

CHIEF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. E4807

Subject: Confirmation order of "Galway County Council (N59 Kentfield Road Safety Junction Improvement Scheme) Compulsory Purchase Order No. 1/2024 (Physical Infrastructure)"

I, **Liam Conneally, Chief Executive, Galway County Council**, by virtue of the powers, functions and duties conferred on me by the Local Government Act 2001 (as amended), hereby order that:

1. Further to Galway County Council Memorandum dated 25th August 2025 from Steven Lally, Senior Executive Engineer & Sean Devaney, Senior Engineer and endorsed by Uinsinn Finn, Director of Services recommending the Confirmation of the Compulsory Purchase Order entitled '**Galway County Council (N59 Kentfield Road Safety Junction Improvement Scheme) Compulsory Purchase Order No.1/2024**', and
2. in accordance with Section 216 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and in accordance with An Bord Pleanála's letter dated 04th September 2024, the **Galway County Council (N59 Kentfield Road Safety Junction Improvement Scheme) Compulsory Purchase Order No.1/2024** being for the purposes of the construction of a Road Safety Improvement Scheme and associated works in Kentfield, Co. Galway, be **CONFIRMED**, without modification.
3. That all statutory advertisements and notices be published and served in relation to the above Compulsory Purchase Order.

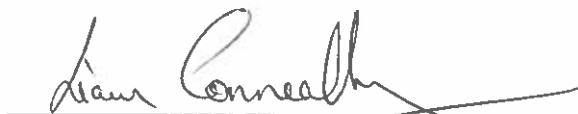
Signed this 27th day of August 2025.



Liam Conneally
Chief Executive

I certify this to be a true copy I certify this to be a true copy of Chief Executive's Order no. E4807 as a delegated employee in accordance with Section 154 of the Local Government Act, 2001 as amended.

Signed 27th day of August 2025



Liam Conneally
Chief Executive

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Galway County Council Memorandum

Date 25-08-2025

N59 Kentfield Road Safety Junction Improvement Scheme – proposed confirmation of Compulsory Purchase Order No. 1/2024 (Physical Infrastructure).

Galway County Council in co-operation with Transport Infrastructure Ireland are progressing a safety improvement scheme located along the N59 road and its junction with the L-5381 Gortacleva road in the townland of Kentfield. The scheme is entitled N59 Kentfield Road Safety Junction Improvement Scheme. This section of the N59 and its junction with local road L-5381 falls below the standard of the TII Publications (Standards) in terms of horizontal and vertical alignment, visibility, cross-section, and safety on the route is compromised as a result.

The scheme is approximately 0.245 km long and involves the reconstruction of existing sections of the N59 as well as online realignment to improve sections of sub-standard alignment and provide a new improved junction with L-5381. The scheme was identified as a Type B Road Safety Inspection Scheme (RSIS Scheme).

Nature & Extent of Development:

The proposed design is to provide a Type 2 single carriageway. This consists of 2 x 3.5m carriageway and 0.5m hard strips and varied verge widths on both sides of the carriageway. The realignment is predominantly online realignment widening. The realignment will maintain access to existing domestic and agricultural properties, some properties will be reset back to achieve the required setback distance from the carriageway. Facilities for vulnerable road users will not be provided within the scope of works for this realignment, however a 3m wide verge on RHS and 8m wide verge on LHS will be provided along the carriageway where possible to provide sufficient sightlines for the direct accesses. At the tie-in points a reduced and tapering tie -in is proposed for both the carriageway and verge width. A new 2m wide footpath which connects with existing footpath along the N59 and extend along the new realigned L-5381.

Planning Application

Notice of an approval application to An Bord Pleanála pursuant to Section 177AE of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) for the proposed N59 Kentfield Road Safety Junction Improvement Scheme was published in the Irish Independent & Connacht Tribune on July 05th 2024. Notices of the project were posted in the townland of Kentfield in County Galway. A period for the submission of observation or representations in relation to the proposed development was given. Submissions were received from Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage & from Patricia O' Halloran. Galway County Council responded to the Department of Housing submission on the 27th May 2025. Galway County Council also engaged with Patricia O'Halloran with regards observation raised within the submission to An Bord Pleanála, which subsequently resulted in Patricia O' Halloran withdrawing her submission. All other submissions were considered by An Bord Pleanála and an approval decision to grant permission was received on the 03rd July 2025.

Noted
PC 27/8/25

Compulsory Purchase Order:

A Compulsory Purchase Order for the lands necessary for the scheme was made in July 2024 and published in the Irish Independent & Connacht Tribune on July 05th 2024. No objection was submitted to An Bord Pleanála who have advised Galway County Council that in accordance with Section 216 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, the local authority may now confirm the compulsory purchase order for the scheme.

It is therefore the clear recommendation of this report that Galway County Council approve the compulsory purchase order for the N59 Kentfield Road Safety Junction Improvement Scheme as published in July 2024 and as shown in the attachments to this report.

Signed

 25/08/25

Steven Lally
Senior Executive Engineer
National Roads Project Office

Signed



Sean Devaney
Senior Engineer
National Roads Project Office

I approve of the above recommendation



Uinsinn Finn/Director of Services Physical Development, Fire & Emergency Services, Climate Change

Attachments

Letter from An Bord Pleanála confirming Section 216 of Planning Act applies.
Section 216 of Planning Act.
CPO Schedule and Drawings.
A3 Scheme Drawings for information purposes.

Noted
KC 27/8/25