

# ENNISCORTHY FLOOD DEFENCE SCHEME

## PROGRESS REPORT 5<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2019

- Communications:

Liaison is ongoing.

Inland Fisheries Ireland; National Parks & Wildlife Service; Department of Environment Community & Local Government; Environmental Protection Agency; Transport Infrastructure Ireland / NRA ; Irish Water; Iarnród Éireann; National Monuments Service; Slaney Search & Rescue; Inland Waterways Association of Ireland Slaney Branch; Slaney River Trust; Enniscorthy Local Anglers Association; An Taisce, Enniscorthy Chamber of Commerce & Subcommittee and the Enniscorthy Business Association have been contacted and updated on the current status of the project. Communication with the Landowners & Local Businesses is ongoing.

Information on the scheme is available at [www.enniscorthyfds.ie](http://www.enniscorthyfds.ie)

- Preliminary Design:

The Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Outline Design have been completed by the OPW. The scheme was exhibited to the public in 2009, and was put on public display again in 2012.

- Design Development & Detailed Design:

Consultants for the detailed design phase were appointed in November 2015. Mott MacDonald is the main Flood Defence Scheme consultant; Roughan & O'Donovan is the bridge & traffic management consultant for the Flood Defence Scheme.

The detailed design of the flood defences, pumping stations, new pedestrian bridge, new road bridge and road junctions is progressing. The traffic management plan for the scheme has been completed. The Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) has been updated. Tender documents required for the procurement of the construction works are currently being prepared.

A four week public display & information event, to inform the public of the developed design, took place in Enniscorthy in June 2018. Observations received during the event were considered and the scheme documents were amended to include further improvements to the design.

- Statutory Process - Public Exhibition & Scheme Confirmation

The developed scheme was exhibited to the public in Enniscorthy Library from the 17<sup>th</sup> May to 18<sup>th</sup> June 2019. Scheme documents were also available for inspection in the offices of Wexford County Council, Carricklawn, Wexford, and on-line during the same period. Over 400 people attended the exhibition.

Following consideration of submissions received during the exhibition, the scheme will go to the Minister for Public Expenditure & Reform for consent. Main construction work can commence when the scheme has been confirmed by the Minister.

- Works On Site

The site surveys required to update the EIAR and to develop the detailed design & traffic management plan commenced in 2016 and were completed in 2017.

Geotechnical investigation works commenced in 2016 and were completed in 2017; Archaeological investigations commenced in 2018 and are ongoing.

Advance preparation works ahead of main construction includes treatment of invasive species, service diversions and advance archaeological excavations.

- Programme

EIAR, Outline Design – complete.

Detailed Design & Tender Process – in progress.

Public Exhibition 2019 – complete.

Advance works – ongoing.

Main Construction Work to commence 2020, duration 3 years.