

To the Lord Mayor, chairperson and
members of the North Central Area Committee

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Update on the Implementation of Proposed Active Travel Projects in the North Central Area

Introduction

In January 2022, the National Transport Authority announced the allocation of €52.81 million in Active Travel Investment Grants to Dublin City Council for the 2022 calendar year, spread across 85 cycling and walking projects and programmes. This allocation includes funding of €15.3 million for 13 active travel infrastructure projects in the North Central Area, providing a total of 44.78km of new and improved cycling and walking infrastructure for the area. This is in addition to the 13.39km of infrastructure proposed for the area by the BusConnects programme.

Funded Projects in the North Central Area

Table 1 below lists the funded active travel infrastructure projects in the North Central Area. Figure 1 overleaf shows a map of the indicative routes to be taken by these proposed projects.

Project Code	Project Name	2022 Allocation
DCC/12/0033	Clontarf to City Centre (incl. part of Tolka Greenway)	€7,500,000
DCC/19/0002	East Coast Trail – East Wall Road	€200,000
DCC/19/0004	Belmayne Main Street	€6,500,000
DCC/21/0001	Finglas to Killester	€200,000
DCC/21/0009	Coolock to Clontarf	€50,000
DCC/21/0010	Glasnevin to Clontarf Road	€50,000
DCC/21/0011	Santry River Greenway	€50,000
DCC/21/0019	Raheny to Kilbarrack	€50,000
DCC/21/0021	Drumcondra (Fairview) to Parnell Street	€50,000
DCC/21/0023	Howth Road – Baldoye to Fairview	€50,000
DCC/21/0026	Tolka River Greenway (Fairview to Saint Mobhi Road)	€50,000
DCC/21/0031	Bayside to Donaghmede	€50,000
DCC/22/0004	East Coast Trail – Clontarf Baths	€500,000
	Total:	€15,300,000

Table 1: Funded Active Travel Infrastructure Projects, North Central Area, 2022

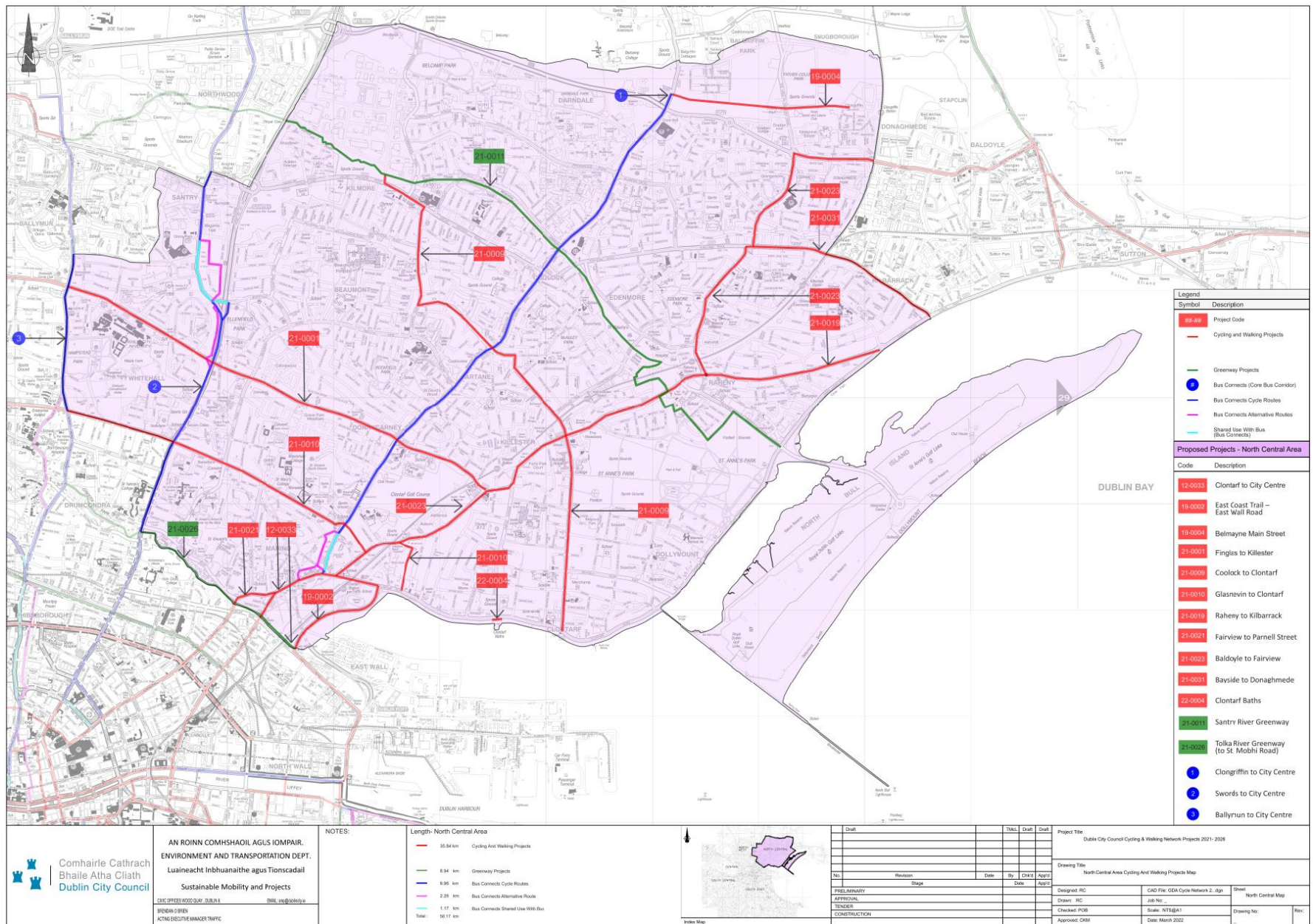


Figure 1: Indicative Routing of Proposed North Central Area Active Travel Infrastructure Projects

The current status of these projects is as follows:

Clontarf to City Centre

Construction of this major infrastructure project is expected to commence on 28th March. Some essential tree felling took place in Fairview in late February. Site compounds are currently being established by the works contractor and pre-works condition surveys are being carried out on the properties that are closest to the works area.

East Coast Trail – East Wall Road

This project is currently in the concept design and option selection phase. However, some minor works are planned for this year in order to introduce bus stops on Alfie Byrne Road to cater for the proposed BusConnects orbital routes.

Belmayne Main Street

The contractor for the main works is on site. Significant progress has been made on earthworks.

Finlas to Killester

This project is currently in the scoping phase. However, segregated cycle tracks have recently been provided on Collins Avenue, in the vicinity of Dublin City University.

Coolock to Clontarf

This project is currently in the scoping phase and will be progressed when a project team is appointed.

Glasnevin to Clontarf Road

This project is currently in the scoping phase. However, segregated cycle tracks have been provided along most of Griffith Avenue by the Rapid Deployment team.

Santry River Greenway

This greenway will be delivered in parallel with the river restoration work proposed by our Water Framework Directive and Protection of Water Bodies Office to provide enhanced biodiversity, water quality and flood alleviation benefits along the Santry River. Tenders for the appointment of a multi-disciplinary design team are currently being assessed. Contract award is expected in Q2 2022.

Raheny to Kilbarrack

This project is currently in the concept design and option selection phase. Concept designs are currently being drafted.

Drumcondra (Fairview) to Parnell Street

This project is currently in the scoping phase and will be progressed when a project team is appointed.

Howth Road – Baldoyle to Fairview

This project is currently in the scoping phase and will be progressed when a project team is appointed.

Tolka River Greenway (Fairview to Saint Mobhi Road)

This project is currently in the scoping phase and is currently being assessed to determine a feasible routing between Fairview and Glasnevin.

Bayside to Donaghmede

This project is currently in the concept design and option selection phase. Concept designs are currently being drafted.

East Coast Trail – Clontarf Baths

This project is currently in the detailed design and tender phase. Minor design changes to the cycle track layout are being drafted and will be incorporated into planning compliance drawings. Discussions are to be held with Parks, Drainage and Traffic regarding the location of SuDS features and the proposed pedestrian crossing on Clontarf Road. Construction is anticipated to commence later in 2022.

Overall Programme

The delivery programme for all active travel infrastructure projects in the city is currently being reviewed and it is anticipated that this review will be completed by the end of September 2022. In the meantime, the tender package for topographic and drone surveys of the majority of the proposed routes in the North Central Area is currently at an advanced stage of preparation and is expected to be issued to tenderers in early April 2022, with surveys expected to be carried out during the summer months.

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