



Comhairle Contae Mhaigh Eo Mayo County Council



N5 Westport to Turlough Road Project

Project Update to Castlebar Municipal District (29 March 2023)

Project Summary

The N5 Westport to Turlough Road Project involves the design and construction of approximately 20km of Type 2 dual carriageway and approximately 7.5km of single carriageway (Type 1, 2 & 3). The project includes the upgrade of a 2.5km section of the N59 Westport to Mulranny national secondary road at Barleyhill. The project also includes the design and construction of 2 no. compact grade separated junctions, 6 no. at grade roundabouts, 2 no. rail bridges over the Dublin to Westport rail line and 24 no. bridge structures.

Design & Build Construction Contract

Wills BAM Joint Venture are the contractors for the construction of the N5 Westport to Turlough Road and the anticipated date for the completion of the contract is Q2 2023. Section C (Derrylea to Dublin Road) is progressing very well and the finishing touches to the mainline are being done, but there is some work to be done on the sideroads and as a result of the recent Road Safety Audit before Substantial Completion can be achieved for this section. It is anticipated that this section will be opened to traffic soon. Paving works are progressing very well on Section B (Knockranny to Derrylea) with 96% of this section fully surfaced. It is planned to conduct the Road Safety Audit on this section by the end of March. Median barrier erection is 79% complete and it is planned to conduct the Road Safety Audit on this section by the end of March. Works on Drainage, Ducting and Accommodation Works for landowners are continuing. Works on Safety Barriers and Fencing are progressing well throughout.

The current progress on the project is as follows:

Site Clearance, Topsoil Strip, Earthworks: & Capping:	Substantially Complete
Topsoil Restoration	96% Complete
Fencing	61% Complete
Environmental Barriers	74% Complete
Safety Barriers	74% Complete
Drainage:	88% Complete
Service Ducts	89% Complete
Concrete Surface Water Channels	92% Complete
Subbase	99% Complete
Roadbase	96% Complete
Binder	95% Complete
Surface Course	89% Complete
Traffic Signs	60% Complete
Road Markings	60% Complete
Kerbs Footways & Paved Areas	77% Complete
Lighting & Electrical	79% Complete
Landscaping	64% Complete
Accommodation Works	73% Complete

The Major Structures in the Castlebar area are substantially complete with all of them opened to traffic.

Traffic Management

Traffic management arrangements are in place in various locations in the Castlebar area. These will change and will only be intermittent as works to the structures and roundabouts are finished and tie-ins to the existing road network is being constructed.

The current Traffic Management arrangements for all roads are for intermittent lights during working hours all through the month of March, where required.

Current information on the Contractor's traffic management plans is on their Project Website, www.n5w2t.com, and they provide weekly information for the Mayo County Council Website for the public's information.

Liaison with the public

There has been complaints on the condition of local roads used by the contractor during the works and these are to be investigated fully.

Percent for Art Scheme

The Percent for Art commission focusses on the communities of Islandeady, Breaffy and Turlough – Parke with a budget of €22,000 per location. The artist, James Winnett, was awarded the commission recently for all three communities. His proposal, titled *The Touchstones*, will be a series of large (approx. 1-2 tonne) intricately carved stones incorporating imagery, narrative carving and text to foster material connections with the surrounding cultural, social and environmental context. More information on the scheme can be found on the Mayo.ie website at www.mayo.ie/en-ie/news/public-art-commission-n5-westport-to-turlough-road.

Special Speed Limit Proposed Amendment

The proposed amendment to the Road Traffic Special Speed Limits Bye-laws 2018 to extend the 60km/h speed limit on the N60 Breaffy Road to a point 673m east of its junction with the R373 at Kilkenny was advertised in the national newspapers on 31 January last. The proposed amendments were on public display until 03 March 2023. There were no submissions or observations received by the closing date of 03 March 2023. The report on the proposed amendment has been sent to TII for approval. Upon approval from TII the report will be sent to Castlebar MD for consideration and presented to the Elected Members of Mayo County Council for adoption.

Preparations are in hand for a proposed amendment to the Road Traffic Special Speed Limits Bye-laws 2018 to extend the 60km/h speed limit on the N84 Ballinrobe Road to a point 322m northeast of its junction with the L5753. It is propose to advertise the proposal in the first week of April. Please see enclosed with this progress report a map showing the proposed extension for your information.

Progress Photos



N5 Dublin Road Roundabout



Windsor Road looking back towards N5 Dublin Road Roundabout



N60 Breaffy Road



At Balloor



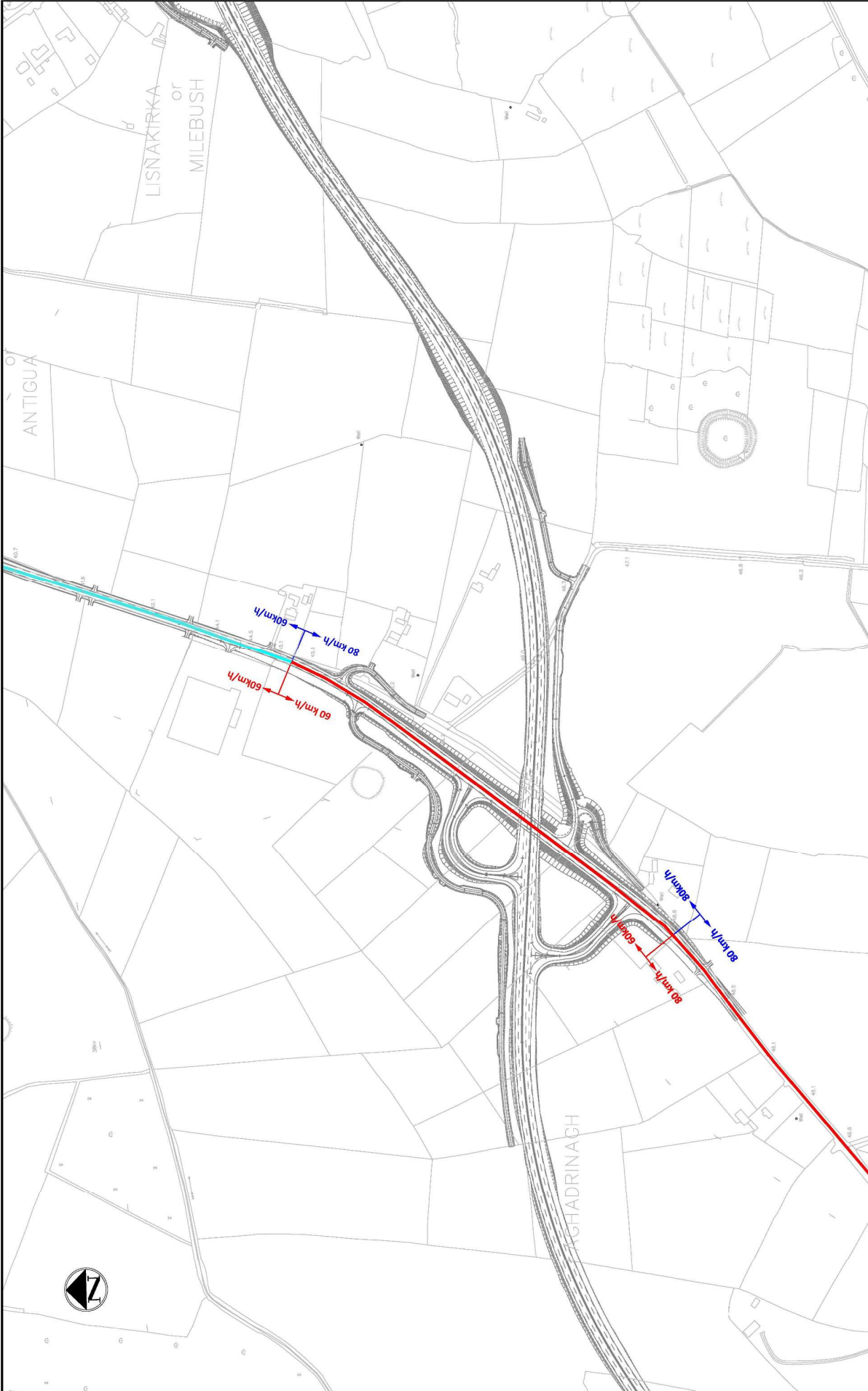
N84 Ballinrobe Road



N5 Derrylea Roundabout



Drumneen Road Overbridge



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