

Update on BusConnects changes in the Cremore area

May 2024

Dear Resident,

We are conscious that there is a lot of concern in the area around the Old Finglas Road about the changes involving BusConnects and the replacement of the 83 bus, and how they will affect existing traffic pressures in the area.

On March 13th, An Bord Pleanála approved the Ballymun & Finglas BusConnects Core Bus Corridor proposals put forward by the NTA which will involve changes for the area.

Bus route changes from early 2025:

- New **23 and 24** routes will replace the 83 bus and connect the Old Finglas Road with Phibsborough and the city centre.
- F spine will run from Finglas to the city centre replacing the 40 and 140 buses.
- 24 hour buses will run on these routes.

Bus route, Road, Cyclepath and Footpath network:



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Glasnevin Hill

- Cycle track on both sides of the road.
- Raised "table" junction outside McMahons café area.
- Series of three speed "controls"/ramps on Glasnevin Hill.

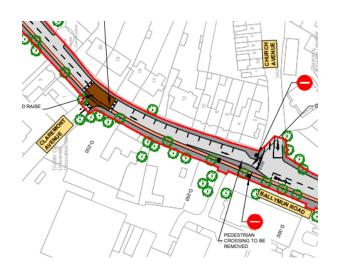
Finglas Road:

There will be no major changes at the intersection of Finglas and Old Finglas Roads



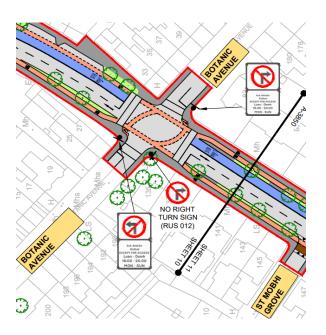
Old Ballymun Road

- One-way section southbound between Claremont Avenue and Church Avenue to accommodate parking for residents on both sides of the road.
- The bus gate on St. Mobhí Road (see below) and this change on the Old Ballymun Road will mean that traffic from Botanic Road travelling northwards towards Ballymun will have to go via Glasnevin Hill and Old Finglas Road and on to Cremore Villas and then Griffith Avenue.



St. Mobhí Road & Botanic Avenue

- New cycle lane for the full length of the northbound side of St. Mobhi Road.
- Two-way cycle lane on the other side between the Tolka River and the Scoil Caitríona entrance. Single lane rest of the way.
- St. Mobhi Drive one-way in the direction of the Botanic Gardens. Two-way cycle lane along Tolka.
- "Timed bus gate" at the top of St. Mobhi roadgeneral traffic will not be able to proceed northbound from St. Mobhi Road to Griffith Ave/Ballymun Road between 4pm - 8pm, seven days a week.
- No right turn from St. Mobhi Road onto Botanic Avenue (in the direction of Drumcondra)



From Phibsborough to the city centre:

- There will a new cycle lane via Royal Canal Bank, with "quiet street treatment", and a new underpass at Blacquiere Bridge under the North Circular Road.
- Loading bays will be removed along the Phibsborough Road to make way for a continuous bus lane in each direction.

The BusConnects proposals have been through a number of consultations since 2018, this is now the final plan. We understand from the NTA that they are likely to go to tender in 2025 with a view to commencing construction in 2026. More information is available at www.ballymunfinglasscheme.ie.

If we can be of help on a matter, local or national, please do get in touch with us.

Best wishes,

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Senator Marie Sherlock









