## COMHAIRLE CONTAE FHINE GALL FINGAL COUNTY COUNCIL

# MEETING OF BLANCHARDSTOWN-MULHUDDART/CASTLEKNOCK/ONGAR AREA COMMITTEE (Services A – Operational Matters and Water Services)

### THURSDAY 26th November 2020

#### ITEM NO. 26

#### REPLACEMENT OF KISSING GATE AT HAZELBURY PARK, AI055681

Motion: Councillor A. O'Rourke

"That the Chief Executive replaces the kissing gate entrance to Hazelbury Park at Manorfields Roundabout with an entrance that is more accessible to wheelchair users, cyclists and those with prams."

#### Report:

To date kissing gates have proven the best barrier type to keeping scramblers out of our parks whilst allowing access to persons with mobility issues and bicycles.

The Operations Department are replacing a Kissing gate in Hartstown Park (Pinebrook downs entrance) with a K-Barrier type gate on a trial basis.

The level of accessibility provided by this barrier in addition to how successfully it prevents scramblers / quad bikes accessing the park will be monitored for a period of 2-3 months.

Should this trial prove successful consideration will be given to installing this type of barrier at other locations including Hazelbury Park.

It is anticipated that the new barrier will be installed at Hartstown Park before the end of the year.