

N15 Corcam Bends Road Scheme

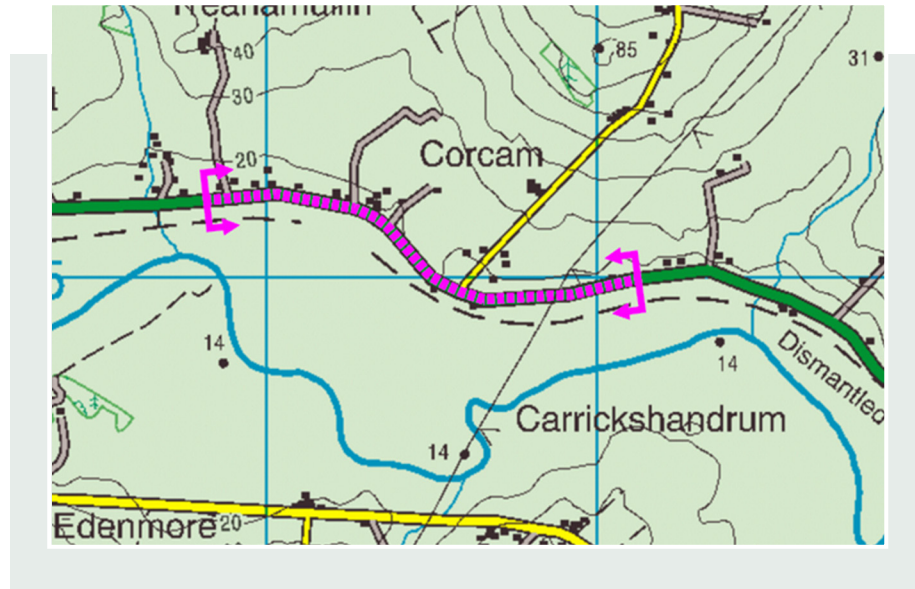
Public Consultation No.2 | Emerging Preferred Option

7th December to 22nd December 2023

Purpose of the Project

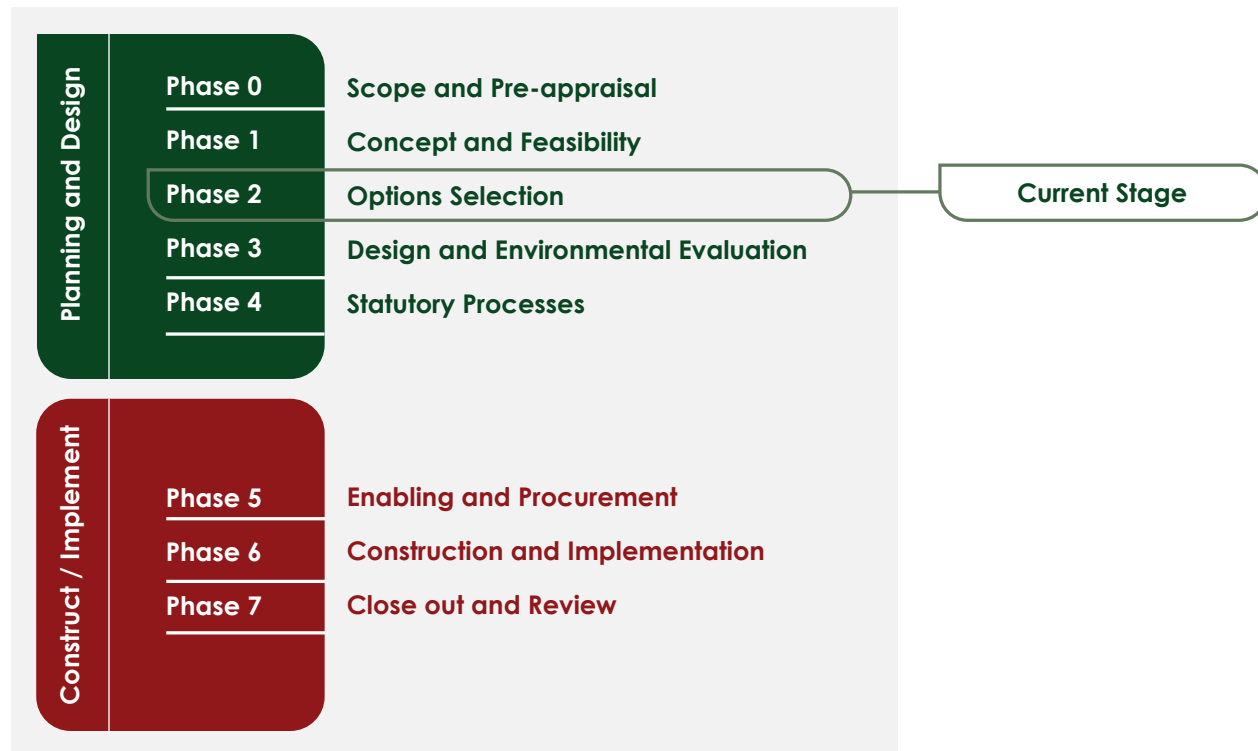
The N15 Corcam Bends Road Scheme commences to the east of Stranorlar and continues approximately 1.5km east as shown on the map below.

This section of the national primary network is significantly below standard for a National Road. The sub-standard horizontal alignment is characterised by a series of sharp bends and reduced forward visibility, and the cross-section is narrow with limited roadside verges and no provision for pedestrians or cyclists. These deviations from standards have created a hazardous environment which is evidenced by the collision record for this section of road, which is above average and above the targets set in the Road Safety Strategy. The road environment discourages walking or cycling, and it places those who do choose to walk or cycle in a high-risk environment.



Donegal County Council, with Roughan & O'Donovan Consulting Engineers appointed as technical advisors, are currently finalising the Phase 2 Options Selection Stage for the N15 Corcam Bends Road Scheme.

Project Phases

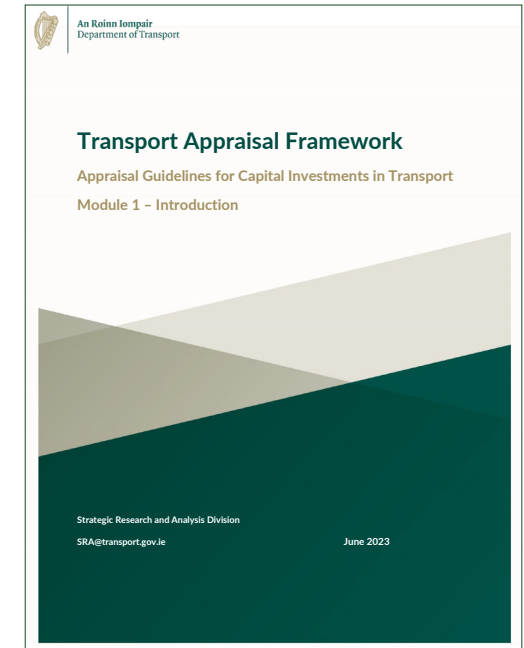


Public Consultation No. 2, Emerging Preferred Option

Following the first public consultation on the project, which was held on 20th April 2023 on the Constraints and Options, the purpose of this Public Consultation No.2 and information leaflet is to inform the public and stakeholders of the N15 Corcam Bends Road Scheme and to invite submissions on the Emerging Preferred Option now being considered.

Following the Constraints Study and Stage 1 Options Assessment (long list of options), when three Do Something Options plus the Do Minimum were identified, and considering the feedback received during the first public consultation, a Stage 2 Option Assessment involving a Multi-Criteria Analysis (MCA) has now been carried out. This Multi-Criteria Analysis has been carried out in accordance with the Department of Transport published Transport Appraisal Framework Appraisal Guidelines for Capital Investments in Transport, which is used to establish preferences between scheme options by reference to an explicit set of criteria and objectives, as outlined below.

- Transport User Benefits and Other Economic Impacts
- Accessibility Impacts
- Social Impacts
- Land Use Impacts
- Safety Impacts
- Climate Change Impacts
- Local Environmental Impacts



Your Feedback

The Project Team now invites you to offer comments and views on the Emerging Preferred Option. Your comments will assist Donegal County Council and the Project Team in finalising the Options Study, confirming a Preferred Route, and informing the design development of the N15 Corcam Bends Road Scheme.

Submissions can be made in writing or by email at the addresses below:

N15 Corcam Bends Road Scheme
National Roads Office,
Donegal County Council,
Public Services Centre
Dumlonagher
Donegal Town
F94 DK6C
FREEPOST,
FDGL28

Design@dnrdo.ie

Please make your submission by Friday 22nd December 2023.

A public consultation event will be held on Thursday 7th December 2023 from 2pm to 7pm in Kee's Hotel, Stranorlar where members of the Project Team will be available to discuss any aspect of the Project.

Next steps

Over the coming months, the Project Team will review and consider all submissions received during this second public consultation in response to the Stage 2 Options Assessment, before finalising a Preferred Route.

Following completion of the Options Selection Study and confirmation of the preferred option, the Project will progress to Phase 3: Design and Environmental Evaluation. At this stage the Design Team will then further develop the design, undertaking additional environmental and technical surveys and assessments, which will be carried out in consultation with all affected landowners and key stakeholders. This process will culminate in the publication of the Statutory Orders and applicable Environmental Reports in accordance with relevant legislation for the Development consent processes.

