

**COMHAIRLE CONTAE LÚ**

**LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL**



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**COUNTY OF LOUTH**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**SPECIAL SPEED LIMIT**

**BYE LAWS 2024**

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Louth County Council, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 9 of the Road Traffic Act, 2004 (No. 44 of 2004), as amended, and with the consent of Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) in the case of National Roads and having given notice to the Commissioner of An Garda Síochána, hereby make the following Special Speed Limit Bye-Laws in respect of the administrative area of Louth County Council.

1. These Bye-Laws may be cited as the County of Louth, Road Traffic, Special Speed Limit Bye-Laws 2024.
2. These bye-laws shall come into operation on the 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2024.
3. In these bye-laws:

**“the Act of 1993”** means the Roads Act, 1993 (No. 14 of 1993);

**“the Act of 2004”** means the Roads Traffic Act, 2004 (No. 44 of 2004);

**“the Act of 2024”** means the Roads Traffic Act, 2024 (No. 10 of 2024);

**“built up area”** means the area of a city, a borough or a town within the meaning of the Local Government Act 2001; In County Louth the Built up Areas are Dundalk, Drogheda and Ardee;

**“motorway”** has the meaning assigned to it by the Act of 1993;

“**national road**” has the meaning assigned to it by the Act of 1993;

“**regional road**” has the meaning assigned to it by the Act of 1993;

“**road**” means a public road and includes a motorway;









“**drawing**” means the drawings attached hereto;

4. The Special Speed Limits, made by these Bye-Laws, are indicated on the attached drawing:

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The default speed limit will apply in all cases not regulated by these Road Traffic Special Speed Limit Bye-Laws 2024 or by the other Speed Limit Bye-Laws in force as listed at 7 below. The applicable default speed limits are specified in the Road Traffic Act 2004 as amended by the Road Traffic Act 2024 (subject to the commencement of the relevant section of the Act specifying the revised default speed limit). On commencement, the default speed limit on Rural Local Roads will be 60km/h.

The Special Speed Limits, as prescribed by these Bye-Laws, are indicated as follows:

<b><u>Legend</u></b>	
	30km/h
	40km/h
	50km/h
	60km/h
	80km/h
	100km/h
	120km/h
	50km/h zone

5. Ambulances, Fire Brigade vehicles and Garda Siochana vehicles, while being used in the course of duty, are exempt from all special speed limits prescribed by these Bye-Laws.
6. Appendix I includes drawings where permanent special speed limits are prescribed.

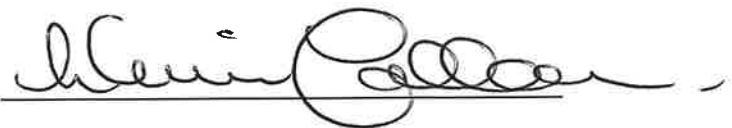
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7. The following Bye-Law shall remain in force:
  - Louth County Council, Road Traffic Speed Limits, County of Louth Bye-Laws 2018.
  - Louth County Council, County of Louth, Housing Estates Special Speed Limit Bye-Laws, 2022.
  - Louth County Council, County of Louth, Special Periodic Speed Limits Bye Laws 2021

**Made and adopted under the Common Seal of the Council of the County of Louth this**

**Day of October, 2024**

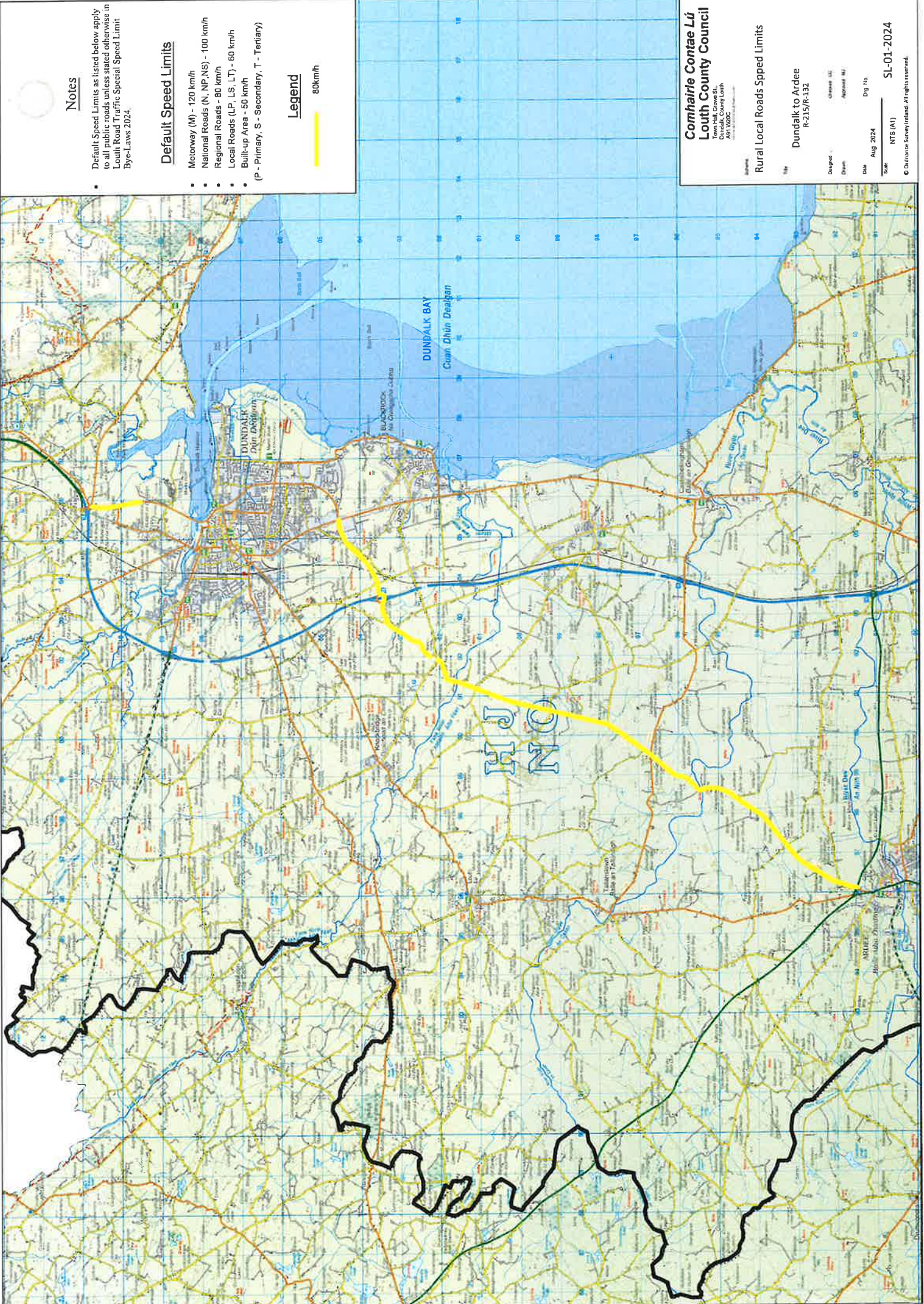
**Present when the Common Seal of the Council of the County of Louth was affixed hereto:**

**CATHAOIRLEACH** 

**DIRECTOR OF SERVICES** 

# Appendix I

Road(s) in respect of which permanent special speed limits are prescribed:



**Notes**

• Default Speed Limits as listed below apply to all public roads unless stated otherwise in Louth Road Traffic Spectral Speed Limit By-Laws 2024.

**Default Speed Limits**

- Motorway (M) - 120 km/h
- National Roads (N, NP, NS) - 100 km/h
- Regional Roads - 80 km/h
- Local Roads (LP, LS, LT) - 60 km/h
- Built-up Area - 50 km/h
- (P - Primary, S - Secondary, T - Tertiary)

**Legend**

80km/h



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Louth County Council**

Dundalk, County Louth  
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**Rural Local Roads Speed Limits**

Dundalk to Ardee  
R-215/R-132

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