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NEW ROADS: 'VERY POOR STANDARD' ON ENNIS RD'

This week Cllr. Jack Bourke hit out at what he described as "very poor standard of new roads just finished in Limerick."

"I refer, is particular to the Ennis Road, where evidence of the collapse in certain sections is startling for a job costing many thousands of pounds" he said. He alleged that in places where the new road surfaces were laid made three separate "lanes," there was a difference between the levels of the lanes.

This was very apparent, he explained, in very large sections again on the Ennis Road and Sarsfield Bridge.

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