



**Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe**  
**Galway County Council**

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**Report on: Section 38 - L6182 Corrandrum - Traffic Calming**

### **Background**

In accordance with the provisions of Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act 1994, Galway County Council hereby gives notice of its decision to install traffic calming measures on the L-6182 at Corrandrum, Co. Galway, within the townlands of Cloonagh, Kilcahill, and Kilgill. The works include delineators, barrier boards, build-outs, signage, road marking.

### **Advertisement**

Drawings showing the proposed works were made available on Consult.Galway.ie and could also be inspected during normal opening hours from Thursday 20th April, 2023 to Wednesday 24th May, 2023 at: Galway County Council, Aras an Chontae, Prospect Hill, Galway, H91 H6KX and at Tuam Area Office, Corralea West, Tuam, Co. Galway, H54 F627.

Representations relating to the above-mentioned proposed works were made in writing to the Senior Executive Engineer, Galway County Council, Tuam Municipal District, Tuam Regional Offices, High Street, Tuam, Co. Galway, or electronically via <https://consult.galway.ie/>

The latest date for receipt of such representations was 12 noon on Friday 26th May 2023.

### **Submissions**

Public submissions were received from 28 parties by Galway County Council within the consultation period.

- 19 submissions were received through the online portal [consult.galway.ie](https://consult.galway.ie)
- 1 submission was sent to Tuam Municipal District office by post
- 8 submissions were hand delivered in person to the Tuam Municipal District office

These were all fully reviewed and considered by the Roads Section of Infrastructure & Operations. For Personal Data Protection reasons, the names of persons who made the submissions are omitted from this report.

### **Summary of Submissions**

#### **Submission 1**

Submission was received on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2023. This individual made the observation with regard to the traffic calming measures at Corrandrum and that it was his opinion that ramps should be included.

#### **Submission 2**

Submission was received on 4th May 2023. This person stated that vulnerable road users will be seriously injured unless some measures are put in place to address the very dangerous situation with the road at Corrandrum NS.

#### **Submission 3**

Submission was received on 5th May 2023. The individual said that the area surrounding Corrandrum national school is in serious need of traffic calming measures to ensure the safety of our children and for the wider community. It was further stated that Ramps, extra signage and footpaths would be a great addition.

#### **Submission 4**

Submission was received on 8th May 2023. It was stated that this person had concerns for the lack of road safety outside Corrandrum national school particularly for children. It is a very busy road especially during school hours. The individual suggested that road ramps and pedestrian crossing be installed outside the school.

#### **Submission 5**

Submission was received on 9th May 2023. This person welcomed any plans to improve the safety of this road. However, having looked at the plans noted the section directly outside Corrandrum N.S has been left out of the plans. The narrowest part of the road is directly outside the school. Children's safety should be paramount to these plans. It was strongly urged that GCC review these plans and include the school for road safety and traffic calming measures. There are also currently no means or plans for a safe walk/cycle to school route. Foot paths, speed bumps, extra signage and a pedestrian crossing should be all included in these plans.

#### **Submission 6**

Submission was made on 11th May 2023. This person commented on the consultation documents and the way they were presented. The persons take from the presentation is that what is planned is traffic calming measures in the form of:

- Speed limit signs
- Electronic speed signs
- A small stretch of pathway around a blind bend (very welcome)
- School warning signs and flashing lights
- Some kerbing, bollards at designated spots

The person welcomed Traffic calming measures but mentioned that there is no reduction of the speed limit and it would be imperative that the speed limit for the road be reduced to at least 60 km/h. It was also mentioned that the lower section of the road (from Quarry entrance to junction with L-2121 junction) has been significantly neglected and appears to be devoid of any focus of attention.

It was stated that the school remains a significant risk given its location and proximity to the main Tuam/Galway Road (N83) despite efforts to highlight it with flashing lights and signage. Some radical thinking is required to make this area safer.

In summary this individual said that it is difficult to see any significant benefits that will accrue from what it planned unless speed limits are reduced and appropriate traffic calming measures applied. Implementation of the following would go a long way towards remediating the challenges faced on the L6182:

- A speed limit of 60 km/h for the full length of the road from Corrandrum school to L2121 junction
- More strategically placed concrete kerbing along with vehicle activated speed signage between Corrandrum school and Quarry to force vehicles to slow down.
- Signage and kerbing at both sides of blind bend to force vehicles to reduce speed into the bend.
- Strategically placed footpaths.

### **Submission 7**

Submission was received on 23rd May 2023. This person was not happy with the works which were carried on the road L6182 which resulted in the road being widened with no safety measures put in place for vulnerable road users. There are concerns with the increase of vehicle speeds on the road and the dangers of the school children cycling and walking to school. Due to the fact the works that were carried out the road was tarred right in front of a relations drive it was said that exiting the property is now more difficult. Some traffic calming measures were put in place outside they property, but they are not having the effect of slowing down traffic. Reference was made to the plans and why there's a footpath between persons house and relatives' house. Concerns were raised because the secondary school bus stops outside their wall and is not a safe location.

In summary speed needs to be reduced, footpaths need to go in and Traffic calming islands at the school needs to address, proper road lines and signage to say school ahead slow down on both sides of the road need to be installed. The road needs to be turned at 90 degrees to the main road to slow down the traffic.

### **Submission 8**

Submission was received on 25th May 2023. Person stated that they witness near misses, dangerous driving, and speed each day and that children and community are at risk if safety measures are not implemented without delay.

### **Submission 9**

Submission was received on 25th May 2023 The person welcomed the opportunity to comment on the Corrandrum traffic calming document. They believe that the document does not cover the main concerns they have with the current L6182 road.

The road is utilised as a rat run between 7.30am to 9.30am and from 5pm to 6pm. The person has concerns over speed and implies that speed limits need to be applied to this stretch of road immediately. Sections of this road cannot safely accommodate people and vehicles and at one location on a bend there is not sufficient space for people to walk resulting in them having to step onto the grass verge if two vehicles meet here.

### **Submission 10**

Submission was received on 25th May 2023. This submission highlighted concerns at Corrandrum National school which is situated in the immediate vicinity of the junction of the N83 and L6182. The school community are looking for measures to be completed to reflect the school zone which presently does not exist. They have also made a submission to the speed limit review for a reduction to 50 KMH.

As part of the submission, they wish to

- Highlight the presence of the school to others as coming from the N83 there is no indication of a school so close to the said junction.
- Encourage vehicles to slow down.
- That there would be front of school treatments to help with safety at the school
- Review the design of the junction of the N83.
- Reduce speed limit to 50kph
- Construct additional footpaths which could greatly enhance safe walking and cycling to school.

### **Submission 11**

Submission was received on 25th May 2023 from Corrandrum National School. They highlight issues with the road conditions on the L6182 and specifically in the vicinity of Corrandrum NS. As a school they value all that is so special and beautiful about their pupils their community and take pride on the presentation of facilities on the education afforded to the children and connection with neighbours and community.

The school is situated just off the N83 on the L6182. Approaching the school from Knockdoe, the Claregalway side the school appears from the horizon and is very visible to all. The school is not at all visible from the N83, Tuam direction. There are major concerns with speed and the manoeuvres of vehicles outside the school.

The school staff would participate with pupils in programmes such as Safe Access to Schools but unfortunately the speed that traffic pass the school has made this an unsafe activity to participate in. It is very hard to comprehend that the speed limit outside the school is indeed 80km/h and no provision whatsoever for the children and local community to walk or cycle to the school.

In summary the school would like

- A change to the N83/L6182 junction from the position that it is in presently, it's simply too wide.
- A reduction in speed from a 80/km/h zone to a 50km/h zone
- Provision of adequate appropriate signage that shows from all access areas that a school exists.
- A highly visible yet variant surface colouring that will highlight and indicate that one is approaching a school.
- Footpaths to enable our school community to use the road.

### **Submission 12**

Submission was received on 25th May 2023. The person welcomed the opportunity to convey their genuine fear for the safety of our children at Corrandrum NS. The person had concerns over rat runs for cars avoiding Claregalway, driving past the school gates of Corrandrum at high speed, no infrastructure for children travelling to school on bicycle or foot and a dangerous pinch point outside the school gates. They want to take this opportunity to highlight safety of children traveling to school.

### **Submission 13**

Submission was received on 25th May 2023. The individual references that they use the school, and that traffic calming is needed. However, the plan this isn't the answer and needs to be revised to help members on the community to feel safe.

### **Submission 14**

Submission was received on 25th May 2023. This person reviewed the plans and noted that the section of the road directly outside the school has been omitted from the plans. They noted that the section of the road here is extremely narrow. Traffic is fast moving on this section due to the wider road before the school. This section of the road is unsuitable for children travelling to school, being picked up or dropped off. In order to prioritise the safety of the children and others who use the school it will be necessary to include this section of the road in the upgrade. The road would need to be widened, footpaths installed and traffic calming measures introduced.

### **Submission 15**

Submission was received on 26th May 2023. The person stated that the L6182 road is too narrow for the heavy volume of traffic currently using it. The road is used as a "rat run" by commuters to and from Galway. The road is also used by heavy trucks transporting materials from the local quarry to and from the Galway /Tuam road junction. There are parts of the road where there are no verges to step up on, to stand clear of traffic if you are a pedestrian. There is a danger to children alighting and exiting school buses on the L6182 due to the traffic. Similarly, pedestrians, cyclists and school children are in danger from the speed some vehicles

are travelling at, and from heavy large vehicles also. The recent widening of the road seems to have encouraged greater speeds on the road.

The following features would help safeguard the road for all users.

- A continuous footpath from the junction at Corrandrum School to the junction at Aughcloegen.
- Speed limits on the road similar to the speed limits of 50 kph and 60kph
- A single traffic lane approaching Corrandrum school, such as the feature used on the bridge at Corofin village
- A traffic island on the junction at the Corrandrum school such as used at Lydon's of Knockdoe.

### **Submission 16**

Submission was received on 26th May 2023 from the Board of Management of the school. Their major concern is the dangers that are presented to pupils, families, and staff on a daily basis due to the nature of speed exhibited on the road outside our school the L6182. They strongly feel that the time has now come for Galway County Council to take the corrective measures that will ensure that all road users and especially the families and employees of Corrandrum NS , will have a road that is fit for purpose that will ensure that adequate measures are undertaken to provide us with this basic right, the right to a safe access to and from our school vicinity.

As part of their submission, they request that Galway County Council will look at the following.

- Speed on the L6182 and a significant reduction in same
- Increased use of signage to indicate school is present.
- Application of speed reducing applications to the road such as strips
- More visible lighting to warn all users of an approach to a school.
- As many slow down features as is visible and possible which may have to include adjustments to the N83 junction
- Provisions of pathways and cycle lane to allow all our school community alternative modes of transport in a safe manner.



### **Submission 17**

Submission was received on 26th May 2023. The person says they read the submissions of fellow parents of Corrandrum school and urge planners to implement multiple safety Measures outside the school with the utmost urgency.

### **Submission 18**

Submission was received on 26th May 2023. The person welcomes plans to implement traffic calming measures on the L6182 but looks for safety measures to be planned for directly outside Corrandrum NS. They urge GCC to work with Corrandrum NS and explore options for traffic calming and safety measures directly outside the school.

Measures such as should be implemented:

- Reducing the speed limit to 50km
- A area for a bus stop and bus shelter for secondary school students
- Reducing the width of the entrance to the L6182 from the N83 to reduce the speed of vehicles coming from the N83 or moving and realigning the entrance to the L6182 from the N83 away from the school to the Galway side of the N83.
- Stepping back the school wall from the road
- Allowing for a separate entrance and exit to the school with set in area for school drop off and collection.
- A cycle lane and footpath from the top of Kilgill road to the school with a entrance to the school from this side.

### **Submission 19**

Submission was received on 26th May 2023. The person raised concerns that the current plan, doesn't address the calming of traffic on the L6182 and wants the remedy works to be carried out do create a safe environment for all users of the road. Of crucial importance is the safe travel of students to and from the school by cycle or foot.

### **Submission 20**

Submission was received on 5th May 2023. The individuals made a representation with regard to the proposed traffic calming works on the L6182 in the townlands of Cloonagh, Kilcahill and Kilgill. As residents on this road where these remedial works are planned, it is their view that these works in no way address the issues currently existing on the road. Increased volume of traffic going to and from the quarry has resulted in a completely unsafe route between Corrandrum school and the entrance to the quarry. Traffic is now going much faster, are regularly overtaking because the road is so wide and are travelling right up to the verge of the road. This makes it completely unsafe for walkers and cyclists alike. Older people and children cannot use the road to walk or cycle as it is so unsafe to do so.

In their opinion putting up speedometers is not going to address the issue of speed. As one of the houses closest to the proposed speedometer, they object strongly to this.

They suggest that the road is made safe with the following.

- Speed limit to be reduced to 50km per hour. Please note that we want this submission to be included in the Speed Limit Review process.
- Raised pedestrian crossing to be put in place at the entrance to the school.
- Paths to be put in place on both sides of the road.
- Cycle lanes to be put in place to allow children to travel safely to school or to friends' houses.

### **Submission 21**

Submission was received on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2023 from Corrandrum District & Resident's Association. They welcomed the opportunity to comment on the consultation for the traffic calming works to take place on the L6182 between Corrandrum National School and the entrance to the quarry. The Association members include local residents living on the L6182, and residents from the surrounding area who rely on the road for commutes to school, work, general day to day business and exercise. Their priority in making this submission is the safety of all road users especially children and the more vulnerable members of our community.

In 2019 the L6182 was widened and resurfaced. Prior to this the road was a single lane carriageway where cars and trucks had to be mindful of oncoming traffic and it was possible

to stand safely in a grass verge. The narrowness of the road kept the traffic speeds down and the raised grass verge acted as a refuge (pavement) up off the road. Since the road has been widened and grass verges have been depleted, traffic is now travelling at greater speeds. Parents travelling to the local school can no longer do so safely on foot or cycling as vehicles travel too fast.

They have reviewed the submitted plan and have raised concerns with local Councillors and feel the traffic calming measures are wholly insufficient. The road needs to be reinstated to its original width and are asking for an updated plan with this in place.

In summary they would like to propose the following changes to ensure safety on the road

- Narrow the road, remove yellow lines off peoples' properties and return the road to its pre- works width and realignment with the rest of the L6182.
- A raised concrete pavement from the entrance at the quarry to the top of the road past the school on both sides (where possible) of the road to replace the grass verges (brinks) that have been removed.
- A dedicated cycle lane for cyclists on their way to the school and for people who enjoy cycling in the locality.
- A raised crossing to allow for the safe passage across the road especially for children and parents going to school.
- As there are long stretches of straight road, some system of giving way to oncoming traffic to help slow traffic.
- More flashing signs indicating the school is ahead.
- Lighting outside the school and the road for secondary school children getting on and off their school buses.
- A designated and recognised bus stop for secondary school buses at the top of the L6182.
- Protection from traffic turning off the N83 at speed onto the L6182

### **Submission 22**

Submission was received on 23rd May 2023. The individuals welcome the opportunity to provide a submission on the proposed Section 38 Traffic Calming Measures for the L6182.

In 2019 works were carried out on this road, widening the road and depleting the recess area outside of their house which makes it difficult for parking. It also makes access and egress from the house difficult with the traffic is travelling faster since the road has been widened. There is a bicycle Rack at the school which is never full as some Parents will not allow their children to cycle to school as the road is not safe.

At the very least they would like to see 50kph zones introduced along the road to help slow down traffic. They feel the current traffic calming measures are insufficient and what is being proposed will not help in anyway to reduce speed on our road.

We ask the Council to consider the following.

- Traffic calming island at the head of the road by the school.
- Raised concrete footpaths in areas where verges were removed during the unauthorised works.
- Recess areas restored to allow parking outside our homes.
- Lighting at the school for bus drop off and pick up points with bus set down areas.
- A system of Give-way on long stretches of the road to help slow traffic.

### **Submission 23**

Submission was received on 24th May 2023 The persons are grateful to be afforded the opportunity to make a representation in relation to the traffic calming measures proposed for the L-6182 They however deem the calming measures proposed to be completely inadequate in relation to road safety. As a result of the works carried out in 2019 the road has been widened and large amounts of existing earthen road verge have been removed. They stated that "the removal of these verges has resulted in a very serious issue emerging regarding the safety of road users". The works were initiated in 2019 and it is due to these works that traffic calming is now essential to make this road safe for all users.

They also state that in line with the problems identified in the Road Safety Assessment for the L-6182 they request that the road be returned to its original width, and this can be achieved by implementing the recommendations outlined in the report.

- boundary walls
- vehicle speed and states that speed is due to the relatively wide carriageway which is wider than the original prior to the works.
- that a footpath be installed from Corrandrum N.S. all the way to the quarry entrance and that topsoil be added to road verges at designated

In summary, reducing the width of this section of the L-6182 to its original width addresses all the following issues:

- Safety issues for all road users especially children attending Corrandrum N.S.
- Encroachment into recessment areas
- Stones from walls falling onto road.
- Reversal of works
- Consistent width restored along the full length of the L-6182
- Speeding

#### **Submission 24**

Submission was received on 14th May 2023. The individual would like to welcome this opportunity to comment on the proposed L6182 Corrandrum traffic calming measures. At all times the safety of all road users especially children and the most vulnerable members of the community should be of the utmost priority. They see little emphasis placed upon our local National school within the document. The L6182 is used as a 'rat run' as an alternative route for traffic commuting into and out of Galway city. HGV vehicles (including those from the quarry) and cars travel passed the school constantly during the day. All the activities at the school create congestion and conflict at the school entrance between school traffic, HGV traffic, commuting cars and Secondary school buses.

They highlight that the proposed traffic calming measures do nothing to protect parents and children wishing to cycle and walk to school safely. The Government actively encourage walking and cycling to school, yet the proposals have no footpaths or cycle paths or safe

crossings. The HGV traffic frequently passing up and down is indeed very unsafe with long straight stretches of road without physical calming measures such as 'build outs.

The local Secondary school buses also use this road. Pick up points and drop off points are located at the head of the road (the junction of the L6182 with the N83). Children crossing from parents' vehicles to board their buses are exposed to HGV trucks and "it is used as a 'rat run' as it is an alternative route into Galway City. This is a highly dangerous and anxious time which is only worsened during the months of winter where upon, due to lack of light and poor weather, visibility is greatly reduced.

They suggest the following changes that may further enhance the safety of this proposal and help to reflect the needs and safety of all the people in the local community.

- A raised concrete pavement from the entrance at the quarry to the top of the road past the school on both sides of the road to replace the grass verges (brinks) that have been removed.
- A dedicated cycle lane for cyclists on their way to the school and for people who enjoy cycling in the locality.
- A raised crossing to allow for the safe passage across the road especially for children and parents going to school.
- As there are long stretches of straight road, some system of giving way to oncoming traffic to help slow traffic.
- More flashing signs indicating the school is ahead.
- Lighting outside the school on the road for secondary school children getting on and off their school buses.
- A designated and recognised bus stop for secondary school buses at the top of the L6182.
- Protection from traffic turning off the N83 at speed onto the L6182.

### **Submission 25**

Submission was received on 14th May 2023 from a relative of the person who made submission no. 24. The person also welcomes the opportunity to comment on this consultation for the traffic calming works and that safety of all road users especially children and the most vulnerable members of our community should be of the utmost priority.

In 2019 the L6182 was widened and resurfaced. Prior to this the L6182 public road was narrower; less than 4.5m wide in places with natural stone walls with large grass verges. The very nature of the road meant that it was possible to walk or cycle in reasonable safety as cars and trucks had to be mindful of oncoming traffic and it was possible to stand up on a verge either as a pedestrian or put your foot down as a cyclist. In effect the narrowness of the road kept the traffic speeds down and the raised grass verge acted as a refuge (pavement) up off the road.

Since these works have been undertaken the dynamic of the road has dramatically changed not only from a visual perspective but also with its increased speed. Parents travelling to the local school can no longer do so safely on foot or cycling as vehicles travel too fast. Having looked at the Submitted plan the individual is alarmed by the lack of protection given to the safety of pedestrians and cyclists.

The person would like to suggest the following changes that may further enhance the safety of this proposal and return the carriageway to its pre-works width and realignment with the rest of the L6182.

- L6182 speed reduced to 50km at the school and in other vulnerable sections.
- A raised concrete pavement from the entrance at the quarry to the top of the road past the school on both sides (where possible) of the road to replace the grass verges(brinks) that have been removed.
- A dedicated cycle lane for cyclists on their way to the school and for people who enjoy cycling in the locality.
- A raised crossing to allow for the safe passage across the road especially for children and parents going to school.
- As there are lone stretches of straight road, some system of giving way to oncoming traffic to help slow traffic.

- More flashing signs indicating the school is ahead.
- Lighting outside the school on the road for secondary school children getting on and off their school buses.
- A designated and recognised bus stop for secondary school buses at the top of the L6182.
- Protection from traffic turning off the N83 at speed onto the L6182.

### **Submission 26**

Submission was received on 25th May 2023. The persons welcome the opportunity to comment on the consultation for the traffic calming works to take place on the L6182 It is a priority to ensure the safety of all road users and the residents on this stretch of road.

They state that since the widening of the road and the removal of the grass verges, they have experienced a significant increase in traffic speed and dangerous overtaking. In addition, there is no dedicated facilities currently for pedestrians and/or cyclists.

Based on the above, they believe the road needs to be reinstated to its original width, with restoration of the original recess area outside people's home.

Furthermore, since the resurfacing of the road, a yellow line was placed in on our recess area as well as a white line down the centre of the road. They request the removal of both lines as they encourage dangerous speed. They are also looking for the grass verges would be restored.

They state that it is disappointing to see that no there is progress in ensuring the safety of road users and the residents on this stretch of road.

### **Submission 27**

Submission was received on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2023. The person is a long-term resident living on the L6182 in Cloonagh. Since the works carried out in 2019 the dynamic of the road has changed. The speed has increased and there is no longer any safe refuge for walking or cycling.

Their movements have been severely restricted during peak rush hours, and they find it very hard to exit from the driveway safely and without harm they have concerns about the safety of the school children and those cycling and walking to school.



In consideration of traffic calming measures, they would like to see the following included:

- A 50km speed limit along the road
- The road to be reinstated to its original width.
- Raised concrete footpaths where our grass verges used to be.
- A traffic island at the junction of the N83 and L6182

### **Submission 28**

Submission was received on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2023. As residents and regular users of the L6182, they would like to take this opportunity to comment on the proposed Traffic Calming and safety works to take place between Corrandrum National School and the Quarry.

They feel the traffic calming measures are insufficient in the proposed plan. The works carried out in 2019 have effectively widened the road which has resulted in increased speeds and dangerous overtaking.

Prior to the unauthorized works the L6182 road was narrower and less than 4.5m wide in places with natural stone walls with large grass verges. It was possible to walk or cycle in reasonable safety as cars and trucks had to be mindful of oncoming traffic and it was possible to stand up on a verge either as a pedestrian or put your foot down as a cyclist. The narrowness of the road kept the traffic speeds down and the raised grass verge acted as a refuge (pavement) up off the road.

Following the works there is no longer any grass verge and the road has even encroached on private recessment areas. There is now a yellow line directly outside the wall of the National School and there is no room for children to walk or cycle.

Parents travelling to the local school can no longer do so safely on foot or cycling to school as vehicles travel too fast. They ask the Council to consider this initiative with regards to the Traffic Calming measures and to make the road safe for those walking and cycling.

Consideration should be given to the National School at the top of the road with the N83. In addition to this there is a heavy number of rigid and articulated trucks combined with school traffic for NS, for a pre-school and also for drop off and pick up points for buses for secondary schools in Tuam and Claregalway using the route. Combine all of this with dark mornings and evenings in wintertime, road crossing is getting less safe.

As concerned local residents for the safety of our children and all road users they request the following:

- 50km zones set out along the full length of the L6182.
- The carriageway restored to its original width of 4.5m or less.
- A raised concrete pavement to replace what was the grass verges (brinks) that have been removed,.i.e. within the boundary of GCC property, between road edge and edge of grass verge.
- A dedicated cycle lane for cyclists on their way to the school and for people who enjoy cycling around the block.
- A raised crossing to allow for the safe passage across the road especially for children and parents going to school.
- More flashing signs indicating the school is ahead.
- Lighting for dark mornings at the school when secondary school children are getting on and off the bus.
- Traffic calming island at the junction of the N83 and L6182.
- Bus set down area at junction of the N83 and L6182

### **The Roads Section Conclusion**

#### **1. Speed limit amendments/review**

The setting and management of speed limits is governed by the “Guidelines for Setting & Managing Speed Limits in Ireland” document published by the Department of Transport in 2015. The guidelines stipulate that Local Authorities conduct a review of speed limits (default and Special Speed Limits, including those on National Road) at least on a five yearly basis.

The existing Bye-Laws following on from the last such review were adopted in January 2019 and came into effect in March 2019 A review of speed limits has commenced, and submissions in respect of same can be made to Roads HQ in County Buildings. However, new legislation is expected to be approved in mid 2024 on speed limits nationally, and the current review will need to take this into account. It is important to note that under Submission 10 the Corrandrum N.S have already submitted for a review on the speed limits and a reduction to 50kph on the L6182.

## **2. TII junction N83**

A preliminary design of the N83 junction was carried out by consultants in 2019. It will involve narrowing and realigning the junction, set down bus area. It is proposed to submit a request to the TII for funding to carry out full safety works design at the N83/ L6182 junction.

## **3. Safe routes to school**

Corrandrum National School is registered for the Safe Routes to School Scheme and will possibly be considered for attention for SRTS Round 3. Galway County Council will propose to An Taisce SRTS team that it be included in that round. The process of drafting a SRTS plan includes meeting the school and the parents and discussing their issues and concerns. A draft plan is then created by the SRTS team and reviewed with Galway County Council and circulated more widely for comment. The Safe Routes to School Programme is designed to encourage as many pupils and students as possible in primary and post-primary schools to walk and cycle. It has three aims:

- To accelerate the delivery of walking/scooting and cycling infrastructure on key access routes to schools.
- To provide “front of school” treatments which will enhance access to your school grounds.
- To expand the amount of bike parking available at schools.

## **4. Side gate to school access**

As part of the Safe Routes to School we expect that a side access gate will be included in the proposals to allow safe access for students to the school along the L6182 without having to walk on the live carriageway which is currently the situation.

## **5. Bus set down area.**

A new bus set down area has been proposed in some of the submissions received. Any proposal here will require detailed design and funding. Galway County Council will review this matter to see if this is viable and feasible. Any proposal would have to be fully funded and acceptable in respect of the road safety audit process.

## **6. Traffic calming measures and Speed activated sign.**

A review of all traffic calming measures took place between the consultants and Galway County Council based on the issues raised in the submissions. Arising from the consultations, there were a number of headline issues that emerged with reference to the consultants design

- Traffic calming measures.
- Speed activated signage

Under the headings of Traffic Calming Measures and Speed Activated Signage, changes have been made to the consultation drawings to address some of the concerns raised. These amendments are shown in the full report by Tobin Consultants in the attached report named *Galway County Council Amendments Made following Consultations L6182 Corrandrum Traffic Calming.*

The amendments are:

- Additional build outs at the north-eastern side of the road
- Vehicle activated signage
- Additional line marking

## **7. Public Lighting at the School**

Public Lighting outside the school and the road for secondary school children getting on and off their school buses will be assessed by Galway County Council in line with current lighting policy and funding.