

# NRA NATIONAL ROADS CONFERENCE 2014

#### National Road Maintenance in Galway

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# The main purpose of the Maintenance Programme is to

- Provide consistency of standards of road maintenance across the National Network
- Demonstrate clearly that the funding allocated is being utilised to maximum benefit
- Highlight locations requires specific intervention
- Provide a sound technical basis for future maintenance funding.

Route Type	Responsibility	<b>Maintained By</b>
Motorways	National Roads Authority	PPP companies or by
	or PPPcontracts	private contractors under
		direct contract and
		supervision by the NRA
National Routes	National Roads Authority	Local Authorities on
		behalf of the NRA
Regional Roads	Department of Tourism	Local Authorities
	Transport and Sport	
	(DTTAS)	
Local Roads	Local Authority and	Local Authorities
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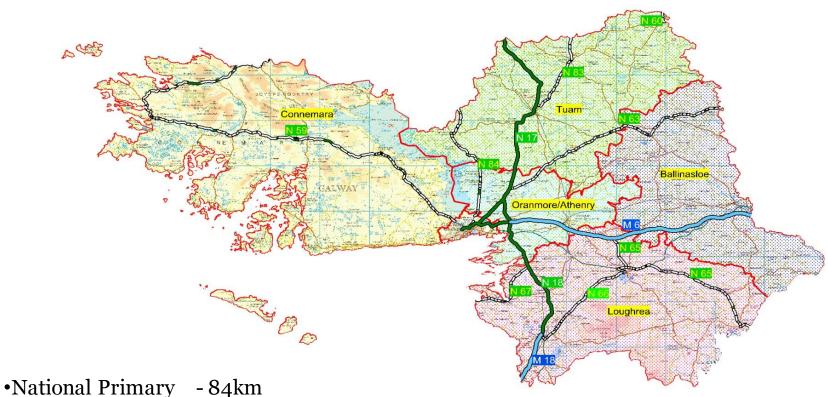
No	Maintenance Category	Type of Activity
1	Drainage Systems	Maintain water cuts (tables) Maintain drainage systems ie gully cleaning pipe jetting
2	Footpath Repairs	Repair footpath defects
3	Landscape Areas and Trees	Grass cutting, verge trimming possible tree and shrub surgery
4	Minor Pavement Maintenance	Pothole repair, repair localised defects, generally any repairs would not exceed 10 sq metres.
5	Road Sweeping Litter Removal	Road sweeping, litter picks as required removal of debris
6	Safety Barriers/Fencing and Walls	Repair of Safety Barriers (contract) Ensure repair of boundary fences/walls with roads margins
7	Signs/ Lines	Repair of damaged signs, junction bollards, and remarking of lines. (contract)
8	Verge Median Maintenance	Verge trimming, hedgecutting
8	Emergency Work	Aftermath of accident ie oil on road, severe weather ie localised flood
9	Other	

## Factors Affecting the implementation of Maintenance of National Roads

- The ever decreasing number of outdoor staff.
- The demands of Health and Safety regulation compliance in particular staff requirements for implementation of TMP.
- Increasing availability and flexibility of the private sector to carry out road maintenance activities.

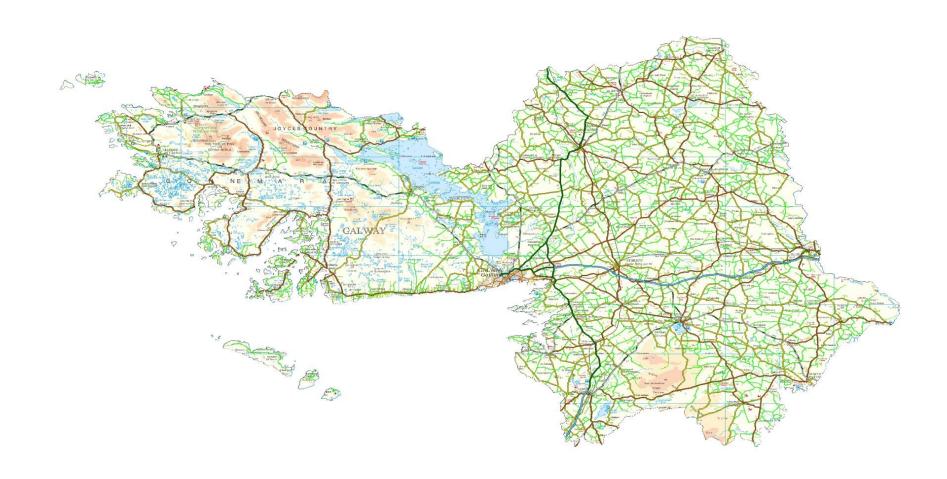
#### National Road Network and Municipal Districts

**Municipal District Boundaries** 



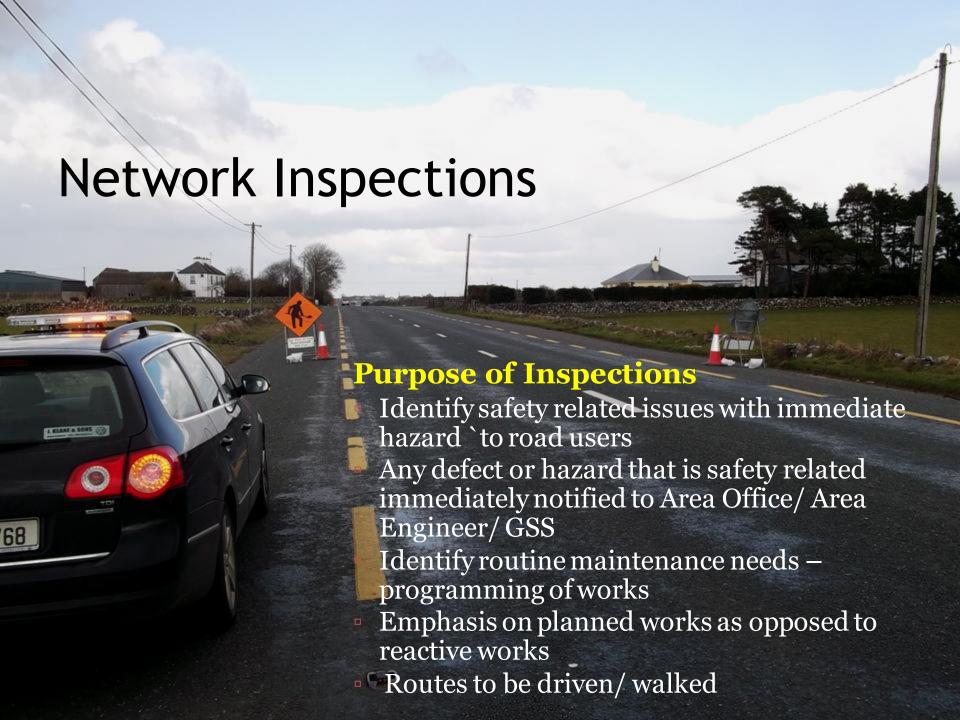
- •National Secondary 296km
- •National Roads equates to 7% of total National Network
- •National Network equates to 6% of total road network in County Galway

#### Galway County Road Network



#### National Network County Galway

Length of National Roads	Length in Kilometres	Total Maintenance allocation	Allocation per Kilometre
<b>National Primary</b>	84	€241,780	€2,878
National Secondary	296	€510,914	€1,726

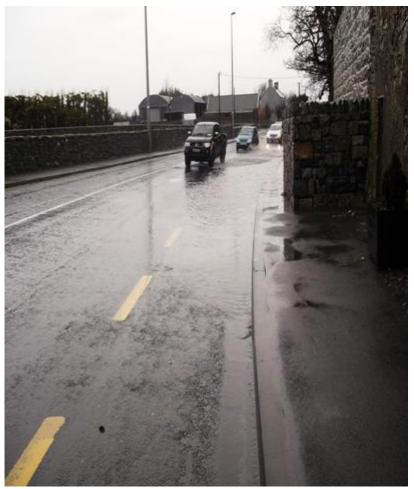


#### National Route Maintenance Work Details

Routine / Planned Maintenance Works	Maintenance Scheme Works	NRA Contract Works
Verge trimming	Pavement repairs	Crash barriers/ fencing
Hedge cutting	Drainage works	Sign maintenance
Up keep of Water cuts	Edging	Road markings
Litter picking	Footpath repairs	Stud fitting
Drainage cleaning/ jetting	Ironmongery repairs	Junction bollards
Road sweeping	Opening new water cuts	
Weed spraying		
Landscaping / Trees		
Wall repairs		
Emergency pothole repairs		

## **Drainage Defects**





#### Pavement defects





# What do you need to carry out a defect survey on the National Network?

#### PPE





Conforms to: EN471 Class 3

#### MAXIBAR LED Magnetic Roof LIGHTBAR





#### IT IS USED FOR

Road Safety

It is lightweight, compact, easily installed

Various flashing modes

#### **Tablet - Samsung Galaxy 2**





**Smartphone - Samsung Galaxy Mini S3** 

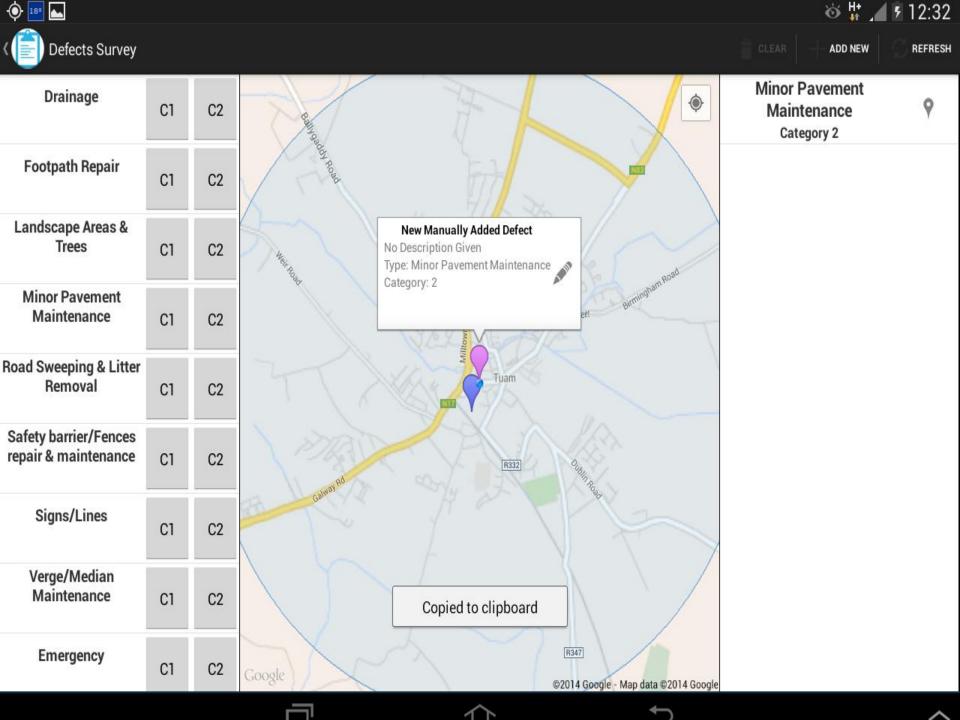
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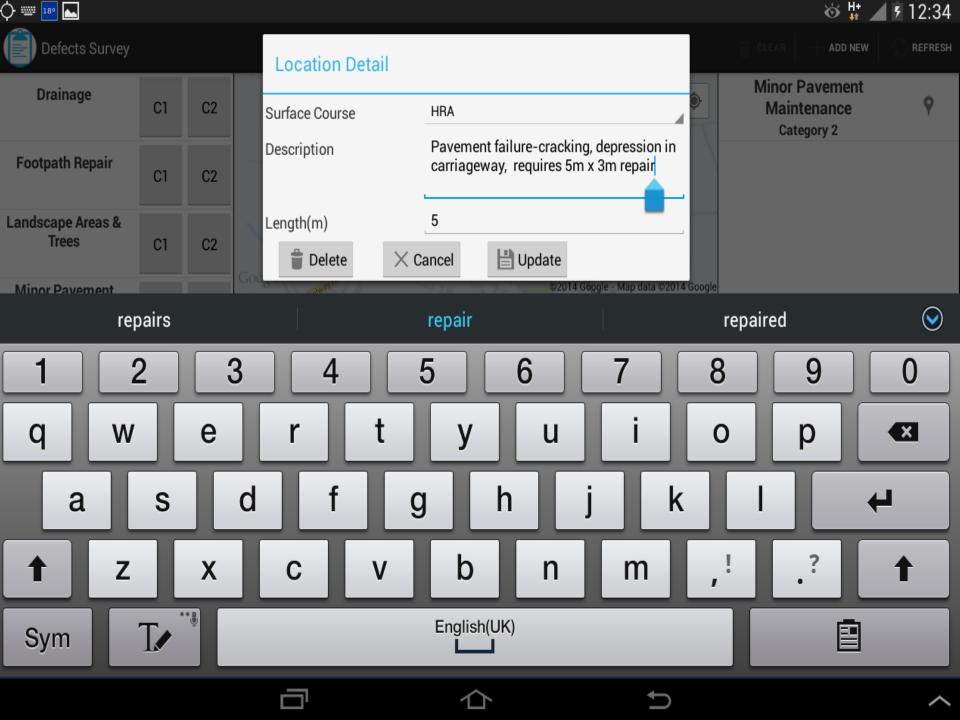
- 1. Initially when the first survey is carried out ever on a route it takes up a substantial amount of time.
- 2. First time a survey was carried out showed up a huge backlog of defects on the routes
- 3. For example initial survey on the N17 49km long- 3 towns 792 defects recorded 5 days (overloaded the system)
- 4. Average time to carry out survey on same route now is 2 days -302 defects
- 5. Frequency of survey 3 months on this route at present

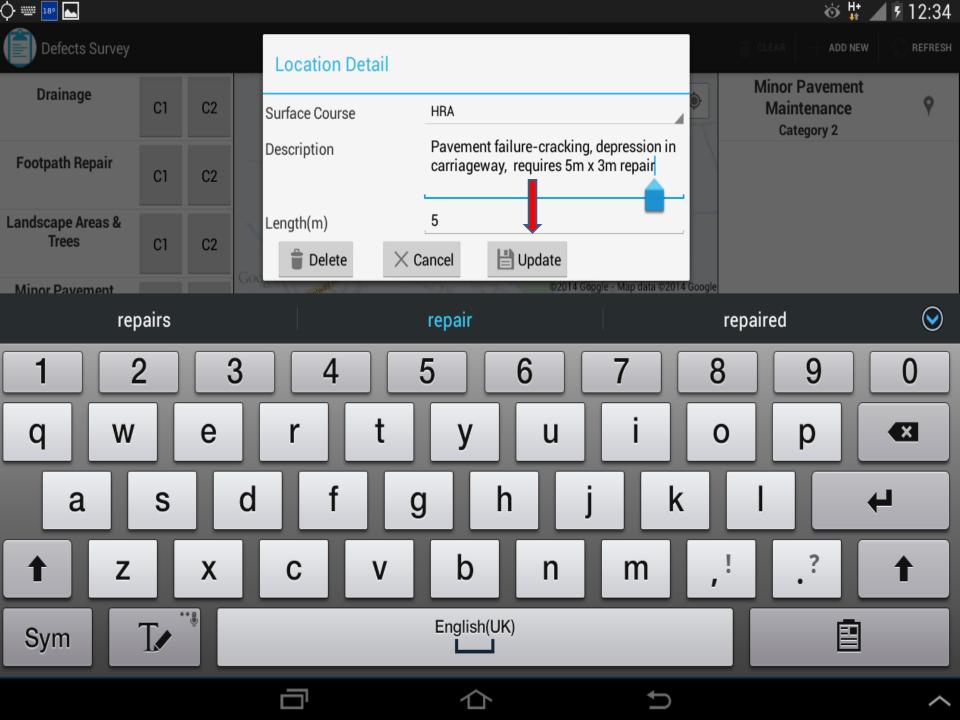
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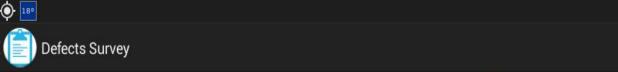
- Reactive (Category 1) –responding to emergencies
- Planned (Category 2) –cyclical/routine











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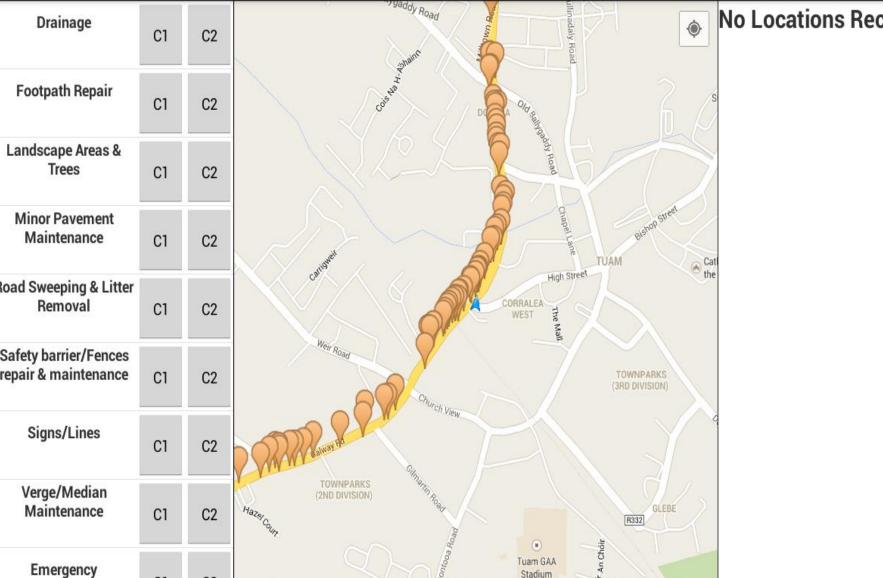
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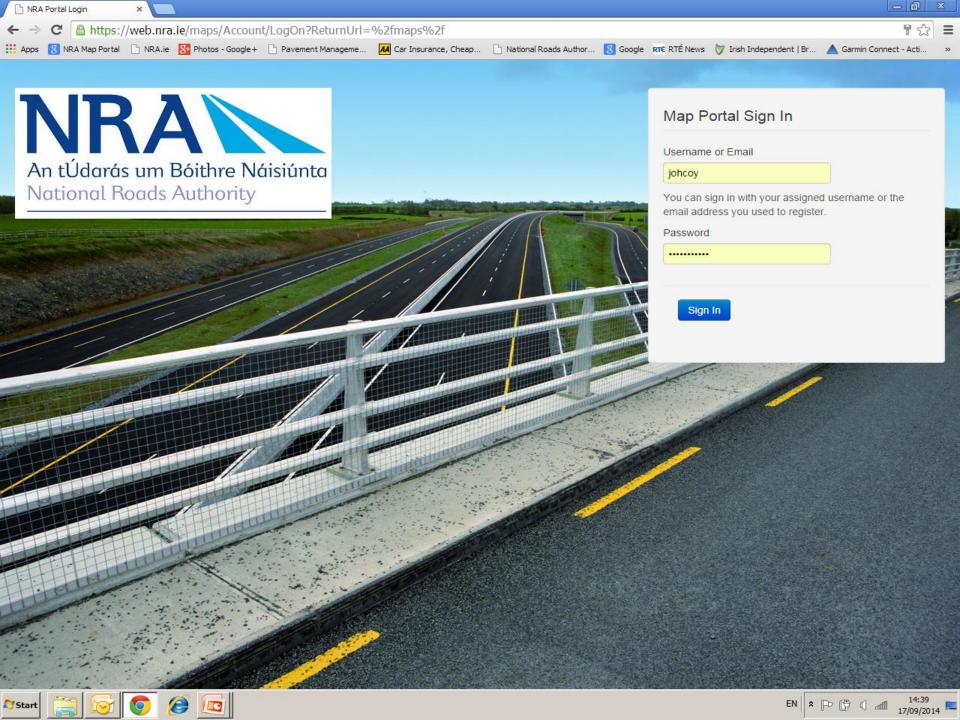
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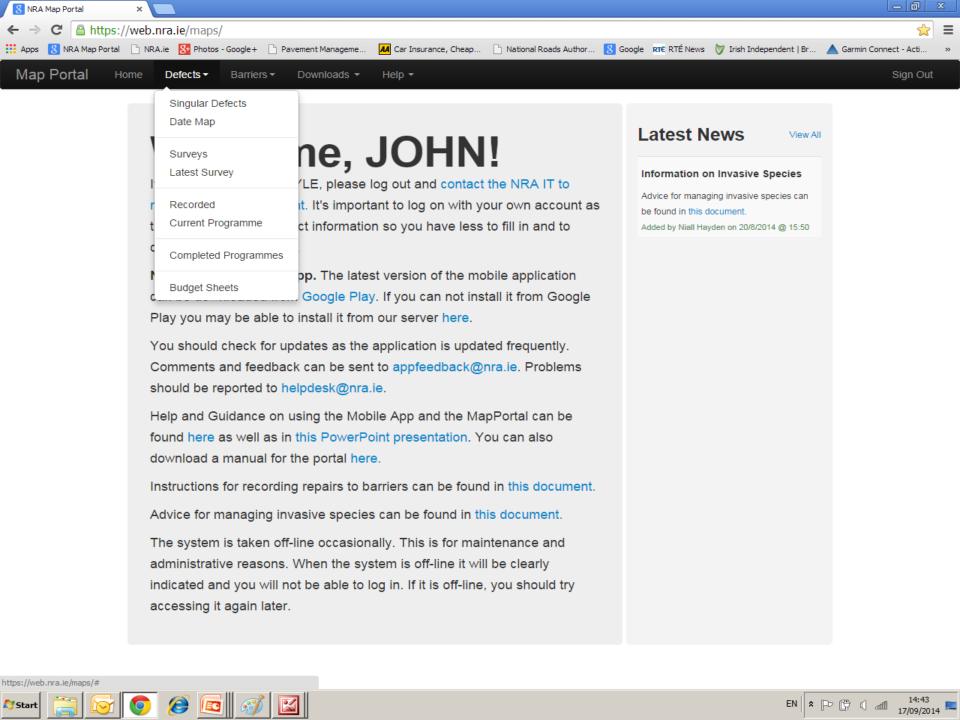
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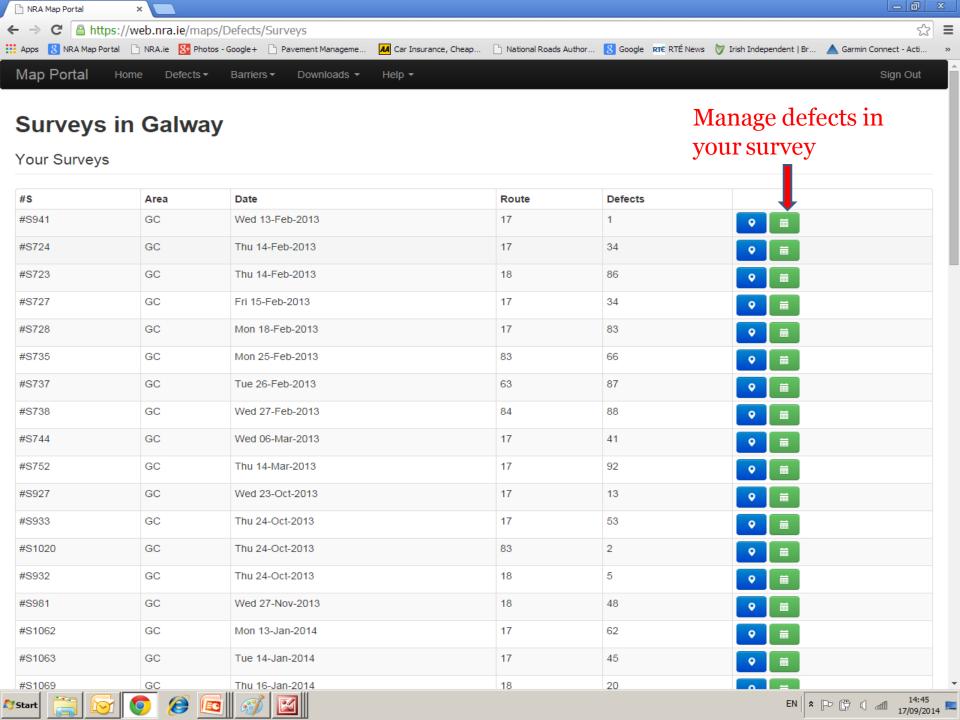


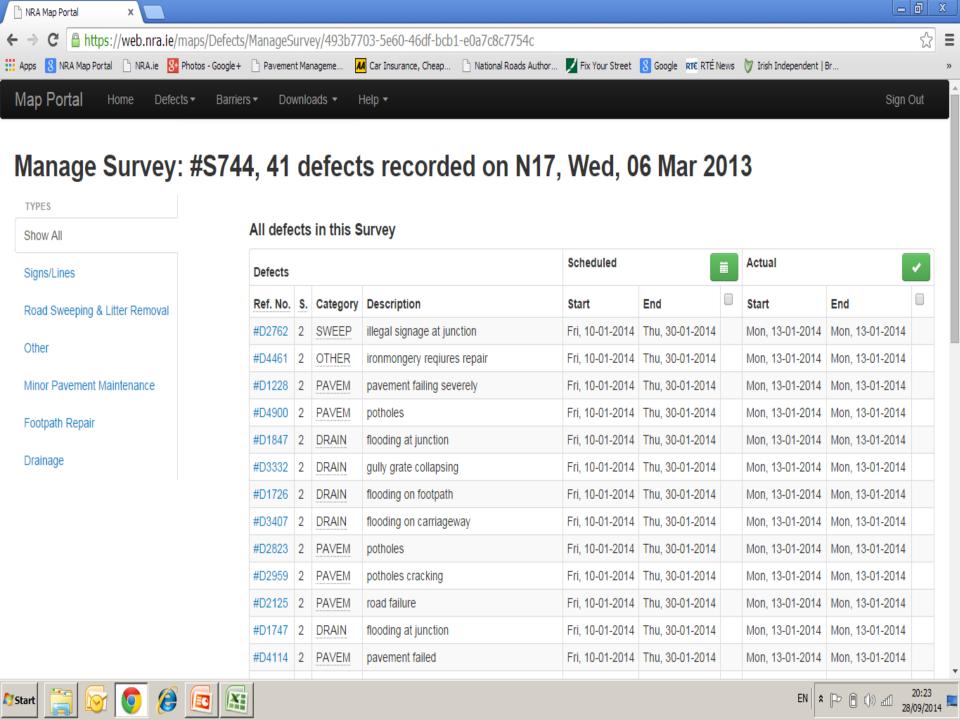
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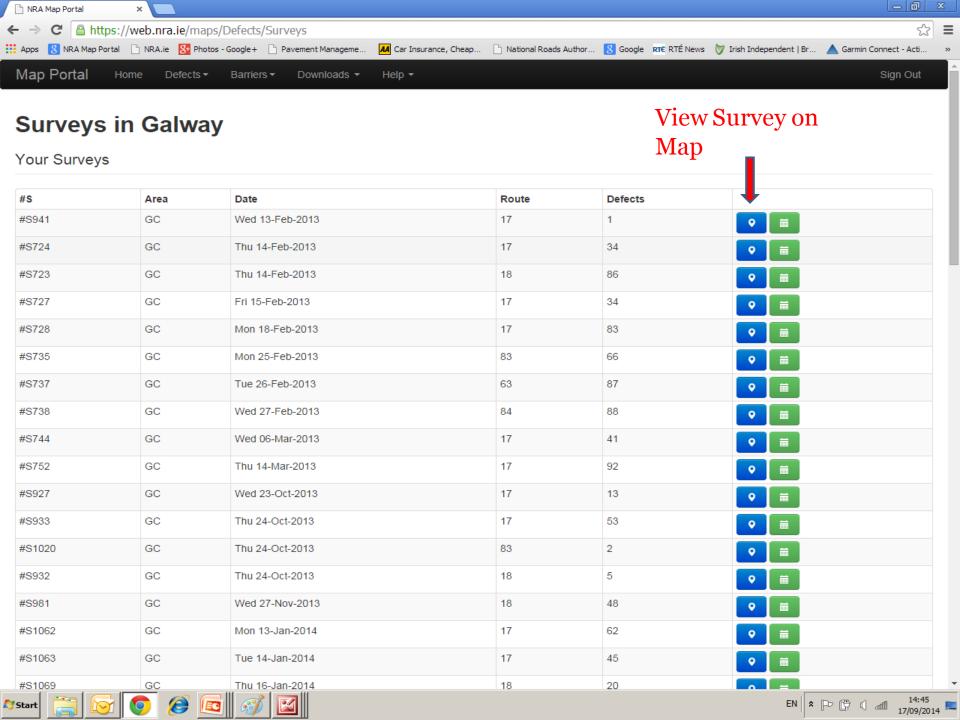


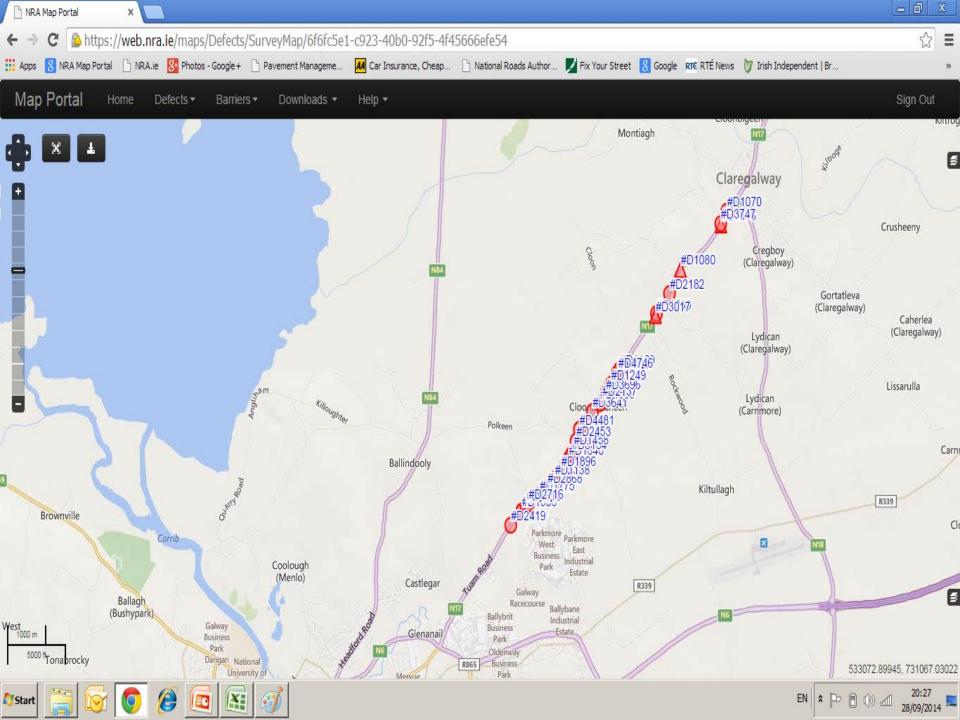


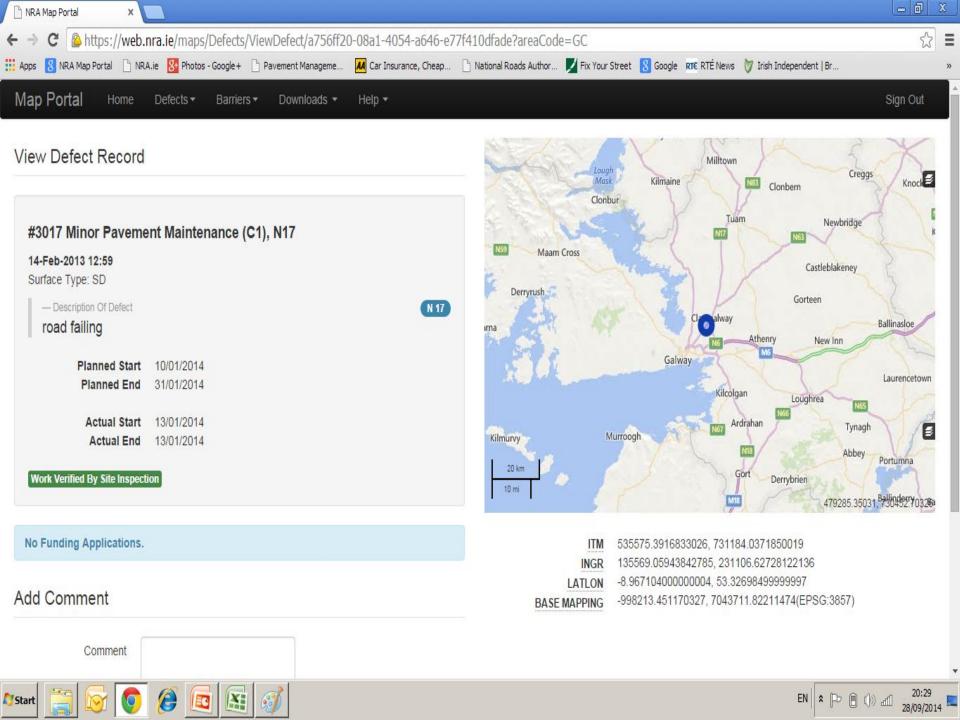


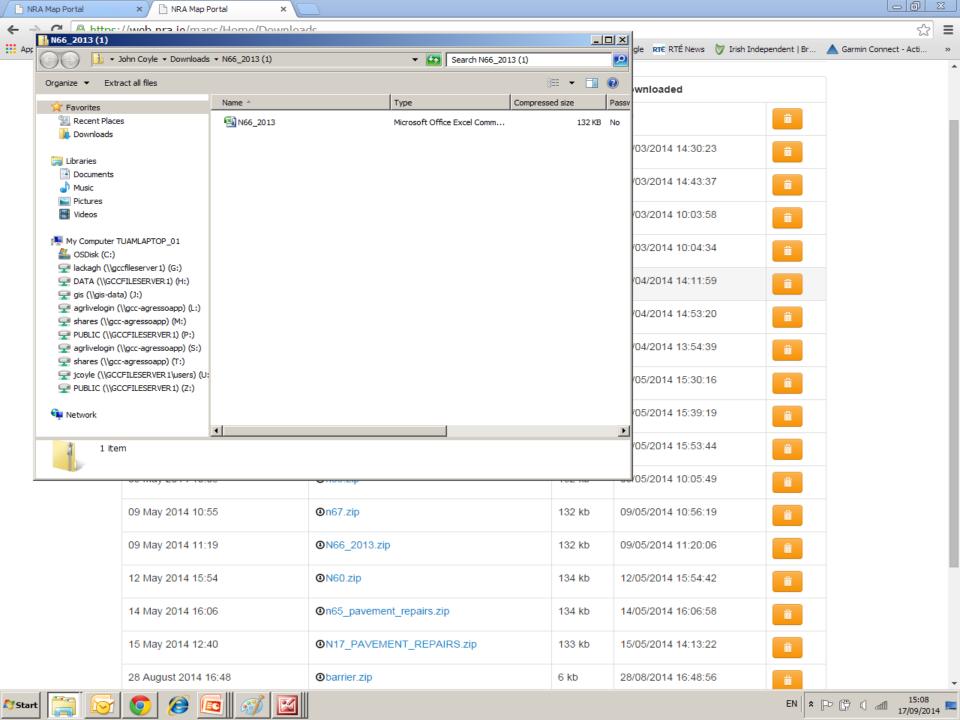


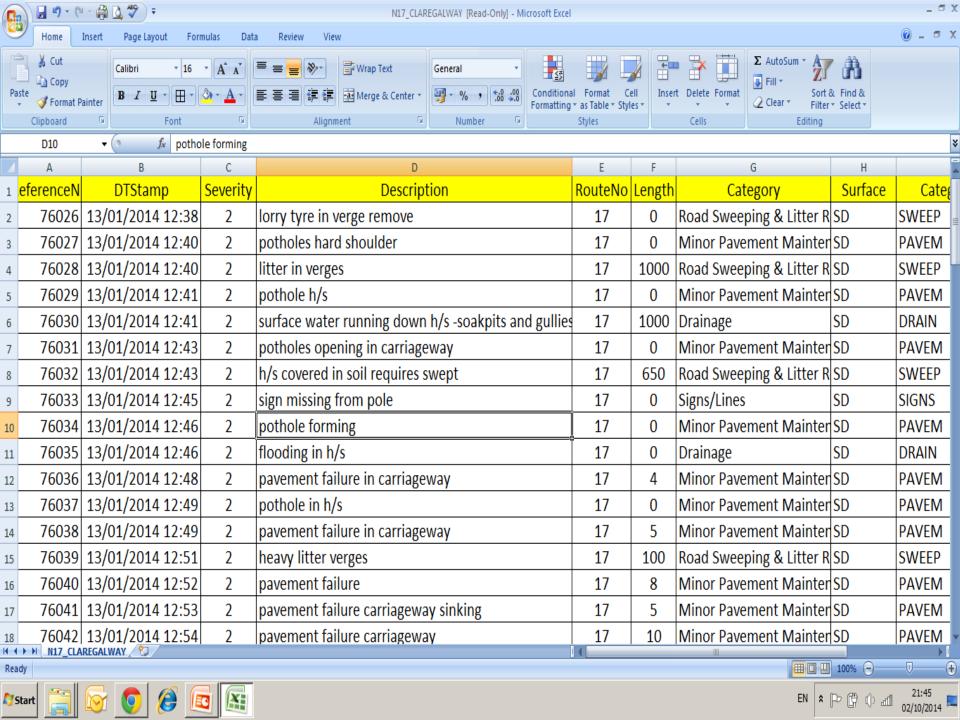


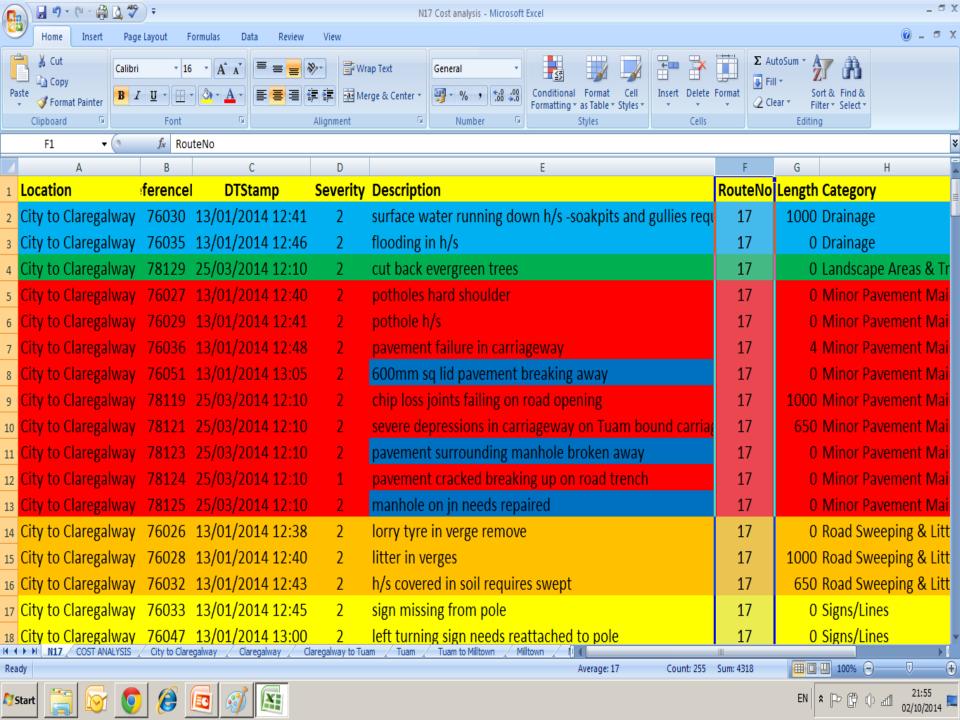












## Costing process

- 1. Sort and filter hundreds of defects from surveys
- 2. In each defect category type => quantify the defects and estimate a repair cost for each defect
- 3. Cost each category type by route segment
- 4. Cost analysis on each route
- 5. Costing for entire National Network in County.

#### **2013 Maintenance Rates**

Item	Unit	Unit Price
Provide for overall Traffic Management (TM) Include VMS Boards. PSCS Per route	item	€2000
Overlay repairs - plane out 100mm deep and overlay	ItCIII	C2000
60/40mm DBM/ Cl942	sqm	€50
Remove litter from verges and dispose of	km	€100
Verge trimming (ie cutting grass in verge)	km	€62.50
Hedge cutting around concealed road signage	item	€2.78
Install drainage soakpits in verge where carriageway flooding is occuring	item	€550.00
Open water cuts as directed by Area Engineer in verges	item	€15.00
Spraying Verges		€16.00
Edging of verges		€188.00
Pull Ragworth by hand	km	€210.00
Spray Ragworth by tractor mounted sprayer	km	€66.00

N17 Works to be done 2014 Location: City Boundary to Claregalway 4km

Defect	Item	Туре	#	Cost per item	<b>Total cost €</b>
Pavement defect	ironmongery	Double lid	0	€600	0
Pavement defect	ironmongery	SV	2	€250	€500
Pavement defect	ironmongery	Stop cock	1	€250	€250
Pavement defect	ironmongery	Manhole	4	€300	€1200
Pavement defect	ironmongery	Gully grate	0	€250	0
	TM				€1000
				TOTAL	€2950

Defect	Item	Type	#	Cost per item	<b>Total cost €</b>
Minor pavement maintenance	potholes	repair	4	€500	€2000
Minor pavement maintenance	Pavement failure	repair	70s qm	€50	€3500
				TOTAL	€5500

#### N17 Works to be done 2014 Location: City Boundary to Claregalway 4km

Defect	Item	Type	#	Cost per item	Total cost €
Minor Pavement	Pavement repairs	repair	74sqm	€50	€5500
Minor Pavement	Ironmongery	Lid repair	7	See table 1	€2950
Drainage	Flooding	Carriageway	10 soakpits	€550	€5500
Drainage	Flooding	Watercuts	0	€15/ cut	complete
Sweeping & litter removal	litter	Clean up	8km	€100/km	€800
Footpaths	Path/kerb	Repairs	0	€100 sqm	€o
Other	Walls/ fencing	Repairs	0	€800	€о
Landscape	Trees/ hedges	Cut back	О	€70/km	€о
Verge	Jn bollards	Green/white	0	€o	€o
				TOTAL	€15,030

# National Secondary Pavement repairs

Route	Pavement repair Cost
N59	€41,210
N63	€56,420
N65	€46,865
N66	€18,135
N67	€20150
N83	€44,850
N84	€12,350
	€239,980

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#### 1. NRA Geo App

- record the defects
- upload defects
- show defects from previous surveys
- close out repaired defects

#### 2. NRAMap Portal

- map the defects
- list the defects
- helps manage the defects
- schedule the defects repairs
- download to excel

#### 3. Excel sheet

- filter and sort defects
- cost analysis of defects by category, route, county.
- 4. <u>Seek additional</u> <u>funding.</u>



### Pilot Maintenance Programme - On the ground

- •Reactive maintenance.
- •N.R.A. funded overlays.
- •Repairs falling between routine maintenance and full overlay. Intervention needed beyond normal reactive maintenance





### Issues

- Communication.
- Budget holder/resources.
- Galway approach Other counties differed.
- Contract versus Direct Labour.
- Traffic Management and Health & Safety.

## Benefits of Programme

- Establish what the problems are on the National roads Network (and extent).
- Quantify problem each Municipal District/Countywide.
- Assisted to establish true maintenance cost.
- Feeds down into manageable projects.
- Consistency of approach projects cross new Municipal Districts.
- Example N63 Oranmore/Athenry M.D., Tuam M.D., Ballinasloe M.D.
- Table works completed 2013/Targets 2014.

## OM - Mini Projects 2013-2014 Earnity Galuay

Year	Funding provided	of Mini projects	<b>Primary</b>	Secondary mini
2013	€174,000	12	3	9
2014	€262,000	6	3	3

2013 Activities	Number	
Minor Pavement Repairs	8	
Footpath Repairs	0	
Drainage	1	
Barriers	0	
Other (ironworks)	3	

2014 Activities	Number	
Minor Pavement Repairs	1	
Footpath Repairs	0	
Drainage	4	
Barriers	O	
Other (edging)	1	

# Sample Mini Projects County Galway

Year	Route	Works	Cost
2013	N17	Repairs to ironworks and edging	€20,000
2013	N65	Drainage system repairs	€22,400
2013	N67	Pavement Repair	€50,000
2014	N17	Pavement Repair	€135,000
2014	N59	Watercuts – open new	€50,000





## **Finally**

### **Our Conclusions**

- Opportunity.
- Limited resources/minimum intervention.
- Table.

# Proposed Maintenance works

Route	Pavement Repair Cost	Drainage Watercuts	Drainage Pipes & Gullies	Edging	Ironworks	Footpath
N17	€134,225.00	€0.00	€22,800.00	€64,000	€22,800.00	€11,000.00
N18	€54,925.00	€15,000.00	€8,500.00	€48,000	€8,500.00	€3,750.00
N59	€41,210.00	€50,000.00	€46,200.00	€80,000	€46,200.00	€26,410.00
N6o	€0.00	€2,000.00	€0.00	€3,200	€0.00	€6,990.00
N63	€56,420.00	€16,000.00	€7,800.00	€64,000	€7,800.00	€10,650.00
N65	€46,865.00	€12,000.00	€17,950.00	€48,000	€17,950.00	€25,650.00
N66	€18,135.00	€10,000.00	€15,550.00	€32,000	€15,550.00	€40,250.00
N67	€20,150.00	€0.00	€3,000.00	€20,800	€3,000.00	€20,000.00
N83	€44,850.00	€0.00	€5,000.00	€22,400	€5,000.00	€14,000.00
N84	€12,350.00	€0.00	€2,100.00	€32,000	€2,100.00	€4,100.00
Total	€429,130	€105,000	€128,300	€414,000	€128,900	€162,800

## Finally

#### **Our Conclusions**

- Opportunity.
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- Table.
- Reduce maintenance liability.
- Tool for management and filtering of data.
- Positive experience for Galway Co. Council

## Photos of defects repairs



**BEFORE** 



**AFTER**