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Press Release

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<u>Public Consultation Exhibitions Announced for N4 Mullingar to Longford(Roosky)</u> <u>Road Scheme.</u>

Westmeath County Council and Longford County Council in partnership with the National Roads Authority have announced today (Friday 5th September) that they are inviting people to attend public consultation exhibitions on the route corridor options for the N4 Mullingar to Longford (Roosky) Road Scheme. This scheme will upgrade 50km of the N4 National Primary Route between the recently completed N4 Dromod-Roosky Bypass and the N4 Mullingar Bypass. The scheme is being designed to bypass Newtown Forbes, Longford, Edgeworthstown, Rathowen and Ballinalack. It will improve road safety and will reduce travel times along this section of the N4.

Three exhibitions have been arranged. On Thursday 18th September the exhibition will be at the Aras an Chontae, Great Water St, Longford from 2.00pm until 8.00pm. On Friday 19th September the exhibition will move to the Green Community Centre in Edgeworthstown, and will again be open from 2.00pm until 8.00pm. On Saturday 20th September the exhibition will be at the Mullingar Park Hotel in Mullingar, starting at the earlier time of 10.00am and closing at 4.00pm.

John Ahern, Head of the Westmeath National Roads Design Office said:

"We welcome comments and views on the route corridor options for this important scheme. Local people are invited to attend the exhibitions and make their views known by completing the consultation questionnaire or by writing direct to us at the National Roads Design Office, Culleen Beg, Mullingar, County Westmeath"

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