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Provision of Bus Shelters in County Kildare - Response from NTA

To: Cathaoirlighi and Members of Kildare County Council and Members of the Oireachtas

JCDecaux and NTA personnel have now carried out a site visit and some analysis at all of the suggested locations submitted by Kildare County Council for consideration for the provision of bus shelters. A set of tables, attached, sets out the feasibility following the site assessments and a summary of the position is as follows:

- 1. There are five (5) locations where bus shelters can be provided without any other works being required.
- 2. There are eighteen (18) locations where bus shelters can be installed but where some enabling works by the Council would be required. NTA will fund those enabling works in full but would need to Council to undertake or arrange them.
- 3. There are thirty six (36) locations where NTA do not consider it appropriate to install a bus shelter at this point in time. At many of those locations the available space is insufficient, or there are sightline issues, or there would be obstructions to entrances/doorways, etc. It may be that some of these problems can be resolved in time with some dialogue and changes and NTA is open to re-examining these with the Council personnel. So while at first examination the locations do not seem feasible, NTA is not precluding a re-assessment at a later stage.

Category 1 and 2 above summate to 23 bus shelters. If the Council is able to work with NTA at the locations where non-shelter works are required, and if the planning issue can be dealt with as a Part 8 exemption, then NTA could complete all of these over the next couple of months, certainly before year end. If some of the other locations in Category 3 above can be made viable, then NTA would be willing to follow up with those.

The Municipal District Engineers are now examining the lists from NTA with a view to planning the required enabling works and determining when such works might be scheduled and completed.

	Table 1 : Locations where Bus Shelter provision is agreed		
Location		Procedural Requirements	
1.	Moorefield Road, Newbridge, (Moorefield Crescent opposite Tesco, Inbound) Bus Stop No: 136991 New Shelter	Planning approval under Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended). Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993 and associated minor civil works including ducting.	
2.	Moorefield Road, Newbridge (Outside Woodies and Tesco, Outbound) Bus Stop No: 103941 New Shelter	Planning approval under Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended). Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993 and associated minor civil works including ducting.	
3.	Kildare Town at Market House Bus Stop No: 104001 Replacement Shelter	Agreement on the design of the standard shelter type that is available for installation. Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993 and associated minor civil works including ducting.	
4.	Allenwood (Inward / Dublin Direction) Bus Stop No: 102711 Replacement Shelter	Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993 and associated minor civil works including ducting.	
5.	Allenwood (Outward / Edenderry Direction) Bus Stop No: 132451 Replacement Shelter	Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993 and associated minor civil works including ducting.	

Та	Table 2 : Locations where Bus Shelters could be provided subject to works being provided by the Council		
Loc	Location Procedural and Technical Works Requirements		
1.	Athgarvan Road, Newbridge, (Opposite Bradshaws / adjacent to Ryston Sports Ground) Bus Stop No: N/A New Shelter	Formalise bus stop location under Section 16 of the Road Traffic Act 2002. Planning approval under Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended). Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993. Civil works, including hard standing, kerbing, ducting and road markings to facilitate shelter installation at this location.	
2.	Brownstown (Opposite Rising Sun pub) Bus Stop No: 105651 New Shelter	Planning approval under Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended). Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993. Civil works, including hard standing, kerbing, ducting and road markings to facilitate shelter installation at this location.	
3.	The Curragh Camp (Curragh Camp Entrance) Bus Stop No: 104061 New Shelter	 Planning approval under Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended). Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993. Civil works, including hard standing, kerbing, ducting and road markings to facilitate shelter installation at this location. 	
4.	The Curragh Camp (Curragh Camp Exit) Bus Stop No: 103981 New Shelter	Planning approval under Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended). Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993. Civil works, including hard standing, kerbing, ducting and road markings to facilitate shelter installation at this location.	
5.	Maddenstown (Opposite Larkin's pub) Bus Stop No: 104041 New Shelter	Planning approval under Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended). Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993. Civil works, including hard standing, kerbing, ducting and road markings to facilitate shelter installation at this location.	
6.	Newbridge Road, Naas (Adjacent to Sheehy Motors) Bus Stop No: 103851 New Shelter	Planning approval under Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended). Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993. Civil works, including additional hard standing, ducting and road markings to facilitate shelter installation at this location. (Electrical supply potentially an issue in this location)	
7.	Newbridge Road, Naas	Planning approval under Part 8 of the Planning & Development	

(Opposite to Sheehy Motors) Bus Stop No: 104181 New Shelter	Regulations 2001 (as amended). Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993. Civil works, including hard standing, kerbing, ducting and road markings to facilitate shelter installation at this location.
8. Kill Village (Dublin Direction)	(Electrical supply potentially an issue in this location) Planning approval under Part 8 of the Planning & Development
Bus Stop No: 104271 New Shelter	Regulations 2001 (as amended).
New Sheller	Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993.
	Civil works, including additional hard standing, kerbing, ducting and road markings to facilitate shelter installation at this location.
9. Johnstown (Kildare Direction) Bus Stop No: 104251	Planning approval under Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).
New Shelter	Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993.
	Civil works, including additional hard standing, kerbing, ducting and road markings to facilitate shelter installation at this location.
10. Sallins (At Chapel Lane / Flanagan's Pub)	Formalise bus stop location under Section 16 of the Road Traffic Act 2002.
Bus Stop No: N/A New Shelter	Planning approval under Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).
	Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993.
	Civil works, including hard standing, kerbing, ducting and road markings to facilitate shelter installation. Note the installation of a shelter at this location will result in a reduction of the number of available car parking spaces.
11. Sallins (Opposite Chapel Lane / Flanagan's Pub)	Formalise bus stop location under Section 16 of the Road Traffic Act 2002.
Bus Stop No: N/A New Shelter	Planning approval under Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).
	Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993.
	Civil works, including hard standing, kerbing, ducting and road markings to facilitate shelter installation at this location.
12. St Woltons School, Clane Road, Celbridge	Planning approval under Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).
Bus Stop No: 134041 New Shelter	Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993.
	Civil works, including ducting and the rerouting of the cycle lane and pedestrian footpath behind the shelter.
13. R448 Castledermot (Close to the junction of the R448 and	Formalise bus stop location under Section 16 of the Road Traffic

the R418 at the Square,	Act 2002.
Adjacent Library Bus Stop No: N/A New Shelter	Planning approval under Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).
	Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993.
	Civil works, including a review of the existing cobble lock paving to create a suitable hard standing, kerbing, ducting and road markings to facilitate shelter installation at this location.
14. Maynooth University Roundabout, R148	Planning approval under Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).
Bus Stop No : 103431 New Shelter	Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993.
	The bus stop in this location is heavily served and utilised. Based on the current layout and site configuration only a narrow cantilever shelter would fit. The location of the bus stop between the two roundabouts is heavily trafficked by pedestrians, cyclists, passenger vehicles and cars. Consideration should be given to designing an overall appropriate solution to manage people and traffic movement, on this section of the R148, which bisects the north and south campus of the University.
15. Maynooth University Roundabout, R148	Planning approval under Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).
Bus Stop No : 103161 New Shelter	Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993.
	The bus stop in this location is heavily served and utilised. Based on the current layout and site configuration only a narrow cantilever shelter would fit. The location of the bus stop between the two roundabouts is heavily trafficked by pedestrians, cyclists, passenger vehicles and cars. Consideration should be given to designing an overall appropriate solution to manage people and traffic movement, on this section of the R148, which bisects the north and south campus of the University.
16. Prosperous Road, Clane, (Opposite Aldi)	Formalise bus stop location under Section 16 of the Road Traffic Act 2002.
Bus Stop No : N/A New Shelter	Planning approval under Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).
	Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993.
	Civil works, including hard standing, kerbing, ducting and road markings to facilitate shelter installation. Note the installation of a shelter in this location may result in a reduction of the number of available car parking spaces.
 R403 Clane (Outbound near Hospital) Bus Stop No: 102641 	Planning approval under Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).

New Shelter	Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993.
	Civil works, including hard standing, kerbing, ducting and road markings to facilitate shelter installation at this location.
18. Prosperous Town R403 Bus Stop No: 105211 Replacement Shelter	Road Opening Licence, Under Section 13 of the Roads Act 1993. Civil works, including hard standing, kerbing, ducting and road markings to facilitate shelter installation at this location.

	Table 3 : Locations where Bus Shelter provision is not proposed at this point in time		
Loc	cation	Reasons	
1.	Rathangan (Outside the Bridge Bar) Bus Stop No: 105741	The available space for the installation of a bus shelter in this location is very restricted. Considerable civil improvement works would be required including the loss of public car parking spaces due to the restricted site. The installation of a shelter at this bus stop location would result in third party obstruction and inconveniences.	
6.	Kilmeague (Outside the Church) Bus Stop No: 152401	The available space and site for the installation of a bus shelter in this location is very restricted. Considerable engineering works would be required to facilitate the installation of a bus shelter at this location as there is an old retaining wall of approximately 2.5 meters in height behind the bus stop, securing the grounds upon which the adjacent church is positioned. In addition the church and its curtilage at this bus stop location is a protected structure.	
7.	Kilmeague (Opposite the church) Bus Stop No: 102671	The available space for the installation of a bus shelter in this location is restricted and there is a level fall of approximately 400 to 500 mm across a 5 meter distance at the bus stop. The 'footpath' is surfaced in an historic and distinctive cobble finish. In addition the installation of a shelter at this bus stop location would result in third party obstruction and inconveniences for the residents in the immediate vicinity of the bus stop.	
8.	Brownstown (Outside Rising Sun pub) Bus Stop No: 132491	The available space for the installation of a bus shelter in this location is restricted. Considerable civil improvement works would be required which would include the loss of public car parking spaces due to the restricted site. The installation of a shelter at this bus stop location would result in third party obstruction and inconveniences for the residents in the immediate vicinity of the bus stop.	
9.	The Curragh Camp (Opposite Post Office) Bus Stop No: 104071	The available space for the installation of a bus shelter in this location is very restricted and there is a level fall of approximately 500 to 600 mm across a 5 meter distance at the bus stop. There is insufficient space at the bus stop for the installation of a shelter on the footpath. In addition the installation of a shelter at this bus stop location would result in obstruction and inconveniences.	
10.	The Curragh Camp (Outside Post Office) Bus Stop No: 103971	The available space for the installation of a bus shelter in this location is very restricted and there is a level fall of approximately 500 to 600 mm over a 5 meter distance at the bus stop. There is insufficient space at the bus stop for the installation of a shelter on the footpath. In addition the installation of a shelter at this bus stop location would be an	

	obstruction on the footpath.
11. Suncroft (Outside Church) Bus Stop No: 105641	The available space for the installation of a bus shelter in this location is restricted. This bus stop is served by a single daily bus service per day, Monday to Friday, (Bus Éireann route 126).
12. Suncroft (Opposite Church) Bus Stop No: 557901	The available space for the installation of a bus shelter in this location is restricted. This bus stop is served by a single daily bus service per day, Monday to Friday, (Bus Éireann route 126).
13. Maddenstown (Outside Larkin's pub) Bus Stop No: 132301	The bus stop appears to be located on third party private land that is used for car parking.
19. Kill Village (Kildare Direction) Bus Stop No: 103761	The available space for the installation of a bus shelter in this location is restricted. Installation of a shelter in this location would generate safety concerns in relation to visibility and sightlines as the bus stop is located on a convex bend on the road.
20. Johnstown (Kildare Direction) Bus Stop No: 131951	The available space for the installation of a bus shelter in this location is very restricted. In addition the current bus stop is located outside an historic building, Johnstown House. Should the stop be relocated approximately 30 meters westwards this would require the removal of 5 to 6 parking bays outside 'The Fabric Mill' premises. A shelter in this new location would create third party inconveniences and obstruction.
21. Kilcullen, Main Street (In front of Frasers / Applegreen Garage) Bus Stop No: 132641	The bus stop is located between the entrances / exits to the filling station. The available footpath space for the installation of a bus shelter in this location is very restricted, both too narrow and too short. Installation of a shelter in this location would generate serious safety concerns in relation to visibility and sightlines. This location was previously assessed and disregarded on technical grounds in the past.
22. Kilcullen, Main Street (Opposite Frasers / Applegreen Garage) Bus Stop No: 136431	The available footpath space for the installation of a bus shelter in this location is very restricted. The footpath is too narrow. This location was previously assessed and disregarded on technical grounds in the past.
23. Sallins (Main Street opposite Bambury Bookmakers) Bus Stop No: 135591	The available footpath space for the installation of a bus shelter in this location is very restricted. The footpath is too narrow. Installation of a shelter in this location would generate serious safety concerns in relation to visibility and sightlines as the bus stop is located very close to an entrance / exit from Odlums. In addition a shelter in this location would create potential third party inconveniences and obstruction for the immediate residents in the vicinity of the bus stop.
24. Sallins (Mainstreet at the entrance to train station)	The available footpath space for the installation of a bus shelter in this location is restricted. Installation of a shelter in this

Bus Stop No: 135601	location would generate serious safety concerns in relation to visibility and sightlines as the bus stop is located very close to an entrance / exit from the train station. In addition a shelter in this location would create potential third party inconveniences and obstruction for nearby residents.
25. McNamee's, Dublin Road Celbridge Bus Stop No: 7108	The available footpath space for the installation of a bus shelter in this location is very restricted. The footpath is too narrow. In addition the bus stop in this location serves Dublin Bus services 67 / 67X. It would be premature to install a shelter in this location pending the outcome of the Bus Connects review of the Dublin Bus network.
26. Obelisk Lane on Celbridge / Maynooth Road Bus Stop No: 3919	The bus stop is sited in the vicinity of a dangerous 4 way junction i.e. sightlines etc. Possible consideration might be given to the relocation of the bus stop to provide a safer solution. In addition the bus stop in this location serves Dublin Bus services 67 / 67X. It would be premature to install a shelter in this location pending the outcome of the Bus Connects review of the Dublin Bus network.
27. Obelisk Lane on Celbridge / Maynooth Road Bus Stop No: 3914	The bus stop is sited in the vicinity of a dangerous 4 way junction i.e. sightlines etc. Possible consideration might be given to the relocation of the bus stop to provide a safer solution. In addition the bus stop in this location serves Dublin Bus services 67 / 67X. It would be premature to install a shelter in this location pending the outcome of the Bus Connects review of the Dublin Bus network.
28. School Road / New Road, Straffan Bus Stop No: 133791	The available footpath space for the installation of a bus shelter is very restricted. Installation of a shelter in this location would generate safety concerns in relation to visibility and sightlines as the bus stop pole is located against a wall, adjacent to an entrance to a private residence, the community centre and the church. A shelter would create potential third party inconveniences and obstruction including the loss of car parking spaces serving the church.
29. School Road / New Road, Straffan Bus Stop No: 104801	The available space for the installation of a bus shelter in this location is restricted due to exiting mature trees. In addition there is an existing shelter within Kildare Co Co's ownership in this location (coloured red shelter type) which is in reasonable condition.
30. R448 Castledermot (Close to the junction of the R448 and the R418 at the Square, Opposite Library Bus Stop No: N/A	The available footpath space for the installation of a bus shelter is restricted due to the narrow footpath width. Installation of a shelter in this location would generate safety concerns in relation to visibility and sightlines as the stop is located adjacent to an entrance / exit from a private property.
31. Athy Barrow Quay "The Black Square"	The available footpath space for a bus shelter in this location is very restricted due to the limited footpath width and space. The

Bus Stop No : 136421	bus stop is currently located in very close to a public house and adjacent to the entrance to Whites Castle which is a significant historic building within the town. A shelter in this location would create potential third party inconveniences and obstruction.
32. Rathangan Main Street (In the region of Hackett's shop) Bus Stop No : N/A	There is no official bus stop in this location. The available footpath space for the installation of a bus shelter is restricted. Considerable civil works would be required to facilitate the installation of a shelter which would include the potential loss of approximately 6 car parking spaces on either side of the Main Street. In addition a shelter in this location would create potential third party inconveniences and obstruction.
33. Ballymore Eustace, The Square Bus Stop No : 7289	The available space for the installation of a bus shelter is restricted and there is a level fall of approximately 400 to 500 mm over a 5 meter distance at the bus stop. There is currently no footpath in place at this location and considerable civil improvement works would be required to facilitate a shelter. The installation of a shelter at this bus stop location could result in obstruction and inconveniences, depending on the final detail.
34. Two Mile House (In the region of Two Mile House Post Office/ Stephenstown) Bus Stop No : 132911	There is no bus pole to ascertain the actual position of the bus stop in this location. The general siting of the stop is a considerable distance away from the town of Two Mile House, approximately 2 km. Pending confirmation of the official location of the bus stop, siting of a shelter in this location would potentially require considerable civil works including traffic calming measures, as this location is in a 100 km per hour zone on the R448.
35. Two Mile House (In the region of Two Mile House Post Office/ Stephenstown) Bus Stop No : 136371	There is no bus pole to ascertain the actual position of the bus stop in this location. The general siting of the stop is a considerable distance away from the town of Two Mile House, approximately 2 km. Pending confirmation of the official location of the bus stop, siting of a shelter in this location would potentially require considerable civil works including traffic calming measures, as this location is in a 100 km per hour zone on the R448.
36. Maynooth Manor Mills on the R148 Bus Stop No : N/A	There is no official bus stop in this location. There is currently a taxi rank very proximate to the entrance to the shopping centre. The available space for the installation of a bus shelter on the public footpath in this location is very restricted. The remainder of the open space in this area appears to be private property, (change in paving finish). In addition the installation of a shelter in this location would considerably impact the pedestrian flow in and out of the shopping centre.