

GC29 Miltown Bridge - Location: Moatstown



Views onto the Grand Canal from Miltown Bridge



Despite its central location in Miltown village and its urban setting, Miltown Bridge allows for long-distance and unaffected vistas of the Grand Canal to the south. Dwellings and elements of urban fabric are visible to the north.

GC30 Tandy Bridge



Tandy Bridge in Naas and available views onto the Grand Canal



Tandy Bridge is located in Naas town, and despite its urban location and the road running parallel to the canal at this point, the scenic quality of the vistas available from the bridge remain unaffected.

GC31 Abbey Bridge



Views onto the Canal from Abbey Bridge



Abbey Bridge is located within the urban environs of Naas town. Views from the bridge to the Grand Canal include several dwellings and the remains of an old abbey graveyard (see photo above). Existing trees and vegetation add complexity and amenity value to the vista.

GC32 Plonpluck Bridge



Views onto the Grand Canal from Plonpluck Bridge



Views from Plonpluck Bridge to the south look onto the Grand Canal and a housing estate, which is partially screened by existing vegetation. The open green areas along the eastern banks add amenity value to the vistas, which are nevertheless affected by the urban environment of the outskirts of Naas town.

GC33 Limerick Bridge



Views onto the Grand Canal from Limerick Bridge



Views to the north from Limerick Bridge remain unaffected as development in the vicinity is screened by existing vegetation. However, a dwelling is visible to the south affecting the quality of the available vistas.

GC34 Milltown Bridge



Views at Milltown Bridge provide vistas onto the Grand Canal, Hill of Allen and nearby environs



The old Milltown Bridge provides highly scenic vistas onto the canal and the Hill of Allen to the north. Southern vistas are affected by the existing dwellings: the historic views of the remains of an old building highly contrast with the new development (see photo above).

GC35 Clogheen Bridge



Views of the Grand Canal from Clogheen Bridge



Long-distance views of the canal are available from Clogheen Bridge to both sides, existing vegetation on the canal shores partially screening adjacent rural lands. Dwellings are located along the canal shores when looking to the south from the bridge, which affect the quality of the available vistas.

GC36 Bunberry Bridge



River Barrow views from Bunberry Bridge



Bunberry Bridge provides extensive vistas of the diverted and canalised River Barrow to both the north and south. Despite the national road running along its shores at this point, the scenic quality of the vistas has not been affected. Long distance vistas of the canalised river corridor and the existing vegetation along its shores provide noteworthy visual amenity.



19.10 Views to and from Water Corridors - The Royal Canal

Views to the Royal Canal - Refer to section 19.2, Table 19.5

RC1 **Baileys Bridge** - Location: Maws
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RC2 **Cope Bridge** - Location: Newtown / Leixlip



Views to the Royal Canal from Cope Bridge



Vistas available from Cope Bridge look onto the canal, providing long-distance views of the waterway. Although the railway line runs parallel to the canal at this point, northern views remain unaffected, whilst the scenic quality of the southern vistas have been affected by the existing station and urban fabric.

RC3 **Louisa Bridge** - Location: Easton / Leixlip



Views of the Canal and its environs from Louisa Bridge



Vistas available from Louisa Bridge onto the Royal Canal provide extensive views of the corridor and the urban environs of Leixlip. The railway line runs parallel to the canal at this point and a station is located near the bridge, immediately to the north. Vistas available to both sides from this viewpoint have been significantly affected by urban development.

RC4 **Deey Bridge** - Location: Collinstown



Views from Deey Bridge



Deey Bridge provides scenic vistas to the Royal Canal when looking to the east. Views are affected to the west by an existing construction site. A canal lock also occurs at this point and a walkway adds amenity to the area.

RC5 Pike Bridge - Location: Railpark / Donaghmore



Views from Pike Bridge onto the Royal Canal



Views from Pike Bridge to the countryside

Vistas from Pike Bridge include long-distance views of the Royal Canal to the east and west, the scenic landscape of the Carton Demesne to the north and the rural countryside to the south, which is considered to have significant scenic value due to existing deciduous trees and to its open character. Despite both a road and a railway running parallel to the canal at this point, views onto the canal and its environs remain scenic. The surrounding landscapes add amenity and quality to the views available from this viewpoint.

RC6 Mullen Bridge - Location: Railpark / Maynooth



Views onto the Royal Canal from Mullen Bridge



Mullen Bridge is located on the urban environment of Maynooth town and the railway line runs parallel to the canal at this point. As a result of its location, views from the bridge onto the canal are affected by elements of the urban fabric. Nevertheless, the viewpoint allows extensive and long-distance vistas of the canal corridor.

RC7 Bond Bridge - Location: Maynooth



Views onto the Royal Canal from Bond Bridge



Despite the urban location of Bond Bridge, views to the west remain unaffected as the urban fabric is screened by existing vegetation and the landscape character of the canal corridor is maintained. However, views from the bridge to the east are affected as they look onto the urban fabric of Maynooth environs.

RC8 Jacksons Bridge - Location: Laraghbryan east

*Views onto the Royal Canal from Jacksons Bridge*

Long-distance views of the Royal Canal are available from Jacksons Bridge. Existing vegetation along the canal banks screens surrounding agricultural lands and limits the extent of the views. A dwelling is located immediately to the west of the bridge, parallel to the canal lock, affecting the scenic value of the vistas. The quality of the available long-distance views however remains unaffected.

RC9 Chambers Bridge - Location: Maws

*Views onto the Royal Canal from Chambers Bridge*

Open and long-distance views are available from Chambers Bridge. Views to the west look onto the canal lock and an existing dwelling, which affects the quality of the views. Views to the east provide extensive vistas of the canal and environs. These remain unaffected although a railway line runs parallel to the canal, and is therefore visible from this viewpoint and a sports complex can also be seen on the shores of the canal.

RC10 Shaw Bridge - Location: Kilcock

*Views onto the Royal Canal from Shaws Bridge. The Canal lock to the west limits the extent*

Views from Shaw Bridge to the east remain relatively unaffected considering its central location within the urban environment of Kilcock town. Views from the bridge to the east provide extensive vistas of the Royal Canal and the urban environs. Views to the west are limited due to the existing canal lock (see photo above).

RC11 Allen Bridge - Location: Boycetown



Views onto the Royal Canal from Allen Bridge



Allen Bridge allows extensive vistas of the Royal Canal to the west, whilst the canal bend and the existing vegetation restrict the extent of the vistas to the east. The highly scenic views to the west are affected by an existing dwelling (see photo above).

