

Minister turns the sod on Cork city's North West Regeneration Project

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Minister Damien English has officially opened Phase 1A and Phase 1B, and turned the sod for Phase 2A, of **Cork city's North West Quarter Regeneration Project**.

Phase 2a of the development comprises 47 units. Works include construction of 1km of new roadway, realignment of 1km of existing live carriageway, utility diversions, new storm infrastructure to divert and attenuate existing flows through the site to facilitate future phases, new foul network, new watermain and new utility installations for the development. The dwelling units include two- and three-storey houses and three-storey apartment units, each with their own individual entrance and external space.

Atkins are providing civil and structural engineering, mechanical and electrical engineering and Assigned Certifier services for Phase 2a. The firm was also involved in developing the infrastructure associated with the overall masterplan for the site, which comprises 550 units and includes a significant adjustment to the road network in the area.

"This project is of great significance for the local community," said Kevin Holland, associate director, Atkins, who is the project manager for the Phase 2a development."

Significant benefits for the local community

Brian McKavanagh, associate director, Atkins, and the project manager for the masterplan design, said: "The delivery of this project will have significant benefits for the local community in this part of northwest Cork city."

Aidan Sullivan, project engineer, City Northwest Quarter Regeneration & Housing Construction, said: "The City Northwest Quarter Regeneration programme is being well received by the community in Knocknaheeny and is having a very positive impact on the area. It is great to see the next phase of the development progressing to construction stage and we look forward to working with the team to deliver the project."

Along with Minister English; Tony Fitzgerald the lord mayor of Cork; Ann Doherty CEO, Cork City Council; and Senator Colm Burke were joined by many others including Martin Jennings, technical director, Atkins, and Fidelma Lucey, associate director, Atkins, who were all delighted to be in attendance at the ceremony which was held on the site in Knocknaheeny.