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1.0 INTRODUCTION

Cronin & Sutton Consulting Engineers (CS Consulting) have been commissioned by the Land Development Agency (LDA) to prepare a Residential Travel Plan Framework (RTPF) for a proposed standalone Large-scale Residential Development (LRD) at Block 5 and Block 6, Clongriffin, Dublin 13.

In preparing this report, CS Consulting has made reference to the following:

- Dublin City Development Plan 2022–2028
- Cycle Design Manual (NTA, 2023)
- Greater Dublin Area Cycle Network (NTA, 2022)
- Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area, 2022-2042 (NTA)
- CSO 2022 Census data
- Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport Smarter Travel guidelines
- A Platform for Change (Dublin Transportation Office, 2001)
- Smarter Travel: A Sustainable Future A New Transport Policy for Ireland
 2009-2020 (Department of Transport)
- Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area 2016-2035 (NTA)

The RTPF is to be read in conjunction with the engineering drawings and documents submitted by CS Consulting and with all other documentation submitted by other members of the project design team. In particular, the RTPF should be read in conjunction with the accompanying Traffic and Transport Assessment (TTA), which reviews the potential transport impacts of the proposed development with respect to vehicular traffic and sets out the existing and proposed public transport, walking, and cycling infrastructure in the area.



2.0 SITE LOCATION AND PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

2.1 Site Location

The application site is located within zoned development lands to the north-west of Clongriffin railway station in Dublin 13. It is bounded to the north and west by recently completed residential developments, and to the east and south by undeveloped lands. The site has a total area of approx. 2.2ha and is in the administrative jurisdiction of Dublin City Council (DCC), adjacent to the City Council's boundary with Fingal County Council.

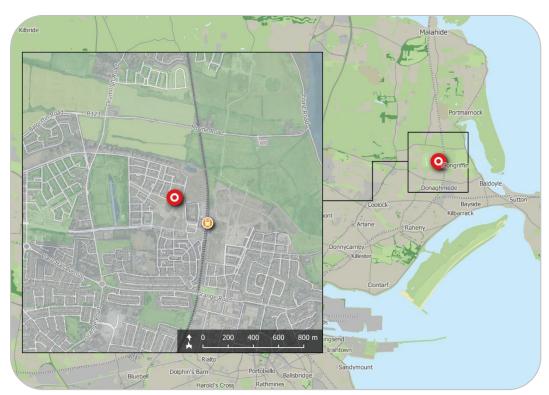


Figure 1 – Development site location (sources: EPA, OSi, OSM Contributors, Google)

The location of the development site is shown in **Figure 1** above; its extents and environs are shown in more detail in **Figure 2**.



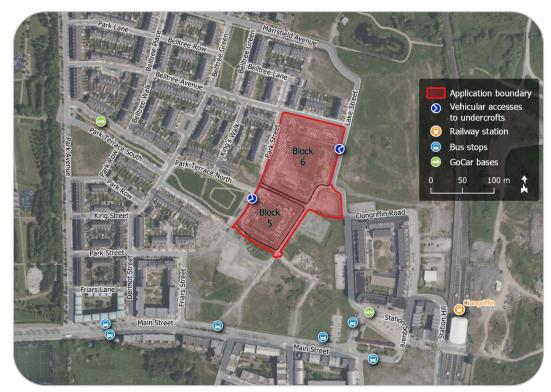


Figure 2 – Development site extents and environs (sources: NTA, GoCar, OSi, OSM Contributors, Microsoft)

2.2 Previous Clongriffin Masterplan Development

Development of the wider Clongriffin area has thus far been carried out largely in accordance with a 10-year masterplan planning permission granted to Gannon Homes on the 27th of June 2003 under DCC Reg. Ref. 0132/02 (An Bord Pleanála ref. PL29N.131058). This provided for development consisting of a total of 3,576no. dwellings and 80,600m² of mixed retail, commercial, leisure, and community uses, associated car parking and engineering works, and provision for a new railway station.

These previously permitted development proposals (referred to hereafter as the 'masterplan parent permission') comprised:

- 838no. houses, 428no. duplex units, and 2,310no. apartments.
- Commercial uses including 73no. retail units, a supermarket, offices (44,036m²) and media-associated uses (8,386m²), 2no. banks, 2no.



restaurants, 3no. public houses, a 70-unit aparthotel, 2no. hot food takeaways, a cinemaplex (5,700m²), a gym-fitness centre, a pharmacy, 2no. off-licences, a betting office, motor showrooms, 3no. motor service units, and 19no. enterprise units (1,542m²).

- Medical facilities including a 25-bed day hospital with 2no. operating theatres, a doctor's/dentist's surgery, and a veterinary surgery.
- 4no. childcare facilities (875m² in total).
- A community centre and provision for a Garda Services unit.
- 3no. kerbside recycling centres.



Figure 3 – Approximate Clongriffin masterplan extents (sources: OSi, OSM Contributors)

The masterplan parent permission also provided for the following associated infrastructure works:

• Services infrastructure including water supply, foul drainage, surface water drainage, and internal roads.



- A new access road to the development from the Hole in the Wall Road through Father Collins Park [Main Street] and a new east-west access road parallel to the Mayne River [Marrsfield Avenue].
- A public stairway and lift and escalator enclosure for the proposed over-track railway station.
- An underground town carpark and park and ride carpark (420no. spaces), taxi rank, drop off points, and a bus interchange associated with the railway station.
- Civic town squares and spaces, and a linear park along the south side of the Mayne River with attenuation pond.
- Site development works for reserved sites for future uses.

Much of this development has been constructed in the intervening years, whether under the original masterplan parent permission, amendments thereto, or separate planning permissions for individual sites within the masterplan area. Infrastructure so far completed includes:

- The 2no. access roads from the Hole in the Wall Road (Clongriffin Main Street and Marrsfield Avenue).
- The majority of the masterplan area's internal roads.
- Comprehensive internal foul drainage and surface water drainage networks, including a foul pumping station and a stormwater attenuation pond in the north-east corner of the masterplan area.
- A well-developed internal potable water supply network.

2.3 Existing Subject Site Condition

The subject development site itself is generally greenfield, although parts of it have been used for access and storage to facilitate construction on adjacent lands.



2.4 Description of Proposed Development

The proposed development will consist of the construction of two Blocks ranging in height between 3- to 7-storeys to provide 408 no. apartments (comprising 180 x 1 bed; 226 x 2 bed and 2 x 3 bed units) together with ancillary car-; bicycle and motorcycle parking provision. Ancillary communal amenity spaces are provided at podium level within the respective courtyards and at 4th floor roof terrace level.

At ground floor level provision is made for 1,209 sq.m Community / Arts and Cultural floorspace and a childcare facility of 413 sq.m (with an ancillary play area of 125 sq.m). Other facilities provided at ground floor level include refuse / bin stores; energy centre, plant rooms and integrated ESB substations and associated switch rooms. On-street loading bays are provided along Lake Street and Dargan Street.

Other works include the provision of road infrastructure and green infrastructure (in the form of a public open space / landscaped pocket park extending to 1,433 sq.m in area) together with street planting and public lighting throughout plus all associated engineering and site works (including an external multi-functional community / arts and cultural events space of 315 sq.m along Market Street and all underground services and utility connections) necessary to serve the proposed development.

2.5 Previously Permitted Developments on Subject Site

The present application is for a standalone development, comprising 2no. apartment blocks only, and does not seek to amend or derive from any extant planning permission. It is however relevant to note that 2no. apartment blocks of very similar design (also referred to as Block 5 and Block 6) are currently permitted within the area subject to this application.





Figure 4 – Previously permitted developments within application boundary (sources: CCK Architects, OSM Contributors, Microsoft)

These permissions were granted on 13/12/2019 under separate but concurrent Strategic Housing Development (SHD) applications:

- Block 5 (138no. apartments) as part of the 500-unit SHD permitted under ABP ref. 305319, which also included blocks 4 and 14.
- Block 6 (270no. apartments) as part of the 1,030-unit SHD permitted under ABP ref. 305316, which also included blocks 8, 11, 17, 25, 26, 27, 28, and 29.



As permitted under ABP ref. 305319, Block 5 would comprise:

- 52no. 1-bedroom apartments.
- 83no. 2-bedroom apartments.
- 3no. 3-bedroom apartments.
- 4no. retail units with a combined GFA of 393m².
- 42no. on-street car parking spaces on Park Street, Dargan Street, and Lake Street.
- 54no. internal (undercroft) car parking spaces, with vehicular access from Park Street to the west.
- 194no. secure long term bicycle parking spaces.
- 30no. publicly accessible short stay bicycle parking spaces.

As permitted under ABP ref. 305316, Block 6 would comprise:

- 123no. 1-bedroom apartments.
- 147no. 2-bedroom apartments.
- A crèche with internal GFA of 418m², providing 59no. childcare spaces.
- 65no. on-street car parking spaces on Belltree Avenue, Lake Street,
 Dargan Street, and Park Street.
- 119no. internal (undercroft) car parking spaces, with vehicular access from Lake Street to the east.
- 550no. secure long term bicycle parking spaces.
- 22no. publicly accessible short stay bicycle parking spaces.



3.0 RESIDENTIAL TRAVEL PLAN PURPOSE

Residential Travel Plans (RTPs) are developed for the purpose of promoting and enhancing travel via more sustainable modes of transport. They serve to identify travel demand strategies that reduce single occupancy private car travel, which in turn reduces traffic congestion, noise pollution and environmental impacts. Development occupants are informed of existing alternatives to the private car and are given the required advice, support, and encouragement to travel in a sustainable way. The RTP also includes reference to proposed future improvements to those transport options already available.

The aim of the RTP is to provide more sustainable transport choices, which lead to a reduction in the need for vehicular journeys, especially by private car. The RTP recognises that not all trips can be taken by sustainable modes and that some motor vehicle trips will still be necessary.

The RTP should be considered as a dynamic process, wherein a package of measures and campaigns is identified, piloted, and then monitored on an ongoing basis. The nature of the plan therefore changes during its implementation: measures that prove successful are retained, while those that are not supported are discarded. It is important that the plan retains the support of users and receives continuous monitoring. Feedback and active management of the plan are required for it to continue to be successful.



4.0 EXISTING SITE CONDITIONS

4.1 Clongriffin Masterplan Road Network

As previously described (see sub-section **2.2**), development of the wider Clongriffin area to date has been carried out generally in accordance with a masterplan planning permission granted under DCC Reg. Ref. 0132/02 (An Bord Pleanála ref. PL29N.131058). This masterplan parent permission provided for a comprehensive network of internal roads for the masterplan area, with two principal link streets (Main Street and Marrsfield Avenue) that connect this network to the Hole in the Wall Road, to the west.



Figure 5 – Clongriffin masterplan road network (northern section) (sources: CCK Architects, OSM Contributors, Microsoft)



As shown in **Figure 5**, the majority of this Clongriffin road network has already been constructed, including streets on the northern, eastern, and western sides of Block 6 (Belltree Avenue, Lake Street, and Park Street). As part of the proposed development:

- Dargan Street will be constructed, connecting Park Street to Clongriffin Road and running between Block 5 and Block 6.
- Lake Street will be extended southward along the eastern side of Block
 5, as far as its junction with Market Street.
- The initial section of Market Street will be constructed, extending from Park Street along the southern side of Block 5 as far as its junction with Lake Street.

Prior to construction of the proposed development, the remaining section of Park Street will also be completed, running along the western side of Block 5, as permitted under Reg. Ref. 0132/02. These works are to be carried by a third party under a condition of the land transfer by which the applicant acquired the development site.

The existing Clongriffin internal road network comprises local streets with carriageway widths of between 5.0m and 6.0m. The majority of car parking is within dwelling curtilages, with some parallel on-street parking spaces. Extensive on-street parking is however provided along Marrsfield Avenue, Park Avenue, and Park Terrace. Raised footpaths are in place along all completed streets, with a minimum width of 2.0m generally. On-road cycle lanes are in place on Marrsfield Avenue only, terminating where this becomes Lake Street.

4.2 Pedestrian Accessibility

Figure 6 shows walking times to and from the development site, based on an average walking speed of 4.5km/h. The street network used for this assessment assumes completion of the street elements to be constructed



as part of the proposed development (sections of Park Street, Dargan Street, Lake Street, and Market Street, as described in sub-section **4.1**) but does not include the few remaining elements of the Clongriffin masterplan road network that are outside the scope of this application.

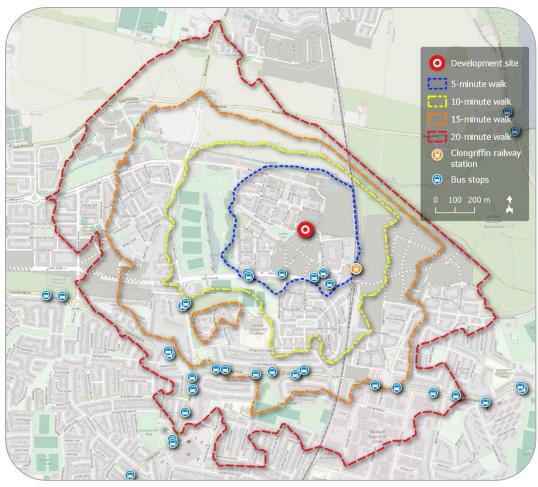


Figure 6 – Walking times to/from development site (map data & imagery: NTA, OSi, OSM Contributors)

Clongriffin railway station is within a 5-minute walk of the development site, as are bus stops at Station Square and along Clongriffin Main Street. The section of Clongriffin Main Street that is within a 5-minute walk is home to several medical, commercial, and food/beverage premises, including a medical centre, a pharmacy, and a vet. The entirety of Father Collins Park



is within a 10-minute walk, and the Donaghmede Shopping Centre is just over 20 minutes' walk away.

4.3 Bicycle Journey Times

Figure 7 shows bicycle journey times to and from the development site, based on an average cycling speed of 16km/h.

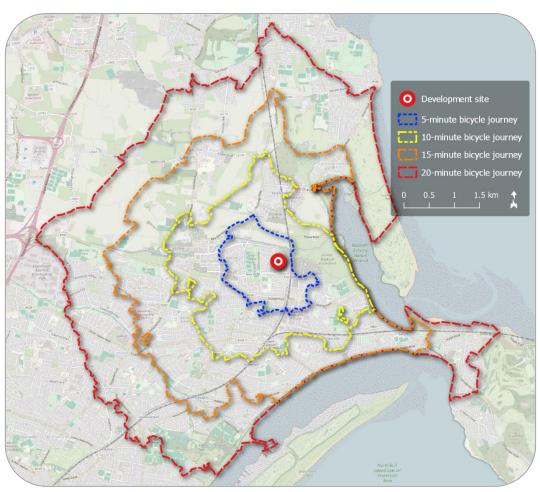


Figure 7 – Bicycle journey times to/from development site (map data & imagery: NTA, OSi, OSM Contributors)

4.4 Existing Public Transport Services

Bus stops at Station Square and along Clongriffin Main Street, within a 5-minute walk of the development site, are served by Dublin Bus route no. 15.



This is a high-frequency bus route that operates between Clongriffin and Ballycullen in south-west Dublin, via Dublin city centre.

Table 1 – Existing Adjacent Bus Service

Route No.	Operator	Destination	Weekday Services	Typical Peak Hour Interval
15	Dublin Bus	Ballycullen Road	120 (approx.)	4 min
		Clongriffin	120 (approx.)	10 min

Clongriffin railway station is approximately 300m south-east of the development site, within a 5-minute walk. This station is served principally by Dublin Area Rapid Transit (DART) trains operating between Malahide and Bray or Greystones, via Dublin city centre. Commuter rail services on the Drogheda/Dundalk to Dublin/Bray route also call at this station, though less frequently.

Table 2 – Rail Services at Clongriffin Station

Service Type	Direction (Destinations)	Weekday Services	Typical Peak Hour Interval
Dublin Area	Northbound (Malahide)	47	15 min
Rapid Transit (DART)	Southbound (Bray/Greystones via Dublin)	47	20 min
Canada Da'i	Northbound (Drogheda/Dundalk)	3	n/a
Commuter Rail	Southbound (Dublin/Bray)	2	n/a

Figure 8 shows the reach of public transport journeys from the development site, by total journey time, based on a weekday departure time of 08:00. These journey times include service interchanges, as well as the time necessary to walk to and between public transport stops.



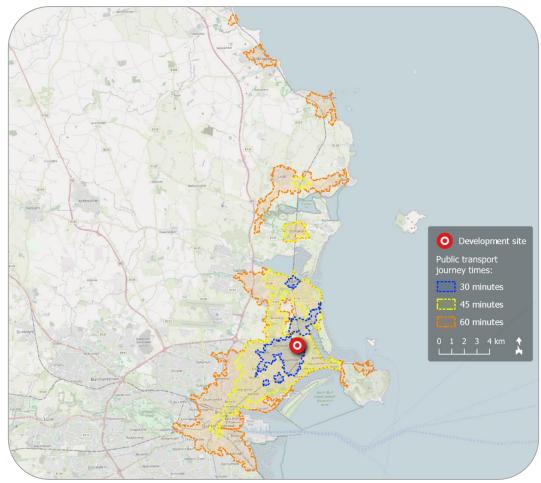


Figure 8 – Public transport journey times (map data & imagery: TravelTime platform, OSM Contributors)

4.5 Proposed Transport Infrastructure and Service Improvements

4.5.1 BusConnects

The BusConnects Dublin Area Revised Bus Network initiative, which is currently undergoing staged implementation, seeks to improve the overall convenience and efficiency of the city's bus routes. As part of this reorganisation, the existing Dublin Bus route no. 15 – which currently serves stops at Station Square and on Clongriffin Main Street, in close proximity to the development site – is to be discontinued. Four new bus routes are instead to run to and from Clongriffin Station: the D1 and D3 arterial routes, passing through Dublin city centre, and the



N8 and L80 orbital/local routes to Blanchardstown Shopping Centre and Dublin City University.

In addition to these, it is proposed to extend the H1 arterial route, which currently runs between Dublin City Centre and Baldoyle, as far as Clongriffin Station. This is however contingent on the completion of a bus ramp over the railway line to provide a direct road connection between Station Square and Red Arches Road.



Figure 9 – BusConnects network redesign – Clarehall/Donaghmede (background map imagery: NTA 1)

The other principal component of the BusConnects project comprises the Core Bus Corridors, one of which is to be implemented between Clongriffin Station and Dublin city centre. This will improve bus

¹ https://busconnects.ie/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/clarehall-donaghmede-area-map.pdf



infrastructure and reinforce bus priority along this route, with the aim of reducing bus journey times and improving service reliability. In the immediate vicinity of the development site, this Core Bus Corridor (no. 1) is to run along Clongriffin Main Street and will for the most part make use of existing bus lanes.

Table 3 – Adjacent Bus Services Proposed Under BusConnects

Route No.	Route Type	Destination	Weekday Services	Typical Peak Hour Interval
D.1	Spine (arterial)	Grange Castle	72	15 min
D1		Clongriffin	72	15 min
113	Spine	Clondalkin	72	15 min
	(arterial)	Clongriffin	72	15 min
NIO	Orbital	Blanchardstown S.C.	36	30 min
N8		Clongriffin	36	30 min
1.00	Local	Dublin City University	32	20 min
L80		Clongriffin	32	20 min
H1 ²	Spine (arterial)	City Centre	72	15 min
		Clongriffin	72	15 min

4.5.2 DART+

DART+ is the NTA and larnród Éireann's programme for the expansion and modernisation of Dublin Area Rapid Transit (DART) medium rail services. This will extend the DART network from its current 50km in length to over 150km.

The DART+ programme involves the purchase of a new train fleet, as well as rail infrastructure improvements along the following network sections:

- Maynooth and M3 Parkway to the City Centre (DART+ West)
- Hazelhatch & Celbridge to the City Centre (DART+ South West)

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² Subject to extension of existing H1 service via Red Arches Road to Clongriffin Station.



- Drogheda to the City Centre (DART+ Coastal North)
- Greystones to the City Centre (DART+ Coastal South)

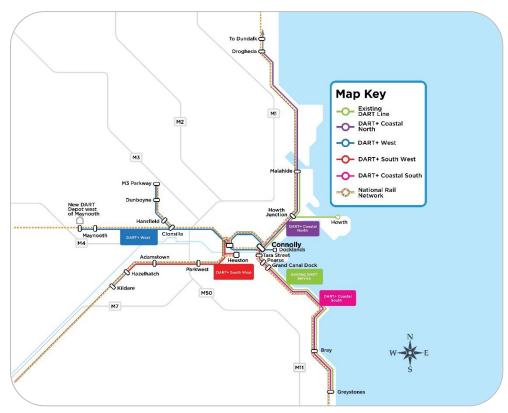


Figure 10 – DART+ proposal extents (source: NTA / larnród Éireann ³)

The DART+ Coastal North Project will provide an extension of the existing electrified rail network from Malahide to Drogheda MacBride station, and will provide the infrastructure to facilitate increased rail capacity on the Northern Line between Dublin City Centre and Drogheda MacBride Station, including the Howth Branch. DART+ Coastal North will increase peak period train frequency between Drogheda and Dublin City Centre from 3.7 trains per hour to 8 trains per hour, and increase passenger capacity from 4,200 per hour to

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³ https://www.dartplus.ie/en-ie/about-dart



8,900 per hour. Project elements also include track modifications at various locations and a new platform at Drogheda MacBride Station.

As additional rolling stock is required to support the planned expansion in rail services, provision is made for the purchase of up to 750 electric and battery/electric vehicles over the next decade. Delivery of the first order of 95 cars is expected in 2024, with these entering service in 2025.

DART+ Coastal North remains in the later stages of the concept phase; this will be followed by the preliminary design phase and statutory planning approval phases. When the necessary permissions have been granted, the detailed design and procurement phases will be undertaken. Pending further approvals, the contract award for the construction phase is anticipated to be in 2025/26.

4.5.3 Main Street Extension

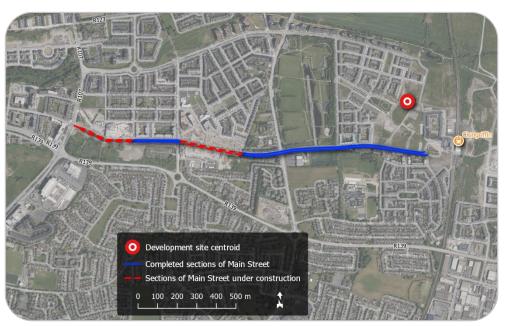


Figure 11 – Clongriffin Main Street extension (sources: OSi, OSM Contributors, Microsoft)



Clongriffin Main Street was initially constructed between Station Square and the Hole in the Wall Road, extending only some 200m westward beyond the Hole in the Wall Road. In the context of wider development in the Balgriffin area, Main Street is currently being extended some 800m further westward, to connect with the Malahide Road. This creates new 4-arm junctions on the Malahide Road and Belmayne Avenue, which have been constructed but are not yet in full operation.

4.5.4 Greater Dublin Area Cycle Network Plan

As part of the Greater Dublin Area Cycle Network Plan, administered by the National Transport Authority, it is proposed that secondary cycle routes be implemented along the full length of Clongriffin Main Street, as well as along the Hole in the Wall Road, Marrsfield Avenue, Clongriffin Road, and Lake Street. A feeder route is proposed along Red Arches Road, and a utility greenway along the Mayne River. A leisure greenway is shown traversing the subject lands from west to east.



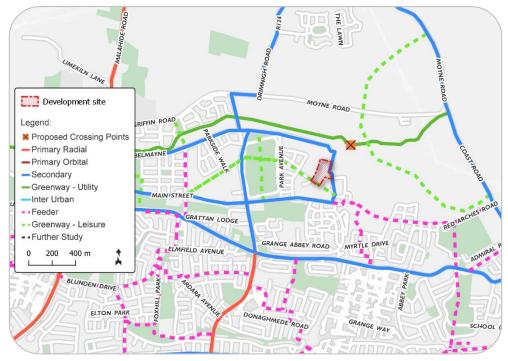


Figure 12 – GDA Cycle Network Plan map extract (background map source: NTA 4)

No information is yet publicly available on the proposed design or delivery timeframe of these cycle infrastructure objectives.

4.6 Existing Shared Transport Facilities

The area surrounding the development site is well served by the GoCar, Yukõ, and Driveyou commercial car-share services (see **Figure 13**):

- 2no. GoCar bases, with a total of 5no. vehicles, are located within a 5-minute walk of the development site. A further 4no. GoCar vehicles are located within a 10-minute walk.
- One Yukō base is located within a 10-minute walk of the site, and another within a 15-minute walk.
- One Driveyou base is located within a 15-minute walk of the site.

⁴ https://www.nationaltransport.ie/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/2022-GDA-Cycle-Network.pdf



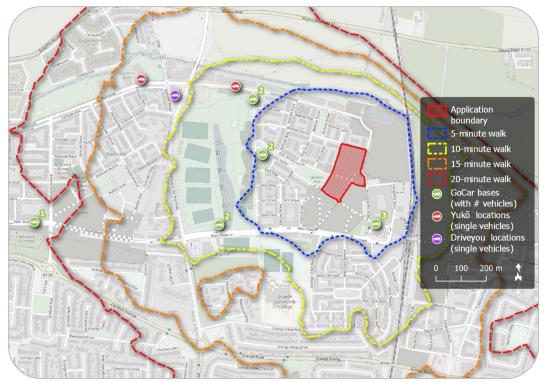


Figure 13 – Existing car-share service locations (sources: GoCar, Toyota, Driveyou, OSM Contributors)

Note:

The above car sharing locations represent the most up to date information available on the publicly accessible GoCar, Yukõ, and DriveYou bases at the time of preparing this report (locations last verified on the 9th of July 2024). These base locations are subject to periodic alteration by the scheme operators, in response to usage demand and to traffic management considerations.



5.0 CONTENT OF THE RESIDENTIAL TRAVEL PLAN

The RTP is a management tool that brings together transport, occupants' and site management issues in a coordinated manner. This report sets out the objectives and specific measures required to establish an effective RTP.

This Plan's aim is to support sustainable transport choices that will allow the lowest possible proportion of journeys to/from the site to be made by single-occupant private cars. The Plan sets out specific targets and objectives, including measures to be implemented to establish and maintain a low modal share for private car journeys to and from the development. The Plan will require regular monitoring to develop an effective implementation of mobility management measures.

Within Ireland, travel demand management is becoming well established through the initiatives and strategies identified in the document A Platform for Change, which was published by the Dublin Transportation Office (DTO) in 2001. Within this document, the first steps for travel demand management in Ireland are described as seeking "to reduce the growth in the demand for travel while maintaining economic progress, [through measures] designed to encourage a transfer of trips to sustainable modes".

Building on the policies set forth in A Platform for Change, further progress in the Irish context was made with the publication of the document Smarter Travel: A Sustainable Future – A New Transport Policy for Ireland 2009-2020 and, more recently, the publication of the Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area 2016-2035 and the Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area 2022-2042. Within these documents, numerous actions have been proposed which aim to foster improved sustainable travel habits for Ireland.



An effective Residential Travel Plan should be informed by and founded upon the following:

- A travel survey of development occupants, to establish the origins and destinations of trips to and from the development;
- An outline of specific schemes/measures implemented to discourage car-dependent transport to and from the site;
- Any comments/suggestions on travel that have been offered by development occupants or visitors;
- A set of targets, to be set out in accordance with approved guideline documents;
- An outline of the specific schemes that the development plans to make available to its occupants and visitors, in order to encourage the desired travel patterns to and from the site. These might include, for example: cycle facilities, public transport promotion, walking groups, cycle groups, communication and consultation, etc.

The RTP for the subject development is to follow the above guidelines. The success of the Plan depends on the co-operation of all parties; the appointment of a co-ordinator and a steering group is vital for the success of the Plan. This RTP will need to be reviewed on a regular basis by the steering group, with updates implemented as improvements to the transport network in the vicinity of the development site are carried out.

The objectives of the RTP for the proposed development are as follows:

- To encourage/increase the use of public transport, walking and cycling for development occupants and visitors, and to facilitate travel by bicycle, bus, and rail.
- To minimise the overall number of single-occupant vehicles trips for journeys to and from the development.
- To integrate mobility management into the development management decisions, policies and practices, and to work closely



with governing bodies on means and use of transport services around the vicinity of the development site.

 To provide information and have resources readily available to increase awareness and continue education on sustainable modes of travel for both development occupants and visitors to the development.

5.1.1 Objective 1

To encourage/increase the use of public transport, walking and cycling for development occupants and visitors, and to facilitate travel by bicycle, bus, and rail.

The encouragement and increased use of other modes of transport which are less damaging to the environment in terms of congestion and emissions is directly linked to the reduction in car use. Through the encouragement of these alternatives to the car it is hoped that their modal share will increase. Public transport, pedestrian and cycling facilities present in the area of the site, such as the Luas, commuter rail, frequent Dublin Bus services, and car sharing schemes, offer an alternative to the private car in many cases. Facilities are constantly improving with the ongoing implementation of different strategies and projects, such as the Luas Cross-City service connection (completed in 2017), the Metrolink project, and the DART Underground.

Apart from the environmental benefits, the use of more sustainable modes of transport reports the following benefits to the individuals:

- Savings in personal costs. Walking is free, cycling does not incur any
 fuel costs, and buying a bicycle or using public transport is cheaper
 and can benefit from Government's tax incentives.
- Health benefits. Levels of fitness and wellbeing increase with the practice of exercise, which is directly related to walking and



cycling. The use of public transport avoids the stress of driving, traffic congestion, seeking parking spaces, etc.

5.1.2 Objective 2

To minimise the overall number of single-occupant vehicles trips for journeys to and from the development.

The reduction in vehicle use is a key objective of the RTP. Car use reduces air quality and local amenity while impacting on road safety, which in turn has social and economic disadvantages.

This objective is targeted specifically at the reduction of car use to and from the development. The objective is achievable through measures designed at reducing the need for travel and encouraging a modal shift away from the private car.

5.1.3 Objective 3

To integrate mobility management into the development management decisions, policies, and practices, and to work closely with governing bodies on means and use of transport services around the vicinity of the development site.

Mobility management and sustainable transport cannot be addressed in isolation, but as part of a more general approach towards the development of a sustainable organisation whose functions deliver significant benefits to the community and the environment, together with economic savings. Regular communication with the local authorities on further improving facilities in and around the vicinity of the development can establish good policies and practices when developing decisions within the RTP.

In addition, Local Authorities require Travel Plans for developments which they consider may generate significant trip demand.



5.1.4 Objective 4

To provide information and have resources readily available to increase awareness and continue education on sustainable modes of travel for both development occupants and visitors to the development.

The RTP has a significant role to play in the provision of information and resources to people both within the development and the wider community. Information should be made readily available, and the benefits of sustainable travel should be widely promoted throughout the development when completed. Information positioned correctly can influence attitudes, which in turn can influence behaviour.



6.0 RESIDENTIAL TRAVEL PLAN TARGETS

6.1 Census Data and Initial Modal Split

Journeys to and from the development shall be made primarily by two distinct population groups: residents and visitors. The targets set under the Residential Travel Plan shall be limited to residents, as this is the only group expected to make both frequent and regular trips to and from the site. While the travel habits of visitors are expected also to be influenced by measures adopted under the Plan, these are more difficult to monitor.

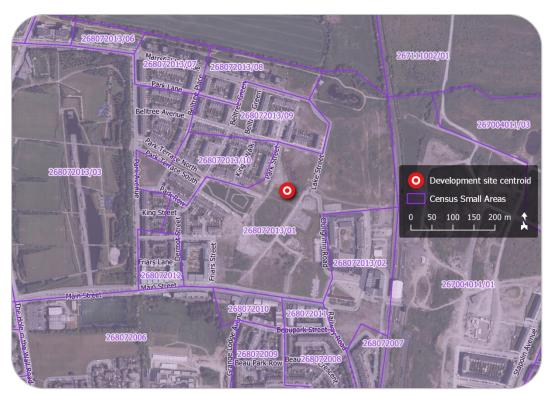


Figure 14 – Census Small Areas (SAs) (map data & imagery: CSO, Microsoft)

To establish indicative baseline modal splits for development residents, reference has been made to CSO data derived from the 2022 census, in the form of Small Area Population Statistics (SAPS) that give modal splits for residents' trips to places of work or study. For the purposes of the present



assessment, these splits are assumed to apply also to visitors. The development site is within Census Small Area (SA) no. 268072013/01 (see **Figure 14**), which is bordered by 9no. other SAs. The aggregate census modal splits for these 10no. SAs, which have a total combined census population of 2,542 people, are given in **Table 4**.

Table 4 – CSO 2022 Census Data – Existing Modal Splits

Transport Mode	Local Area Census Modal Shares 5
Driving a Car or Van	29%
Passenger in a Car	16%
Bicycle	6%
Motorcycle	1%
Bus	14%
Train or Tram	21%
Walking	13%

It should be noted that these modal shares refer to the greatest proportion (by distance) of each journey. A bus journey, for example, is likely to involve walking or cycling at one or both ends of the trip but will not be classified as a walking or cycling journey.

Once the development is completed and occupied, the true initial modal splits should be established by means of a travel survey and the initial RTP targets should be amended by the Mobility Management Coordinator, if appropriate. These targets should be reappraised at regular intervals thereafter as part of the periodic Plan review process.

6.2 Modal Split Targets

Table 5 gives the suggested initial Residential Travel Plan targets to be set in pursuance of the objectives defined in Section 5. These have been derived

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⁵ Excluding 'not stated' responses and those who work mainly from home.



from the existing local modal splits (as given in **Table 4**), taking into account the development's proposed car parking provision and its proximity to good quality rail and bus services.

Table 5 – Modal Split Targets for Development Occupants

Transport Mode	Suggested Initial Target Modal Share
Driving a Car or Van	20%
Passenger in a Car/Van/Taxi	12%
Bicycle	8%
Motorcycle	1%
Bus	17%
Train or Tram	26%
Walking	16%

6.3 Implementation Timeframe

The duration of the first phase of the Residential Travel Plan, during which the initial target modal splits shall be pursued, will be decided by the Mobility Management Coordinator once the development is operational. A phase duration of 2 years is suggested, after which time the first Plan review may be conducted and the initial targets revised, if appropriate.

6.4 Plan Monitoring and Review

As part of ongoing monitoring and review, the percentage shares of individual modes such as walking, cycling and public transport will be monitored to understand how successful implementation of targeted programmes have been.

The targets set will require ongoing work and commitment from the development as a whole, without which they will not be achieved. It is recognised that some people will be easier to convert to alternative modes of transport than others, and that the more that is done to facilitate the use of those alternatives, the more they will be used. As it has already been



noted, a Residential Travel Plan is an ongoing process and targets that are achieved should be replaced by further targets.



7.0 MOBILITY MANAGEMENT MEASURES

The measures identified are a mixture of policies and incentives designed to both encourage changes in travel behaviour and restrict the use of private cars. The measures are designed to be implemented over a period of time, allowing costs to be spread and ensuring policies and incentives are implemented together.

While little may be observed in terms of travel behaviour in the short term, as implementation gains momentum so will the impact in terms of travel behaviour.

The mobility management measures in the plan can be grouped under the following headings:

- Marketing and Communications
- Walking and Cycling
- Public Transport
- Implementation / Consultation / Monitoring

7.1 Marketing and Communications

The education of development occupants and visitors on the Travel Plan initiatives and the importance of contribution are extremely important. The services available must be communicated in a consistent and continuous manner to sustain behavioural change.

Communications will include promotional initiatives and activities aimed at informing occupants and visitors of the existing and proposed transport networks. Such initiatives and activities will include:

- Promoting the RTP through Internal Communication and external avenues.
- Developing an Access Map to show public transport facility locations and highlight safe walking and cycling routes. In addition to this, the



establishment of Travel Information Points at dedicated on-site locations to make occupants and visitors aware of the mode choices available in and around the development site. The Travel Information Points must be conspicuously located at the reception areas and provide travel and mobility information such as maps, public transport routes and timetables, leaflets, etc.

- Preparing a formalised Sustainable Travel Information Pack, which is to be provided to all new development occupants. The Pack will contain all the information relating to the Residential Travel Plan, including the Mobility Access Map and the locations of cycle parking, etc.
- Developing a digital Travel Information Point for the development, to provide details of travel choices to the site, linking to appropriate external websites for visitors to the development.

7.2 Walking and Cycling

7.2.1 <u>Safe Walking and Cycling Routes</u>

All pertinent safe walking and cycling routes will be identified within a radius of at least 2km around the development site. These routes will be selected with regard to:

- Availability of footpaths and cycle paths
- Safety at crossings
- Signage
- Lighting

7.2.2 <u>Bicycle Parking, Umbrellas, and Bicycle Maintenance Stations</u>

- It will be ensured that bicycle parking for development occupants and visitors is secure, easily accessible, and sufficiently sheltered.
- Loan umbrellas will be provided at reception areas for visitors.
- Bicycle maintenance stations (containing tools, puncture repair equipment, pumps, etc.) will be maintained at reception areas



and within bicycle storage areas, and made available to all bicycle users.

7.3 Public Transport

The proposed measures intend to promote the use of public transport.

7.3.1 <u>Service Information</u>

It will be ensured that the information supplied in the development Access Map, Sustainable Travel Pack and Travel Information Points includes the location of stops, routes, timetables, walking times to main public transport facilities, etc. Changes and improvements to public transport provision must be publicised as well.

7.3.2 Promotion of Tickets and Passes

Development occupants will be provided with information on advantageous public transport fare options, including the Taxsaver scheme and the Tfl Leap Card.

7.3.3 Multi-Modal Trip Support

Development users will be offered specific advice on combining public transport with other modes of transport, for instance travelling by bicycle between a bus stop or railway station and their home or workplace. In particular, information will be provided on the conditions under which standard or folding bicycles may be carried on bus and train services.

7.4 Shared Transport

As described in sub-section **4.6**, the wider Clongriffin area is currently well served by commercial car-share schemes that include GoCar and Yuko. The development's provision of on-street parking (to be taken in charge by



Dublin City Council and made available for public use) offers potential for further expansion of these services into the interior of Clongriffin; this would be subject to the agreement of Dublin City Council, which shall ultimately control these spaces.

7.5 Implementation / Consultation / Monitoring

The Residential Travel Plan is a document that evolves over time and depends upon ongoing implementation, management and monitoring. Its successful implementation requires organisational support, an internal Mobility Management Coordinator, and financial resourcing.

To implement the RTP, the following inputs are required:

- Management support and commitment;
- A Mobility Management Coordinator to oversee the Plan;
- A Steering Group to oversee the Plan;
- Working Groups on various related issues;
- Consultations with development users and external organisations.

To secure effective results from any initial sustainable travel investment, it is imperative to obtain the agreement of all the stakeholders and the support of external partners, such as the Local Authority, public transport operators, etc.

The RTP will be managed by a Mobility Management Coordinator with the clear mandate to implement and evolve the Plan. The Mobility Management Coordinator will also be best suited to monitor the results of the Plan. This role may for example be performed by an individual within the development's Management Company or by a member of a Residents' Association.

Travel surveys of development occupants (and of visitors, if practicable) should be repeated annually, to monitor the initial success of the Plan and



to gain a better understanding of travel habits. These survey results can also serve as a sustainable travel performance benchmark to indicate how the RTP is performing in comparison to previous years and against the sustainable travel targets initially outlined in the plan.



8.0 SUMMARY

The site of the proposed development is located at Block 5 and Block 6, Clongriffin, Dublin 13. The development site benefits from proximity to existing and future high-quality rail and bus services. It is therefore an objective under this Residential Travel Plan that a reduced proportion of the trips generated by this development be made by private car.

8.1 Mobility Management Measures

The following Mobility Management measures are suggested for implementation under the Residential Travel Plan:

8.1.1 General

- Put in place a formal Residential Travel Plan.
- Appoint a Mobility Management coordinator.
- Create an Access Map.
- Provide travel information to development occupants, in the form of Sustainable Travel Welcome Packs and a travel hub website.
- Monitor the operation of the plan by development occupants, by carrying out travel surveys; revise and update the plan as required.

8.1.2 Walking and Cycling

- Identify safe walking and cycling routes.
- Provide secure and attractive cycle parking and ancillary facilities for cyclists and pedestrians.

8.1.3 Public Transport

- Provide information on locations of stops, routes, timetables, walking times to main public transport facilities, etc.
- Provide specific advice on multi-modal trip planning.



Appendix A

Links to relevant Mobility Management guidance documents

(Appendix 15 to the NTA document Workplace Travel Plans - A Guide for Implementers)



Appendix 15 – Useful Links and Resources

Please note that the National Transport is not making recommendations for any of the suppliers listed below, and your organisation will find other suppliers beyond the list given below. The links listed are just to give a flavour of the type of products/ services that are available.

Workplace Travel Plans

www.smartertravelworkplaces.ie www.ways2work.bitc.org.uk

Sustainable Travel

www.smartertravel.ie www.sustrans.org.uk www.nationaltransport.ie www.dttas.ie www.eltis.org www.mobilityweek.eu

Getting Active

www.getirelandactive.ie

Public Transport Information

www.transportforireland.ie www.taxsaver.ie

Cycle to Work Scheme

www.revenue.ie

Walking challenges

www.pedometerchallenge.ie www.irishheart.ie

Cycling

www.cyclechallenge.ie www.dublinbikes.ie www.irishcycling.com

Cycle to Work scheme

www.revenue.ie www.bikescheme.ie

Designing and Planning for Cycling

www.cyclemanual.ie
Transport for London Workplace Cycle Parking Guide
See p16 for technical guidance on space allocations for cycle parking
http://www.tfl.gov.uk/assets/downloads/businessandpartners/Workplace-Cycle-Parking-Guide.pdf

Walking/ Cycling Routes

www.mapmyride.com www.mapmyrun.com

Car Sharing

www.carsharing.ie

Misc.

Copenhagen Cycle Chic - Bikes, style and Copenhagen



