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# Firhouse Road Active Travel Improvement Scheme - Works Commencement

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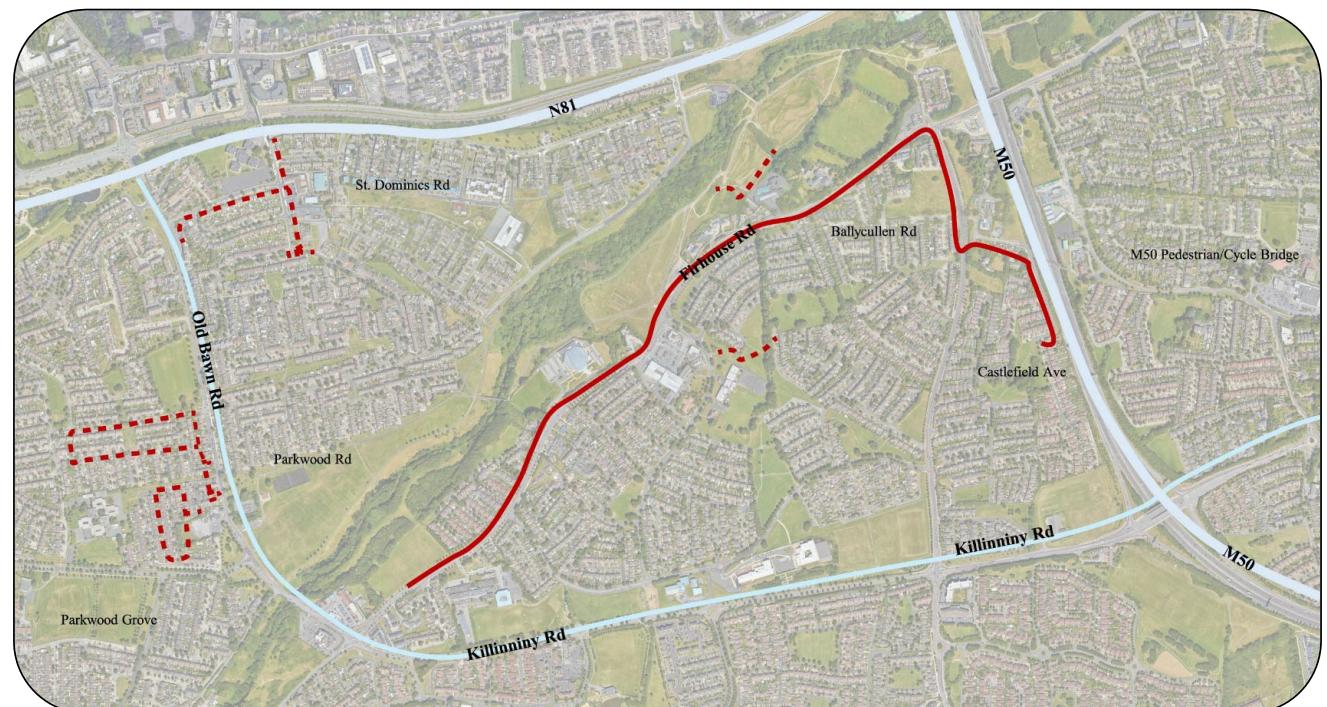
Firhouse Road has existing cycling facilities that are not continuous, particularly at junctions and pinch-points. *Firhouse Road Active Travel Improvement Scheme* will improve pedestrian and cycle facilities and safety via 3 main junctions, several side roads junctions, and generally improve the area, while retaining some existing cycle facilities.

## Primary Route 2.5km

- Firhouse Road
- Ballycullen Road
- Castlefield Avenue

## Secondary Routes 1.5km

- to St Dominics National School
- to Scoil Maelruain
- to Scoil Treasa
- Scoil Carmel to Dodder Valley Park



# Connected Active Travel Schemes

## Constructed Schemes

- Dodder Valley Greenway
- D24 Neighbourhood Cycle Scheme – Phases 1 and 2

## Planned Schemes

- Knocklyon to Ballyboden Active and Sustainable Travel Scheme
- Old Bawn Road Active Travel Scheme



# Stakeholders

- **Schools**
  - Firhouse Community College
  - Scoil Treasa
  - Scoil Carmel
  - St Dominics National School
  - Scoil Maelruain Junior and Senior National Schools
- **Firhouse Shopping Centre**
- **Church of Scientology**
- **Ballyboden St Enda's GAA pitches**
- **Firhouse Community Centre**
- **Morton's Development**
- **St Dominics Shopping Centre**
- **St Dominics Church**
- Other centres & clubs



# Consultations to Date

2012 Part VIII Planning approval for '**Tallaght to Ballyboden Cycle Route**'

2023 Cycle Design Manual Released [Updated Cycle Design Standards]

2023 Non-statutory public consultation for '**Oldbawn to Ballyboden Active Travel Scheme Phase 1**'

- Included Firhouse Road Active Travel Improvement Scheme
- The majority of submissions regarding the design of Knocklyon Road, require further study
- Post consultation, a decision to deliver Firhouse Road Active Travel Improvement Scheme via **Section 38**, with the remaining schemes to be delivered in future phases.

## Old Bawn to Ballyboden Active Travel Scheme

CLOSED 21 Apr, 2023, 10:00 - 19 May, 2023, 18:00

### Overview

South Dublin County Council (SDCC), in conjunction with the National Transport Authority (NTA), is proposing sustainable transport improvements in the Old Bawn, Firhouse, and Knocklyon areas as Phase 1 of the Old Bawn to Ballyboden Active Travel Scheme (O2B).

The Council's Active Travel Section is conducting an informal public consultation for Phase 1 and welcomes all submissions and observations on the scheme as proposed. The scheme is being prepared in accordance with Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act 1994.

### Scheme Details:

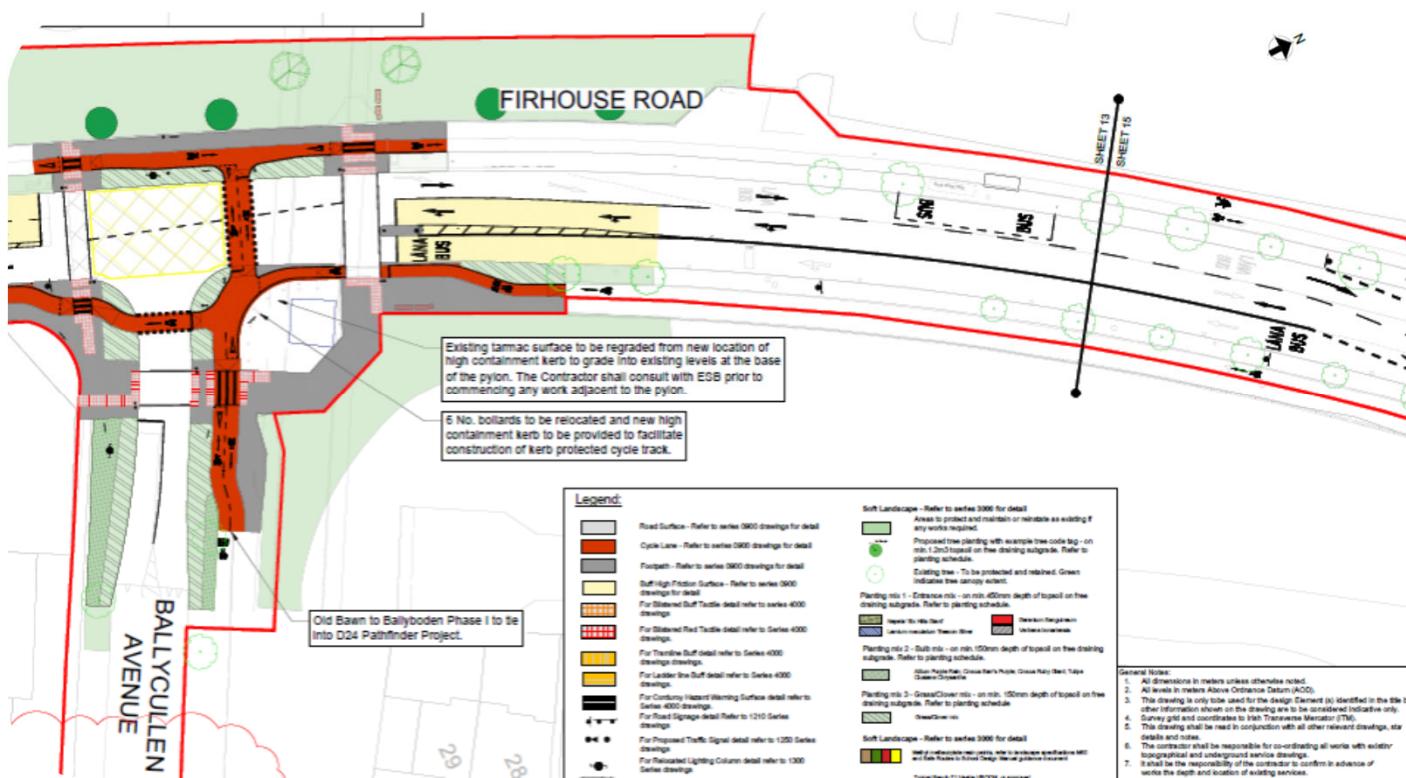
O2B Phase 1 will deliver high-quality walking and cycling infrastructure in the following locations:

- Old Bawn Road from south of the junction with the N81 to north of the junction with Firhouse Road West.
- Firhouse Road from east of the Killinny Road junction to east of the Knocklyon Road junction
- Ballycullen Road and Castlefield Avenue between Firhouse Road and Knocklyon Road via the existing M50 pedestrian and cyclist bridge.
- Knocklyon Road from the Firhouse Road junction to the western entrance to Dargle Wood Park.

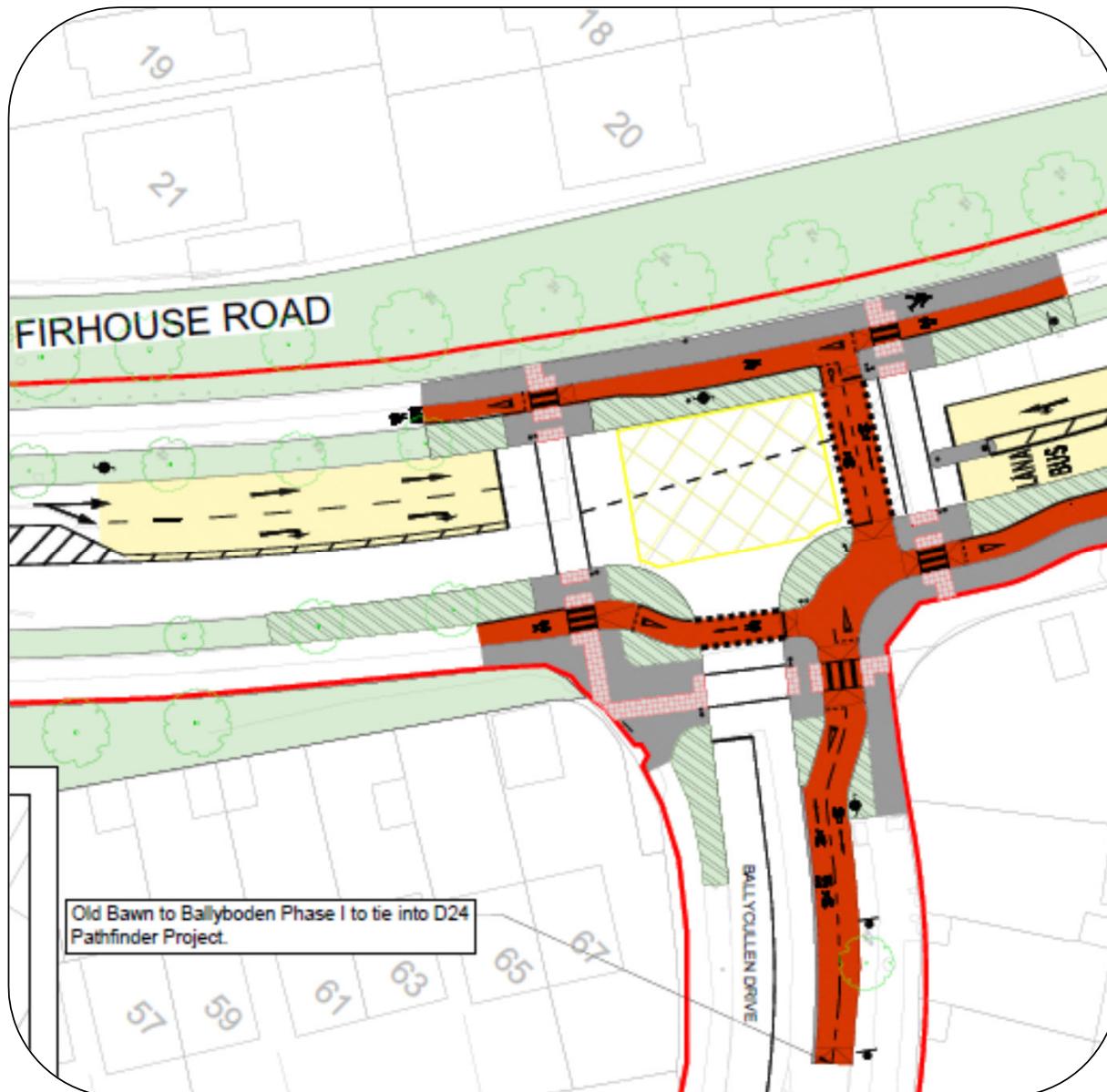
The screenshot shows a consultation page for the 'Old Bawn to Ballyboden Active Travel Scheme'. The page includes a header with the title and a 'CLOSED' status, a main content area with an 'Overview' section and 'Scheme Details', and a sidebar with sections for 'Share', 'Submissions', 'Themes', and 'Materials'. The 'Materials' section lists five PDF files: '01. O2B Phase 1 - Overview.pdf' (2.99 MB), '02. O2B Phase 1 - Technical Note.pdf' (5.48 MB), '03. O2B Phase 1 - Drawings.pdf' (22.74 MB), '04. O2B Phase 1 - Visualisations.pdf' (1.44 MB), and '05. O2B Phase 1 - Environmental Impact ...'.

# Overview of Proposed Works on Primary Route

- **3 protected junctions**
- **Priority junctions** and entrances with reduced traffic lane widths and tighter corner radii for shorter pedestrian crossing, segregated footpaths and cycle lanes
- **Placemaking**
- Landscaping, **20 new trees**
- **Safe school zones**
- **Bus stop upgrades** (inline bus stops, 3 new bus shelters)
- **Bus lane priority** at Ballycullen Drive junction and Ballycullen Avenue junction (130m length of bus lane switched from northbound to southbound direction at Ballycullen Avenue)

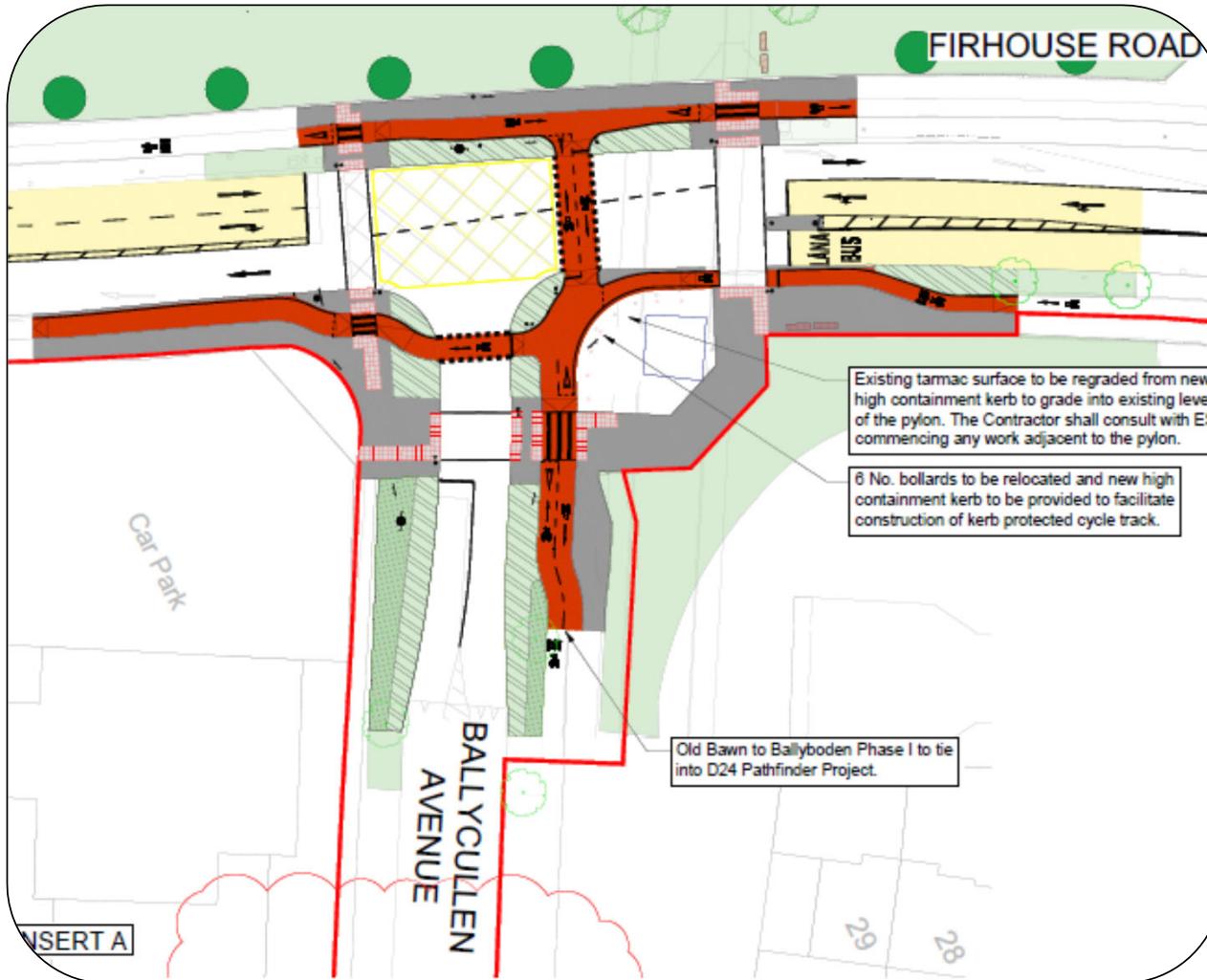


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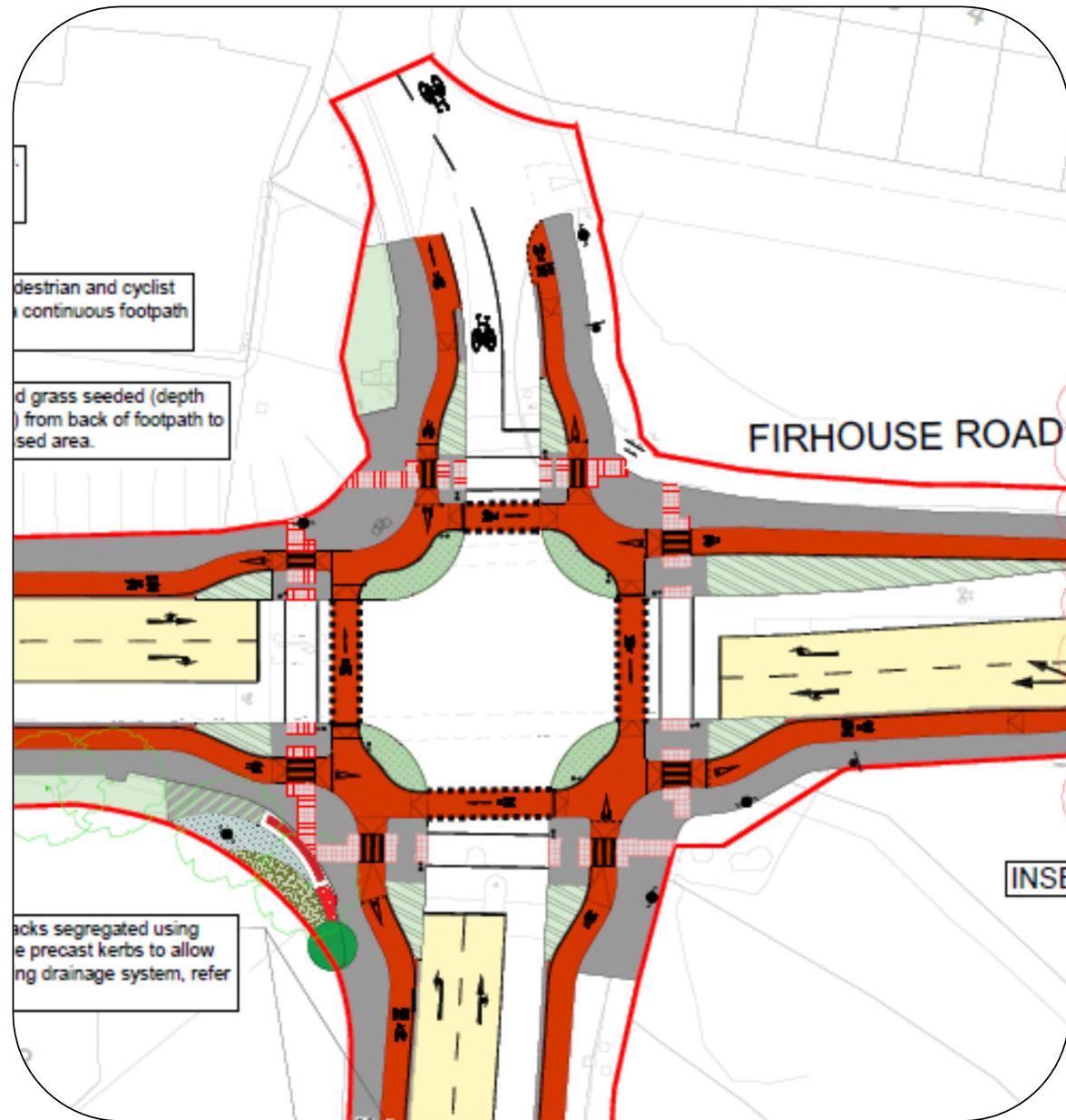
## Junction at Firhouse Road and Ballycullen Drive





## Junction at Firhouse Road and Ballycullen Avenue





## Junction at Firhouse Road and Ballycullen Road



# Overview of Proposed Works on Secondary Routes

## Scoil Treasa – new path

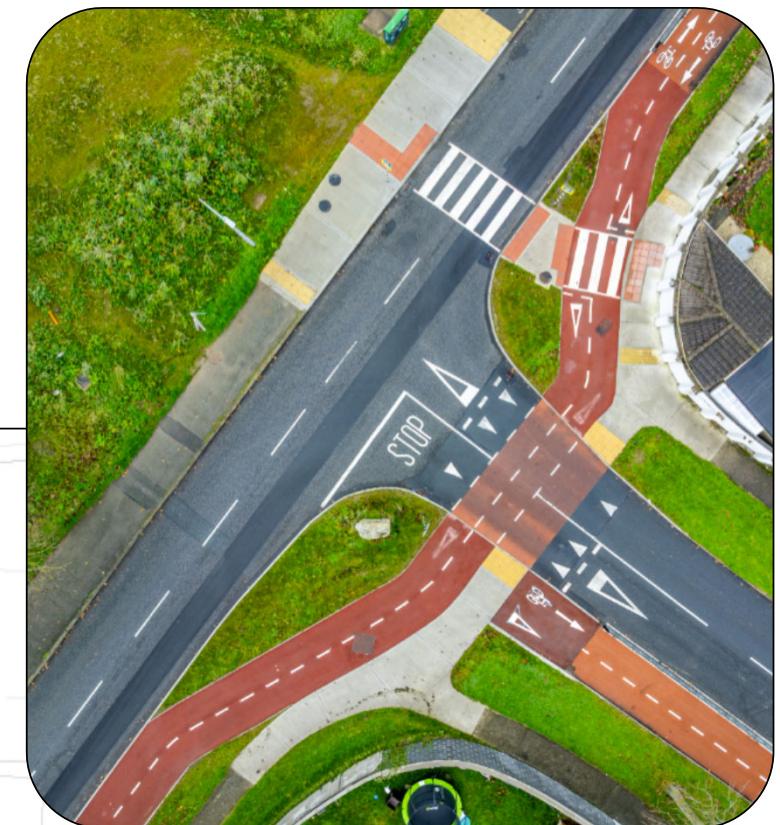
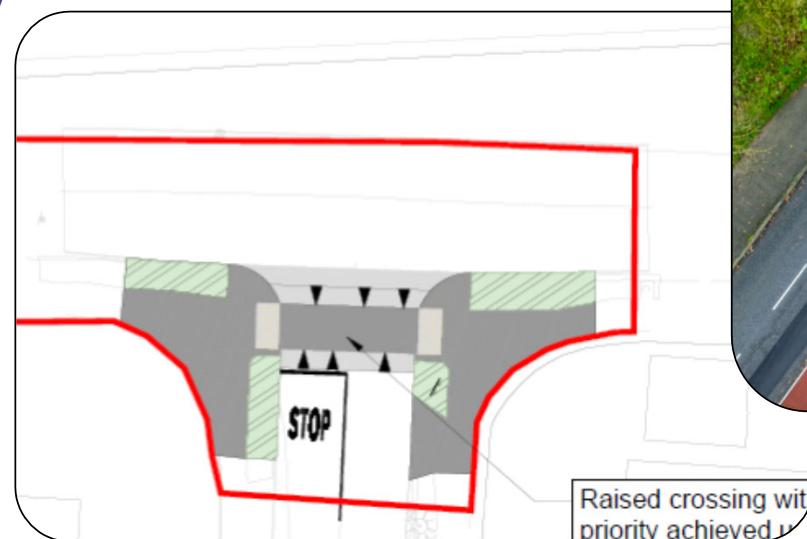
- from Woodlawn Park Grove

## St Dominics National School – shared streets & priority crossings

- Mountain Park
- St Dominics Road

## Scoil Maelruain Junior and Senior National Schools – shared streets & priority crossings

- Old Bawn Way
- Old Bawn Park
- Old Bawn Avenue
- Old Bawn Drive
- Parkwood Road
- Parkwood Avenue
- Parkwood Grove



## Construction Information

Construction due to commence in **Q1 2026** and completion end of 2026

**Murphys International Limited**  
main contractor - excellent track record

***Airton Road Extension Scheme***  
recently delivered by Murphys





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