

Limavady Public Realm	8th November 2016
To: The Leisure and Development Committee For Information	

Linkage to Council Strategy (2015-19)	
Strategic Theme	Accelerating Our Economy & Contributing To Prosperity
Outcome	Regenerating our public spaces
Lead Officer	Head of Prosperity and Place
Cost: (If applicable)	No cost to Council, with levered-in investment of around £370,000

The purpose of this report is to inform members of public realm work which will shortly commence in Limavady.

Background

The public realm works in Limavady is managed through “technical transfer” of funding between the Department for Communities office in Derry/Londonderry, and Transport NI in Coleraine. This arrangement differs from the arrangement between Department for Communities’ Ballymena Office and Council, whereby Council is the Project Client.

As such, public realm works in Limavady remain with the funder and delivery mechanism, with input from Causeway Coast and Glens Council Leisure and Development, and Planning.

To date, significant public realm works have been carried out in the re-modelling of Market Street, Irish Green Street, and Main Street since 2012.

Proposal

The Department is continuing with the next stage of public realm which will cover the areas marked in Figures 1 and 2.

This will provide physical linkages in the streetscape between Market Street and Main Street, and the remaining wider town centre – Connell Street and Irish Green Street.

While most of the work is based around streetscape which is owned by Transport NI, one section of the work will encroach upon Council land. This is shown in Figure 3, and is the “forecourt” area to the Council Offices.

The work will involve some re-modelling of existing surfaces to “match” the proposed scheme throughout the rest of Connell Street – that is, to ensure that this part of the environment is in keeping with the overall scheme.

The work will also remove a series of bollards which are positioned in front of the existing parking bays in front of Council. Parking is unaffected and no spaces will be lost either here, or on the other side of Connell Street.

Schedule

It is proposed that the work will begin over November and be completed by the end of the financial year. The area in question is slightly beyond the main retail area, however there are two businesses on Connell Street which would be affected by the work. Both have been contacted around access issues, and options to allow them access on delivery days, and ensure customer access are now being discussed.

Figure 1

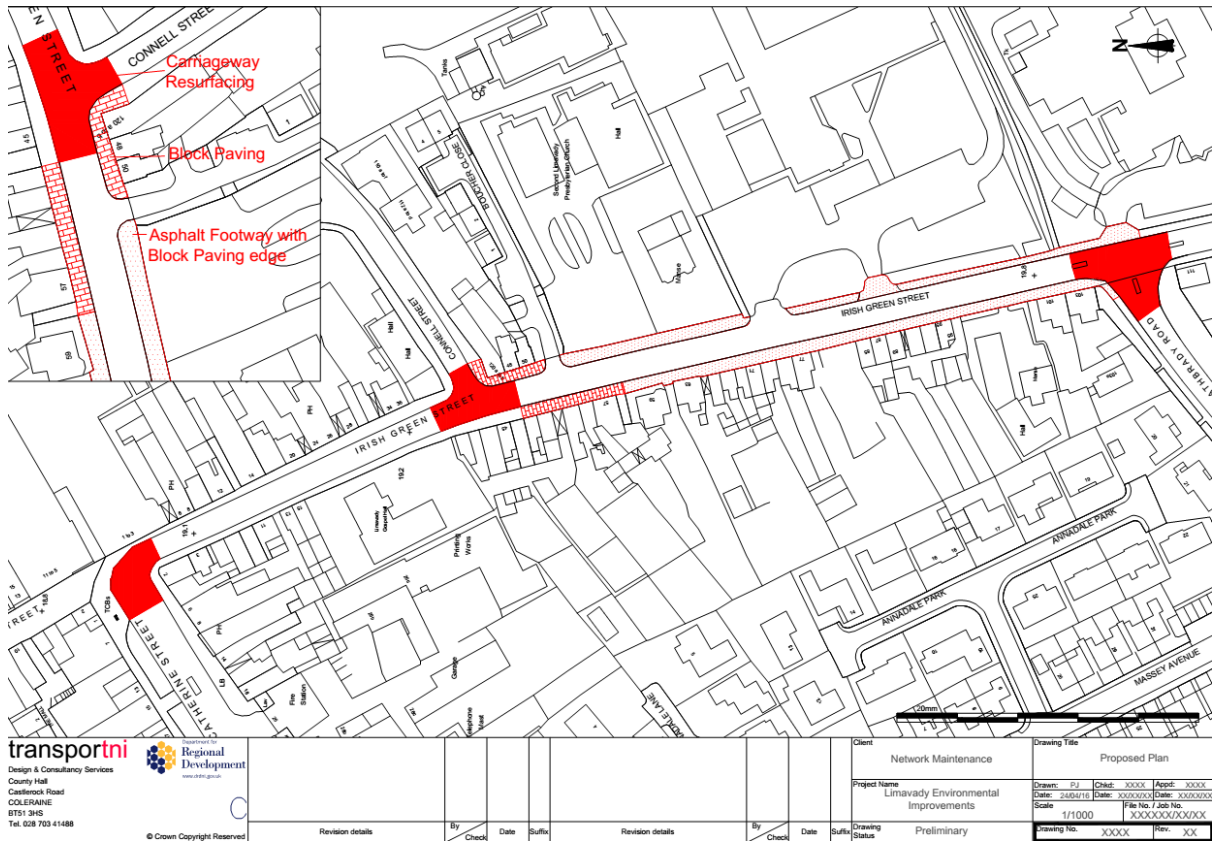


Figure 2

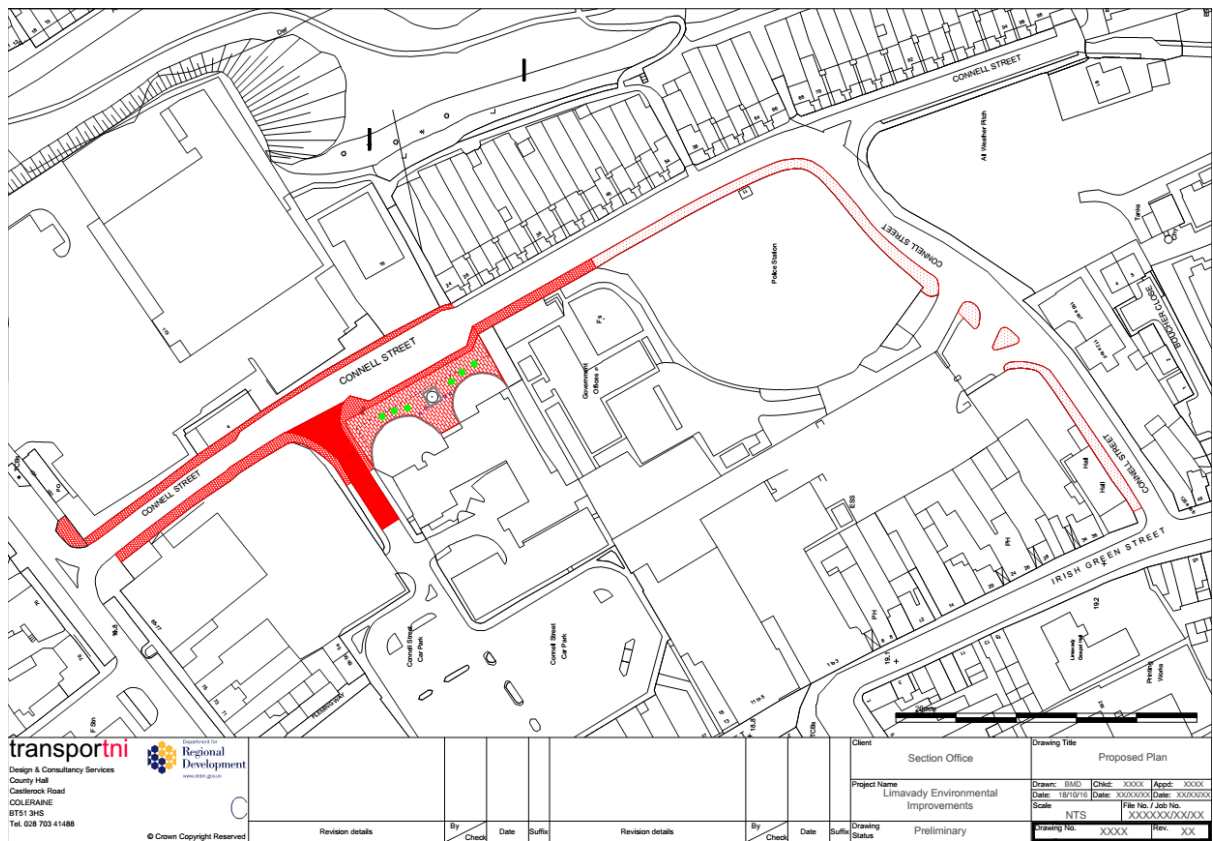


Figure 3

