



Coirib go Cósta

Scéim Faoisimh Tuilte Chathair na Gaillimhe
Galway City Flood Relief Scheme

Board

Public Engagement - Day No.1

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Welcome and Introduction



“strong link with the river and sea.”

Galway City Council and the OPW welcome you to the first non-statutory public engagement day for the Coirib go Cósta, the Galway City Flood Relief Scheme.

Due to ongoing COVID-19 restrictions relating to public gatherings, this virtual information room has been prepared for you to access information and plans for the scheme.

Galway City Council and the OPW invite you to be part of the extensive consultative process that is being carried out for this scheme. This first Public Engagement day is to introduce you to the scheme area, the need for the scheme, the constraints identified so far and to encourage you to engage with us via the feedback form on this site.

All feedback will be considered and please refer to board 5 for details of future opportunities to engage as the scheme progresses.

Introduction

Galway is a successful regional city, which contributes greatly to the wider economy. It has a **unique build form**, particularly in the city centre, defined by its archaeological legacy, historical streetscapes, contrasting buildings, canals, millraces and its **strong link with the river and sea**. This has created a unique built and natural environment which contributes to the economic success, and the attraction of Galway as a place to live, work and learn. This has led to a continuing increase in popularity of the city as a tourist destination and cultural hub.

The **National Planning Framework (NPF)** identifies the city as a place with potential to compete internationally, provide a high quality, urban living environment and with significant city centre potential for regeneration.

The **Galway City Development Plan 2017-2023 (CDP)** also reflects this vision and supports the expansion of the city centre to accommodate increased residential population and employment activity and enhanced levels of amenity and design quality.

We want your say. The Coirib go Cósta Flood Relief project will address the sustainable and effective management of flood risk in Galway City. It will also ensure that the design of any measures, in particular structural measures, will recognise the distinctive character and heritage of the city and will consider all feedback from Public.

Coirib go Cósta will align with the **Galway Public Realm Strategy 2019-2040** which sets a vision and strategy for improvements to guide investment and development in the future to celebrate Galway’s uniqueness.

The project will also benefit the Galway Transport Strategy (GTS) 2016-2035 as some of the GTS measures are located within the focus areas for flood relief.



Galway City Council, along with its design consultants and collaborators, welcome your valuable feedback and support for this scheme.