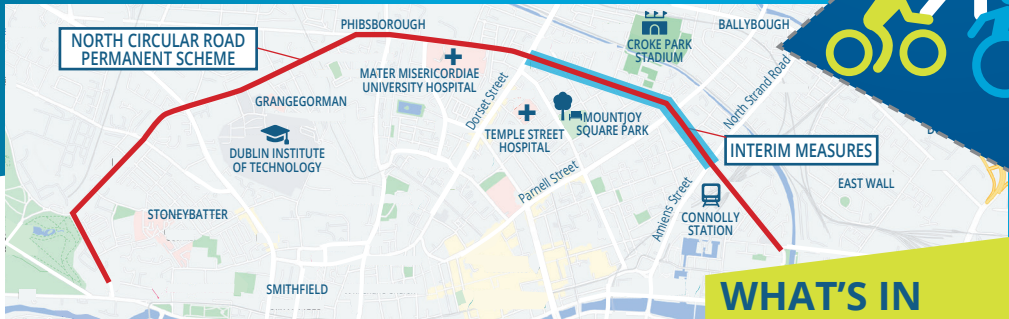


North Circular Road Interim Scheme Section 1 Interim Measures (Dorset Street Lower to Amiens Street)

INFORMATION LEAFLET



1 PROJECT OVERVIEW

Dublin City Council will deliver the Active Travel Network through a series of infrastructural projects over the next nine years. The Active Travel Network will grow from its existing 10km to a connected network of 310km across the city. This will offer a safer, inclusive and connected Active Travel Network that is sustainable.

The North Circular Road Scheme is one of the corridors identified under the Active Travel Programme. The proposed scheme will deliver a cycle route along the North Circular Road (NCR) which extends from Stoneybatter to the west and the Dublin Docklands area to the east. The overall route is approximately 5 km long. The permanent scheme will take some time to plan and design and therefore in the meantime, it is proposed to design and implement interim measures along the route where it is feasible.

The 5 km NCR route was analysed to identify sections suitable for appropriate interim measures. A 1.1km section of the route commencing at Dorset Street Lower along North Circular Road and Portland Row finishing at Amiens Street/North Strand Road was identified to be suitable for interim measures.

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2 NEED FOR THE INTERIM SCHEME

- Provide a segregated cycle route prior to the implementation of the permanent NCR project
- Provide a link into adjacent cycle and public transport schemes; the Clontarf to City Centre project and proposed Core Bus Corridors under BusConnects as well as linking to 2 no. Dublin Bike stations
- Improve links to numerous education centres along the route
- Improve links to major trip attractors including Croke Park, The Mater Hospital and Connolly Station

3 INTERIM SCHEME BENEFITS

- Provide quality, protected cycling facilities to cater for all ages and abilities
- Facilitates a more active lifestyle for all ages bringing multiple benefits for physical and mental wellbeing
- Contribute to a reduction in transport emissions in line with the objectives of the Climate Action Plan by encouraging a modal shift to active travel use
- Provide a safer environment for cyclists and pedestrians in the short term in advance of the permanent scheme

4 INTERIM SCHEME KEY FEATURES

Throughout the 1.1km interim scheme, it is proposed to use bollard protected and parking protected cycle tracks. Existing loading bays, accessible car parking spaces and 65% of existing on-street car parking spaces will be retained. Currently cyclists are required to cycle adjacent to live traffic and also closely to parked vehicles. The proposed method of cycle track segregation by providing parking spaces on the outside of the cycle track, including a buffer space of 0.75m will provide protection for cyclists as well as comfort for people entering and egressing a parked vehicle.

This proposed arrangement will also help reduce vehicular speeds on the North Circular Road due to narrower traffic lane widths. There will be an improved crossing environment for pedestrians by reducing corner radii on side roads. Existing access arrangements to driveways will not be affected. Resurfacing works of the carriageway is also proposed to provide a safer environment for cyclists and all road users. The scheme will also incorporate the provision of 6no. new bus stops as part of the proposed Bus Connects programme. Details of the proposals can be found at consultation.dublincity.ie.

North Circular Road: Dorset Street Lower – Belvedere Road

Vehicle parking protected and light segregation (bollards) to separate cyclists from traffic is proposed on both sides at this section of the NCR. There will be a reduction of two car parking spaces, 12% of the total along this section, however the loading bay and Dublin Bikes stands will be retained.

North Circular Road: Belvedere Road – Russell Street/Emmet Street

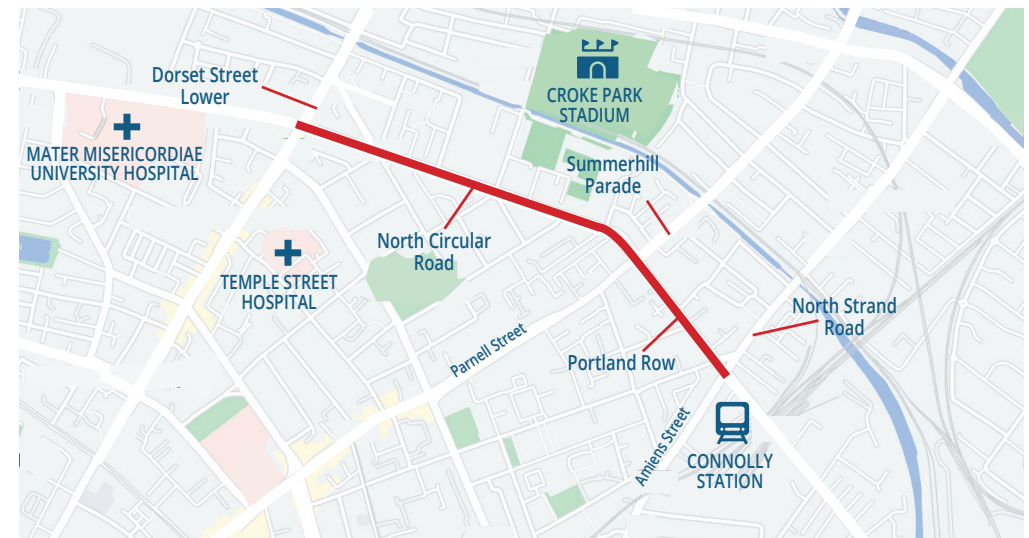
Vehicle parking protected and light segregation (bollards) to separate cyclists from traffic is proposed on both sides at this section of the NCR. There will be a reduction of eighteen car parking spaces, 33% of the total along this section, however the loading bay will be retained.

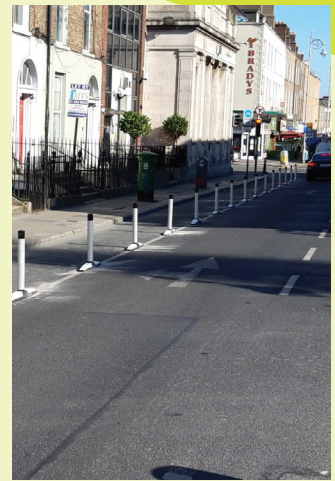
North Circular Road: Russell Street – Summerhill Parade

Vehicle parking protected and light segregation (bollards) to separate cyclists from traffic is proposed on both sides at this section of the NCR. There will be a reduction of seventeen car parking spaces, 17% of the total along this section. The corner radii at each of the side roads will be tightened providing a safer environment for cyclists and pedestrians. The right turn pockets onto St. Margaret's Avenue and Charles Street Great will be removed.

Portland Row: Summerhill Parade to Amiens Street

The western side of Portland Row (travelling north bound) will include a parking protected cycle track. The eastern side of Portland Row (travelling south bound) will not include any cyclist protection due to the large number of direct vehicular accesses onto the road. At the southern end of Portland Row the cycle track will be protected by planters on both sides of the road. There will be a reduction of nine car parking spaces, 50% of the total along this section.





5 MINOR TRAFFIC DISRUPTION DURING INSTALLATION

It is anticipated that the installation works on this scheme will commence early 2023. In order to deliver this scheme, temporary disruption to traffic is anticipated in the area. Dublin City Council, in collaboration with our contractor will endeavor to minimise this as much as possible. The section of interim measures on Portland Row will be implemented following the completion of the traffic division which is currently in place to facilitate the construction works on the Clontarf to City Centre project.

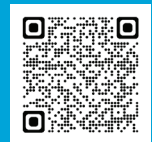
6 HOW TO CONTACT US

If you would like further information and make an observation on the North Circular Road Pedestrian & Cycling Interim Scheme and corresponding permanent project please see the website www.dublincity.ie/activetravel

Any comments/observations you may have on the interim scheme can be submitted via the website, email or the postal address detailed below:



<https://consultation.dublincity.ie/> (please scan QR code)



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