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Patrickswell NS Safe Routes to School

BEFORE and AFTER



The safety improvements around Patrickswell NS are now completed. The works involved installing a raised pedestrian crossing at Lisheen Park to improve safety for schoolchildren. Additional works included traffic-calming build-outs and footpath widening to enhance visibility and create safer walking routes. A new bus bay was also constructed to relocate school bus parking away from the main entrance, reducing congestion and improving overall road safety.

The main aims of the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) programme are to improve safety and access for kids walking or cycling to school, increase the number of children who walk or cycle, and reduce congestion around schools.

The scheme was designed by Active Travel and funded through the General Municipal Allowance. We extend our sincere gratitude to our colleagues in the Limerick Metropolitan Operations team for their work in completing this scheme.



TUS to City Centre Active Travel Scheme



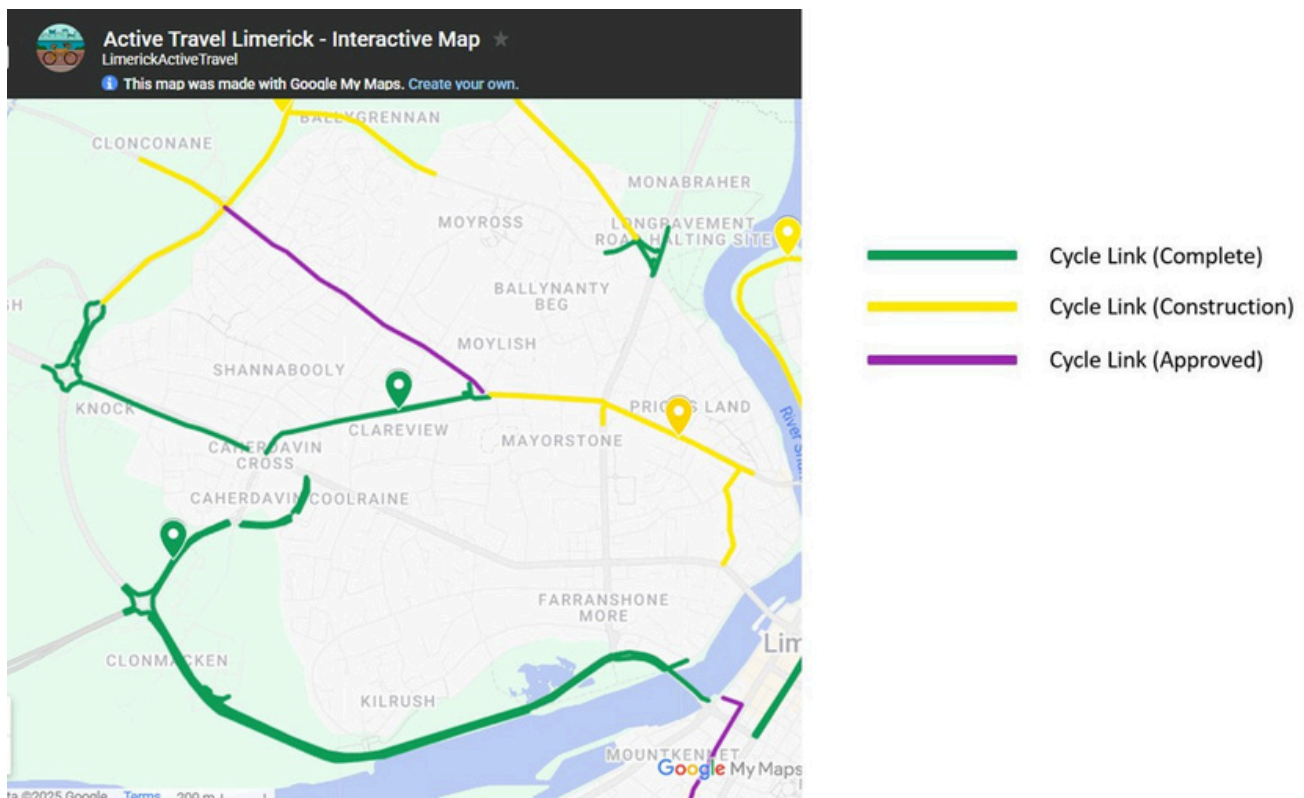
The works are progressing at Moylish roundabout where the new cycle lanes will soon link into the existing Brookville Avenue cycle lane and, shortly, into the new Coonagh to Knockalisheen Road, via the new Old Cratloe Road cycle lane scheme, completing a significant part of the cycle network on the Northside.

Old Cratloe Road Section 38

Shareridge have been appointed as main works contractor. In the coming weeks engagement will commence between the residents associations, the Active Travel Team and the appointed contractor. These discussions will provide an opportunity to outline the planned works in more detail and address any questions.

TUS to City Centre and the Cycle Network

The TUS to City Centre link is a major part of the emerging cycle network on the Northside in Limerick. Once the scheme along the Old Cratloe Road is completed, it will connect all of Caherdavin with TUS Moylish and TUS Coonagh Campuses, as well as with the primary and secondary schools in the area, and the city centre.



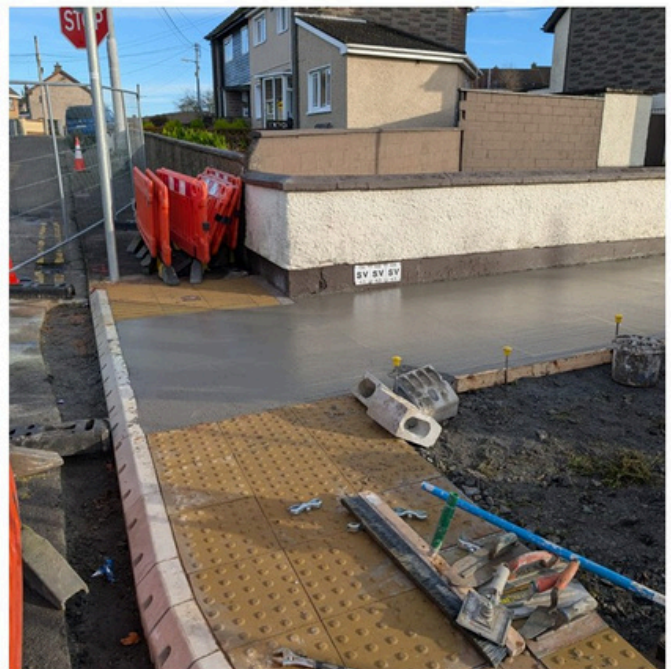
[Click here to view our Interactive Map for the city and the county and plan your cycle](#)

Garryowen Section 38

P&D Lydon were appointed contractor to the Garryowen Pedestrian and School Safety Improvement Scheme and have commenced works on the 17th of November 2025.

The planned works include two separate crews working in a westerly direction starting at the Greenhill Road and Ballysimon Road Junction towards Singland Road.

The contractor will utilise school closure periods in February and April to carry out works at the front of schools, St. Johns Girls and Boys Infant School and St. Johns Boys School.



Bus stop enhancement programme



Limerick City and County Council has made significant progress under the Bus Stop Enhancement Programme, funded by the National Transport Authority (NTA). This programme is designed to improve accessibility and comfort for public transport users across the city and county. The NTA has allocated €500,000 in 2024 and again in 2025 to each Local Authority in Ireland to fund the enhancement of bus stop infrastructure within its administrative area.



Bus stop enhancement programme

As part of this programme, works have included:

- Installation of disability access kerbing for improved accessibility
- Creation of concrete hard-standing areas
- Upgraded road markings and paving
- Installation of new bus stop poles and signage
- Provision of bus shelters at key locations
- Installation of retentions sockets for TFI poles on behalf of Bus Éireann and the Local Link.

To date, new bus shelters and accessibility upgrades have been successfully completed at the following locations:

- University of Limerick – civil works including a bus shelter, accessibility improvement works, road markings
- University of Limerick Main Entrance – accessibility improvement works and road markings
- Mulcair Road - a bus shelter, accessibility improvement works, road markings
- Avonmore Road - accessibility improvement works and road markings
- Ballyclough Avenue - accessibility improvement works and road markings
- Hyde Avenue - accessibility improvement works and road markings
- Kilbane, Golf Links Road - accessibility improvement works and road markings
- Castletroy Shopping Centre - accessibility improvement works and road markings
- Foynes – Flying Boat Museum - civil works including a bus shelter, accessibility improvement works, road markings
- Foynes – Station House - civil works including a bus shelter and accessibility improvement works

Corbally Road Active Travel Scheme



The work continues with the excavation of footpaths at the junction of Lanahrone Avenue and Corbally Road. New kerbs are in place at different sections and fresh concrete is being poured.

In the next few week, work will continue on the excavation of footpaths across from Scoil Íde, extending from Lanahrone Avenue to the pedestrian crossing.

Additionally, new kerbs will be installed, and concrete footpaths are scheduled to be poured.

Pedestrians are being redirected to alternative crossing points for safety. Temporary traffic management measures will be in place locally to facilitate these works.

Transport and Mobility Forum

Inaugural Meeting

The Limerick Transport and Mobility Forum convened on Friday, 21st November, with a goal to start stakeholder collaboration on sustainable transport. The main aim of TMF is to strengthen partnerships and drive positive change in mobility across Limerick.

The meeting on Friday began with introductions and a discussion on the forum's purpose, followed by insights from Cork TMF's success story, presented by Darren McAdam O'Connell. Pierre Venter Maher highlighted member benefits, while Toby Goodwin outlined Limerick's current sustainable transport and active travel plans.

The team from TMF from Cork emphasised the role of the forum as a peer support network, members shared ongoing projects and campaigns seeking collaboration.

The next meeting of Limerick TMF will take place in January 2026. Stakeholders and organisations interested in joining the conversation or learning more can contact activetravel@limerick.ie



Integration of Active Travel Programme with Emergency Services

Independent report on active travel and emergency services was presented to Limerick Metro Councillors.

The report was carried out by the independent consultant Egis (formerly JB Barry & Partners). The study was commissioned by LCCC to understand and address any challenges that the new, segregated cycling and walking schemes might pose to the work of emergency services.

The study is based on a combination of design review, field analysis, traffic flow assessment, and consultation with key stakeholders, including An Garda Síochána, Limerick Fire and Rescue Service, Limerick Marine Search and Rescue and the HSE National Ambulance Service.

Main Points from the Report

The challenges noted in the report were driver hesitancy to mount kerbs or cross flexible bollards. To address these the report recommends practical solutions, such as continued adherence to DMURS and NTA Cycle Design Manual standards; implementation of mountable kerbs and pull-in zones to allow vehicles to yield during emergencies; public awareness campaigns led by the Road Safety Authority to improve driver behaviour around emergency service vehicles; and ongoing engagement with emergency services throughout design, implementation, and monitoring stages.

This study is the first of its kind in Ireland and will inform a wider national assessment. Findings have been shared with the National Transport Authority to guide future schemes. Key next steps include continuous engagement with emergency services at the design stage, independent Road Safety Audits, and nationwide awareness campaigns. Information sharing between local authorities and emergency services will ensure consistency and best practice across all future Active Travel projects.

Other updates

Road Traffic Notice: Greenhill Road (L10199), Garryowen, Limerick City

Limerick City and County Council wish to advise motorists and road users of road works involving **Junction Realignment, Footpath Replacement and Macadam Road Surface Overlay** taking place along **Greenhill Road (L10199), Garryowen**, Limerick City **from Monday 17th November 2025 to Tuesday 23rd December 2025, from 08:00hrs to 18:00hrs.**

Localised Traffic Management will be in place for the duration of works. Access for residents and business operators will be maintained during this period.

Temporary Closure of Roads: Mayorstone Upper and Coolraine

Roads to be closed: Mayorstone Upper Road, Coolraine (L-10027), from its junction with Cratloe Road (R445) to its junction with Merval Drive (L-10480).

Time of Closure: from **Monday, 10th November, to Friday, 12th December, 2025**

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