

Report to Traffic and Transport SPC

Project Updates:

Summary:

There are 7 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)**
- **Liffey Cycle Route at Eden Quay: O'Connell Bridge to Butt Bridge/Beresford Place junction (0.25km)**
- **East Coast Trail**
- **Suir Road to Thomas St**

- **Fitzwilliam Street Cycle route - To commence in Q3 2023 subject to NTA approval.**
- **Sandyford Clonskeagh to Charlemont Street - SC2C (installation of Phase 1 is planned to commence in Q4 2023).**

31 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

The following scheme is proposed to go the Public Consultation over Q3 2023:

- Dodder Greenway - Beavers Row

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).

Temporary road closure along Charleville Mall has been extended by two months to 31st October in order to deal with substandard gully connections and road formations that have been identified.

Works were suspended on the towpath from Clarke's Bridge to Charleville Mall due to fragile nature of the canal wall. The scope of the remediation works to the canal bank wall between Clarke's Bridge and Newcomen Bridge are to be determined and a conservation led approach to remediation is to be carried out in agreement with Waterways Ireland.

Works on the western side of Clarke's Bridge are suspended pending resolution of the design of the retaining wall tie-in to the bridge and the diversion of gas mains.

An initial meeting with Áit Urbanism & Landscape to take place on 4th September, and then the consultation and design work will commence.

The Binns Bridge Amending Part VIII was formally submitted on 10th July. Submissions were open until 23rd July and 12 submissions were received by this date. We are awaiting the Planners determination & recommendations, so that we can proceed to Area Committee and full Council. .

A dedicated webpage for the project was also launched and regular updates on the project will be available at www.dublincity.ie/RCGP3

Liffey Cycle Route

This is an east west City centre cycling route linking Matt Talbot Bridge in the East with Heuston Station and the Phoenix park in the west.

Contractors Cairn Construction are progressing the works along a segment of the route commencing at Eden Quay (0.25km section) from O' Connell Bridge to Butt Bridge/Beresford Place junction. The Beresford place junction should be completed by end of October. Further sections will follow continuously.

Clontarf to City Centre Route

Traffic has been progressed to the outbound carriageway which is a significant milestone in the Scheme. Traffic has moved over with the inbound permanent bus lane now in use.

There is approx. 800m of cycle track open and operational past Fairview Park. Approximately 300m has opened along Amiens St and an additional 400m has opened along Alfie Byrne Rd and Howth Rd, bringing a total of 1500m of inbound cycle track which is currently operational and under use by the general public.

Works that can now progress along the outbound side include watermain, kerbing, paving, cycle track construction, road pavement construction, tree pits and bus stops.

Works commenced in June on the CIE retaining wall at CIE Headquarters with excavation and fixing of the wall footing underway. The base of the wall has also been poured with the walls to be constructed next.

Signals were commissioned on Clontarf Rd / Alfie Byrne Rd junction.

Works have also commenced on the outbound bus stops with Amiens St being completed and fully operational. Five of the six inbound stops are complete and in operation

All structural tree pits are nearing completion inbound and a number are progressed on the outbound.

Approximately 45% of the public lighting has been installed and operational.

All details of the project can be found on our dedicated webpage www.c2cc.ie.

Dodder Greenway Route

This is a route along the Dodder from Docklands to DCC boundary at Orwell Park.

Non statutory Public Consultation concluded on June 30th on two sections of the Rapid Deployment schemes-Fitzwilliam Quay-Londonbridge Road and Beattys Avenue to Herbert Park.

A public Information evening was held on the two schemes Fitzwilliam Quay-Londonbridge Road and Beattys Avenue to Herbert Park on June 15th in Sandymount Community Centre

Part VIII documents for Clonskeagh Bridge to Patrick Doyle Road on DLRCC to be lodged on October 2nd. An Ecological Impact assessment is complete on this section.

Conservation and Heritage Surveys on all 5 sections are due to be complete in late September.

Following a trial at the junction of Merrion Road and Anglesea Road, agreement has been reached with DCC Traffic on the proposal to install a toucan crossing on the Merrion Road Crossing as part of the Beattys Avenue to Herbert Park Rapid Build Scheme.

Agreement reached with SDCC on the tie in at Lower Dodder Road.

Royal Canal Phase 4 Route

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.

As requested at the Central Area Committee meeting on May 9th, Active Travel had a site meeting with Central Area Cllrs on June 6th.

As requested at the Central Area Committee meeting on May 9th, a written reply to questions on the day was issued to all Cllrs by Active Travel.

An initial meeting was held between Active Travel and Cabra For Youth on June 12th

DCC are awaiting feedback on an Otter Derogation licence Application which was submitted to the NPWS in Feb 2023.

Following Consultation with the NPWS Ross Macklin has been engaged to carry out surveys for the coming 4 years covering Otter Survey, Otter DNA Collection, Molluscan Invertebrate Survey and

Macrophyte Surveys. These surveys can be used when considering the impact of all transport projects.

On June 1st a meeting was held with DCC Public Lighting, ROD consultants, Tina Auckney (lighting Specialist) and Neville Brown (lighting supplier) to discuss the upcoming lighting Trial methodology which is due to commence on site on August 7th.

South Grand Canal on Road Safety Improvement Scheme

This scheme involves the cycling improvements along the R111 between Suir Road in the West to Rathmines and further towards Ballsbridge.

The works at the South Grand Canal are currently delayed due to the recent Liquidation of the main contractor - SIAC Construction Ltd. The remaining contract works are to be completed under existing DCC Frameworks. The tender process has commenced, with the closing date of competition the 15th Sept.

East Coast Trail – S2S

Cyclist improvement works along East Wall Road linking Alfie Byrne Road to the Point Junction, including works along Dublin Port boundary.

Works are progressing well on site. The island bus stop on Alfie Byrne Rd has been completed and crews are now working towards the junction with East Point Business Park. Road gullies and footpaths are being constructed along the ESB Carpark Section and works are continuing at East Rd. The newly created webpage has drawings and project information available for download, and can be found at www.dublincity.ie/ectnp1

Suir Road to Thomas Street

An information leaflet regarding the construction works was issued by DCC to local residents and businesses. Work commenced on 8th August 2023 with the upgrade of the controlled crossing and footpath works on Marrowbone Lane. Work has commenced on Forbes Lane and this will be one way.

Full details of the scheme can be found on the Active travel webpage. www.activetravel.ie

Coolock to Clontarf

New Cycling and Walking Infrastructure along Clontarf Rd - North, adjacent to St Anne's Avenue towards Coolock connecting with the proposed Santry Greenway.

The Public Consultation for this scheme went live on 2nd June and a Public Information evening was held on 25th July with over 90 attendees. This public consultation period has concluded and the submissions have been reviewed and will be published in a consultation summary report.

Dodder Greenway – Herbert Park to Donnybrook

This Scheme will deliver the Dodder Greenway on the Northern bank between Donnybrook and Herbert Park. The Flood Defence is complete and it is anticipated that the project will be substantially complete by October 2023.

Sir John Rogerson Quay Project

The multi-disciplinary design team is now established for the Sir John Rogerson Quay project. The scope of the design work includes upgrades to the public realm of 800 metres on Sir John Rodgers Quay, Flood alleviation measures, a two way high quality cycle route from Samuel Beckett Bridge to the proposed Dodder Bridge and changes to the road alignment to integrate the complete design with Bus Connects route 16.

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.

Fitzwilliam Street Cycle Route

This scheme will deliver 1 kilometre of cycling facilities. Construction tenders have been published and it is anticipated that the preferred tenderer will commence in Q4 2023.

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 zones. The Active Travel team have prepared the Public Consultation Reports for two segments of this route, Dorset St Lower to Amiens St and the Hanlon's Corner junction upgrade. They are due to be published. The team have also developed service requirements for the appointment of Engineering design teams to develop the detailed designs. On the Seville Place section, 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.

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. The tender documents for the engagement of multi-disciplinary design teams are prepared. They have been undergoing third party review and it is planned to publish the tender in Q3 2023

Finglas Village Improvement Scheme

The Concept Design and Option Selection process for the Finglas Village Improvement Scheme are being advanced. A Rapid Build Options Report is required to be prepared for the scheme in accordance with NTA requirements for this phase. The proposed options will then be considered by Active Travel and the NTA, and the Elected Members will be updated accordingly.

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, and appointment of an environmental consultant to complete AA and EIA screening reports.

The Active Travel Office is 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 Q3 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.

Ratoath Road & Cappagh Rd

The Active Travel team have prepared the Public Consultation Report and it is due to be published shortly. 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 Q3 2023.

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 shortly. 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 Q3 2023.

Kilbarrack Rd to Oscar Traynor Rd.

The Active Travel team have prepared the Public Consultation Report and it is expected to be published shortly. 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 Q3 2023.

Communications:

AcTPrO aims to provide clear, concise and accurate information to Councillors, businesses and residents, and all users of the project within any particular project corridor and all other relevant stakeholders, on the delivery of the Active Travel Network.

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 such as maps, drawings, artist impressions and communicate different elements of the project. A section on how to contact the project team is also available. AcTPrO maintains an active social media presence on the DCC social media channels using the hashtags #activetravelnetwork and #climate action, posting on average six times per week

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.

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

13th Sept 2023 – Chris Manzira, Deputy Director for the Active Travel Programme Office