# FINGAL COUNTY COUNCIL

## CASTLEKNOCK/MULHUDDART AREA COMMITTEE (Services A – Operations)

## THURSDAY, 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2017

# ITEM NO. 23

# **Royal Canal Greenway**

## Motion: Councillor R. O'Gorman

This Committee seeks an update on the plans to undertake a greenway along the Royal Canal between 12th Lock and the Kildare border and specifically what timelines are in place for submitting the tender for drawing up the plans.

## **Report:**

Fingal County Council is entirely reliant on the NTA to provide funds for the design and construction of the Royal Canal Greenway between the 12<sup>th</sup> Lock and the Kildare County boundary.

At a meeting with the NTA in January 2017, the NTA agreed to provide a sum of €200,000 for a Consultant to undertake a Preliminary Design for the Greenway, including the section known as the "Deep Sinking" section between Castleknock and Clonsilla Railway Stations.

During February the Council drew-up a Consultant's Brief and this was submitted (in early March) to the NTA for approval. Once approved, the Brief will be advertised on eTenders with a view to appointing Consultants.

The time estimated to complete the Preliminary Design and Planning Stage is 20 months from commencement. A further 12 months will be required to complete the detailed design and prepare the tender documents.