



Castletymon Road South

Castletymon Road Active Travel Scheme

Part 8 Public Consultation

Project Overview

WHERE: Castletymon Road, Tallaght

WHY: Castletymon Road is the main link for the Tymon area, connecting to the Tymon neighbourhoods to the wider area. The existing road has no cycle facilities and minimal walking facilities for the community to access Bancroft Park and Tymon Park, Castletymon Library, Castletymon District Centre, and/or Local Area Schools. The proposed scheme aim to remedy this by creating an environment where all travel models can move safely and efficiently in the Castletymon area and be able to access all local amenities.

WHAT: 1km walking and cycling facilities and traffic calming measures along Castletymon Road, from Main Street to Castletymon Road Library, in the Tymon area, Junction amendments to provide safer movement of pedestrians and cyclists, and General/Landscaping/Public Realm works.

HOW: Public Consultation as required by Part 8, Article 81 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended). Drawings and details on how to make a submission <https://consult.sdublincoco.ie/>

WHEN: The consultation closes on April 10th, 2024



Cycle South Dublin Network

In South Dublin County Council, we have a mission to make our county one of the most liveable, equitable, and sustainable in Ireland. We know that we, as a country, are living through climate and health crises and we know congestion is a serious issue in South Dublin. We also know that countywide only a small share of trips are made by walking, wheeling, or cycling and that getting around by other modes can cost more than many people can afford.



As part of this mission, we are looking at ways to encourage people to make healthy, sustainable choices in how they get around and we are looking to do this in ways that include everyone. A pillar of this new mobility vision is Cycle South Dublin (an ambitious programme to deliver a connected network of high quality walking and cycling improvements linking the places where people live to the places they want to go. There are 45 routes in the programme and the goal is to deliver over 250 km of safe walking and cycling improvements. To find out more, visit <https://www.sdcc.ie/en/active-travel/>

Castletymon Road is Route 27a on the Cycle South Dublin Plan and will tie into the Castletymon District Enhancement (DE) scheme which was completed in October 2023. The Castletymon Road Active Travel Scheme is part of the Pathfinder Project, an initiative by the Department of Transport, which aimed to quickly deliver active travel schemes which are innovative and ambitious.

Pathfinder and Active Travel

The Pathfinder Programme was launched Oct 2022 at the Castletymon Library. The projects select where chosen due to their possibility to be innovative and that could make the greatest difference to people living in the area.

The Castletymon Road Active Travel scheme is using a mix of data gathering (environmental monitoring, user surveys, etc) and construction methods (see next slide) to deliver active travel project design for the area needs and delivered quickly.

The improvement of the walking and cycling facilities has benefits to locals as well as the general public.

Everyone benefits when more people walk, wheel and cycle

Every year, walking and cycling in the Dublin Metropolitan Area:

 Prevents

3,207

serious long-term
health conditions

 Creates

€1.1 billion

in economic benefit for
individuals and the region

 Saves

93,000 tonnes

of greenhouse gas emissions

Walking, wheeling and cycling help to tackle the climate emergency

Every day, walking and cycling in the Dublin Metropolitan Area takes up to

**330,000 cars
off the road^{iv}**

However,
194.4 million
journeys up to five km are driven in the Dublin Metropolitan Area each year

If 80% of these journeys were walked or cycled it could save approximately

64,000 tonnes
of greenhouse gas emissions^v

Source: Dublin Metropolitan Area Walking and Cycling Index 2021, NTA

Consultation & Castletymon Road South

An informal consultation was held for the entire Castletymon Road Active Travel scheme from May 26th to June 30th, 2023. The feedback received during this process required a change in the scope of work to the southern section, it was determined necessary to divide the project into two sections. The two sections are Castletymon Road North and Castletymon Road South, with the Castletymon Shopping Centre as the dividing point

While it was the intention to carry out the entire project in accordance with Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act 1994, the change of scope in the southern section of Castletymon Road Active Travel Scheme, including the required changes to the boundary and open spaces determined a separate Part 8 process would be advisable.

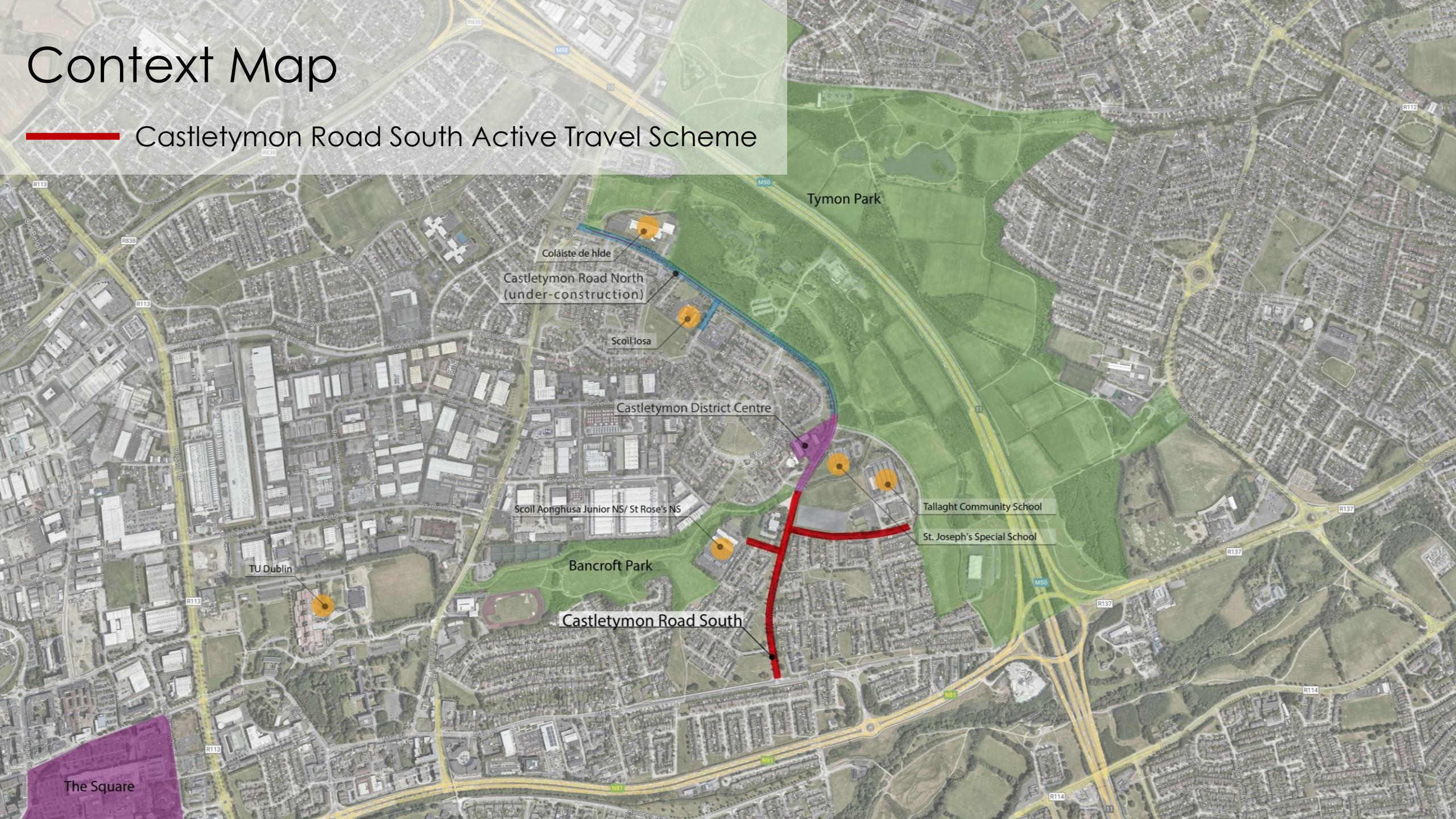
Castletymon Road North will continue to progress under the Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act 1994, construction began in October 2023.

As for Castletymon Road South, this statutory public consultation is being carried out per the Part 8, Article 81 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) requirements.



Context Map

Castletymon Road South Active Travel Scheme



Key Feature/Changes

- The equitable distribution of the road will allow 2-way traffic and for segregated cycle infrastructure from Main Street to the Castletymon District Centre.
- Where side roads meet Castletymon Road, the junction will be improved to prioritize vulnerable road users (pedestrians and cyclists)
- In order to preserve the existing on-street parking, the cycle track will be located on the verge between Main Road and Castle Park near St. Aengus' Church. The existing on-street parking in this location will be realigned into 9 parallel parking spaces.
- The scheme will tie into the District Enhancement Scheme, requiring the relocation of 8 parking spaces outside the Castletymon Library.
- In Castletymon Road South, the proposed designs will have minimal impact on the existing trees. 6 trees will be removed, and 18 trees are proposed.

Key Feature/Changes

- School Improvements: There are proposed improvements at Scoil Aonghusa Junior and St Rose's National School campus and at Tallaght Community School Entrance. These improvements include widening footpaths, entrances, and other traffic calming and safe routes to school-style improvements.
- Bus Stops on Castletymon Road will be aligned and upgraded to accommodate the new cycle tracks.
- Proposed upgrades to the Main Road and Castletymon Road junction, to prioritise the safety of pedestrians' and cyclists' movements.

Please see the Drawing (Plans and Sections) and Artist Impressions, which can be found on the consultation page, for more information. <https://consult.sdblincoco.ie/>

Artist Impression

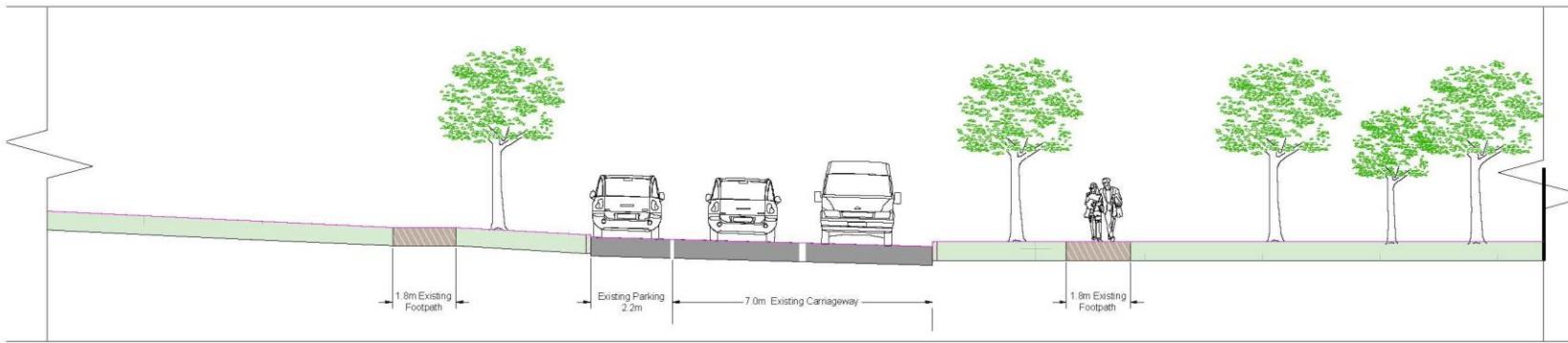


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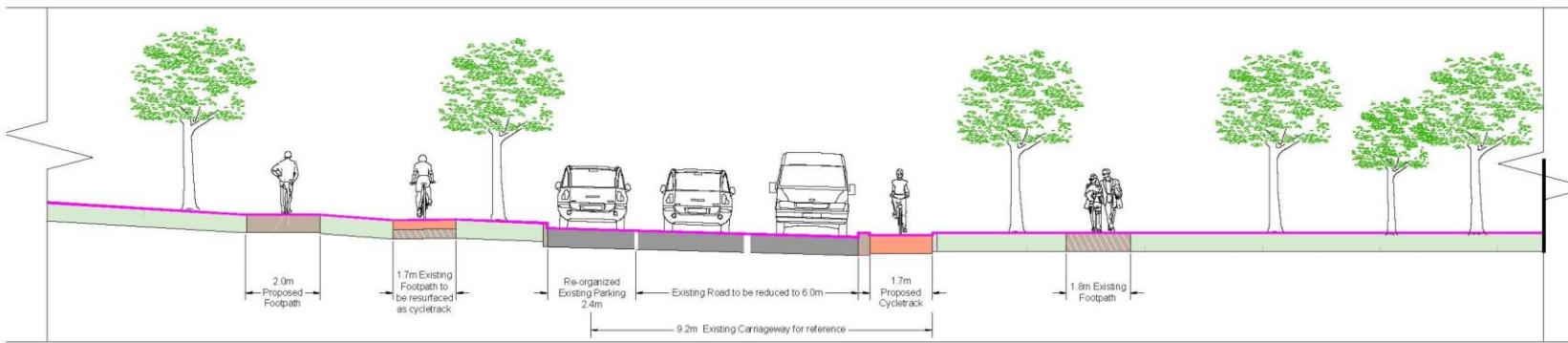


Proposed

Sections

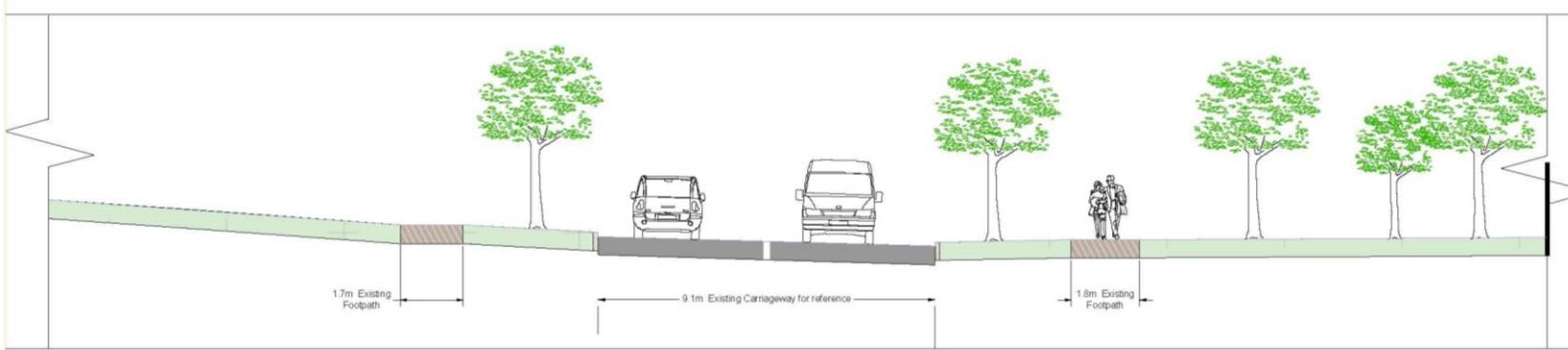


Existing Section A-A: Castletymon Road, near Balrothery Estate

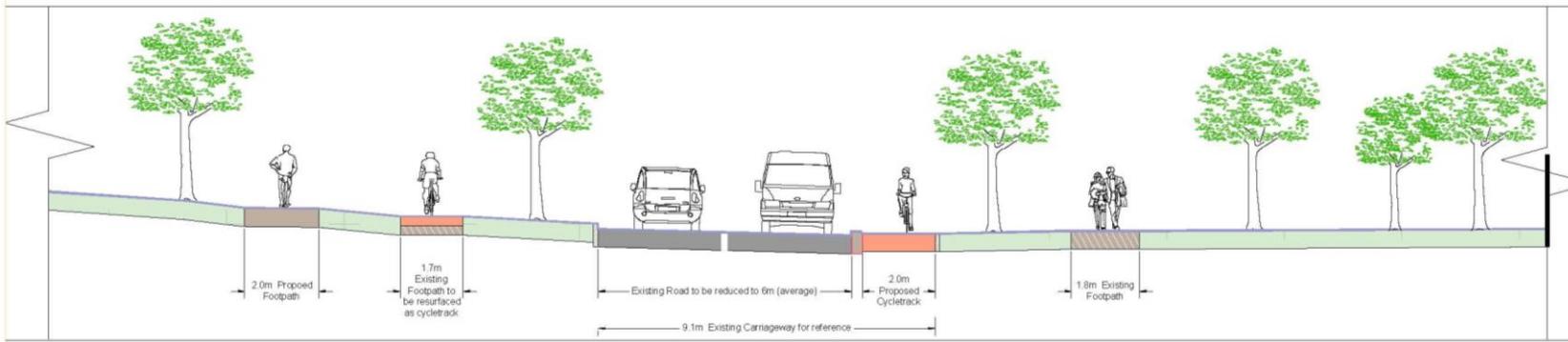


Proposed Section A-A: Castletymon Road, near Balrothery Estate

Sections



Existing Section B-B: Castletymon Road, south of St. Aengus' Church



Proposed Section B-B: Castletymon Road, south of St. Aengus' Church

Have Your Say

Statutory public consultation is occurring as part of the Part 8, Article 81 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).

Please visit <https://consult.sdblincoco.ie/> for more information, a questionnaire, and to submit an observation on the Castletymon Road South Section of the Castletymon Road Active Travel Scheme.

The consultation closes 10th April 2024

After the consultation period closes, a report will be presented to the South Dublin County Councillors. This report contains, amongst other items, a list of the persons or bodies who made submissions, along with a summary of the issues raised by them and the chief executive's response. Following consideration of the report, the scheme may be carried out as recommended in the report, or the Councillors, by resolution may decide to vary, modify or not proceed with the proposed scheme.



Next Steps

After the informal consultation, the SDCC Active Travel team will read and consider all the submissions. Below are the steps and timeline for the project:

- April/May 2024: Incorporating feedback from the elected representatives, the community, and stakeholders.
- Q3 2024: Present Report to Councillors
- Q3/4 2024: Detailed design and procuring a contractor
- Q4 2024: Construction to begin
- Q2/3 2025: Construction to finish