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Briefing on Core Bus Corridors Project 4th December 2018

What's the big picture?



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Greater Dublin Area Transport Strategy 2016-2035 sets overall framework for transport development

- BusConnects Dublin a major programme to transform Dublin's bus services.
- MetroLink a north-south high capacity spine from Swords to Sandyford, serving the airport and the city centre.
- Dart Expansion Programme which will see the implementation of high-frequency Dart services on the Northern Line, the Kildare Line, and the Maynooth Line.



BusConnects – Bringing Solutions

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1.3 What is BusConnects Dublin?

BusConnects Dublin is a major investment programme to improve public transport in Dublin.

It aims to overhaul the current bus system in Dublin through a 10 year programme of integrated actions to deliver a more efficient, reliable and better bus system for more people.



- Building a network of new bus corridors to make journey's faster and more reliable.
- New network of cycle lanes tracks.



Redesign of the Dublin area bus network to provide a more efficient network with high frequency spines, new orbital routes and increased bus services.



Develop a state-of-the-art

cashless payment system.

ticketing system.

Implementation of a

Simpler fare structure.

EAP

New bus livery providing a common style across different operators.



- New bus stops and shelters with better signage and information.
- Provision of bus based Park and Ride sites in key locations.

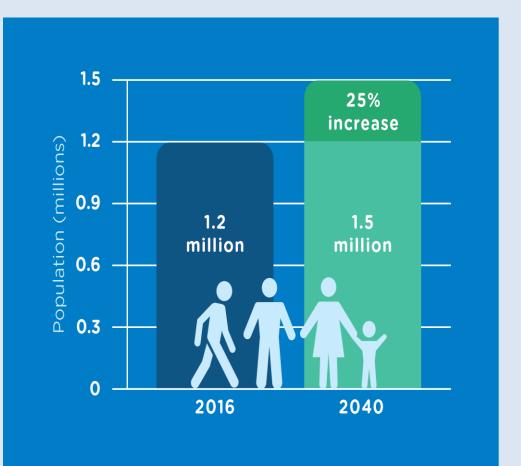


 Transitioning to a new bus fleet with low emission vehicle technologies.

BusConnects – Why we need it?



- Address congestion
- Enable population growth
- Allow economic growth
- Support housing



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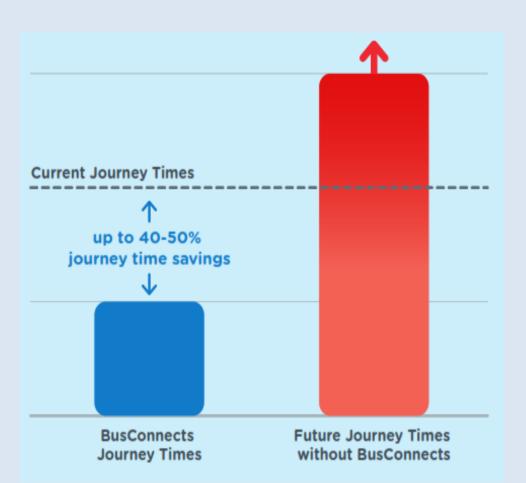
- Deliver safer cycling
- Build on sustainable transport trends
- Improve accessibility
- Reduce CO² emissions



The Benefits it will bring



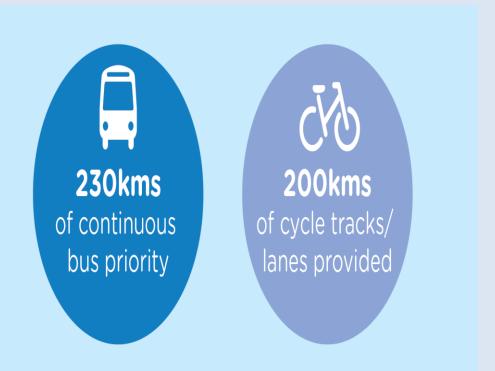
- Time Savings: Bus journey time savings of up to 40-50%
- Reliability: Reliable and punctual bus services
- Bus Passenger growth Continue to build on 17% growth over last 3 years
- Capacity: Faster journey times means the same bus fleet can operate more services



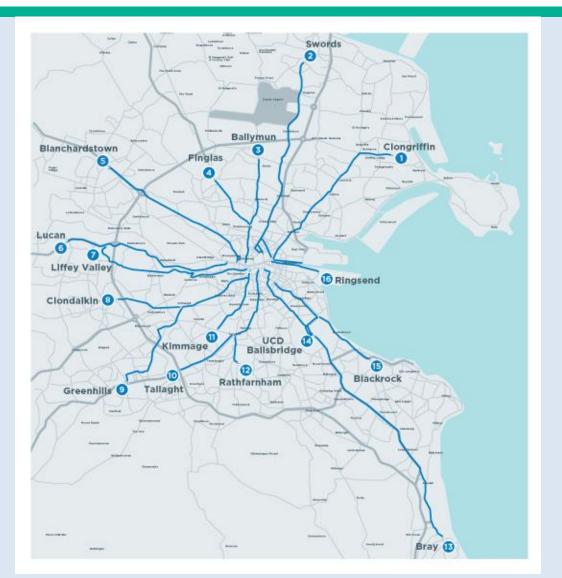
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- Cycling: BusConnects is the single biggest cycling infrastructure plan in the history of the state.
- Greater Dublin Area Cycle Network Plan: This initiative forms the foundation of the overall Greater Dublin Area cycle network plan.
- Accessibility: Improved footpaths and pedestrian facilities to access bus stops.
- Improved urban centres: Additional landscaping and outdoor amenities for local areas will be included as part of the building and design.



Recap - Discussion Document June 2018 CONNECTS



- **1.** Clongriffin to City Centre
- 2. Swords to City Centre
- 3. Ballymun to City Centre
- 4. Finglas to Phibsborough
- 5. Blanchardstown to City Centre
- 6. Lucan to City Centre
- 7. Liffey Valley to City Centre
- 8. Clondalkin to Drimnagh
- 9. Greenhills to City Centre
- 10. Tallaght to Terenure
- **11.** Kimmage to City Centre
- **12.** Rathfarnham to City Centre
- 13. Bray to City Centre
- 14. UCD Ballsbridge to City Centre
- 15. Blackrock to Merrion
- 16. Ringsend to City Centre

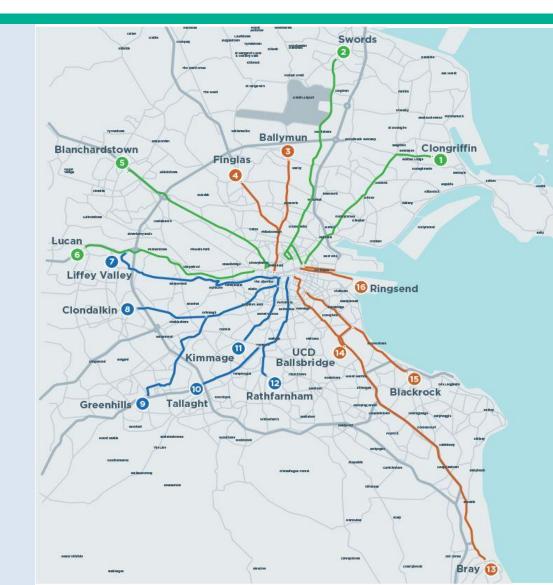
Taking a phased approach for publication and consultation



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Prioritise
 potentially
 impacted
 householders

 Allows us to dedicate significant resources to each corridor



Radial Core Bus Corridors Emerging Preferred Routes Public Consultation Phases

Phase 1: 14th November 2018 to 15th February 2019

Clongriffin to City Centre
 Swords to City Centre
 Blanchardstown to City Centre
 Lucan to City Centre

Phase 2: Mid-January to End March 2019

7. Liffey Valley to City Centre
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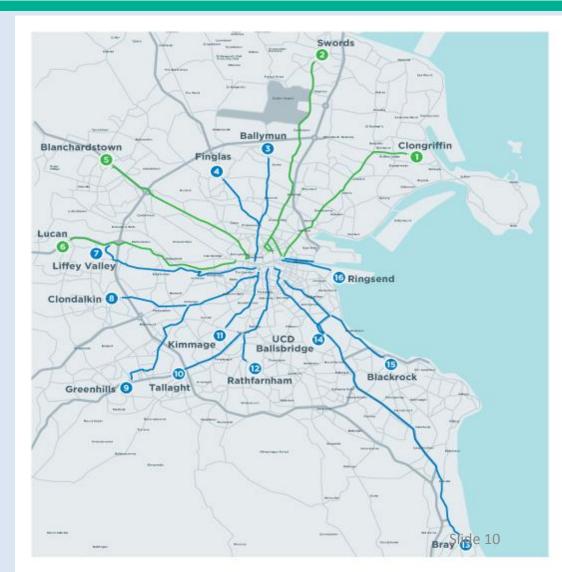
Phase 3: Mid-February to End April 2019

Ballymun to City Centre
 Finglas to Phibsborough
 Bray to City Centre
 Blackrock to Merrion
 UCD Ballsbridge to City Centre
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Which corridors are first?

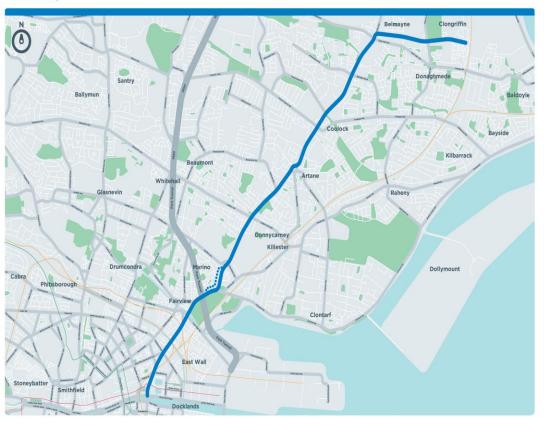


- Clongriffin to CityCentre
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Clongriffin to City Centre Corridor Key Facts

Clongriffin > City Centre



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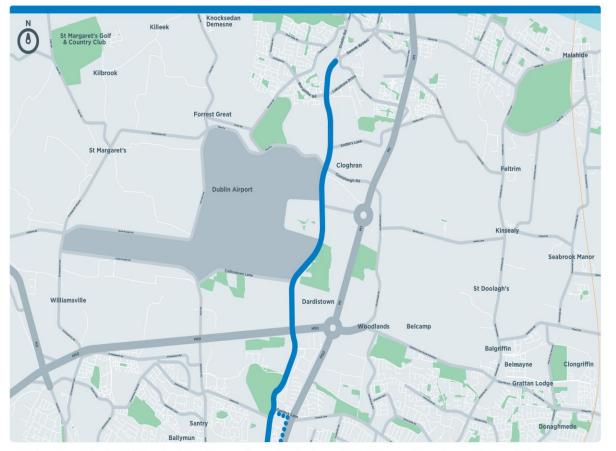
- Approximate Number of Properties that may be Impacted: 120
- Approximate Number of On-Street Parking spaces that may be Removed: **31**
- Approximate Number of Roadside Trees that may be Removed: 100
- Approximate Route Length: **10kms**
- Approximate New Cycle Lane Length:
 6kms
- Current Bus Journey Time up to 65 mins
- BusConnects Journey Time: **30-35 mins**
- Future Bus Journey Time without BusConnects: **85 mins +**

Swords > City Centre Key Facts



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Swords > City Centre



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Approximate Number of Properties
that may be Impacted: **110**Approximate Number of On-Street
Parking spaces that may be Removed:

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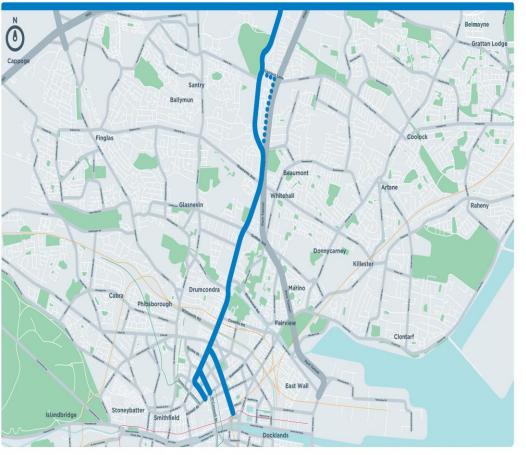
- Approximate Number of Roadside Trees that may be Removed: **170**
- Approximate Route Length: 12kms
- Approximate New Cycle Lane Length: 12kms
- Current Bus Journey Time up to 71 mins
- BusConnects Journey Time: 40 mins
- Future Bus Journey Time without BusConnects: **80 mins +**

Swords > City Centre Key Facts



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Swords > City Centre Index Map (continued)



Key facts on previous slide.

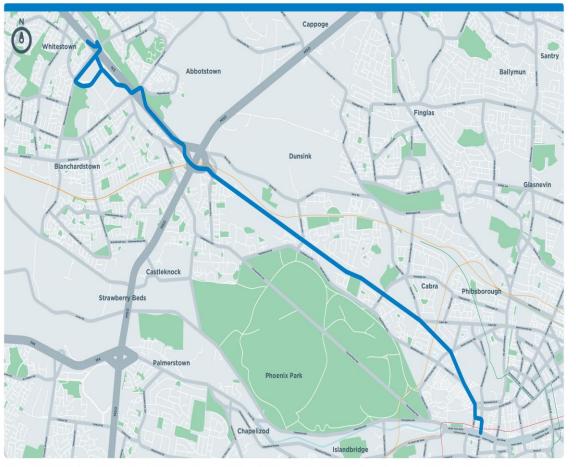
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Blanchardstown > City Centre Key Facts



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Blanchardstown > City Centre



- Approximate Number of Properties that may be Impacted: 100
- Approximate Number of On-Street
 Parking Spaces that may be removed: 87
- Approximate Number of Roadside Trees that may be Removed: 200
- Approximate Route Length: 8kms
- Approximate New Cycle Lane Length: 8kms
- Current Bus Journey Time up to 65 mins
- BusConnects Journey Time: 20-25 mins
- Future Bus Journey Time without BusConnects: 80 mins +

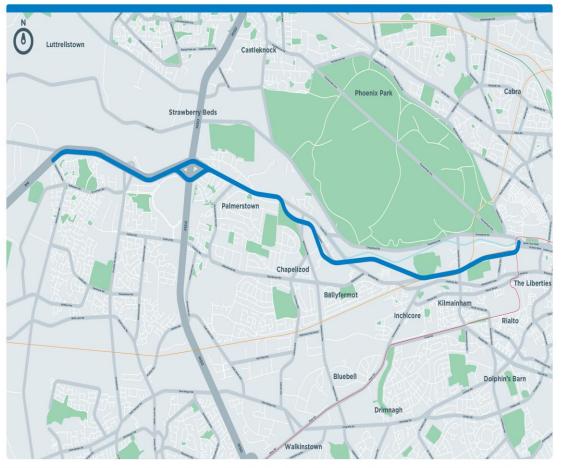
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Lucan > City Centre Key Facts



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Lucan > City Centre



- Approximate Number of Properties that may be Impacted: 15
- Approximate Number of On-Street
 Parking Spaces that may be Removed: 13
- Approximate Number of Roadside Trees that may be Removed: 44
- Approximate Route Length: 10kms
- Approximate New Cycle Lane Length:
 5kms
- Current Bus Journey Time 50 mins
- BusConnects Journey Time: **30-35 mins**
- Future Bus Journey Time without BusConnects: 60 mins +

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The project is not without its challenges

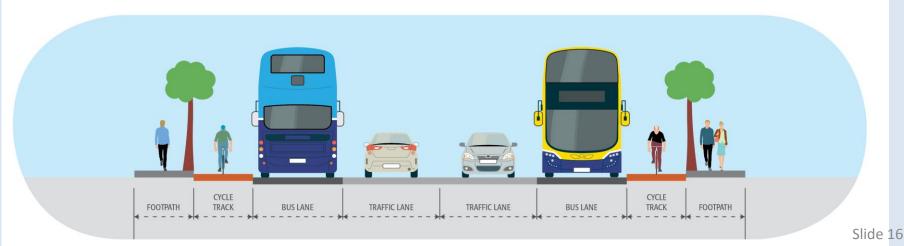


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To achieve the dedicated bus lanes & cycle tracks for millions of bus passengers and tens of thousands of cyclists we have limited space to work with:

- Potential loss of portions of gardens, gardens walls and fencing
- > Traffic changes
- Reduction of on-street parking
- Removal of trees
- Road works

Optimum Road Layout



How we will engage with general public? BUS CONNECTS

- Property owners All property owners potentially affected by the proposals notified by post and a one-to-one meeting is being offered with each of those impacted.
- Community Forum The establishment of a community fourm for each corridor where there will be an opportunity for a representative from Residents' Associations, Community Groups, Public Representatives and Interested Groups to get informed and engaged during the public consultation process.
- Public Information Events A series of public information meetings will be held in venues along the four corridors.
- Submissions Written submissions and observations may be made: Online at: <u>www.busconnects.ie</u>;
 Via post to: Core Bus Corridor Project, NTA, Dun Sceine, Harcourt Lane, Dublin 2, D02 WT20; By email to: <u>cbc@busconnects.ie</u>.

More people using public transport = more space for everyone to move around



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