Environmental

We are continuously monitoring activity at the Artificial Badger sett which was installed last summer. While the presence of badgers has not yet been recorded, other wildlife in the area has, including fox, hare and a barn owl.

We will continue monitoring over the coming months to determine if badgers or any other wildlife begin to use the sett.

Site Safety

As the project progresses, we are keen to ensure that construction is undertaken in a safe manner and that nobody is harmed as a result of the works.

There are many dangers associated with construction sites and therefore, for the safety of all concerned, we would like to remind the public not to enter the N4 Collooney to Castlebaldwin Road Development Construction site at any time during the construction phase. We greatly appreciate your support in this matter.

Further Project Information

If you have any matters you wish to raise concerning the project, please contact our 24 hour Free Emergency Number – 071 9167299

For further information on the N4 Collooney to Castlebaldwin Road Project, please visit the dedicated project website – www.n4realignment.ie











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N4 Newsletter

Collooney to Castlebaldwin Road Development Project

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N4 Project Update

Welcome to our fourth edition of the N4 Collooney to Castlebaldwin Road Development project newsletter. Following Government approval, the site re-opened on Monday 18th May with both the HSE and Construction Industry Guidelines being implemented since our return.

As contractor for the project, Roadbridge would like to take this opportunity to thank the community and road users for their continued support and co-operation during the construction phase.

To facilitate progression of the works on site there has been a number of road closures and diversions in place over the last period and we apologise for the delays caused as a result of these works.

Earthworks & Drainage

Weather during the summer months continued to be a challenge, however earthworks has progressed in line with our construction programme. We have now reached a point where the majority of the excavation and placing of material within the footprint of the mainline is nearing completion, and as a result pavement on the mainline commenced in early August.

We are also nearing completion of the Eastern Parallel Link road which will essentially be the link between the existing and new N4 following project completion. On the north end of the project there is 2.5km of online works to be carried out on the existing N4. To facilitate construction of this the N4 traffic will be diverted to the Eastern Parallel Link road until project completion, the diversion will route around the Toberbride Industrial Estate and continue to run parallel to the N4 where it will link back in to the N4 at Doorly. This diversion will be in place from early September.

Project Quantities Overview

	Overall Quantity	% Complete to Date
Excavated Material	1,823,000 m³	99%
Fill Material	1,184,000 m³	92%

Structures

During the summer months we completed the structures at Doorly South, Drumfin North, Drumfin South, Carrownagark and Kingsbrook and opened these to the public. Works on all other structures are ongoing with Knocknagroagh, Drumfin North and Tawnagh due to be completed and opened to the public in the coming months.

Structure Reference	% Complete to Date
Structure 1 – Toberbride Overbridge	45%
Structure 2 – Doorly Underbridge North	0%
Structure 3 – Doorly Underbridge South	100%
Structure 4 – Knocknagroagh Overbridge	85%
Structure 5 – Turnalaydan River Bridge	50%
Structure 6 – Drumfin Overbridge North	95%
Structure 7 – Drumfin Overbridge South	95%
Structure 8 – Drumfin River Bridge	35%
Structure 9 – Carrownagark Underbridge	100%
Structure 10 – Kingsbrook Underbridge	100%
Structure 11 – Ardloy Underbridge	95%
Structure 12 – Tawnagh Underbridge	95%



Community Engagement

In preparation for the return of students to school, Roadbridge donated traffic cones for segregation of the school yard at St John's National School in Sligo. This will help support the teachers in their task of complying with Covid 19 Guidelines.



Drilling and Blasting Schedule for June to August 2020

We are continuing to blast and process material from the borrow pit at Chainage 12+700 (Drumderry), and we expect the last blast to take place in September. Monitoring of all blasts has taken place and results are within the permitted allowance. Notification of blasts to the nearby properties will continue ahead of any such works taking place.

Traffic Management

One of our projects milestones will be achieved in early September once we divert the N4 traffic onto the Eastern Parallel Link. This diversion will be in place for the remainder of the works and is required to facilitate construction of a 2.5km section of mainline which is on the footprint of the existing road.



Looking Ahead

While we realise there have been some disruptions as a result of roads closures, great progress has been made by the team in getting some of the local roads re-opened. We appreciate the public's patience during the construction phase and will continue to minimise delays as much as possible. If passing some of the local roads that have opened, particularly Drumfin North, you will see the progression of pavement on the mainline. In total there is 110,000 tonnes of bitumen to be laid on the N4 project and 75,000 tonnes of a concrete layer to be placed under the bitumen. These works will continue into the winter months. Following these works reinstatement of verges, road signage and barrier will follow so you will really see the project coming together month by month.





