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Your Ref:

Re: Notice of Motion from Cllr M D'Alton

"That, cognisant of the damaging noise and air pollution associated with heavily trafficked motorways, the National Roads Design Office/Transport Infrastructure Ireland would consider an entirely alternative route for the new M28 which would avoid its being led through built up residential areas."

Reponse:

As part of the design and environmental impact assessment processes for the M28 Cork to Ringaskiddy Motoway Scheme, Cork County Council and their consulting engineers have considered and appraised a broad range of alternative routes. Due to the nature of the metropolitan Cork area and the need to link Ringaskiddy to the broader national road network via the N40, it is inevitable that all options must travel through existing built up residential areas. The environmental impacts of the scheme, including those on human beings, along with the proposed mitigation strategy to address these impacts will be set out in detail in the scheme Environmental Impact Statement.

Yours faithfully

Bob O Shea, S/SE