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**Boardwalk upgrade improves marina access on the River Shannon**

Leitrim County Council has recently improved shoreside access to its Carrick on Shannon public marina, replacing its existing fixed boardwalk with a new 340m long by 2.4m wide floating walkway.

Working with Deane Public Works, Inland and Coastal Marina Systems (ICMS), designed and manufactured the new installation which includes a 3m wide fuel berth and eight access gangways with lifebuoy housings and safety ladders, all anchored in place by a new piled mooring system.

The heavy-duty pontoon system, topped with ICMS' unique glass reinforced concrete (GRC) decking, provides safe and non-slip, all year-round access to the marina's on-site facilities for the public and all leisure boat users, which includes local boat hire companies.

"Being a very popular cruising area, it was important that we completed the installation with as minimal disruption as possible to the local access," says Ger Buckley, project engineer at ICMS. "We achieved this by taking a phased approach, closely liaising with all contractors and programming the activities in."

Wrapping around the entire length of the marina site, the public boardwalk now connects the quay side to the access road and car park, allowing users to enter the marina via a new gangway on the eastern side and exit on the northern side.

"We're delighted with the quality of the new boardwalk, an attractive upgrade to the waterfront providing a strong, stable walkway for visitors," says Shay O'Connor, senior engineer with Leitrim County Council. "Even though conditions were challenging at times with access routes being periodically submerged, the team at Inland and Coastal completed the installation efficiently and without disrupting the activities of the regular commercial users of the marina.

"The boardwalk will provide a new walking route along waterfront for both locals and visitors and new access for users of leisure vessels which cruise along this section of the River Shannon, boosting the tourist industry which plays a major role here in Carrick on Shannon's economy."

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