

GC8 Cock Bridge - Location: Goatstown

*Views of the Grand Canal from Cock Bridge*

The scenic quality of the vistas that are available from Cock Bridge remain unaffected, as development has not taken place along the shores of the canal at this point. Although long-distance views of the canal are available, existing vegetation screens views to the surrounding rural areas.

GC9 Bonyng Bridge - Location: Moods

*Extensive and open views of the Grand Canal from Bonyng Bridge*

Bonyng Bridge allows open and extensive vistas of the Grand Canal and its environs. The amenity and high scenic quality of the vistas from the bridge are slightly affected by existing dumped caravans and rubbish (see photo above).

GC10 Binn's Bridge - Location: Robertstown

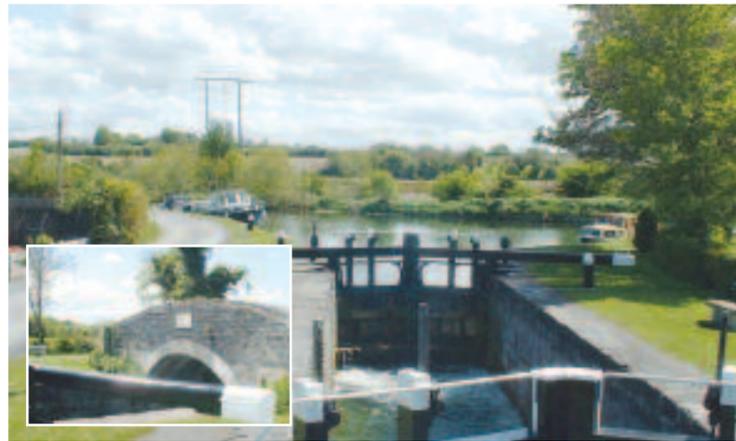
*Views to the Grand Canal from Binn's Bridge at Robertstown*

The Grand Canal crosses through Robertstown. Although, the vistas available from Binn's Bridge include the urban fabric of the town, the character of the canal corridor is maintained and the vistas can be described as having scenic value.

GC11 Fenton Bridge - Location: Lowtown



*Views of the Grand Canal and dock from Fenton Bridge*



Although urban fabric is visible from the bridge, the vistas onto the Grand Canal are extensive and perceived as having scenic amenity value. The bridge is located at the canal junction. A canal lock is located immediately east of the bridge and a dwelling occurs on the western shores.

GC12 Bond Bridge - Location: Derrymullen



*Views of the Grand Canal to the east and west from Bond Bridge*



Views towards the Grand Canal from Bond Bridge are extensive and provide long-distance views of the canal corridor. Pasturelands dominate the canal banks, with some scattered vegetation occurring along the shores of the waterway. Although local roads run parallel to the canal at this point, views remain unaffected.

GC13 Hamiltons Bridge - Location: Killinagh Lower



*Views of the Grand Canal from Hamiltons Bridge*



Extensive views towards the Grand Canal are available from Hamiltons Bridge and cover long distances of the water corridor. Although local roads run at both sides of the canal at this point, views remain unaffected.

GC14 Ticknevin Bridge - Location: Ticknevin



Views from and to the Ticknevin Bridge onto the Grand Canal



Scenic views towards the Grand Canal are available from Ticknevin Bridge, although the extent of visibility is limited due to the natural vegetation growing along the canal banks and the abrupt canal bend. A pedestrian walkway runs at one side of the canal, however, the view from the bridge is only disrupted by the existing dwelling to the north-west.

GC15 Harberton Bridge - Location: Littletown



Views to the Grand Canal from Harberton Bridge



Extensive and long-distance views onto the Grand Canal are provided from Harberton Bridge. Local roads run at both sides of the canal at this point and an existing dwelling disrupts and affects the quality of the views from the bridge.

GC16 New Bridge - Location: Littletown



Views to the Grand Canal from New Bridge

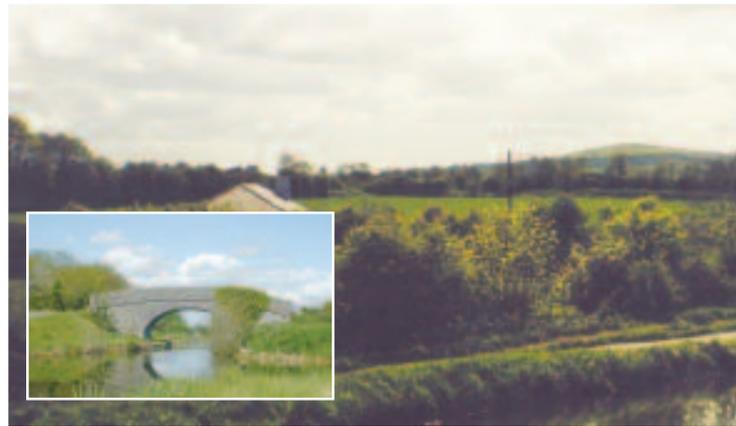


Views towards the Grand Canal from New Bridge cover long and extensive distances. A pedestrian walkway runs at one side of the canal. Canal views have been affected to the north-east by rural development (see photo above: existing farm).

GC17 Skew Bridge - Location: Ballyteige North



*Views of the Grand Canal from Skew Bridge*



Skew Bridge allows open and extensive vistas of the canal, as well as the surrounding rural environs and the county hills (e.g. Red Hill and Allen Hill). However, scattered housing is located along the canal shores at this point of the corridor. Consequently views to the north are affected (see pictures above: sports buildings and one-off housing).

GC18 Huband Bridge - Location: Grangeclare West



*Huband Bridge triple junction bridge allows vistas of the Grand Canal in three directions*



Huband Bridge is a triple junction bridge, sitting on the Grand Canal junction south-west of Robertstown. The bridge allows open and extensive vistas onto the canal and the surrounding rural countryside. Views of Ballyteige and Pim Bridges are available to the west, whilst the Hill of Allen defined the skyline to the south. Although a limited number of dwellings are located in the vicinity, views remain unaffected.

GC19 Pim Bridge - Location: Newpark



*Views of the Grand Canal from Pim Bridge - Note the scenic quality of views onto the Hill of Allen*



Pim Bridge provides highly scenic vistas onto the Grand Canal and the Hill of Allen to the south. Views of the canal and its rural environs are available to the north. Vistas remain highly scenic and unaffected, as no development has taken place at this point of the canal corridor.

GC20 Pluckerstown Bridge - Location: Pluckerstown

*Views onto the Grand Canal from Pluckerstown Bridge*

Pluckerstown Bridge allows open and long-distance vistas of the Grand Canal and the rural environs. No development occurs along the shores of the canal at this point; therefore, vistas remain unaffected, rendering Pluckerstown Bridge as a high amenity value viewpoint.

GC21 Milltown Bridge - Location: Milltown

*Views to the Canal from Milltown Bridge*

Limited vistas of the Grand Canal are available from this narrow bridge as the canal bends, limiting the extent of visibility of the water corridor. Deciduous trees cover the Canal banks to the west while pastures mantle the eastern lands. The road follows the Canal, providing continuous vistas to this water body.

GC22 Ballyteige Bridge - Location: Ballyteige

*Views of the Grand Canal from Ballyteige Bridge*

Extensive, long-distance and open views of the Grand Canal and environs are available from Ballyteige Bridge. Scattered housing is also visible on the distance from this viewpoint, which affects the quality of the vistas.

GC23 Glenaree Bridge - Location: Glenaree



*Views onto the Canal, and lock to the north, from Glenaree Bridge*



Glenaree Bridge provides open views of the Grand Canal to the south and long-distance vistas of the waterway to the north, the canal lock framing the corridor. Although an old farm is located in the vicinity of the bridge, views remain unaffected.

GC24 Rathangan Bridge - Location: Rathangan



*Views to the Grand Canal at Rathangan*



The Grand Canal crosses Rathangan Town and consequently the views obtained from Rathangan Bridge include elements of urban fabric. Nevertheless, the landscape character of the canal corridor is considered to remain its context and the presence of deciduous mature trees along the canal enhance the visual amenity of the water corridor through the town.

GC25 Wilsons Bridge - Location: Kiltaghan North



*Extensive views of the Grand Canal corridor from Wilsons Bridge*



Extensive, long-distance and open views to the Grand Canal are available from Wilsons Bridge. Grassland dominates the canal banks whilst occurring scattered shrubs and deciduous trees add complexity to the vista.

GC26 Ummeras Bridge - Location: Ummeras More

*Views onto the Grand Canal from Ummeras Bridge*

Ummeras Bridge provides extensive views to the Grand Canal. Although the road runs parallel to the water corridor at this point, vistas remain unaffected. A row of deciduous trees along the canal and the coniferous plantation discernible in the distance, add character to the quality of this viewpoint.

GC27 Aylmer Bridge - Location: Kearneystown Upper

*Views to the Grand Canal from Aylmer Bridge*

Aylmer Bridge provides long-distance views of the canal. The vegetation growing along the canal embankment encloses vistas on this landscape feature, limiting the available views to the surrounding rural countryside.

GC28 High Bridge - Location: Old Grange

*Long distance and open views onto the Grand Canal from High Bridge*

High Bridge provides open and long-distance views of the Grand Canal. Although scattered development occurs in the vicinity, these are screened by existing vegetation and therefore, views remain unaffected. Extensive views of the rural environs west of Monasterevin are also available from the bridge.