

N61 Ballymurray to Knockcroghery Road Project Constraints Study Public Consultation 1 - March 2018



Roscommon County Council, with the support of Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII), is progressing the Planning & Design of the N61 Ballymurray to Knockcroghery Road Project. The section of the N61 under consideration in this project is approx. 7.5km long and extends from Newtown townland south of Roscommon town to Galey townland south of Knockcroghery village (See Fig. 1 overleaf).

The N61 route between Roscommon and Athlone is a busy National Secondary Route with current traffic levels in the region of 8000 vehicles per day at Ballymurray. The existing road is substandard in terms of horizontal and vertical alignment, cross-section, sightlines, and the high number of junctions and accesses. The route passes through the centre of Knockcroghery village and there are two level crossings where the road intersects the Dublin to Westport/ Ballina Railway Line – at Ballymurray/ Bogganfin and at Galey townlands.

Roscommon County Council is now undertaking the Option Selection Process for the N61 between Ballymurray and Knockcroghery. The initial step in this Process is to identify the nature and extent of significant constraints within the Study Area (note that the Study Area shown is indicative only and is subject to change as more information on the constraints becomes known). These constraints will be documented and mapped so that feasible route options can be developed to avoid such constraints, where possible.

Roscommon County Council wishes to consider all viewpoints and information gathered in relation to the study area being examined. You are invited to give your opinions and local knowledge of the Study Area and/or in relation to potential routes by completing the following questionnaire, completing an online survey or by contacting Roscommon National Roads Regional Office. This is your opportunity to take part in the early stages of planning of the N61 and your input would be greatly appreciated.

Please complete this questionnaire and submit it at the Public Consultation or return it FREEPOST to **Project Engineer, N61 Ballymurray to Knockcroghery, Roscommon National Roads Regional Office, Roscommon County Council, Racecourse Road, FREEPOST FDN31, Roscommon, Co. Roscommon** by Tuesday 17 April 2018 (*Please print 'NO STAMP REQUIRED' on envelop, in place of stamp*).

For additional project information, or to complete the questionnaire online, please visit the project webpage at <http://www.roscommoncoco.ie/en/Services/Roads/Publications-and-Information/>

Alternatively, please contact a member of the project team at Roscommon National Roads Regional Office:

Tel. 090 6627004

Email. N61BK@roscommonnrdo.ie



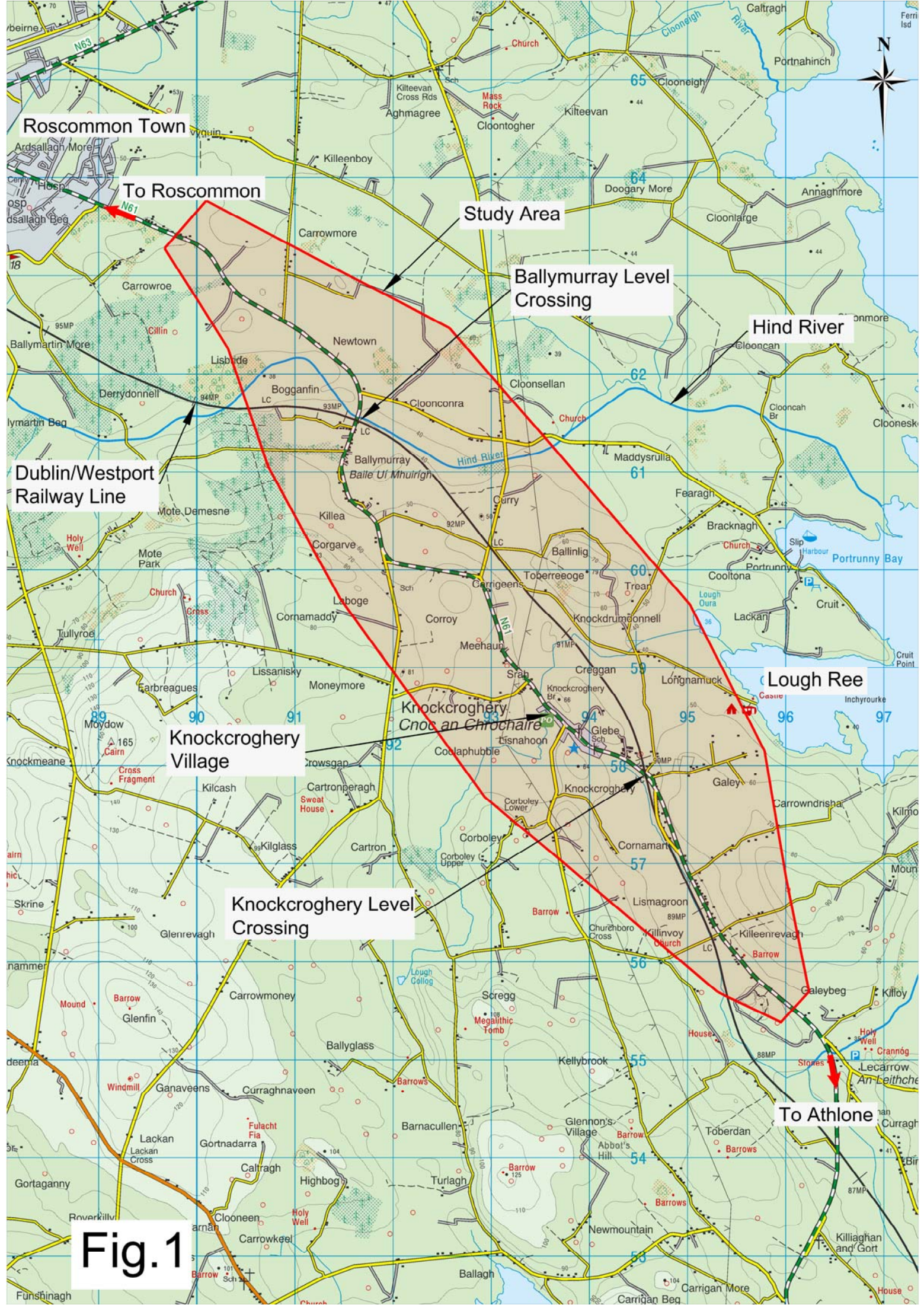


Fig.1

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Name _____

Address _____

Eircode _____ Email _____

Telephone:...(Home) _____ (Mobile) _____

- (1) Do you own, rent or occupy property which is within the study area? Yes No
- (2) If 'Yes' above, what category best describes your property:

Category	<i>(✓ as appropriate)</i>
Farm	
Residential	
Farm & Residential	
Commercial	
Industrial	
Retail	
Other	

If 'Other' above please specify;

- (3) Do you think that an improvement of the N61 route between Ballymurray and Knockcroghery is required? Yes No
- (4) In your opinion, from a Ranking of 1 to 7 (with 1 being of highest importance and 7 of least importance) what do you think are the most important reasons for improving the existing N61:

Reason	Ranking (1-7)
To reduce journey times and improve journey time reliability on the N61	
To improve Road Safety and reduce the collision rate and the severity of collisions along the N61	
To reduce conflict between road and rail traffic by avoiding level crossings	
To improve the environment of Knockcroghery village and reduce levels of community severance by the removal of through traffic from the village	
To improve accessibility to key facilities, such as employment, education, transport, and healthcare for all road users, but in particular vulnerable groups	
To support initiatives to bring investment into the West Region	
Other (please specify)	

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(5) Please add any other comment or information in relation to the project;

(6) In establishing the optimal route location, how important do you feel the following factors are?

(please tick the appropriate box)

	Very important	Important	Least Important
To Minimise impacts on Human Health and Population	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To Minimise impacts on existing properties	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To Minimise impacts on agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To Minimise impacts on landscape	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To Minimise impacts on flora and fauna	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To Minimise impacts on archaeology, architectural and cultural heritage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To Minimise impacts on commercial and industrial activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To Minimise impacts on amenity/ community facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To Minimise impacts on community severance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (Please expand below)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

In the case of 'Other' above, please provide additional comment: -

If you have any additional comments or information in relation to the proposed development or the constraints study area, please provide details:
