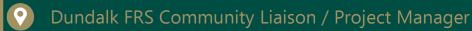
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Dundalk & Ardee FLOOD RELIEF SCHEME

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PROJECT NEWS

Binnies and Nicholas O'Dwyer (B/NOD) together with the Office of Public Works (OPW) and Louth County Council (LCC), are progressing with Stage I of the Dundalk and Ardee Flood Relief Scheme. Over the past few months, progress has been made in terms of survey, flood modelling and optioneering.

CURRENT PROGRESS

Dundalk Flood Relief Scheme

The future scheme for Dundalk, including Blackrock, aims to address flood risks through a range of measures, focusing on fluvial, coastal, and wave overtopping flooding.

Since the last newsletter in October 2024, the Project Team has made significant progress in advancing the optioneering process through the development and testing of various flood mitigation measures. Additionally, the team has completed the hydraulic analysis and baseline modelling, issuing detailed reports that address the impacts of flooding, including key findings from the comprehensive wave overtopping and coastal inundation studies.

Additionally, extended topographic and drone surveys have been completed and provided detailed information on the various elevations and features of the zones impacted by flooding. They are currently being integrated into the hydraulic model to assess the viability of each option considered. Additional surveys were also received on specific zones and are also included in the shortlisting of options.

The assessment of the Site Investigation survey tender is now finished and the contract with the preferred bidder will be signed imminently. The Site Investigation survey is due to commence in Spring 2025.

A preliminary snail survey was also carried out to estimate the presence of protected species in the vicinity of the proposed flood mitigation measures and further environmental surveys are due to be undertaking in 2025.

Ardee Flood Relief Scheme

The Project Team completed the final Options Development Report for the Ardee Flood Relief Scheme. Progression is under consideration between LCC and the OPW.

NEXT STEPS

The Dundalk Site Investigation is expected to commence in Spring 2025, and we will ensure that all relevant assets and zones impacted by future flood mitigation measures are thoroughly investigated.

Moreover, we will continue on the hydraulic modelling for potential flood relief measures, to assess the viability of each option. They will then be combined into a small set of options which will be integrated into a report and presented to the stakeholders and general public mid-2025.

Lastly, the project team will organise further environmental surveys across all potential scheme areas in Dundalk and Blackrock. These surveys will help identify any environmental considerations that need to be addressed as we move forward.



STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

B/NOD has continued the consultation with various stakeholders, including local residents and will continue to do so in the next months to ensure a timely progress for the shortlisting process and the viability of each options presented to the public.



Dundalk Port

PROJECTED KEY MILESTONE DATES—DUNDALK FRS

| DATE | MILESTONE | INFORMATION |
|---------|------------------------------------|---|
| Q1 2025 | Options Assessment | To identify the emerging flood relief options for Dundalk and Blackrock |
| Q2 2025 | Emerging Options Workshop | To discuss the findings of the option- eering process and the assessment of the performance of potential flood relief options. |
| Q2 2025 | Public Participation Day no.2 | This is a second public event which will present the emerging flood relief options. |
| Q4 2025 | Options Development Report | To summarise the options considered and their analysis, leading to a preferred option. |
| Q1 2026 | Scheme Analysis and Development | Selection, development and design of a preferred option with the implementation of a greenway . |
| Q2 2026 | Public Participation Day no.3 | A closing public event will be held once a preferred Scheme has been identified. |
| Q4 2026 | Environmental Impact Assessment | Targeted Environmental Surveys and desk studies. |
| Q4 2026 | End of Stage I | Completion of all necessary studies required to progress to Stage II - Planning |

