**Wellington Lane Walking and Cycling Scheme**

**Report for RTFB ACM 12.02.20**

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Wellington Lane Walking and Cycling Public Engagement Report

**Process**

DBFL and its subconcultant, ‘Connect the Dots’, facilitated two workshops with Transition Year students in two secondary schools in the locality of the proposed scheme, St Mac Dara’s was held on 18.10.19 and the workshop in Templeogue College was held on 05.11.19.

The primary schools were facilitated by the Council’s Road Safety Officer who carried out Walkability Audits in Bishop Galvin SNS and Riverview ENTS. where valuable information was gathered on how the students move in the locality and their difficulties highlighted.

The consultants facilitated a Citizen Workshop on 20.11.19 and a Councillor Workshop on 21.11.19. Staff from both the Council SDCC and the Consultants attended and assisted at both of these workshops. Two councillors took part in the Councillor Workshop and an estimated twenty citizens came to our Citizen Workshop held in the Spawell.

The workshops served as a means to voice community concerns and wishes for the scheme.

**Findings**

The overarching concern was the need to find the right balance between the avoidance of creating undue traffic congestion whilst ensuring the safety of cyclists and pedestrians.

**Main Themes**

1. Safety First
2. Integration of Schools and Clubs
3. Pedestrian and Cyclist Alternative Routes
4. Enhancing the Routes
5. Managing Traffic Flow
6. Holistic Approach

**Next Steps**

The report will form an important input into the design process for DBFL Engineering Consultants and South Dublin County Council, acting as a key consideration when they envision the preferred routes and design for the walking and cycling scheme form Whitehall Road to Spawell Bridge Road.

The result will be a considered preliminary design for the Part 8 Planning Process.