



Draft Toll Scheme

For the

M3 Clonee to Kells Motorway

NATIONAL ROADS AUTHORITY
St Martin's House
Waterloo Road
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Ireland

ROADS ACT, 1993 to 2001,
NATIONAL ROADS AUTHORITY
DRAFT TOLL SCHEME

FOR THE

**PROPOSED NATIONAL ROAD CONNECTING THAT PART OF THE
N3 NORTH OF CLONEE IN COUNTY MEATH TO THAT PART OF
THE N3 SOUTH OF KELLS IN COUNTY MEATH INDICATED ON
THE MAP SET OUT IN SCHEDULE A TO THIS DRAFT TOLL
SCHEME (PROPOSED ROAD KNOWN AS THE M3 CLONEE TO
KELLS MOTORWAY)**

The National Roads Authority (An tÚdarás um Bóithre Náisiúnta), in exercise of the powers conferred under section 57 of the Roads Act, 1993 (No. 14 of 1993) as amended by section 271 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (No. 30 of 2000) has prepared a scheme for the establishment of a system of tolls in respect of the use of the proposed national road connecting that part of the proposed N3 national road north of Clonee with the proposed N3 national road south of Kells in County Meath indicated on the map set out in Schedule A to this draft toll scheme (the proposed national road known as the M3 Clonee to Kells Motorway and hereinafter referred to as the “Proposed National Road”).

(a) Location of the Proposed National Road in respect of which a system of tolls is proposed

The Proposed National Road will run from a location north of Clonee in County Meath to the proposed N3 national road (Kells to Carnaross section) in County Meath, commencing at the start of the proposed motorway at the proposed Pace interchange and terminating at the northern end of the motorway. The Proposed National Road is part of a larger road building development, called the M3 Clonee to North of Kells Scheme, and is to be linked by ancillary roads with the existing road network through grade separated junctions at Pace, Dunshaughlin, Blundelstown, Kilcarn, Athboy Road and Kells.

The draft toll scheme relates only to the Proposed National Road and not to any other part of the larger road building development of which the Proposed National Road forms part. The total length of the Proposed National Road, which is intended to be designated as a motorway forming part of the M3/N3 National

Primary Route, is 47km approximately. The Proposed National Road, the toll collection locations and the ancillary roads are shown on the map in Schedule A attached.

(b) Classes of Vehicles and Road Users for Whom the Proposed National Road is Intended

The Proposed National Road is intended for use by any vehicles and road users permitted to use a motorway under Part 4 of the Roads Regulations, 1994 (S.I. No. 119 of 1994) or any subsequent amendment thereof.

(c) Classes of Vehicles and Road Users who will be Charged Tolls for Use of the Proposed National Road

All vehicles and road users, other than those set out in Schedule B, using the Proposed National Road and passing through either or both of the two toll collection locations (indicated on the map in Schedule A) will be subject to tolls.

(d) Estimate of the Amounts of Tolls to be Charged

The toll charges at each of the two toll collection locations are estimated to be as set out in Schedule C.

(e) Other Information

The National Roads Authority may, in accordance with section 63 of the Roads Act, 1993, as amended by section 275 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, enter into an agreement with a third party, hereinafter called “the Concessionaire”, in relation to the collection of tolls on the Proposed National Road and the application of the proceeds of such tolls and other matters.

The National Roads Authority may, from time to time, in accordance with section 61 of the Roads Act, 1993, as amended by section 274 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, make such bye-laws as it considers expedient for the purposes of the operation and management of the Proposed National Road.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

**Michael Tobin,
Chief Executive.**

SCHEDULE A

**MAP SHOWING LOCATION OF PROPOSED NATIONAL ROAD,
TOLL COLLECTION LOCATIONS AND ANCILLARY ROADS**

SCHEDULE B

Classes of Vehicles and Road Users Exempt from Tolls

- (1) Ambulances and fire brigade vehicles.
- (2) Vehicles used by members of the Garda Síochána or the Defence Forces in the performance of their duties as such members.
- (3) Vehicles being used by staff of Meath County Council or the National Roads Authority in the performance of their duties.
- (4) Vehicles used by the Concessionaire in the performance of its duties in relation to the Proposed Road.
- (5) Specially adapted vehicles driven by disabled persons.

SCHEDULE C

Estimated Amounts of the Tolls that it is Proposed to Charge at each of the two Toll Collection Locations indicated on the Map in Schedule A

CLASS OF TRAFFIC	ESTIMATED TOLL CHARGES*
	Euro (€) (excluding VAT)
Motor Cycles (exceeding 50cc)	€0.45
Motor Cars	€0.875
Buses or Coaches	€1.325
Goods Vehicles with a design gross vehicle weight not exceeding 3,500 kilograms	€1.325
Goods Vehicles with a design gross vehicle weight exceeding 3,500 kilograms and having two or three axles	€1.75
Goods Vehicles with a design gross vehicle weight exceeding 3,500 kilograms and having four or more axles	€2.15

*The toll (inclusive of VAT) that would actually be charged would be rounded in accordance with bye-laws.

The term “goods vehicle” shall be taken to mean a mechanically propelled vehicle constructed or adapted primarily for the conveyance of goods or burden of any description.

The charges specified above are an estimate at 1st August, 2000 prices and may be updated periodically, for example, in line with increases in the Consumer Price Index or increases in Gross National Disposable Income. The tolls actually to be charged will fall to be specified in bye-laws to be made by the National Roads Authority under Section 61 of the Roads Act, 1993, as amended by section 274 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000.