

Response to Councillor Liam Callaghan's query raised at meeting on 19th May 2023 under Matters Arising from from: David Meade <dmeade@roscommonrdo.ie>

Permanent boundary fencing was erected in accordance with all applicable TII Standards and Specifications over the vast majority of the N5 project during 2019 & 2020 as part of an advance fencing contract.

Localised sections of temporary boundary fencing will be replaced with the permanent boundary fence as part of the main construction contract.

In addition to regular targeted inspections, a full walkthrough condition survey of the boundary fence was carried out during the Summer of 2022. The condition survey found the boundary fence to be in a good condition save for a small number of discrete locations where short sections of the boundary fence had been damaged. All damaged sections of the boundary fence identified were subsequently repaired.

A drone survey of the entire boundary fence was also carried out during February of this year. No further damage to the boundary fence was identified from this survey.

Notwithstanding the above, a dedicated land & property team set up for the N5 project continues to liaise with all affected landowners, therefore, if Councillor Callaghan could provide specific locations in respect to the issue raised the land and property team would be happy to investigate.

It is noted that responsibility for maintenance of the permanent boundary fence is clearly set out in each landowner agreement and is entirely consistent with the current IFA Agreement.

Regards,

David