

A85 Connel
Appendix A – Supporting Information
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1. Introduction

The proposed scheme comprises resurfacing of the A85 trunk road carriageway and renewal of associated road markings within the settlement of Connel, located within the Argyll and Bute Council administrative area (Figure 1). National Grid References: NM 92025 34189 - NM 91289 34346.

A section of the A85 carriageway within the scheme extents spans the marine environment, defined as the area seaward of the Mean High Water Springs (MHWS) line. This occurs at the Lusragan Burn/Black Lochs crossing (Figure 2). A representative view from the bridge, looking east to west, is presented in Figure 3.

BEAR Scotland, acting on behalf of Transport Scotland, is responsible for the operation, management and maintenance of the trunk road network under the North West Unit Network Management Contract (NMC).

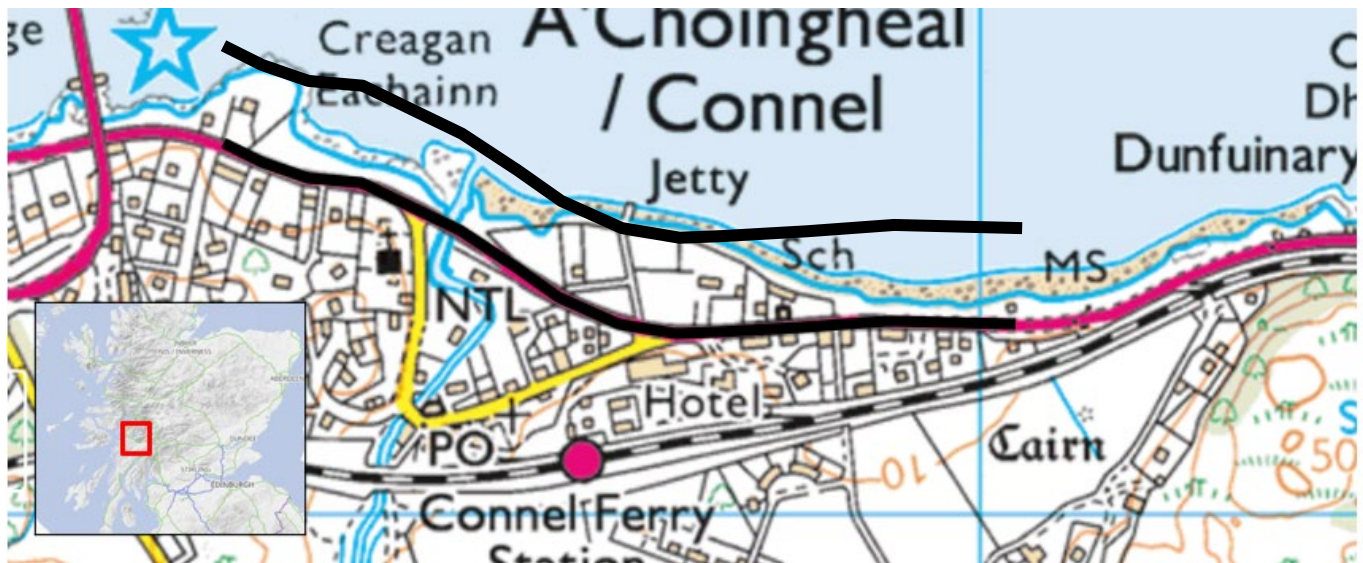


Figure 1: Map showing the scheme extents, with an inset illustrating the scheme location within the wider area.



Figure 2: Map showing the scheme location spanning MHWS (in RED square).



Figure 3: Typical view over the bridge spanning marine environment – looking east to west.

2. Programme of Works

Below are details of the engineering works including the estimated construction period/duration, estimated construction value, location on the bridge, works description, an outline method statement and proposed mitigation measure related to the protection of the marine environment.

The works methodologies described below are designed to prevent any material or equipment entering the marine environment.

2.1. Scheme Programme of Works

A85 Connel Works	
Estimated construction period and working times	The works are programmed to commence within Financial Year 2026/2027, with a proposed start in August 2026. Construction activities will be undertaken over five nights, with working hours scheduled between 19:00 and 07:00.
Estimated construction value	£250,000
Location on structure	A section of the A85 carriageway spans the marine area (i.e. an area seaward of the MHWS line) within the scheme extents. This marine section is found at Lusragan Burn/Black Lochs.
Description of the works	Standard road resurfacing with road markings and studs
Construction plant and equipment	• Paver • Planer • 3CX JCB • 2x Roller

	• Bowser • Road sweeper • Emulsion sprayer • Welfare unit with generator • Welfare van • Pickup • Small van • Lorries
Outline method statement	Proposed works will entail the following activities: • Establish traffic management as required • Check site and mark up works • Remove old road surface by road planer • Clean milled surface with sweeper • Cut joints with Stihl saw • Lay bond coat with emulsion sprayer tanker • Lay new surface course material • Compact new surface course • Test new surface course • Install road markings and studs • Demobilise traffic management
Materials / waste	1190t of asphaltic material removed (waste) 420t of TS2010 and 770t of AC20 asphaltic material installed (materials)
Proposed mitigations	• Gulley drains on the deck will be blocked to prevent any waste entering the drainage system. • Containment will be in place for spray applied concrete sealant onto the concrete bridge deck. • Visual checks will be carried out to ensure containment measures are functioning properly during works.