

Non Statutory Public Consultation

Proposed St.Paul's to Ballykeefe Active Travel Scheme

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1 INTRODUCTION

The St.Paul's to Ballykeeffe Active Travel Scheme is a project proposed by Limerick City and County Council. It is being funded by the National Transport Authority.

The objective is to connect St Paul's Roundabout to Ballykeeffe Roundabout via a new pedestrian and cycle facility.

The proposed Scheme is intended to form an important part of Limerick's Active Travel Network, connecting Fr Russell Rd and Mungret to St.Nessans Rd and Dooradoyle. It will then additionally facilitate onward future Active Travel connections to the City by connecting to the approved South Circular Road to City Centre Active Travel Scheme.

As part of an ongoing non-statutory consultation process, Limerick City and County Council's Active Travel team presented five options for each of the three sections of the Scheme in in June and July of 2023.

An in-person Public Consultation Forum for the proposed St Paul's to Ballykeeffe Active Travel Scheme was held in the Training Room in Limerick City and County Council's Dooradoyle Offices on Wednesday, June 21st, 2023 between 13:00 -15:00 and 17:00 - 19:00.

A virtual public consultation room went live on June 21st, 2023 and was available to the general public to access until July 5th, 2023.

An email address to contact Limerick City and County Council's Active Travel team [activetravel@limerick.ie] was made available to receive submissions/observations. These could also be submitted via a link in the Virtual Room and by Hard Copy on the day of the Public Consultation Forum.

2 DESIGN OPTIONS

Potential design options are currently being considered for pedestrian and cycle infrastructure on each of the three elements of the scheme. These options are summarised below and drawings of these options are contained in Appendix 1.

Saint Pauls Roundabout

- Option 1 - Existing Roundabout Arrangement
- Option 2 - Roundabout with Segregated Cycle Tracks, Controlled Crossings & Bus Priority Signals
- Option 3 - Roundabout with Segregated Cycle Tracks & Signalised Crossings & Bus Priority Signals
- Option 4 - Protected Signalised Junction with Segregated Cycle Tracks (Figure 16 BusConnects)
- Option 5 - Signalised Junction with Cycle Lanes (Figure 17 BusConnects)

Link Section between Roundabouts

- Option 1 - One-way Cycle Tracks
- Option 2 - One-way Cycle Tracks from Saint Pauls Roundabout to Ballykeeffe Estate with a shared street facility through Ballykeeffe Estate to Ballykeeffe Roundabout
- Option 2A - Two-way Cycle Track from Saint Pauls Roundabout to Ballykeeffe Estate with a shared street facility through Ballykeeffe Estate to Ballykeeffe Roundabout with One-way cycle track on east side of road
- Option 3 - Two-way Cycle Track on east side of road
- Option 4 - Two-way Cycle Tracks on both sides of road
- Option 5 - Existing Scenario

Ballykeeffe Roundabout

- Option 1 - Existing Roundabout Arrangement
- Option 2 - Roundabout with Segregated Cycle Tracks, Controlled Crossings & Bus Priority Signals on outbound approach
- Option 3 - Roundabout with Segregated Cycle Tracks & Signalised Crossings & Bus Priority Signals
- Option 4 - Protected Signalised Junction with Segregated Cycle Tracks
- Option 5 - Signalised Junction with Cycle Lanes

3 SUMMARY: FEEDBACK FROM THE NON STATUTORY PUBLIC CONSULTATION

As part of the ongoing non-statutory consultation, the following is a summary of key issues:

- Cyclist priority
- Bus priority
- Tree removal
- CPO
- Safe environment for children and adults to walk and cycle in the area
- Impact on private land
- Driveways on Fr Russell
- Volumes of children using this route, high quality service required
- Traffic impact if roundabout is signalised
- Dutch style roundabout preferred

4 SUMMARY

The non-statutory Public Consultation is ongoing. Further non statutory public consultation with stakeholders will take place. Based on current information and feedback, a preferred option will be selected and presented for further non-statutory public consultation.

Appendix 1:

Please note that Appendix 1, containing detailed drawings of options presented during this consultation phase, are available in PDF form at the following web address: [Non-Statutory Public Consultation: St Paul's to Ballykeeffe Roundabout Active Travel Scheme | Limerick City & County Council's Online Consultation, Survey and Application Form Portal](#)