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Sligo, Leitrim, Northern Counties, Railway (SLNCR) Greenway

Phase 2 – Options Selection Public Consultation 2

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Introduction

Leitrim County Council, in partnership with Sligo County Council, Cavan County Council, Fermanagh & Omagh District Council, under the auspices of Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) and Department for Infrastructure (DfI) are developing the Sligo, Leitrim, Northern Counties, Railway (SLNCR) Greenway.

This Project is to provide a Greenway from Sligo town to Enniskillen, Co. Fermanagh, passing through Collooney, Ballintogher, Dromahair, Manorhamilton, Glenfarne, Blacklion, Belcoo and Letterbreen on the way.

Project Specific Need

The need for the SLNCR Greenway is underpinned by the necessity to provide facilities which enable physical activity in a safe environment for all, by the need to connect rural communities using sustainable modes for short trips and strengthen rural economies and communities, whilst enhancing amenity and heritage.

The SLNCR Greenway will be a scenic, provide a strategic link that is substantially segregated from vehicular traffic, offering lots to see and do for a wide variety of users. It will be developed sustainably in co-operation with, and offering real benefits to, local communities.

The SLNCR Greenway could form an integral part of the County Cycle Network Plans currently under development as it has the potential to link into the proposed Sligo Greenway from Collooney to Bellaghy and subsequently provide a branch off the EuroVelo 1 – The Atlantic Coast Route and the Wild Atlantic Way.

The development of the SLNCR Greenway will attract domestic and international visitors to come, explore and stay in the region. The surrounding areas contain attractive scenery and an opportunity for users to interact with nature whilst benefitting from outdoor activity. It will unlock the tourism potential of the counties it traverses and will provide opportunities for the development of a local tourism-based industry in the area.

What's Happening Now

Arup have been appointed by Leitrim County Council to provide multi-disciplinary engineering and other specialist consultancy services. That is to bring the Project through the planning process in the Republic and Northern Ireland plus to provide tender documents for Construction of the proposed Greenway in compliance with Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) Project Management Guideline documents.

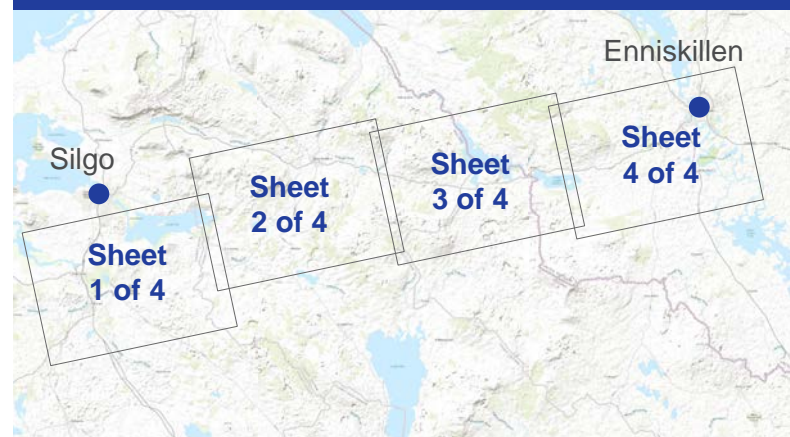
Following the conclusion of the Phase 1 Concept and Feasibility Public Consultation on the study area and constraints, the Project has progressed to Phase 2 Option Selection. During Phase 2, all reasonable / feasible options are examined and their costs, benefits and effects on the environment are interrogated to identify a Preferred Option, if any, that will progress to Phase 3 Design and Environmental Evaluation.

Full details of the proposed route corridor options will be available to view on the Project Website (www.sln-cr-greenway.com) from 9am on Monday 23 October 2023.

Please note that these corridors vary in width (up to 300m in places) whereas the final design for the proposed Greenway will be significantly less than this (typically of the order of 10m). Accordingly, there is significant scope within each corridor to vary the alignment of the proposed Greenway.

Study Area - Plan

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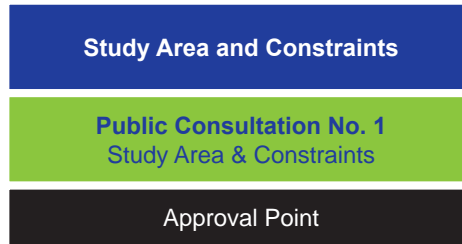


Project Phasing & Timeline

Phase 1

Concept and Feasibility

We identified a suitable study area to engage stakeholder, to undertake constraints mapping and to develop and assess options.



Phase 2

Options Selection

We will identify key constraints to the project development and develop and assess feasible solutions in line with the project objectives so as to select a preferred solution.



Phase 3

Design & Environmental Evaluation

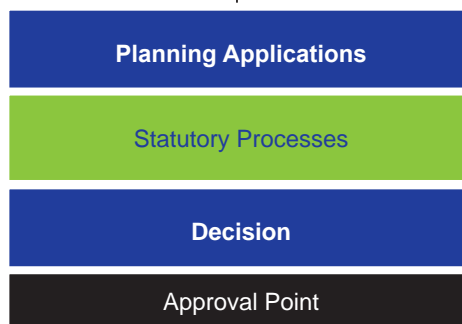
We will develop the design of the preferred solution to a sufficient level of detail to establish land take requirements and undertake environmental evaluation so as to identify and mitigate impacts.



Phase 4

Statutory Processes

We will advance the project through the Statutory Processes to ensure that the project is developed in accordance with planning, environmental and other relevant legislation.



Phase 5 & 6

Enabling & Procurement Construction & Implementation

Phases 5 & 6 will be subject to planning approval and funding for the project to proceed.



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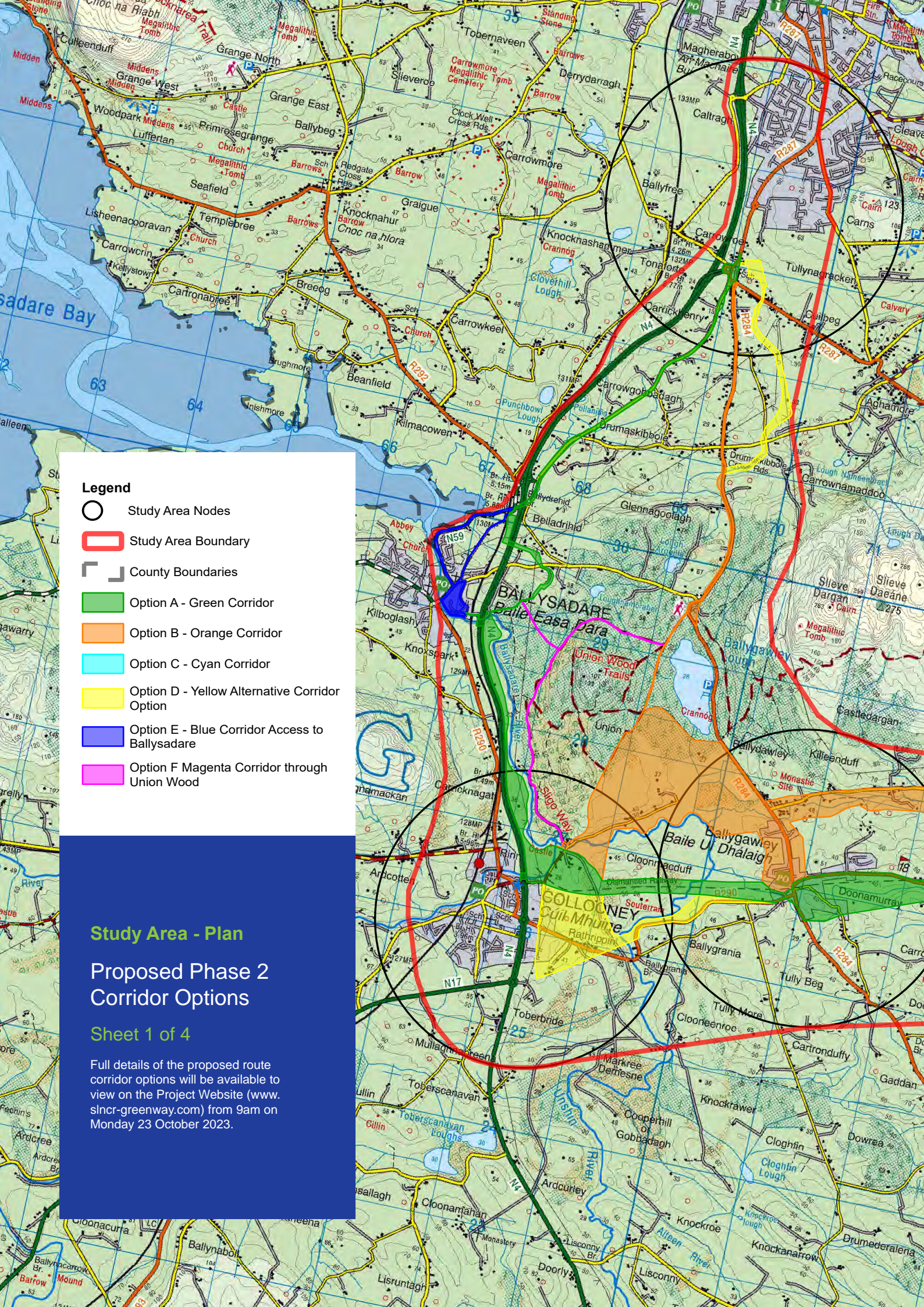
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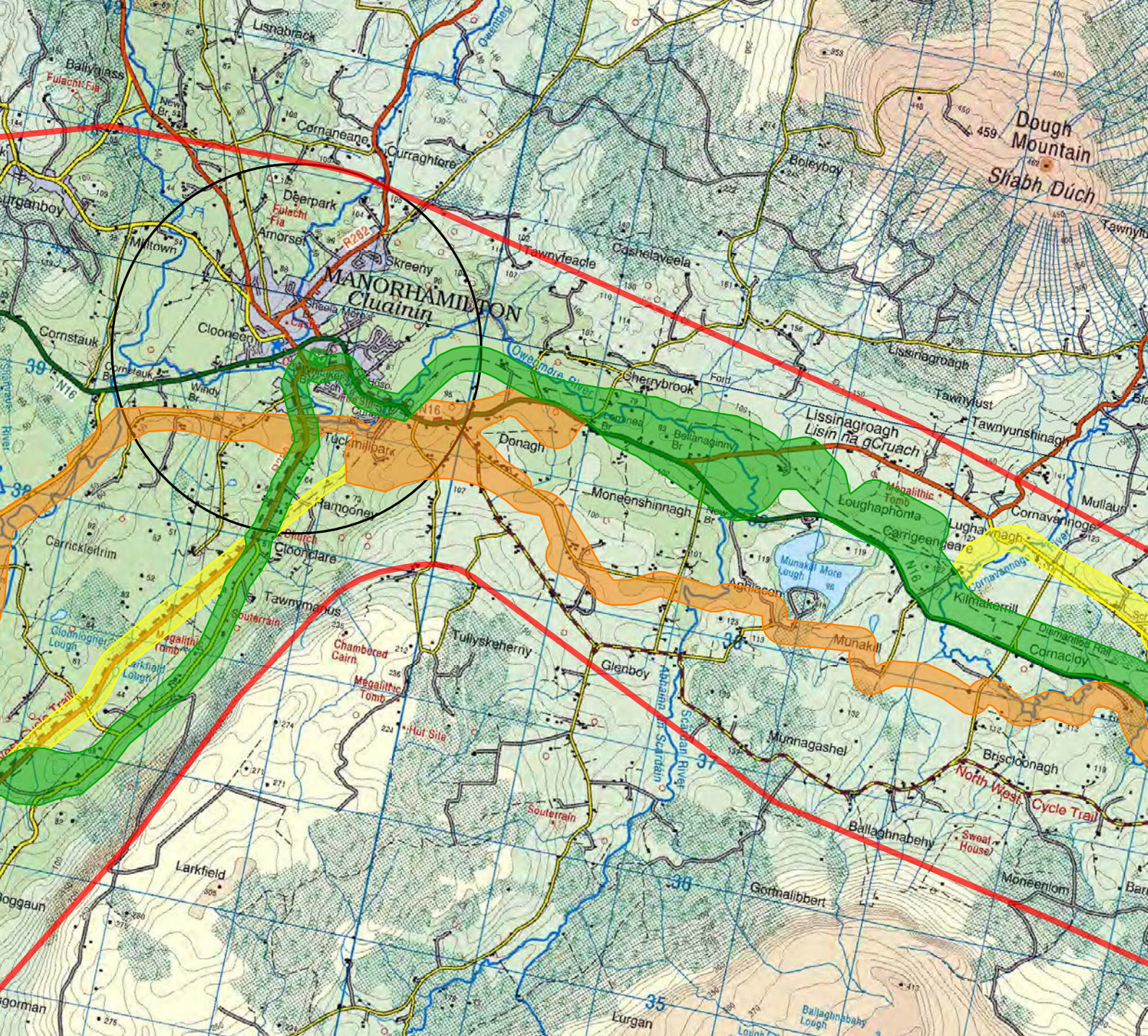
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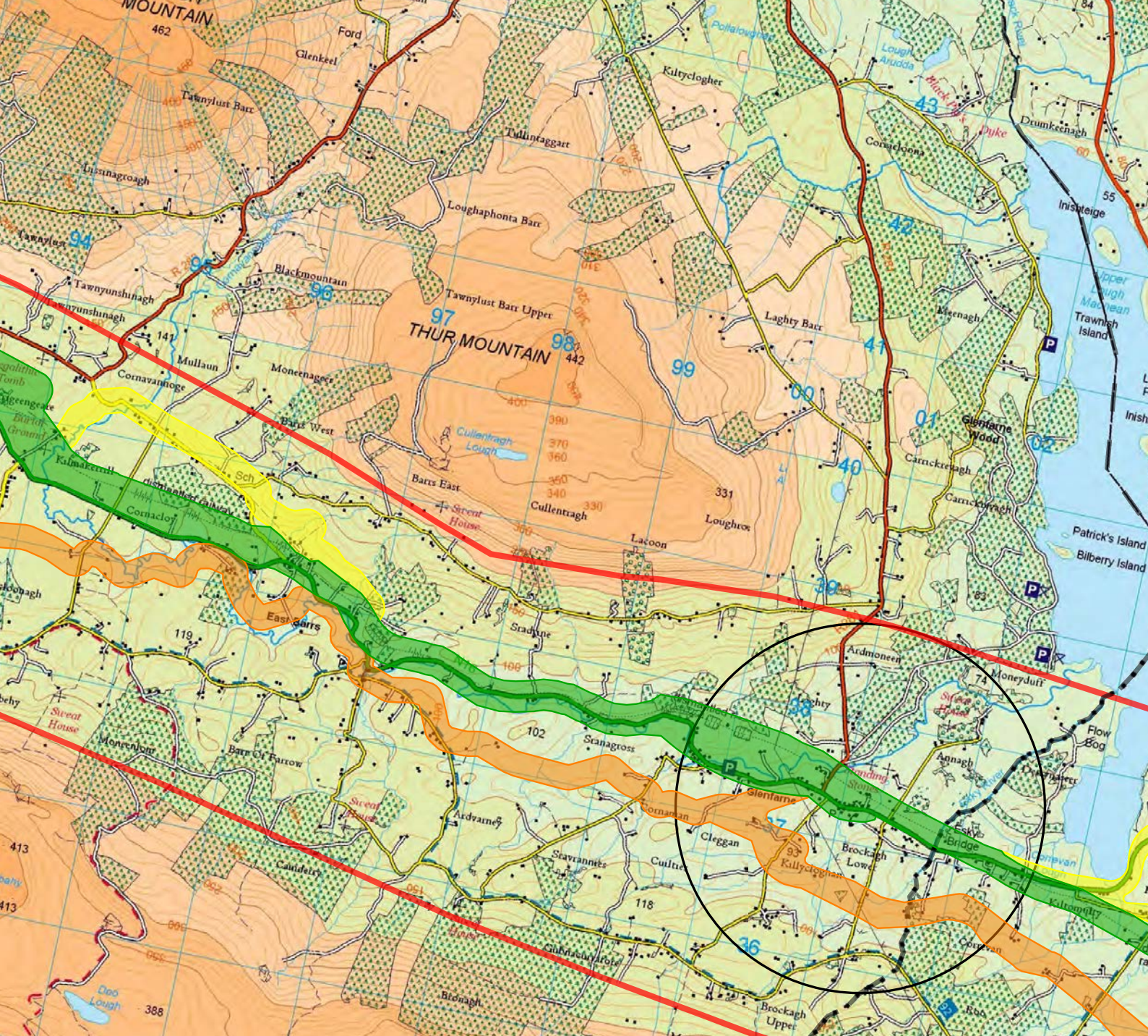
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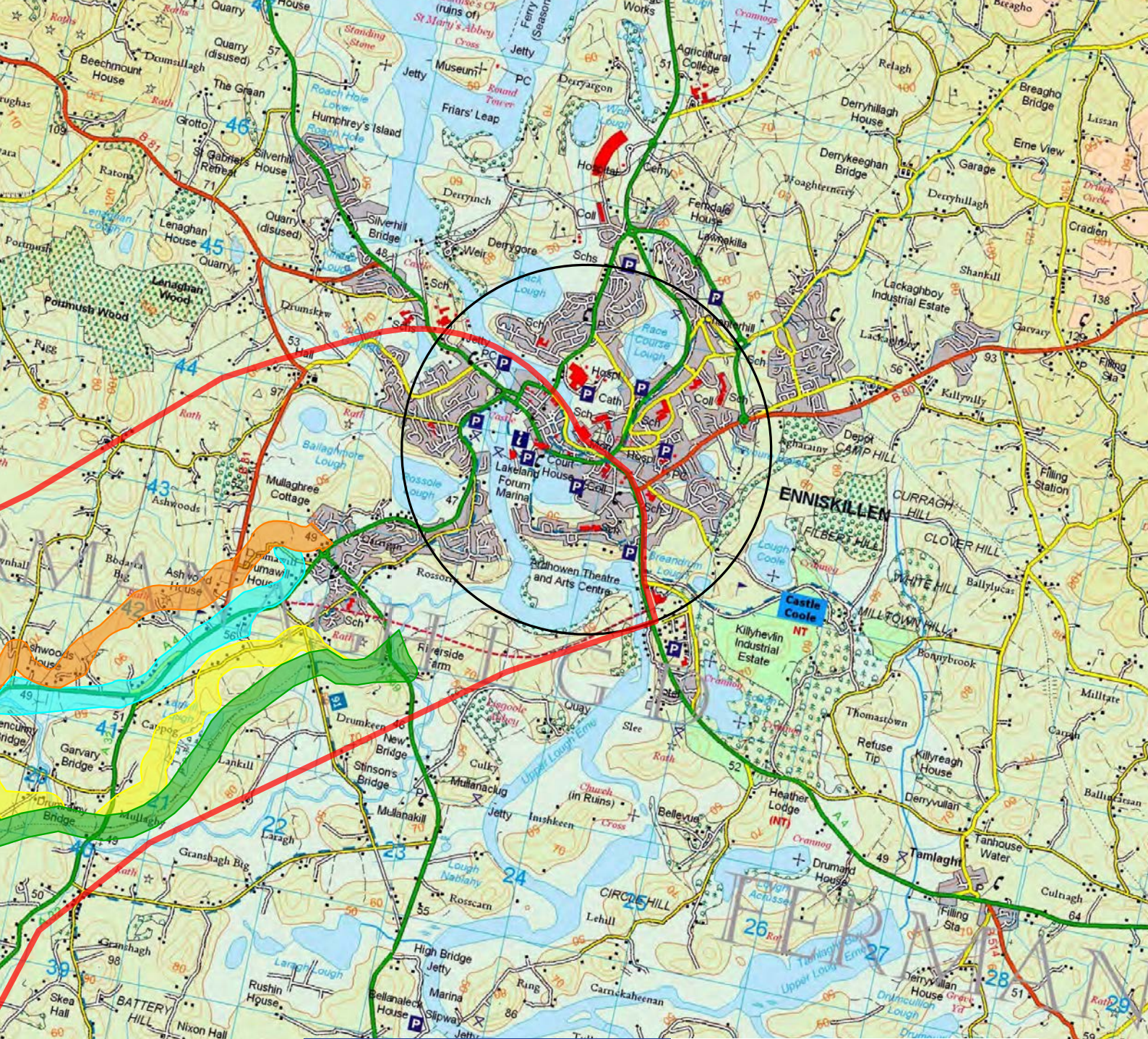
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



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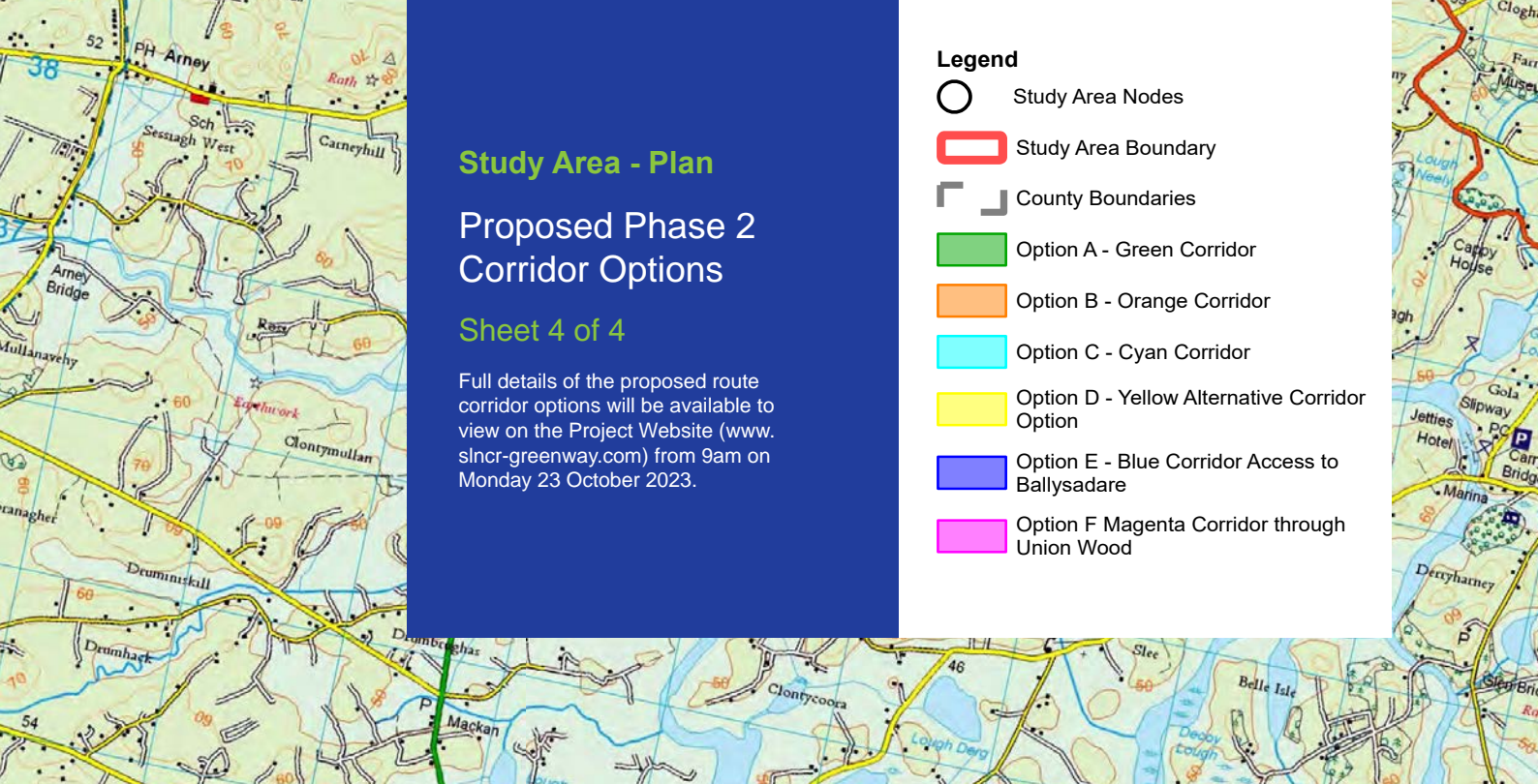
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Public Consultation

Public consultation forms an important part of advancing the design process towards the development of route options and allows the involvement of the public in identifying key constraints and opportunities.

The Second Public Consultation is planned from **9am on Monday 23 October 2023 to 5pm on Friday 17 November 2023**. In the Second Public Consultation, the proposed options will be presented to stakeholders. Project Liaison Officers (PLOs) and the Project Team will be

available to provide information on the proposed options and enable stakeholders to provide feedback on the proposed options, highlighting issues and opportunities.

This consultation is being held online through our project website, **www.slncr-greenway.com** which contains all the information that will be displayed at the in-person public consultation events. This includes an interactive map which will display the study area, the Phase 1 constraints and the proposed options. The project website also contains a FAQs tab and a feedback page for the submission of comments or queries.

We will also hold open days or in-person events which are as follows:

Public Consultation Event 1: Sligo

6 November 2023
12:00-20:00

Sligo Park Hotel & Leisure Club, Pearse Road, F91Y762, Co. Sligo

Public Consultation Event 2: Fermanagh

7 November 2023
12:00-20:00

Community Centre Belcoo, 68 Lattone Road, Gorteen, BT93 4EA, Co. Fermanagh

Public Consultation Event 3: Leitrim

8 November 2023
12:00-20:00

The Rainbow Ballroom, Brockagh Lower, Glenfarne, F91 RK54, Co. Leitrim

Alternatively, hardcopies of brochures and comment sheets are available for collection from the following offices (addresses below) or call +44 28 9089 0900 to request a copy by post or email slncr-greenway@arup.com.

Leitrim County Council

Manorhamilton Branch
Library
Main Street,
Manorhamilton,
Co. Leitrim.
F91 C862

Sligo County Council

County Hall
Riverside
Sligo
F91 Y763

Cavan County Council

Cavan Courthouse
Farnham St Abbeyland
Cavan
H12 R6V2

Fermanagh and Omagh District Council

County Buildings
15 East Bridge Street
Enniskillen
Fermanagh
BT74 7BW

Comment sheets can be submitted via the "Contact Us" feedback page on the project website or emailed to slncr-greenway@arup.com or by return of post to the one of the following addresses:

Arup
50 Ringsend Road
Dublin
D04 T6X0

or

Arup
Bedford House
16-22 Bedford Street
Belfast
BT2 7FD



Leitrim County Council values the opinion of the community on the Project and welcomes comments from the public and interested parties.

The closing date for submissions is 5pm on 17 November 2023

For further information please log on to www.slncr-greenway.com