists / Property Advisors available to landowners
- Consultation meetings with individual landowners
- Public Consultation No 3

Preliminary Design

- Horizontal and vertical alignment established to determine precise land acquisition requirements
- Accommodation works agreed with landowners and / or representatives
- Voluntary Land Acquisition Process commences

Application to An Bord Pleanála

- Completion of the Environmental Impact Assessment Report/ Natura Impact Statement (NIS) where required
- Application Submitted to ABP including notice of the making of Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO)
- Voluntary Land Acquisition Process continues

ABP Decision

- ABP either approves the scheme, rejects the scheme or approves the scheme with modifications
- Where scheme is approved by ABP Voluntary Land Acquisition Process continues where applicable



Galway to Oughterard GREENWAY

February 2022 / Feabhra 2022

Galway to Oughterard Greenway

Non-Statutory Public Consultation No. 1 Study Area and Constraints

Galway County Council, in conjunction with Galway City Council now invite the residents of the local area, members of the public and other interested parties to participate in a non-statutory public consultation on the Study Area and Constraints for the Galway to Oughterard Greenway project from Monday 28th February 2022 to Tuesday 22nd March 2022. Your participation in this consultation is important and we would value any feedback which you think should be reviewed by the project team to help inform the development of the project.

Due to the on-going Covid-19 Pandemic, exhibitions of maps and documents will not be held in local areas at this time. Instead, a project website has been developed (details overleaf) containing all the information normally displayed at such events, including a scheme brochure and questionnaire which provides an opportunity to have your say on the project. A copy of the questionnaire is also included within this brochure.

The project aims to develop a recreational trail which provides commuters and leisure cyclists with a corridor linking the city of Galway to the town of Oughterard. Once completed, the route will form part of the Connemara Greenway between Galway and Clifden, as well as the EuroVelo 1 ('Atlantic Coast') route, which is an 11,000km long-distance cycling route between Norway and Portugal.

Kind Regards,

Galway to Oughterard Project Team

An Glasbhealach idir Gaillimh agus Uachtar Ard Comhairliúchán Poiblí Neamhrechtúil Uimh. 1 Limistéar Staidéir agus Srianata

Tugann Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe, i gcomhar le Comhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe, cuireadh do chónaitheoirí an cheantair áitiúil, do dhaoine den phobal agus do pháirtithe leasmhara eile páirt a ghlacadh i gcomhairliúchán poiblí neamhrechtúil maidir le Limistéar Staidéir agus Srianata thionscadal an Ghlasbhealaigh idir Gaillimh agus Uachtar Ard. Tá tábhacht ag baint le do rannpháirtíocht sa chomhairliúchán seo agus ba mhór againn aiseolas ar bith a fháil ar cheart d'fhoireann an tionscadail a athbheithniú, dar leat, chun eolas a dhéanamh d'fhorbairt an tionscadail.

Mar gheall ar an bPaindéim Covid-19, atá ag dul ar aghaidh fós, ní eagrófar taispeántais mapaí agus doiciméid i gceantair áitiúla ag an am seo. Ina ionad sin, forbraíodh láithreán gréasáin tionscadail (sonraí ar an gcéad leathanach eile) ar a bhfuil an t-eolas ar fad a bhíonn ar taispeáint ag imeachtaí den sórt sin go hiondúil, lena n-áirítear bróisiúr scéime agus ceistneoir lena dtugtar deis duit do chuidse a rá ar an tionscadal. Tá cóip den cheistneoir curtha leis an mbróisiúr seo..

Tá sé i gceist leis an tionscadal seo conair áineasa a fhorbairt a chuirfidh conair ar fáil do chomaitéirí agus do dhaoine a bhíonn ag rothaíocht mar chaitheamh aimsire trína gceanglófaí cathair na Gaillimhe le baile Uachtar Ard. Nuair a bheidh sé curtha i gcrích, beidh an bealach mar chuid de Ghlasbhealach Chonamara idir Gaillimh agus an Clochán, mar aon leis an mbealach EuroVelo 1 ('Cósta an Atlantaigh'), ar bealach rothaíochta fadraoin 11,000km é idir an Iorua agus an Phortaingéil.

Le dea-mhéin,

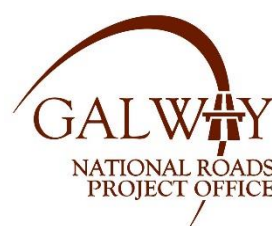
Foireann Thionscadal an Ghlasbhealaigh idir Gaillimh agus Uachtar Ard

*Extract taken from the Code of Best Practice for National and Regional Greenways:

*Sliocht tógtha as an gCód Dea-Chleachtais do Thionscadail Glasbhealaigh Náisiúnta agus Réigiúnacha:
<https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/6b6a0-code-of-best-practice-for-national-and-regional-greenways/>



Tionscadal Éireann
Project Ireland
2040



Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe
Galway County Council



What’s Happening Now?

Galway County Council have recently commissioned a technical engineering consulting team, AECOM, to assist in the development of the project. The project team would now like to invite the residents of the local area, members of the public and other interested parties to participate in our first non-statutory public consultation on the study area and the constraints within.



Study Area & Constraints

AECOM has defined a study area as shown in Figure 1 overleaf and are in the process of identifying artificial and natural constraints within this area, as well as external parameters. These include (but are not limited to) Economic, Engineering and Environmental constraints.

Your Involvement

Your participation in this consultation is important and we would value any feedback which you think should be reviewed by the project team to help inform the development of the project. Please examine the study area and let your comments be known by **completing the questionnaire**.

The questionnaire is available digitally and can be submitted online at galwaytooughterardgreenway.ie or alternatively please fill out the enclosed questionnaire and respond by post or scan and email by: **Tuesday 22nd March 2022.**

Email: galwaytooughterardgreenway@aecom.com
Post: Connemara Greenway Project, NRPO Office, Galway County Council, Corporate House, City East Business Park, Ballybrit, Galway, H91 KT67

Further information

For further details please refer to our dedicated project website: galwaytooughterardgreenway.ie

Or email us at: galwaytooughterardgreenway@aecom.com

Any further queries that you may have after Tuesday 22nd March 2022 can be mailed / emailed on an ongoing basis to our project team.

If you do not have internet or email access, please feel free to contact us on 091 509 570 (9:00am to 4:30pm Monday – Friday) or alternatively you can write to us at Connemara Greenway Project, NRPO Office, Galway County Council, Corporate House, City East Business Park, Ballybrit, Galway, H91 KT67

Céard atá ar siúl i láthair na huaire?

Choimisiúnaigh Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe foireann comhairliúcháin innealtóireachta teicniúla, AECOM, chun cuidiú le forbairt an tionscadail. Ba mhaith le foireann an tionscadail cuireadh a thabhairt do dhaoine a bhfuil cónaí orthu sa cheantar, do dhaoine den phobal agus do pháirtithe leasmhara eile páirt a ghlacadh inár gcéad chomhairliúchán poiblí neamhreachtúil ar an limistéar staidéir agus ar na srianta lena mbaineann.



Limistéar Staidéir & Srianta

Tá limistéar staidéir leagtha amach ag AECOM mar a léirítear i bhFíor 1 ar an gcéad leathanach eile agus tá siad i mbun srianta saorga agus nádúrtha chomh maith le paraiméadair sheachtracha a aithint laistigh den limistéar sin. Áirítear orthu sin (ach gan a bheith teoranta dóibh) srianta Eacnamaíochta, Innealtóireachta agus Comhshaoil.

Do Rannpháirtíocht

Tá tábhacht ag baint le do rannpháirtíocht sa chomhairliúchán seo agus ba mhór againn aiseolas ar bith a fháil ar cheart d'fhoireann an tionscadail a athbhreithniú, dar leat, chun eolas a dhéanamh d'fhorbairt an tionscadail. Déan staidéar ar an limistéar staidéir agus cuir do chuid tuairimí in iúl tríd an **gceistneoir a chomhlíonadh**.

Tá an ceistneoir ar fáil go digiteach agus is féidir é a chur ar aghaidh ar líne ag galwaytooughterardgreenway.ie nó is féidir an ceistneoir atá faoi iamh a chomhlíonadh agus é a sheoladh ar an bpost nó é a scanadh agus a sheoladh ar ríomhphost faoi: **Dé Máirt an 22 Márta 2022.**

Ríomhphost: galwaytooughterardgreenway@aecom.com
Sa Phost: Tionscadal Ghlasbhealach Chonamara, Oifig Thionscadal na mBóithre Náisiúnta, Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe, Teach Corparáide, Páirc Gnó Oirthear na Cathrach, Baile an Bhriotaigh, Gaillimh, H91 KT67

Tuilleadh eolais

Is féidir tuilleadh sonraí a fháil ach dul chuig ár láithreán gréasáin tiomnaíthe: galwaytooughterardgreenway.ie
Nó trí ríomhphost a sheoladh chugainn ag: galwaytooughterardgreenway@aecom.com

Is féidir ceist ar bith eile a bheadh agat i ndiaidh Dé Máirt an 22 Márta 2022 a sheoladh ar an bpost / ar ríomhphost chuig foireann an tionscadail ar bhonn leanúnach.

Mura bhfuil teacht agat ar an idirlín ná ar ríomhphost, ná bíodh drogall ort teagmháil a dhéanamh linn ar an uimhir 091 509 570 (9:00am go dtí 4:30pm Luan go hAoine) nó is féidir scríobh chugainn ag an seoladh: Tionscadal Ghlasbhealach Chonamara, Oifig Thionscadal na mBóithre Náisiúnta, Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe, Teach Corparáide, Páirc Gnó Oirthear na Cathrach, Baile an Bhriotaigh, Gaillimh, H91 KT67

Figure 1 – Proposed Study Area / Fíor 1 - Limistéar Staidéir Beartaithe

