

Newsletter

Tralelee Flood Relief Scheme



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What stage is the Project at?

The Tralee Flood Relief scheme is currently at Stage 1 of the project. This stage is where potential flood defence designs are identified and considered to develop the best flood defence options for the area.

Since the last newsletter, the project team has continued with the Hydraulic modelling and preliminary options development. Further detailed Ground Investigations are set to take place throughout Tralee. The information gathered from these investigations will inform the flood alleviation measures being considered as part of the scheme optioneering.



Current Progress

The project team has continued to progress the hydraulic modelling for the scheme. The model has been updated based on the data collected from additional surveys undertaken in December 2023. Updated flood extents are being prepared based on the latest models for all the relevant current and future climate change design scenarios.

The output from the hydraulic model is being used to identify the initial suite of possible flood defence measures for the scheme. Preliminary consideration of these measures is ongoing.

Following completion of the hydraulic modelling, a detailed optioneering process (technical analysis) based on the initially screened measures will be undertaken. In addition, adaptation requirements to account for implications of climate change will also be considered.

Various engineering and environmental activities are scheduled to take place this year to assist with the design and assessment of defence options. These activities include Invasive Alien Plant Species treatment, Ground Investigations, Detailed Ecological surveys, and Ornithology surveys.



Public Consultation Day 2

The second Public Consultation Day is scheduled to occur later in 2024. Further details of the Public Consultation Day will be published on the Tralee Flood Relief Scheme website in the coming weeks. The purpose of this event is to inform the public and stakeholders on the current project progress and to outline and present the initial flood relief options that have been developed to alleviate flooding within the Tralee Scheme Area. The Public Consultation Day will be an opportunity for public to provide feedback on the preliminary options presented.



