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## MTU Bishopstown:

On Tuesday 18th October, the 50 strong group of 1st year Engineering students from the Bishopstown campus, accompanied by Dr Mary Moloney, toured the eastern section of the N22BBM scheme by bus. The group entered the site at Coolcour and travelled up the site stopping to get a close-up of the high-level bridge at Kilnagurteen. The highlights of the scheme were outlined by Kevin Dennehy and Ray Hurley, of the contractor's engineering staff and both graduates of MTU. The tour completed when the group exited the site at Carrigaphooca on the west side of Macroom.

Feedback from the visit was very positive: "The students were hugely impressed with the visit and seeing where they could be on placement etc in a few years. The type of conversation we had with Kevin and Ray and their experience to date after graduating from our department is a great showcase of the opportunities that await them if they apply themselves."



## MTU Tralee:

This visit was followed on the 21st October by a similar sized group of 1st year to 4th year Engineering students from MTU Tralee, along with some engineering lecturing staff. Pat O'Sullivan Section Manger with the contractor, accompanied by Fergal Noonan Quality Manager, gave the group a detailed presentation at the Millstreet Road offices which was followed by a lively Q&A session before boarding the bus and getting the site visit proper underway. The group entered the site at Gurteenroe and travelled eastwards. The group left the bus for a more detailed review of the high-level bridge at Kilnagurteen, the cut slopes at Kilnagurteen, the surface water cascade at Coolyhane and the large two-span bridge over the Sullane River at Ummera.

The group thanked the CJV for the detailed presentation of the scheme, the informative responses to the many questions and were complimentary on the quality of the works witnessed on the project. The group were also intrigued by the engineering complexities in the works delivered.

