## **Wexford County Council Active Travel Projects**

Cycling Schemes

**Newtown Road:** Newtown Road (R769) Cycle Scheme, Wexford Town consists of Off Road Cycle Lanes, On Road Cycle Lanes and Footpaths.

Phase 1 of the Newtown Cycling / Walking Route commenced planning in 2021 with funding allocated from Active Travel (NTA, Department of Transport). The project is proposed to complete the Cycling and Footpath infrastructure and create a link from Wygram, Wexford Town to the junction of the N25 with the at Maldron Hotel.

The construction of these footpaths and cyclepaths will in time connect across the N25 (proposed to be upgraded to dual carriage way as part of the motorway development) and will allow linkage to Barntown village and National School and also to the recently completed Three Rocks Walking Trail.

The construction of these new foot paths/cycleways will provide a safer route for pedestrians and cyclists, separated from traffic.

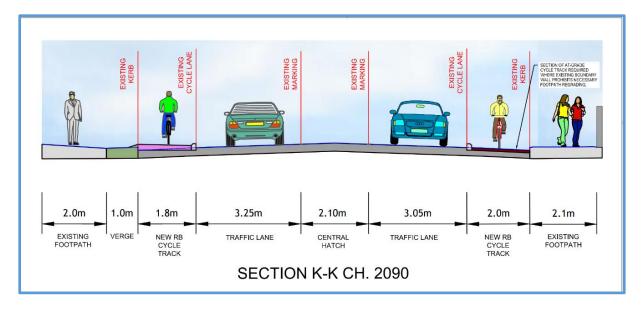
Phase 1 of the Newtown Road cycle scheme is at tender award stage with a contractor appointment imminent to proceed to construction.



Figure 1.1: Example of design drawings for Newtown Road Scheme. Examples of SUDs (Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems) drainage areas, extruded kerbing between cycle lanes and road traffic lanes, tactile paving at crossings, road signage, road tightening on corners are shown.

**Roxborough:** Road R730 at Roxborough, Wexford Town, Phase 1 involves the installation of 2.0m segregated off road cycle lanes to replace the 1.5m on road cycle lanes, on 2.6km southern approach to Wexford town.

These works involve reducing the width of the existing road carriageway and centre hatching to provide 2x 2m off road separated cycle lanes, new binder course and surface course. Cyclists will be segregated from traffic and footpaths will be widened. Existing green verges will be retained and others created in places. This scheme is currently at review stage by the NTA, the next step will be to go to Planning under the Part 8 Planning Application Process. This will involve public consultation with submissions invited from interested parties.



Typical section through a section of the proposed Roxborough Cycle Scheme

**<u>Beechlawn:</u>** This scheme involves the installation of 1.65 km of off-road cycle lanes linking Newtown Road to Whitemill Road.

This crosstown cycle route will form a spine across the west side of Wexford Town and ultimately provide direct links to 3 schools (Coolcotts Lane NS, Kennedy Park NS and Loreto SS) and a number of other schools in close proximity (Gaelscoil and St Peters College/Wexford Campus).

It will also serve one of the main residential areas in the town.

## Safe Routes to School

The Safe Routes to School programme was developed in partnership with the NTA and Green Schools in 2020. The objective of the programme is to improve safety at the school gate by providing 'front of school' treatments to alleviate congestion and improve safe access.

Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Programme (2021) - National Transport

<u>Scoil Mhuire Rosslare:</u> The focus of the front of school works is on the prioritisation of safe pedestrian access to the school, improving school visibility through signposting and placemaking, and reducing vehicle congestion in the area. Removal of the on street parking within the school zone, with the exception of a school bus bay and disabled parking, can provide space for pedestrian crossing facilities and footpaths at the front of school. Consideration should be given to reducing the speed limit at the front of school to 30km/h.

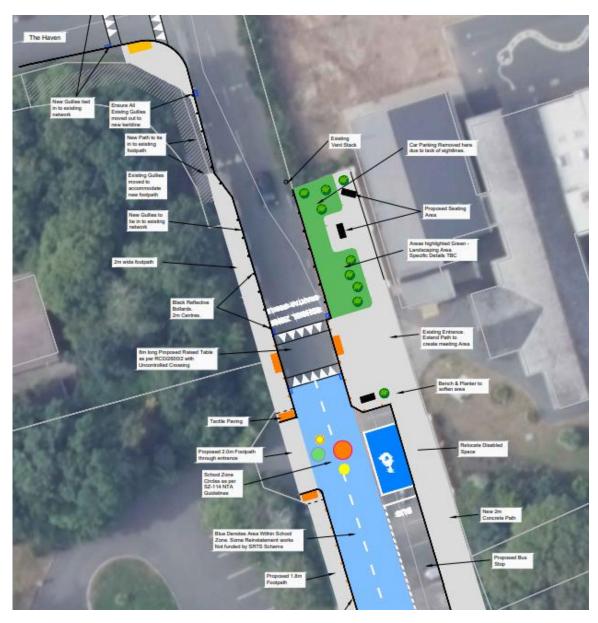


Figure 2.1: Example of design drawing for Scoil Mhuire Rosslare Safe Routes To School Scheme. Examples of SUD drainage areas, bollards, road marking, tactile paving, raised crossings and road tightening are shown.

St Aidan's Parish School, Enniscorthy: The focus of the front of school works is on the prioritisation of safe pedestrian access to the school, improving school visibility through signposting and placemaking, and reducing vehicle congestion in the area. The proposed School Zone will provide students a safe space to access school and includes traffic calming measures, improved pedestrian crossings, wider footpaths, placemaking and colourful elements highlighting the presence of children. Consideration should be given to restricting HGV traffic along Convent Road and introducing a periodic speed limit of 30km/h.

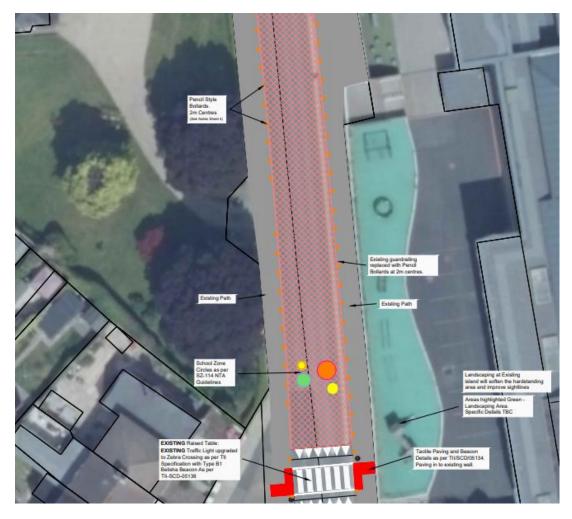


Figure 2.2: Example of design drawing for St Aidan's Parish School Safe Routes To School Scheme. Examples of bollards, road marking, tactile paving, and raised crossings are shown.

<u>Adamstown:</u> The focus of the front of school works is on the prioritisation of safe pedestrian access to the school, improving school visibility through signposting and placemaking, and reducing vehicle congestion in the area. The proposed School Zone will provide students a safe space to access school and includes traffic calming measures, placemaking and colourful elements highlighting the presence of children.

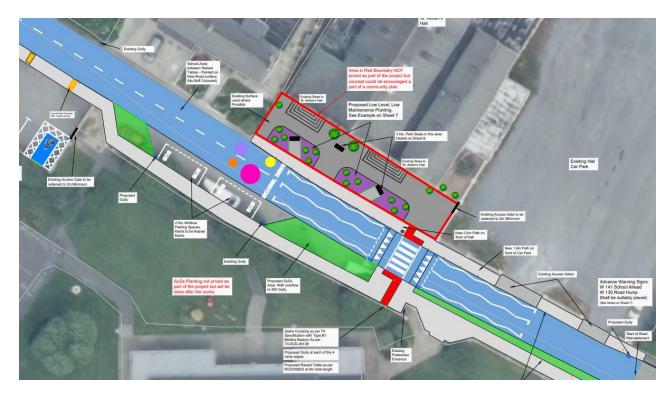


Figure 2.3: Example of design drawing for Adamstown NS Safe Routes To School Scheme. Examples of SUD areas, road marking, bollards, signage, tactile paving, and raised crossings are shown.