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**Re: : Item 82764 March 2024 Lucan, Palmerstown and North Clondalkin Area Committee Meeting**

Dear Ms. Sinclair,

Works on the Silver Bridge to preserve and secure it are nearing completion. The bridge structure has been restored, conserved and lifted back into position while securing the site on both southern and northern banks and mobilizing off site has recently commenced, and it is now envisaged these works will be completed in May.

At this time works do not include reinstatement of a bridge deck, and due to bridge dimensions, it is not feasible as a formal cycling route while the lands around are currently in private ownership, constraining any potential reopening. A structural appraisal has however been carried out and does allow for possible future installation of a 2m wide deck for pedestrian use within the steel structure.

To date Fingal County Council has invested almost €2,000,000 in these works which upon completion will provide an opportunity to reestablish this important Liffey crossing connecting Fingal and South Dublin.

Fingal County Council now proposes a joint feasibility study with South Dublin County Council to explore on the northern and southern sides of the bridge the options for routing and land acquisition as well as further analysis of road safety issues, and cost planning, and would welcome the opportunity to discuss further through the appropriate channels.

Yours sincerely

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