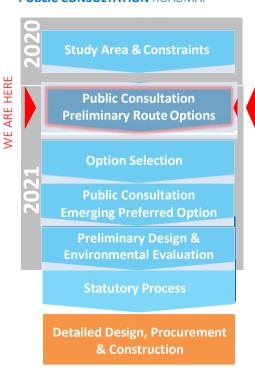
This is a non-statutory public consultation. The Project Team is seeking your feedback on the Route Corridor Options.

The Route Corridor Options map and the questionnaire which accompanies this brochure, and all the relevant scheme information can also be accessed or downloaded from the project webpage (see further information below)

PUBLIC CONSULTATION ROADMAP



We welcome your feedback on any issues or information, relating to the corridors, which you think should be considered by the project team in selecting a preferred route corridor.

Questionnaire: Once you have reviewed the project information and Route Corridor Options map, please complete and return the consultation questionnaire to the Project Team by Thursday 1st April 2021 by:

Email: ROADS@longfordcoco.ie

<u>Post</u>: R392 Forgney Project Team, Road Design Office, Longford County Council, Great Water Street, Longford, N39 NH56

Meet with the Project Team: The R392 Project Team (Longford County Council and Kilgallens) is available to answer any questions and provide information to assist you with your submission.

The Project Team can be contacted during office hours at 043 3343341 (Weekdays 9am-5pm) and at ROADS@longfordcoco.ie

If you would like to arrange an online consultation meeting with a member of the Project Team, please contact us by book or email appointment. Online meetings (via MS Zoom) be facilitated Teams or between February 15th and March 26th 2021.

(Should COVID-19 restrictions be eased during the public consultation period, it may be possible to facilitate 'in-person' meetings, by appointment only, at a suitable venue).

FURTHER INFORMATION

See project webpage at https://www.longfordcoco.ie/services/roads/r392-forgney-realignment/

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R392 Forgney Realignment



ROUTE CORRIDOR OPTIONS PUBLIC CONSULTATION

12th February – 1st April 2021







PROJECT OVERVIEW

Longford County Council is working in partnership with the Department of Transport to develop a realignment scheme along a section of the R392 at Forgney.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION & NEED

The R392 Forgney scheme is located 5km east of Ballymahon and forms part of the R392 Regional road. The Scheme commences immediately west of the Abbeyshrule road junction and extends eastwards for 1.5km (tieing in to the existing R392 immediately east of Forgney Church)

The purpose of the realignment scheme is to improve this approx. 1.5km stretch of the R392 and to address its various issues such as poor horizontal and vertical alignment, its unforgiving roadsides, the absence of hard-strips or other facilities for vulnerable road users, and the numerous direct accesses and entrances, many of which have poor visibility.

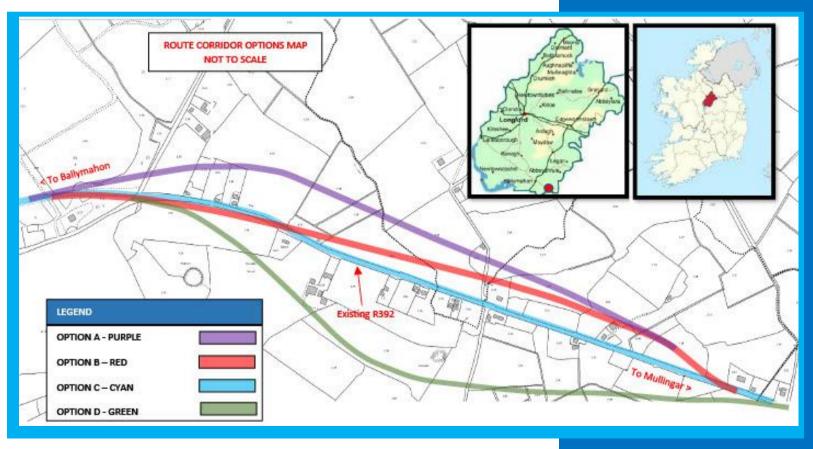
The proposed scheme will bring this approx. 1.5km section into line with modern standards. The scheme will tie-in to the previously improved sections including the first phase section (to the west). This will result in a combined improved length of approx. 2.5km of Regional road through County Longford, and bring consistency, efficiency and improved road safety.

WHATS HAPPENING NOW

The Engineering Consultants undertook an appraisal of the 'Study Area and Constraints' during 2020. The 'Option Selection' Phase is now underway. It is being undertaken in accordance with TII's 'Project Management Guidelines'.

Option Selection Phase - Stage 1:

Stage 1 of the Option Selection Phase considered the identified constraints to develop a range of feasible route options within the Study Area. These initial options have been assessed under the following criteria: Engineering, Environment and Economy, and four Route Corridor Options have been shortlisted to proceed to the Options



Selection process. These are now referred to as the 'Route Corridor Options'. The four options are shown on the map above.

The Route Corridor Options shown do not represent the actual width of the road scheme or the lands to be acquired – each corridor indicates the lands within which a road scheme could be developed. However, the boundary of a route corridor may be subject to change as the project develops to address any new or previously unidentified constraints emerging during the design process.

The Design Team would like to hear your views on the four Route Corridor Options to inform the design of the project. For details on how to give your views, please see the questionnaire which accompanies this brochure which can be accessed or downloaded from the project webpage (see link at end of brochure)

NEXT STEPS

Option Selection Phase - Stage 2:

Feedback and submissions received through this public consultation will be considered by the Project Team in the Option Selection Phase. This stage will involve a detailed assessment of all four

Route Corridor Options under the following criteria: Economy, Safety, Environment, Accessibility and Social Inclusion, Integration, Physical Activity. The Option Selection Phase will identify an 'Emerging Preferred Route' corridor which will then be displayed at a future Public Consultation. As indicated in the Public Consultation Roadmap on the rear of this brochure this is expected to take place in 2021. Updates, news and details of future public consultations will be published on the project webpage (see link at end of brochure). Public consultations will also be advertised in the local press and on social media.