

Ballinasloe R446 Bridge St. Junction to Harris Rd Junction Active Travel Scheme



Dear Resident / Business Owner

This Public Consultation runs online 22nd Nov – 6th Dec 2024

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In person event 2nd Dec 2024 in Shearwater Hotel

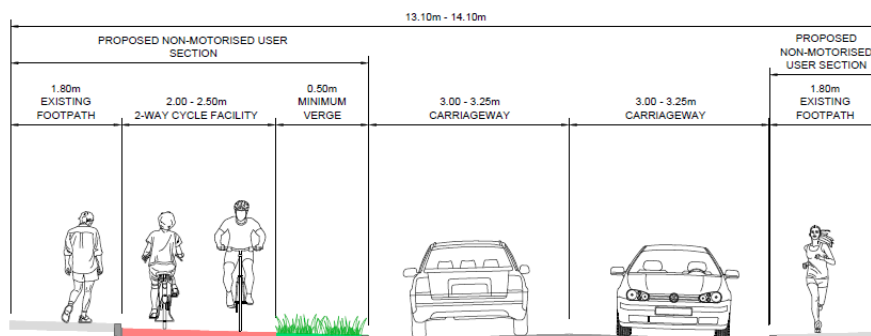
What is in this Leaflet

1. What is proposed and why
2. Benefits of the proposed scheme
3. Information on how to engage



What's Proposed?

- 1.4km new protected cycle track along R446 between Bridge Street Junction and Harris Road Junction
- Construction of Bus Stops at the Marina
- Construction of Bus Stops at Dunlo Hill
- 3 No. new pedestrian crossings and an upgrade of the existing pedestrian crossings along the scheme to make it easier for pedestrians to cross R446 and Side Roads to access schools, shopping areas, hotel, marina, bus stops and parks.
- New cycle tracks will act as a safety buffer to vehicular traffic for those walking
- Traffic calming to slow speeds
- Provide new green areas/ planting
- Kick-start provision of Active Travel Network in Ballinasloe



TYPICAL CROSS SECTION A-A



Things to Know

- Cycle track will be provided to the north and west of R446
- Formal parking will be provided along the southern edge of R446 similar to existing.
- The main road (R446) will remain two-way traffic

Why is this change proposed?

There can be an uncertainty around any street changes, and it can be hard to imagine the future. Here are some reasons for this change

Local Benefits : What's in it for our area?

- Similar Active Travel schemes which have been introduced around the Country in recent years have resulted in and demonstrated increases in the numbers of people walking and cycling.
- Introduction of Active Travel measures will provide for much improved road safety for all persons walking cycling, and wheeling.
- The introduction of green areas and planting will provide for a pleasant, attractive walking and cycling environment
- New Bus Stops with Shelters at the Marina and new secondary Bus Stops at Dunlo Hill will be accessible for all.
- Safer facilities will encourage active travel by children and residents.
- New pedestrian crossings, upgrades to existing crossings and junctions and narrowing of the carriageway will calm the traffic without impacting traffic volumes.

Where are we at:

- Non-statutory Options Consultation completed June 2024
- **THIS CONSULTATION – Non-Statutory Emerging Preferred Option 22nd Nov – 6th Dec 2024**
- Statutory Section 38 Consultation Q1-2025.
- Detail Design Q2/Q3-2025
- Construction to Commence Q3-2025

Improve road safety for children and all vulnerable road users

Improve our overall mental and physical health

Wider Benefits

Encouraging people to walk and cycle rather than driving when they can, helps:

Reduce carbon emissions causing climate change

Creates economic benefit for individuals and society

How to engage

Galway County Council want to hear from all members of the community to promote better engagement and to ensure that all inputs are considered in the design process.

For more information about this Active Travel Scheme, please visit:

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