

Castletymon Road Active Travel Scheme

Informal Public Consultation



Project Overview

South Dublin County Council, with support from the Nation Transport Authority, are looking to improve pedestrian and cyclist safety and conditions in the Castletymon Road Area.

The Castletymon Road Active Travel Scheme aims to create an environment where all travel models can move safely and efficiency. This project aims to quickly improve walking and cycling infrastructure to local amenities and destinations.



South Dublin County Council is asking the public to give feedback and input on the design for the Castletymon Road Active Travel Scheme. This informal non-statutory public consultation will run until June 23rd and is an opportunity for the community to express their views, suggest potential changes, and voice their option on the proposed design. The Council will review all submissions and incorporate suggestions into the design where possible.



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 began construction in early 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.



Scheme Explained

Castletymon Road is a the main link for the area, connecting to the Castletymon neighbourhoods to the wider area. The Castletymon Road Active Travel Scheme will focus on the Castletymon Road and the junctions where road join Castletymon Road.

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 efficiency in the Castletymon area and be able to access all local amenities.

The equitable distribution of the road will allow 2-way traffic and for raised cycle track to be added to the edges of the road. A similar road is Templeville Road, which was recently upgrade with a similar proposal. Photo below: Left - Templeville Road before and Right - Templeville Road after





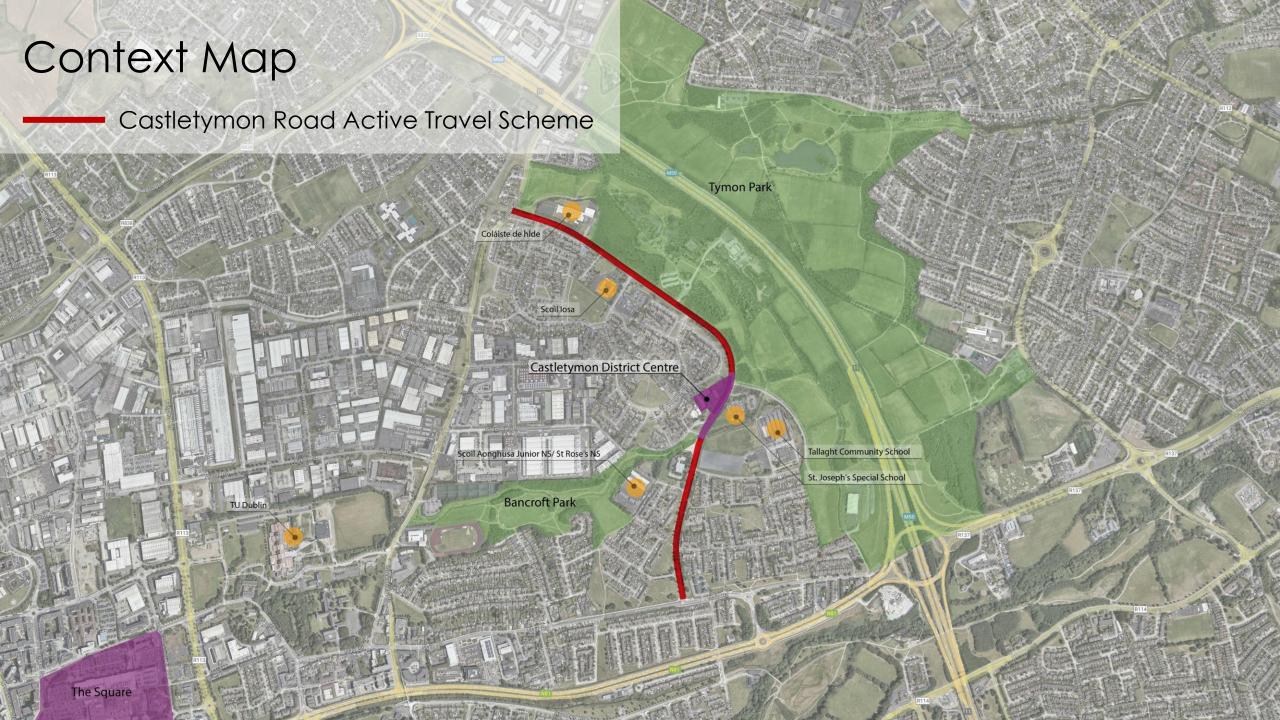


Scheme Explained

Castletymon Road Active Travel Scheme will be executed under Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act. 1994.

Under the Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act 1994 (as amended), the council, may, in the interest of the safety and convenience of road users, provide traffic calming such as footpath and cycle track improvement as it considers desirable in respect of public roads in their charge. This type of work does not require a formal planning application nor a formal decision of the Councillors. The purpose of this non-statutory consultation is to provide notice of South Dublin County Council's intention to install active travel facilities on Castletymon Road.







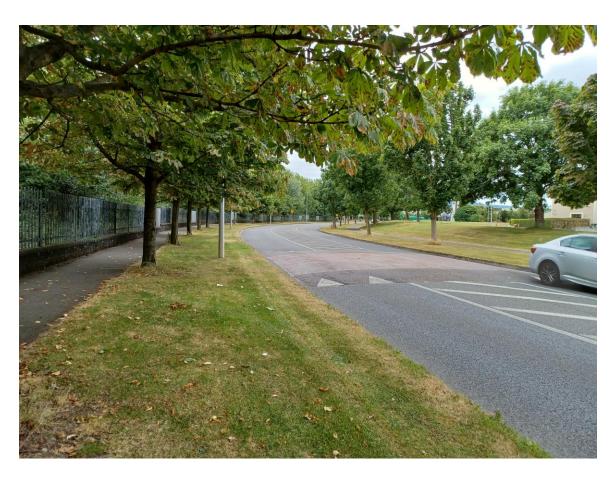
Key Feature/Changes

- The equitable distribution of the road will allow 2-way traffic and for two 2m cycle track to be added to the edges of the road.
- Where side road join Castletymon Road, the junction will be to improve 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 12 parking spaces outside the Castletymon Library.
- Bus Stops on Castletymon Road will be aligned and upgraded to accommodate the new cycle tracks. All bus stops location will remain in their general location and might require slight adjustment.
- These proposed designs will have minimal impact on the existing trees. 12 trees will be removed, and 20 trees are proposed.

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



Artist Impression





Existing

Proposed



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Have Your Say

Please visit https://consult.sdublincoco.ie/ for more information, a questionnaire, and to submit an observation on the Castletymon Active Travel Scheme.

The consultation closes 4pm, June 23rd, 2023.





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:

 June/July 2023: Incorporating feedback from the elected representatives, the community, and stakeholders

June - Aug 2023: Detailed design and procuring a contractor

August 2023: Construction to begin

• January 2024: Construction to finish