

**From:**

**Sent:** 18 June 2021 23:13

**To:** DfI Southern Maintenance <SouthernMaintenance@infrastructure-ni.gov.uk>

**Subject:** Re: Upper Dromore Road, Warrenpoint

To whom it may concern

With references to the planning of new entrance on upper Dromore Road Warrenpoint last year. I Email a number of times last year about the safety on the above road and concerns about parking. I also email active travel and NMDDC about developing a greenway with no reply.

I have attached photos of the road tonight with a football match been played. I had to leave the footpath as there was no space and walk on the road which was very dangerous I also noticed a number of teenagers having to do likewise.

DFI did the report for planning, what proposal were given for this known problem ? What action to you intend to take to provide safe walking on this busy walking route?







Kind Regards

Sent from my iPhone



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Your Ref:  
Our Ref: 123195-21  
Date: 8, July 2021

Dear

**UPPER DROMORE ROAD WARRENPOINT.**

Thank you for your email dated 21 June 2021 in relation to parking on Upper Dromore Road, Warrenpoint.

The consultation response to Newry Mourne and Down Council Planning, regarding application LA07/2019/0091 was for enablement works to allow access to the industrial development. This included the creation of new access road and right turning facility. The proposal itself did not require any parking. The issue you have highlighted on the Upper Dromore Road is in relation to an existing development and will need to be addressed separately.

Parking on a public footway is not illegal, however if it causes an obstruction to pedestrians, as you have indicated, it may be deemed illegal and then it is a matter for the PSNI to enforce in accordance with Article 88 of the Road Order (NI). We will pass this concern on to the PSNI Traffic Management liaison officer for their attention.

I trust this clarifies the Department's position on this matter.

Yours sincerely

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Mail Tracking: 108311-20

From: DfI Roads Newry Mourne & Down West  
Sent: 27 July 2020 13:54  
To:  
Subject: FW: Footpath construction -Upper Dromore Road Warrenpoint - MT108311-20

Due. 27. 7. 20 -

Dear

Thank you for your e-mail dated 30 June 2020 regarding footway works on Upper Dromore Road, Warrenpoint.

The works you refer to are being carried out under a licence issued by the Department and are associated with the provision of a right turning lane into a new development on Upper Dromore Road.

I hope you find this reply helpful

Yours sincerely

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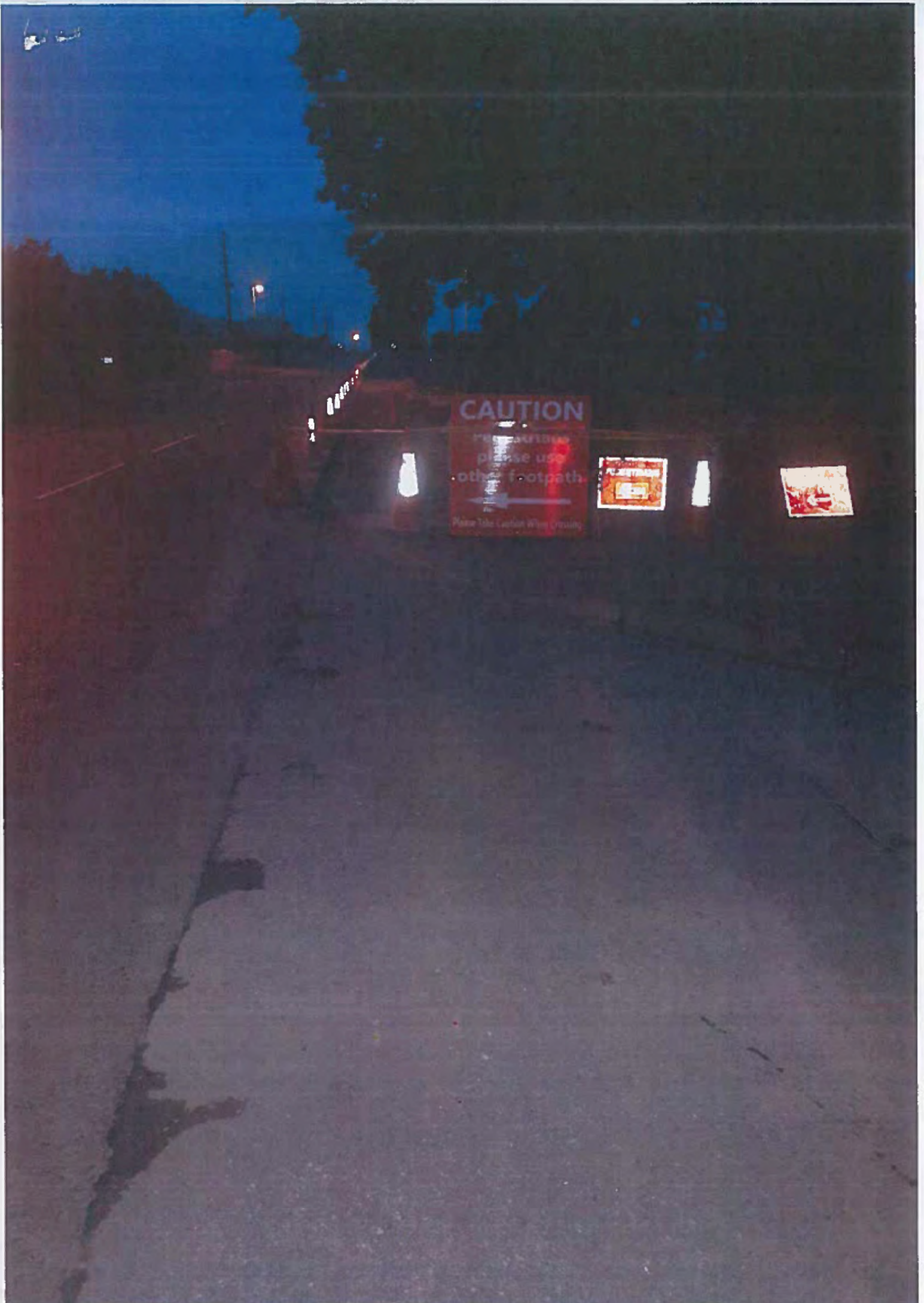
From:  
Sent: 30 June 2020 23:01  
To: DfI Corporate Policy Unit <[Info@infrastructure-ni.gov.uk](mailto:Info@infrastructure-ni.gov.uk)>  
Subject: Footpath Upper Dromore Road Warrenpoint

Dear Department,

There is currently construction work taking place at Upper Dromore Road. A section of the footpath has been removed completely as per the photo attached.

Was your department aware of this work and did they give approval including advising pedestrians to use a short footpath on the other side of what is a dangerous road?

Yours Sincerely



On 12 Jul 2020, at 14:44,

To whom it may concern:

Could you please inform me as to when planning permission was granted for a new entrance at upper Dromore road Warrenpoint?

2. When or if there was community input ?
3. The reasons why a much use footpath was allowed to be narrowed in size?
4. What checks and safety requirements were put in place?

I have attached some photos for your help. This is a major walk way to a school, 2 cemetery and Warrenpoint town football club as well as youth sporting facilities.

Warrenpoint.

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Our Ref : DFI/2020-0329  
Date 20 November 2020

Dear

**INFORMATION ABOUT A NEW ENTRANCE ON THE UPPER DROMORE ROAD, WARRENPOINT, INCLUDING: 1) PLANNING PERMISSION DATE; 2) DETAILS OF ANY COMMUNITY INPUT; 3) REASONS FOR NARROWING THE FOOTPATH: & 4) ANY CHECKS & SAFETY REQUIREMENTS.**

Thank you for your email dated 25 October 2020 requesting, under the Freedom of Information Act, on information in relation to a new entrance on the Upper Dromore Road.

In considering your request on behalf of the Department I have determined that the information requested falls under the aegis of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004, as opposed to the FOI Act 2000.

A guide explaining the Environmental Information Regulations can be found at:  
<https://ico.org.uk/for-organisations/guide-to-the-environmental-information-regulations/what-are-the-eir/>.

In response to your request, I can confirm that on the 29 October 2019 planning permission was granted by Newry, Mourne and Down (NM&D) Council Planning (ref LA07/2019/0091/F) for enablement works for an industrial development, creation of new access road and right turning lane.

For information regarding community input, you may wish to contact NM&D Council Planning as this is part of the planning process and as such falls under the Council's remit.

In relation to checks and safety requirements, the application was assessed by DfI Roads as a statutory consultee to the planning process. A site visit took place and initially amendments were requested to the proposal. These were subsequently addressed by the applicant and once deemed to be to the satisfaction of DfI Roads no objections, subject to conditions, were offered to NM&D Council Planning.



The works have now been completed in accordance with the planning approval. This includes the reinstatement of a 2m footway along the frontage of the site.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Departmental Information Manager  
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Clarence Court  
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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

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Yours sincerely



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