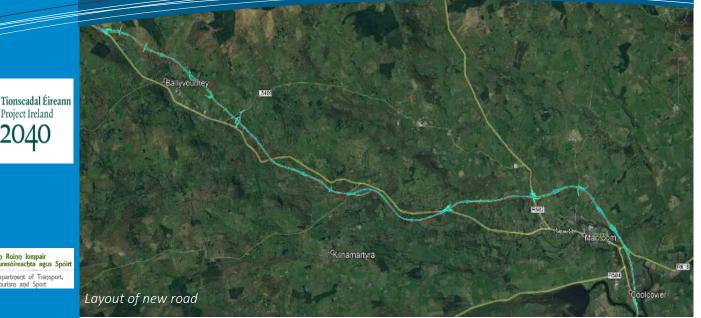
N22 Baile Bhuirne – Macroom Road Development

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Welcome to the first newsletter of the N22 Baile Bhuirne - Macroom Road Development.



The contract for this project was signed between Cork County Council and Jons Civil Engineering - John Cradock Joint Venture Limited on the 29th November 2019.

The project includes for the construction of 22km of dual carriageway which will be primarily constructed offline of the existing N22. There will be interfaces between the new road development and the existing N22 at the eastern and western termini as well as two crossings of the existing road. The road will be constructed through challenging terrain which varies through the development from hilly remote land with rock outcrops at the western end, to low



lying pasture lands to the east of Macroom and will cross a land-locked section of the Inniscarra Reservoir to the south east of Macroom. The project includes the construction of 130 structures, including crossings of the Sullane, Laney, Foherish and Bohill rivers. The junctions on the project will be at Slievereagh at the western end, at Toonlane east of Baile Mhic Íre, at Gurteenroe, Millstreet Road and at Coolcour at the eastern side of Macroom.

This contract is a design and build contract with the design currently being developed by Barry Transportation and Partners, Consulting Engineers on behalf of the Joint Venture Contractor. The current programme envisages that the project will be completed by mid-2023. The project is divided into 3 sections for construction purposes:

Section 1 Bypass of Baile Bhuirne and Baile Mhic Ire; Slievereagh to Coolnacaheragh Section 2 Middle section from Coolnacaheragh to Carrigaphooca Section 3 Bypass of Macroom; Carrigaphooca to Coolcour

Progress to date

Works commenced on site in Section 3 of the Works during January 2020 with progress as follows:

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- The project offices are currently under construction on the Millstreet Road, Macroom with temporary site offices open to the public for the purposes of project information.
 - A Pre-Construction Ecology Survey of the whole site has been completed by our Ecologist. Mitigation measures have been developed for badgers, bats, Kerry Slug and freshwater pearl mussels to name but a few.
 - Works have commenced for the erection of protection measures for overhead cables between the Sullane River and the Millstreet Road and for silt



protection measures between the Sullane River and the Laney River.

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Website

Our website will be operational in the coming weeks

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N22 BBM Site Offices, Millstreet Road, Macroom, P12 PN24



 Pre-condition property surveys have commenced for properties that are located in close proximity to the scheme - these consist of external and internal investigation and photos to determine the condition of a property. Our Public Liaison Officer, Peter O'Donoghue, is currently calling to property owners to organise these surveys.

Our planned program of works for the next 3 months is as follows:

- Project Offices we expect to complete our principal offices by the end of April.
- **Silt Control Works** will continue from the River Laney working west to protect watercourses in advance of the main works.
- Site Clearance Works –including tree felling, stump grinding and mulching of vegetation commenced in mid-February and will continue for 10 weeks.
- Additional Site Investigation Works are scheduled to commence during February with the results being used to assist in the design of various structures and roadworks.
- Various satellite site compound setup's we will continue to set up various satellite site offices in the coming weeks.
- **Diversion of Utilities** advance ducting for various utilities, including ESB & EIR, will commence in February from the Sullane River heading west towards the Laney River.
- Pre-Earthworks Drainage works will commence in the vicinity of Coolyhane-Laney-Ummera-Sullane in March.
- Earthworks & Roadworks We will be applying for a 3-week road closure, commencing on the 27th of April, in order to carry out the bulk earthworks for the new alignment of the Coolyhane Road, west of Bealick Mill
- Bridge Construction the underbridge at Coolyhane is scheduled to commence in early May and will be followed by the Laney River Bridge and the Ummera Underbridge.

Our planned temporary traffic management for the next 3 months is as follows

- Single lane closures on various side roads for tree felling works and additional site investigation works will be in place for the coming weeks – these will be controlled with Stop/Go systems, so as to have minimal impact on rush hour traffic/road users and will only be in place during day time working hours.
- Single lane closure at the Ummera Bridge for installation of ESB ducting to cross this road will be in place during day time working hours.
- A road closure application has been made for a closure of the L7424 Coolyhane Road. The closure is scheduled for 3 weeks and to commence from the 27th of April until the 15th of May.

All temporary traffic management arrangements will be included on the MapAlerter system which can be accessed at <u>https://www.mapalerter.com/</u>

If you would like to be added to the circulation list for our newsletter please email us on info@n22bbm.ie

All of the staff involved would like to thank the people of Macroom, Baile Bhuirne and districts for their cooperation and acknowledge that the works may cause some disruption. We appreciate your patience and apologise for any inconvenience. Please be aware that the scheduling of these works may change as works progress – the public will be kept informed of any such changes.