

**To the Chairperson and Members  
Of the Central Area Committee**

**Cabra Glasnevin Area Report  
December 2020**

**Broombridge CCTV**

The North West Area and Cabra Glasnevin offices have been working to replace the existing CCTV on the bridge at Broombridge. This has been a complex issue as it has involved licencing and other issues involving Irish Rail and ESB but is near completion. The CCTV is monitored by the Gardaí.

**Broombridge Road**

The works on Broombridge Road are the first part of this project and the road is due to reopen to traffic at the end of November.

The main objectives of the works are:

To provide two-way access across Broome Bridge for the 40E bus service that operates between Tyrrellstown and Broombridge terminus, as well as for cyclists.

To provide a signalised crossing of Broombridge Road in advance of the proposed Royal Canal Greenway, which is due to go to construction in 2021.

In summation, buses and bicycles will now be able to travel in both directions across the bridge. For all other vehicles (including taxis), there will be no change to the status quo, i.e. they will continue to have one-way access northbound.

**Mobhi Road Church laneway**

The church conservation architects have carried out works to enable the reopening of the laneway along the north boundary wall. Dublin City Council provided grant aided support as this wall bounds the laneway. Please note that the current supports to the wall are temporary and will be supplemented as part of the next phase of works scheduled for the summer of 2021. We will keep you informed of all developments.

The Conservation Section have been assisting the church in restoring the damaged wall which necessitated the closure of the laneway here. They are grant aiding the work as the church is a protected structure and the entire site a National Monument.

Pending the appropriate inspections by the relevant DCC engineering section, it will be reopened shortly.

**Royal Canal Greenway Phase 4**

Royal Canal Greenway Phase 4 (RCP4) Update

This project covers the Royal Canal between Cross Guns Bridge, Phibsborough and Longford Bridge, Ashtown and is being delivered in four sub-phases as follows:

Phase 4A – Broombridge Transport Interchange Link

Current Status: Construction Stage.

Provides 2-way access for buses and bicycles across Broome Bridge.

Provides toucan crossing on Broombridge Road for existing towpath users, which also ties into the greenway design.

Public lighting upgraded between Bannow Road and Ballyboggan Road.  
Road and footpaths resurfaced between Bannow Road and Glen Industrial Estate.  
Commenced construction on 22nd June 2020; road due to reopen to traffic on 30th November 2020.

#### Phase 4B – Canal Towpath Upgrade

Current Status: Detailed Design Stage.

To provide a segregated footpath and cycle track between Ashtown and 7th Lock.

To provide a shared surface between 7th Lock and Phibsborough, due to requirement to maintain vehicular access.

Bat-friendly public lighting, CCTV, landscaping and access control bollards to be provided.

Detailed ground investigation works due to commence in early December 2020 and be completed by Christmas 2020.

Tender for construction in Q1 2021; construction to commence in Q2 2021; construction duration approx. 12-15 months.

#### Phase 4C – 7th Lock Railway Underpass

Current Status: Option Selection/Planning Stage.

Three options examined; emerging preferred option now being determined.

Engagement with Iarnród Éireann regarding construction commenced October 2020.

Planning to take place between Q1 and Q3 2021; detailed design to run concurrently.

Tender for construction in Q4 2021; construction to commence in Q1 2022.

Railway closure for underpass installation planned for Easter weekend 2022.

#### Phase 4D – Cardiffsbridge Park-Royal Canal Greenway-Phoenix Park link via Ashtown

Current Status: Option Selection Stage.

Emerging preferred option for DART+ West Ashtown level crossing bypass proposes tunnelling under railway and canal at Mill Lane.

Option selection work to commence in Q1 2021, once Phase 4B detailed design is complete.

#### **Retirement**

I am retiring from the Council at Christmas after 12 years in the Cabra Glasnevin Area Office. I would like to thank both my colleagues and councillors, old and new, current and former, for their unstinting courtesy and support during my time here and in turn to your constituents with whom I have enjoyed (for the most part!) working to ease at least some of their difficulties and assist in enhancing the area for the benefit of all. I arrived in the floods of 2008 and leave in Covid-19 with many interesting times in between and depart with many good memories and wish all here the very best for the future.

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