

ABP Lucan to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme Status Update

Note to be issued to Public Reps & Community Forum Members - October 2022

Dear Public Representative/ Community Forum Member,

We are emailing you to provide a status update in relation to the Core Bus Corridors.

Last week, the National Transport Authority (NTA) gave notice of its application under Section 51(2) of the Roads Act 1993 (as amended) to An Bord Pleanála for approval in relation to a proposed road development consisting of the construction of the **Lucan to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme**.

For information, a small number of changes have been made to this scheme following consideration of the submissions received during the third round of public consultation (at the end of 2020) and these are summarised below.

- R136 Ballyowen Road: right turn lane retained on bridge over N4; two-way segregated cycle track on the east side between Hermitage Road and the R835 Lucan Road, including a new shared pedestrian and cyclist bridge over the N4;
- Palmerstown village: additional parking provided to replace some of those removed to accommodate two way cycle track;
- Chapelizod Hill Road: steps and ramps to the new inbound bus stop on the Chapelizod bypass have been moved to the south side of the road, which results in a reduction in height and length of the ramps, as well as reducing the overall area of the new facility;
- South Circular Road junction: reduction in number of general traffic lanes / shorter pedestrian crossing lengths;
- Heuston Station south façade: removal of central median to provide shorter pedestrian crossings; reduced impact of on the lawned area in front of Dr Steevens' Hospital from new outbound bus layby.

A copy of the application documentation may be viewed and downloaded free of charge at: www.lucanscheme.ie. Please note all previous documents regarding BusConnects are still available on www.busconnects.ie

Submissions/observations may be made in writing to the **Board at An Bord Pleanála (Strategic Infrastructure Division), 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902** between Wednesday 2nd November 2022 and Wednesday 11th January 2023.

Any submissions/observations must be accompanied by a fee of €50 and must be received by the Board not later than **5.30 p.m. on 11th January 2023**. This fee will not apply to certain prescribed bodies including those specified in Section 51(3)(b) of the Roads Act 1993 (as amended) or to landowners and others with a legal interest in land who are objecting to compulsory acquisition of land in which they have such an interest in a compulsory acquisition case.

Submissions/observations can also be made on the An Bord Pleanála website at the following address: <https://online.pleanala.ie/en-ie/sid/observation> .

It is our intention to continue the submission of the Core Bus Corridor schemes on a phased basis to An Bord Pleanála, with the next two schemes for submission being:

- Swords to City Centre CBC Scheme and
- Ringsend to City Centre CBC Scheme.

As each scheme is submitted for approval to An Bord Pleanála, the process of public notifications in newspapers and online will be repeated.

Yours Sincerely,

BusConnects Team