Dunkettle Progress Update 12th March 2021

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Dunkettle Interchange

Upgrade Project

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

 Works are continuing on the two new rail crossings, ST08 and ST09 with column construction now well advanced on the southern side of the railway line. See photograph below.



Aerial shot of column construction works in the area south of the Cork-Midleton railway line, immediately east of the existing N8 Cork/Dublin Motorway

 As referenced in last week's update, piling works are now underway in the area of the new eastern interchange for the new N25 bridge crossing, ST01. See photograph below.



Piling works advancing at the northern abutment of what will become Structure ST01

- Piling works at the northern side of the new bridge are nearing substantial completion and the rig will be mobilised to the southern side of the N25 to progress piling works in that area, during week commencing Monday 15th March 2021. These works will continue throughout next week including on Wednesday 17th March 2021.
 - As noted in previous updates, the N25 eastbound off-slip and on-slip at the Bury's Bridge area will close on Monday 29th March 2021

- In addition to the new bridge crossing of the N25, the N25 itself will be resurfaced over the coming months in the area of the Dunkettle Interchange. These works will be progressed under daytime traffic management and this process will commence with closure of the N25 westbound auxiliary lane from week commencing Monday 15th March 2021. Every effort will be made to keep two of the N25 lanes open in each direction to the greatest extent possible during daytime hours and no major impact on traffic is anticipated while traffic volumes remain at their current levels.
- The gantry sign visible in the ST01 piling photograph above will also have to be removed to facilitate construction of the new bridge. This sign will be removed under night time working next week with temporary alternative directional signage put in place.
- The temporary speed limit for the Dunkettle site area will be activated over the coming period and warning signs in this regard will be erected over the coming days on all approaches to the Dunkettle Interchange.

N40 Intelligent Transport Systems

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

- Works are continuing in multiple sites under this heading.
- Works are continuing on the sites between Bloomfield Interchange and Mahon Interchange see photograph below.



Piling works underway adjacent to the N40 eastbound with Bessborough visible in the background

- Works on the first ITS site between Mahon Interchange and the Tunnel have reached substantial completion and the length of the traffic management measures at this location has been shortened considerably. Works on the two remaining sites in this area will however continue for a number of weeks.
- The photograph below shows ongoing works at the second site between Mahon Interchange and the Jack Lynch Tunnel.



Plinth construction adjacent to the N40 eastbound, between Mahon Interchange and the Tunnel

 In overall terms these ITS works are progressing well and we still hope to have the construction works element complete by August/September of this year. The ITS equipment itself will be installed as areas become available and we hope to have all ITS equipment installed and operational by Q1 2022.

Contact Us

As always, if there are any queries or comments in relation to these works, please contact us at: **Phone:** 1800 810077 (at any time), **Email:** <u>roadconstruction@ccc-site.com</u>.



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