RESIDENTS UPDATE:
Griffith Avenue Protected Cycle Lanes

Overview

In early August of this year Dublin City Council announced its intention to install rapid build protected cycle lanes on Griffith Avenue between Ballygall Road East and the Malahide Road. The area was chosen due to the high number of schools in the area as well as the different DCU campus locations. The main aim of the scheme is to provide protected, safe and continuous cycling for all ages and abilities along this route.

In mid-August, works started on installing the first section of the protected cycle lane on the Griffith Avenue Ext. Since late August Dublin City Council has been publishing its proposals for the route as they have been developed on its consultation hub and inviting comment. Since mid-August we have received a considerable amount of feedback from local residents, the local residents association GADRA and local area representatives and have been developing our designs taking this into consideration.
Route Development.

Following the installation of the first section of the protected cycle lanes on the Griffith Avenue Ext in mid-August, Dublin City Council has been developing designs for the rest of the route, working east from St Mobhi Road, in approximately 500m sections. To date the first 500m has been finalised and we would hope to publish our proposals for the remainder of the route in the coming weeks.

The design of the protected cycle lanes through the junctions of Ballymun Road/St Mobhi Road/Griffith Avenue, Drumcondra Road/Griffith Avenue and the connection to Malahide Road are more challenging and these will be developed separately.

Unfortunately, due to the scale of this project, it is not possible to include detailed drawings for each section in leaflet format. Instead we have listed below the key design features that are common to the entire scheme and provided some typical section drawings. We will continue to upload detailed plans for each section as they are developed on our consultation hub which can be found at:


Key Design Features Common to entire route

- All new protected cycle lanes will be located on the carriageway.
- Initially the installations will comprise of road markings, signage, coloured surfacing and plastic vertical bollards (the same as those used on the Griffith Avenue Ext) as these can be easily adjusted if necessary. It is intended to follow up with a more permanent solution replacing the plastic bollards with more durable materials once the route has become established.
- The proposals will leave all existing driveways clear and should not impact on the current arrangements for bin collections etc.
- While it will be necessary to remove a significant quantity of on-street parking along Griffith Avenue as part of these proposals, the designs will seek to provide on-street parking for: residents that don’t have access to off-street parking, patients attending the Doctor/Dentist at 411 Griffith Avenue, outside Corpus Christi Church, and outside the Post Office at Drumcondra Road. Coach Parking facilities for schools and the existing Pay and Display Parking near schools will be maintained.
- The design team is aware of on-going issues with flooding and leaf litter and the designs will be develop so that they don’t prevent the management of these issues.
- It is intended to upgrade the existing cycle track on the northern footpath between Charlemont Estate and Malahide Road, clearly distinguishing the cycle track from the footpath using signage and coloured surfacing.
**Typical Cross Sections**

1) The drawing below show the typical arrangement on Griffith Avenue where the carriageway has been reduced to 2 lanes, the parking has been removed and protected cycle lanes have been installed on both sides of the road.

![Typical Section Detail Diagram]

2) The drawing below shows a typical section where we are maintaining on-street car parking, for instance close to the Doctor’s surgery at 411 Griffith Avenue.

![Parking Section Detail Diagram]

3) The drawing below shows a typical section on Griffith Avenue close to St Vincents. On the northern footpath a coloured surfacing and new signage will be installed on the existing cycle track to clearly distinguish it from the pedestrian footpath. On the carriageway the parking will be retained. An unprotected cycle lane will be provided on the northern side of the road for the more confident cyclists while less confident cyclists will be able to use the upgraded cycle track on the footpath. A protected cycle lane will also be provided on the southern side of the road.
Updates by section

1. St Mobhi Road to Walnut Rise

Initial designs for the section of the route between St Mobhi Road and Walnut Rise were initially published on the 25th of August. A considerable amount of feedback was received from local residents and this was taken into consideration when finalising the designs for this section of the route which were published on the 23rd of September. Installation of this section began on 7th of October and it is intended that these works will be completed by Wednesday October 14th.

2. Walnut Rise to Drumcondra Road

Initial designs for the section of the route were published on the 28th of September. We are currently finalising these drawings and would hope to publish them on our consultation hub the week beginning Monday October 12th.

3. Drumcondra Road to Gracepark Road, Gracepark Road to Phillipsburg Avenue and Phillipsburg Avenue to Malahide Road

Good progress is being made on the designs for these three sections and we would hope to publish them on our hub in the coming weeks.

If residents have particular suggestions or concerns please send them into us at covidmobility@dublincity.ie (with Griffith Ave in the subject bar), or by post to the Covid Mobility Team, Block 2, Floor 7, Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8, Ireland, D08 RF3F.