

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

Newsletter for Q2 2026



River Maigue – West Abutment with steel beams in the background

Introduction Welcome to our Q2 2026 Newsletter. A major milestone for the project was realized during the month of June. The steel beams for the River Maigue Bridge were lifted into place. The order for these beams was placed in February 2025, and it is great to see them being put into place. After order, steel had to be procured, manufactured, painted and transported in sections. The beams had to be assembled on site and erected into place. Well done to all involved. Good progress has continued in Q2, despite the poor weather conditions. Pavement works have commenced on the M21 and are approximately 20% complete. The project remains on track to be completed at the end of Q2 2027.



RVB04 River Bridge Steel Beam Lift



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Placing Beams RVB04






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 Q2 have continued to be poor, with some very wet and windy periods. The wind held up the placing of the River Maigue steel beams for 4 days. Despite this, 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 560,000 hours worked. The earth works cut and fill operations are substantially complete. Drainage works are making good progress, with approximately 80% of the pipework installed. The structures continue to make significant progress. At present, all structures bar 3, have site traffic driving over them or under them. Pavement works are continuing on the M21 with the granular and bituminous layers at 30% complete on the M21 (apart from the final layer). 40% of the environmental barriers have been put in place. We expect the good progress to continue into Q3 2026.



Overbridge OB06



Laying Pavement



River Bridge RVB03

Traffic Management

Short duration road closures will be required to the L8024 between 10 August and 15 August and to the L1423 between 04 August and 07 August 2026.

We wish to apologise for any inconvenience caused and thank the traveling public for their patience during any disruption caused.

Environmental Consultation continues to take 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.



Adare Junction – ready for Pavement



River Bridge M21-C3



River Bridge RVB02

3 month Look Ahead

Pavement works to continue with lower pavement layers to be constructed to the underneath of the final layer, across large sections of the project. Currently these layers are 30% complete.

River Maigue Structure – with the steel beams in place, precast bridge deck units will be installed during Q3 2026, with “stitch” concrete pours required to join the slabs together and attach them to the steel beams.

Other structures – Greannagh A deck pour has been completed, and site traffic is crossing over the new structure. The last concrete pour for Greannagh B bridge deck will take place in early Q3, allowing site traffic to use it 2 to 3 weeks later. All bridge beams are in place apart from OB07 (Accommodation Bridge) and UB10 (Adare Junction Bridge). These beams will be placed during Q3 2026.

Other Works such as fencing, noise barrier installation and concrete surface water channel will continue. Finishing works such as topsoiling and grass seeding have commenced and will continue in Q3. Median barrier works will commence in the next quarter.

Overall good progress has been made in Q2 and will continue into Q3 2026.

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

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