## Transport SPC Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2023

## Update on Galway City Council Special Speed Limit Bye-Laws No. 1, 2023 and Associated Signage

Galway City Council Special Speed Limit Bye-Laws No. 1, 2023 were approved by the elected members at the meeting of Galway City Council held on 17th April 2023 and came into operation on Monday, 28<sup>th</sup> August 2023.

Public notices were published in national and local newspapers and on the Galway City Council website in advance of the operative date. (Week commencing Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August).

The schedule & map regarding the Special Speed Limit Bye-Laws No. 1, 2023 are available on the GCC website.

The changes to the speed limits were publicised on Galway City Council Social Media platforms in advance and a summary video was available to view. <u>https://fb.watch/mErZplfixC/</u>

The new 30km/h speed limit zone in the city centre includes the following roads:

- College Road
- Bohermore
- Headford Road (from Bodkin Junction to Woodquay)
- Dyke Road (from Headford Road Junction to Terryland Water Treatment Plant Access)
- Eglinton Street
- St. Francis Street
- University Road
- Mill Street
- Nuns Island
- Henry Street
- Sea Road
- Munster Avenue
- Merchants Road
- Eyre Square

Speed limit increases apply to the following sections of National Roads:

- N59 city boundary near Glenlo Abbey to the Circular Road Junction Increase from 50km/h to 60km/h
- N6 Ballybane Junction to Tuam Road Junction Increase from 50km/h to 60km/h
- N6 Tuam Road Junction to Kirwan Junction Increase from 50km/h to 80km/h
- N6 Bodkin Junction to Browne Roundabout Increase from 50km/h to 60km/h
- N83 Tuam Road (City boundary near Roadstone to Kenny's Garage) Increase from 50km/h to 100km/h
- N83 Tuam Road (Kenny's Garage to Castlegar Road Junction) Increase from 50km/h to 60km/h

Council roads crews erected and covered all statutory speed limit signage in advance of the operative date. Crews unveiled all the signage during the morning of Monday 28<sup>th</sup> August.

Road markings were installed in advance at 10 no. key entry points to the new 30km/h speed limit zone.

Some statistics regarding the implementation are:

- Total Number of Poles installed = 69
- Total Number of Signs installed = 134
- Total Number of Signs removed = 37
- Total Number of Road Markings = 18 which included 8 no. repeater markings.

In total, 5no. driver feedback signs were changed comprising:

- 1 no. on College Road
- 1 no. on Bohermore Road
- 1 no. on Dyke Road
- 2 no. on N59

Thank you. I would welcome any questions or comments.

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