

URN	Submission	User ID	Observati	Theme	Observation	Author	Type	Body	URL	Date	FCC Comments
FIN-C718-1	FIN-C718-1 Scale of detour will lead to dangerous crossings at the roundabout - temporary lights would have been better	12048	15259	Temporary Road Closure	Temporary traffic lights should be installed instead	Laura Farrell	Individual	<p>A Chara</p> <p>The pedestrian bridge at Longlands is quite a long walk from the Drynam bridge: this is why the two exist in the first place. Google indicates that it is an 11 minute walk to the diversion bridge. People will not follow that.</p> <p>Most users, who are either coming from Holywell or the business park across the R132, will not know this bridge, will consider it too far, and will take their chances trying to cross the dual carriageway instead. There is no proper footpath along the road on the west side and the bridge is not visible. The Drynam bridge is probably the most heavily used of these bridges, and particularly by people coming from Holywell, so I would suggest that Fingal manage this safely: take into account human behaviour and put a set of temporary pedestrian lights at the roundabout at the Pavillions directing pedestrians there. Otherwise, people will simply ignore the diversion and take their chances on crossing the dual carriageway.</p> <p>Is mise le meas Laura</p>	https://consult.fingal.ie/en/submission/fin-c718-1#obs-15259	25.06.2024 - 22:37	<p>Fingal engaged a consultant early on in the project, experienced in this type of works and a report was commissioned on the possible diversion options that could be utilised during the footbridge closure. Unfortunately, temporary traffic lights were ruled out as we cannot place lights on a 80kph road where most vehicles exceed the speed limit. Fingal were advised not to place temporary lights. Extensive Traffic Management would also have to be employed leading to the lights to narrow the road to allow for crossings.</p> <p>The only safe alternative is the one being proposed, Fingal has recognised some people don't use the bridge even when it is open and the contractor will block all unofficial crossing points and employ marshalls on site to dissuade any unofficial crossing.</p>