



Active Travel Limerick Newsletter

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The Active Travel team at Limerick City and County Council, with funding from the National Transport Authority, is tasked with expanding and upgrading Limerick's cycling and walking network.



Did You Know?

Active and Sustainable Travel infrastructure is critical infrastructure. Ireland's transport policy commitments – from the Limerick Shannon Metropolitan Area Transport Strategy (also known as LSMATS) to national climate and active travel targets – depend on delivering high-quality walking and cycling routes.

A lot of active travel schemes are complex schemes that need to consider the limitations of the existing urban space. A typical urban active travel project, such as a 2km footpath and cycle-track upgrade with drainage works, junction redesign, new crossings and public-realm improvements, can take over four years from initial concept to completion.

Why so long? These schemes must move through multiple stages: option selection, preliminary design, detailed design, planning approval (sometimes via An Coimisiún Pleanála), tendering and finally construction. Different stages involve several different elements: technical surveys, environmental considerations, underground services coordination, and extensive engagement with residents, businesses, landowners and elected members.

The result, however, is lasting infrastructure that improves safety, reduces emissions, and supports more sustainable, traffic-free, and healthier travel for everyone.



TUS to City Centre

Road resurfacing works have started between Moylish Roundabout and Hassett's Cross and are scheduled to continue until 4th February.

Works are progressing between Hassett's Cross and Johnseys shop. New footpath installation works in Bellefield Gardens are continuing back towards the Maternity Hospital.

Road resurfacing notice



A new pedestrian crossing taking shape near Johnseys shop



New footpaths in Bellefield Gardens



Corbally Road Safe Routes to School

Over the past week, additional sections of the existing footpaths were removed, new kerbing was installed, and concrete footpaths were poured. In the coming week, one crew will continue excavation works in the footpath areas opposite Bishop's Field, while a second crew will begin commencement works at Scoil Íde.

Garryowen Pedestrian and School Safety Improvement Scheme

The works are continuing according to schedule between Ballysimon Road and Garryowen Stores.

Two new pedestrian crossings have been completed and one more is in progress (near ESB substation). Work is also in progress on two bus stops. Junction tightening works are ongoing at junctions with Mulgrave Street, Pike Avenue, Singland Crescent and W Singland Road. As part of the construction sequence, temporary tarmac ramps have been put in place at these junctions to ensure that footpaths remain fully accessible for wheelchair users, buggies, and pedestrians throughout the construction phase.



Bus sockets and bus stop poles

Throughout the summer, the Active Travel team, on behalf of Bus Éireann and the National Transport Authority, installed bus sockets for new bus stop poles along routes 303 and 306. Here is an example of the recently completed installation of a bus pole on Shelbourne Road.



NTA 2026 Active Travel Allocations

Limerick City and County Council's Active Travel team has been allocated €18.5 million for the design, planning and construction of walking, wheeling and cycling infrastructure in 2026 by the National Transport Authority (NTA).

Additional €1.3 million has been allocated to the development of greenways and the national cycle network.

The Active Travel Programme funds segregated cycle lanes, new and improved footpaths, new pedestrian crossings, public transport infrastructure improvements, such as bus stops and bus shelters, and significant landscaping upgrades.

The investment will allow the Active Travel team in Limerick City and County Council to continue to progress its work on a number of key projects, including:

- TUS to City Centre Active Travel Scheme (currently under construction)
- Corbally Road Safe Routes to School (currently under construction)
- Old Cratloe Road (expected to begin construction imminently)

- South Circular Road Active Travel Scheme (expected to begin construction in 2026)
- St. Paul's roundabout to Ballykeeffe roundabout (expected to begin construction in 2026)
- Bus stop enhancement programme
- Safe Routes to School

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