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# Electric Picnic 2024 Resident Information Sheet

Electric Picnic festival which will be held in Stradbally Hall Estate on 15th, 16th, 17th, and 18th August. It is our intention to minimise any possible disruption and inconvenience to local residents and we would like to thank you for your continued assistance and support over the last number of years.

| Date                              | Gates                          | Opening Time |
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| Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> August | General Campervan              | 12 noon      |
| Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> August  | Early Entry / Family Campervan | 4pm          |
| Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> August    | All Campsites                  | 9am          |
| Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> August  | All Campsites                  | 24hr         |
| Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> August    | All Campsites                  | 24hr         |
| Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> August    | All Campsites                  | Closed 1pm   |

Early entry tickets are limited to a maximum of 25,000 only and early entry customers will be directed to park in the Red Car Park and Yellow Car Park. There will be some low-key entertainment on Thursday in the woodland and Freetown entertainment area. The main entertainment programme will begin on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August as per previous years.

The staff campsite, located off the Vicarstown Road, will be open from Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> August.

# AGE POLICY

- You must be aged 18 years or over to attend the festival, with the exception of children aged 12 and under.
- Children aged 12 and under must be accompanied by a ticket holding adult at all times, limited to a maximum of two children per adult.
- Children aged 12 and under do not require a ticket but must be registered prior to attending the festival. This can be done on our website <u>www.electricpicnic.ie</u>.
- If you are bringing your child and you feel they look older than 12, please bring ID to back this up (colour photocopies will suffice).
- Children's wristbands can be found at Little Picnic.

# ENTRY TO THE FESTIVAL

- Residents wishing to drive to the Event site must park in the official car parks, Red Car Park, Yellow Car Park and Blue Car Park and enter through the respective Gate. Abbeyleix, Quarry or Molly's Gate.
- Residents who choose to walk to the Event can enter through the PUDO Gate on the Cork Road.
- There will also be a Residents Ticket Exchange and entry gate at Hunters Gate. This is for resident's ticket holders only. Other tickets CANNOT be processed through this gate.
- The Hunters Lane Residents ticket exchange will be open from Friday 11am-6pm and Saturday/Sunday 9am-6pm. After 6pm all residents walking to the event will need to exchange their tickets at PUDO Gate.
- Please note that pedestrians are not permitted on the Timahoe Road this year. Please see below Map for routes to the Event from Stradbally Town.
- Once you have your wristband, residents on foot can exit and re-enter the site through the Railway Gate on the Cork Road and through Hunters Gate via Gate D (staff Gate) from the Main Arena or via the Town Access Gate in Eriu Campsite.
- Unaccompanied children aged 12 or under are not allowed in or out through the campsite gates or arena entrances without an adult at any time. Children aged 12 or under must be accompanied by a parent/guardian at all times.

Please note, the Main Street entrance is a working entry/exit point and is not available for use by residents. This is a health and safety issue, and no exceptions will be made.



# **EXIT AND RE-ENTRY**

- You must retain half of your ticket in the event that you wish to exit and re-enter the festival. Personnel at the resident ticket lane at the Paintball Gate will be informed that only the stubs from the ticket should be taken from the resident tickets and not the full ticket.
- Re-entry will not be permitted if you do not have a ticket accompanying your wristband.

# TICKET TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- Resident ticket numbers will be recorded. Recipients of tickets must either use the tickets themselves or pass them to a member of their household or immediate family only.
- As these tickets are solely for the benefit of local residents, they **must not** be sold onwards and such tickets will be voided.
- Resident tickets are not permitted to be used for competitions or activity in all media, but not limited to social media.
- Wristbands must not be swapped or tampered with; **tampered wristbands will not be permitted entry to the festival**. It must be noted that people who seek out used wristbands, and who are willing to pay for them, may be trying to get into the festival to partake in anti-social behaviour and we do not wish to be a party to that.
- Applying for tickets implies an acceptance of these terms and conditions and anyone found to be in breach of these rules will not be permitted to apply for festival tickets in future years.

# **CHARITY DONATIONS**

All charity donations will have been paid to the Resident's Committee when the tickets are collected. Therefore, no further charity donation is payable at the gate.

# ACCESSIBLE REQUIRMENTS

 If you have any accessible requirements, please visit <u>www.electricpicnic.ie/information/</u> and follow the instructions in the Accessibility section.

# **RESIDENT'S INFORMATION**

Over the festival weekend, the Electric Picnic Resident's Committee will have a phone number available, for genuine issues or concerns. Please make contact as soon as an issue arises. The types of issues that can be dealt with are: Security incidents, parking in inappropriate areas or issues with entering the festival etc.

The Electric Picnic Resident's Committee do not have any tickets for sale, so please do not contact them on such matters.

## Electric Picnic Resident's Committee Phone Number: 085 833 2292

If you have any issues for which you would like to speak to a member of An Garda Síochána, please call 999/112 or Stradbally Garda Station number: +353578625222

# TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

Below are the recommended routes for Residents travelling to the festival. The traffic management plan will be implemented by An Garda Siochána. Road closures and changes/diversions to this plan will be at the discretion of the Gardaí.

#### **Road Closures**

The following road closures in place during the festival;

- Cahill's Cross to Abel's Corner on the Abbeyleix Road
- Timogue Cross to Court Square on the Timahoe Road.



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This will be in effect from approx. 12 noon Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August until 4pm Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August. These closures are necessary to facilitate the traffic management plan over the days of the festival.

During peak traffic An Garda Siochana will facilitate two lanes of traffic on the Abbeyleix Rd from Cahill's Cross to the event site. This will be reversed on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> to facilitate two lanes of traffic away from the event site, up to Money Cross.

Local access will be facilitated on these roads for residents with the appropriate passes. Traffic diversions will be in place, please see below map.

#### **Traffic diversions**

#### Traffic travelling from Ballyroan to Money Cross along the R427

Turn left at Money Cross onto the R426. Continue on this road until you reach the roundabout with the N80 at Broomfield Crossroads. Turn right at the roundabout onto the N80. Continue travelling east along this road until you reach Stradbally.

## Traffic Travelling from Timahoe (R426) to Stradbally

Travel via Money Cross onto the R426. Continue on this road until you reach the roundabout with the N80 at Broomfield Crossroads. Turn right at the roundabout onto the N80. Continue travelling east along this road until you reach Stradbally.

## Traffic Travelling from the Southeast to Timahoe

At Simmons Mill Crossroads, turn left onto the N78. Travel south westerly direction to Newtown Cross and turn right onto the R430 the Strategic Regional Road to the Swan. Turn right on the northwestern side of the Swan onto the R426 the Strategic Regional Road and continue until you reach Timahoe.

#### Residents Vehicle Passes –

\*Please note\*

- The vehicle pass must be clearly visible to minimise delays.
- The vehicle pass in only valid when a mobile number has been entered into the white panel on the front of the hanger.
- Please follow any instructions or directions given by An Garda Siochana and Event Staff.

#### Residents' Vehicle Pass (General)

Permits access within the Stradbally environs. Any road closures and traffic restrictions still apply.

## **Cork Road Resident**

Permits access to the Cork Road houses between Abel's Corner and the turn to Raheenduff (Gate 7).

#### Abbeyleix Road Resident

Permits access to Abbeyleix Road between Money Cross and Abel's Corner.

Please note that access from Abel's Corner is restricted during peak timings, and residents may be required to follow the flow of event traffic.

This pass provides access to Abbeyleix Rd for residents from Abel's Corner to Money Cross, Cahill's Cross to Timogue Cross and the Abbeyleix Road to Duck's Cross.



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#### **Timahoe Road Resident**

Permits access to Timahoe Road between Court Square and Timogue Cross.

This pass provides access to Timahoe Rd for residents from Court Square to Timogue Cross, Charter Lane, Corig Rd and Long Lane.

Long Lane is intended to be used on the Monday to assist with exiting traffic from the Yellow Car Parks in the direction of Timahoe. Throughout the rest of the weekend, it may be used at the discretion of An Garda Siochana. Residents should be advised to follow the flow of event traffic during this time.

## **Residents' Estates**

Pass permits access to the named estates only: Oakglen, Woodview, The Orchard and Cill Beg.

## **General Routing Information**

#### Vicarstown – Staff Routing

Staff will exit the M7 motorway at Junction 15. Follow signs for Vicarstown. Turn right in Vicarstown at GAA Club and continue straight on the R427 to dedicated staff carparks. Staff are advised that there will be no access to Vicarstown road via Stradbally.

#### <u>Taxis</u>

Taxis will use the N80 and will be directed to the Pick-up Drop-off area on Portlaoise side of Stradbally village.

# Private Vehicle Drop offs and Pick ups

There is only one Pick-Up Drop-off area provided for at Electric Picnic. The Pick-Up Drop-off is located just off the N80 on the Portlaoise side of Stradbally village.

# From Dublin/North – M7 Motorway Southbound

• <u>General motorists</u> will exit M7 motorway at Junction 16. Take the R445 towards Portlaoise and take a left turn onto the R425. Continue straight at Bloomfield roundabout on the R425 to Sheffield, Lamberton Junction and Money Cross. At Money Cross turn left and follow directions to carparks.

• <u>General Campervans & Caravans</u> will exit M7 at Junction 17 and follow Limerick Route to Sheffield Junction. Campervans will then turn left and take the R425 to Bloomfield Cross where they will take the N80 to Stradbally and onwards to parking.

• **Buses** will exit the M7 motorway at Junction 15, take third exit from the first roundabout and cross the M7, continue straight through the next roundabout, before turning left onto R445. Continue along until Treacy's Pub where they'll turn left over the M7 towards Heath GAA. At JK Auto's, buses will join the Heath Rd travel to Stradbally where they will be directed to the Pick-up Drop-off area on the N80.

• <u>Accessible route</u> Appropriate pass holders will exit the M9 motorway at Junction 3 and join the N78 to Athy. At roundabout take first left onto the new Athy Distributor Road and follow the N78 towards Kilkenny via Ballylinan. At junction between N78 and N80, turn right towards Stradbally. Continue to Court Square and turn left onto the Timahoe Road. Accessible Car Park is accessed via Gate 4a on right hand side.

• Family (Campervan & Car Park) Family pass holders will take the M9 to Junction 3 and join the N78 to Athy. At roundabout take first left onto the new Athy Distributor Road and follow the N78 towards Kilkenny via Ballylinan. At junction between N78 and N80, turn right towards Stradbally. Continue to Court Square and turn left onto the Timahoe Road. Follow signs for Family Camping which is located in Stradbally GAA Club on left hand side.



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## From Limerick – M7 Motorway Northbound

• <u>General motorists</u> will exit the M7 motorway at Junction 17. Head west towards Portlaoise on the N77. After 500m turn right onto the Meelick Road, then continue straight. At the T-junction turn right onto the R426 and continue to the next T-junction. Turn right onto R425 at Sheffield. Continue straight on the R425 to Money Cross where you will be directed to the carparks.

• <u>General Campervans and Caravans</u> will exit M7 motorway at Junction 17. Head west towards Portlaoise on the N77. After 500m turn right onto the Meelick Road, then continue straight. At the T-junction turn right onto the R426 and continue to the next T junction where they will turn left and take the R425 to Bloomfield Roundabout. Here take the third exit onto the N80 towards Stradbally and onwards to parking.

• <u>Buses</u> will exit the M7 motorway at Junction 15. At the roundabout take first exit (left), continue to next roundabout and take first exit (left) onto the R445 and continue along until Treacy's Pub. Turn left after Treacy's Pub, continue over the M7 and pass The Heath GAA Club on the right-hand side. At JK Auto's, buses will join the Heath Road and travel to Stradbally where buses will be directed to the Pick-up Drop-off area on the N80.

• <u>Accessible route</u> Appropriate pass holders will exit M7 motorway at Junction 16, onto R445. Turn left towards Rathbrennan and travel to Bloomfield roundabout. Take the first exit onto the N80 and continue to Stradbally. At Court Square and turn right onto the Timahoe Road. Accessible Car Park is accessed via Gate 4a on right hand side.

• Family (Campervan & Car Park) Family pass holders will exit M7 motorway at Junction 16, onto R445. Turn left towards Rathbrennan and travel to Bloomfield roundabout and take the first exit onto the N80 and continue to Stradbally. At Court Square, turn right onto Timahoe Road. Follow signs for Family Camping which is located in Stradbally GAA Club on left hand side.

## From Cork – M8 Motorway Northbound

• <u>General motorists</u> will exit the M8 motorway at Junction 3 (Manor Stone) and turn right onto the R433 to Abbeyleix. In Abbeyleix, turn left onto the N77, continue through Abbeyleix and turn right onto the R425/Ballyroan Road. Continue straight on R425 through Ballyroan towards Stradbally and onto the R427 at Cashel Cross (signposted Stradbally). Continue on the R427 to Money Cross where motorists will be directed to carparks.

• <u>General Campervans & Caravans</u> will continue on the M8 and merge with the M7, exiting at Junction 17. Head west towards Portlaoise on the N77. After 500m turn right onto the Meelick Road, then continue straight. At the T-junction turn right onto the R426 and continue to the next T-junction where they will turn left and take the R425 to Bloomfield Roundabout. Here take the third exit onto the N80 towards Stradbally and onwards to parking.

• **Buses** will continue on the M8 motorway and merge with the M7 motorway. Exit the M7 motorway at Junction 15. At the roundabout take first exit (left), continue to next roundabout and take first exit (left) onto the R445 and continue along until Treacy's Pub. Turn left after Treacy's Pub, continue over the M7 and pass The Heath GAA Club on the right hand side. At JK Auto's, buses will join the Heath Road and travel to Stradbally where buses will be directed to the Pick-up Drop-off area on the N80.

• <u>Accessible route</u> Appropriate pass holders will continue on the M8 motorway and merge with the M7 motorway, exiting at Junction 16, onto the R445. Turn left towards Rathbrennan and travel to Bloomfield roundabout. Take the first exit onto the N80 and continue to Stradbally. At Court Square turn right onto the Timahoe Road. Accessible Car Park is accessed via Gate 4a on right hand side.

• <u>Family (Campervan & Car Park)</u> Family pass holders will continue on the M8 and merge with the M7. Exit the M7 motorway at Junction 16, onto R445. Turn left towards Rathbrennan and travel to Bloomfield roundabout and take the first exit onto the N80 and continue to Stradbally. At Court Square, turn right onto Timahoe Road. Follow signs for Family Camping which is located in Stradbally GAA Club on the left hand side.

## N80 From the West

- <u>General motorists</u> including buses from the West will travel on the N80 through Mountmellick towards Portlaoise. - Continue on N80 to Lucy Franks roundabout at Fairgreen. Take second exit onto the Portlaoise Ring Road. Continue for 3km towards Mountrath Road/R445. At the roundabout take the third exit and continue uphill to the next roundabout.
- Then take the first exit onto the Fr Brown Avenue/Old Knockmay Road.
- At Fr Brown roundabout continue straight to the Portlaoise South Circular Ringroad.
- At the O 'Doran roundabout take the third exit onto the R426 to Sheffield.
- At Sheffield turn right onto the R425 and continue to Money Cross where you will be directed to carparks.

• <u>General Campervans & Caravans</u> Follow N80 west general motorists routing to O'Doran roundabout. Continue straight and turn right onto the N80. Continue on the N80 through Bloomfield roundabout (second exit) towards Stradbally and onwards to parking on right hand side before Stradbally village.

• <u>Buses</u> Follow N80 west routing to Fr. Brown roundabout (O'Moore Park GAA grounds on right hand side). Take third exit onto the N77/Abbeyleix Road and enter the M7 motorway northbound at Junction 17. Exit the M7 motorway at Junction 15. At the roundabout take first exit (left), continue to next roundabout and take first exit (left) onto the R445 and continue along until Treacy's Pub. Turn left after Treacy's Pub, continue over the M7 and pass The Heath GAA Club on the right-hand side. At JK Auto's, buses will join the Heath Road and travel to Stradbally where buses will be directed to the Pick-up Dropoff area on the N80.

• <u>Accessible route</u> Appropriate pass holders will follow the N80 west routing to the O'Doran roundabout. Continue straight and turn right onto the N80. Continue on the N80 through Bloomfield roundabout (second exit) towards Stradbally. At Court Square turn right onto the Timahoe Road. Accessible Car Park is accessed via Gate 4a on right hand side.

• <u>Family (Campervan & Car Park)</u> Family pass holders will follow the N80 west routing to the O'Doran roundabout. Continue straight and turn right onto the N80. Continue on the N80 through Bloomfield roundabout (second exit) towards Stradbally. At Court Square, turn right onto Timahoe Road. Follow signs for Family Camping which is located in Stradbally GAA Club on the left-hand side.

# N80 from Southeast/Carlow/Athy

• <u>General motorists</u> will travel west on the N80 into Stradbally. All event traffic (except buses) will turn left at Court Square onto the Timahoe Road. Cars will be directed into the car parks.

• <u>Campervans</u> will continue on the N80 through Stradbally village and will be directed to the Campervan Parking on left hand side of N80.

• <u>Buses</u> will continue on the N80 through Stradbally village and will be directed left into the Pick-up Drop-off area on the left-hand side of N80.

• <u>Accessible route</u> appropriate pass holders will turn left at Court Square onto the Timahoe Road. Accessible Car Park is accessed via Gate 4a on the right-hand side.

• Family (Campervan & Car Park) Continue on N80 to Stradbally. At Court Square, turn right onto the Timahoe Road. Follow signs for Family Camping which is located in Stradbally GAA Club on the left-hand side.

Arrangements for this event have been put in place in consultation with An Garda Síochána and Laois County Council. Please read the terms and conditions of entry, below, prior to attending the festival.

#### Thank you for your cooperation.



