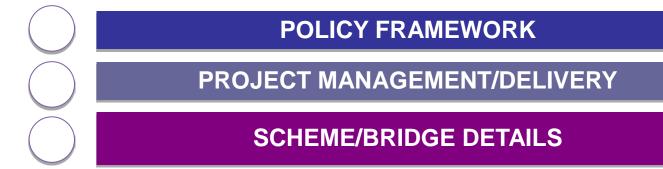
# KILKENNY CENTRAL ACCESS SCHEME PRESENTATION JULY 2014

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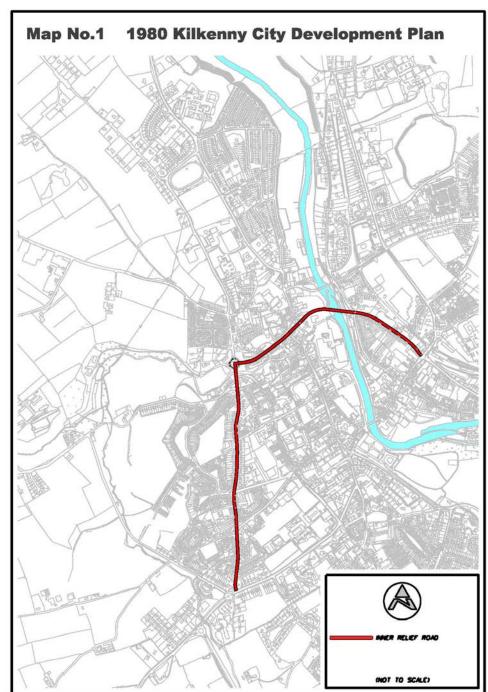


# **Policy Framework**

- 1978 Kilkenny City Traffic and Land Use Review
- Study included a recommendation for *'a new Bridge across the River Nore, so located as to provide a direct connection between Wolfe Tone Street and St. Canice's Place, plus a new link road extending Dominic Street to Lord Edward Street/Granges Road '*

# Policy Framework 1980 Kilkenny City Development Plan

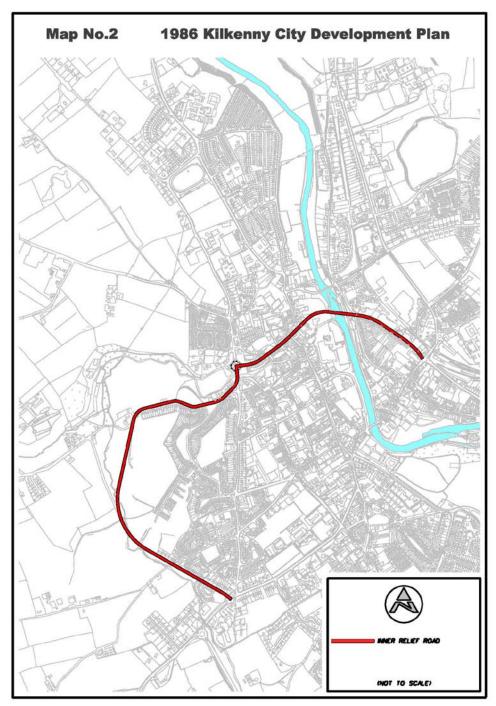
- Committed to the implementation of the findings of the 1978 Kilkenny Traffic Review and Land Use Study
- Specific objective of Plan to 'provide a new city centre bridge, between Wolfe Tone Street and St. Canice's Place and a new Bridge and approach roads connecting Dominic Street to Butt's Green'
- Map 1 (John St./Wolfe Tone St./St. Canice's Place/Dean Street/Domincic St./Stephen St./Old Callan Rd./Callan Rd.)
- Actions further to City Development Plan provisions;
  - River Bed site investigations (1984)
  - Bridge Report and Design (1985)
  - CPO 2 (1985) Inner Relief Road (Dean Street)





# Policy Framework 1986 Kilkenny City Development Plan

- To implement the recommendations of the Traffic and Land Use Plan 1978 generally
- Objective to construct a new 10m carriageway, bridge across the River Nore together with associated approach roads to provide a direct link between Wolfe Tone Street and St. Canice's Place
- Map 2 (John St./Wolfe Tone Street/St. Canice's Place/ Dean Street/Kennyswell Road/Circular Road/Callan Road)
- Actions further to City Development Plan provisions;
  - New Waterbarracks Bridge and associated approach roads (1987)
  - CPO 2 (1988) Inner Relief Road Vicar Street (1988)

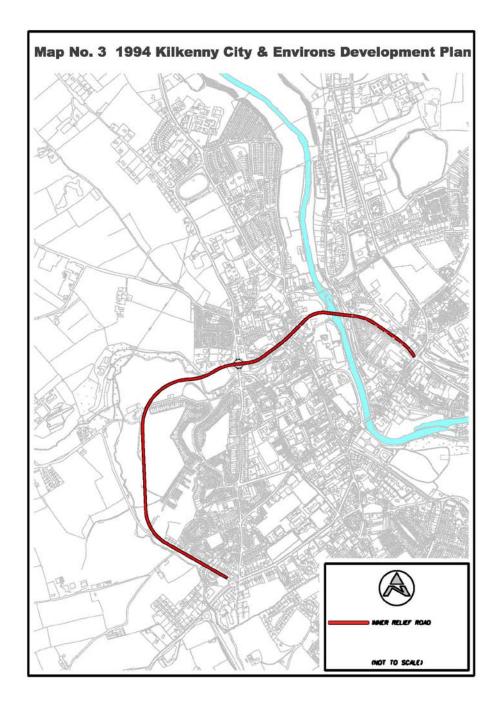


# Policy Framework 1994 Kilkenny City & Environs Development Plan

 Objective to 'complete Phase 2 of the Inner Relief Road which will link the Callan Road with Wolfe Tone Street via Dean Street and St. Canice's Place and a new Nore Bridge south of Green's Bridge.'

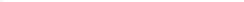
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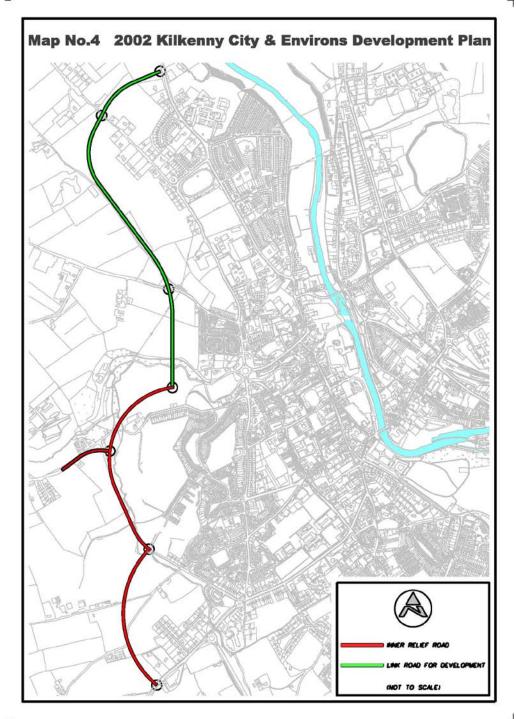
- Actions further to City Development Plan provisions;
  - Kilkenny Traffic Study (Kilkenny Chamber of Commerce) reiterates need for new bridge crossing linking Wolfe Tone St. and St. Canice's Pl. (1995)
  - Kilkenny Traffic Study (Kilkenny Local Authorities) reiterates need for new bridge crossing linking Wolfe Tone Street and St. Canice's Place (1996)
  - 2000 Development Approval (Part X) sought for Stage 2 of Inner Relief Road (west of Waterbarracks) but proposals not approved

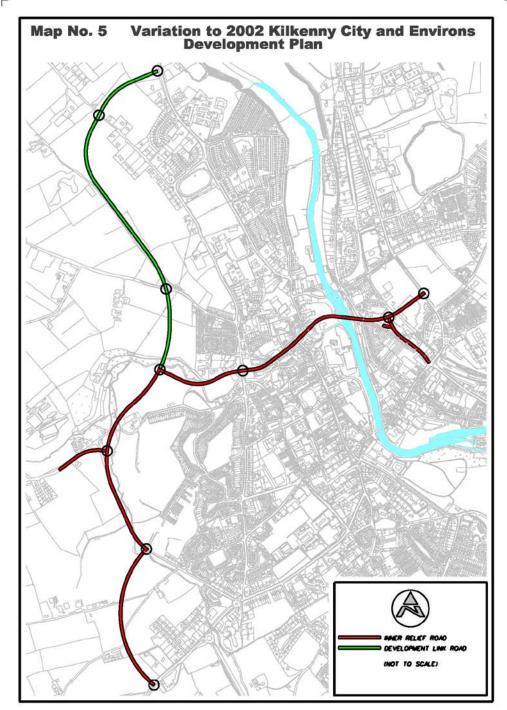


# Policy Framework 2002 Kilkenny City & Environs Development Plan

- Objective to develop the Inner Relief Road from Kilcreene to Callan Road and to Freshford Road.
- The remainder of the route i.e. Kilcreene to Dublin Road was omitted from the Development Plan (Map 4)
- 2004 Western Environs Local Area Plan supported the development of the road links above and stated that the Plan is intrinsically linked to completion of the new city centre bridge
- 2004 Variation to 2002 Plan to include new bridge crossing and Castlecomer Road link (Map 5)





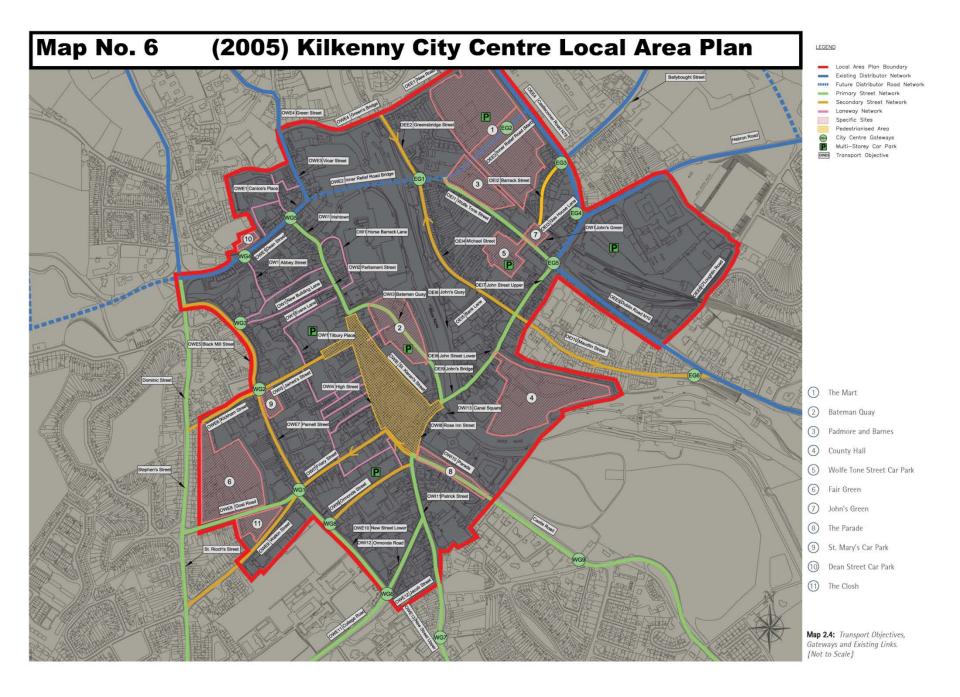


# Policy Framework 2005 Kilkenny City Centre Local Area Plan

 Roads objective to 'connect St. Canice's Place to Wolfe Tone Street and Castlecomer Road.'

#### • Map 6

- Actions further to the 2004 Variation and 2005 Kilkenny City Centre Plan
  - 2006 Malone O'Regan Scott Wilson appointed to provide consultancy services
  - 2007 General Public Consultations and Information sessions
  - 2007 Specific consultations with Michael Street and Wolfe Tone Street Residents

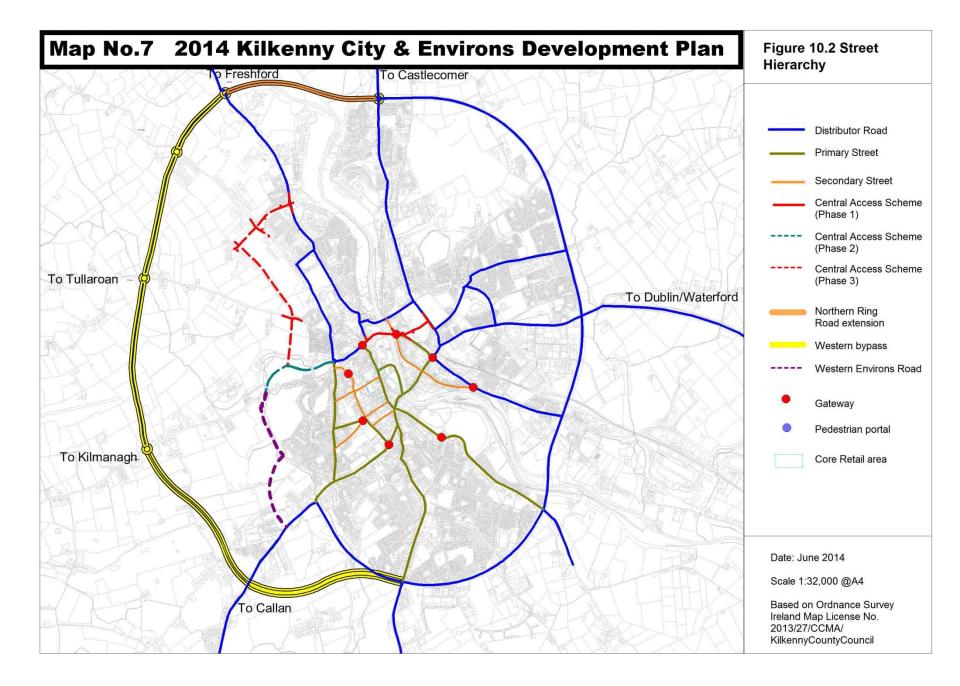


# Policy Framework 2008 Kilkenny City & Environs Development Plan

- Policy to 'reserve free from development the line of the proposed Central Access Scheme and to complete the Central Access Scheme within the Plan period.'
- Approved by all Members

# Policy Framework 2014 Kilkenny City & Environs Development Plan

- Objective 10K
  - 'Reserve the line of Phases 2 and 3 of proposed Central Access Scheme free from development and to complete Phase 1 of the Central Access Scheme within the Plan period.'
- Map 7
- Adopted unanimously by Kilkenny County Council 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2014.
- Adopted unanimously by Kilkenny Borough Council on 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2014.



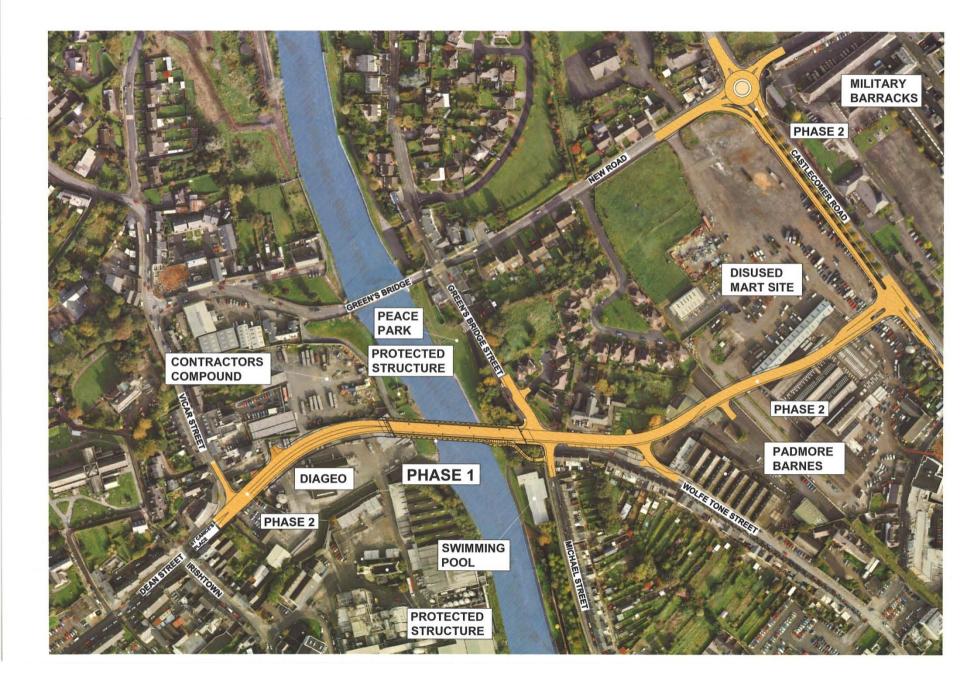
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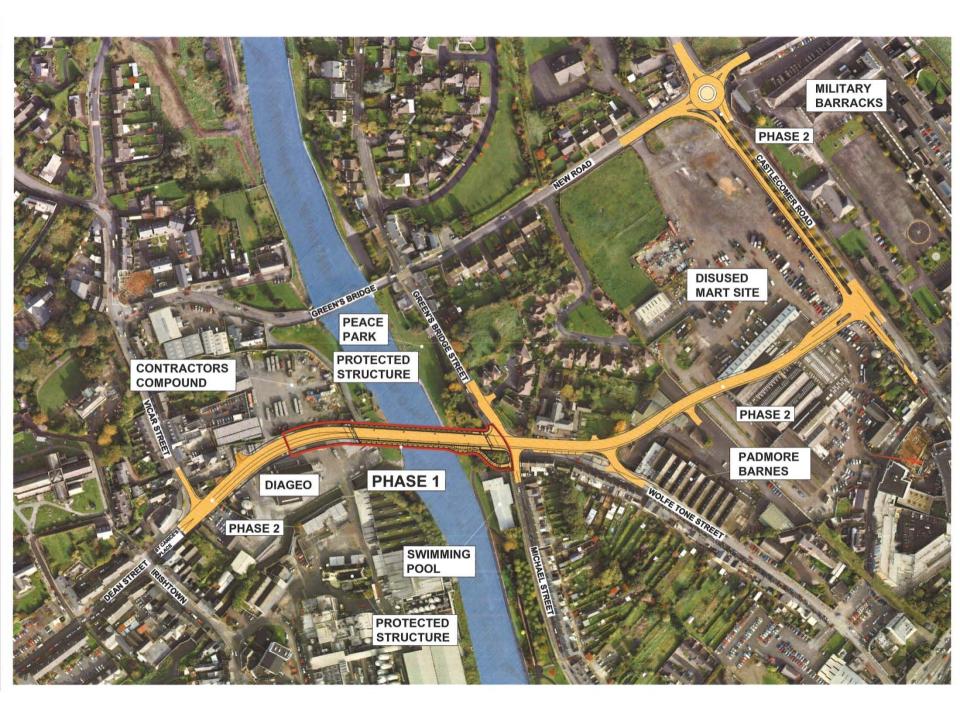
- Consultants appointed to prepare EIS/CPO in 2006 including;
  - Phase 1 Castlecomer Road to St. Canice's Place
  - Phase 2 Waterbarracks to Circular Road
  - Phase 3 Waterbarracks to Freshford Road
- EIS/CPO submitted to An Bord Pleanala in 2008 and ABP convene Oral Hearing in December 2008
- Direction from ABP in 2009;
  - Provisional approval for Phase 1 subject to re-design
  - Phases 2 and 3 considered to be premature pening Ring Road extension to Freshford Road
- Revised EIS/CPO submitted in 2011 approval for Phase 1 issued by ABP in December 2011 subject to 4 Conditions.

### Project Management/Delivery

- 2012 2014 Capital Budget Approval for Borough and County Councils
- Project Works post ABP Approval;
  - CPO effected, Statutory Notices served (ongoing)
  - Detailed Design and Tender Documentation prepared (2012/2013)
  - Site Investigation Contract awarded and completed (2012)
  - Archaeological Direction received from Minister and 7 associated licences for archaeological investigations and monitoring (ongoing)
  - Short listing of contractors for Bridge Construction (Nov 2013)
  - Invitations to Tender (February 2014)
  - Letter of Intent (April 2014)
  - Letter of Acceptance (Binding Contract) 10/06/2014 (€4.18 million ex VAT)
  - Works commenced on site 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2014

# Scheme/Bridge Details





### Original Bridge Design Proposals – Not Approved



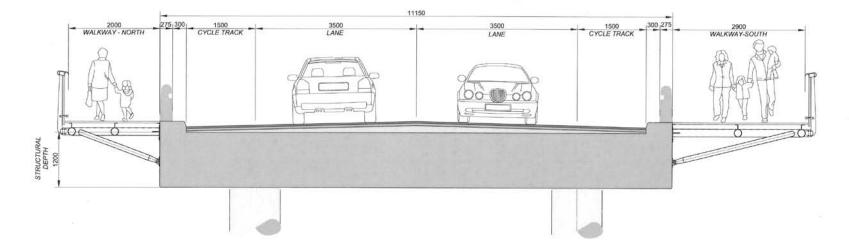
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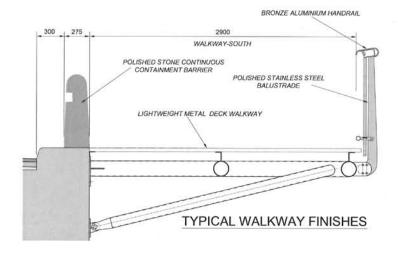




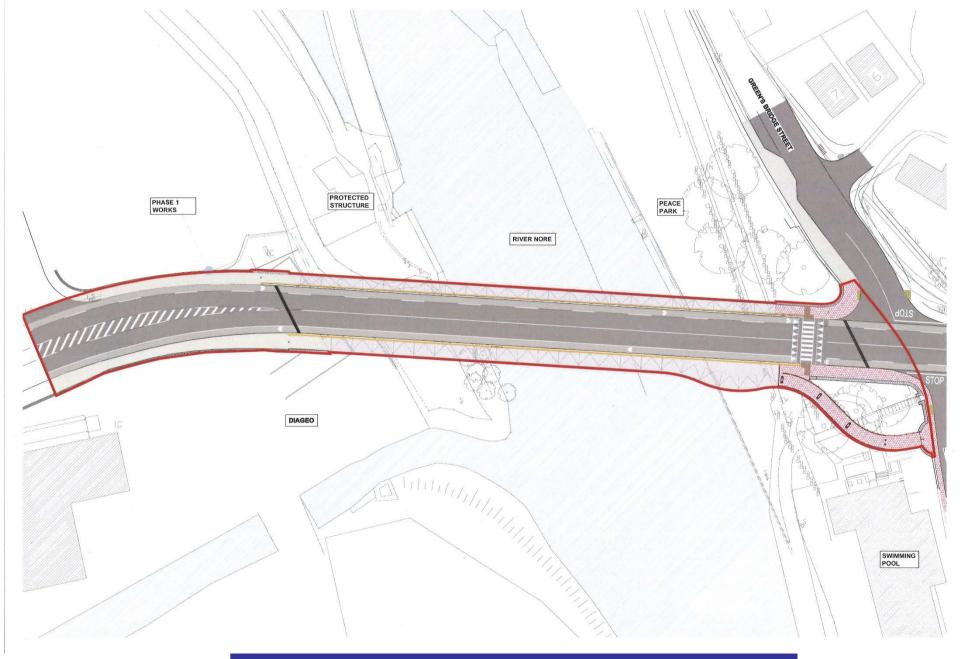




#### TYPICAL SECTION THROUGH BRIDGE



### PLAN OF KCAS BRIDGE



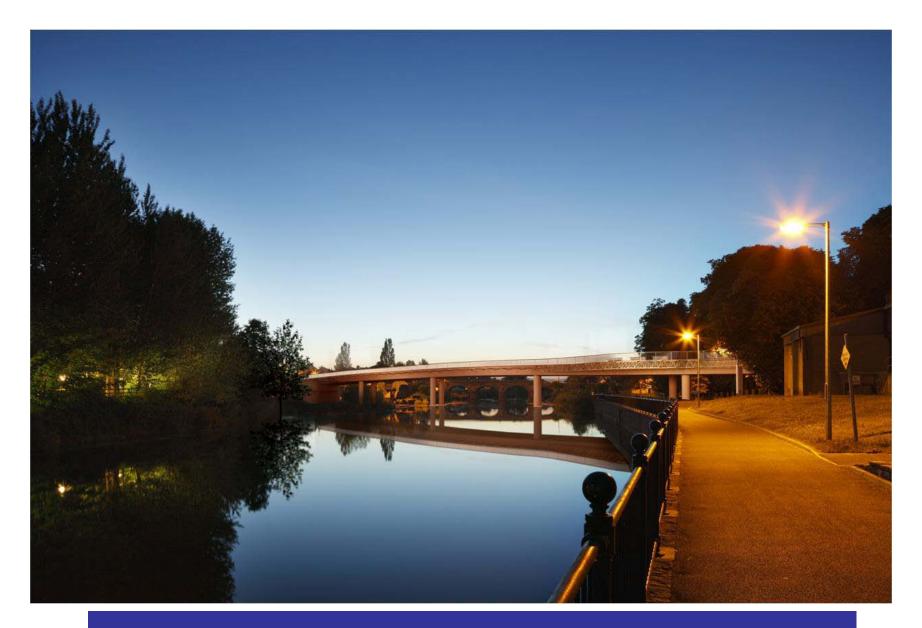






### STAINLESS STEEL BALUSTRADE WITH A BRONZE ALUMINIUM HANDRAIL





### View 5B from Peace Park at Night



