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Department of Transport,
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ROADS Services Training Group

LOCAL AUTHORITY ROADS CONFERENCE and EXHIBITION - 2017

SAFER ROADS

Radisson Blu Hotel, Rosses Point Road, Sligo, May 2017.

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Road Funding

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Strategic Framework for Investment in Land Transport (2015)

- Investment priorities framed by SFILT recommendations
- Identified key priorities and principles for future investment:
 - Restore transport capital funding to average 1.1% to 1.15% of GDP p.a. (0.5% in 2014)
 - Achieve *Steady State* maintenance
 - Address urban congestion
 - Maximise the contribution of land transport networks to our national development

SFILT Steady State Requirements (annual)

Area of Expenditure	Required	Exchequer	Balance
National Roads	€573 m	€469 m	Tolls
Regional & local Roads	€580 m	€480 m	LA own resources
Public Transport (including integration initiatives)	€429 m	€305 m	Fares
Total (rounded)	€1.6 billion	€1.3 billion	

Capital Plan

- Approved by Government September 2015
- Transport element of the Plan covers a 7 year period (2016-2022)
- €10bn allocation for DTTAS of which €9.6bn is for transport investment
- Roads €6bn; Public Transport €3.6bn



Roads Investment

Investment of €6bn over period of Plan

- €2bn for national roads (steady state)
 - €2.4bn for regional & local roads (steady state)
 - €600m to develop PPP roads pipeline
 - €860m for new priority roads
 - €100m for smarter travel (including greenways)
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Key Transport Objectives in the Capital Plan

- Develop and maintain transport networks to the required standard to ensure the safe and efficient movement of people and freight
 - Encourage modal shift to ensure transport makes a contribution to Ireland's climate mitigation targets
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Capital Plan Review in 2017

- Process began in January 2017
- Total extra monies available over 4 years across all Departments is €2,655 million:

Year	2018 €m	2019 €m	2020 €m	2021 €m
Monies available	175	535	855	1090

- Will be presented to Government to inform decisions on allocations out to 2021 in the context of Budget 2018
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Review involves:

- Progress Report on existing projects
 - Proposals for reprioritisation
 - Proposals for additional funding
 - Prioritisation of new projects
 - Provision of Business Cases/Cost Benefit Analysis
 - Consider effects of proposed capital spending in respect of Greenhouse Gas and Energy targets
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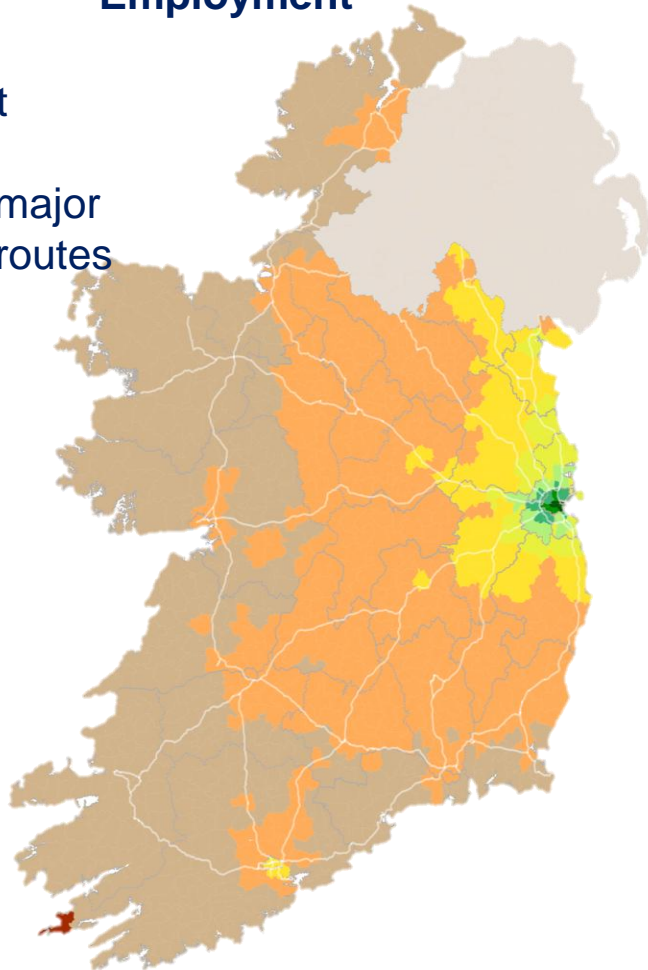
10 Year Plan

The Taoiseach, in his address to the Institute of European Affairs '*Ireland at the heart of a changing European Union*' reaffirmed that the new National Planning Framework for spatial planning due to be finalised later this year will be complemented with a long-term (i.e. 10 year) capital plan

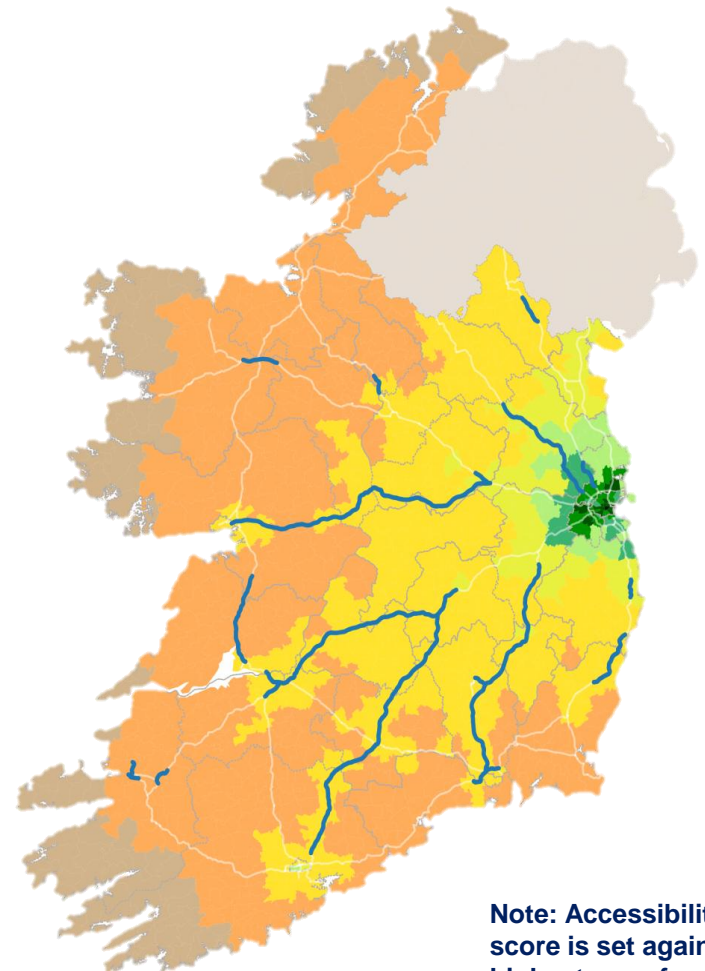
Impact of Road Investment on Employment Accessibility

2006 Road Network & Employment

Access to employment following completion major inter-urban routes 2011



2011 Road Network & Employment



Note: Accessibility score is set against highest zone for employment, i.e. Rotunda Ward in south Dublin City Centre

National Road projects with Planning

Project	Status	Main Contract	
		Start	Finish
M7 Naas Newbridge upgrade	Combined with Sallins B/P & Osberstown Interchange	2017	2020
N8/N25/N40 Dunkettle	ECl contract	2019	2021
N4 Collooney/ Castlebaldwin	Advance works underway	2019	2021
N22 Ballyvourney to Macroom	Advance works underway	2020	2022
N5 Westport to Turlough	Advance works underway	2021	2023
N59 Moycullen Bypass	Section of on-line improvement completed	2021	2022
N56 Mountcharles to Inver	Timescale relates to Ph.1	2017	2019
N56 Dungloe to Glenties	Timescale relates to Ph.1	2018	2019

Regional & Local Road Spend in 2017

Programme	2016 Amount € m	2017 Amount € m	Comment
Restoration Maintenance	41	41	Surface dressing programme
Restoration Improvement	148	165	Road pavement strengthening (+11%)
Discretionary Grant	64	70	Technical adjustment – no increase
Bridge Rehabilitation	8	9	Bridge strengthening (+15%)
Specific / Strategic	10	27	Major projects
Safety	8	7	Safety works & 30 km/h zones
Miscellaneous	19	5	Includes salt purchase
Total	298	324	

Regional & Local Road (RLR) Projects

Capital Plan Projects	Status	Start	Finish
Sallins B/P & Osberstown Interchange	Tender	2017	2020
Grange Castle Business Park road upgrades	Tender	2017	2018
Portlaoise Distributor Rd	Planning / Design	2018	2019
Dingle Relief Road Phase 4	Planning / Design	2018	2019
Laytown/Bettystown Link Rd	Planning / Design	2018	2019
Shannon Crossing, Killaloe	Land Acquisition	2019	2021
Eastern Garvogue Rd, Sligo	Land Acquisition	2020	2022
Athy Distributor road	Planning / Design	2020	2022

Non capital plan RLR projects

- Upgrade of roads in the vicinity of Ballymahon
 - Tralee to Fenit realignment Phase 1
 - Tallow Link Road Phase 1
 - Major Bridge Rehabilitations/Replacements including:
 - Latoon Creek Bridge in Co Clare
 - Curraheen bridge in Cork City
 - Cockhill Bridge in Co Donegal
 - Thomond Bridge in Limerick
 - Ardfinnan Bridge in Co Tipperary
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Significant Issues

- Memorandum on Grants is being updated
 - Limited scope for Specific/ Strategic Grants
 - No formal application process (case by case basis)
 - Consideration given to higher cost Bridge Rehabilitation, significant safety schemes and improvement works to promote employment
 - Public Spending Code requirements to publish lists of works carried out
 - DTTAS “Common Appraisal Framework for Transport Projects & Programmes” sets out the requirement for a project Business Case and Project Appraisal (could be multi-criteria analysis and/or BCR)
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Grants Memorandum

- ❑ An Interim Revision will be issued in May/June 2017
- ❑ It will reflect changes since 2012 (these changes have previously been advised through circulars etc)
- ❑ It will contain a table with account element eligibility which may be revised following consultation (see extract in next slide)

Account Element Chargeability - Extract

Charges Applicable	SG	SRLR	DG	RM	RI	TR	BS	BR
60000 Basic Pay	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
60030 Wages	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
601 60100 ER-PRSI	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
60200 Overtime	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
60800 Acting Allowance	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
62000 Overhead Charges ¹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
65000 Land Purchase/Compensation ²	Yes	Yes	No ²	No	No	No	Yes	No
65500 Minor Contracts	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes

Technical Support Unit based in Kildare County Council dealing with:

- ❑ Invasive Alien Plant Species surveys
- ❑ Safety matters
 - Pilot Traffic Calming for 30 km/h zones
 - Co-ordination of speed limit reviews
 - Guidelines for collision data analysis in respect of safety improvement schemes
- ❑ Bridge Inventory & Inspections – assisted by a Steering Group & will feed into MapRoad

Thank you
