

Inverness West Link Stage 2 – February 2021

Progress

The freezing conditions in February stalled the planned concrete works but there was still a lot of good progress across the site. The stainless steel kerbs were installed on the bridge, this allowed the bridge to be surfaced with a mastic asphalt supplied from Derbyshire. The footpaths were treated with an antislip coating. The automatic barriers at each end of the bridge were installed.

Under the bridge the hydraulic installation was completed and the pipework pressure tested. The bridge was jacked down on to the pivot bearing and the idle wheels, this allowed the temporary works to be stripped which included the temporary propping, jacks and the encapsulation. All 300 tonne of the new bridge is now visible for everyone passing to see.

Works progressed with the construction of paths at Holm Mills Bridge and also for the dedicated Park Run course in the new park. The installation of signs allowed the fencing and landscaping to progress across the site.

Planned Works for March

The planned works in March will see the commissioning of the new bridge, surfacing across the site, the installation of the new Variable Message signs and the final landscaping.



Looking East to the new underpass under the A82 – footpath ready for surfacing and planting progressing



Looking East across the new pond towards the new control building, footpaths and planting



The new swing bridge sitting ready to be turned



Looking North - The new wharf and nose of the bridge



Aerial photo looking East across the new swing bridge



Aerial view looking West across the full site