

Quarterly Report of the Active Travel Programme Office – September 2023

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1. Introduction

Dublin City Council is developing a safer, inclusive and sustainable walk-wheel-cycle network. This Active Travel Network will enhance quality of life by 'connecting all the people' through improving access, connectivity and sustainable mobility. The network will also contribute to a citywide reduction of transport-related carbon emissions.

2. Active Travel Programme Office

The Active Travel Programme Office (AcTPrO) was set up in February 2022 and the team continues to grow, albeit not as fast as would be preferred due to challenges recruiting some skills. The team is staffed by engineers, planners, architects, site engineering staff, walking and cycling officers, administrators and landscape architects.

AcTPrO published the Dublin City Active Travel Network in October 2022, a network that will ensure that 95% of us will be within 400m of a connected 310km network. AcTPrO is responsible for the delivery of 210km of this network, through an agreed portfolio of 80no. projects funded by the National Transport Authority (NTA), the NTA's Bus & Bike Connects programme making up the difference.

The rapid expansion of enhanced walking and cycling facilities remains key to shaping the network. This will be achieved by building a network of appropriately protected cycling facilities and improvements to pedestrian facilities. This approach is fully aligned with national policy for meeting our Climate Action targets for 2030.

Further information about the Active Travel Network, including an interactive GIS map of all routes and a complete list of roads and streets where activities are proposed is available on www.dublincity.ie/activetravel

AcTPrO can be contacted by email on ActiveTravelOffice@dublincity.ie

3. Key Achievements during Q3 2023

AcTPrO continues to refine the overall strategy for delivering a connected core active travel network for the city while also implementing several ongoing projects.

During this quarter:

- Construction activity commenced on an additional project, The Suir Road to Thomas Street Interim Scheme, bringing the number of projects at construction up to seven in total.
- The Clontarf to City Centre (C2CC) scheme opened additional sections of the inbound cycle-track with associated improved pedestrian facilities.
- Approximately 1.5km of the inbound cycle-track, and 3km of footpaths, 5 new bus stops and 10 side roads with pedestrian priority are now complete and in
- The tender process for an additional scheme, the Fitzwilliam Scheme, closed and is under review, with construction expected to proceed in the next quarter.
- One non-statutory public consultation was extended and two statutory Part 8 public consultations initiated.

Ongoing projects are discussed further in Sections 5 and 6 of this report.

4. Community Engagement

AcTPrO follows an implementation programme for the network which entails a process of engagements with key stakeholders, including business and interest group representatives, on how certain aspects of the network will be implemented. During these engagements, particular focus is placed on how the proposed interventions on the overall Active Travel Network can be delivered in a manner that enhances wide ranging benefits to the city, given that 95% of us will be within 400 meters of a connected network.

During the quarter, there were five walk-in information sessions conducted, two rounds of leaflet drops carried out, one non-statutory public consultation extended and two statutory Part 8 public consultations initiated.

AcTPrO engaged in public awareness-raising activities relating to the overall Active Travel Network including delivering a presentation for the Rotary Club, coordinating and participating on a panel for the annual TCD Cycling and Society Symposium and hosting an information stand at the Central Bank's Sustainability Event.

5. Schemes in Construction

The number of projects with construction activity increased to seven during the quarter. It is planned to have more schemes in construction before the end of the year.

5.1 Clontarf to City Centre (C2CC)

The Clontarf to City Centre Project will deliver 8km of walking facilities, 6km of cycling facilities, and 5.4km of bus lanes, from Alfie Byrne Road/Clontarf Road Junction to Amiens Street/Talbot Street Junction and a section of the Tolka Valley Greenway from Annesley Bridge to Alfie Byrne Road/East Wall Road Junction. Construction commenced in Q1 2022 and remains on schedule for substantial completion in Q1 2024.

A major diversion at Fairview that was put in place in early August last year and private car diversion through Ballybough and Portland Row remains in place. The Contractor has now progressed principally, the outbound side of the road with the inbound side is already very well progressed. The Contractor has a substantial workforce of typically 100no. Operatives at any given time in an effort to progress the works as quickly as possible.

The latest C2CC Consultative Forum which includes local Councilors and representatives from local residents and businesses was held on 9th June 2023 in Carleton Hall in Marino. A further meeting is scheduled to take place on Friday 29th September. The Project Team remain committed to engaging with the local residents and business owners along the route to discuss issues as they may arise. Further and additional enhanced engagement will occur at the Christmas season approaches.

A report outlining the details of the bus stop layout and the rationale for the proposed bus stop locations can be accessed on the Dublin City Council webpage at https://www.dublincity.ie/sites/default/files/2022-

<u>12/2022.12.01%20Bus%20stop%20spacing%20FINAL1.pdf.</u> A Further report was also shared to Elected Reps specifically relating to Bus Stop 617 and 4384 on North Strand Road <u>Design Considerations for Bus Stop Ref. 617 and 4384 - Update.pdf (dublincity.ie)</u>

During Q3 the site has undergone significant transformation and achieved major milestones;

- From Talbot Street to Buckingham Street Lower, works are progressing well on the CIE retaining wall and railings. The concrete retaining wall has been constructed and it is hoped the mixed rubble stone wall shall be complete in the next number of weeks. Works are also progressing on the outbound side adjacent to Buckingham Street. It is hoped to commence works on Talbot Street during Q4 of 2023.
- From Buckingham Street Lower to Five Lamps Junction, works have greatly
 progressed on the outbound side with construction of the cycle-track and the
 opening of the Amiens Street bus stop. Works are substantially complete on the
 inbound side. During Q3 the inbound cycle-track in this section was opened and
 is now in regular use.
- Works continue to progress all along the Outbound side of North Strand Road between Five Lamps and East Wall Road with the installation of watermains, surface water drainage, kerbs, paving works and public lighting ongoing. Works remain on the inbound side particularly outside North Strand Fire Station where footway remains to be completed.
- From Annesley Bridge to the Howth Road Junction works are progressing on the outbound side. Watermains, surface water drainage, kerbs and public lighting ducting are progressing. Significant engagement with the owners and businesses continues through this area. Works are substantially completed in the inbound side with the cycle-track open and in regular use through this section.
- Works in Fairview Park along Tolka river works began in May and have progressed beneath the East Wall Bridge towards Alfie Byrne Road. Works include public light ducting and DCC ducting. Surfacing works shall follow once ducting is in place. Significant engagement was required in this area with the Fairview Park concert promoters whilst the concerts were ongoing.
- From Howth Road Junction to Alfie Byrne Road Junction, minor works are still ongoing on inbound side, but have predominantly moved to the outbound. The inbound cycle-track in this area is complete and is in regular use.
- After the placement of wearing course and the permanent road markings on the Alfie Byrne Road junction the commissioning of the traffic signals followed on Wednesday 23rd August. This is the first junction on the Scheme to have the wearing course completed and the traffic signals operating. All that remains on the junction is the installation of two cantilever columns at two locations.
- During this quarter, the scheme opened additional sections of the inbound cycle-track. Approximately 1.5km of the inbound cycle-track, in two sections is now complete and is in use. From Alfie Byrne Road to Annesley Bridge and from Five Lamps junction to Buckingham Street works are substantially complete and the track is in regular use. An informal survey on Annesley Bridge Road estimated that approximately 980 cyclists used the cycle track during one particular weekday morning over a three-hour period. It is hoped that additional sections of the inbound track can be opened in the coming weeks.
- Of the 6no. bus stops to be constructed on the inbound side 5no. are complete and in use. 1no. of the outbound stops is complete and in use.

Some of the main work activities carried out during the quarter include road reconstruction, watermain replacements, road drainage installations, upgrade of traffic signals and junctions, tree pit construction, resetting antique kerbing and new granite kerbing installations, construction works at a number of inbound bus stops, public lighting and cycle track construction works.

Although the Scheme is mid-construction there are a number of significant deliverables which are already substantially completed such as;

- Approximately 3km of new footpath construction is completed and open for use on the inbound side. Along this inbound footway route there are 10no. side roads where pedestrians have been provided with a raised table to highlight their priority to cross and to assist with ease of travel.
- Approximately 1,500m of new cycle-track is open for public use on the inbound side. These sections of track are in regular use.
- Approximately 4km of new Traffic Signal ducting has been completed to connect all of the new junctions along the route.
- There are now 5no. new bus stops constructed and in use on the inbound side. There is 1no. new stops constructed on the outbound side.
- Wearing course, road markings are completed and traffic signals commissioned on Alfie Byrne Road junction. This is the first junction on the Scheme to be commissioned and operational. The junction provides a segregated safe method of crossing for both pedestrians and cyclists alike.
- New watermain connections are progressing each week with over half of all watermain works completed (4km). As each new section of watermain is laid and connected it improves the security of supply for all those along the route who are connected to these new pipelines.
- There are approximately 105no. new lighting columns installed along the route to date providing improved and modern standard lighting to the streets.
- There is approximately 13,000m² of full-depth road construction completed.
 These works require lane and junction closures to excavate the entirety of the
 existing road and then the re-construction back-up in layers over the course of
 a night or weekend ready for the lane to be re-opened to traffic.
- Landscaping, tree planting and other greening works continue all along the route.

In order to undertake a number of road crossings and road reconstruction related works, regular weekend and night time works will continue to be carried out throughout this year. Regular notifications of these works are being sent out via DCC's social media accounts, and to the C2CC Consultative Forum which includes local Councillors, and representatives from residents and businesses.

Further information on the project is accessible on the Dublin City Council webpages. The address is www.c2cc.ie

5.2 Royal Canal Greenway Phase 3

Royal Canal Greenway Phase 3 will provide 2.1km of cycling facilities and 2.1km of walking facilities along the Royal Canal, from Newcomen Bridge (North Strand Road) to Cross Guns Bridge (Phibsborough Road). The contractor was appointed in December 2022. Construction kicked off with the Lord Mayor of Dublin Caroline Conroy and Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery & Reform, Paschal Donohoe TD, helping to 'turn the sod' on 15th February 2023. The scheme is scheduled for completion in Q2 2025.

A temporary road closure licence was granted by DCC's Roadworks Control section in June to undertake works along Charleville Mall. Due to unforeseen ground conditions additional works (mainly drainage) were necessitated, which required an extension of the road closure licence until 31st October 2023.

During July and August, ESB high voltage (HV) ducting, a joint bay and 6-way communication ducting were installed on Charleville Mall. Drainage and kerbing works are ongoing.

Extensive structural defects were observed in the canal quay wall at Charleville Mall in late June. Works cannot be completed along this section of towpath until remediation works are carried out to the quay wall. Consultation with DCC Planning, DCC Conservation and Waterways Ireland was undertaken to establish what type of remediation proposal would be acceptable. On foot of that consultation, the scheme designers are preparing a detailed design for the remediation works, in consultation with the main contractor.

Works to the Clarke's Bridge western and eastern ramps are on hold pending the following:

- 1. Approval of conservation measures for proposed interface with the Clarke's Bridge wing walls.
- 2. Gas main diversion liaison with Gas Networks Ireland (GNI) is ongoing.

Installation of micro piles for the Russell Street Bridge ramps (east & west) commenced in August and is due to be completed by the end of September. Once complete, work will commence on the ramp pile caps.

Works on the east side of Binns Bridge are on hold until an amending Part VIII planning process has concluded, which is expected to occur in November 2023. The main contractor is currently scheduled to commence works on the proposed Binns Bridge east side ramp in January 2024.

ESB HV ducting was installed on the southern towpath between Binns Bridge and Lock 3 in late August / early September. An ESB joint bay was installed near Lock 3 on 7th September.

The main contractor undertook enabling works for proposed gas main diversions on the northern towpath between Locks 3 & 4 in June and July. Some of these works were abortive due to GNI design changes. These localised gas main diversions have already been postponed twice by GNI, but are now scheduled for late September.

A terra-mesh ramp leading to the proposed new pedestrian bridge on the northern towpath was constructed in July.

6-way communication duct installation works are on hold on the northern towpath between Lock 3 and Cross Guns Bridge until the two gas main diversions noted above have been completed. Work commenced on installation of these ducts on the southern towpath on 11th September.

ESB HV ducting and a joint bay were installed on the northern towpath, between Lock 4 and Cross Guns Bridge, in July.

The project webpage is updated as works progress on site; its address is www.dublincity.ie/rcgp3

5.3 Dodder Greenway – Herbert Park to Donnybrook

The scheme will deliver 450m of walking and cycling facilities, including flood protection measures, along the Dodder River between the entrance to Herbert Park at Eglinton Terrace and Anglesey Bridge. Construction started in Q4 2022. The project is scheduled for completion in Q4 2023.

Tennis Court Number six was finished and handed over to BLTC on 8th September 2023. The surfacing and road marking for the Car Park area for IRFU is complete. The Greenway Drainage is 80% complete, the Public Lighting 40% & Traffic Fibre ducting 100%.

The Greenway Binder course is 90 % complete and the Wearing Course 30% complete.

The Flood Defence is finished except for one bay left for future Contractor access to the river to remove the stone underside support to the Cantilever, which is scheduled for end of September. Masonry to the Flood Defence Retaining Wall is circa 95% complete. The Entrance Walls at Anglesey Road Herbert Park have commenced. The Entrance Wall at Donnybrook adjacent the bridge commenced in September with Traffic Management required on Donnybrook Road Outbound Left Turn lane.

Some re-occurrence of Invasive Species has been noted and treated.

October 2023 is forecast for Substantial Completion, not including the likely extra works for a signalized pedestrian crossing on Donnybrook Road.

5.4 South Grand Canal Cycle Safety Improvements

The scheme will upgrade existing signalized junctions, and 'tighten' wide junctions to improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists. This will include the provision of signalized pedestrian crossings. A contractor for the upgrade of the junctions was appointed during Q2 2022. Works commenced in June 2022.

Main Contract Works on site have been on hold since the Liquidation of the Contractor, with localised works completed in the recent weeks.

The new lights at Clogher Road Junction are now fully operational with the majority of associated minor works at this location also completed. Emergency works have also been carried out at Aughavannagh Road to allow the pedestrian crossing to be commissioned.

A completion plan is now in place to allow the remainder of the project to be closed out. There are two main categories of works remaining – the resurfacing of the six main junctions and the completion of footpath works at Charlemont Bridge, Mount Pleasant & other minor footpath works. These have now be split into two separate works packages and completed under existing council Frameworks.

The resurfacing of the six junctions will be carried out under the Multi-Party Framework Agreement for Bituminous Pavement Contract 2020-2024.

The remaining footpath works will be completed under the Multi-Party Framework Agreement for Carrying out Roadwork Contracts 2021-25. Tender documents have now been issued to all participants in the relevant frameworks.

5.5 East Coast Trail North Phase 1

The scheme will provide 1 Km of segregated cycling facilities from Alfie Byrne Road and East Wall Rd between the East Point Business Park and St Joseph's Primary school on East Wall Rd.

The project team held an information evening for local residents on the 13th of July 2023 in the Sean O'Casey Community Centre. A number of concerns were raised by residents at the meeting, these concerns were categorised and reviewed by the design team resulting in the publishing of a detailed report on the 10th of August 2023. This report was sent to Local Area Representatives, representatives of the community that were present on the night and has been published on DCC's dedicated webpage for the project and can be found here ECTNP1 Responses to items raised at Public Information Meeting..pdf (dublincity.ie)

The site compound for the works is now fully in place, this is located in the park next to the entry to the East Point Business Park. There are two other mini-satellite compound areas along the site that provide welfare facilities for personnel and small storage areas for the works. These will move sequentially along the project as required. Traffic management arrangements are now in place along both Alfie Byrne Road and in a number of locations along East Wall Road.

Q3 of 2023 has seen a great deal of progress on the scheme with 4 crews working along the route.

Initial footpath works were carried out in August outside St Josephs School on East Wall Road and these works were complete prior to the school opening in late August.

Works on the junction of East Wall Road and East Road are progressing well with 3 quarters of the junction now complete. The new footpath, drainage works and kerb line between East Road and Church Road are now also completed. Works have begun on the new Bus Stop Island on East Wall Road and these works are approximately 70% complete. On Alfie Byrne Road the new Bus Stop Island is complete with resurfacing of the section between East Point Business Park and the Bus Stop Island now also complete. Works are progressing on East Point Junction and are progressing well.

Upcoming works for Q4 will include the Church Road Junction, the New Crossing which will link the scheme to Fairview Park and the install of the on road traffic islands and kerbs which will delineate the new cycle lane.

Further information on the project is accessible on the Dublin City Council webpages. The address is www.dublincity.ie/ectnp1

5.6 Liffey Cycle Route, Phase 6; O'Connell Bridge to Butt Bridge

Works commenced on phase 6 of the Liffey Cycle Route scheme stage 6 in May. A build out at the O'Connell Bridge junction and resurfacing of Eden Quay from O'Connell Bridge to Rosie Hackett Bridge has been completed.

Works commenced on the eastern half of the scheme from Rosie Hackett to Butt Bridge in Q3. Works are primarily around the junction of Eden Quay and Beresford Place with the construction of a number of build out and islands. Resurfacing from Rosie Hackett to Butt Bridge commenced in September. All works expected to be completed in Q4 2023.

5.7 Kilmainham to Thomas Street - Suir Road to Thomas Street

The Kilmainham to Thomas Street Walking & Cycling route achieved a number of key milestones since the last Quarter. The Public Consultation report for the Suir Road to Thomas Street Interim Scheme was published on the DCC Active Travel webpage in July, 2023. The Contractor Citius Ltd commenced installation of the scheme on 8th August, 2023. Over 4,300 Leaflets were delivered to residents and businesses in the area to inform residents and the community of the works. The implementation of the scheme will be ongoing for the next 6 months.

Most civil works, build outs, curbing and crossings have been completed on Marrowbone Lane and Forbes Lane. A permanent one way system is in place on Forbes Lane. Works commenced on James's Walk in mid-September. A one way system will be in place on James's Walk from the 26th September.

6 Schemes in Design

There are over 25 active travel schemes in the early planning and design phases, including six sections of the Dodder and four sections of the North Circular Road.

6.1 Royal Canal Phase 4

The project will deliver 4.3km of walking and cycling facilities along the Royal Canal, from Cross Guns Bridge (Phibsborough Road) to the city boundary at Ashtown.

The proposed amending Part VIII planning proposals were presented to the Central Area Committee meeting on 9th May. All of the Councillors' questions from the meeting were collated and responses were issued in writing to the Councillors on June 22nd.

Following on from the presentation to the Central Area Committee in May, an on-site meeting took place between the Project Team and Elected Members on Tuesday 6th of June.

The Amending Part VIII for the Royal Canal Greenway Phase 4 was submitted on 21st September 2023.

6.2 Dodder Greenway Overall

The scheme will deliver 7.5km of walking and cycling facilities along the Dodder River, from the River Liffey to Orwell Park. A further 9.5km is being delivered by South Dublin County Council.

Dublin City Council will in conjunction with DLRCC and SDCC deliver the route in sections with focus currently on 5 Rapid deployment Schemes as follows

- Fitzwilliam Quay to Londonbridge Road
- Beatty's Avenue to Herbert Park
- Donnybrook Road to Clonskeagh Road
- Clonskeagh Bridge to Patrick Doyle Road
- Orwell Road to Dodder Road Lower.

Non-Statutory Public Consultation on the two sections of the Dodder Greenway from Fitzwilliam Quay to Londonbridge Road and Beatty's Avenue to Herbert Park

commenced on May 29th 2023 and ran until June 30th, more information is available on the Dublin City Council Public Consultation Hub at https://consultation.dublincity.ie/. A well-attended Public Information meeting on the two sections was held on Thursday 15th of June in the Sandymount Community Centre where the Project Team were available to meet members of the public.

The Non Statutory Public Consultation on the Donnybrook – Clonskeagh section (Beech Hill Road and Beaver Row) is anticipated to begin in October 2023.

DLRCC also anticipates lodging a Part VIII for the sections Clonskeagh Bridge to Patrick Doyle Road and Orwell Road to Dodder Road Lower in October 2023.

Quarterly meetings of the Dodder Steering Group, comprising officials and Members of DLRCC, SDCC and DCC, are ongoing.

6.3 Fitzwilliam Cycle Route

The scheme will deliver 1 kilometre of cycling facilities. The tender competition for the construction contract is now closed and a final business case has been submitted to the NTA. It is anticipated that construction may commence in Q4 2023 subject to the approval of the NTA to proceed.

6.4 Sandyford (Clonskeagh) to City Centre

The scheme will deliver 3.1km of walking and cycling facilities, along Charlemont St., Ranelagh Road, Ranelagh, Sandford Road and Clonskeagh Road.

This scheme went to non-statutory public consultation on 30th January until 28th February. A total of 675 submissions were received via the online consultation hub by the closing date. Other submissions were made via email and at the Public Information Event on 7th February. A Public Consultation Report has been drafted and is expected to be published on the DCC website within the next month. EIA/AA screening reports have been received and are being reviewed. Engagement with local interests will continue regarding accommodation for commercial vehicle loading on the scheme. Pending NTA approval the scheme will proceed to detailed design in Q4 2023 with expected construction in Q1 2024.

6.5 Santry Greenway

The route options selection process and design work commenced for the Santry Greenway in July 2022. In collaboration with Fingal County Council, a series of public consultations events were held on the evenings of 19th to 21st of September. These provided the local community with the opportunity to contribute to and comment on the emerging preferred route. The project is being managed by DCC's Protection of Water Bodies Office with support from the AcTPrO..

6.6 Sir John Rogerson Quay Project

A multi-disciplinary design team is undertaking the option selection process. This activity has been ongoing since the Q4 2022. The option selection process has also drawn from information received during a non-statutory public consultation that was completed in November 2022. It is expected that a Part 8 Planning application will be submitted later this year. The project is being managed by City Architects.

6.7 S2S Clontarf Baths

Acquisition matters and other design assessments are being explored.

6.8 Chesterfield Avenue Project

The Chesterfield Avenue Project involves the upgrade of walking and cycle facilities in the Phoenix Park between Castleknock and Conyngham Road/Parkgate Street in a manner that is in keeping with the vision for the park into the future.

A multidisciplinary design team is expected to be appointed in Q4 2023.

6.9 Finglas Village Improvement Scheme

The Rapid Build Options Report for the Finglas Village Improvement Scheme is being advanced for the scheme, the report is expected to be completed by the end Sept. 23. The proposed options will then be considered by Active Travel and the NTA and the Elected Members will be updated accordingly.

6.10 Finglas Area Roundabouts Scheme

On the Finglas Area Roundabouts Scheme, the Preliminary Design for the Jamestown Road Roundabout has been completed, and the next step is to submit the Project Appraisal and Business Case to the NTA for approval to proceed to detailed design. An environmental consultant has been appointed to complete the AA and EIA screening reports. We are also coordinating with Fingal County Council on the requirement for a Section 85 agreement (one LA performing for another). It is expected that detailed design will be completed in Q4 2023, followed by the preparation of tender documents for the appointment of a contractor. Construction is to commence in 2024 subject to NTA approval and funding availability.

The tender documents have been prepared for the McKee Avenue/St Margaret's Road/Lidl junction with approval to proceed awaited.

6.11 Grand Canal Greenway (Blackhorse to Portobello)

The Grand Canal Greenway (Blackhorse to Portobello) is currently at the Concept Development and Options Selection Phase. AcTPrO is preparing the service requirements for the appointment of a multidisciplinary design team to progress the scheme. The Strategic Assessment Report was completed and submitted to the NTA for approval.

6.12 Liffey Cycle Route

Cycling routes are now operational from the Phoenix Park to O'Connell Bridge on the north side, and from Grattan Bridge to Heuston Station on the south side. A Contractor Cairn Construction Ltd are progressing with works that will upgrade cycling facilities along Eden Quay and Beresford Place junction. Along the south side of the River Liffey from Georges Quay to Aston Quay the following works are proposed:

- A new two-way cycle track from George's Quay to Burgh Quay located on the river side of the quays
- A new one-way cycle track on Aston Quay located on the river side of the quay

- Closure of left turn slip from Burgh Quay to D'Olier Street (left turn vehicle movement retained)
- New traffic islands and associated traffic signals
- Road resurfacing of George's Quay, Burgh Quay and Aston Quay
- Other associated works (ducting, road markings, drainage etc.)

A tender has been issued to procure a Contractor for the Construction of the scheme and this works are expected to commence in Q1 2024.

6.13 Kilmainham to Thomas Street Cycle Route

The Kilmainham to Thomas Street Walking & Cycling route achieved a number of key milestones since the last Quarter. Works for The Suir Road to Thomas Street Scheme are now being implemented on site.

The project team and design Consultants are progressing with the preliminary design for the overall scheme which is along the full length of the Kilmainham to Thomas Street route. Public Consultation for the permanent design is planned for Q2 2024.

6.14 City Quay to Harcourt Street

A scheme along Merrion Street Upper, Merrion Square West, Merrion Street Lower is proposed along the City Quay to Harcourt St route. The scheme is interacting with a number of projects in the area, such as the draft City Centre Transport Plan at Lincoln Place Gyratory and the proposals for Bus Connects Network redesign. Extensive engagement with stakeholders and knowledge on these projects will be required to ensure they are aligned with the Active Travel project before it can be developed. The further realisation of these projects will allow the Active Travel scheme to progress.

6.15 North Circular Road

The North Circular Road Project aims to provide high-quality segregated cycling facilities along a 5.5km route from Infirmary Road at the junction with Conyngham Road and Parkgate Street to Seville Place at the junction with Guild Street. The project will be delivered in five schemes and the Active Travel team are currently progressing with three as follows:

Dorset St Lwr. to Amiens St: A Public Consultation Report for this scheme is expected to be published over the coming Quarter, with design following.

Hanlon's Corner junction upgrade A Public Consultation Report for this junction is expected to be published over the coming Quarter. The team have also developed service requirements for the appointment of engineering design teams to develop the detailed designs. It is anticipated that a tender will be issued for to Consultants on the NTA Framework by end September 2023.

Seville Place: Consultants have developed concept designs and photomontages for a scheme along Seville Place and these were sent to NTA for review. A feasibility and options report with consideration of rapid deployment measures is now to be prepared.

6.16 Ratoath Road & Cappagh Rd (Cabra to Blanchardstown)

The Active Travel team have prepared the Public Consultation Report and it is expected to be published over the coming Quarter. The team have also developed

service requirements for the appointment of an engineering design team to develop the detailed design. It is anticipated that this tender will be issued to Consultants on the NTA Framework in Q4 2023.

6.17 Howth Rd, from Station Rd to James Larkin Rd (Raheny to Kilbarrack)

The Active Travel team have prepared the Public Consultation Report and it is expected to be published over the coming Quarter. The team have also developed service requirements for the appointment of an engineering design team to develop the detailed design. This project is to be assigned to Consultants for the Active Travel Design Office.

6.18 Kilbarrack Rd to Oscar Traynor Rd (Bayside to Donaghmede)

The Active Travel team have prepared the Public Consultation Report and it is expected to be published over the coming Quarter. A tender was issued for engagement of Consultants for the detailed design for the Scheme in August. Tenders have been received and are currently being assessed.

6.19 Trinity to Ballsbridge

The Trinity to Ballsbridge Walking & cycling route is to be delivered in two Phases:

• Phase 1: Holles St to Lansdowne Road along Mount Street Lower and Northumberland Road.

Public Consultation for Phase 1 commenced on 19th September 2023. Information leaflets have been distributed in the local area. More information, including closing date for submissions can be found on the Dublin City Council Public Consultation Hub at https://consultation.dublincity.ie/.

• Phase 2: Dawson St to Holles Street along Nassau Street, Clare Street and Merrion Square North

Public Consultation for Phase 2 will follow at a future date.

6.20 Coolock to Clontarf (Gracefield Rd, Brookwood Ave, Sybil Hill Rd & Vernon Ave)

The non-statutory Public Consultation for Coolock to Clontarf scheme along Gracefield Rd, Brookwood Ave, Sybil Hill Rd & Vernon Ave was carried out from 6th June to 31st July, 2023. A public information event was held in Artane Coolock Family Resource Centre on Tuesday 25th July, 2023 with over eighty persons attending. Over 800 submissions have been received. These are being reviewed and the Public Consultation report is currently being prepared.

6.21 Grand Canal to Lincoln Place

Preliminary designs are progressing and internal consultation ongoing. It is planned to present this scheme to the elected members in the South East Area in Q4 2023. Following that and pending NTA approval the scheme will proceed to non-statutory Public Consultation.

6.22 Rathmines to Milltown

This scheme is at concept and development stage and internal consultations are ongoing.

7 Complete Project Table –

NTA Code	Project Name	Committee Area (s)	Length (km)	Delivery Period	Additional Comments
DCC/12/0007	Royal Canal Greenway - Phase 3	Central Area (CA)	2.1	2022-2024	Update in item 5.2 of report
DCC/12/0008	Liffey Corridor	CA, SEA, SCA	5.6	Post 2027	Update in item 6.12 of report
DCC/12/0008	Liffey Scheme (Eden Quay)	Central Area (CA)	0.25	2022-2024	Update in item 5.6 of report
DCC/12/0008	Liffey Interim Scheme (Georges Quay to Crampton Quay)	South East (SE)	0.8	2022-2024	Update in item 6.12 of report
DCC/12/0016	Finglas Village Improvement Scheme	North West (NW)	0.2	2022-2024	Update in item 6.9 of report
DCC/12/0024	Grand Canal (Blackhorse to Portobello)	SC, SE	4.5	2025-2027	Update in item 6.11 of report
DCC/12/0025	Heuston To Chapelizod	South Central (SC)	6.6	Post 2027	
DCC/12/0033	Clontarf to City Centre	CA, NCA	3	2022-2024	Update in item 5.1 of report
DCC/12/0035	Dodder River Greenway	South East (SE)	5.2	Post 2027	Update in item 6.2 of report
DCC/13/0014	Royal Canal Greenway - Phase 4	Central Area (CA)	5.2	2022-2024 & 2025- 2027	Update in item 6.1 of report
DCC/14/0001	Sandymount (Clonskeagh) to Charlemont Street	South East (SE)	3.2	2025-2027	Update in item 6.4 of report
DCC/17/0008	Fitzwilliam Street Cycle Route	South East (SE)	0.9	2022-2024	Update in item 6.3 of report
DCC/18/0001	Dodder Greenway - Herbert Park to Donnybrook Road	South East (SE)	0.5	2022-2024	Update in item 5.3 of report
DCC/18/0009	South Grand Canal Cycle Safety Improvements	South East (SE)	2.2	2022-2024	Update in item 5.4 of report
DCC/19/0002	East Coast Trail - Alfie Byrne Road to Sheriff Street	Central Area (CA)	1.5	2022-2024	Update in item 5.5 of report

DCC/19/0003	East Coast Trail - Sean More Road to Merrion Gate	South East (SE)	2.7	Post 2027	
DCC/19/0006	Finglas Area Roundabouts Scheme	North West (NW)	0.1	2022-2024	Update in item 6.10 of report
DCC/19/0008	Grangegorman to Portobello	CA, SE	2.9	Post 2027	
DCC/21/0001	Finglas to Killester	NC, NW	9.5	2025-2027	
DCC/21/0002	Parnell Street to Prussia Street	Central Area (CA)	2.4	Post 2027	
DCC/21/0003	Bolton Street to Parliament Street	Central Area (CA)	1.2	2025-2027	
DCC/21/0004	Amiens Street to Georges City Quay	CA, SE	0.8	2022-2024 & 2025- 2027	
DCC/21/0005	Prospect Way	Central Area (CA)	0.1	Project Paused	
DCC/21/0006	Chapelizod Road to Chapelizod Bypass	South Central (SC)	4.8	2025-2027	
DCC/21/0007	Kilmainham to Thomas Street	South Central (SC)	2.6	2022-2024	Update in items 5.7 & 6.13 of report
DCC/21/0008	The Coombe to College Green Cycle	SC, SE	2.2	Post 2027	
DCC/21/0009	Coolock to Clontarf	North Central (NC)	2.5	2025-2027	Update in item 6.20 of report
DCC/21/0011	Santry River Greenway	North Central (NC)	7	Post 2027	Update in item 6.5 of report
DCC/21/0012	Nass Road to Inchicore	South Central (SC)	2.1	2025-2027	
DCC/21/0013	Harcourt to South William Street	South East (SE)	1.2	Post 2027	
DCC/21/0014	Grangegorman to Thomas Street	CA, SCA	1.9	2025-2027	
DCC/21/0015	Grand Canal to Liffey	South East (SE)	0.8	2022-2024 & Post 2027	
DCC/21/0016	Grand Canal to Lincoln Place	South East (SE)	1.8	Post 2027	Update in item 6.21 of report
DCC/21/0017	Ringsend to College Green	South East (SE)	3.6	2025-2027	
DCC/21/0018	Stephens Green to Thomas Street	SC, SE	3.1	Post 2027	
DCC/21/0019 DCC/21/0020	Raheny to Kilbarrack	North Central (NC)	1.7 3.3	2025-2027	Undata in item 6.15 of remark
	North Circular Road	Central Area (CA)		2025-2027	Update in item 6.15 of report
DCC/21/0021	Fairview To Parnell Street	C, NC	2.6	2025-2027	

DCC/21/0022	Rathmines To Milltown	South East (SE)	1.7	2022-2024	Update in item 6.22 of report
DCC/21/0023	Baldoyle to Fairview	North Central (NC)	6.8	Post 2027	
DCC/21/0024	Wicklow Street to College Green	South East (SE)	0.1	Post 2027	
DCC/21/0025	Camac Greenway	South Central (SC)	4.3	Post 2027	
DCC/21/0026	Tolka River Greenway	CA, NCA	4.1	Post 2027	
DCC/21/0027	Harolds Cross to Ballymount	South East (SE)	2.1	2025-2027	
DCC/21/0028	Cabra to Blanchardstown	CA, NW	5.1	2025-2027	Update in Item 6.16 of report
DCC/21/0029	Chesterfield Avenue to Farmleigh	Central Area (CA)	6.7	2022-2024	Update in item 6.8 of report
DCC/21/0030	Chesterfield Avenue	Central Area (CA)	4.2	2022-2024	Update in item 6.8 of report
DCC/21/0031	Bayside to Northside	North Central (NC)	6.8	Post 2027	Update in item 6.18 of report
DCC/22/0001	Access Improvement Measures Public Parks	Citywide		2025-2027	
DCC/22/0002	Walking and Cycling Improvement Measures in Public Parks	Citywide		2025-2027	
DCC/22/0003	Sir John Rogersons Quay	South East (SE)	0.5	2025-2027	Update in item 6.6 of report
DCC/22/0004	Clontarf Baths Active Travel Elements	North Central (NC)	0.1	2025-2027	Update in item 6.7 of report
DCC/22/0011	Donahies to Clonshaugh	North Central (NC)	4	2025-2027	
DCC/22/0012	Clarehall to Belmayne	North Central (NC)	2.4	2022-2024	
DCC/22/0013	Dollymount to Kilbarack	North Central (NC)	3.4	2025-2027	
DCC/22/0014	Whitehall to Artane	North Central (NC)	2.8	2022-2024	
DCC/22/0015	Beaumont Hospital Link	North Central (NC)	1.7	2025-2027	
DCC/22/0016	Dalymount to Cabra Cross	Central Area (CA)	1.5	2022-2024	
DCC/22/0017	Eden Quay to Dorset Street	Central Area (CA)	1.6	2025-2027	
DCC/22/0018	East Wall to North Wall	Central Area (CA)	1.5	2025-2027	
DCC/22/0019	Chapelizod to Walkinstown	South Central (SC)	4.4	2025-2027	

DCC/22/0020	Terenure to Kimmage	South East (SE)	1.7	Post 2027	
DCC/22/0021	Rathgar to Ranelagh	South East (SE)	2.7	Post 2027	
DCC/22/0022	Kilmainham to Ballsbridge South City Loop	SC, SE	7	2022-2024 & 2025- 2027	
DCC/22/0023	Donnybrook to UCD	South East (SE)	0.4	2022-2024	
DCC/22/0024	City Quay to Harcourt Street (Merrion Sq West)	South East (SE)	1	2022-2024 & 2025- 2027	Update in item 6.14 of report
DCC/22/0025	Trinity to Ballsbridge	South East (SE)	2.2	2025-2027	Update in item 6.19 of report
DCC/22/0026	Mercer Street to Fitzwilliam Street	South East (SE)	1.1	Post 2027	
DCC/22/0027	Christchurch to George's Street	South East (SE)	0.6	Post 2027	
DCC/22/0028	Parnell Square to College Green	CA, SE	1.1	Post 2027	
DCC/22/0029	Stephens Green to Patrick Street	South East (SE)	0.7	2022-2024	
DCC/22/0030	Royal Canal Bank to Dorset Street	Central Area (CA)	0.6	2025-2027	
DCC/22/0031	Finglas Road to Finglas Village	North West (NW)	0.4	2022-2024	
DCC/22/0032	Santry to Poppintree	NC, NW	3.7	2025-2027	

8 Communications

AcTPrO works to provide clear, concise and accurate information to all project stakeholders including residents, businesses and all users on the delivery of the Active Travel Network. This is to ensure transparency and that individual projects are completed in a timely fashion. AcTPrO carries out communications to ensure stakeholders have access to regular updates on the status and progress of projects.

The AcTPrO communications plan uses a number of different channels to maximise delivery of the project messaging.

This quarter, AcTPrO launched <u>DCC Active Travel Alerts</u>, a free notification service that individuals can subscribe to and receive useful and important updates on current Active Travel projects.

All public consultation material is on the Dublin City Council Consultation Hub: https://consultation.dublincity.ie/. Project information is also available on the Dublin City Council website: www.dublincity.ie/activetravel. This is used to update project progress, provide further details on specific designs using maps, drawings, artist impressions, etc. and communicate different elements of the project. A section on how to contact the project team is also available. This quarter the team implemented a process for ensuring project webpages are regularly updated.

AcTPrO maintains an active social media presence on DCC social media channels using the hashtags #activetravelnetwork and #climateaction, posting on average six times per week. The team has accelerated its use of LinkedIn, in combination with Facebook, X and Instagram.

AcTPrO is developing public information campaigns covering specific features of the Clontarf to City Centre project, to be launched in the coming months.

The team is also in the process of developing a Behaviour Change Campaign, in response to Councillor O'Farrell's Motion at the June North Central Area Committee, including an amendment from Councillor Gilliland. This campaign is aimed at improving safety and the perception of safety for people, particularly vulnerable road users, who actively travel around the city, to encourage people to choose active travel options and progress essential modal shift. An externally facilitated Behaviour Change Campaign Workshop to further examine some of the issues and potential solutions has been scheduled for October.

During the quarter the multi-disciplinary team within AcTPrO completed its move to new permanent staff accommodation.

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