

A bus network
designed
for Cork's
future.

Welcome to your
New Bus Network.

What is BusConnects?

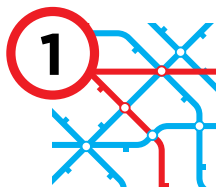
BusConnects is the National Transport Authority's (NTA) programme to greatly improve bus services in Irish cities. BusConnects is contained within the Government's National Development Plan 2021 – 2030 and the Climate Action Plan 2019.

What's happening in Cork?

BusConnects Cork is a programme of nine measures to fundamentally transform Cork's bus system. This programme will assist in realising the ambition of the Cork Metropolitan Area Transport Strategy to significantly increase public transport use.

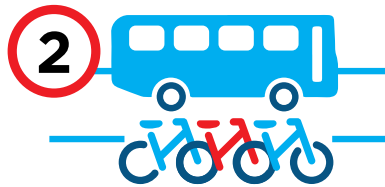
The Bus Network Redesign is a key part of the BusConnects programme and represents the foundation of transforming mobility in the Cork Metropolitan Area for the years to come.

How will the Cork Bus System be improved?



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**Redesigning
the bus
network**



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**Building a
new network
of bus corridors
and cycle lanes**



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Implementing
state of the art
**ticketing
system**



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Implementing
**Cashless
payment
system**



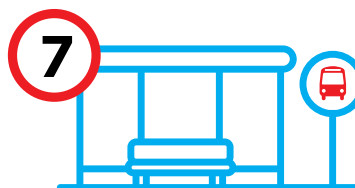
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**Simpler
fare
structure**



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**New bus
livery**



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**New bus stops
and shelters**
with better signage
and information



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**New Park
& Ride**
sites in key locations



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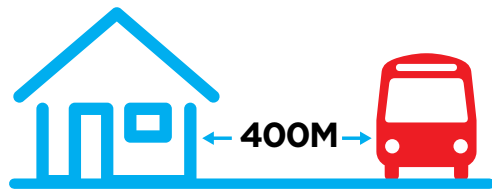
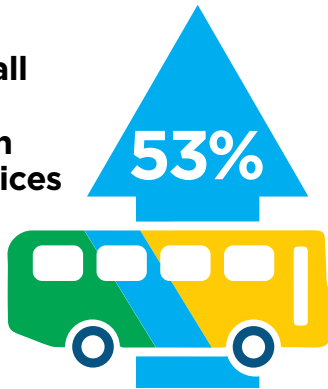
Transitioning to a new
**zero emissions
bus fleet**

What are the benefits of the redesigned bus network?

The Cork Metropolitan Area is growing and the redesign of the bus network - routes, frequencies and timetables - will deliver a better bus system for the current and future needs of the city.

- Approximately 53% more bus service offered.
- A new frequent network that paves the way for Luas.
- Shorter waits and more direct routes for many people.
- Simpler network and schedules.
- Additional services overnight and at weekends.
- The average resident will have access to 18% more jobs under the new network.
- Young people's access to school places will increase by 23% and their access to jobs by 20%, with the revised bus system.
- More residents of the City and County will be on the public transport network.

An overall increase of 53% in bus services



Better access to bus services -
38% more residents will be within 400m of frequent service.



New connections to schools, hospitals and other essential services



15 MINUTES

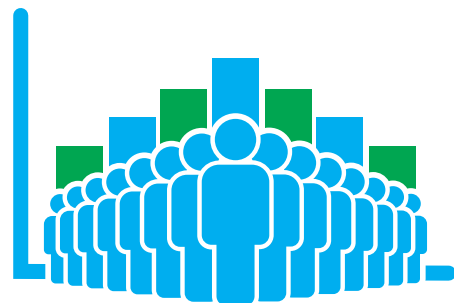
Building a high-frequency network, ready for Luas -

More routes will offer short waits all day and all week, for the journeys people make the most.



Improved late night and 24 hours service -

Many routes will run later into the night, and new overnight service will be offered on routes connecting four corners of the metropolitan area.



Increased capacity at peak travel times

How Did We Get Here?

In July 2021 the NTA held an initial public consultation on BusConnects Cork. This gave the people of Cork the opportunity to help shape a new bus network by giving their views on how a new network should be designed. There were almost 1200 responses to the consultation, and many more engagements. These responses informed the design of a Draft New Bus Network for the Cork Metropolitan Area.

In November 2021, the NTA held a second public consultation on the Draft New Bus Network for the Cork Metropolitan Area. Like the initial consultation, the survey gave the people of Cork the opportunity to respond to the network and to inform the design of the final network. There were almost 1300 responses to the consultation, and many more engagements. These responses informed the design of the Final New Bus Network.

What Happens Next?

The New Bus Network will be delivered during 2023 and 2024. As part of BusConnects, the NTA are also advancing work on the Sustainable Transport Corridors which will improve travel times on the bus network and improve connections for pedestrians and cyclists. Other parts of the BusConnects programme, like simpler fares, will be delivered with the new bus network.

These improvements and others to the public transport network will help support Cork's future as a dynamic, competitive, and connected European city.

To view the full Final Network Report and to use the interactive online map, please visit:

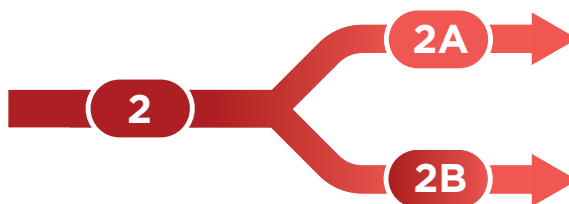
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Understanding the New Bus Network



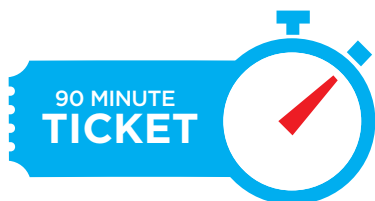
New Network, new numbers

The network will have all new route numbers.



What does it mean when two routes come together on the map?

Route branches continue at lower frequency



Simplified fares

- A single fare will cover all bus and rail trips started within 90 minutes.
- You won't have to pay extra to change between bus to another bus, or from bus to rail, including the future Luas system.



When is the bus network changing?

The new bus network will be introduced during 2023/2024. So there will be plenty of time to get familiar with your new routes and bus numbers.

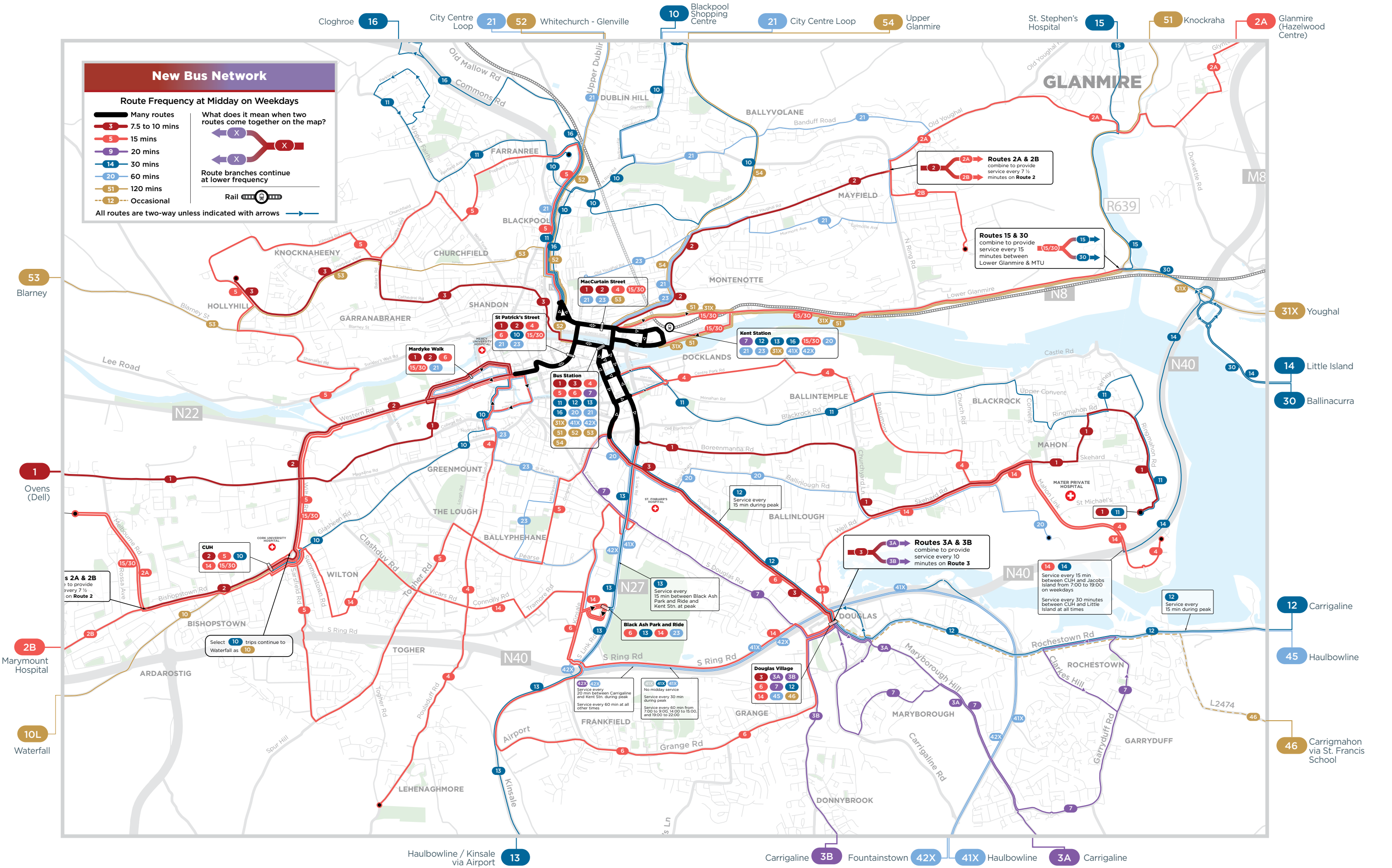
Route	From	Via	To	How Often
1	Ovens/Dell EMC	Main Road - Carrigrohane Road - Model Farm Road (MTU) - College Road (UCC) - St. Patrick's Street - City Hall - Boreenmanna Road - Skehard Road	Mahon Point	Every 10 mins
2	Curraheen Road	Bishopstown Road - CUH - Western Road - St. Patrick's Street - MacCurtain Street - Old Youghal Road	Mayfield	Every 7.5 mins
2A	Munster Technological University	Bishopstown Road - CUH - Western Road - St. Patrick's Street - MacCurtain Street - Old Youghal Road - Church Hill	Glanmire (Hazelwood Centre)	Every 15 mins
2B	Marymount Hospice	Curraheen Road - Bishopstown Road - CUH - Western Road - St. Patrick's Street - MacCurtain Street - Old Youghal Road - Boherboy Road	Ashmount	Every 15 mins
2B	Grange Manor	Grange Terrace - Castle Road - Maglin Road - Curaheen Road - CUH - Western Road - MacCurtain Street - Old Youghal Road - Boherboy Road	Ashmount	Every 30 mins
3	Carrigaline	Carrigaline Main Street - alternating Donnybrook Hill or Maryborough Hill - Douglas Village - Douglas Road - City Hall - Bus Station - Cathedral Road	Apple	Every 10 mins
3A	Carrigaline via Maryborough Hill	Ferney Road - Kilmoney Road Lower - Carrigaline Main Street - Maryborough Road - Douglas Village Shopping Centre - Douglas Road - City Hall - Bus Station - Cathedral Road	Apple	Every 20 mins
3B	Carrigaline via Donnybrook Hill	Fuscia Avenue - Kilmoney Road Lower - Carrigaline Main Street - Ballinrea Road - Donnybrook Hill - Douglas Village Shopping Centre - Douglas Road - City Hall - Bus Station - Cathedral Road	Apple	Every 20 mins
4	Lehenaghmore	Pouladuff Road - Green Street - Gregg Road - St. Patrick Street - Merchant's Quay - Centre Park Road - Beaumont Drive - Skehard Road - Mahon Point Shopping Centre	Jacobs Island	Every 15 mins
5	Cork University Hospital	(Two-Way) Wilton Road - Victoria Cross - Shanakiel Road - Apple - Popham's Road - Blackpool Shopping Centre - Bridge Street - City Hall - Connolly Road - Togher Road - Sarsfield Road (Two-Way)	Cork University Hospital	Every 15 mins
6	Frankfield / Kinsale Road / Grange Road	(Two-Way) Kinsale Road - South Link Road - City Hall - Merchant's Quay - Saint Patrick Street - UCC - Saint Patrick Street - City Hall - Douglas Road - Grange Road (Two-Way)	Frankfield / Kinsale Road / Grange Road	Every 15 mins
7	Mount Oval	Rochestown Road - Garryduff Road - Maryborough Hill - South Douglas Road - City Hall - Bus Station	Kent Station	Every 20 mins
10	Cork University Hospital	Glasheen Road - Gregg Road - St. Patrick's Street - North Ring Road - Glenheights Road - Ballyhooly Road - Glen Avenue (Two-Way)	Blackpool Shopping Centre	Every 30 mins
10	Waterfall	Waterfall Road - Bishopstown Road - Glasheen Road - Gregg Road - St. Patrick's Street - North Ring Road - Glenheights Road - Ballyhooly Road - Glen Avenue	Blackpool Shopping Centre	Every 120 mins
11	Mahon Point Shopping Centre	Ringmahon Road - Saint Luke's Home - Blackrock - Blackrock Road - Kent Station - MacCurtain Street - Blackpool Shopping Centre - Fairfield Avenue - Upper Fairhill - Parklands Drive	Farranree	Every 30 mins
12	Carrigaline Primary Care Centre	Crosshaven Road - Carrigaline Main Street - N28 - Passage West - Rochestown Road - Douglas Village - Douglas Road - City Hall <i>*Occasional trips will route via South Douglas Road</i>	Kent Station	Every 30 mins (15 mins in peak)
13	Black Ash Park and Ride	South Link Road - City Hall - Bus Station <i>*Additional service every 15 mins between Black Ash P&R and Kent at peak only</i>	Kent Station	Every 15 mins, peak only
13	Airport	South Link Road - City Hall - Bus Station	Kent Station	Every 30 mins
13A	Haulbowline	Coolmore Cross - Shanbally - Carrigaline - Ballygarvan - Cork Airport - Kinsale Road - South Link Road - Black Ash Park and Ride - Bus Station	Kent Station	Every 60 mins
13B	Kinsale	Belgooly - Riverstick - Cork Airport - Kinsale Road - South Link Road - Black Ash Park and Ride - Bus Station	Kent Station	Every 60 mins

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Route	From	Via	To	How Often
14	Cork University Hospital	Summerstown Road - Clashduv Road - Tramore Road - Black Ash Park and Ride - South Ring - Douglas Village - Well Road - Skehard Road - Mahon Point Shopping Centre	Mahon Point	Every 15 mins
14	Cork University Hospital	Summerstown Road - Tramore Road - Black Ash Park and Ride - South Ring - Douglas Village Shopping Centre - Well Road - Skehard Road - Mahon Point Shopping Centre	Little Island	Every 30 mins
15	St. Stephen's Hospital	Sallybrook - Glanmire - Lower Glanmire Road - MacCurtain Street - St Patrick's Street - Western Road - Wilton Road - Bishopstown Road - Melbourne Road	Munster Technological University	Every 30 mins
15/30	Lower Glanmire Road	Kent Station - MacCurtain Street - St Patrick's Street - Western Road - Wilton Road - Bishopstown Road - Melbourne Road <i>*Combined service of routes 15 and 30</i>	Munster Technological University	Every 15 mins
16	Cloghroe	Tower - Blarney - Blackpool Shopping Centre - MacCurtain Street	Kent Station	Every 30 mins
16	Ballincollig	Carrigrohane - Cloghroe Road - Cloghroe - Tower - Blarney - Blackpool Shopping Centre - MacCurtain Street	Kent Station	Every 60 mins
20	Bessboro	Skehard Road - Ballinlough Road - Southern Road - City Hall	Kent Station	Every 60 mins
21	City Centre	Kent Station - Summerhill North - Dillons Cross - North Ring Road - Lower Dublin Hill - Dublin Street - MacCurtain Street (Two-Way)	City Centre	Every 60 mins
23	Collins Barracks	Old Youghal Road - Ballyhooly Road - Kent Station - MacCurtain Street - St Patrick's Street - Deerpark - Connolly Road - Lower Friar's Walk - Pearse Road	Black Ash Park and Ride	Every 60 mins
30	Ballinacurra	Midleton - Carrigtwohill - Little Island - Lower Glanmire Road - MacCurtain Street - St Patrick's Street - Western Road - Wilton Road - Bishopstown Road - Melbourne Road	Munster Technological University	Every 30 mins
31X	Youghal	Killeagh - Castlemartyr - Midleton <i>*Occasional trips will serve Ardmore, Ladysbridge and Mogelly</i>	City Centre	Every 120 mins
32	Ballycotton	Garryvoe - Cloyne - Ballinacurra - Midleton	Midleton Rail Station	Every 120 mins
33	Trabolgan	Whitegate - Ballinacurra - Midleton	Midleton Rail Station	Every 120 mins
34	Cuskinny Beach	Spy Hill - Cobh Train Station- Norwood Park - Ballynoe Road - Carrigaloe Cross River Ferry	Carrigaloe Cross River Ferry	Every 30 mins
40	Fort Camden	Crosshaven - Carrigaline - Cork Road - Shanbally - Ringaskiddy	Haulbowline	Every 30 mins
41X	Haulbowline	Ringaskiddy - Carr's Hill - South Link Road - City Hall - Bus Station <i>*Peak only service</i>	Kent Station	Every 30 mins, peak only
42X	Carrigaline	Carr's Hill - South Link Road - City Hall - Bus Station <i>*Additional service at peak only</i>	Kent Station	Every 20 mins, peak only
42X	Fountainstown	R612 - Crosshaven - Carr's Hill - Carrigaline - South Link Road - City Hall - Bus Station	Kent Station	Every 60 mins
45	Douglas Village	N28 - Passage West - Rochestown Road - Douglas Village - Douglas Road - Ringaskiddy <i>*Occasional trips will serve St Peter's School</i>	Haulbowline	Every 60 mins
46	Douglas Village	Rochestown - St Francis College - L2724 - Carrigmahon - Passage West	St Peter's School	Occasional
51	Knockraha	Glanmire - Lower Glanmire Road - Kent Station	City Centre	Every 120 mins
52	Whitechurch	Carrignavar - Dublin Pike - Thomas Davis Street - Merchant's Quay <i>*Occasional trips will serve Glenville</i>	City Centre	Every 120 mins
53	Blarney	Tower - Kerry Pike - Harbour View Road - Sun Valley Drive - Watercourse Road - MacCurtain Street	City Centre	Every 120 mins
54	Upper Glanmire	Whites Cross - Ballyhooly Road - Summerhill North - Brian Boru Bridge	City Centre	Every 120 mins

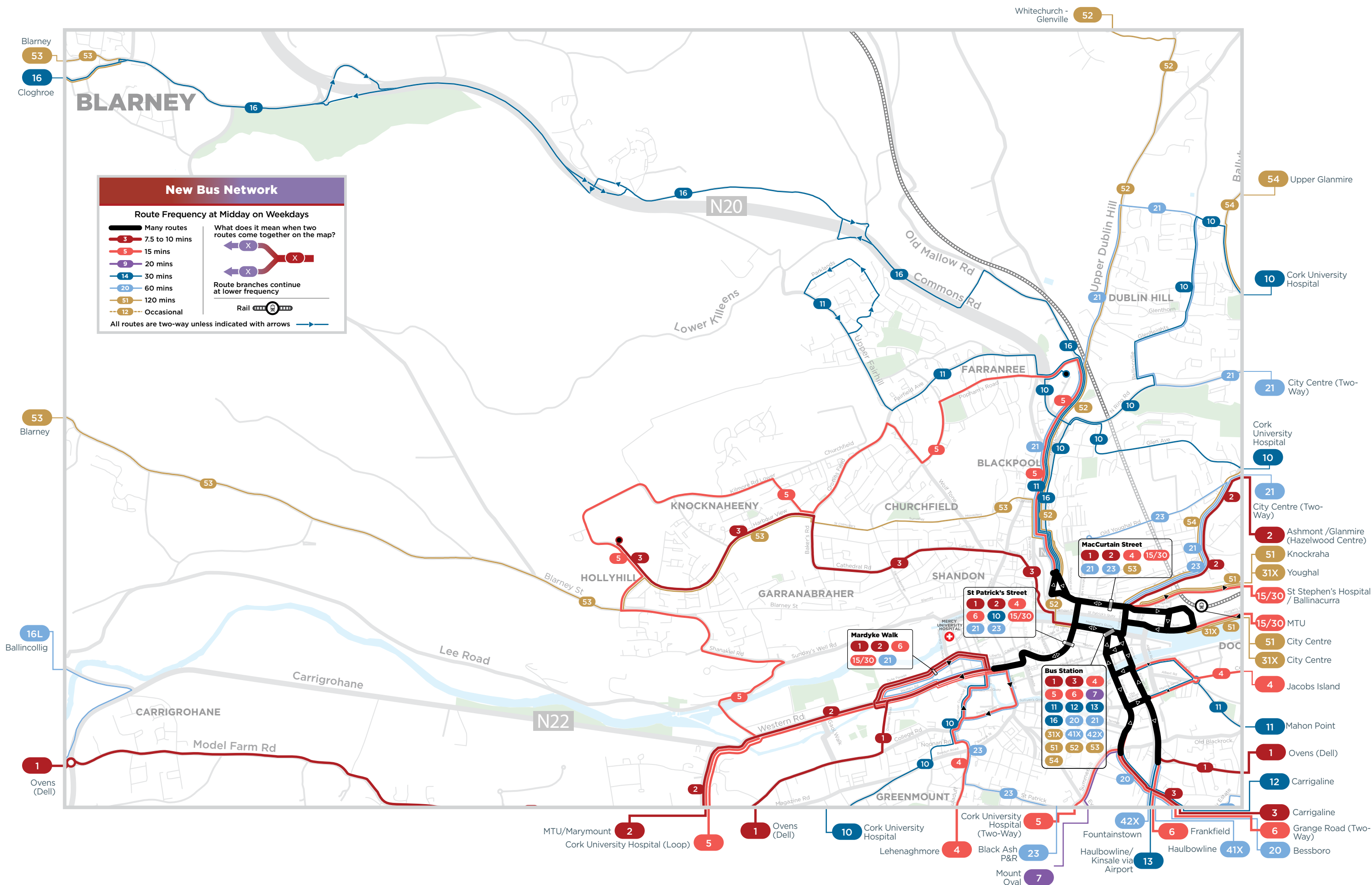
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Cork Network Map - How BusConnects gets you where you want to go.



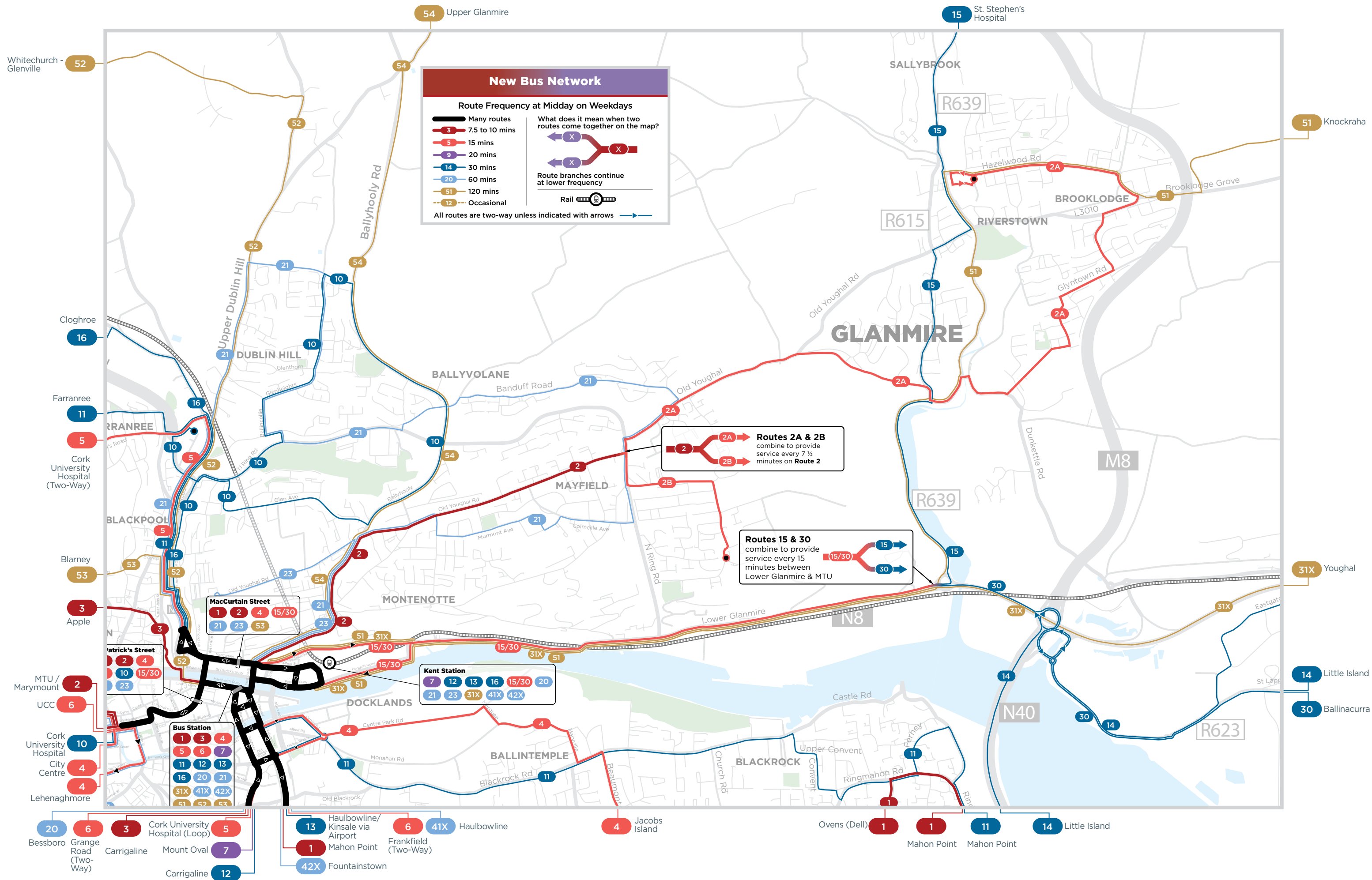
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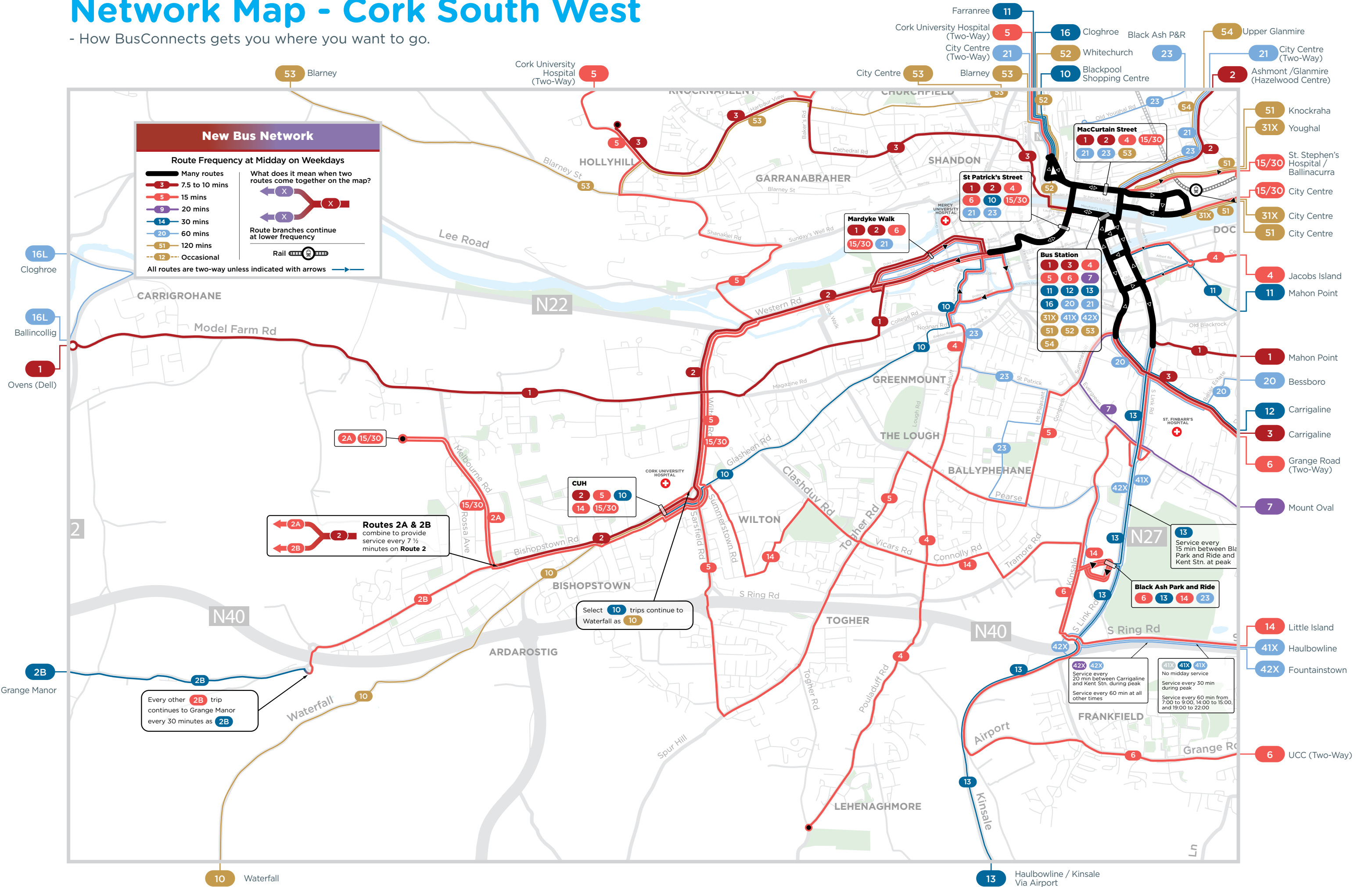
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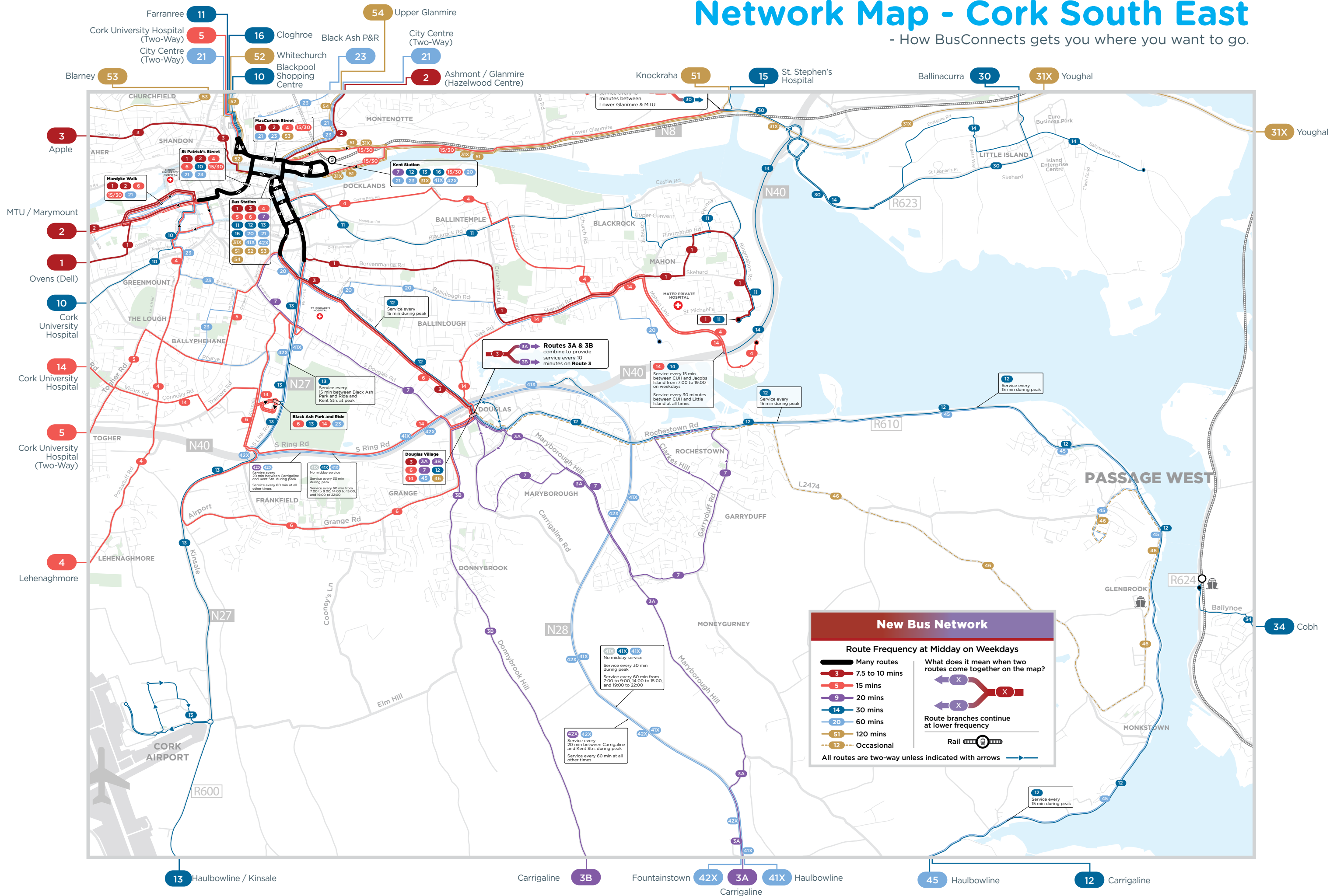


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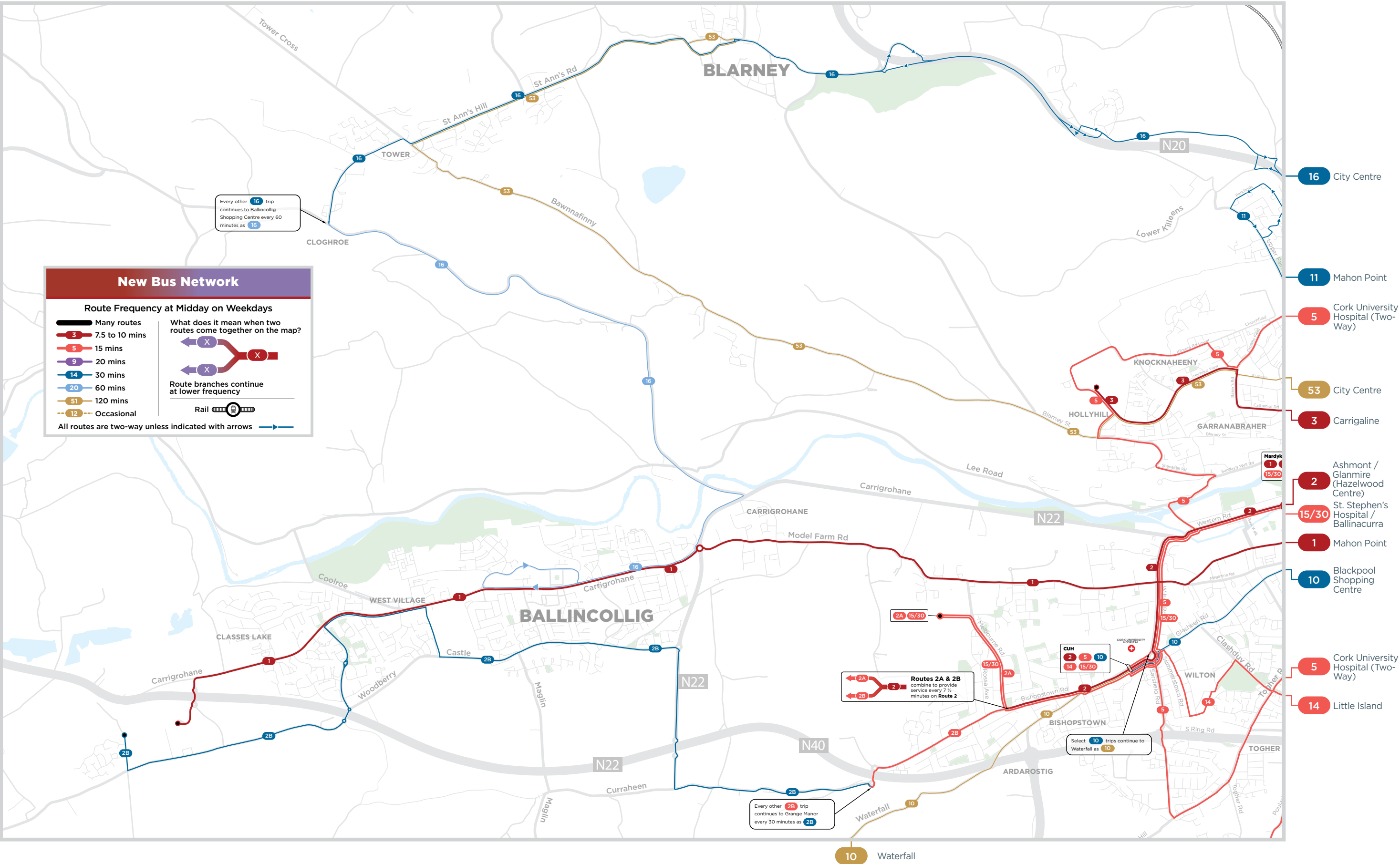


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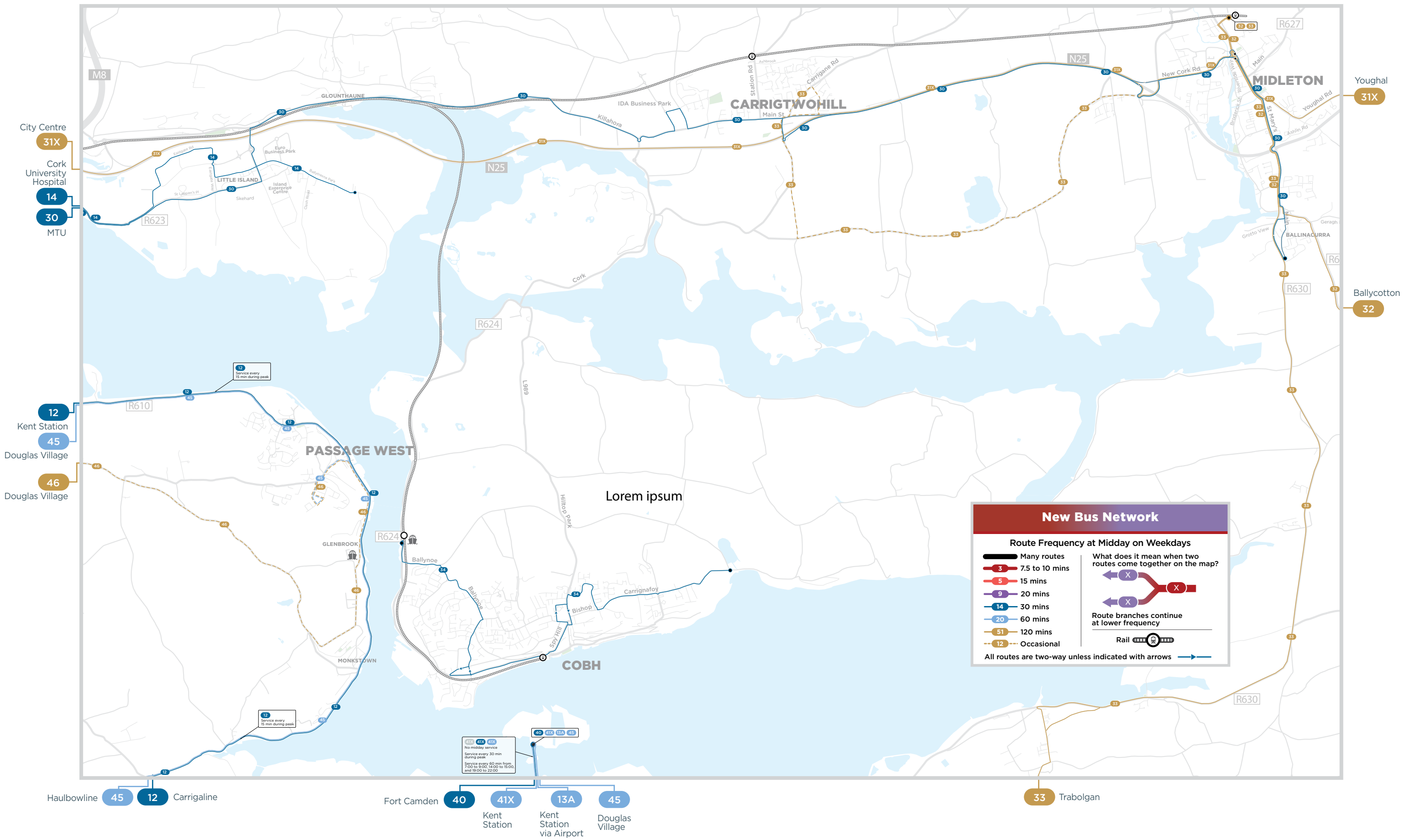
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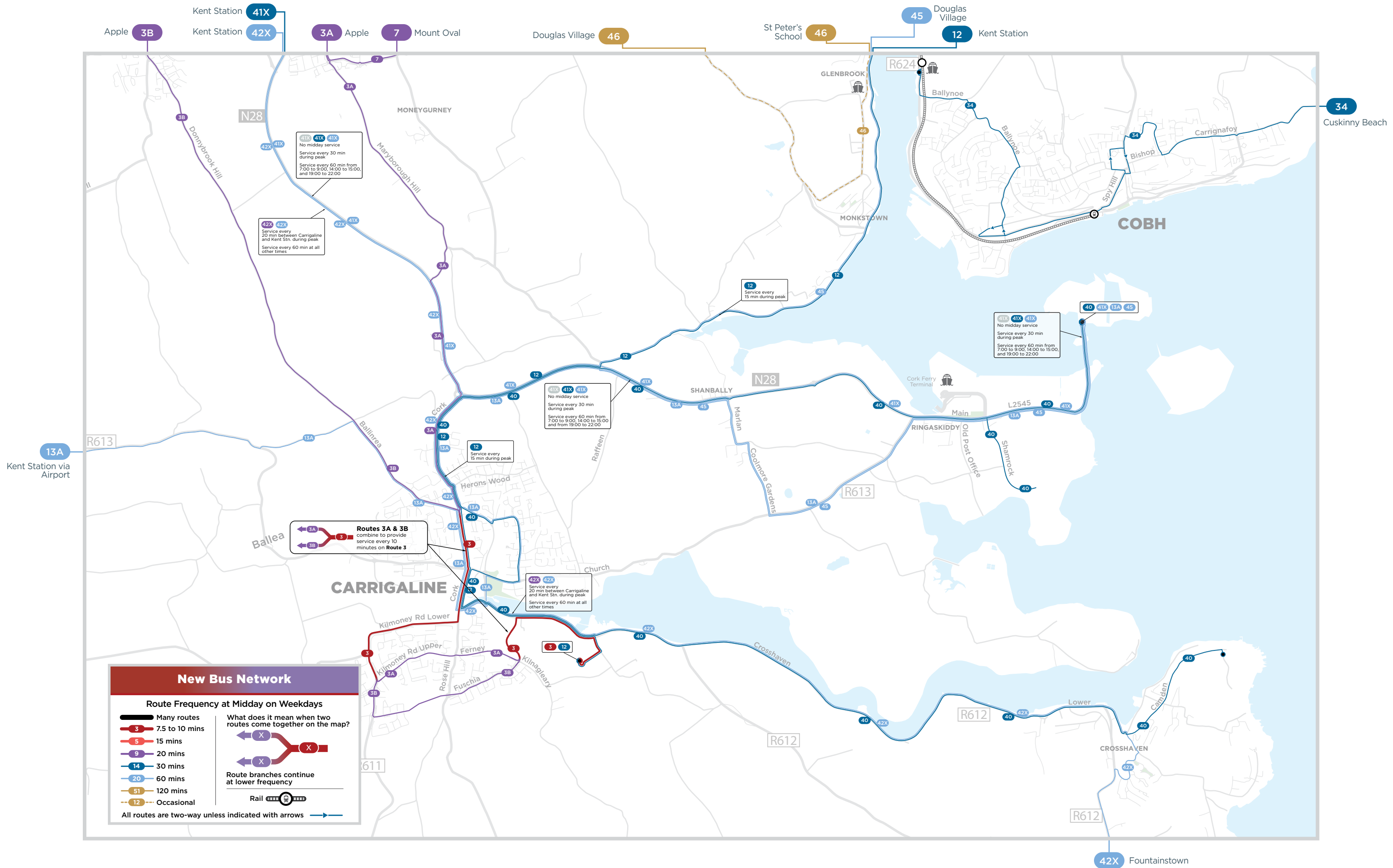
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Network Map - Cork Outer South

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Bus routes in Cork – Frequency Table

The colours represent the frequency (how often the bus comes) during that hour. White spaces indicate no service at that time. Exact times are subject to change.

Frequencies and Approximate Hours of Service for Each Route

