



Scheme Overview

Meath County Council (MCC) has been working in collaboration with Fingal County Council (FCC) and Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII), to develop a scheme along a section of the N2 between Rath Roundabout and Kilmoon Cross.

Progress to Date

This project has been developed in accordance with TII’s Project Management Guidelines. The Option Selection Report was published for this project in February 2022. This report concluded that the Preferred Option (Route Option E-2) is the optimum solution to meet the project specific need and the project objectives. The publication of this report marked the completion of the deliverables for Phase 2 of the TII Project Management Guidelines.

Previous Preferred Option - Overview

The Preferred Option (Route Option E-2) corridor published in February 2022 was 250m wide, with large junction corridors shown at the southern tie-in at Rath and the northern tie-in at Kilmoon.

Junction Corridor Refinements

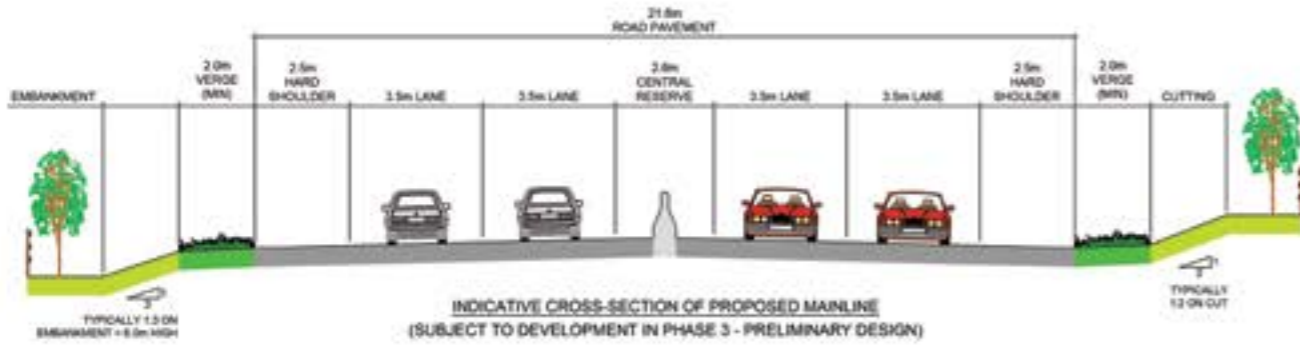
Further consideration of the potential junction strategy has allowed for the refinement of both junction corridors.

Southern Junction Corridor Refinement at Rath

The corridor has been refined to show a smaller area where the proposed junction may be sited adjacent to the existing M2 motorway to the south-west of the existing Rath Roundabout. A 250m wide corridor passes through agricultural lands from the existing M2 to the L50161, where it ties in with the E-2 corridor. An area covering the existing M2 has also been included within the corridor to indicate a potential tie-in to the existing N2 and R135.

Northern Junction Corridor Refinement at Kilmoon

The corridor has been refined to show a smaller area where the proposed junction may be sited along the existing N2 to the south of the existing Kilmoon Cross junction. A 250m wide corridor passes through agricultural lands from the existing N2 to the L5007, where it ties in with the E-2 corridor. Areas to the east and west of the existing N2 have also been included within the corridor to indicate potential tie-ins to the existing R152 and L5038.



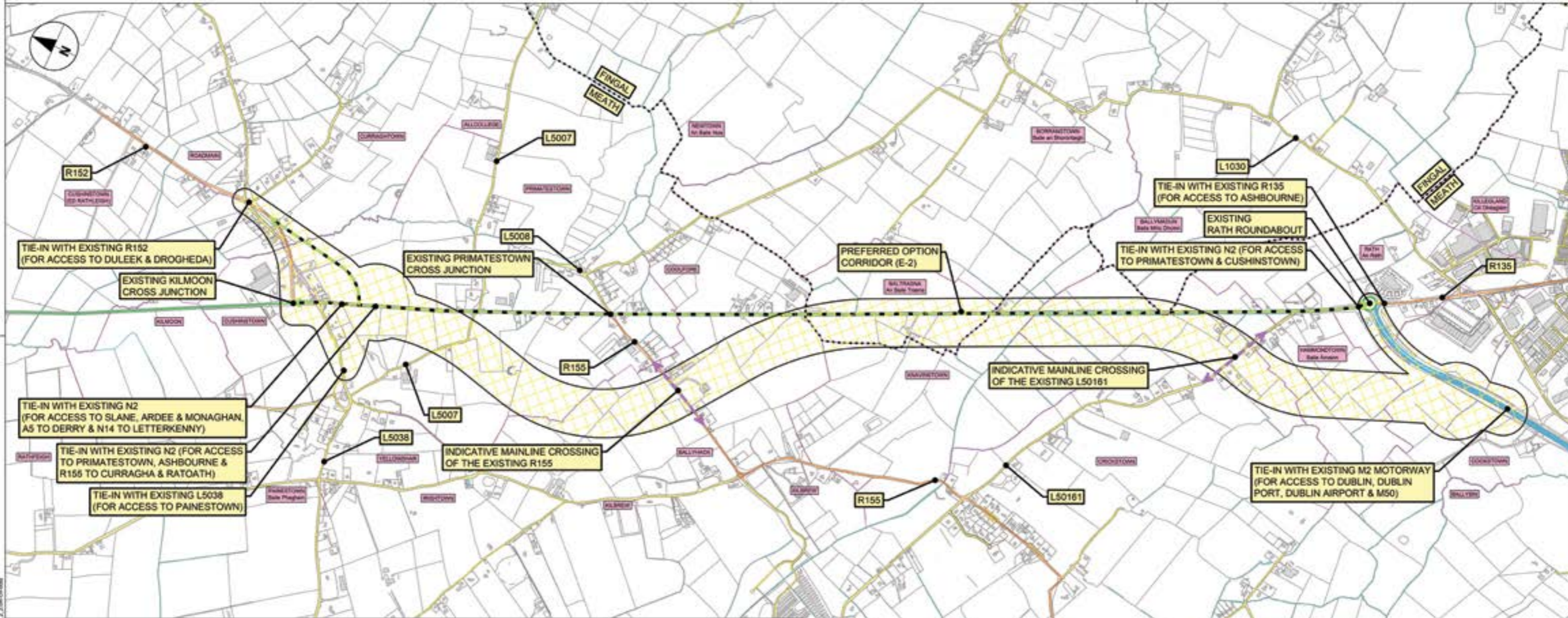
NOTE:
THE PREFERRED OPTION (ROUTE OPTION E-2) CORRIDOR SHOWN IS 250M WIDE ALONG THE MAINLINE SECTION. LARGER CIRCULAR AREAS ARE SHOWN AT THE JUNCTION LOCATIONS AT RATH & KILMOON, WITH 100M WIDE CORRIDORS ALONG POTENTIAL LINK ROADS.

THE CORRIDORS SHOWN DO NOT REPRESENT THE ACTUAL WIDTH OF THE ROAD SCHEME OR THE LANDS TO BE ACQUIRED - THE CORRIDORS INDICATE THE LANDS WITHIN WHICH THE PROPOSED SCHEME COULD BE DEVELOPED - THE EXACT DETAILS OF THE LAND TAKE, EARTHWORKS, JUNCTION AND SIDE ROAD DESIGN AND PROPERTY IMPACTS WILL BE DEVELOPED DURING THE NEXT PHASE OF THE PLANNING AND DESIGN PROCESS.

A DUAL CARRIAGEWAY ROAD CROSS-SECTION IS PROPOSED FOR THE MAINLINE AS PART OF THE PREFERRED OPTION. THE EXISTING N2 IS SHOWN TO BE RETAINED TO PROVIDE LOCAL ACCESS, WITH A REDUCED SINGLE CARRIAGEWAY ROAD CROSS-SECTION.

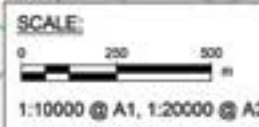
CYCLE & PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS ARE PROPOSED ALONG THE EXISTING N2 BETWEEN ASHBOURNE & CUSHINSTOWN. THIS WILL ENCOURAGE THE UPTAKE OF SUSTAINABLE ACTIVE TRAVEL MODES AND IMPROVE THE AMENITY VALUE OF THE LOCAL AREA.

THE CORRIDOR SHOWN MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE FOLLOWING THE COMPLETION OF FURTHER SITE INVESTIGATIONS.



LEGEND:

GEOGRAPHICAL FEATURES		EXISTING ROAD NETWORK		PREFERRED OPTION		TIE-INS, CROSSINGS & ACTIVE TRAVEL	
---	COUNTY BOUNDARY		MOTORWAY		INDICATIVE ROUTE E-2 CORRIDOR		INDICATIVE MAINLINE CROSSING OF LOCAL / REGIONAL ROAD
---	TOWNLAND BOUNDARY		NATIONAL ROAD				INDICATIVE ACTIVE TRAVEL MEASURES
---	EXISTING WATERCOURSE		REGIONAL ROAD				
			LOCAL ROAD				



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Preferred Option - Overview

The refined Preferred Option (Route Option E-2) corridor, shown overleaf, is 250m wide, with slightly widened areas at the proposed junction locations at Rath and Kilmoon.

The corridor shown does not represent the actual width of the road scheme or the lands to be acquired – the corridors indicate the lands within which the proposed scheme could be developed. The exact details of the land take, earthworks, junction and side road design and property impacts will be developed during the next phase of the planning and design process.

The existing N2 is shown to be retained to provide local access, with a reduced single carriageway road cross-section. The provision of cycle & pedestrian improvements is proposed along the existing N2 between Ashbourne & Cushinstown. This will encourage the uptake of sustainable active travel modes and improve the amenity value of the local area.

The corridor shown may be subject to change following the completion of further Design Development and Engineering and Environmental Surveys and Assessments during Phase 3.

What's Happening Now?

The project team are currently awaiting TII approval to proceed to the next phase of the process – Phase 3 Design and Environmental Evaluation.

Within the Phase 3 process, more detail is gathered to help define the required land necessary for the project. This detail is garnered from topographical surveys, archaeological geophysical surveys, ground investigation surveys etc. Some of these surveys have been undertaken as advance works, prior to the approval to proceed to Phase 3 by TII, to meet seasonal survey requirements / restrictions.

What Happens Next?

Subject to TII approvals, the process will culminate in the publication of the Statutory Orders and applicable Environmental Report(s) in accordance with relevant legislation.

Any ongoing project queries can be sent to the Meath County Council email address (transport@meathcoco.ie).

This brochure is available in Irish upon request and can be found online at: (www.n2rath2kilmoon.ie).

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