

# Non-Statutory Public Consultation for Navan Cycle Scheme

## Balreask Manor to Balreask Cross



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Meath County Council is proposing to develop a portion of the Navan Cycle Scheme from Balreask Manor to Balreask Cross which will provide high quality, safe, continuous, and consistent cycle and pedestrian facilities in Navan.

The Proposed Scheme consists of a 0.7km walking and cycling route between Balreask Manor and Balreask Cross along the R161 Trim Road. The Proposed Scheme will link the Beechmount to Balreask Manor Scheme (currently at planning) to the Navan to Trim Pathfinder Scheme (currently at design stage) – extending the town’s radial cycle network. The Proposed Scheme seeks to extend Route NA7 of the Navan Town Network outlined in the 2023 Greater Dublin Area Cycle Network Plan.

The scheme is currently in Phase 2 Concept Design and Option Development stage of delivery.

Following the Option Assessment process, the project team has now selected an Emerging Preferred Route (EPR) for Balreask Manor to Balreask Cross Scheme and is presenting this for non-statutory public consultation.

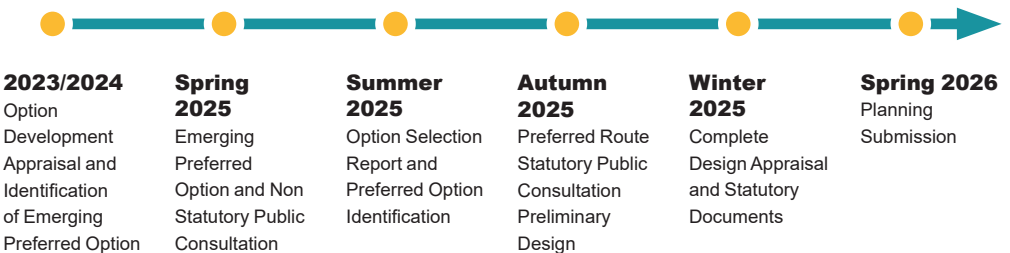
### Project Background

The National Transport Authority published the Greater Dublin Area Cycle Network in 2013 (revised and updated in 2022) which included a Cycle Network Map for Navan. This plan identified several strategic cycle/pedestrian routes from the town centre radiating along the main transport routes to/from the town.

Meath County Council now proposes to develop a section of one of these cycle routes between Balreask Manor and Balreask Cross along the R161 Trim Road.

The proposed scheme aims to:

- Improve local access for cyclists and pedestrians from Navan Town Centre to residential areas to the east of Navan.
- Improve cycle and pedestrian safety.
- Create a sustainable mode of active-travel access to/from the primary and secondary schools in the greater urban area of Navan.
- Provide a consistent and coherent standard of cycle facilities into Navan Town Centre

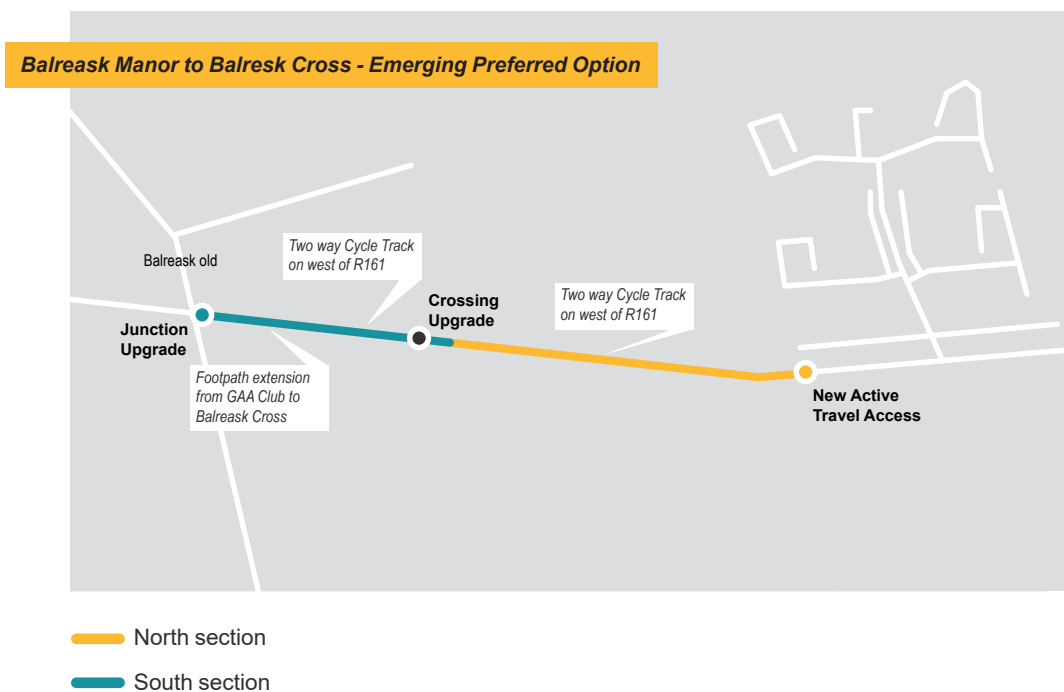


- Improve pavement quality and width, increasing comfort for cyclists.
- Provide safe and convenient junction layouts for pedestrians and cyclists.
- Provide additional recreational links by linking the local communities to future Greenway and Cycling routes for Navan.

## Emerging Preferred Route

The Emerging Preferred Route for the Proposed Scheme has been deemed to be Route Option 2B for the southern section of the Proposed Scheme, and Route Option 2A for the northern section. The Emerging Preferred Route will deliver high quality cycle and pedestrian facilities and improved public realm amenities along an area falling south of Navan Town Centre, County Meath along the R161 Trim Road from Balreask Manor to Balreask Cross.

The Emerging Preferred Route comprises of a two-way cycle track along the west of the R161. The Emerging Preferred Route provides the most benefits in terms of route coherence, directness and inclusion due to minimising the need for pedestrians and cyclists to cross the R161. It also serves the existing population well by providing cycling facilities on the western side of the R161 which sees the vast majority of the population within the study area.



## Non- Statutory Public Consultation

We now wish to consult with the public on the Emerging Preferred Route. Public consultation will run for four weeks from 26 May 2025 to 23 June 2025.

**An in-person consultation/public information event will take place in Balreask Bar & Restaurant Monday 26th May from 3pm to 7pm.** This will be a great opportunity to meet with the project team, learn about the proposed scheme, and provide feedback.

## How to make a submission?

Details of the proposed cycle scheme will be available on the project website and in Meath County Councils Office from **26 May 2025 to 23 June 2025**:

- The Council's consultation portal <https://consult.meath.ie>
- Meath County Council, Planning Department, Buvinda House, Dublin Road, Navan, Co. Meath C15 Y291

Submissions should be made no later than 5.00pm on 23 June 2025 via:

- **Feedback Form** on the Council's consultation portal <https://consult.meath.ie>
- **Email:** [activetravel@meathcoco.ie](mailto:activetravel@meathcoco.ie)
- **Post:** Navan Cycle Scheme, Meath County Council, Buvinda House, Dublin Road, Navan, Co. Meath, C15 Y291



We are keen to get a wide range of views, and we want to engage with as many people as possible in the consultation process. Local consideration will be sought before preliminary design of the Proposed Scheme which will be presented later in 2025.

## How to get in touch

If you have further queries about the scheme, please do not hesitate to contact the Navan Cycle Scheme Project Team by e-mail: [activetravel@meathcoco.ie](mailto:activetravel@meathcoco.ie)

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