

N25 Waterford to Glenmore

Preferred Option Public Display Event 26th May to 4th June



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Project Background

The N25 is a vital regional link providing accessibility to Cork, Waterford City and Rosslare Europort, whilst facilitating access to four of the country's major ports of Cork, Waterford, New Ross and Rosslare. The N25 also provides access to both Cork and Waterford airports.

Project Description

Kilkenny County Council are working in partnership with Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) to develop a road scheme to improve the transport connectivity of the N25 between Waterford and Glenmore and provide strategic access to other national roads such as the N24, M8, M9 and M11.

This is a major infrastructure project for the South East Region which has seen significant investment in the last decade with the completion of the N25 Waterford City Bypass in 2010 and the N25 New Ross Bypass in 2020.

This Project will complete the link between these two dual carriageway bypass

schemes, by providing a high quality road thus improving local, regional and national accessibility and international connectivity via the Ports of Cork, Rosslare, Waterford and New Ross. The scheme will improve journey time reliability and road safety for all users.

The project has been developed in phases with opportunities for the public to participate in the decision making process. Currently the project has completed Phase 2 – Option Selection and as part of this process a public display event is is being held to inform stakeholders of the Preferred Option.

A non statutory public display event is to be held to announce the Preferred Option.

What's Happening Now?

The Project Team has completed an appraisal of the six route corridor options, published during the non-statutory public consultation held in June 2020. The Navy option has been identified as the Preferred Option. This has been assessed as providing the most sustainable solution and optimum balance of benefits and impacts in relation to the six criteria used when considering road transport infrastructure projects.

These criteria are:



The purpose of the Public Display is to inform the public of the Preferred Option and to afford the public an opportunity to engage in the process should they have queries, concerns and comments relating to the Preferred Option.

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Description of the Preferred Option

The Navy route corridor is the Preferred Option and is approximately 9.5 km in length and runs north south through the middle of the study area, close to and parallel to the line of the existing N25 on its western side.

The Preferred Option corridor represents the lands within which the N25 road scheme will be developed during Phase 3 -Design & Environmental Evaluation.

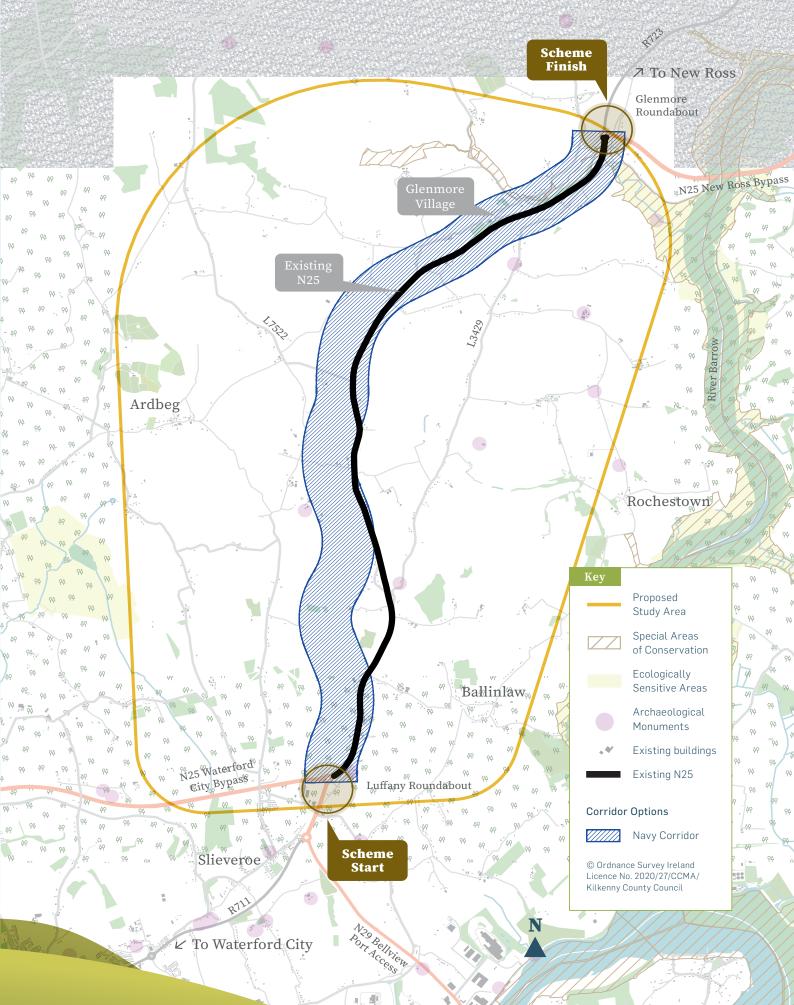
The route starts in the south at Luffany Roundabout and runs along the western side of the existing N25 northwards through the townlands of Luffany, Curraghmore, Ballyrowragh, Davidstown, Ballyrahan, Gaulstown, Ballynamona, Robinstown, coming back on line at Kilmakevoge, south of Glenmore Village and continuing north through the townlands of Glenmore, Graiguenakill and Ballyverneen where it connects to the southern side of the newly constructed Glenmore Roundabout.

The corridor does not represent the final design width of the road nor the lands to be acquired.

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Preferred Option



What Happens Next?

Now that the Option Selection process has been finalised and the Preferred Option identified, Phase 3 (Design and Environmental Evaluation) can commence. This will include the design of the road and associated infrastructure within the Preferred Option Corridor, the preparation of an Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and the preparation of Statutory Process documentation.

During Phase 3 further engagement with landowners and interested parties along the Navy Corridor will be undertaken as part of the design process.

The corridor is 600m wide, within which the road alignment will be developed and refined

as a result of further investigations and assessments by the project environmental and technical specialists with the objective of seeking to avoid, reduce and mitigate potential impacts.

Following Phase 3, Phase 4 (Statutory Processes) will consist of the submission to An Bord Pleanala (ABP) of the necessary documentation to obtain planning consent. ABP may hold an oral hearing in respect of the scheme.

In accordance with the Public Spending Code requirements for capital expenditure, progression of the scheme will be subject to appraisal and Government approval and funding.

Public Display Preferred Option 26th May to 4th June 2021

This is the first public display event for the N25 Waterford to Glenmore Scheme. As before all information will be published on the project website:

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In response to the COVID-19 restrictions around holding public events, an online public display experience has been developed on the website and will be available from the 26th May to 4th June 2021. This online event will allow stakeholders and the general public to view maps and project information. As always, the project team is on-hand to listen to the opinions and concerns of all stakeholders and the general public in a safe and accessible environment and you can contact us via the following:

- The comments sections on the project website: n25waterford2glenmore.ie
- The dedicated email address N25waterford2glenmore@ kilkennycoco.ie

Scheme and Public Consultation Roadmap

Year	Scheme Phase	Studies and Research	Consultation
2018	Phase 0 Scope & Pre-Appraisal	Approval to Proceed	Stakeholder Engagement Completed 2018
2019	Phase 1 Concept and Feasibility	Study Area and Constraints Mapping	Stakeholder Engagement Completed 2019
2019 · 2021	Phase 2 Option Selection	Route Corridor Option Identification and Refinement	Route Corridor Options Non Statutory Public Consultation No. 1
		Option Selection Report and Preferred Option	Preferred Option Corridor Non-Statutory Public Display Event
2021 · 2022	Phase 3 Design & Environmental Evalution	Develop Design & Environmental Assessments	Stakeholder Engagement
2022 · 2023	Phase 4 Statutory Process	Prepare & Publish Statutory Orders (EIA & CPO)	An Bord Pleanála Statutory Consultation

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