

# Public Consultation March 2022



## South East Greenway Links Glenmore and Slieverue *Glenmore section*

Kilkenny County Council, in association with Kilkenny LEADER Partnership and Trail Kilkenny intends to provide pedestrian and cyclist routes from the 24km long South East Greenway (under construction) to the villages of Glenmore and Slieverue, as part of an integrated network of Greenways and Blueways in the South East region.

Route options for these pedestrian and cycle paths been developed and assessed, and preferences are emerging. The aim of this public consultation is to obtain feedback on these route options to assist in the selection of a route for each village.



# Location



## Scheme Objectives

- Tourism – generate economic activity
- Community – provide amenities for wellbeing and health
- Transport – encourage modal shift by commuters

## Route Characteristics

“Family-friendly for walking and cycling”

- Attractive – scenic and interesting
- Safe – away from heavy traffic but close to community
- Direct – short in length but induce diversion from greenway
- Comfortable – surfaced and not steep

## To Date

- Route options developed and assessed, and preferences are emerging.
- Discussions with landowners on the route options.
- Decision on preferred routes following public consultation.

# Glenmore - 1.8 km



- Possible connection points located near proposed Ballyverneen car park
- All routes pass through the underbridge
- River Barrow + Nore SAC along Glenmore River
- No designated archaeological or architectural heritage sites

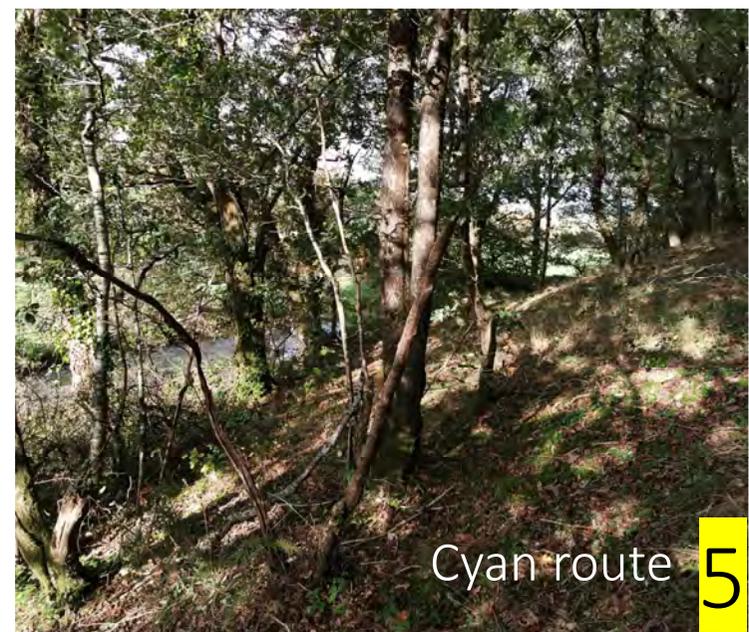


# Glenmore – northwest section

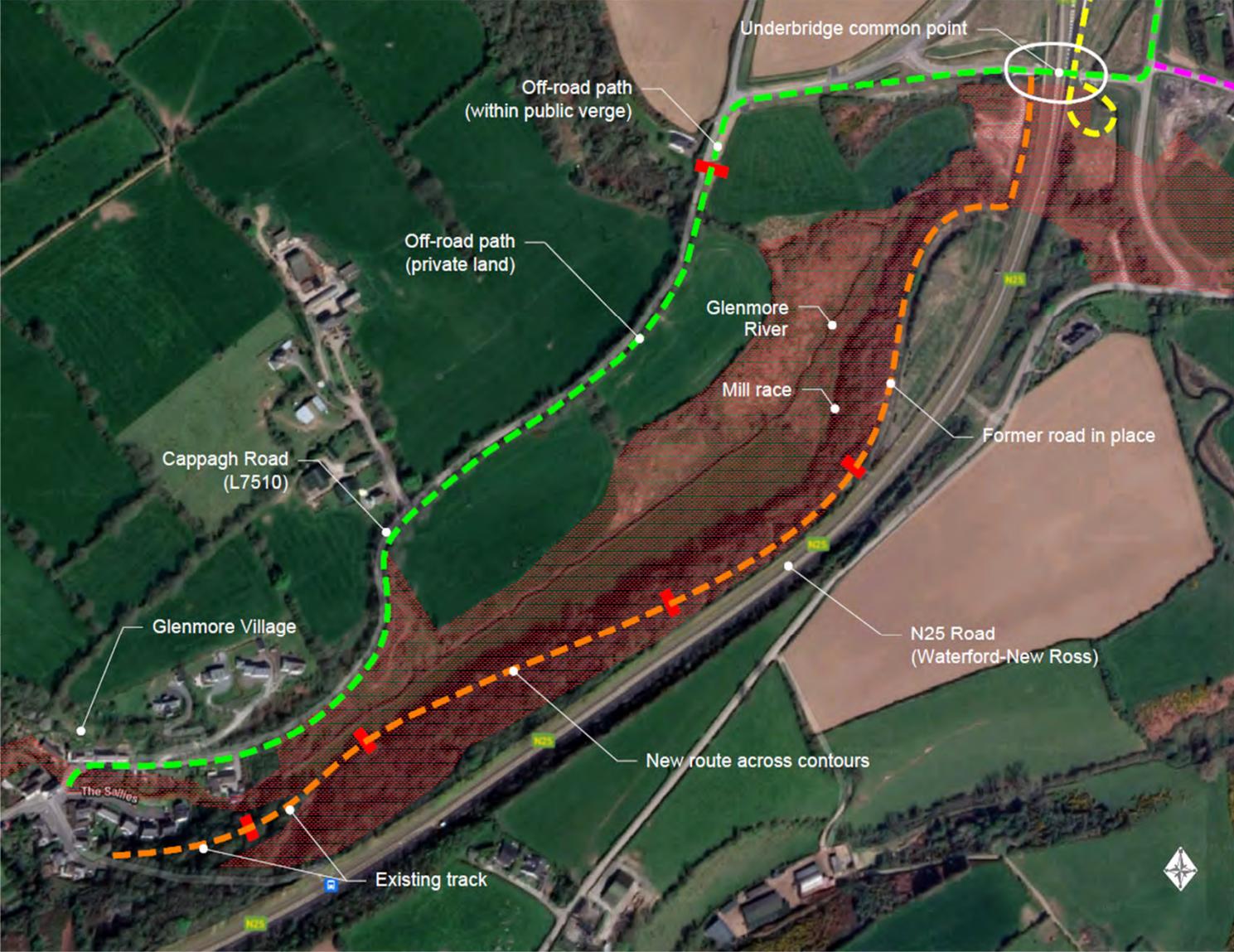
ADVANTAGES	DISADVANTAGES
<b>Yellow Route</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Traffic free</li> <li>2. Publicly-owned land</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Very expensive structures</li> <li>2. Impact on TII/PPP</li> <li>3. Circuitous and indirect</li> </ol>
<b>Green Route (L7513)</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Direct</li> <li>2. Relatively inexpensive</li> <li>3. Public land</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Off-road, but on-road through underpass</li> </ol>
<b>Cyan Route</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Attractive</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Expensive (sloping ground)</li> <li>2. Indirect</li> <li>3. Private land</li> <li>4. Environmental impact</li> </ol>
<b>Orange Route</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Direct</li> <li>2. Publicly-owned land</li> <li>3. Traffic free</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Potentially expensive structures</li> <li>2. Impact on TII/PPP</li> <li>3. Not directly linked to greenway car park</li> </ol>
<b>Magenta Route (L7539)</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Direct</li> <li>2. Publicly-owned land</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Road safety on narrow lane used by agricultural traffic is a concern</li> <li>2. Not directly linked to greenway car park</li> </ol>

*The Green Route is low-impact, inexpensive and meets the objectives of the scheme*

# Context photos of Glenmore – northwest section

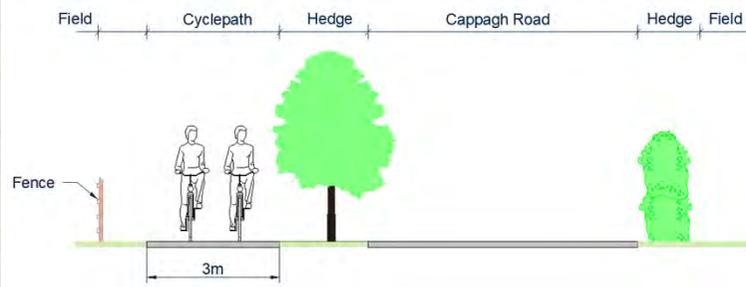


# Glenmore southwest



ADVANTAGES	DISADVANTAGES
<b>Orange Route / Magenta Variant</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Attractive</li> <li>2. Off-road</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Very high impact on SAC</li> <li>2. Expensive</li> <li>3. High gradients – difficult cycling</li> <li>4. Personal safety concerns in wooded areas</li> </ol>
<b>Green Route (L7510)</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Attractive</li> <li>2. Off-road</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Minor impact on SAC</li> </ol>

*The Green Route is of lower impact and lesser cost than the orange, and meets the objectives of the scheme*



*Cycle Path along south side of Cappagh Road*

# Context photos of Glenmore – northwest section



Glenmore River



Farm track



Millrace



Former N25



Track beside N25

## HOW TO MAKE A SUBMISSION

Submissions must be in writing; verbal submissions will not be accepted. Submissions will be treated confidentially and in accordance with the Council's Data Retention Policy and relevant Data Protection Legislation.

Submissions should be made online, via e-mail to [info@roadplan.ie](mailto:info@roadplan.ie) or sent by post to the following address: Roadplan Consulting, 7 Ormonde Road, Kilkenny. Submissions to be marked "*Glenmore & Slieverue links to SEG*".

The latest date for receipt of submissions is 4pm **Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022**.



Once this public consultation is complete the emerging preferred route for each village will be selected.

The further implementation of the project is subject to funding and the next stage would be the making of an application to the appropriate authority for consent for the scheme and the acquisition of the necessary lands.

The procedures governing the application would include statutory public consultation.