Ballycommon Sráid Plan

Settlement Description

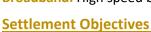
Settlement Context: Ballycommon is a small rural settlement located on a local road adjacent to its crossing of the Grand Canal, approximately 8km east of Tullamore. A licenced premises / coffee shop, GAA grounds and the Grand Canal bridge form the focal points of the settlement.

Services and Facilities: Licenced premises, coffee shop, tourist accommodation, GAA grounds and the Grand Canal. Ballycommon Project Centre and Training Centre are situated north of the Sráid.

Waste Water Treatment: Individual effluent treatment systems.

Water Supply: Private Group Water Scheme.

Broadband: High speed broadband is available.





Infrastructure and Public Realm

- GO1 Provision of public footpaths and street lighting.
- GO2 Provide/enhance gateway features on the approaches to the Sráid.
- GO3 Provision of measures to improve traffic calming on approach to the Sráid.
- GO4 Support the provision of appropriate infrastructural requirements to meet the needs of the Offaly Cycling Destination Network.
- GO5 Provision of public facilities and amenities, including car and cycle parking, to promote the Sráid as a trailhead on the Grand Canal Greenway and Offaly Cycling Destination Network.
- GO6 Enhance the public realm.

Development and Design

- GO7 The conservation and integration into new development of existing native hedgerows.
- GO8 The unique rural setting of Ballycommon shall be retained and enhanced, in accordance with appropriately designed and sensitive development.
- GO9 Development to have a minimal impact on the setting of the bridge over the Grand Canal.

Specific Objectives (refer to map)

- SO1 As per Policy BHP-27 (Chapter 10, Volume 1) the Council will restrict vehicular access onto public roads that were formerly towpaths and any development permitted with access off a towpath must be screened effectively with trees and hedging.
- SO2 Any development shall incorporate screen planting on the boundary to the GAA grounds.



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