

STATUTORY PROCEDURES

There are 3 Statutory Procedures:

- **ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT:** The Environmental Statement is an official document, giving details of the proposed project, the impacts on the surrounding landform and community and the proposals for mitigation of those impacts. It also contains an outline of the alternatives considered and the reasons for the Department's choice.
- **DIRECTION ORDER:** The Direction Order is a legal process required to modify or create a length of "Trunk Road"*. It would normally include the provisions for any of the consequent abandonment and stopping up of other roads affected by the construction of new road. The preferred line for the new road is published, together with an illustrative map, in a draft Direction Order.
- **Vesting Order:** The Vesting Order is required to transfer clear title for all land required for the scheme to Roads Service.

When these documents are published they will be available for public inspection, the dates and locations will be advertised in local newspapers. This gives members of the public and other consultation bodies reasonable opportunity to comment within a minimum 30-day period.

***Trunk Road** – A trunk road forms part of the trunk system which comprises those roads linking to the National Primary Road Network in the Republic of Ireland.