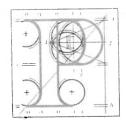
Our Case Number: ACP-323410-25



An Coimisiún Pleanála

Limerick Cycling Campaign c/o Conor Buckley Clancy Strand Limerick Co. Limerick P94 E1TY

Date: 16 October 2025

Re: Proposed Limerick City Greenway (UL to NTP)

Within the townlands of Dromroe, Sreelane, Newcastle and Castletroy, Co. Limerick.

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Coimisiún Pleanála has received your recent submission (including your fee of €50) in relation to the above-mentioned proposed road development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter.

Please note that the proposed road development shall not be carried out unless the Commission has approved it or approved it with modifications.

If you have any queries in the mean time, please contact the undersigned officer of the Commission at laps@pleanala.ie

Please quote the above mentioned An Coimisiún Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Commission.

Yours faithfully,

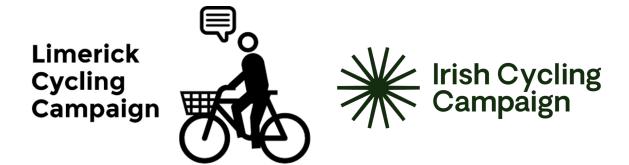
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Submission to An Coimisiún Pleanála

Re: Limerick City Greenway (UL to NTP)

From: Limerick Cycling Campaign

Date: 7th October 2025

About Us

Limerick Cycling Campaign advocates for better cycling conditions and infrastructure across Limerick City and County. We are part of the **Irish Cycling Campaign**, a registered charity (RCN 20102029). In turn the Irish Cycling Campaign is the Irish member of the **European Cyclists' Federation (ECF)**.

Observation

Limerick Cycling Campaign warmly welcomes the proposed project, which is essentially an extension of the very successful Limerick City to UL Boathouse greenway that was developed in 2017, and is an important element of the Limerick Cycle Network Plan, which itself is contained within the Limerick Shannon Metropolitan Area Transport Strategy (LSMATS), which has been adopted by the local authority as part of the Limerick City and County Development Plan.

That original greenway upgraded a muddy, relatively disused tow path along the Shannon River into a modern, comfortable, well lit pedestrian and cycle route from the university to the city centre. It has transformed the relationship between these places and that has been beneficial for both.

The work was carried out with great sensitivity to the local riverine environment and, eight years later, it is clear that it has had minimal, if any, adverse environmental impact. On the contrary it has led to the creation of a valuable leisure amenity and commuter route in a beautiful natural setting, enjoyed by thousands of pedestrians and cyclists on a weekly basis. Its success and positive impact cannot be overstated.

This project will see a continuation of that earlier project such that it will provide a valuable walking and cycling connection to the city centre for residents of the suburbs of Castletroy, Monaleen and Annacotty. In the future it can be extended further to the commuter town of Castleconnell, bringing a likely significant tourism and economic boost to it. We believe it will

be as successful and popular, if not more so, and it will also not compromise the local environment just as the original project did not.

We note a short section of the greenway is routed away from the fisherman's cottages and query whether this is necessary considering it will result in greater cost and environmental impact. However, we acknowledge that routing the greenway along the existing pathway in front of the cottages may pose a safety hazard depending on pedestrian activity to those cottages, pedestrian activity on the greenway and cycling volumes on the greenway.

We ask An Coimisiún Pleanála that it urges, perhaps making it a condition of the planning consent, Limerick City and County Council to complete the work as soon as possible, preferably within two years. There is an urgency to this project and others like it in order to encourage the modal shift that is necessary in order for transport related carbon emissions to be reduced in line with national, legally binding targets, i.e. 50% reduction in transport emissions by 2030 based on 2018 baseline.

Regards, Conor Buckley, Chairperson, Limerick Cycling Campaign

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