ENNISCORTHY FLOOD DEFENCE SCHEME

PROGRESS REPORT 05TH MAY 2021

- Communications:

  Liaison is on-going.

  Inland Fisheries Ireland; National Parks & Wildlife Service; Government Departments; Environmental Protection Agency; Transport Infrastructure Ireland / NRA ; Irish Water; Iarnrod Eireann; 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 on-going.

  Information on the scheme is available on the scheme website www.enniscorthyfds.ie .

- Preliminary Design:

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

- Design Development, Detailed Design & Procurement :

  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 design consultant for the new road bridge & traffic management plan.

  The Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) has been updated. The detailed design of the flood defences, pumping stations, new pedestrian bridge and road junctions is progressing. The detailed design of the new road bridge, approach roads and the traffic management plan for the scheme has been completed. Tender documents for the construction works are currently being prepared. The tender process for the shortlisting of contractors for the construction of the new road bridge is on-going.

- Statutory Process - Public Consultation & Scheme Confirmation

  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.

  The developed scheme was exhibited to the public in Enniscorthy Library from the 17thMay to 18thJune 2019. Over 400 people attended the exhibition. Submissions received during the exhibition were considered and replied to.

  The scheme confirmation documents required for ministerial consent were submitted to the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform (DPER) in March 2020. The scheme confirmation documents can be viewed on the scheme website www.enniscorthyfds.ie . Main construction work can commence when the scheme has been confirmed by the Minister. WCC have issued supplementary information to assist the OPW and DPER with the approval process.

- 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 on-going.

  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.
  Scheme Confirmation 2021 – in progress.
  Main Construction Work to commence 2022, duration 3 years.