# N40/Dunkettle/Sarsfield Rd

# Progress Update – 30<sup>th</sup> of November 2018

# **Dunkettle Interchange Project:**

Upgrade Dunkettle to a largely free-flow interchange to alleviate traffic congestion.



- Ground investigation works will continue across the entire site up until the Christmas break with target completion date in February 2019.
- In order to facilitate access to the various ground investigation locations, site access points are currently being established from the existing road network. Two access points from the N8 approach to the Dunkettle Roundabout are currently being progressed to completion this week and two further access points from the Little Island regional road R623 will be constructed during next week, week commencing 3<sup>rd</sup> of December 2018.
- Archaeological resolution works are underway at the previously identified fulacht fiadh site near the Gaelscoil.



Archaeology works south of the Gaelscoil

### **Advance Works at Silversprings, Little Island:**

Footpath construction and road resurfacing to regularise the traffic lanes in the area for both inbound and outbound traffic at Silversprings. Capacity improvement works in the Little Island Interchange area.

- The new footpath adjoining the inbound lanes at Silversprings has yet to be fully surfaced. We hope to complete this element under night working either tonight 30<sup>th</sup> of November 2018 or next Tuesday the 4<sup>th</sup> of December 2018.
- White lining and permanent sign installation works will also be progressed under night working over the coming days.
- No further on road works will be progressed from now until after the Christmas break and works will instead focus on off road works. Remaining on road works will then be progressed from early-January 2019 and should reach substantial completion by late-January/early-February 2019.
- For the Little Island Interchange capacity improvements works, there is no change with Contractor appointment before Christmas still anticipated, with works then running from mid-January until May 2019.

#### Sarsfield Road Works:

Upgrading Sarsfield Rd to facilitate sustainable transport modes such as walking, cycling & public transport.

- Surfacing works in the northbound lanes are now fully complete and permanent line marking works are underway.
- On the southbound side, the cycle lane has been completed as shown in the photograph below.
- The main resurfacing works on the southbound lanes will be progressed under night working over the coming days. We have lost some time here due to weather conditions but we still hope to complete surfacing and line marking on the southbound carriageway by next Friday the 7<sup>th</sup> of December 2018.
- In relation to an associated work item on the Magazine Road, on road trial trench works here have been completed. As shown on the photograph below, a multiplicity of existing services was encountered the next step here is to design a route for a new surface water drainage culvert 4m wide x 2m high. Subject to completion of design works and subject also to availability of funding, culvert installation works on Magazine Road will be progressed during summer 2019.



Southbound cycle track



Existing services at Magazine Road

# **N40 Intelligent Transport System**

Installation of gantry mounted Variable Message Signs and other infrastructure to display traffic information such as journey times.

- Duct installation works and site investigation works here have reached substantial completion.
- Permanent trench reinstatement works (which will be progressed under night time working) will run in to the early days of next week.
- The tender process for Phase 2 ITS works (consisting of construction of reinforced concrete bases and metalwork required to support the ITS equipment) will go to tender on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> of December 2018 with Contractor appointment to follow early in 2019.

As always, if there are any queries or comments in relation to any of the work items set out herein please contact us on (021)4520180 or on roadconstruction@ccc-site.com

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