



## SPECIAL EU PROGRAMMES BODY

### Project Case Study: North West Greenway Network—Project Update

#### THEME:

Sustainable Transport

#### FUNDING (ERDF+MATCH):

€14,861,187.90

#### MATCH FUNDERS:

Department of Infrastructure, and the Department for Transport

#### LEAD PARTNER:

Derry City & Strabane District Council

#### PROJECT PARTNERS:

Donegal County Council, Transport NI and Sustrans.

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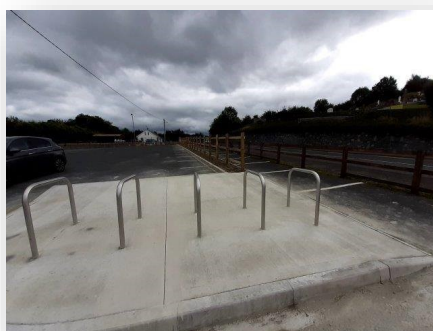


### INTERREG VA-funded greenway project progresses

The first phase of the North West Greenway Network has taken significant steps forward in the last few months, despite Covid-19 restrictions. Once completed, 46.5kms of an envisaged 250km cycling and walking corridor will have been made possible by funding from the 'Sustainable Transport: Promote cross-border intermodal & sustainable mobility in the cross-border region' module of the European Regional Development Fund.

The route corridor linking Derry City to Buncrana has been selected. The overall planning application comprises two parts, one dealing with Derry and the other with Donegal. The application for Derry was submitted in June 2020 and the planning application for Donegal will be ready by July 2021. Similarly with the route linking Strabane (Tyrone) to Lifford (Donegal), parallel applications were required. Planning permission for this route was approved in 2020 and construction is on-going and should be completed by autumn 2021.

The final route, Derry to Muff also required separate planning applications. After a consultation process, the route was selected in 2019. Planning permission in Donegal has been secured and construction is due to commence by May 2021. In Derry, while the project awaits a decision on the planning application, some localised work on the route has been completed on sections under the auspices of the Department for Infrastructure (in advance of the full planning decision).



Pictured (above) new bike parking facilities at St. Patrick's National School in Lifford.

Pictured (right) new project sign in Lifford. Work is due to be completed in autumn 2021.

