



# A bus network designed for Waterford's future

Welcome to your New Bus Network

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**BUS  
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WATERFORD**

SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT FOR A BETTER CITY.

## > What is BusConnects?

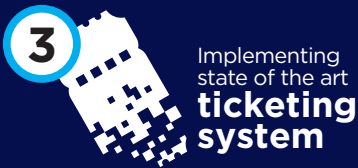
BusConnects is the National Transport Authority's (NTA) programme to greatly improve bus services in Irish cities. BusConnects is included in the Government's National Development Plan 2021 – 2030 and the Climate Action Plan 2024.

## > What's happening in Waterford?

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

One of the strategies of BusConnects Waterford is to improve the design of the bus routes themselves. The New Bus Network for Waterford will greatly enhance bus travel with new and improved services transforming the public transport network.

## How the Waterford Bus System will be improved?



## > The benefits of the New Bus Network

- More than double of an increase in services.
- Shorter waits and easier interchange, thanks to better frequencies.
- Straighter and faster journeys.
- Better frequencies on Sundays and in the early mornings.
- New service in areas such as Kilbarry, Skibereen, Dunmore Road and Slieverue.

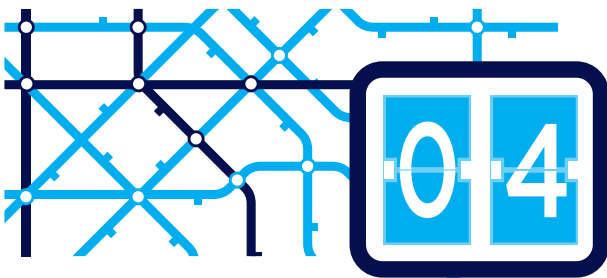
## > How Did We Get Here?

In 2024 the NTA held a public consultation on a draft new bus network for Waterford. Waterford residents, workers, business owners and students weighed-in on the proposed changes. There were over 300 comments and feedback submissions on the draft new network. The NTA made changes in response to this public feedback, before finalising the Waterford New Bus Network.

## > What Happens Next?

The NTA plans to commence the implementation of the New Waterford Bus Network from 2026. 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. To view the full Final Network Report and to use the interactive online map, please visit: [busconnects.ie/cities/waterford](https://busconnects.ie/cities/waterford)

# Getting around with BusConnects Waterford



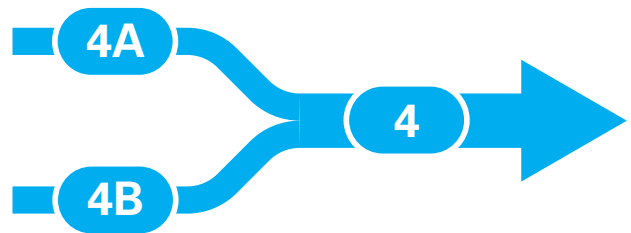
### New Network, new numbers

BusConnects will have all new route numbers.

### Simplified fares



This fare will allow transfers between buses within 90 minutes of initial boarding.



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

### Route branches continue and combine to offer higher frequency

### When is the bus network changing?

The new bus network will be introduced in 2026 so there will be plenty of time to get familiar with your new routes and bus numbers.

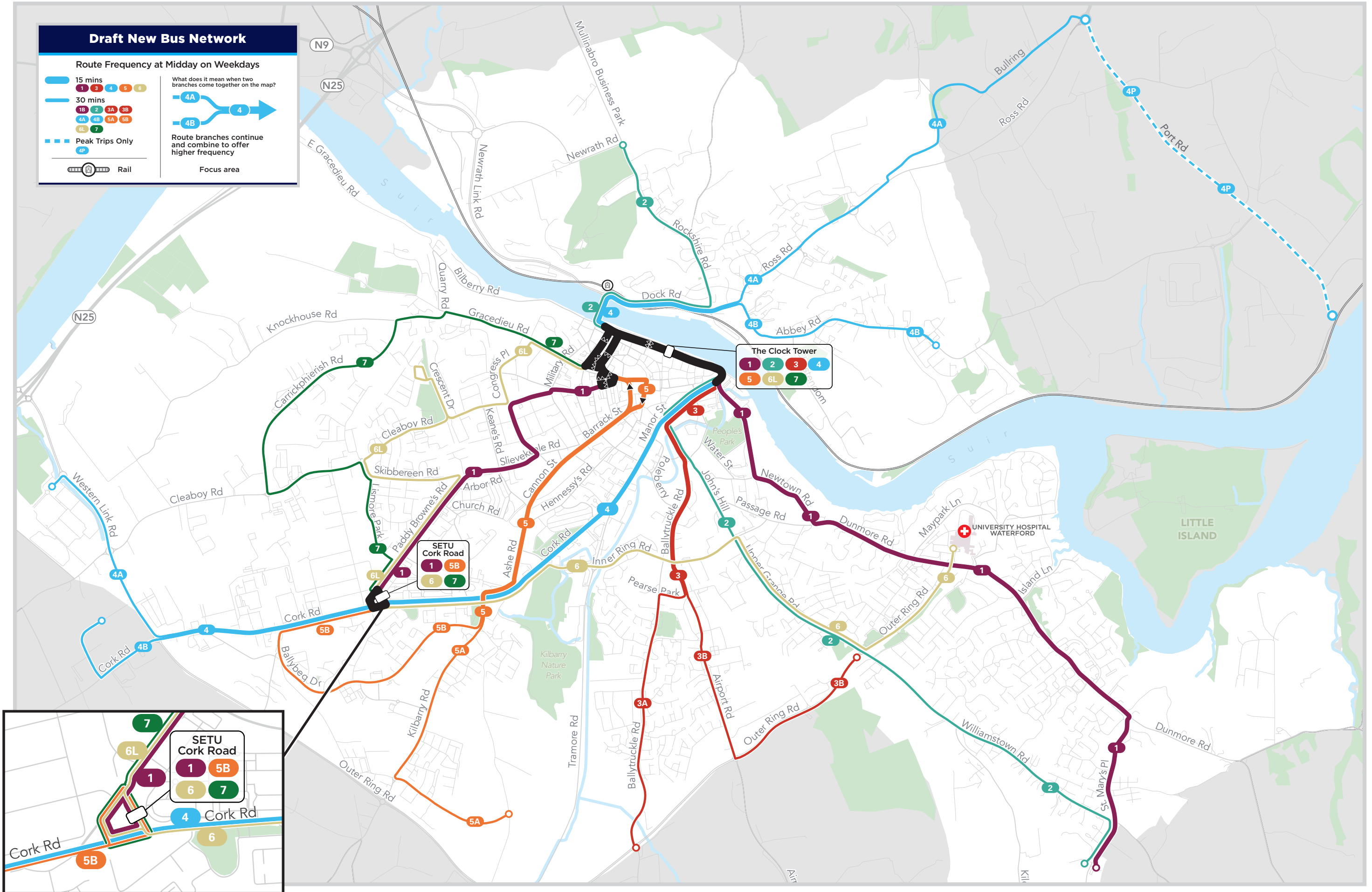


## Bus routes in your local area

Route	From	Via	To	How Often
1	SETU Cork Road	Paddy Brown's Rd - Tycor Rd - Slievekeale Rd - Ard Na Greine - Upper Yellow Rd - Lower Yellow Rd - Ballybricken Green - Thomas St (Outbound) - Penrose Lane (Inbound) - The Quays - The Clock Tower - The Mall - William St - Newtown Rd - Dunmore Rd - St. Mary's Place	Ballygunner	15 mins
2	Ballygunner	Outer Ring Road - Upper Grange Road - John's Hill - John Street - Parnell Street - The Mall - Meagher's Quay - Rice Bridge - Dock Road	Rockshire Road	30 mins
3	The Quays	The Mall - Parnell Street - John Street - Ballytruckle Green	Pearse Park	15 mins all day 10 mins peaks
3A	The Quays	The Mall - Parnell Street - John Street - Ballytruckle Road - Ballytruckle Green - Inner Ring Road - Pearse Park	Old Tramore Road	30 mins all day 20 mins peaks
3B	The Quays	The Mall - Parnell Street - John Street - Ballytruckle Road - Ballytruckle Green - St. John's Park - Killure Road	Outer Ring Road	30 mins all day 20 mins peaks
4	Outer Ring Road	Cork Road - Manor Street - Parnell Street - The Mall - The Quays - Edmund Rice Bridge - Dock Road - Fountain Street	Ferrybank	15 mins
4A	SETU West	Western Link Road - Outer Ring Road - Cork Road - Cork Road - Manor Street - Parnell Street - The Mall - The Quays - Rice Bridge - Dock Road - Fountain Street - Ross Road - Bullring	Slieverue	30 mins
4B	Whitfield Hospital	Cork Road - Manor Street - Parnell Street - The Mall - The Quays - Edmund Rice Bridge - Dock Road - Abbey Road	Abbey Park	30 mins
4 Peak	The Quays	Rice Bridge - Dock Road - Fountain Street - Ross Road - Bullring - N29	Belview Port	Three trips per peak
5	The Quays	Thomas Street (Outbound) - Penrose Lane (Inbound) - The Glen - Ballybricken - Stephen's Street (Outbound) - Mayor's Walk (Inbound) - Barrack Street - Cannon Street - Ashe Road - Cork Road	Ballybeg Drive	15 mins
5A	The Quays	Thomas Street (Outbound) - Penrose Lane (Inbound) - The Glen - Ballybricken - Stephen's Street (Outbound) - Mayor's Walk (Inbound) - Barrack Street - Cannon Street - Ashe Road - Cork Road - Ballybeg Drive - Kilbarry Road	Lacken	30 mins
5B	The Quays	Thomas Street (Outbound) - Penrose Lane (Inbound) - The Glen - Ballybricken - Stephen's Street (Outbound) - Mayor's Walk (Inbound) - Barrack Street - Cannon Street - Ashe Road - Cork Road - Ballybeg Drive - Cork Road	SETU Cork Road	30 mins
6	SETU Cork Road	Cork Rd - Inner Ring Road - The Folly - Upper Grange Rd - Outer Ring Road	University Hospital	15 mins
6L	The Quays	Thomas Street (Outbound) - Penrose Lane (Inbound) - The Glen - Morgan Street - Gracedieu Road - Dominick Place - Congress Place - Upper Yellow Road - Cleaboy Road - Crescent Drive - Oakwood - Cleaboy Road - Skibbereen Road - Paddy Brown's Road - SETU Cork Road Campus - Cork Rd - Inner Ring Road - The Folly - Upper Grange Rd - Outer Ring Road	University Hospital	30 mins
7	The Quays	Thomas Street (Outbound) - Penrose Lane (Inbound) - The Glen - Morgan Street - Gracedieu Road - Knockhouse Road - Carrickphierish Road - Old Kilmeaden Road - Industrial Estate - Paddy Brown's Road	SETU Cork Road	30 mins all day 15 mins peaks

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