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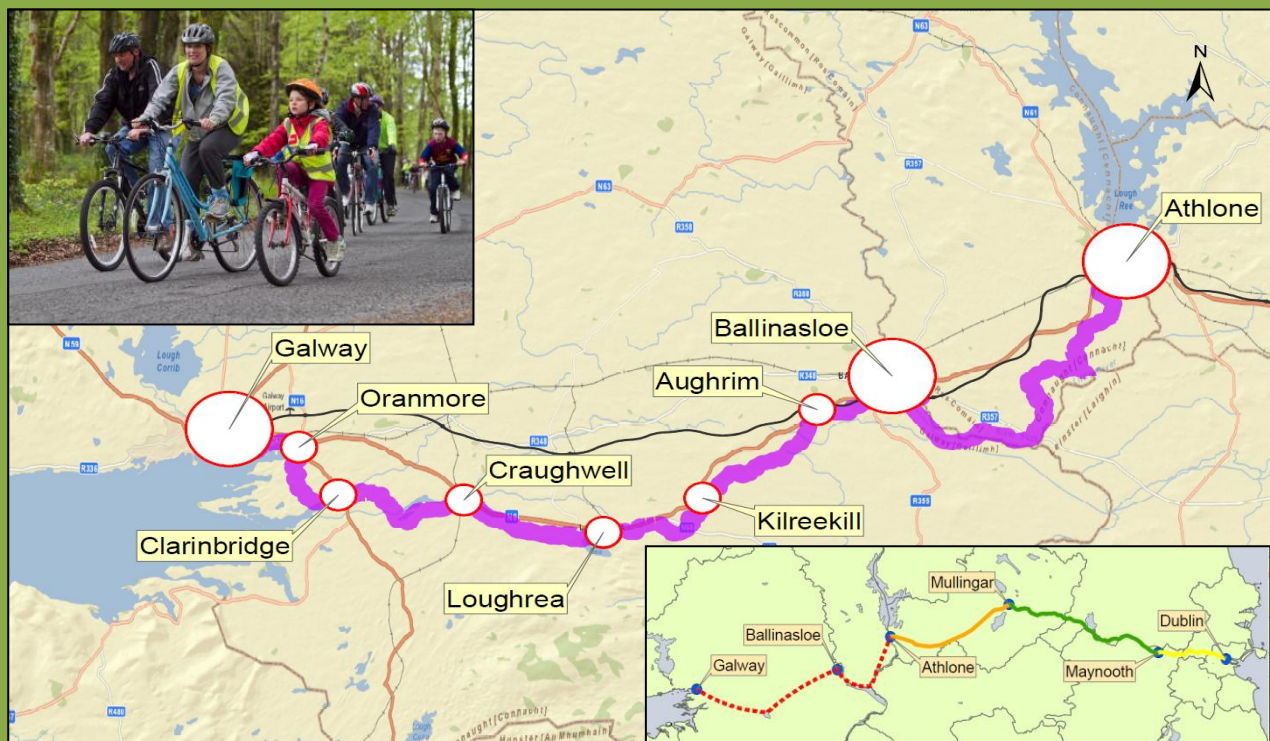
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Galway to Dublin Greenway

Public Information Leaflet

A greenway is an off-road route designed for cyclists and pedestrians. In 2012 the NRA was directed by the Department of Transport to progress the design of a national greenway from Galway to Dublin. This will be an important national tourism asset, attracting walkers and cyclists from all over Ireland, Europe and beyond. It will also provide recreational opportunities for local communities along the route.

Westmeath County Council in partnership with Roscommon County Council, Galway County Council and Galway City Council have engaged Roughan & O'Donovan - AECOM consulting engineers to carry out the preliminary design and develop the scheme.



A preliminary study for the western sector was made in 2013-14. This identified a preferred corridor linking Galway, Oranmore, Clarinbridge, Craughwell, Loughrea, Kilreekill, Aughrim, Ballinasloe and Athlone. Between the towns and villages this is a 'greenfield' or cross-country route, avoiding existing roads.

The purpose of this leaflet is to inform the public of the proposal and to invite all interested parties to our Public Consultation meetings. We are seeking opinions and observations on route selection within the corridor and on any matters of concern to individuals, interest groups or communities. The information you give us will be recorded and considered during the detailed route design phase of the project.

Public Consultations

If you want to make suggestions or ask questions, please come to one of our six Public Consultation days at any of the following venues:

Location	Venue	Date	Time
Oranmore	Maldron Hotel	14 October	2.00 pm–8.00 pm
Ballinasloe	Shearwater Hotel	15 October	2.00 pm–8.00 pm
Loughrea	Lough Rea Hotel	16 October	2.00 pm–8.00 pm
Moore	Moore Community Hall	20 October	2.00 pm–8.00 pm
Athlone	Shamrock Lodge Hotel	21 October	2.00 pm–8.00 pm
Galway	Radisson Hotel	23 October	2.00 pm–8.00 pm

What Happens Next?

After review of the information gathered at Public Consultation days, a Preferred Route will be developed. A second round of Public Consultation days will be held early in 2015 when the Preferred Route will be displayed for information and for further public comment.

Following the second Public Consultation, the comments received will be used to evaluate and refine the Preferred Route. A detailed design of the greenway will then be progressed, which will define the extent of the lands required. An Environmental Impact Statement and compulsory purchase orders will be prepared and subject to funding will be submitted to An Board Pleanála for approval.

Contact Information

If you cannot attend one of our six Public Consultation days you can submit observations to the relevant project engineer at the following contacts:

County Galway Area

The Project Engineer
Galway Dublin Greenway
Galway County Council
National Roads Design Office
Corporate House
Ballybrit business Park
Galway

Email: greenway@galwaycoco.ie
Tel: 091 705387

County Roscommon Area

The Project Engineer,
Galway Dublin Greenway,
Roads and Transportation,
Roscommon County Council,
Courthouse,
Roscommon.

Email: roadscycle@roscommoncoco.ie
Tel: 090 6637157

County Westmeath Area

The Project Engineer,
Galway Dublin Greenway,
National Roads Regional Office,
Westmeath County Council,
Cullen Beg,
Mullingar
Westmeath

Email: mkelly@wccprojectoffice.ie
Tel: 044 9334250