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QUAY STREET AND HARBOUR PLAZA



We are pleased to share our latest update, with a special focus on Harbour side, as part of the broader objectives of the rejuvenation scheme to enhance the town's coastal and maritime environment.

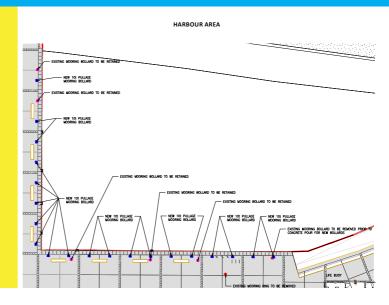
The €15m transformational works at Quay Street and the Harbour, on both sides of its famous viaduct, will redefine Balbriggan's beach, harbour and coastline, creating an outstanding public amenity and drawing more visitors to the area. The scheme aims to enhance and protect the walled harbour, its lighthouse, piers and active fishing activity in this location for future generations.

The redevelopment of the Quay Street and Harbour area is progressing at pace. Installation of new lighting, shoreside services, seating, storage, new paving, and underground services infrastructure is designed to improve functionality and accessibility for harbour users and the wider public. In addition to this the project will also include green enhancements to the River Bracken, planted gardens on the Plaza, increased seating, green park and play areas. The Quay Street, Mill Street and Harbour Road will become an integrated space which seamlessly links to the heart of the town. The Harbour Pavilion buildings, on the East Pier, include two smaller Kiosk type structures, and a larger signature building which will include an accessible CHANGING PLACES facility and a larger space suitable for commercial and civic use. The construction of these buildings are expected to be completed by October 2025 and be operational in 2026.

The heritage and conservation restoration of the former RNLI Boathouse together with new Harbour Pavilion buildings, new public toilets and kiosks are designed to generate increased opportunities for social and commercial activity at this location. Existing junctions and thoroughfares surrounding the Plaza and Viaduct will be shared surfaces, with priority for pedestrians, cyclists and harbour users whilst still accommodating vehicular movement.

The west pier will be a priority area for harbour users, related to fishing activity, the intention is for the east pier and lighthouse area to be more associated with leisure, as a public amenity and destination for walkers and visitors.

THIS DRAWING IS A SECTION OF THE UPPER EAST PIER AND AREA IN FRONT OF VIADUCT. IT IDENTIFIES THE LOCATION OF RETAINED AND NEW MOORING BOLLARDS. PARKING RESTRICTIONS WILL BE ENFORCED IN THE VICINITY OF THE EAST PIER.



Transformation of Balbriggan Harbour Phase 4

This is a stunning and complex project, which will transform the area into a premier visitor destination.

Phase 4 Updates

Car park – Completed Q4 2024. Electrical Vehicle (EV) Chargers will be installed Q3 2025

Mill Street Footpath & Works – Completed Q1 2025

River Works – The next phase of the river works are planned for early Q3 2025 and will incorporate the reconstruction of 2 pedestrian bridges

Harbour Buildings -

Construction of the new harbour and Kiosk buildings using off site construction methods are ongoing with completion expected Q3 2025 Toilet Block & Kiosk – The new toilet block is currently under construction with roof completed and is due to be completed Q3 2025

RNLI Boathouse – Works on the restoration and upgrade of the RNLI Boathouse is ongoing with plans to have it completed late Q3 2025

Quay Street – Work on Quay street shall be completed early Q3 2025

Harbour Road – Work on Harbour Road started Q2 2025 with planned works ongoing with completion Q4 2025



The contractor will arrange road traffic temporary measures as required, for information on this and other Frequently asked Questions visit www.balbriggan.ie and Our Balbriggan Social Media channels.

The transformation of Quay Street and Balbriggan Harbour is expected to be substantially completed in Quarter 1 2026. We thank the community for their patience and support as we work to transform Balbriggan Harbour into a vibrant, accessible and welcoming space for residents, visitors, harbour users and local businesses.



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