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By email to Peter O'Donoghue

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### **Public Consultation**

### **Proposed Junction Upgrade and signalization of the South Douglas Road / N40 Douglas West off ramp / Willow Park estate road junction.**

Dear Mr O'Donoghue

The Transport and Mobility Forum, Cork (TMF) is a representative group of organisations who have a common interest in sustainable and active travel. TMF fully support sustainable travel measures and policies to promote and facilitate the use of sustainable and active travel.

We welcome the opportunity to comment on this Part 8 Public Consultation. We welcome and support the:

- proposed removal of existing roundabout, and
- the potential of improved journey times for buses.

Given the heavy volume of traffic within this area, we recommend the following suggestions:

- land take to be secured to accommodate 3m shared cycle and pedestrian route,
- existing footpath kerb detail to be relocated along South Douglas Road to the outside of the cycle lane to create a physical protection for cyclists
- cycle prioritisation bays (advanced stop lines) at the front of all T-Junctions, and
- bus stop be relocated fully within the road.

Further,

- in the drawing there is no dedicated crossing planned for pedestrians and cyclists from the Tramore river path at the traffic signals across Willow Lawn, which should be added
- A clear transition path for cyclists should be marked from the tucan crossing into the city bound cycle lane
- City bound cyclists into South Douglas Rd should also be given the option of using the general traffic lane (under the underpass), too, as it is assumed that the signal cycle at the junction will stop cyclists (for left turning motor vehicles) while general traffic has GREEN.
- The pedestrian / cyclists signals across the access lane to Willow Lawn should be separate from those crossing the N40 exit lanes, as the latter can be GREEN in parallel with parallel city bound motor traffic.

In relation to future public consultations, we would be grateful if you would simplify detailed drawings on-line so as to make the information more accessible to a wider audience.

Should you require any clarifications on any of the above points, please email me at [transportandmobilityforum@gmail.com](mailto:transportandmobilityforum@gmail.com)

We look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Stephan Koch', written in a cursive style.

Stephan Koch (Chair)  
Transport and Mobility Forum

**Note:** The comments within this submission are solely the view of the Transport and Mobility Forum (TMF) as a whole and not the opinion or view of any individual partner of the TMF.