



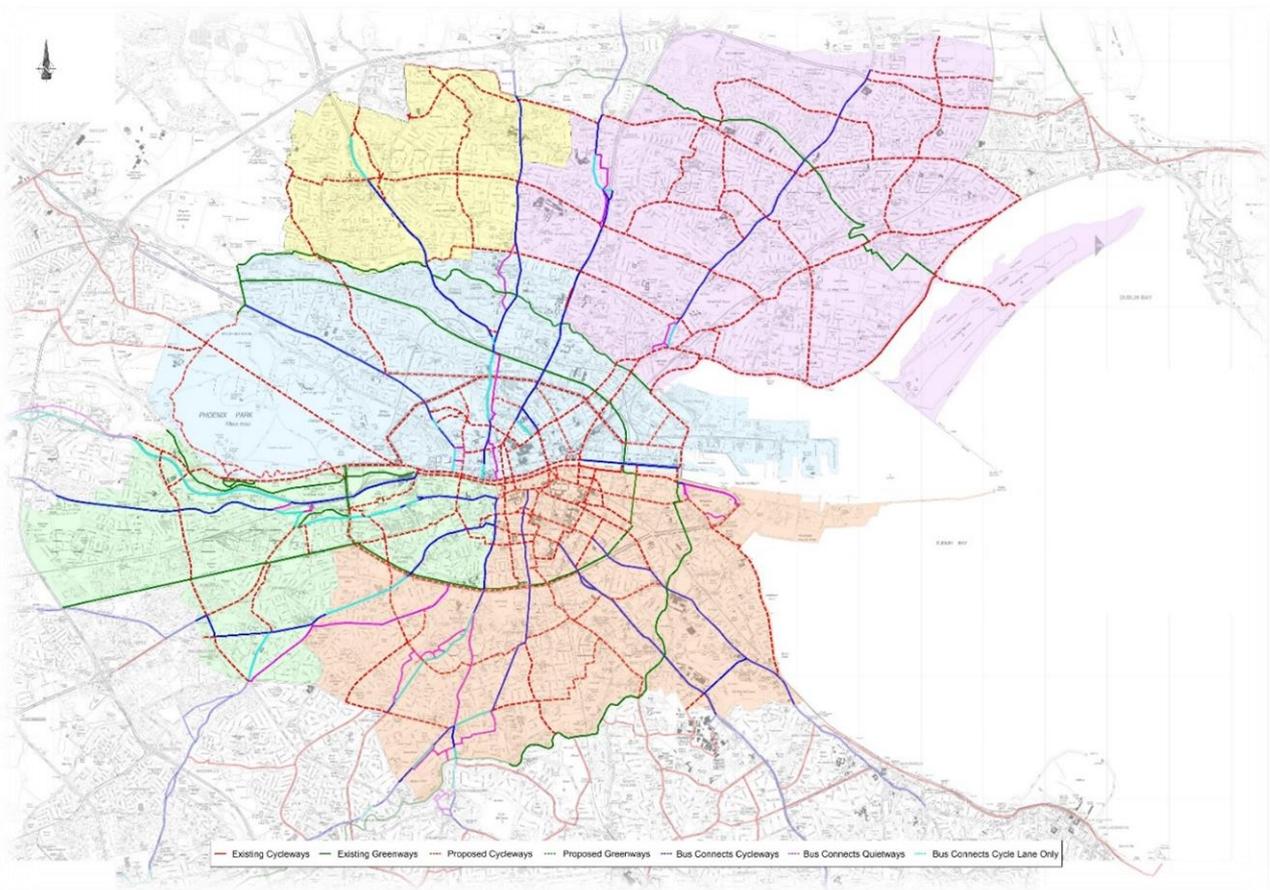
Report to Traffic and Transport SPC

07th June 2023 – Michele Murphy – Senior Executive Planner for the Active Travel Programme

Active Travel Network

The Active Travel Programme Office (AcTPrO) has been tasked with the delivery of a safer, inclusive and sustainable walk-wheel-cycle network. A 310km core active travel network has been identified, of which 10km has already been completed.

The Active Travel Programme Office will focus on the delivery of 210km of this network, with the remaining 90km to be delivered under the BusConnects programme. This 210km is comprised of 80 infrastructural projects.



Delivery Strategy

The strategy is based on a network approach. There is also an emphasis on the rapid development of safer facilities on the core walk-wheel-cycle network.

The multi-disciplinary team within the Active Travel Programme Office (AcTPrO) continues to work on the design and delivery of a number of projects as part of the overall network, which when fully completed, will result in 95% of people being within 400 metres of the high quality network within Dublin City.

Milestone timelines:

October 2022

AcTPrO participated in an engagement with Elected Representatives by presenting to the Climate Action and Environment SPC on 12th October 2022.

The publication and official launch of the Dublin City Active Travel Network took place in October 2022. The overall strategy that includes the delivery timelines was launched by the Lord Mayor and the Minister for Transport, together with our Chief Executive and the NTA Chief Executive.

- **Dodder Greenway – Herbert Park to Donnybrook**

In October 2022, the Contractor commenced works, 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.

- **Suir Road to Thomas Street**

This scheme design was published on the Dublin City Council Public Consultation Hub in October and a Public Information Day was held in November 2022. The deadline for submissions closed on 2nd December 2022. Installation works are planned to be carried out over Summer 2023. The Public Consultation Report has been prepared and will be published along with updated design drawings on the Active Travel webpage before work commences.

- **Merrion Street Upper, Merrion Square West, Merrion Street Lower**

This scheme was published on Dublin City Council Public Consultation Hub in October. AcTPrO is preparing concept designs and photomontages, incorporating significant public realm opportunities. This will aid further engagement with stakeholders.

November 2022

- **Sir John Rogerson Quay Project**

The multi-disciplinary design team is now established for the Sir John Rogerson Quay project, and the design is being progressed taking into consideration constraints for the site. The first non-statutory public consultation was completed in November 2022 and an update on the project was presented to the South East Area Committee in December 2022.

December 2022

- **North Circular Road (from Dorset St Lwr to Amiens St)**

This scheme design went to Public Consultation in December 2022 and Information leaflets have been distributed in the local area. Dublin City Council's Public Consultation Hub closed for submissions on the 20th January 2023. 245 responses were received.

- **Hanlon's Corner Junction Upgrade**

This scheme design went to Public Consultation in December 2022 and Information leaflets have been distributed in the local area. A Public Information Session on the scheme was held in January in the Holy Family Parish Centre on Prussia Street. Dublin City Council's Public Consultation Hub

closed for submissions on the 1st February 2023. 109 responses were received.

- **Ratoath Road & Cappagh Rd**

This scheme design went to Public Consultation in December and Information leaflets have been distributed in the local area. Dublin City Council's Public Consultation Hub closed for submissions on the 20th January 2023. 224 responses were received.

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

This scheme design went to Public Consultation in December and Information leaflets have been distributed in the local area. Dublin City Council's Public Consultation Hub closed for submissions on the 26th January 2023. 116 responses were received.

- **Kilbarrack Rd to Oscar Traynor Rd.**

This scheme design went to Public Consultation in December and Information leaflets were distributed in the local area. Dublin City Council's Public Consultation Hub closed for submissions on the 31st January 2023. 97 responses were received.

January 2023

- **Sandyford (Clonskeagh) to City Centre (SC2CC)**

Public Consultation opened for this scheme on the 30th January, 2023 and closed for submissions on the 28th February, 2023. 675 submissions were received. As part of the public consultation process 11,000 information leaflets on the scheme were distributed. A walk-in session was conducted on 7th February. This was followed up by a meeting with local business representatives for Ranelagh, also in February.

February 2023

- **Royal Canal Greenway Phase 3**

Royal Canal Phase 3 will provide 2.1 km of cycling facilities and 2.1 km 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 February 15th 2023. A dedicated webpage for the project was also launched and regular updates on the project will be available at www.dublincity.ie/RCGP3

- **Clontarf to City Centre**

Extensive roadworks were undertaken through February on each available weekend. Inbound from Section 2 between Amiens St and Buckingham St was substantially completed. The Historic limestone wall on North Strand Road was completed also.

- **South Grand Canal Cycle Safety Improvements:**

The South Grand Canal Cycle Safety Improvements scheme involves the upgrade of existing signalised junctions from Leeson Street Junction to Suir Road junction by 'tightening' wide junctions to improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists, and will also provide signalised pedestrian crossings. Phase one of the project comprising footpath build outs and pedestrian crossings at Herberton Junction was substantially finished. Resurfacing works on Herberton Road were completed at the of February. Phase 2 works started mid-February at Clogher Road Junction. The works are to be completed in Q4 2023.

March 2023

- **Dodder Greenway**

A meeting of the Dodder Steering Group, comprising officials and Members of DLRCC, SDCC and DCC, was held on 7th March. Public consultation is expected to commence on two sections (Fitzwilliam Quay to Londonbridge Road and Beatty's Avenue to Herbert Park) in Q2 2023. DLRCC plan to proceed with lodging a Part VIII for the Clonskeagh Bridge to Patrick Doyle Road section. AA and EIA screening reports are being progressed for the remaining two sections.

April 2023

- **Royal Canal Greenway Phase 3**

Contractor closed the towpath between Cross Guns Bridge and Binns Bridge and Russell Street Bridge and Clarke's Bridge. Access from the site compound on North Richmond Street was been created east of Croke Park Stadium. The Contractor is to use Portland Place Park to facilitate a portion of the works, the intention is to refurbish the park when the Contractor hands it back. Sheet piling works commenced between Clarkes Bridge and Croke Park Stadium and environmental monitoring has been set up. Off-site construction of the pedestrian bridge continues. Public information evenings on the progress of the works were held at the Mud Island venue on 4th April from 4pm – 7pm and at Phibsborough Library on 12th April from 4:45pm – 7pm. The Pre-Part 8 process for Binns Bridge was initiated.

- **Howth Road to Baldoyle**

A key achievement for April was the completion of the installation of 500 metres of protected cycle track along this route. Measures (anti-skidding surfacing, roadmarkings, signage and bollards) were implemented along **Grange Road**, from the Hole in the Wall roundabout to the Fingal County Council Boundary. This work was achieved through a collaborative effort between AcTPRO and DCC Traffic.

- **Fitzwilliam Street Cycle Route**

This scheme will deliver 1 kilometre of cycling facilities. Construction tenders have been published and the project tender closed on 28th April, 2023. It is anticipated that the preferred tenderer will be selected in Q2 2023. The scheme is scheduled for completion in Q2 2024.

- **Clontarf to City Centre**

In early April, 800m of new cycle track and footpaths were opened along Fairview Park from Malahide Road to the Tolka, which users are currently enjoying. The fourth project leaflet was distributed in early April to over 52,000 homes and businesses around the C2CC catchment giving project updates and photographs of project progress. This is available for download from our webpage www.c2cc.ie. Works are progressing.

May 2023

- **Liffey Cycle Route**

Contractors Cairn Construction have been appointed to undertake measures along a segment of the route commencing at Eden Quay (0.25km section) from O' Connell Bridge to Butt Bridge/Beresford Place junction. Installation works commenced on 3rd of May 2023.

- **Royal Canal Phase 4**

The project will deliver 4.3km of cycling facilities and 4.3km of walking facilities along the Royal Canal, from Cross Guns Bridge (Phibsborough Road) to the city boundary at Ashtown. A presentation was given by members of the project team on the proposed amending Part 8 to the Central Area Committee on 9th of May 2023.

- **Royal Canal Phase 3 –Binns Bridge**

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- **Topographical Surveys**

Extensive advance planning work has been ongoing to enable the acceleration of design development of the network. AcTPrO has made the most of economies of scale, by combining a number of routes and packaged them into surveying lots of approximately a million sq. metres each.

To date, 75% of all programmed survey data has been received, totaling approximately 3.9 million sq. metres. Total survey extents upon completion of the project are anticipated to be approximately 5.2 million sq. metres.

Next Steps

Recruitment for the Active Travel Programme Office will be continuing over the coming months. The efforts to grow the team are continuing and panels have been formed for both Executive and Assistant Engineer grades after completion of the respective competitions. AcTPrO hopes to be able to draw on resources from both panels.

Summary

There are 5 Schemes currently in construction and 1 completed giving an increase of 2 on the last quarter

- Clontarf to City Centre (3km)
- Royal Canal Greenway Phase 3 (2.1km)
- Dodder Greenway: Herbert Park to Donnybrook (0.5km)
- South Grand Canal Cycle Safety Improvements (2.2km)
- Grange Road (500m completed)
- Liffey Cycle Route at Eden Quay: O'Connell Bridge to Butt Bridge/Beresford Place junction (0.25km)
Installation works commenced on 3rd May 2023.

- East Coast Trail (To commence Q2 2023)
- Suir Road to Thomas St (To commence in Q3 2023)
- Fitzwilliam Street Cycle route - To commence in Q3 2023 subject to NTA approval.
The tender competition is now closed and the review process is underway.
- Sandyford Clonskeagh to Charlemont Street - SC2C
Installation of Phase 1 is planned to commence in Q4 2023.

30 of our schemes are currently in design stage a sample of which are stated below;

- Bayside to the Northside Shopping Centre via Kilbarrack Road, Tonlegee Road and Oscar Traynor Road.
- Cabra Cross to the city boundary via Ratoath Road & Cappagh Road.
- Howth Road, from Station Road to James Larkin Road.
- North Circular Road and Portland Row.
- Merrion Square West
- Dodder Greenway Interim Scheme
- Finglas Village Improvement Scheme
- Finglas Area Roundabouts
- Sir John Rogerson's Quay
- Santry River Greenway

In addition, the tender documents for delivery of the remaining sections of the Liffey Cycle Route, comprising George's Quay, Burgh Quay and Aston Quay are being finalised and will go to tender for construction during Q3 2023.

- **Royal Canal Phase 4:** The tender process for the selection of a contractor is scheduled to begin before the end of the year, with construction starting in Q2 2024.
- **Sandyford Clonskeagh to City Charlemont (SC2C):** A Public Consultation Report has been drafted and is expected to be published on the DCC website during June 2023. Construction is scheduled to start in 2024.
- **Dodder Greenway:** Designs are at an advanced stage along five sections where interim measures are achievable, these locations are Fitzwilliam Quay to Londonbridge Road, Beatty's Avenue to Herbert Park, Donnybrook Road to Clonskeagh Road, Clonskeagh Bridge to Patrick Doyle Road and Orwell Road to Dodder Road Lower.

Non-Statutory Public Consultation on the sections from Fitzwilliam Quay to Londonbridge Road and Beatty's Avenue to Herbert Park commenced in May 2023 and there will be a public consultation evening on these two sections in June 2023.

- **Fitzwilliam Street:** The tender competition for this cycle route is now closed and the review process is underway. It is anticipated that construction works will commence in Q3 2023 subject to NTA approval and will take approximately twelve months to complete
- **Chesterfield Avenue:** The Active Travel team are liaising with the OPW and tender documents for the engagement of a multi-disciplinary design teams are being finalised.
- **Santry Greenway:** A multi-disciplinary design team has been appointed and the route option selection and design work is ongoing.

The following schemes are proposed to go the Public Consultation over Q2 & Q3 2023:

- Gracefield Rd to Vernon Ave
- Trinity to Ballsbridge
- Rathmines to Milltown

A regular monthly update on the progress of the programme is contained within the Environment & Transportation section of each Monthly Management report to all of the Elected Members.

In addition, a comprehensive quarterly progress update on the programme is issued to the Full Council meeting and all Elected Members, the next report will issue to the July Council Meeting.

Further information on the overall network, including an interactive GIS map of all routes and a complete list of all roads and streets involved, is available at www.dublincity.ie/activetravel