

Gort Lowlands Flood Relief Scheme

The OPW and Galway County Council having recognised the significant flood risk that exists in South Galway, as evidenced by the flooding in winter 1994/1995, 2009, 2014 & 2015/16 are developing a flood relief scheme for the affected areas and the required studies for adjacent upstream and downstream areas.

The combinations of river water, groundwater, swallow holes and turloughs in the karst Gort Lowlands catchment, makes this area unique on an international level from an ecology perspective.

The Gort Lowlands scheme is being progressed by Galway County Council (GCC) who are acting as the Contracting Authority for the project with funding provided by the OPW.

Tender document for the main consultants and environmental consultants to advance a flood relief scheme for Gort Lowlands were published by Galway County Council on the eTenders website in August and September 2017 respectively.

An assessment panel to review tender submissions is to meet in October 2017 and select the most economically advantageous tenderers and the successful tenderers shall be appointed pending appropriate approval.

Further updates will be provided on the Gort Lowlands Flood Relief Scheme website in the coming weeks.