

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. What is the Pedestrian & Cycling Scheme at Granard Bridge, Castleknock Road?

The Scheme aims to develop safe, high-quality walking and cycling facilities at Granard Bridge and the surrounding area. It includes constructing a shared-use path for pedestrians and cyclists, improving access to Castleknock train station, and enhancing local connectivity to encourage active and sustainable travel.

2. Why is this scheme needed?

Current footpaths and cycleways in the area are narrow and substandard, limiting safe access for pedestrians and cyclists. This project will provide a safer, more accessible route that supports healthier travel choices and aligns with Fingal County Council's Climate Action Plan.

3. What is the Emerging Preferred Route Option?

Following detailed technical assessments, the Emerging Preferred Route Option has been selected. It features a 4.0m wide shared active travel path on the western side of R806 (Castleknock Road), two new pedestrian and cyclist bridges (one over the Royal Canal and one over the Railway line) adjacent to the existing Granard Bridge and railway bridge, maintained existing traffic lanes, and improved access to Castleknock train station.

4. What are the next steps after this consultation?

The project will move to the preliminary design and environmental evaluation phase. Further consultation and engagement with stakeholders and the public will continue as the scheme progresses towards planning consent and construction.

5. How can I view the consultation materials?

Public consultation materials including drawings, reports, photomontages, and maps will be available from Thursday, 02 October 2025. These will be displayed at Blanchardstown Library throughout the consultation period and uploaded online via the Fingal County Council consultation portal <https://consult.fingal.ie/en/browse>

6. When and where is the public consultation event?

An in-person public consultation event will be held on Thursday, 30 October 2025 from 17:30 to 19:30 at Blanchardstown Library, Main Street, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15, D15

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7. How can I provide feedback?

Feedback can be submitted online through the consultation portal once live, or by post to:

Senior Executive Engineer

Planning & Strategic Infrastructure Department

Fingal County Council

County Hall, Main Street, Swords, Co Dublin, K67 X8Y2

8. What happens to my feedback?

All submissions are carefully considered and will help inform the preliminary design and planning of the scheme. The council is committed to transparent engagement and will provide updates on how feedback has influenced the project. All submissions are published on the consultation for public viewing.

9. Will there be any impact on local residents and businesses?

The scheme aims to minimize disruption. Detailed design will consider local constraints and seek to avoid or mitigate impacts on properties, traffic, and the environment. Further information on construction impacts will be provided in later consultation phases.

10. Who can I contact for more information?

For further queries about the scheme or consultation process, please contact Fingal County Council via email at planning@fingal.ie or through the consultation portal.