

SECTION 38 CONSULTATION

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

Dear Resident / Business Owner



What is in this Leaflet

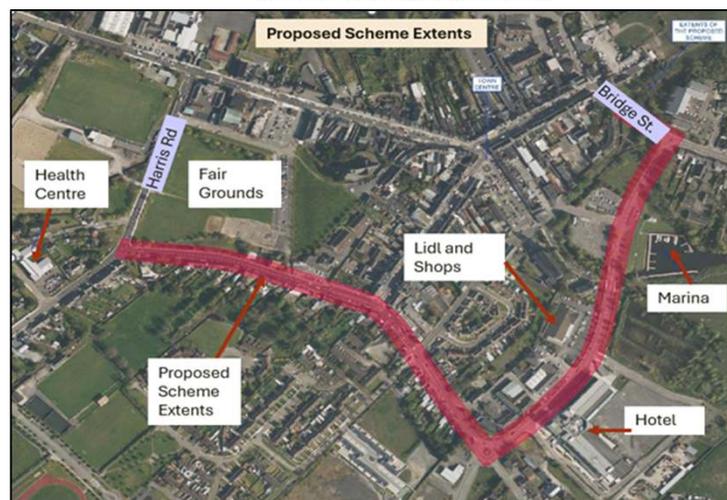
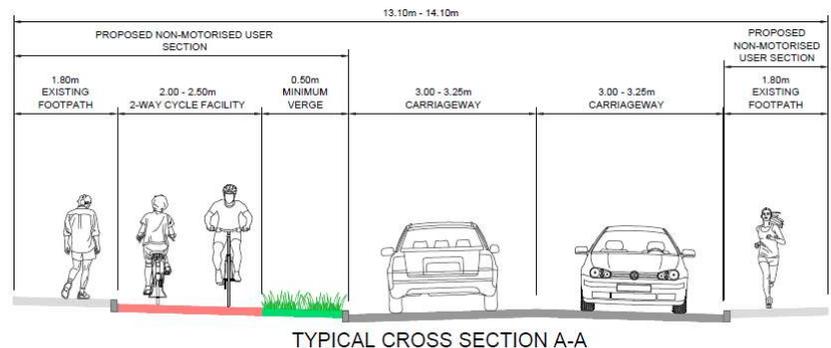
1. What is proposed and why
2. Benefits of the proposed scheme
3. Information on how to engage

This Statutory Public Consultation runs
between 13th – 27th March 2026
<https://consult.galway.ie/>



What's Proposed?

- 1.4km new protected cycle track
- Construction of new Bus Stops with shelters at the Marina and secondary bus stops at Dunlo Hill
- Construction of four new pedestrian crossings and an upgrade of the existing pedestrian crossings along the scheme. All new crossing are raised belisha beacons or signalised push button crossings. to make it easier for pedestrians to cross R446 and Side Roads to access schools, shopping areas, hotel, marina, bus stops and parks.
- Construction of a New roundabout at Harris Road junction with new pedestrian crossings on all arms
- Upgrades to existing Grand Canal Roundabout including new crossings and shared path for cycle connectivity
- Traffic calming to slow speeds
- Provide new green areas/ planting



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:

- Two Non-statutory Consultations were completed June 2024 & Dec 2024
- **THIS STATUTORY CONSULTATION – Section 38 13th – 27th March 2026**
- Detail Design Q2/Q3-2026
- Construction (Subject to funding) to Commence Q4-2026

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

During consultation period noted the hard copies can be inspected during normal working hours at Road Section, Galway County Council, Aras an Chontae, Prospect Hill, Galway

For digital consultation visit:

<https://consult.galway.ie>

General Queries can be made to the Active Travel team by Phone: 091 509000

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