

**Ms Barbara Reilly**  
**South Dublin County Council**  
**County Hall**  
**Tallaght**  
**Dublin 24**

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Dear Ms Reilly

I refer to your email dated 13 April last concerning bus services in Lucan.

The National Transport Authority (NTA) in conjunction with Dublin Bus closely monitors services throughout the network. Consideration is given to the implementation of additional services where a specific and regular need is clearly identified, subject to the availability of resources.

In the case of the Lucan corridor, the NTA approved the introduction of additional departures on a number of routes (25a, 25b, 26, 66 and 67) earlier this year following an examination of the demand on a number of key bus corridors in late 2017.

Furthermore, the NTA is currently pursuing the BusConnects project, which proposes to fundamentally transform Dublin's bus system so that journeys by bus will be fast, reliable, punctual, convenient and affordable. The NTA is continuing to advance the BusConnects project in conjunction with Dublin Bus, and public authorities including South Dublin County Council. There are two major strands to BusConnects.

The first of these is the development of a full network of “next generation” bus lanes, providing continuous bus lanes in each direction along all of the core bus corridors as far as practicable. Development work on these proposals is progressing and we expect to issue initial proposals for public consultation over the next two months.

The second is the complete redesign of the bus services in the Dublin region to enable more people to easily travel to more places. Work on that redesign process is on-going and a public consultation on the details of the emerging proposals is expected to commence in July.

Together with the other elements of BusConnects (simplified fares, integrated ticketing, new bus stops/shelters, etc.) we expect to deliver a transformed bus system that operates much more efficiently and is not impacted by general traffic congestion.

More information about BusConnects is available at [www.busconnects.ie](http://www.busconnects.ie)

I trust this clarifies the position in the matter for members of the Lucan Area Committee.

Yours sincerely



**Anne Graham**  
Chief Executive