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Agenda:

1 Presentation of Feedback on Second Round Consultation for Bandon TPREP

2 Presentation of St Patrick's Quay Part 8 Scheme Drawings

3 Councillors' Views

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Item		Person Responsible	Date
1	Introductions		
	KM – Introduced the project team to the Councillors and explained the purpose of the meeting.	Note only	
	CH – Requested that the Councillors consider the overall plan and requested their approval for its inclusion in the Draft Bandon Electoral Area Local Area Plan 2017, which is due to go to public consultation in October 2016. CH noted that there will be opportunities to review the details of the plan again when individual elements progress to Part 8, however the main traffic management and infrastructure proposals should be agreed upon. CH- Also noted that the design team were seeking approval from the Councillors to proceed to public consultation for the Part 8 public realm enhancement scheme for St Patrick's Quay.	Note Only	
2	Presentations	Note Only	
	AA – Gave a presentation on the main issues raised during the second round public consultation process and the design team's responses and recommended changes to be included in the final report.		
	SM – Presented the Part 8 design for the public realm enhancement scheme for St Patrick's Quay.		
3	Councillors' Views	Note Only	
	After the presentations, each of the councillors present gave feedback on the report and the outcome of the public consultation. The following sections outline the topics discussed.		



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Cllr. James O'Donovan

- JO'D Noted that whilst many of the residents' concerns had been addressed at the Shambles, there were still some reservations in respect to its design.
 Notwithstanding this, JO'D stated that the overall plan was positive and would be beneficial for Bandon. He would be voting to agree the plan on the basis that elements of the plan could be revisited during their Part 8 stage.
- On a particular point, JO'D queried whether two HGV's could pass each other on Kilbrogan Hill. AA stated that the road was measured on site, and 2 HGV's can pass safely at a slow speed. On-street parking would need to be managed (as contained in the plan) to accommodate this movement.

Cllr. Alan Coleman

- AC also expressed the view that the overall Bandon TPREP was a good plan for the future development of the town and that it should be incorporated into the Draft Bandon Local Area Plan.
- AC stated that he also had concerns regarding the realignment of the Dunmanway Road at the Shambles, but would visit this element of the plan during the Part 8 stage of the project.

Cllr. Gillian Coughlan

 GC – Welcomed the plan, stating that the overall recommendations were excellent. It was the first time for many years that Bandon was getting much deserved attention. GC was particularly pleased with some of the recommendations to improve safety and accessibility around schools, but noted that the north side residents were not pleased with the recommendations around the Shambles and Kilbrogan Hill and these should be addressed during the Part 8 stage of the project.



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- GC stated that the proposed solution at the Shambles, removes traffic flows from the bridge, where pedestrian flows are not that high, at the expense of people living on the north side of the town. AA noted that the proposed solution does not preclude motorist from going left or right at the junction with the Dunmanway Road, but simply encourages motorists to take the most appropriate route for their journey.
- GC noted that the Southern Relief Road should be delivered as a priority to relieve traffic in the town.
- GC queried whether disability needs had been considered in the public realm designs. SM confirmed that they had.

Cllr. Rachel McCarthy

- RMcC Requested that the two presentations be circulated. RMcC would be happy to agree the plan on the basis that the Shambles design could be revisited during the Part 8 stage.
- RMcC Also noted that the town centre public realm works must be tied in with the Drainage Scheme.

Cllr. Aidan Lombard

 AL –The Clonakilty public realm enhancement scheme does have some issues, including effectiveness of materials, location of trees etc. Agree with other Councillors that the plan is positive and most welcome.

Cllr. Kevin Murphy

KM – The plan has generated much interest and the measures contained in the overall plan are much needed. Specific outstanding areas highlighted by KM include:

 Dunmanway Road – Still has reservation regarding a fully laden HGV starting off on a hill from the proposed traffic lights.



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- Bandon and Innishannon Bypass- Would be extremely expensive and challenging to deliver and shouldn't be in the plan. AA confirmed that the Bandon and Innishannon Bypass was received as a proposal from a member of the public, and whilst it was given full consideration it would not form part of the plan (See Second Round Consultation Report for further details).
- Purchase of Property on South Main Street- should not form part of the plan. Whilst there may be some merit to providing greater connectivity for walking and cycling, AA confirmed that it will not be a recommendation of the plan to purchase town centre properties to open up access.
- Northern Relief Road and Southern Relief Road Should be delivered as a priority. CH noted that the funding had not been secured for these schemes and that there would be an extensive planning, design, procurement and construction phase for each of the road schemes, however there are a number of short and medium term recommendations contained within the plan, which are underpinned by extensive modelling and analysis, which will improve safety, access and traffic circulation within the town. AA added that the two road schemes serve different functions and would most likely be funded by different agencies, and therefore, both should be pursued in a timely manner.
- Had Pedestrianisation of any town centre streets been considered in the Plan? AA noted that pedestrianisation of part or all of Main Street was considered, but that it would not be viable on a permanent basis, for a number of reasons, but primarily because there would not be enough commercial attraction throughout the whole day. Notwithstanding this, AA noted that event spaces had been created, both north and south of the river, and that these could be temporarily closed to traffic to facilitate town centre activities. The frequency of these temporary closures, would be dependent on the success of the events.

Motion to include Bandon TPREP in Draft Bandon Electoral Area Local Area Plan 2017	CCC (Include	Oct 2016
 KM requested that the issues raised today be recorded in a set of minutes accompanying the final plan. PO'D confirmed that this would be the case. 	Bandon TPREP in Draft LAP)	
 KM proposed that the St Patrick's Quay Part 8 could proceed to Public consultation. Motion was seconded by GC. 		
 JO'D proposed that the Bandon TPREP could be included in the Draft Bandon LAP. Motion was seconded by AC and agreed by all members. Presentation of the Draft Bandon Electoral Area Local Area Plan 2017 is due to take place at 12noon following this meeting. 		
 CH noted that the Bandon TPREP will now be included in the Draft Bandon Electoral Area Local Area Plan 2017 as an objective. 		
 PO'D noted that the presentations given today will be circulated to the council members and the final plan when completed within a few weeks. 		



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