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# Foynes to Limerick Road (including Adare Bypass) Adare Bypass Design and Construction Contract

## Newsletter for Q4 2025



### Clonshire River Bridge Beam Lift – 90t beams, 500t crane

**Introduction** Welcome to our Q4 2025 Newsletter. The team is continuing to make good progress, despite challenging weather conditions. Focus has moved from earthworks operations to structures and drainage works. The first bridge beams were delivered in Q4, with the first bridge deck pour also completed in Q4. Significant progress has been made in the manufacture of the steel beams for the River Maigue, with the beams to be delivered to site in Q1 2026. Drainage works has also progressed with 20% of the drainage pipework installed. The project remains on track to be completed at the end of Q2 2027.





**West Side River Maigue Bridge**




**East Side River Maigue Bridge**




**RVB03 River Bridge Construction**




**RVB02 River Bridge Construction**



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## Foynes to Limerick Road (including Adare Bypass) Phase 1A

Adare Bypass (Adare to Croagh)

- ↗ 7km of new Motorway
- ↗ Improving Driver Safety
- ↗ Reducing Journey Times
- ↗ Opening Q2 2027
- ↗ Free Phone 1800 111 000

## Project Update

The weather conditions in Q4 have been challenging with some very wet periods during the quarter. The team is continuing to make good progress, and the project remains on programme. There continues to be a large number of personnel on site, averaging over 300 people, with over 350,000 hours worked. The earth works cut and fill operations are over 90% complete, with sections around the structures to be complete in 2026. Drainage works have commenced and more than 25% of the drainage pipework has been installed. The structures have made significant progress in the quarter. 13 out of the 14 underpasses and culverts have been installed by the end of 2025, beams have been placed to two structures with one bridge deck poured in December. The River Maigue sub-structure works are complete, apart from the West Abutment Base. The manufacture of the steel beams for the bridge are nearly complete with the final beams to be painted in Q1 2026. The other River Bridges sub-structure works are substantially complete.



**River Bridge M21-C3**



**Underbridge UB07 Bridge Deck**



**Croagh Junction**

## Traffic Management

The L-8025 will reopen to traffic in early January 2026.

N21 Adare roundabout construction works are continuing, with online works expected in late Q1/early Q2 with traffic delays expected. Nighttime closures may be required during the online surfacing works.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

**Environmental** Consultation has taken place with all relevant authorities with regular engagement planned throughout the course of the project.

## Safety Notice

The Adare Bypass construction continues, and Sisk Sorensen thank our neighbors and the general public for its ongoing co-operation in helping to ensure that the project is constructed as safely as possible for everyone. Construction activity by its nature exposes people to a higher level of risk than many other activities and it is important that we all continue to be vigilant. Sisk Sorensen have detailed arrangements in place to manage the risks for both those involved in building the project and for the general public. You can help us in particular by:-

1. Taking particular care at all the site entrances and various locations where the project crosses the existing road network. Please comply with any restrictions imposed under local temporary traffic management arrangements including any reduced speed limits and please bear in mind the increased braking distances that may be required in winter conditions.
2. Keep clear of site even when there is no work being done. Parents & Guardians are particularly asked to try & ensure that their children understand this message.



**Underbridge UB08**



**Underpass UP13**



**Underpass UP17**

## 3 month Look Ahead

Main Earthworks – the cut and fill operations are 90% complete, with the tie in to structures remaining. Rock blasting near Croagh will continue in Q1 2026.

River Maigue Structure – sub-structure works to be completed in Q1 2026, with steel beam delivery to site in late Q1 2026.

Other structures – sub-structure for the 3 other river bridges, (Greanagh A, Greanagh B and Clonshire Rivers) are substantially complete. Clonshire bridge deck to be poured, with beams to be placed on the two Greanagh bridges. Final culvert M21-C7 to be installed. Underbridge UB07 (L8025) to be completed, with beams to be placed to Underbridge UB09 (L8024). Abutment walls to commence for Underbridge UB10 (Adare Junction). Overbridges sub-structures to be completed.

Drainage Works – to continue in Q1 2026, with concrete drainage channel to commence.

N21 Adare Roundabout – offline works to be completed with online works in late Q1/early Q2.

The project website will contain regular updates on any activities that will impact on the general public.

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