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Bus Corridor

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

General

CH2M Barry were appointed by the National Transport Authority to undertake the Feasibility and Options Report for the Bray to UCD Core Bus Corridor as identified in the Draft Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area (2016-2025).

The general objective of the scheme is to as far as reasonably practicable deliver the on-street infrastructure necessary to provide continuous priority bus movements along the Core Bus Corridor (CBC), thereby enabling the bus to provide a faster, more reliable and more attractive alternative to the private car. In addition, the scheme is to provide cycle facilities along any section of the route that are required under the Greater Dublin Area Cycle Network Plan.

Scheme Objectives

The objective of the study is to identify an emerging preferred route that delivers the on-street infrastructure necessary to provide continuous priority for bus movements along the CBC. This will mean enhanced bus lane provision on the corridor, removing current delays in relevant locations and enabling the bus to provide a faster and more reliable alternative to car traffic along the route. This in turn will make bus transport a more attractive alternative for the travelling public. It will also make the bus system more efficient, as faster bus journeys means that more people can be moved with the same level of vehicle and driver resources.

In addition, it is a scheme objective to provide any cycle facilities along the route that are required under the Greater Dublin Area Cycle Network Plan (published by the NTA, 2013) to the target Quality of Service(s) specified therein and to give consideration to further providing cycle facilities along sections of the route where they may not be expressly required under the Cycle Network Plan.

The Study Area

The Bray to UCD Bus Corridor Study Area runs from Bray town centre to the UCD interchange/ flyover on the N11. It should be noted that the CBC route terminates at the River Dargle north of Bray Town, however measures have been proposed to enhance bus priority within Bray Town to facilitate improved access for buses to the CBC. The study area was generally developed to include the main trip generators between UCD and Bray either side of the central spine formed by the existing N11 route and encompassing the urban area to the south of Bray. For the purposes of the study, and to aid a comparative analysis of various options, the study area was split into three sections. These study area sections are Bray to Wilford, Wilford to Wyattville and Wyattville to UCD.

Route Options Assessment Process

A two-stage options assessment process was adopted.

At Stage 1 all feasible route options underwent a high-level assessment or 'sifting' process in order to assess its suitability and ability to provide for a CBC. This qualitative assessment evaluated each potentially viable route option in terms of ability to achieve the scheme objectives previously identified and was based on professional judgement and a general appreciation of the existing physical conditions and constraints within the study area.

This assessment stage focused on high-level engineering and environmental constraints, comprising a desk study supplemented with site visits. The purpose of this assessment stage was to determine which route options were the most viable and should be considered for further detailed assessment.

Following the Stage 1, shorter route options that passed the sifting process were assembled into coherent route options which connected the common nodes at extremities of each section of the study area. Initial indicative schemes for each route option were developed based on the specific constraints along a particular route, with a number of scheme options considered for particularly constrained routes where required.

The indicative scheme for each route option was then progressed to 'Stage 2' of the assessment process Multi-Criteria Analysis (MCA) in accordance with the Department of Transport "Guidelines on a Common Appraisal Framework for Transport Projects published by the Department of Transport (DTTAS), March 2016.

The MCA considered Economy, Integration, Accessibility and Social Inclusion, Safety and Environment for each scheme indicative option. Each route option was comparatively assessed against sub-criteria under each of these main criteria and also in terms of performance against the study objectives. The scheme options were then ranked accordingly in order to identify the Emerging Preferred Route Option.

The Emerging Preferred Route

Based on the results of the analysis carried out as described in this report, an Emerging Preferred Route has been identified, as illustrated in Figure 0.1 and is described in the following paragraphs and in detail in Section 8. The route commences in Bray at the Fran O'Toole (Dargle River) bridge and runs along Castle Street and Dublin Road to the Wilford junction and then follows the R119 (Dublin Road) between Wilford junction and Shankill, before turning north west to follow the R837 (Dublin Road) between Shankill and the Loughlinstown Roundabout. From the Loughlinstown Roundabout the emerging preferred route follows the existing N11 to its termination at the UCD flyover. Outbound services running along the CBC would take the same route to return to Bray.

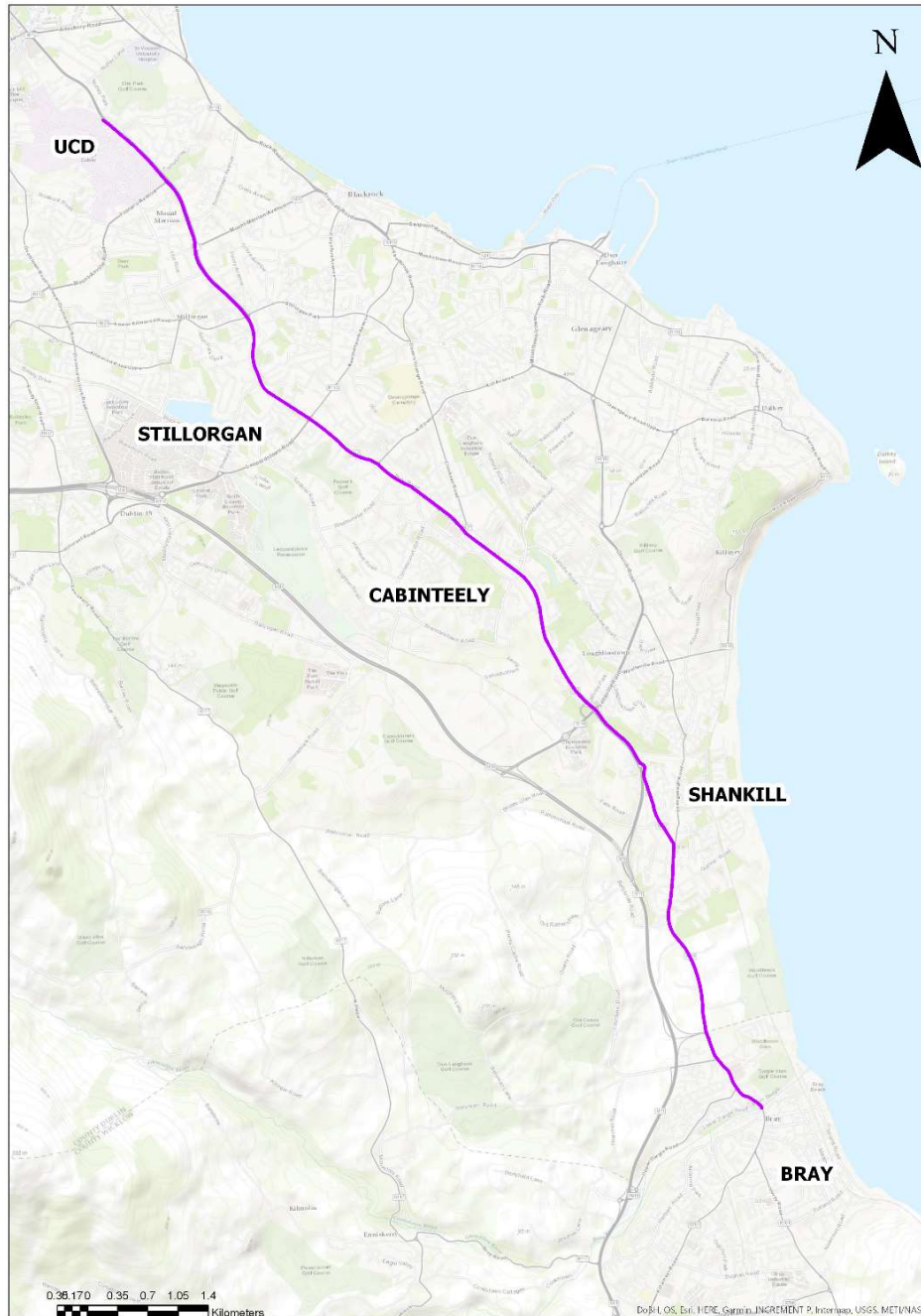


Figure 0.1 Emerging Preferred Route

This scheme details the on-street infrastructure necessary to provide continuous priority for bus movements along the corridor in accordance with the CBC scheme objectives.

Describing the emerging preferred route in the Bray to UCD (inbound) direction the CBC commences at the Fran O'Toole bridge. It is proposed to provide pedestrian bridges on either side of the existing bridge, the existing bridge can then facilitate southbound bus lanes reaching the Seapoint Road junction and provision of dedicated cycle lanes in both directions. It is proposed to widen Castle Street to provide bus and cycle lanes in each direction. Dublin Road would also be widened to accommodate bus and cycle lanes in each direction for its full length from Castle Street to the Wilford junction. This will include upgrades to the existing signal controlled junctions and includes an upgrade the Wilford roundabout to a signalised junction, which would enhance priority for buses and improve pedestrian and cyclist facilities. This will require land take on both sides of Dublin Road from portions of front gardens and commercial parking spaces, it will also require the purchase of two buildings.

Road widening will be required to provide bus and cycle lanes in both directions on the Dublin Road between Wilford junction and Crinken Lane, to the south of Shankill Village. This will require land take from agricultural land and the removal of a large number of significant mature trees. A new signalised junction servicing the Woodbrook/Shanganagh LAP lands will be incorporated.

Due to geometrical constraints through Shankill Village, it is not considered practical to provide dedicated cycle facilities through this section. An alternative route to the west of the village is proposed for cyclists, this would generally comprise cyclists sharing low traffic volume, low speed roads and would involve construction of a new access ramp to link Lower Road to the roundabout at St Anne's Church.

From Crinken Lane to Quin's Road junction it is proposed to widen the road to provide dedicated bus lanes in each direction. From here geometrical constraints mean that it is not practical to provide continuous bus lanes in both directions. For southbound buses continuous bus lanes are proposed through Shankill Village> For northbound buses two sets of traffic lights and a length of northbound bus lane through the village is proposed as part of a queue relocation system to provide priority. To the north of Shankill Village there is a narrow bridge over the old railway line and widening of this bridge is restricted by buildings on either side. For this 180m section, buses would be required to merge with general traffic.

It is proposed to upgrade the Quinn's Road roundabout to a signalised junction to improve pedestrian provision and to incorporate measures to provide priority for buses in both directions. It is also proposed to upgrade the roundabout at St Anne's Church to a signalised junction and a northbound bus lane would be provided on the approach to this junction from Shankill Village to ensure priority for buses in both directions at the junction.

Road widening is proposed to provide bus lanes, footpaths and cycle paths along the section between this new junction at St Anne's Church and the Loughlinstown Roundabout. This will include upgrading the existing signal controlled junction at Stonebridge Road. On the northbound approach to the Loughlinstown roundabout cyclists will cross over to the two-way cycle track on the eastern side of the road to enable them to safely bypass the Loughlinstown Roundabout before re-joining two-way cycle facilities on the N11.

It is proposed to partially signalise the Loughlinstown Roundabout to reduce overall delays for all users and to provide enhanced journey time reliability to buses. On the southbound approach to the roundabout road realignment will be required to extend the bus lane to and around the eastern side of the roundabout and to provide clearance for buses under the existing footbridge. It is proposed to provide a dedicated bus lane on the northbound approach to the Wyattville junction. This will require reconfiguration of the existing Cherrywood Road signalised junction, as well as amending the existing service road running parallel to the N11 into a one-way northbound only route.

Between Wyattville junction and UCD there are currently bus lanes in each direction. It is proposed to maintain and enhance these bus lanes. Currently Segregated cycle tracks and footpaths are provided along most of this section, with the exception of some areas where no footpaths or substandard shared footpath

and cycle tracks are provided. It is proposed to provide continuous footpath and cycle tracks along the route and upgrade and enhance existing facilities where required. This includes provision of footpaths parallel to the N11 between the Old Bray Road (south of Cabinteely) and Westminster Road junction and between The Hill and Trees Road, where pedestrians are currently forced to share with cyclists or use alternative, and sometimes circuitous, off-line routes. Two additional toucan crossings are proposed near the junctions with Knocksinna and Westminster Road.

It is proposed to upgrade all junctions along the N11 to provide enhanced facilities for pedestrians and cyclists, this involves the removal of several left turn slips onto the N11 and includes significant improvements to pedestrian facilities at the junctions at Lower Kilmacud Road and Mount Merrion Avenue. Junction improvements at Foster's Avenue and Leopardstown Road will reduce delays to buses caused by left turning traffic queueing in the bus lanes and also improve facilities for cyclists.

A number of bus stops will be relocated to improve safety, patronage numbers or where bus stops are currently provided in too close a proximity, rationalised to reduce delays to buses. It is proposed to upgrade bus stops to mitigate pedestrian and cyclist conflicts throughout, as well as providing Real Time Passenger Information (RTPI) and shelters where required. Indented bus bays will be provided where practicable along the N11 section as this has been identified as a high frequency bus route.

It is proposed to provide a bus stops on the northbound off-ramp at UCD. This will facilitate interchange with the proposed UCD to Blanchardstown Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) as well as facilitating buses continuing into the city along the N11 or turning back southbound via the UCD flyover.

Concept Scheme Design

The emerging preferred route measures approximately 14.5 km in total. Along the emerging preferred route existing bus infrastructure is provided along approximately 69% (10km) in the inbound direction and 69% (10.1km) in the outbound direction.

The emerging preferred scheme would improve this provision to approximately 97% (14.1km) for the inbound direction and 98% (14.2km) in the outbound direction. Queue relocation systems are provided through Shankill Village which will give buses some priority in the areas where it is not practicable to provide dedicated bus lanes. In addition, improvements to cycle infrastructure along the emerging preferred route, which incorporates primary routes 12 and 12A, would increase the overall provision to 13.35km (92%) in each direction, with an off-route cycle track provided for the section without cycle facilities.

Cost Estimate

A high-level cost estimate has been prepared based on the concept design for the scheme, which includes a number of assumptions regarding the scheme details. The estimated scheme infrastructure cost, which includes land acquisition and construction costs, is anticipated to be in the order of €45m-€55m.

Journey Time Benefits

Current journey times for the Dublin Bus route 145, for the section which follows the emerging preferred route from Bray to UCD, can be seen to vary by as much as 50% when comparing average peak and off-peak journey times. The variation in journey times is significantly more pronounced on the sections of the route which do not currently have dedicated bus lanes.

Similarly, comparing the average speed of buses during peak and off-peak times it can be seen that the average speed for buses along the route is considerably higher during off-peak times, in uncongested conditions compared to the lower speeds attained by the bus during peak times.

Based on the above, a conclusion can be drawn that by improving the provision of bus lanes along the route (coupled with the introduction of cashless fares) the risk of turbulence to buses would be significantly reduced, allowing the buses to move along the route quicker and with more consistent journey times. The extent of these benefits will be confirmed and quantified at the next design stage.

Next Steps

This report has identified an emerging preferred route for the bus infrastructure along this Core Bus Corridor for which a concept design has been developed.

The next project stage (the development of a Preliminary Design) will further refine and update the initial concept design along the route. Further account will be taken of likely public transport service levels, particularly the bus service patterns and any changes to the overall bus network which may arise from the separate bus network review process. The proposals will be amended, if and as required, to integrate any resultant changes. The Preliminary Design will define the final practically achievable scheme for the CBC, considering more detailed studies of constraints, impacts and environmental assessment required at a local level.

Prior to finalisation of the CBC scheme design, a public consultation process will be undertaken, with inputs and feedback received incorporated where practical and appropriate to do so.

This Preliminary Design will form the basis of the planning consent process for the scheme, which will require a development consent application to be made directly to An Bord Pleanála, due to the nature and extent of the proposed works.

1 INTRODUCTION & BACKGROUND

1.1 Preamble

The purpose of this Feasibility Study and Options Assessment Report is to identify an Emerging Preferred Route for the Bray to UCD CBC as identified in the Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area 2016-2035 (NTA 2015). The CBC network represents the most important bus routes in the region, and are generally characterised by a high frequency of bus services, high passenger volumes and with significant trip attractors located along the route. The identified core network comprises sixteen radial bus corridors, three orbital bus corridors and six regional bus corridors. High quality bus corridors will reduce journey times and encourage modal shift away from private car including for work commuting trips and promote economic development.

An objective of the Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area (GDA) is to develop the Core Bus network to achieve, as far as practicable, continuous priority for bus movement on the portions of the Core Bus Network within the Metropolitan Area. This will mean enhanced bus lane provision on these corridors, removing current delays on the bus network in the relevant locations and enabling the bus to provide a faster alternative to car traffic along these routes, making bus transport a more attractive alternative. It will also make the overall bus system more efficient, as faster bus journeys means that more people can be moved with the same level of vehicle and driver resources.

The Bray to UCD Bus Corridor Study Area runs from Bray Town Centre to the UCD interchange on the N11. The corridor is within the administrative areas of Dún Laoghaire Rathdown and Wicklow County Councils. The Radial Core Bus Network as identified in the GDA Transport Strategy is illustrated in Figure 1.1, with the Bray to UCD CBC highlighted. This report presents the results of the various studies and surveys undertaken, details all feasible scheme options, reports on the option assessment process and proposes an Emerging Preferred Route.

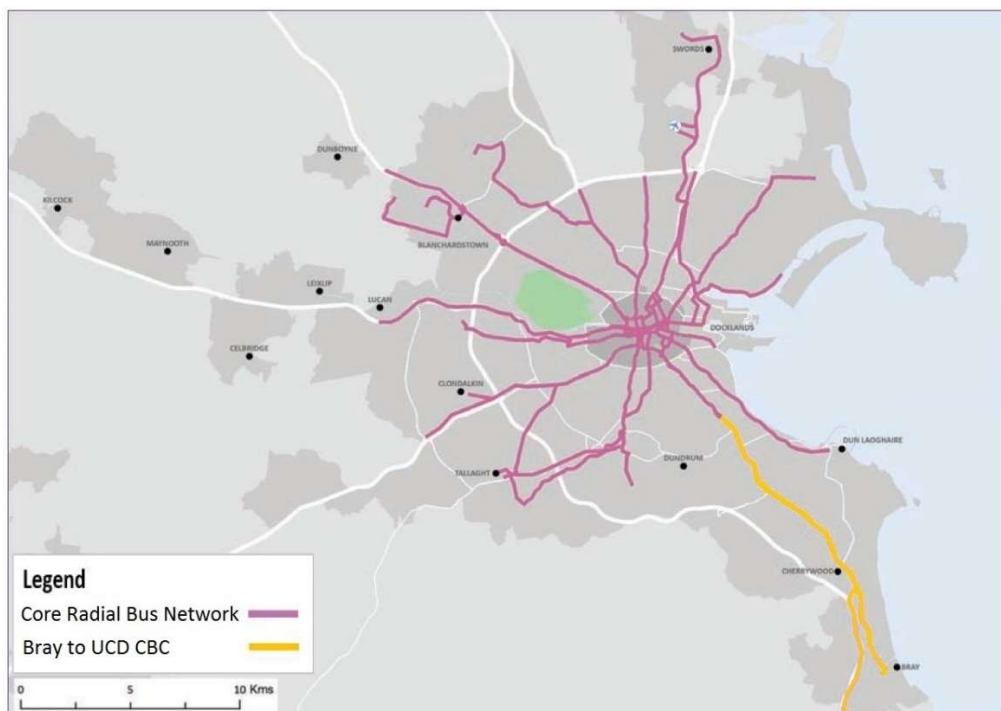


Figure 1.1 Radial Core Bus Networks (Source: Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area 2016-2035)

1.2 Report Structure

This report is structured as follows:

- **Section 2** – This section outlines the general background information to the project and the proposed CBC network. It also outlines the policy context in which the CBC was developed and presents the concept of the CBC network as outlined in the Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area 2016-2035 (NTA 2015). The objectives for the CBC scheme are also set out. In addition, any other transport policies relevant to the CBC network are presented.
- **Section 3** – In this section, the study area for the Bray to UCD CBC is detailed and divided into three distinct sections. Scheme specific constraints and opportunities are discussed. The integration of the scheme with existing and planned transport networks is considered, along with considerations of the scheme for other road users.
- **Section 4** – The assessment methodology for identifying the Emerging Preferred Route is outlined in this section. This includes:
 - Stage 1 Options Assessment Sifting Stage: development of the “spider’s web” for each of the three study area sections and the criteria for selecting or deselecting plausible link options, based on previously defined project objectives (Sifting Process)
 - Stage 2 Options Assessment Detailed Assessment: Development of schemes for each study area section (comprising of coherent links which passed through the Stage 1 analysis). Each of these schemes are then subjected to a Multi-Criteria Analysis (Detailed Assessment)
- **Sections 5, 6 & 7** – These sections detail the Emerging Preferred Route selection process through Options Assessment Stage 1 and Stage 2 analysis. Each of the three study area sections are progressed through the selection process separately in Sections 5, 6 and 7 respectively.
- **Section 8** – This section gives the overall conclusions of the scheme options assessment process and identifies and describes the Emerging Preferred Route.
- **Section 9** – This section details the “next steps” in the delivery of the project.

2 TRANSPORT CONTEXT & SCHEME OBJECTIVES

2.1 Introduction

This section sets out the transport planning and policy framework within which the Bray to UCD CBC is being developed. It also details the relevant planned developments within the core study area which have been considered as part of the feasibility and options identification stage.

2.2 Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area 2016-2035

Published by the NTA, the Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area 2016 – 2035 report lays out a strategy for planning and delivery of transport infrastructure in the GDA over the next twenty years. The main relevant sections of this report relate to the identification of the core bus network. This core bus network consists of sixteen radial bus corridors, three orbital bus corridors and six regional bus corridors.

Of these identified bus corridors, the ones relevant to this Bray to UCD CBC are:

- The Bray/N11 – UCD – Donnybrook radial bus corridor
- The M11/N11 regional bus corridor

In addition to the CBCs, the NTA transport strategy report also identifies a number of the CBCs which will be developed as Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) routes. These are routes where the passenger numbers are close to the limits of normal bus route capacity and therefore require a system which provides higher speeds and better quality than normal bus services. This is proposed to be provided through the use of improved infrastructure and vehicles, as well as provision of high frequency service.

One of these BRT routes runs from Blanchardstown to UCD. Therefore, integration between this proposed BRT and CBC is a critical objective in identification of the preferred CBC route.

2.3 Integrated Implementation Plan 2013-2018

The Integrated Implementation Plan 2013 – 2018 was published by the National Transport Authority in 2014. The plan sets out a transport infrastructure investment programme. It includes the main objectives and outputs of the NTA over the period of the plan. In addition, it describes the actions necessary to “ensure the effective integration of public transport infrastructure over the period of the Plan”.

In relation to bus investment – the report outlines the key objective of improving “bus priority for bus transport to ensure that the bus has the journey time advantages that it needs to compete effectively with the private car”.

This report identified the need to further develop the quality bus network in the Greater Dublin Area so as to achieve:

“...as far as practicable, continuous inbound priority and the maximum possible outbound priority on key bus routes into Dublin City Centre”

2.4 Greater Dublin Area Cycle Network Plan

The National Transport Authority adopted and published the Greater Dublin Area Cycle Network Plan (GDA CNP) in 2014. The purpose of the plan was to establish the extent of the existing cycle infrastructure and facilities in the Greater Dublin Area and to set out a strategy to develop an integrated cycle network for the future.

Within the GDA CNP, primary, secondary, feeder and greenway cycle routes were identified. A number of these routes lie within the core study area of the UCD to Bray CBC. In accordance with the GDA CNP, any upgrade to bus infrastructure which runs along any of the cycle routes must provide cycle infrastructure to the appropriate level (described in the NTA National Cycle Manual). If appropriate cycle infrastructure cannot be provided along the CBC route (which also runs along an identified cycle route), alternative routes for cyclists, to the appropriate standard provided on parallel / alternative streets should be identified.

2.5 Development Plan, Local Area Plans and Strategic Development Zones

The Emerging Preferred Route design for the scheme shall fully integrate with or have consideration for planned development in the environs of the core study area. These are identified as:

- Cherrywood Strategic Development Zone
- Woodbrook / Shanganagh development lands
- Fassaroe and Old Connaught development lands
- Bray Town Development Plan 2011-2017

2.6 CBC Concept

The Core Bus Network is identified in the Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area 2016-2035 report by the National Transport Authority. This network represents the most critical bus routes in the Greater Dublin Area. Critical in this sense is defined as bus routes with high frequency of services, coupled with high passenger volumes and significant trip attractors along the route. The Core Bus Network comprises of sixteen radial bus corridors, three orbital corridors and six regional corridors, one of which is the Bray/N11 – UCD – Donnybrook Core Bus Corridor.

One of the main purposes of the Core Bus Network is to serve certain destinations and trip attractors/generators in the Greater Dublin Area, with a particular emphasis on locations which are not served by light rail or rail. Convenient interchange with other transport modes, such as rail, is also an objective of this Core Bus Network. The main focus of the Core Bus Network will be to “achieve, as far as practicable, continuous priority for bus movement on the portions of the Core Bus Network within the Metropolitan Area”. This will be achieved by the removal of current delays on the bus network and the enabling of bus services to provide a more attractive service than car travel.

2.7 Objectives of CBCs

The National Transport Authority (NTA) have identified the following objectives for the Bray to UCD CBC:

- Deliver the on-street infrastructure necessary to provide continuous priority for bus movements along the Core Bus Corridor. This will mean enhanced bus lane provision on the corridor, removing current delays in relevant locations and enabling the bus to provide a faster alternative to car traffic along the route, making bus transport a more attractive alternative for road users. It will also make the bus system more efficient, as faster bus journeys means that more people can be moved with the same level of vehicle and driver resources; and
- Provide any cycle facilities along the route that are required under the Greater Dublin Area Cycle Network Plan (published by the NTA, 2013) to the target Quality of Service(s) specified therein and to give consideration to further providing cycle facilities along sections of the route where they may not be expressly required under the Cycle Network Plan.

2.8 Design Principles

2.8.1 Cross Sections

The following widths for the various components of the route cross section are assumed:

- 3.0 m CBC lane (3.5m on the N11)
- 3.0 m Traffic Lane in urban areas (3.65m on the N11)
- 2.0 m Footpath (can be reduced to a minimum of 1.8m in particularly constrained locations)
- 2.0 m Cycle Track

2.8.2 Bus Stops

In general, the locations of existing Dublin Bus stops will be retained. However, each bus stop location has been reviewed and where appropriate bus stops will be relocated to reduce conflict between bus passengers and cyclists and/or to increase the population and employment catchments. In cases where two or more existing bus stops are provided in close proximity their locations will be rationalised to reduce delays to buses. The type of bus stop used is suited to the individual conditions at each bus stop location.

3 STUDY AREA

3.1 Introduction

In this section, the study area for the Bray to UCD CBC is detailed and divided into three distinct sections. Scheme specific constraints and opportunities within the Study Area are discussed, and the potential for integration of the scheme with existing and planned transport networks is considered, along with considerations of the scheme for other road users.

3.2 Study Area & Sections

The Bray UCD Bus Corridor Study Area runs from Bray to the UCD interchange/flyover on the N11. The study area was generally developed to include the main trip generators between UCD and Bray either side of the central spine formed by the existing N11 route and encompassing the urban area to the south of Bray as illustrated in Figure 3.1. The study area lies within the administrative areas of Dun Laoghaire Rathdown and Wicklow County Councils.

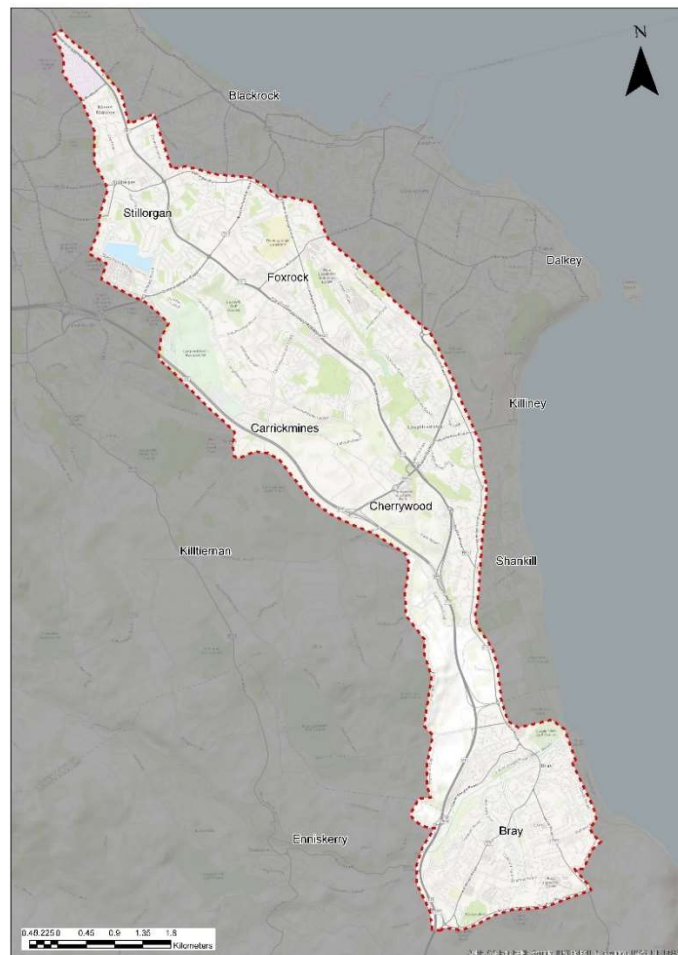


Figure 3.1 Study Area

To facilitate the assessment process the study area has been split into three sections:

- Section 1: Bray South (Southern Cross Road) to Bray North
- Section 2: Bray North (Wilford Roundabout) to Loughlinstown (Wyattville Road)
- Section 3: Loughlinstown (Wyattville Road) to UCD (UCD flyover).

The extents of the study area and study area sections are illustrated in Figure 3.2.

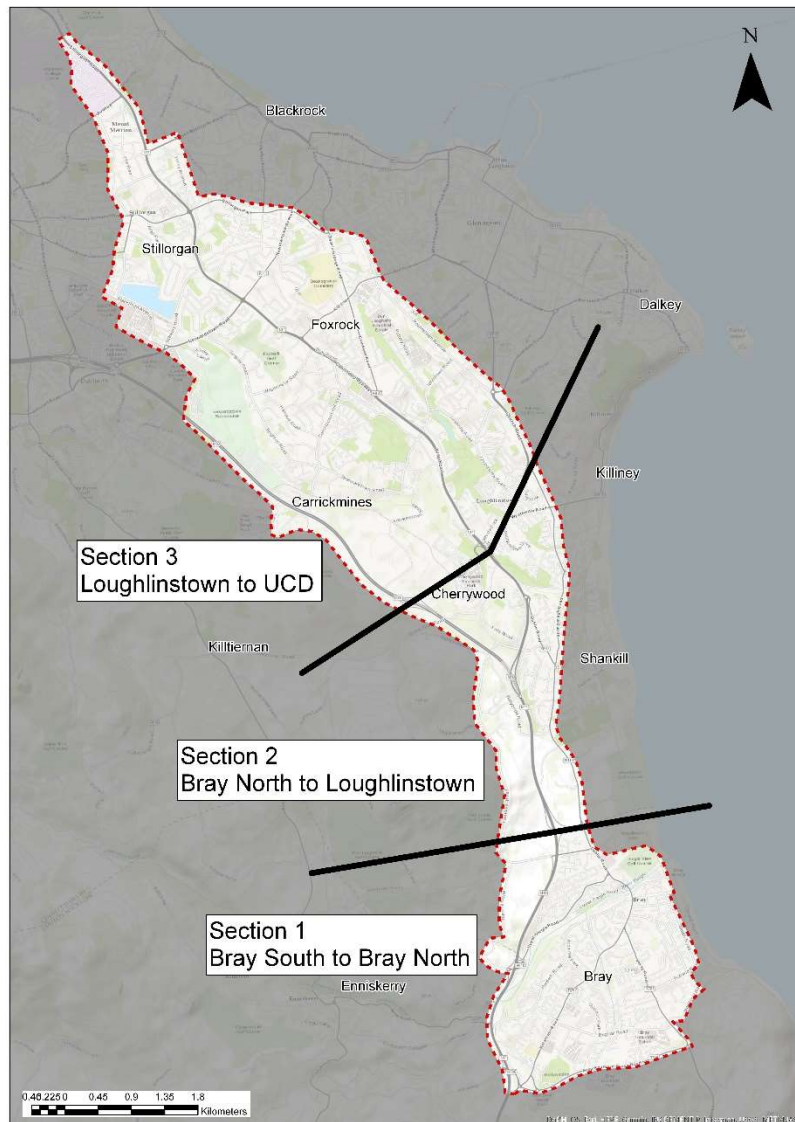


Figure 3.2 Study Area Sections

The termini for the CBC are identified as Bray Main Street in the south and the N11/UCD Flyover in the north. Main Street was identified as the southern route terminus as it can be reasonably assumed to represent the centre of Bray, with a terminus at this location serving the main trip attracters associated with the town commercial centre. Any routes which terminate on Bray Main Street could either link to, or be a short walk from, Bray Dart Station.

The UCD flyover was identified as the northern terminus as this location provides opportunities for interchange with the proposed UCD to Blanchardstown BRT and as well as other bus services which currently utilise this node.

3.2.1 Section 1: Bray South to Bray North

Most of this section of the study area comprises Bray Town and environs and as such the majority of land-use in this area is residential, retail and commercial along with a number of educational establishments. There are a number of green areas throughout the section and a former golf course to the north-east which is zoned for mixed use development. The Old Connaught and Fassaroe Local Area Plans lie to the north west of this section of the study area.

The River Dargle runs through this section from west to east. This is a significant pinch point as there are limited options available to cross the river. The M11 runs along the east of this section, running roughly south to north.

3.2.2 Section 2: Bray North to Loughlinstown

This section of the study area consists largely of residential areas including Shankill, Rathsallagh and parts of Loughlinstown.

The urban centre of Shankill is located in the middle of the section, along with a number of primary and secondary schools. There are agricultural and amenity lands in the south of this area, along with lands zoned for development as part of the Woodbrook/Shanganagh LAP. There are a number of hospitals and medical centres including Saint Joseph's Clinic to the south of Shankill Village and St. Columcille's Hospital adjacent the Loughlinstown roundabout. The Loughlinstown river runs through the north of this section.

The M11 runs through this section, linking with the N11 to the north of Shankill village at Loughlinstown and with a grade separated link connecting with the Dublin Road at Wilford.

3.2.3 Section 3: Loughlinstown to UCD

This section of the study area consists of a mix of residential areas and urban villages/centres with associated services such as schools, hospitals and commercial and retail areas. In addition, there are areas of parkland and sports and recreation facilities, Deer Park and Cabinteely Park. University College Dublin (UCD) is located to the north of this section. This section also incorporates Sandyford Business District as well as Cherrywood Business Park and Cherrywood SDZ.

3.3 Physical Constraints & Opportunities

There are a number of features in the natural and built environment within the study area which constrain scheme options or provide opportunities for enhanced integration. These are considered within the scheme assessment process and include the following:

- River Dargle crossing in Bray (area of funnelling where limited space either side of the corridor restricts design options)
- Public transport infrastructure such as DART, LUAS Green Line and proposed BRT interchange at UCD.
- Planned and committed developments including Cherrywood Strategic Development Zone, Woodbrook / Shanganagh, Fassaroe and Old Connaught development plans and Stillorgan Village Area Movement Framework Plan
- M11 and M50 motorways and potential M11 widening scheme,
- Trees and other natural and ecological features including rivers and streams,
- Architectural, archaeological and heritage sites and features
- Existing urban and sub-urban roads and street networks
- Limited availability of land in urban and suburban areas.

3.4 Integration with Existing and Proposed Public Transport Network

An objective of the Bray to UCD CBC is to improve interchange between different modes of transport within the study area, including current transport infrastructure and future transport plans. Route options within the

study area have been developed, in as far as is practical, to enhance interchange with these existing and future transport services which include:

- DART stations at Bray and Shankill and proposed DART station at Woodbrook.
- Woodbrook and Carrickmines Strategic Park and Rides as detailed in the NTA's "Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area 2016-2035"
- Existing Dublin Bus services at numerous locations along the route.
- The LUAS Green Line at Cherrywood/Brides Glen and future extension to Bray/Fassaroe.
- Proposed Quality Bus Corridor to Bray and Old Connaught as identified in the DLRCC development plan.
- Blanchardstown to UCD BRT at UCD
- N11/M11 Regional corridor
- Greater Dublin Area Cycle Network Plan (GDACNP)

3.5 Compatibility with Other Road Users

Consideration of other road users is a key component of the CBC scheme and the scheme objectives refer specifically to cyclists and pedestrians.

It is proposed to provide on-street cycle facilities as required under the Greater Dublin Area Cycle Network Plan (published by the NTA, 2013) to the target Quality of Service(s) specified therein.

In addition, pedestrian connectivity and permeability to high trip generating locations shall be considered in the assessment of route options.

Where practical, segregated facilities shall be provided for pedestrians and cyclists. In cases where it is deemed impractical to achieve this, these facilities will be provided along a suitable alternative route.

In certain cases, it may not be possible to provide suitable cycle facilities along the CBC route and no alternative route may be available. In these circumstances, it may be necessary for cyclists to share the bus lane. In order to mitigate against safety risks due to this arrangement, certain measures may need to be implemented, such as speed restrictions.

Traffic flow and access routes will be maintained along the route where practical. However, inevitably, there will be a negative impact on traffic capacity along the CBC route (this is as a result of reallocation of sections of road to bus and cycle lanes, enhanced priority for buses, improved pedestrian and cycle infrastructure at junctions and the implementation of turning restrictions). However, this reduction in the carrying capacity of the roads along the CBC route is offset by the positive impacts of the scheme such as increased quality of bus service and increased total trip capacity.

4 ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY

4.1 Assessment Process

The assessment methodology for identifying the Emerging Preferred Route is outlined in this section. A two-stage assessment process is utilised which comprised:

- Stage 1 Route Options Assessment (Sifting Stage) which includes development of a “spider’s web” for each of the three study area sections of potential route options and appraisal of these potential route options at a high level in terms of their ability to achieve the project objectives;
- Stage 2 Scheme Options Assessment: Comparison of each viable scheme option for each of the study area sections using a Multi-Criteria Analysis to determine the Emerging Preferred Route.

4.2 Stage 1: Route Options Assessment – Sifting Stage

The first step at Stage 1 is to develop an initial ‘spider’s web’ of all potential route options within the defined study area. To achieve this all roads within the study area are assessed on a high level for their ability to form part of a CBC. Route options are ruled out at this stage if they can clearly not form part of a CBC. The spider’s web of route options remaining after this phase is then progressed through a sifting process.

The sifting process consists of a high-level assessment of the initial ‘spider’s web’ route options. This assessment is based on professional judgement and a general appreciation of the existing physical conditions/constraints within the study area from available survey information and site visits and it assesses each route options suitability and ability to provide for a CBC. This assessment is comparative and qualitative in nature and evaluates each route option against the study objectives previously identified.

The purpose of this assessment stage is to determine which route options should be considered for further detailed assessment.

4.3 Stage 2: Route Options Assessment – Detailed Assessment

Following the Stage 1, the shorter route options that pass the sifting process are assembled into coherent routes that connect the common nodes at extremities of each section of the study area.

Within each route option identified in the previous step several indicative schemes are identified. Different schemes provide different levels of bus priority and infrastructure and they require different amounts of land take and capital expenditure. Several scheme options are considered for each route and indicative designs are developed in order to identify the scheme option for each route which best achieves the study objectives.

The indicative scheme identified for each route option is then progressed to the Stage 2 Multi-Criteria Analysis (MCA).

In accordance with the Department of Transport “Guidelines on a Common Appraisal Framework for Transport Projects” report, the multi-criteria analysis considers Economy; Integration; Accessibility and Social Inclusion; and Safety and Environment. The ‘Physical Activity’ criterion has been scoped out at this stage of the assessment as it is considered that all route options will promote physical activity equally and as such this criterion is not considered to be a differentiator between route options.

Project-specific route options assessment criteria have been established for the GDA CBC schemes by the NTA. These have been tailored to have commonality with the Common Appraisal Framework guidelines where practical.

The assessment criteria are detailed below in Table 4.1.

Table 4.1 Details of Multi-Criteria Analysis

Assessment Criteria		Sub-Criteria
1	Economy	1.a. Capital Cost
		1.b. Journey-time reliability and consistency
2	Integration	2.a. Land Use Integration
		2.b. Residential Population and Employment Catchments
		2.c. Transport Network Integration
		2.d. Cyclists and Pedestrian Integration
3	Accessibility and Social Inclusion	3.a. High volume trip attractors
		3.b. Deprived Geographic Areas
4	Safety	4.a. Road User Safety
5	Environment	5.a. Archaeological, Architectural and Cultural Heritage
		5.b. Flora and Fauna
		5.c. Soils and Geology
		5.d. Hydrology
		5.e. Landscape and visual
		5.f. Noise, Vibration and Air
		5.g. Land Use and the Built Environment

4.3.1 Economy (1)

Capital Cost (1.a.)

The capital cost of a scheme is comprised of the estimated infrastructure costs and the required land acquisition costs. These costs are normalised to per-kilometre rates for the purpose of comparison of one

scheme with another. All cost estimates herein exclude VAT and are subject to refinement based on more detailed analysis at preliminary and detailed design stages.

1.a.i Indicative Infrastructure Cost Estimate

The infrastructure cost estimate determines the likely capital infrastructure cost of a particular scheme, taking into account the extent of works required in order to construct that scheme and achieve the route objectives. The infrastructure costs include the following as required:

- Road re-alignment / new road construction
- Junction upgrades
- Drainage
- Services and utilities protection and relocation work
- Lighting
- Modification to existing structures or any new structures required
- Bus priority infrastructure (upgrading of existing infrastructure or provision of new infrastructure)
- Construction traffic management
- Pedestrian and Cycle route infrastructure

Corridor sections (between junctions)

Construction cost estimates for corridor sections (between junctions) have been categorised as Minor, or Major as detailed in Table 4.2 below. Minor works have been assumed where significant road widening is not anticipated, for example along sections of a route where bus and cycle infrastructure is already provided, or along sections where significant widening is geometrically constrained. A Moderate category has not been utilised as for all other sections, which requiring significant road widening, Major works have been assumed.

Table 4.2 Route Sections Infrastructure Cost Estimate Assumptions

Construction Category	Construction Works Assumptions	Cost Rate (€/km)
Minor	Minor Works: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local improvements to bus lanes; • New sections of footpaths where necessary; • New sections of cycle paths where necessary; 	€750,000

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New or upgraded bus stops where necessary, including provision of Real Time Passenger Information (RTPI) and bus shelters; • Kerb improvement locally (removal and replacement); • Footpath improvement locally (breaking out/additional concrete) including tactile paving and dished kerbs • Road resurfacing locally (milling/reinstatement or overlay) • Road markings (non-destructive removal of existing road markings); and • Signage (removal/relocation/replacement of existing and/or installation of new) 	
Major	<p>Roadway widening (including boundary works):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General site clearance (street furniture removal/relocation, etc); • Services protection /relocation/ diversion (power supply, communications, water, gas); • Drainage works (removal of and installation of new drainage systems); • New or upgraded bus stops where necessary, including provision of Real Time Passenger Information (RTPI) and bus shelters; • Earthworks (embankment treatments, retaining walls, slopes regrading, etc); • Pavement (full depth reconstruction); • Kerbs, footways and paved areas (removal and new); • Road markings (non-destructive removal of existing road markings, new road markings); • Signage (removal /relocation /replacement of existing and/or installation of new); • Road lighting (replacement, cabling, ducting); • Landscaping works (top soiling, fence, trees relocation, hedges, road margins, re-grading, etc); • Property boundary reinstatement works (walls, gates, driveways, landscaping, etc). 	€2,350,000

For each route option, the length of the route requiring either the minor or major works category is calculated and multiplied by the relevant cost rate to derive the cost estimate for the route.

Junctions

The likely scale of construction works required at junctions is identified for each route and categorised as Minor, Moderate or Major as per Table 4.3 following.

Table 4.3 Junctions Infrastructure Cost Estimate Assumptions

Construction Category	Construction Works Assumptions	Cost Rate (€)
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Minor	<p>Minor Works: Modifications to existing signal controlled junctions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • introduce bus priority (i.e. changing method of control, etc), without significant alteration to the existing geometry and layout: • Road markings (non-destructive removal of existing road markings, new road markings); • Anti-skid surface; • Signage (removal/relocation/replacement of existing and/or installation of new); • Dished kerbs and tactile paving; • Additional signal poles/heads; • Modifications to the signal controller and associated traffic signal installation works (including electrical); and • Additional loop detectors. 	€75,000
Moderate	<p>Upgrading existing minor/major junctions to signal control junctions, without significant alteration to their existing geometry and layout (excluding boundary works):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kerbs improvement locally (removal and new); • Footpaths improvement locally (breaking out and new); • Road markings (non-destructive removal of existing road markings, new road markings); • Signage (removal/relocation/replacement of existing and/or installation of new); • Anti-skid surface; • Dished kerbs and tactile paving; • New signal poles/heads; • New traffic signals ducting, cabling and chambers; • New signal controller and associated traffic signal installation works (including electrical); • New loop detectors; • Services protection/relocation/diversion (power supply, communications); • Limited earthworks; • Localised pavement reconstruction; and • Localised road lighting improvements (relocation, cabling, ducting). 	€250,000
Major	<p>Significant modifications to existing signal controlled junctions including upgrading of roundabouts to signal controlled junctions, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General site clearance (street furniture removal/relocation, etc); • Services protection/relocation/diversion (power supply, communications cables, water, gas); • Drainage works (removal of and installation of new drainage systems); • Earthworks (embankment treatments retaining walls, slopes re-grading, etc); • Pavement (full depth reconstruction); 	€500,000

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kerbs, footways and paved areas (removal and new); • Road markings (non-destructive removal of existing, new road markings); • Anti-skid surface; • Signage (removal/relocation/replacement of existing and/or installation of new); • Dished kerbs and tactile paving; • Signal poles/heads, traffic signals ducting, cabling and chambers; • Signal controller and installation works (incl. electrical); • Loop detectors; • Localised Road lighting (replacement, cabling, ducting); • Landscaping works (top soiling, fence, trees, hedges, margins re-grading, etc); and; • Property boundary reinstatement works (walls, gates, driveways landscaping etc). 	
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Where more significant junction upgrades are identified, for example the upgrade of Wilford Roundabout into a signal controlled junction, then specific individual junction cost estimates have been included.

Land Acquisition Cost Estimate (1.a.ii)

The land acquisition costs consist of the cost of acquiring lands necessary for the scheme and also the costs of boundary / accommodation works associated with each scheme. It takes into account the likely number of properties required (commercial, public, residential and industrial) and also the extent of land required.

In this assessment, land is defined as either public or private. Public land is considered to be the space between road boundaries and any also any public open space. For this analysis, it is assumed that there is no cost associated with the acquisition of public land. The identification of land acquisition is based on available Ordnance Survey mapping only and as such is approximate. Any private land that may be located within the road reserve, but are not clearly private land, are considered as public areas as part of this methodology.

For the purposes of this high-level cost assessment, private land is generally assumed to have a standardised cost of €1,500 per square metre, however for a more detailed analysis, a more site-specific approach would be required.

Journey-time reliability and consistency (1.b.)

This sub-criterion assesses route options in terms of the degree to which journey-time reliability and consistency are likely to be achieved. It consists of the following:

- **Journey time** savings for public transport services (including the CBC) on the scheme. These are achieved through the enhancement and implementation of dedicated bus lanes and priority along the route, upgrading of road sections, removal of pinch points and redesign of existing bus stops. Journey times for each route option have been compared by calculating the estimated journey time between common start and end points.

The following assumptions have been made in the calculations of overall journey time:

- Buses proceed at an assumed top speed (50kph, or 60kph where permitted) unless they are delayed
 - Buses are delayed when they stop at bus stops to pick up passengers, the length of delay is based on the available patronage data for each stop.
 - Buses are delayed at junctions, the length of delay is based on the type of junction
 - Buses are delayed when they are required to share congested lanes with general traffic. The length of delays is based on available queue length information and automatic vehicle location data from Dublin Bus.
- The **level of bus priority** provided in each route option determines the journey time reliability for this criterion. Bus priority is a combination of physical infrastructure such as dedicated bus lanes and traffic management measures which provide priority to buses. The level of priority reasonably achievable is compared for each scheme. It is dependent on the amount of road space which can be allocated to dedicated bus lanes, the amount of segregation possible and the provision of bus lanes on approaches to junctions.

4.3.2 Integration (2)

This criterion compares how a scheme performs in relation to land use integration, residential population and employment catchments, transport network integration and cyclist and pedestrian integration.

Land Use Integration (2.a.)

This criterion assesses how a scheme would integrate with any planned developments in the catchment area and also how it might enhance the economic opportunities of an area. In addition, it assesses the potential of a scheme to regenerate particular areas. This criterion includes how a scheme integrates with local area plans (LAPs), master plans or any other objectives in area / county policies.

Residential Population and Employment Catchments (2.b.)

The current residential and employment population within a particular distance of each of the CBC stops is calculated in order to determine the number of potential users for each scheme option. To assess the potential population and employment catchments the walking distance from bus stop locations along each route was analysed using the Network analyst module of ArcGIS to create walk time isochrones from each stop.

The distances to the stops correlate to walk times of 5, 10 and 15min intervals and were estimated based on an average walking speed of 5kph. The population and employment within the isochrones was then calculated based on planning data received from the NTA at Central Statistics Office small area level. Where just a portion of a small area fell within the walking catchments the portion of the population/employment within walking distance was estimated proportionally based on area. The most significant figure used to score various options under this criterion is the sum of the population and employment catchments within a 10-min walking distance

Transport Network Integration (2.c.)

Under this criterion, integration with wider public transport links are assessed and compared for each scheme. These include transport modes such as LUAS, DART, BRT, railway and public and private bus operators. The potential for interchange facilities such as safe walking areas, cycle parking areas, etc. are also assessed under this criterion.

This criterion also assesses the impact of a particular scheme on traffic management along the scheme.

Cyclists and Pedestrian Integration (2.d.)

The compatibility of a scheme with the GDA Cycle Network Plan is assessed and the practicality of achieving cycle track segregation is explored. In some cases, it may be necessary to provide an alternative cycle route to that used by the CBC and this is considered under this criterion. The quality of infrastructure for cyclists and pedestrians achievable is also compared for each scheme option.

4.3.3 Accessibility & Social Inclusion (3)

High volume trip attractors (3.a.)

Trip attractors within a 10-minute walk from stops along a scheme are compared in order to determine schemes which would generate demand for buses along the CBC (in addition to residential and employment populations). Key trip attractors such as schools, universities, retail and commercial centres, hospitals and employment centres are considered in this analysis.

Deprived Geographic Areas (3.b.)

The government's RAPID (Revitalising Areas by Planning, Investment and Development) programme is aimed at improving the quality of life and the opportunity available to residents of the most disadvantaged communities in Irish cities and towns. It aims, in a focused and practical way, to reduce the deprivations faced by residents of disadvantaged communities. It attempts to do this through targeting significant state resources at the needs of disadvantaged areas. The potential of each scheme to impact on any deprived areas, including RAPID is assessed and compared under this criterion.

4.3.4 Safety (4)

Road Safety (4.a.)

Under this criterion, the number of junctions along each scheme, as an approximate measure for the potential for collisions, are compared. In addition, the number of turning movements required for buses are compared, as these can also potentially lead to lower safety conditions along the scheme. Differentials in traffic speeds along a route are also assessed under this criterion as a high relative speed difference between transport modes may result in an increased road safety risk.

4.3.5 Environment (5)

Archaeological, Architectural and Cultural Heritage (5.a)

Effects on cultural heritage can be considered in terms of impacts on below ground archaeological remains, historic buildings (individual and areas), and historic landscapes and parks. The construction, presence and operation of transport infrastructure can impact directly on such cultural heritage resources through physical impacts resulting from direct loss or damage, or indirectly through changes in setting, noise and vibration levels, air quality, and water levels.

Provision of a CBC has the potential for impacts on archaeological, architectural and cultural heritage. Potential impacts of each scheme on recorded Monuments and Protected Structures (RMPs) within 50m of

the corridor are assessed and compared. Sites of Archaeological or Cultural Heritage are also assessed and impacts compared under this criterion.

Flora and Fauna (5.b.)

The provision of the CBC may have negative impacts on flora and fauna, for example, through construction of new infrastructure through green field sites. These impacts are compared for each scheme under this criterion.

Soils and Geology (5.c.)

Construction of infrastructure necessary for the provision of the CBC has the potential to negatively impact on soils and geology. For example, through land acquisition and ground excavation. There is also the potential to encounter ground contamination from historical industries. These considerations are compared for each scheme under this criterion.

Hydrology (5.d.)

The provision of CBC infrastructure may include aspects (for example structures) with the potential to impact on hydrology. Any such structures and impacts are considered for each scheme under this criterion.

Landscape and visual (5.e.)

Provision of CBC infrastructure has the potential to negatively impact on the landscape and visual aspects of the area, for example, by the removal of front gardens or green spaces or the altering of streetscapes, character and features. Different schemes are compared and any negative effects considered under this criterion.

The landscape (and visual) assessment of the route corridor options has had regard to:

- Land use zonings (amenity, open space, recreation, sport)
- Protected views and prospects
- Recreation Access Routes / Designated Walk Ways
- Tree Preservation Orders (TPO) and tree preservation/protection objectives
- Landscape impact on Protected Structures
- Landscape impact on sites on the Record of Monuments and Places (including Areas of Archaeological Potential)
- The designation of Architectural and candidate Architectural Conservation Areas (ACA)
- Visual impacts on properties
- Impact on landscape/townscape character.

Noise, Vibration and Air (5.f.)

Provision of CBC infrastructure has the potential to negatively impact on noise, vibration and air quality along a scheme. These impacts are compared for each scheme option under this criterion. The impact is quantified on whether the road is moving closer to a sensitive receptor, for example through road widening or new realignment.

Land Use and the Built Environment (5.g.)

The impact of each scheme option on land use character, for example, through land acquisition or severance which prevents the land from achieving its intended use, is assessed under this criterion.

4.3.6 Route Options Summary Table

Route options in each study area section are assessed for each assessment criterion and compared relative to each other on a five-point scale, from having significant advantages, some advantages, some disadvantages to significant disadvantages over other route options. Schemes could also be considered neutral when no apparent advantages or disadvantages were identified across all scheme options.

For each of the three study area sections, a scheme options summary is presented which illustrates the assessment of each scheme option under each of the 5 assessment criteria. The full table for each scheme is included in the appendices.

For each of the 5 assessment criteria, each viable scheme is compared to each of the other schemes ranked on a 5-point colour coded scale.

Table 4.4 below illustrates the 5-point colour coded scale, ranging from dark green for schemes that have significant advantages compared to other scheme options and dark red for schemes that have significant disadvantages compared to other schemes.

Table 4.4 Scheme Option Colour Coded Ranking Scale

Colour	Description
Dark Green	Significant advantages over the other options
Light Green	Some advantages over the other options
Yellow	Neutral compared to other options
Light Orange	Some disadvantages over other options
Dark Red	Significant disadvantages compared to other options

4.3.7 Conclusion

In applying the assessment criteria to the Route Selection process, it is recognised that for different sections of the study area corridor, greater emphasis may need to be applied to some criterion over others in terms of their significance and influence on the route selection process. In drawing a conclusion as to which route represents the best option considering all of the criteria put together, judgement was applied to arrive at the preferred option.

The outcome and findings of the multi-criteria analysis are then finally considered in a holistic manner to derive a preferred end-to-end route for the proposed end-to-end CBC scheme.

5 STUDY AREA SECTION 1 – BRAY SOUTH TO BRAY NORTH

5.1 Stage 1: Route Options Assessment– Sifting Stage

This section outlines the options development process for Section 1 of the Study Area (Bray South to Bray North). All roads within the study area are assessed on a high level for their ability to form part of a CBC route. Route options are ruled out at this stage if they can clearly not form part of a CBC.

An initial examination of the road network to the south of Bray identified that it is not practically achievable to provide CBC infrastructure due to the restricted cross sections and the limited ability to reroute traffic. In addition, any routes which would approach Bray Town Centre from the south would be circuitous in their nature and lead to unnecessary longer journeys to the Terminus at Bray Main Street. For these reasons, roads to the south of Bray were discounted prior to sifting.

The ‘spider’s web’ of potential route options remaining after this initial phase was then progressed to Stage 1 for further analysis. The links which are subject to sifting are shown in **Figure 5.1**.



Figure 5.1 Section 1 Route Options Bray South to Bray North

A summary of the Stage 1 is presented in Table 5.1

Table 5.1 Section 1 Stage 1 Route Option Assessment (Sifting) Summary

Link Option No.	Road Name(s)	Comments	Pass/Fail
1.01	M11/N11	This link consists of two all-vehicle lanes in each direction. The carriageway is approximately 35m at the narrowest point including a grassed central median with an overall reservation of approximately 55m. The existing carriageway could cater for bus traffic; however this link fails the initial sift as routes using it would have a circuitous route to the start/end point on Bray Main St and pedestrian integration is poor as no bus stops could be provided along the motorway section of this route.	Fail
1.02	Upper Dargle Road	Located between the M11 and the Dublin Road. This road provides one all-vehicle lane in each direction. The carriageway width is approximately 7m at its narrowest location with an overall reservation of 12m. There are numerous properties located adjacent to the roadside. Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require land take in the form of these adjacent properties. Greenway cycle route BG1 and inter-urban cycle route W2A of the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along sections of this link. This link fails as the scale of the works and the extent of the land take required would be excessive.	Fail
1.03	Lower Dargle Road	Located between the Upper Dargle Road and the Dublin Road. This road provides one all-vehicle lane in each direction. The carriageway width is approximately 6m at its narrowest location with an overall reservation of 9m. Greenway cycle route BG1 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along the majority of this link. Bus lanes could be facilitated on the majority of the link by widening the road into the existing park to the south. However, there is a pinch point on the western end where purchase of houses would be required and a pinch point on the eastern end where road widening is restricted by the Dargle River. Construction of CBC infrastructure is not considered feasible and so this link fails the initial sift.	Fail
1.04	Main Street/Castle Street/Dublin Road	This link has one all traffic lane in each direction, with advisory cycle lanes and partial bus lanes in places. Secondary cycle route B1 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link, with route secondary route B2 overlapping for a short section. On Castle St and Dublin Rd, widening of the road to provide dedicated bus lanes is feasible. This would require land take from commercial parking spaces, gardens and green areas. A petrol station and a stone cottage would also likely be affected. This link passes the initial sift despite the extensive land take required to provide bus priority as it forms a direct link from the Terminus on Bray Main St to connect with route options in section 2	Pass

1.05	New Road	Proposed new road through Bray Golf Course and bridge over the River Dargle to Bray DART station. Part of this route involves using a new road being constructed to serve the new St Philomena's School and part involves construction of a new road, generally following the alignment reserved for possible future LUAS extension as identified in the Bray Town Development Plan 2011-2017. Greenway routes 14 and W11 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along a section of this link. Construction is feasible and so this route passes the initial sift.	Pass
1.06	Main St	Bray Main St has been identified as the terminus location in Bray. Building lines are close to the road on both sides and as a result no road widening would be possible on this section. However, traffic management measures could be provided to enhance bus priority and Bray Main St has been identified as the CBC terminus, therefore this route passes the initial sift.	Pass
1.07	Quinsborough Rd & Florence Rd	Loop consisting of a combination of Quinsborough Road and Florence Road. This link has an average carriageway width of 8m and reserve width of 12m in the narrow sections. The road changes from one to two-way depending on the carriageway width available and on street parallel parking also varies from on one side to on both sides. On the section of Quinsborough closest to Main St the carriageway has been narrowed locally to 4m with wider footpaths as a traffic calming measure. Secondary cycle route B2 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along most of the loop (except the western edge). Construction of a one-way system for a CBC is feasible on this link by reassigning space from footpaths and on street parking, no land take would likely be required. As a result, this link passes the initial sift.	Pass

Following the Stage 1, 4 of the 18 links assessed passed the initial sifting stage and were progressed to the next assessment stage. These links are presented in Figure 5.2.



Figure 5.2 Section 1 Route Options Remaining After Stage 1 Assessment

5.2 Stage 2 – Route Options Assessment

5.2.1 Introduction

Following the Stage 1 the four remaining links are assembled together to form two viable route options for Section 1, as follows:

- Route 1A – A route option via Castle Street and Dublin Road to Wilford roundabout;
- Route 1B – A route option via Quinsborough Road (Northbound direction)/Florence Road (southbound direction), parallel to the DART line across the River Dargle via a new bridge, through the old Bray Golf Club lands onto Dublin Road to Wilford roundabout.

The terminus for both these routes for consideration in the Stage 2 Assessment is the Florence Road junction on Bray Main Street.

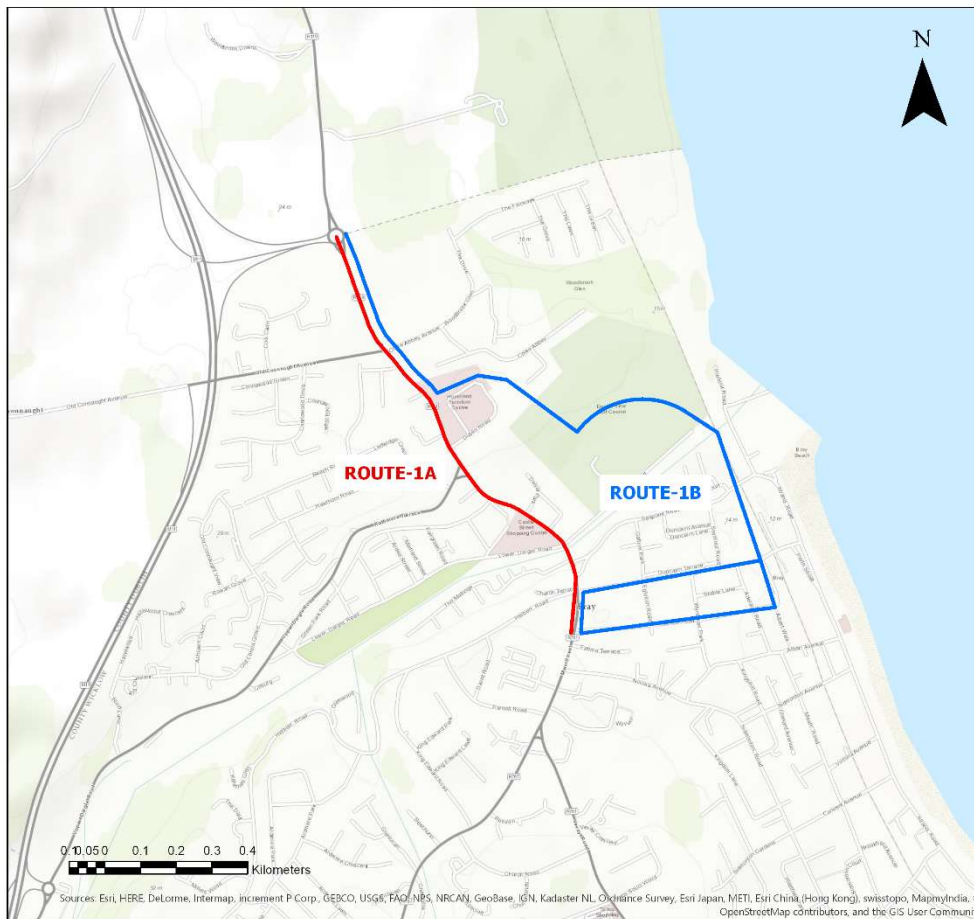


Figure 5.3 Section 1 Route Options

5.2.2 Route Option 1A – Bray Main Street to Wilford junction via Dublin Road

Route Description

Route 1A is presented in Figure 5.4 and described as follows.



Figure 5.4 Route Option 1A

Inbound: Route 1A would commence on Bray Main St, continue north on Fran O’Toole bridge over the River Dargle and then travel north along Castle Street and Dublin Road to the Wilford junction.

Outbound: The outbound route would follow the same route as the inbound routing.

Stops: A total of 4 bus stops would likely be provided in each direction along this route option.

Route Option 1A Indicative Scheme Design

Figure 5.5 illustrates the indicative scheme design for route Option 1A as well as location of indicative cross-sections.

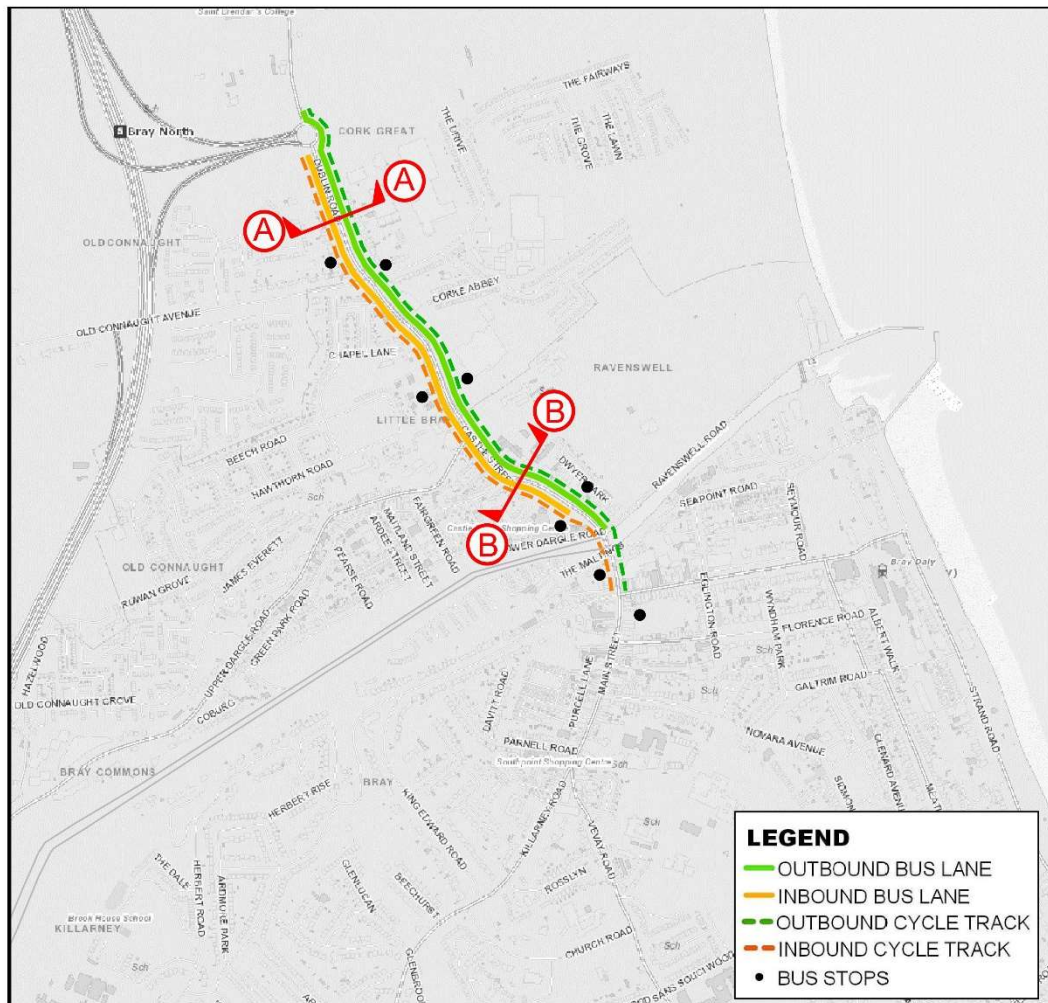


Figure 5.5 Route Option 1A Indicative Scheme Design

It is not practicable to provide dedicated bus lanes on for the short section of the route on Bray Main St but traffic management measures could be used to provide a degree of bus priority here. Route Option 1A would provide pedestrian bridges on either side of the existing bridge, this would allow southbound bus lanes to reach the junction at Seapoint Road, and to provide dedicated cycle lanes in both directions. An existing bus lane is provided in the southbound direction on Castle Street, between the St. Cronan’s Road and Dwyer Road junctions, and in the northbound direction between the St. Cronan’s Road and Upper Dargle Road junctions. This option proposes to widen Castle Street to accommodate bus and cycle lanes in each direction. To facilitate this land take, including some car parking spaces, would be required from the Castle Street Shopping Centre, the Dargle Centre and adjoining commercial areas to the north and south, as well as parts of gardens (residential off-street parking will not be affected) and some land from St. Philomena’s School. This option would require the removal of a tree on the grounds of St Philomena’s School which is subject to a tree preservation order. A cross-section on Castle Street is presented in Figure 5.6.

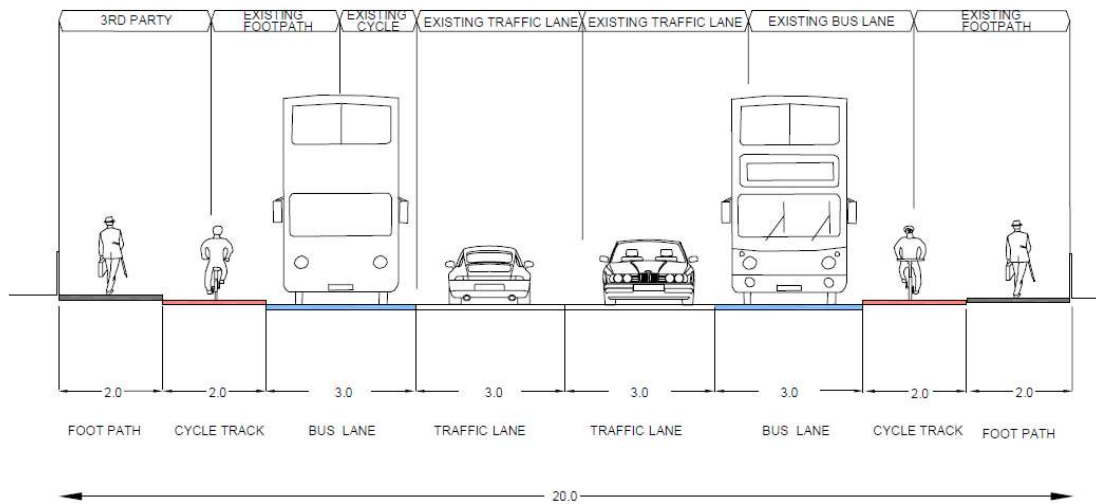


Figure 5.6 Cross Section A-A

Widening of Dublin Road would be required to accommodate bus and cycle lanes in each direction for its full length from Castle Street to the Wilford junction. To facilitate this, land take would be required which would include portions of private lands to the south and east of the existing Wilford junction including a cottage (protected structure) and an existing service station (Topaz), as well as portions of front gardens on Dublin Road between Windsor Motors and the Old Connaught Avenue (off-street residential parking would not be affected) and some car parking spaces along the existing frontages of Windsor Motors and AXA insurance. This would include upgrades to the existing signal controlled junctions of Upper Dargle Road, Old Connaught Avenue/Corke Abbey Avenue as well as incorporating the proposed signal controlled junction servicing the new entrance to St. Philomena's School which is under construction at the time of writing. A cross-section on Dublin Road is presented in Figure 5.7.

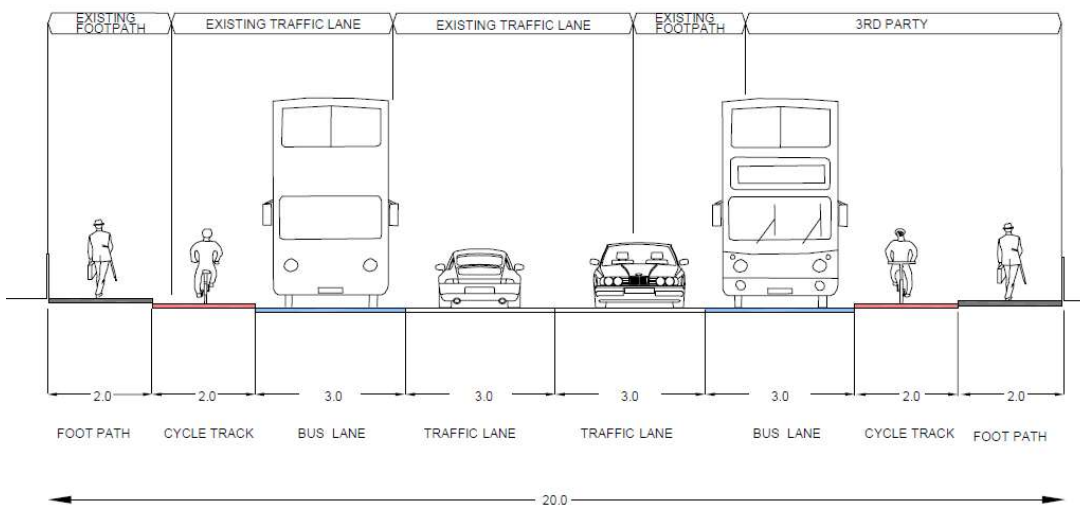


Figure 5.7 Cross Section B-B

5.2.3 Route Option 1B - Bray Main Street to Wilford junction via DART Station

Route Description

Route 1B is presented in Figure 5.8 and described as follows.



Figure 5.8 Route Option 1B

Inbound: Route 1B would commence on Main St and take a right onto Quinsborough road. The bus would take a left turn immediately before the DART line and continue along a new road parallel to the DART line, this road would cross new bridges over Seapoint Rd and the River Dargle before traversing through the Old Bray Golf Club lands to join the Dublin Road north of the Bray yarns complex. The bus would then continue north to the Wilford junction.

Outbound: The outbound route would be the same as above except that instead of using Quinsborough Road it travels down Florence Road.

Stops: A total of 6 bus stops would likely be provided in each direction along this route option.

Indicative Scheme Design

Figure 5.9 illustrates the indicative scheme design for Route Option 1B as well as the location of indicative cross-sections and junction locations.

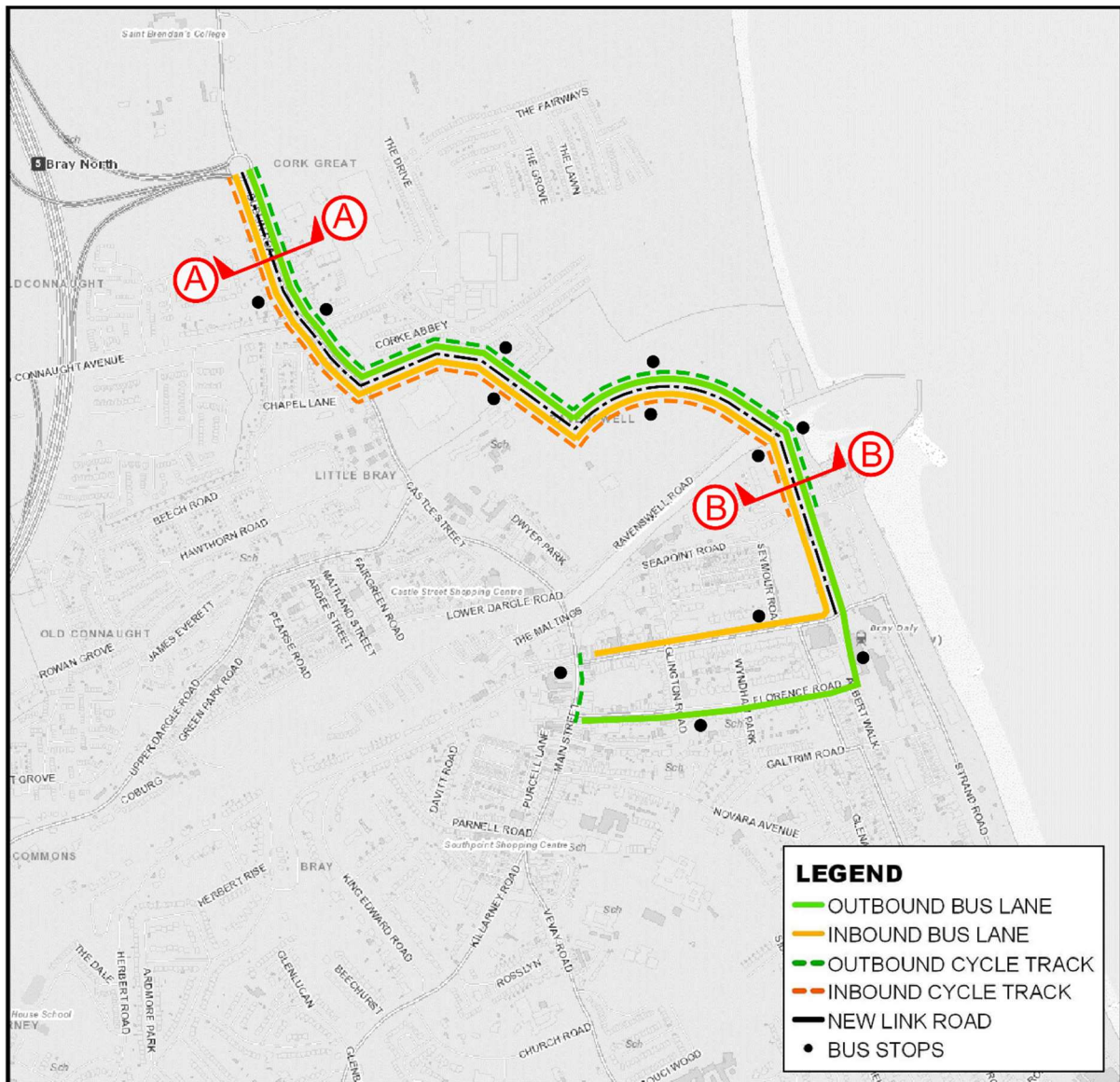


Figure 5.9 Route Option 1B Indicative Scheme Design

It is not practicable to provide dedicated bus lines for the short section of the route on Bray Main St but traffic management measures could be used to provide a degree of bus priority here. An inbound bus lane would be provided along the majority of Quinsborough Road between the junction with Galtrim Park and the railway line by removal of on-street parking. A new road would be required running parallel to the railway line with the acquisition of land associated with parking and services ancillary to the railway and pumping station. New bridges would be required to be constructed over Seapoint Road and the Dargle River. It is likely that bus and cycle lanes in both directions could be provided along this section, however there may be a requirement for sharing in the future with the LUAS line which may also follow this route. A cross-section of the bus-only route between Seapoint Road and the River Dargle is presented in Figure 5.10.

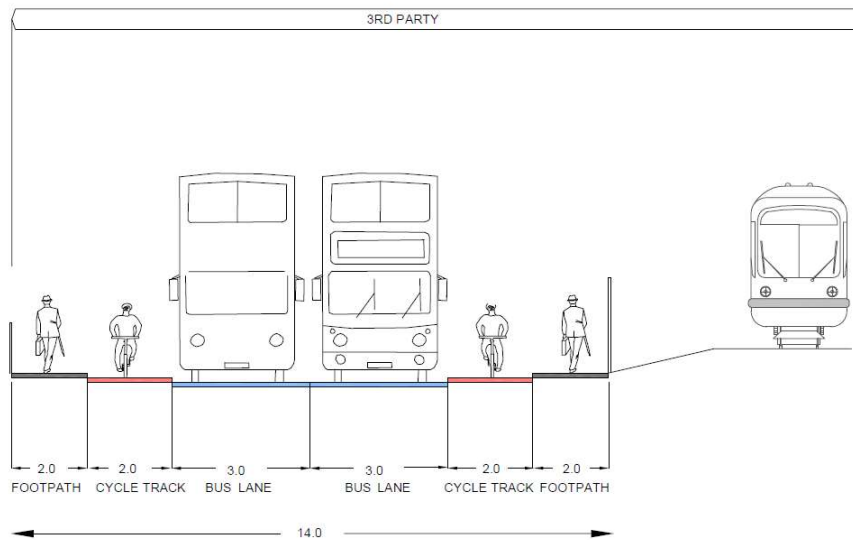


Figure 5.10 Cross Section B-B

The route option then proposes land acquisition and construction of a new road link through the old Bray Golf Club lands to Dublin Road north of the Bray Yarns complex which could accommodate bus and cycle lanes in both directions. This route would partially follow the road and junction under construction at the time of writing that will service St. Philomena’s School development. From here the route would continue north to the Wilford junction and would require widening of the Dublin Road to accommodate bus and cycle lanes in each direction. This would include acquisition of private lands to the south and east of the existing Wilford junction including a cottage (protected structure) and an existing service station (Topaz), as well as portions of front gardens (residential off-street parking will not be affected) on the Dublin Road between Windsor Motors and the Old Connaught Avenue, private lands including some car parking spaces along the existing frontages of Windsor Motors, AXA insurance and the old Bray Yarns complex. This route would include upgrades to the existing signal controlled junctions of Old Connaught Avenue/Corke Abbey Avenue and the junction servicing St. Philomena’s School currently under construction. A cross-section on Dublin Road is presented in Figure 5.11.

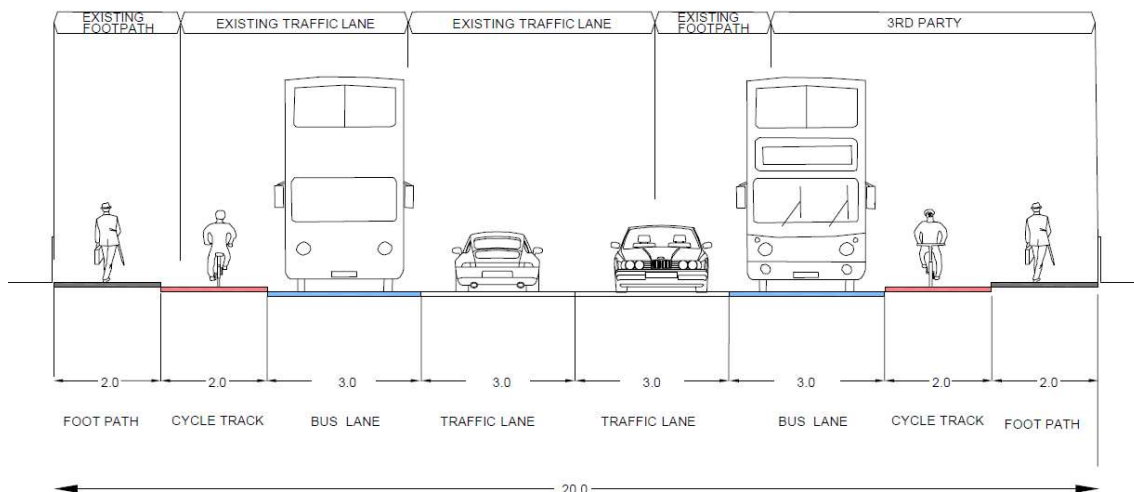


Figure 5.11 Cross Section A-A

In the outbound direction, the bus would follow the same route, with the exception of the one-way section where an outbound bus lane could be provided along the majority of Florence Road by removal of on-street parking and loading space and the reallocation of one of the lanes on the approach to Main Street to a bus-only lane.

5.2.4 Route Options Assessment

Details of the 'Stage 2' route options assessment undertaken for Section 1 are presented in **Appendix A**.

A summary of the ranking of route options against the scheme sub-criteria is presented in Table 5.2 below.

Table 5.2 Route Options Assessment Summary (Sub-Criteria)

Assessment Criteria	Sub-Criteria	SCHEME 1A	SCHEME 1B
Economy	Capital Cost	Green	Red
	Journey-time reliability and consistency	Yellow	Yellow
Integration	Land Use Integration	Orange	Light Green
	Residential Population and Employment Catchments	Orange	Light Green
	Transport Network Integration	Orange	Light Green
	Cyclists and pedestrian Integration	Yellow	Yellow
Accessibility and Social Inclusion	High volume trip attractors	Yellow	Yellow
	Deprived Geographic Areas	Yellow	Yellow
Safety	Road Safety	Light Green	Orange
Environment	Archaeological, Architectural and Cultural Heritage	Light Green	Orange
	Flora and Fauna	Light Green	Orange
	Soils and Geology	Light Green	Orange
	Hydrology	Yellow	Yellow
	Landscape and visual	Light Green	Orange
	Noise, Vibration and Air	Orange	Light Green
	Land Use and the Built Environment	Green	Red

In terms of Economy Scheme 1A has a comparatively lower capital cost than 1B as it does not involve the construction of a new road through the Old Bray Golf Course lands or new vehicular bridges over Seapoint Road and the River Dargle, with only pedestrian bridges required at the Fran O'Toole bridge crossing. Scheme 1B has a slightly higher percentage of dedicated bus lanes however this is balanced by its longer route length and so the two options are considered equal in terms of Overall Journey Time and Reliability.

Scheme 1B scores higher on land use and transport network Integration as it directly connects with Bray DART station and serves the proposed Bray Town Centre development on the lands of the Old Bray Golf Course. Both options would align with Dun Laoghaire Rathdown Development Plan Objective to provide a *'Proposed Quality Bus-Bus Priority Route'* between Wilford roundabout and the county boundary to the south. The longer route also results in a higher residential and employment catchment for Scheme 1B.

Route 1A requires fewer turning movements for buses through junctions so therefore receives a higher ranking under safety.

In terms of Environment Scheme 1B runs through the existing green field site of the Old Bray Golf Course and requires a new vehicular crossing of the Dargle River and so will likely have comparatively greater environmental impacts than 1A and therefore scores lower for these criteria, in addition Scheme 1B requires the removal of residential car parking and street trees along Florence and Quinsborough Roads. The exceptions to this are in relation to 'Noise, Vibration and Air' where widening of Castle Street will result in a lower ranking for Route 1A, and Hydrology where there is little to distinguish between the route as any works could be designed to minimise potential hydrological impacts.

5.3 Conclusion – Study Area Section 1 Analysis

A summary of the assessment and a relative ranking for each of the five assessment criteria is shown below in Table 5.3.

Table 5.3 Route Options Assessment Summary (Main Criteria)

Assessment Criteria	1A	1B
Economy		
Integration		
Accessibility and Social Inclusion		
Safety		
Environment		

Based on the assessments above it has been determined that while Scheme 1B is preferred under the integration criterion, Scheme 1A offers the preferred route option for the following reasons:

- It has a significantly lower capital cost than Scheme 1B
- It is likely to have less environmental impacts when compared to Scheme 1B
- Scheme 1A is also preferred under the Safety criterion
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Scheme 1A is identified as the preferred option for Section 1 and is brought forward into the Emerging Preferred Route as described in Chapter 8.

6 STUDY AREA SECTION 2 – BRAY NORTH TO LOUGHLINSTOWN

6.1 Stage 1 – Route Options Assessment– Sifting Stage

This section outlines the options development process for Section 2 of the study area (Bray North to Loughlinstown).

All roads within the study area are assessed on a high level for their ability to form part of a CBC. Route options are ruled out at this stage if they could clearly not form part of a CBC. The ‘spider’s web’ of potential route options remaining after this initial phase is then progressed to Stage 1 for further analysis. The links brought forward are shown in Figure 6.1.

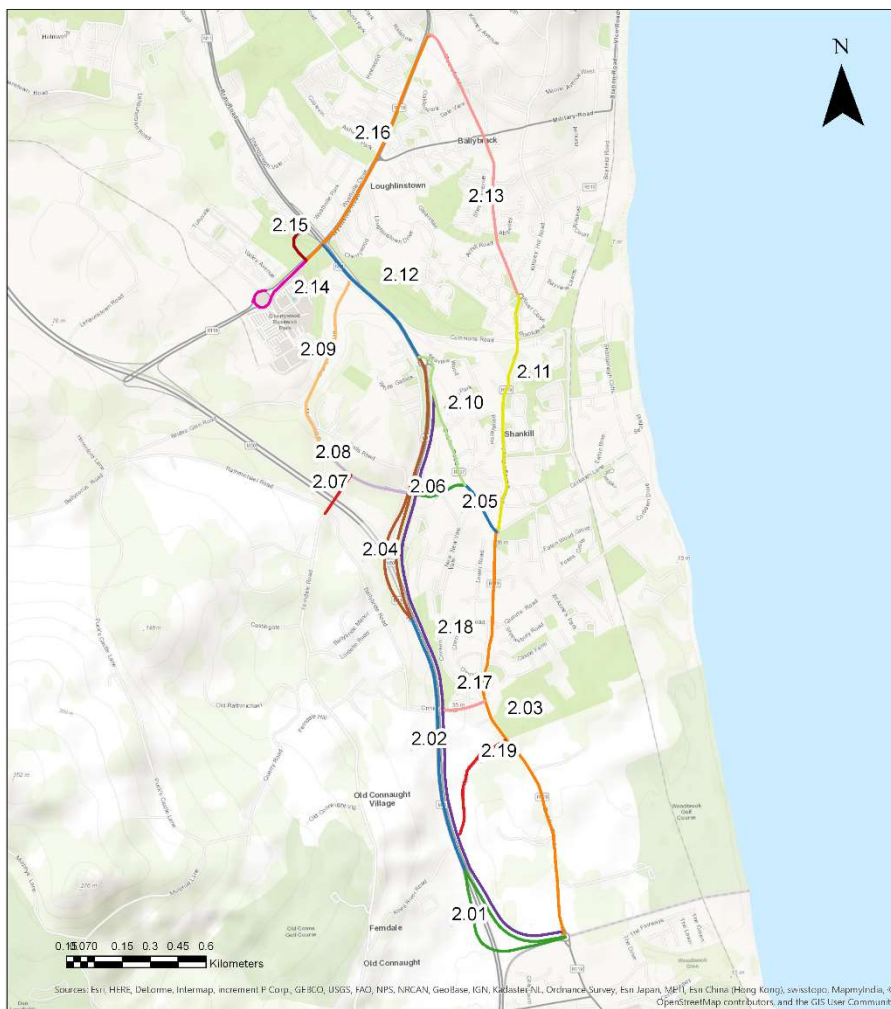


Figure 6.1 Section 2 Route Options – Bray North to Loughlinstown

A summary of the Stage 1 is presented in Table 6.1.

Table 6.1 Section 2 Stage 1 Route Option Assessment (Sifting) Summary

Link Option No.	Road Name(s)	Comments	Pass /Fail
2.01	M11	On/off ramps from Dublin Rd to M11. Section consists of a single one-way all-vehicle lane in each direction, 5m wide at the narrowest point. Primary cycle route 12A and secondary cycle route B1 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan intersect the south-eastern end of this link. Providing dedicated bus lanes on each side of the road would be severely constrained, particularly on the bridge over the M11 which would require widening to provide bus lanes. Sharing existing lanes with general traffic is not considered desirable due to potential for traffic congestion to delay buses, and also the potential for high speed differentials and safety concerns. Additionally, this route does not serve the catchment of Shankill. For these reasons, this is not considered a viable route option.	Fail
2.02	M11	Section of M11 from the on ramp at Dublin road (link 2.01) to the split for the M50. This link consists of two all-vehicle lanes in each direction, with an average carriageway reserve of 35m. No cycle routes proposed by the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along this link. The section of route forms part of Dun Laoghaire Rathdown Development Plan 6-year objective to upgrade the M11 from the M50 to Fassaroe. In addition, the proposed LUAS green line extension to Bray/Fassaroe is identified as following the M11 route. However, road widening to provide dedicated bus lanes on each side of the road would be severely constrained by structures such as overbridges etc. Sharing existing lanes with general traffic is not considered desirable due to potential for traffic congestion to delay buses, and also the potential for high speed differentials and safety concerns. Additionally, this route does not serve the catchment of Shankill. For these reasons, this is not considered a viable route option	Fail
2.03	Dublin Rd	<p>From the junction with Wilford Roundabout to the roundabout north of Shankill village (Corbawn/Church roundabout). Link consists of one all-vehicle lane and a footpath in each direction. There is approx. 300m of dedicated bus lane provided in the Northbound direction.</p> <p>The section of route south of Shankill village has an average carriageway width of approximately 8m and a road reserve width in the order of 12m. Significant land take would be required along the entire route to provide dedicated bus and cycle lanes. Land take would be required from agricultural and amenity land, including many trees. Acquisition of private lands in the form of gardens would also be required.</p> <p>The northern section of the route passes through Shankill village, parts of which are geometrically constrained by building lines. Provision of bus and cycle infrastructure would require significant private and public land acquisition</p>	Pass

		<p>as well as environmental impacts including the removal of trees. Primary cycle route 12A of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link</p> <p>This link is significantly constrained and presents major challenges. However, due to few suitable alternatives is progressed to the next stage.</p>	
2.04	M11	<p>Section of M11 from split with M50 to the roundabout at Dublin Rd and the N11. Section consists of two all-vehicle motorway lanes in each direction. No cycle routes proposed by the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along this link. In addition, the proposed LUAS green line extension to Bray/Fassaroe is identified as following a section of this M11 route. Road widening to provide dedicated bus lanes on each side of the road would be severely constrained by structures such as overbridges etc. Sharing existing lanes with general traffic is not considered desirable due to potential for traffic congestion to delay buses, and also the potential for high speed differentials and safety concerns. Additionally, this route does not serve the catchment of Shankill. For these reasons, this is not considered a viable route option</p>	Fail
2.05	Dublin Rd	<p>From the St. Anne's Church (Corbawn) roundabout north of Shankill Village to Stonebridge Road junction. This link consists of one all-vehicle lane and one footpath in each direction. There is a carriageway width of 7.8m and reserve width of 12m at the narrowest points. Significant land take, in the form of private gardens and the church car park, would be required to provide dedicated bus and cycle lanes. Development on this route would require the removal of trees on both sides of the road and the provision of retaining structures along sections. Primary cycle route 12A of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>This link is significantly constrained and presents major challenges. However, due to few suitable alternatives is progressed to the next stage.</p>	Pass
2.06	Stonebridge Road	<p>This link consists of one all-vehicle lane and a footpath in each direction. Inter-urban cycle route D4 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>The road features a steep gradient rising from the Dublin Road junction of approx. 7%. The road width is limited close to this junction by the hockey pitch in Rathmichael School and the houses on the opposite side of the road. There is a significant level difference between the road and the adjacent ground with the road crossing over the old railway line via a bridge. The bridge would require full reconstruction to facilitate bus and cycle lanes.</p> <p>This link fails the initial sift as the extent of the works and land take required would be excessive.</p>	Fail
2.07	Stonebridge Road	<p>This link is a continuation of Link 2.06. It consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction. Footpaths and safety barriers are provided on each side of the road. The carriageway has an average width of 7m and a total reserve of 11m. No cycle routes proposed by the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along this link. As this link does not tie-into any feasible route option to the west it is not considered any further.</p>	Fail

2.08	Mullinastill Rd/Stonebridge Road	<p>It consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction. Footpaths and safety barriers are provided on each side of the road. The carriageway has an average width of 7m and a total reserve of 11m. No cycle routes proposed by the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along this link. Bus and cycle lanes could be constructed with land take from green fields to the south.</p> <p>Construction of CBC infrastructure is feasible with land take and so this link passes the initial sift</p>	Pass
2.09	Cherrywood Rd and Mullinastill Rd	<p>Consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction and a narrow footpath on one side only. Carriageway width is 6m with a 1.5m footpath at the narrowest parts. There is tight horizontal curvature on the road as well as steep vertical gradients to the adjacent land on both sides. No cycle routes proposed by the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along this link.</p> <p>Widening of the road to provide dedicated bus lanes would require land take from gardens along the route. There is a pinch point under the old railway bridge and others where building lines come close to the road on both sides, provision of CBC infrastructure in these locations is unfeasible.</p> <p>This link fails the initial sift as construction of CBC infrastructure is unfeasible</p>	Fail
2.10	Dublin Rd	<p>From the Stonebridge Road junction to the roundabout junction with the M11 at Loughlinstown. This link consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction. There is a carriageway width of 8.2m and a total reserve width of 12m at the narrowest section. A bus lane is provided for 200m on the northbound approach to the Loughlinstown roundabout. Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require land take in the form of gardens including removal of many trees. Primary cycle route 12A of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>This link is significantly constrained and presents major challenges. However, due to the few suitable alternatives available is progressed to the next stage.</p>	Pass
2.11	Shanganagh Rd	<p>From roundabout at junction with Killiney Road to Dublin Road junction. This link consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction and one footpath. There are some narrow sections with a minimum carriageway width of 7.2m and a total reserve width of 9m. Secondary cycle route 13C of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>While this link is narrow and would require significant road widening to provide CBC infrastructure on this link is considered feasible, as land take is available from green areas and gardens. It is not anticipated that any buildings or residential parking would be affected by the works.</p>	Pass

		This link passes the initial sift as construction of CBC infrastructure is feasible	
2.12	N11	<p>From the roundabout at the junction with Old Dublin Rd to Wyattville Road overpass. The road consists of two all-vehicle lanes in each direction. A combination of on and off-road cycle lanes are provided along the route. Total carriageway width at the narrowest point is 21m including a 2.7m grassed central median.</p> <p>There is a dedicated bus lane for approximately 90% of the outbound route and 50% of the inbound route. Land take would be required alongside the inbound side to facilitate a dedicated bus lane. The majority of the land take would be from a local access road which runs parallel to the main road (old main Bray road). This road provides access and parking for 7 homes and 5 businesses which would be affected. The remainder of the land take would be from green areas. Primary cycle route 12A of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link. This link is suitable for the construction of a CBC and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass
2.13	Church Rd and Shanganagh Rd	<p>Link consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction and alternates between one and two footpaths, depending on width. The route is geometrically constrained with some very narrow sections with minimum and average carriageway widths of 5.7m and 7m and reserve widths of 7m and 10m respectively. Secondary cycle route 13C of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>On the southern portion of the link on Shanganagh Road provision of dedicated bus and cycle facilities would require significant road widening. Construction would be feasible as land take is available from green spaces and large front gardens.</p> <p>However, the portion on Church Road particularly through Ballybrack Village is even more constrained. Building lines are close to the street and create several pinch points where providing bus priority would require the purchase of buildings. Significant land take would also be required from smaller front gardens and residential parking in many of these gardens could no longer be facilitated.</p> <p>This link fails the initial sift as the extent of the works required to provide bus priority on Church Road are deemed excessive.</p>	Fail
2.14	R118/ Cherrywood Park	From the junction with the N11 to the roundabout immediately to the west. This link has two all vehicle lanes in each direction rising to three where there are right turning lanes. This link is not on the GDA CNP. There are wide grass verges either side. Bus priority could be provided by removing a lane of general traffic or by widening into the existing verges. The large roundabout may need to be converted to a signalised junction to provide bus priority.	Pass

		This link passes the initial sift as the construction of CBC infrastructure is feasible	
2.15	N11	<p>Short section of ramp linking the N11 to the Wyattville Rd which passes above. The section consists of two all-vehicle lanes in the direction joining the N11. The section leaving the N11 is initially one lane but extends to two halfway along the section. No cycle routes proposed by the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along this link.</p> <p>Widening this short link would prove difficult due to geometrical constraints, however as it can cater for bus traffic it passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass
2.16	Wyattville Rd	<p>From the junction at Church Rd to the N11. Link consists of two all-vehicle lanes in each direction, widening to 3 at right turn areas. Pedestrian and cycle facilities are provided on both sides. Carriageway is an average of 19m wide including a 2m grassed median. Average road reservation width is 27m. It is anticipated that providing dedicated bus lanes would involve the reassignment of existing road space. Secondary cycle route 13G of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>This link is suitable for the construction of a CBC and passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass
2.17	Crinken Lane	<p>From M11 over bridge to the Dublin Rd. Consists of one all vehicle lane in each direction with a footpath on the northern side only. This link does not feature on the GDA CNP network and no cycle facilities are provided. Road widening is feasible using existing verge space, this may require some removal of trees and hedges. This link could feasibly provide for a CBC and so passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass
2.18	New Road	<p>New link road running parallel to the M11 on the eastern side. This road would mostly be constructed within the road reserve of the M11 but would also require land take from back gardens and agricultural land in places. Bus priority could be provided on this new road and this link passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass
2.19	Allies River Road	<p>This is a very narrow local access route with average total carriageway width of 3m. It is lined on either side with hedgerows and large potentially significant trees. There is a very low population density along this route. This link is unsuitable for the construction of a CBC and fails the initial sift</p>	Fail

Following the Stage 1, 10 of the 18 route options assessed passed the initial sifting stage and are progressed to the next assessment stage. These route options are presented in Figure 6.2 following.



Figure 6.2 Section 2 Route Options Remaining After Stage 1 Assessment

6.2 Stage 2 - Viable Scheme Options and Multi-Criteria Analysis

6.2.1 Introduction

Following the Stage 1 the links that passed the sift are assembled together to form viable route options for Section 2, as seen in figure [Figure 6.3](#).

- Scheme 2A – A route option running parallel to the M11 on a newly constructed bus-way from Wilford junction through to Loughlinstown roundabout and then along the existing N11 to the Wyattville interchange.
- Scheme 2B – A route option via Dublin Road from Wilford junction, through Shankill and onto the N11 at Loughlinstown roundabout to Wyattville interchange.
- Scheme 2C – A route option via Dublin Road and Crinken Lane it would then join a newly built bus-way parallel to the M11 until Loughlinstown Roundabout, before following the existing N11 to the Wyattville interchange
- Scheme 2D – For this option buses would follow the same route as 2B, but general traffic would be diverted around Shankill Village using a newly constructed road on the same alignment as that proposed for the bus route in 2C. A bus gate would be put in place on the Dublin Road between Shanganagh Road and Lower Road junctions
- Scheme 2E – This option is a combination of routes 2A and 2B whereby the CBC route runs parallel to the M11 on a newly constructed bus-way from Wilford junction to the intersection with Crinken Lane, then along the Dublin Road from Crinken Lane to Loughlinstown roundabout and then along the N11 to Wyattville.

Some Links passed the initial sift but did not form part of any of the route options brought forward to the Stage 2 Assessment, these are: Links 2.08, 2.11, 2.14 and 2.16. This is because they could not form part of a continuous route across the study area section.

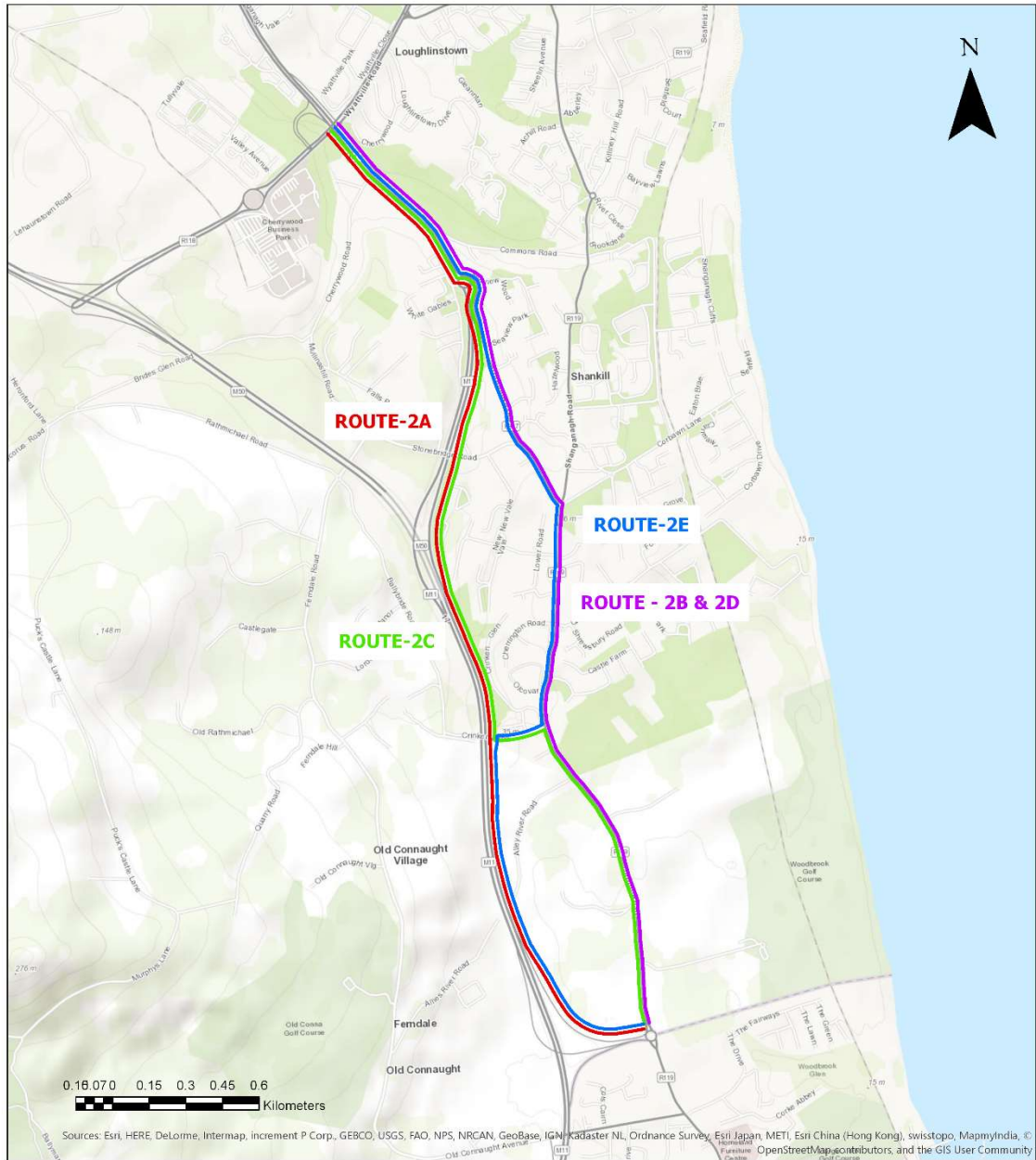


Figure 6.3 Section 2 Route Options

6.2.2 Route Option 2A

Route Description

Route 2A is presented in Figure 6.4 and described in text following.



Figure 6.4 Route Option 2A

Inbound: Route 2A would commence at the Wilford junction and run east of and parallel to the M11 along a dedicated bus route, passing to the west of Shankill village, before joining the R837 Dublin Road south of Loughlinstown and continue north on the N11 to the Wyattville interchange.

Outbound: The outbound route would follow the same route as the inbound routing.

Stops: A total of 7 bus stop would likely be provided in each direction along the route.

Indicative Scheme Design

Figure 6.5 illustrates the indicative scheme design for this route option as well as the location of indicative cross-sections.

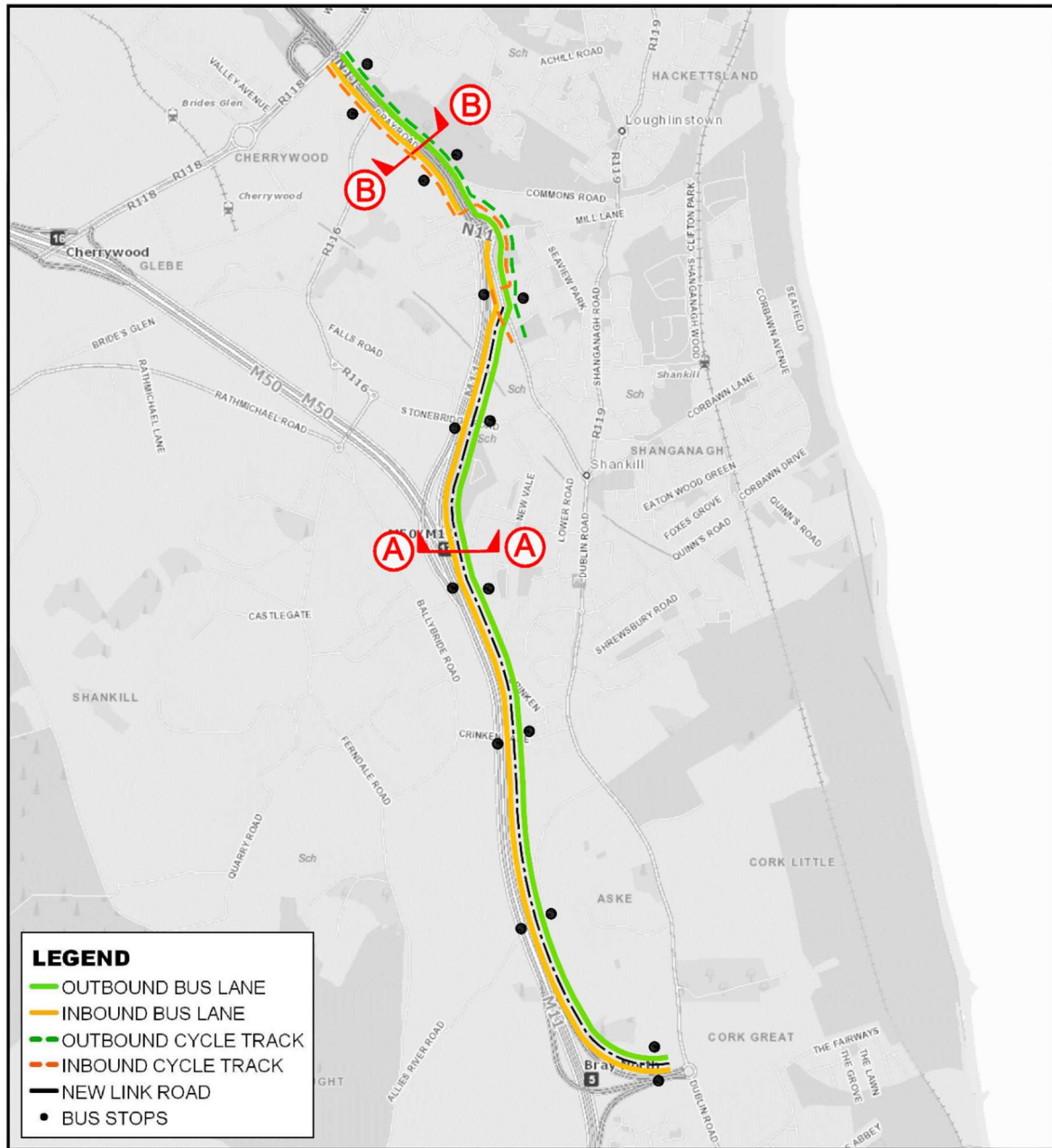


Figure 6.5 Route Option 2A Indicative Scheme Design

Scheme 2A would commence at the Wilford junction which would be upgraded to a signalised junction to provide bus priority. The route option would then travel north along a dedicated bus route crossing Allies River Road at grade. The route would continue north and rises to intersect Crinken Lane at grade before continuing north to the west of Mountain View and intersecting at ground level with the Lordello Road footbridge and pedestrian route to the west of New Vale. It would then travel to the west of Stonebridge Grove before rising to intersect with Stonebridge Road at grade.

The route would continue north running parallel to the M11 before joining the R837 Dublin Road to the south of Loughlinstown Roundabout via a proposed signalised junction. This option would require land take, including private lands and portions of gardens (residential off-street parking will not be affected), including woodland, treelines and grass verge along the entire route. This option would involve significant earthworks and construction of retaining structures. Construction of this section would require removal of trees and

hedgerows which currently provide visual and noise screening for the M11. Replacement noise and visual mitigation would be incorporated into the proposed scheme. Retaining structures would be required along sections of this route to provide for road widening. A cross-section on the new bus-only road is presented in Figure 6.6.

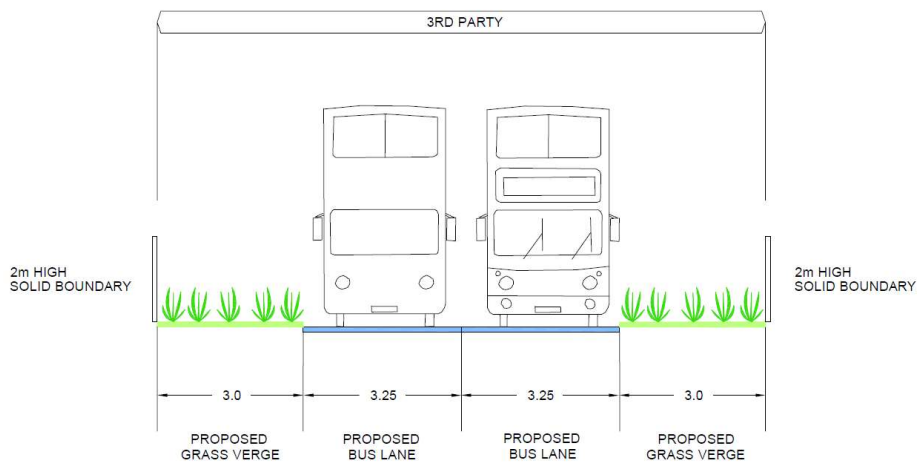


Figure 6.6 Cross Section A-A

The feasibility of the route alongside the M11 would be subject to confirmation following consultation with stakeholders including Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) as it requires lands which form part of the M11 motorway reservation.

On the southbound approach to the Loughlinstown roundabout road widening would be required to extend the bus lane to and around the eastern side of the roundabout. This would require realignment of the existing road to provide clearance for buses under the existing footbridge. It is proposed to provide a dedicated bus lane on the northbound approach to the Wyattville junction. This would require reconfiguration of the existing Cherrywood Road signalised junction, as well as amending the existing service road running parallel to the N11 into a one-way northbound only route, with access from the north re-routed via Loughlinstown roundabout. A dedicated northbound cycle lane would be provided linking the Rathmichael Manor/Loughlinstown Hospital area to the existing segregated cycle facilities further north via shared use of the service road. A cross-section on the N11 is presented in Figure 6.7.

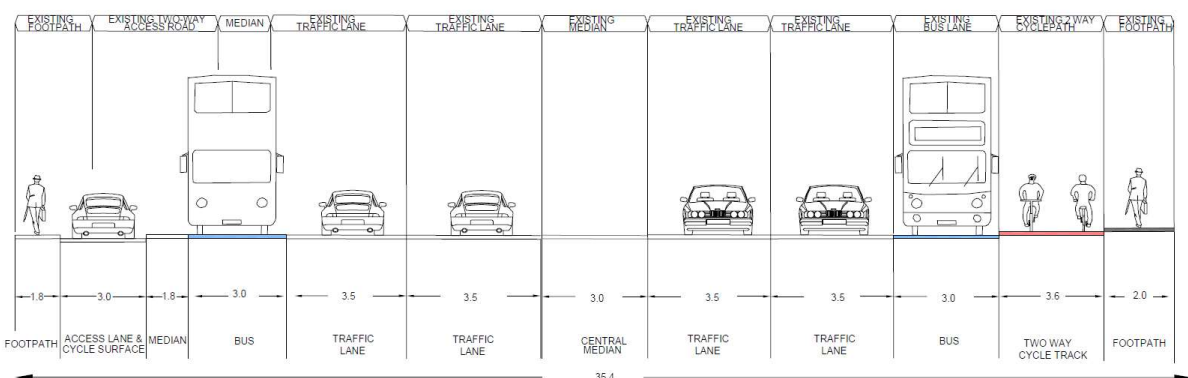


Figure 6.7 Cross Section B-B

This scheme would require provision of 3 additional signalised junctions, at Crinken Lane, Stonebridge Road and the R837 Dublin Road south of Loughlinstown to facilitate bus priority.

With the exception of the northern section of this route where cycle facilities will be incorporated, the route does not follow any cycle routes identified in the Greater Dublin Area Cycle Network Plan. Cycle facilities are therefore not proposed as part the offline section of bus-only route.

6.2.3 Route Option 2B

Route Description

Route 2B is presented in Figure 6.8 and described in the text below.

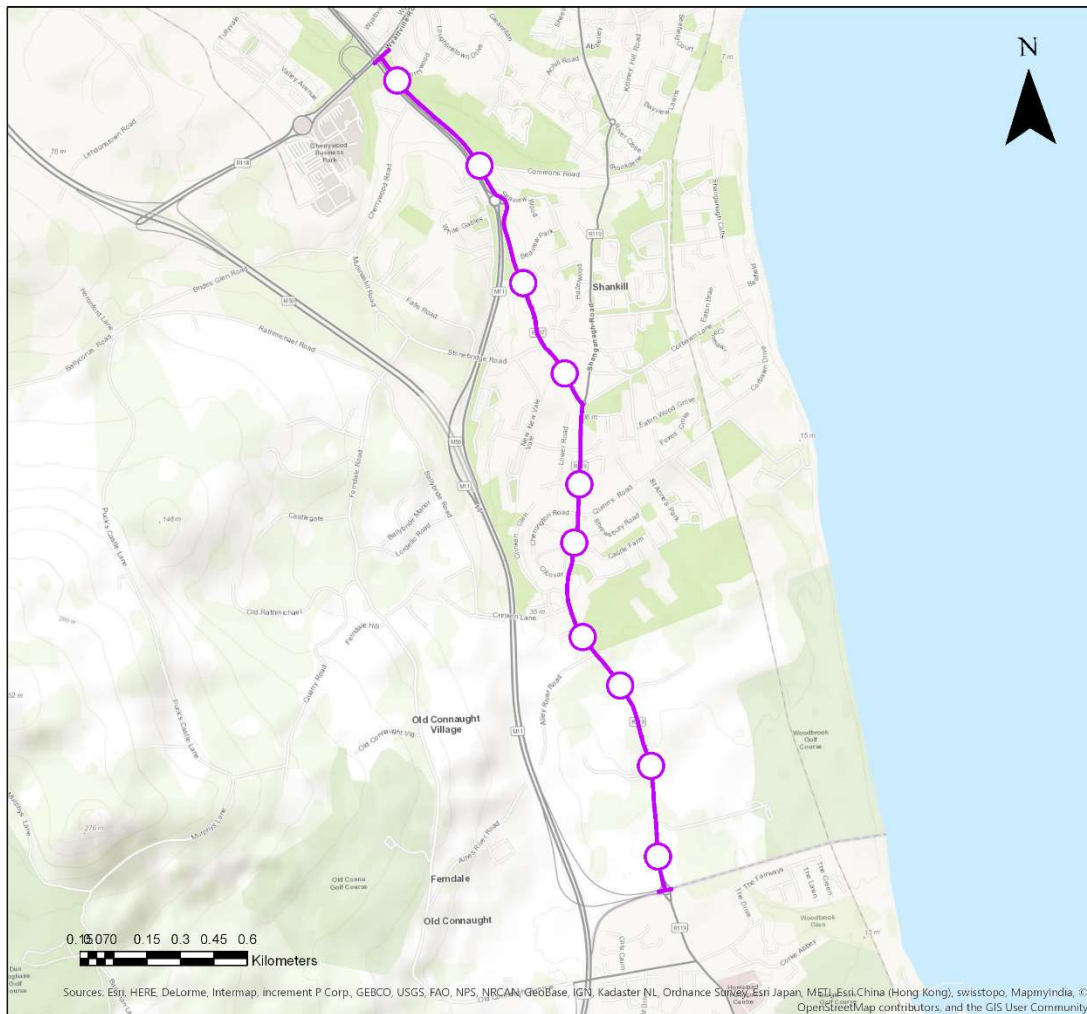


Figure 6.8 Route Option 2B Indicative Scheme Design

Inbound: Route 2B would commence at the Wilford junction and runs via the Dublin Road through Shankill Village to Loughlinstown roundabout and north to Wyattville.

Outbound: The outbound route would follow the same route as the inbound routing.

Stops: A total of 10 bus stops would likely be provided in each direction.

It is recognised that this route, in particular the area around Shankill Village from the roundabout at St Anne's Church to the Quin's Road junction, is particularly constrained, as building lines are close to the road on either side in a number of locations. The location of the building lines relative to the road presents major difficulties in providing dedicated bus lanes without acquiring and demolishing these buildings. It was therefore not considered reasonable practicable to provide continuous bus lanes in both directions in line with the scheme objectives at these locations.

A number of different schemes were considered and assessed for different sections of this route, in order to determine the optimum scheme along the route. These sub section assessments are outlined in Section 6.2.3.2 to Section 6.2.3.4

6.2.3.2 Route 2B – Sub-Section Assessment Wilford Roundabout to Crinken Lane

This section of the assessment process specifically looks at options within the section of Route 2B between Wilford Roundabout and Crinken Lane. Through this section the route is constrained, with an existing road reservation in the order of 13m, which is bounded by significant mature trees which are subject to development plan preservation objectives, as well as numerous protected buildings and structures which together form an important part of the local landscape character.

The options assessed are:

- Option 1 – Providing parallel bus lanes, cycle tracks and footpaths in a 20m cross section.
- Option 2 – Providing dedicated bus lanes and footpaths with a section of off-line cycle tracks running to the east of the Dublin Road.

Wilford Roundabout to Crinken Lane - Option 1

Option 1 is presented in Figure 6.9 and described in text following.

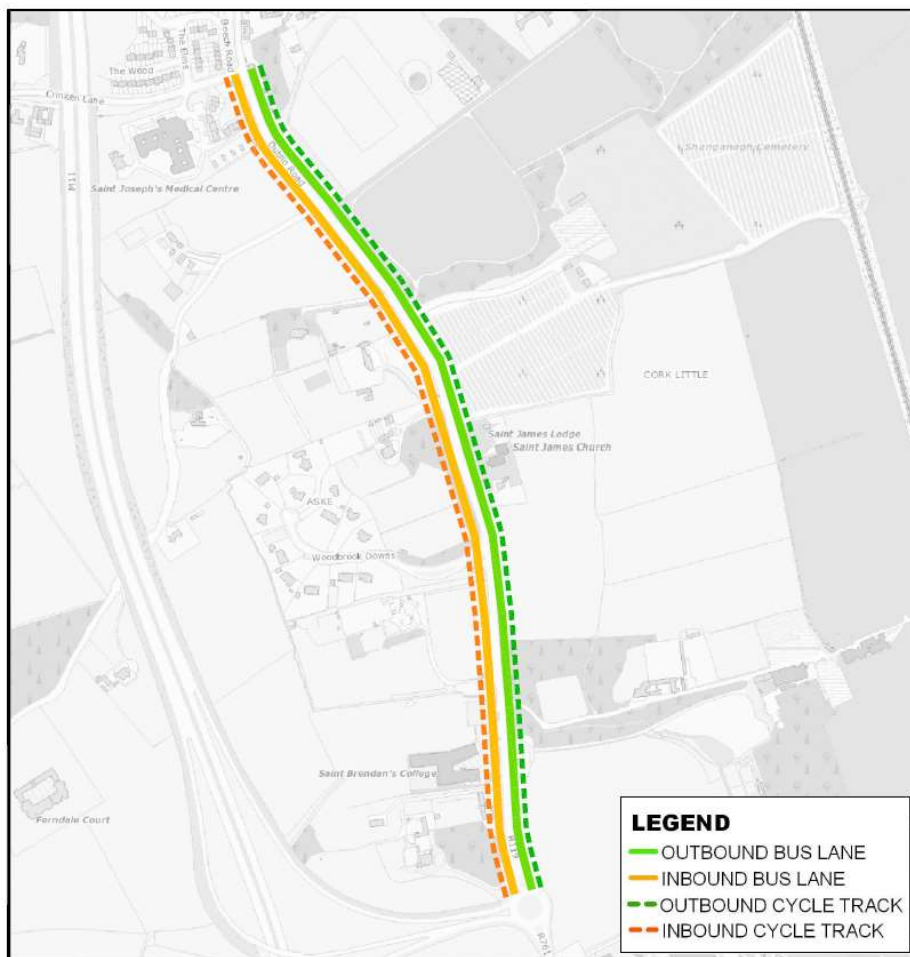


Figure 6.9 Wilford to Crinken Option 1 Scheme Design

This option proposes providing a typical 20m wide cross section including bus lanes and cycle tracks in each direction, bounded by footpaths. This option would require in the order of 7m of additional lands to facilitate road widening, including mature trees, and the setting back of boundary walls, on one or both sides of the road.

Wilford Roundabout to Crinken Lane - Option 2

Option 2 is presented in Figure 6.10 and described in text following.

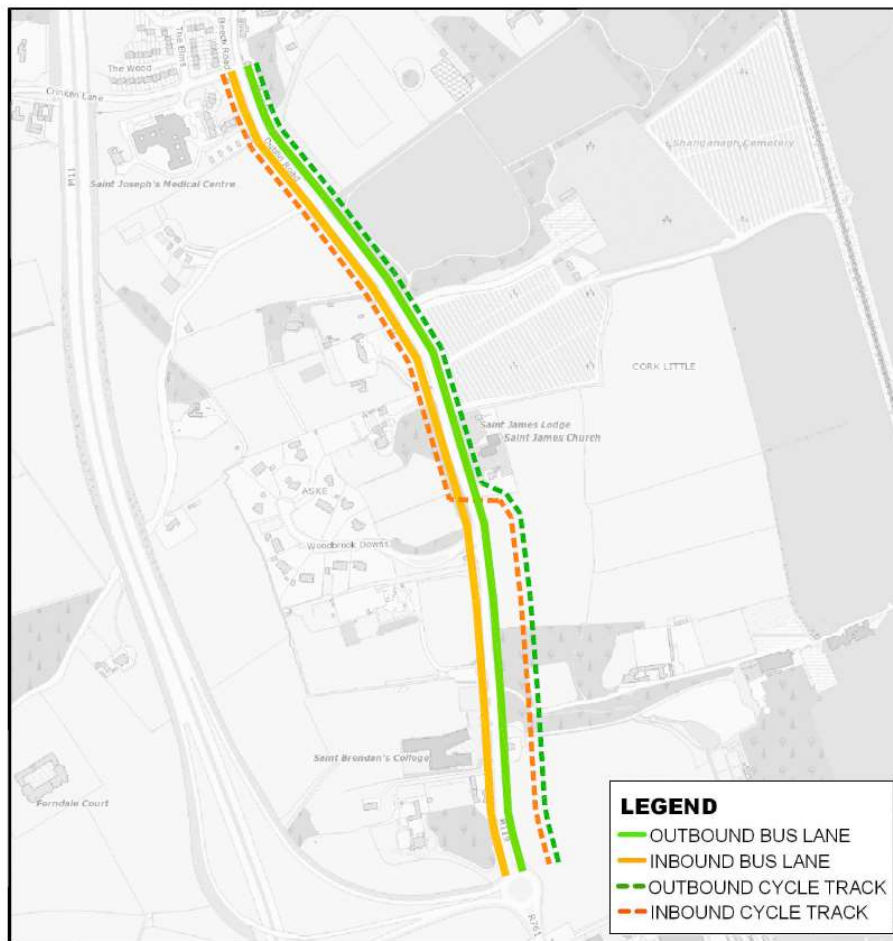


Figure 6.10 Wilford to Crinken Option 2 Scheme Design

This option proposes providing a bus lane in both directions between Wilford roundabout and Crinken Lane, with a section of off-line two-way cycle track between Wilford roundabout and St. James' Church (Crinken Church) provided to the east, running through agricultural lands and the Woodbrook LAP lands. This option would provide a 16m cross section on the Dublin road, comprising 2m footpaths, and 3m bus and running lanes in each direction. This option would require in the order of 4m of additional lands to facilitate road widening on one or both sides of the road, along with a further 3m to 4m strip of additional lands further east to provide the cycle track. Between St. James' Church and Crinken Lane the provision of off-line cycle tracks is constrained by the church and adjacent Shanganagh Cemetery and therefore cycle tracks along the Dublin Road would be provided. This scheme option would avoid some of the mature trees by passing the cycle track around the back of the tree line where possible, however a large number of trees would still be affected.

Wilford Roundabout to Crinken Lane Options Assessment

Details of the 'Stage 2' route options assessment undertaken for Route 2B section between Wilford Roundabout and Crinken Lane are presented in **Appendix A**.

A summary of the ranking of route options against the scheme sub-criteria is presented in [Table 6.2](#) below.

Table 6.2 - Wilford Junction to Crinken Lane Scheme Assessment

Assessment Criteria	Sub-Criteria	Option 1	Option 2
Economy	Capital Cost		
	Journey-time reliability and consistency		
Integration	Land Use Integration		
	Residential Population and Employment Catchments		
	Transport Network Integration		
	Cyclists and pedestrian Integration		
Accessibility and Social Inclusion	High volume trip attractors		
	Deprived Geographic Areas		
Safety	Road Safety		
Environment	Archaeological, Architectural and Cultural Heritage		
	Flora and Fauna		
	Soils and Geology		
	Hydrology		
	Landscape and visual		
	Noise, Vibration and Air		
	Land Use and the Built Environment		

Option 1 requires land acquisition and road widening to facilitate the proposed scheme, resulting in the loss of significant mature trees and setting back of existing boundary walls. Option 2 provides a reduced cross section along the Dublin Road in comparison to Option 1, and will therefore require less road widening and is slightly more preferable in terms of Landscape and Visual, but will still result in the loss of significant mature trees and walls bounding the road. The cost of Option 2 is higher as additional works and land acquisition would be required along the cycle route. The cycle route for Option 1 follows a more direct route along the Dublin Road and does not require northbound cyclists to cross the road, as is the case for Option 2, and therefore Option 1 is slightly more preferable in terms of Cyclist and Pedestrian Integration.

There is little to differentiate between the options, however in reference to the overall scheme objectives Option 1 provides for cyclists directly along the route identified in the GDA Cycle Network Plan and is therefore considered preferable and is brought forward for this section of Option Route 2B.

6.2.3.3 Route 2B – Sub-Section Assessment Crinken Lane to St. Anne’s Junction

Sub-Section Assessment Alternative Cycle Track

As discussed above it is not possible to provide continuous dedicated bus lanes and cycle tracks along the Dublin Road between Crinken Lane and the St Anne’s junction. Cyclists would be required to use bus lanes and share sections of road with general traffic. Therefore, in order to meet the scheme objectives a number of potential cycle routes are assessed in order provide an alternative cycle route for this section. These routes are shown in Figure 6.11 below and are assessed as part of a Stage 1 as outlined in Table 6.3 following.

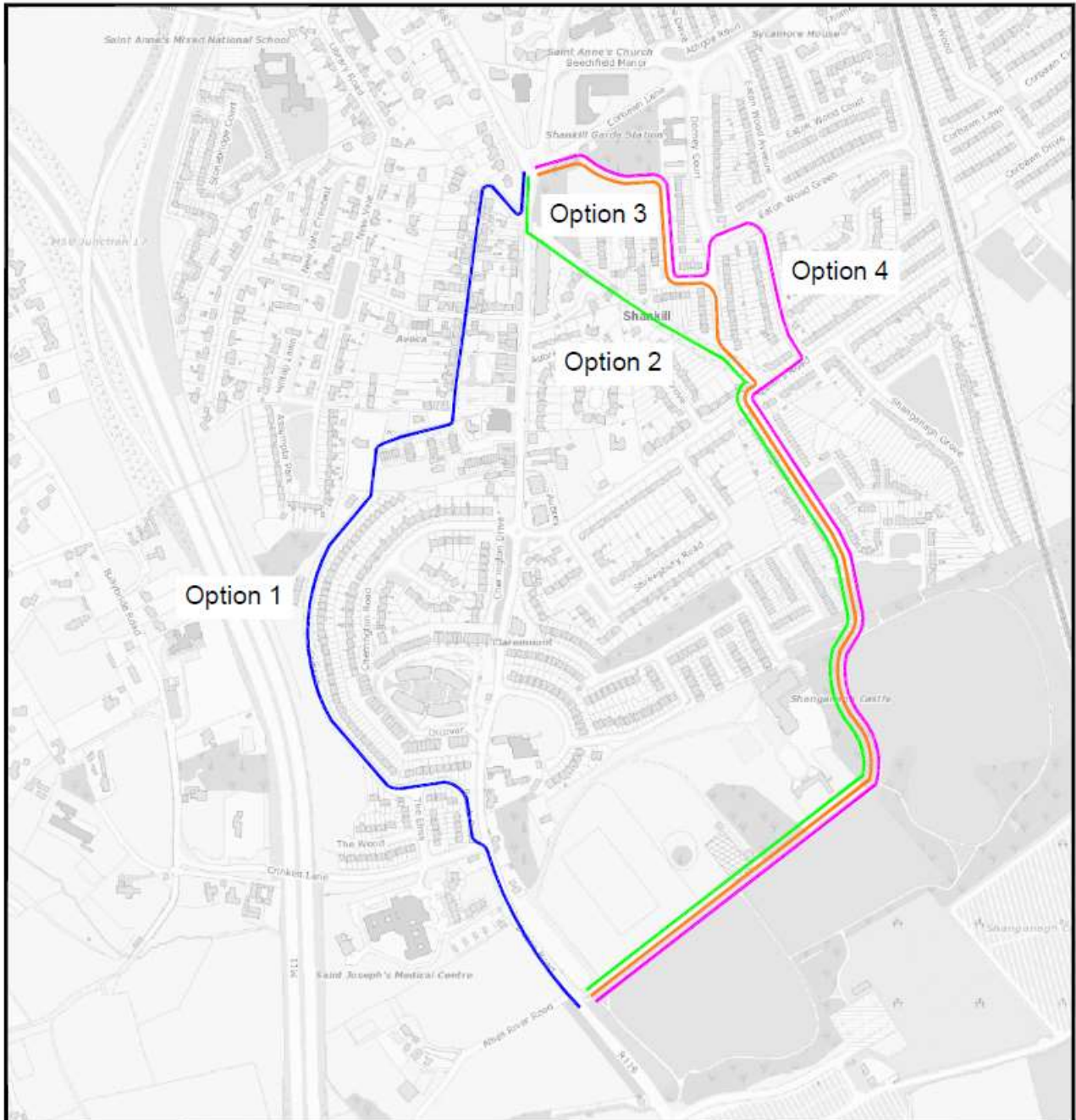


Figure 6.11 - Potential alternative cycle routes

Table 6.3 Assessment of alternative cycle routes

Option	Comments	Pass /Fail
1	For this option cyclists would share road space with general traffic on Beech Road, Mountain View, Stonebridge Close and Lower Road before using a newly constructed ramp to climb to the Dublin Road. Land take would be required to connect the sections on Mountain View and Stonebridge Close and also to construct the ramp, which would also result in removal of trees. Sections where land acquisition is required would also require lighting and screening. This route has a number of opportunities for connections through to Shankill Village and so would improve general pedestrian and cyclist connectivity. This option would also improve pedestrian and cyclist permeability between the residential areas to the south of Shankill Village with the schools to the north east. This is the shortest and most direct of the route options and construction is feasible and so this option passes the initial sift.	Pass
2	For this option cyclists would take a two-way cycle track to be constructed through Shanganagh Park, then share road space with general traffic on St Anne's Park before taking a ramp to a newly constructed cycle track along the old railway line. This cycle track would connect to the Dublin Road at St Anne's Roundabout. Considerable land take from gardens would be required to construct this new cycle track and would involve the removal of trees. New public lighting would be required along the majority, including through Shanganagh Park. This is not considered a viable alternate cycle route as the extent of land take required would be extensive, and the resultant route would be circuitous.	Fail
3	For this option cyclists would take a two-way cycle track to be constructed through Shanganagh Park, then share road space with general traffic on St Anne's Park before taking a ramp to a newly constructed cycle track along a section of the old railway line, before connecting to Dorney Court and link via a cycle track through a green space to Dublin Road at St Anne's Roundabout. Considerable land take from gardens would be required to construct this new cycle track and would involve the removal of trees. New public lighting would be required along sections of the route including through Shanganagh Park. This is not considered a viable alternate cycle route as the extent of land take required would be extensive, and the resultant route would be circuitous.	Fail
4	For this option cyclists would take a two-way cycle track to be constructed through Shanganagh Park, then share road space with general traffic on St Anne's Park, Foxes Grove, Eaton Wood Green and Dorney Court and link via a cycle track through a green space to Dublin Road at St Anne's Roundabout. New public lighting would be required along sections of the route including through Shanganagh Park. Although requiring the least land acquisition in comparison to the other options, this is not considered a viable alternate cycle route as the resultant route would be circuitous in nature and would be difficult for cyclists to follow due to the many turning movements.	Fail

Following this assessment Option 1 is considered the only viable route option and is therefore brought forward as part of Route Option 2B.

Sub-Section Scheme Options

This section of the assessment process looks at scheme options for the section of Route 2B between Crinken Lane and the junction of the Dublin Road and Shanganagh Road (St. Anne's junction). As noted previously the route is particularly constrained and it is not considered practicable to provide continuous bus lanes in both directions to meet the scheme objectives through this section and a number of alternative options are considered.

The options assessed are:

- Option 1 – A northbound bus lane between Crinken Lane and Quinn's Road junction, with a section of northbound bus lane through Shankill Village between Stonebridge Close and Lower Road junctions, and a southbound bus lane between Stonebridge Close and Crinken Lane junctions.
- Option 2 – Bus lanes in both directions between Crinken Lane and Quinn's Road junction, and a southbound bus lane between Lower Road and Crinken Lane junctions.
- Option 3 – A northbound bus lane between Crinken Lane and Quinn's Road junction, with a section of northbound bus lane through Shankill Village between Stonebridge Close and Lower Road junctions, and a southbound bus lane between Lower Road and Crinken Lane junctions

Crinken Lane to St. Anne's junction - Option 1

Option 2 is presented in Figure 6.12 and described in text following.



Figure 6.12 Crinken Lane to St Anne's Junction Option 1 Scheme Design

Option 1 would provide a northbound bus lane between Crinken Lane and Quinn's Road junction, with a section of northbound bus lane through Shankill Village between Stonebridge Close and Lower Road junctions, and a southbound bus lane between Stonebridge Close and Crinken Lane junctions. This option would result in land acquisition to facilitate road widening along the Dublin Road between Crinken Lane and Stonebridge Close junction, including portions of private gardens and public open space and would require the removal of mature trees, residential off-street parking would not be affected. Provision of a northbound bus lane between Stonebridge Close and Lower Road would require removal of on-street parking and a reconfiguration of the road and pedestrian space through Shankill Village. Enhanced priority could be provided for northbound buses on the approach to Shankill Village with the signalisation of the Quinn's Road and Lower Road junctions and implementation of queue relocation system at these locations.

Crinken Lane to St. Anne's Junction - Option 2

Option 2 is presented in Figure 6.13 and described in text following.



Figure 6.13 Crinken Lane to St Anne's Junction Option 2 Scheme Design

Option 2 would provide a northbound bus lane between Crinken Lane and Quinn's Road junction and a southbound bus lane between Lower Road and Crinken Lane junctions. This option would result in land acquisition to facilitate road widening along the Dublin Road between Crinken Lane and Lower Road junction, including portions of gardens and public open space and would require the removal of mature trees, residential off-street parking will not be affected. Provision of a southbound bus lane between Lower Road and Stonebridge Close would require removal of on-street parking and a reconfiguration of the road and pedestrian space through Shankill Village. Enhanced priority could be provided for northbound buses on the approach to Shankill Village with the signalisation of the Quinn's Road junction and implementation of a queue relocation system, however journey time reliability would still be compromised by general traffic movements through and in the village.

Crinken Lane to St. Anne's Junction - Option 3

Option 3 is presented in Figure 6.14 and described in text following.



Figure 6.14 Crinken Lane to St Anne's Junction Option 4 Scheme Design

Option 3 would provide a northbound bus lane between Crinken Lane and Quinn's Road junction, with a section of northbound bus lane through Shankill Village between Stonebridge Close and Lower Road junctions, and a southbound bus lane between Lower Road and Crinken Lane junctions. This option would result in land acquisition to facilitate road widening along the Dublin Road between Crinken Lane and Lower Road junctions, including portions of gardens and public open space and would require the removal of mature trees, residential off-street parking will not be affected. Provision of a northbound and southbound bus lanes through Shankill Village would require removal of on-street parking, loss of street trees and a reconfiguration of the road and pedestrian space including narrowing of existing footpath widths. Enhanced priority could be provided for northbound buses on the approach to Shankill Village with the signalisation of the Quinn's Road and Lower Road junctions and implementation of queue relocation system at these locations.

Crinken Lane to St. Anne's Junction Options Assessment

Details of the 'Stage 2' route options assessment undertaken for Route 2B section between Wilford Roundabout and Crinken Lane are presented in **Appendix A**.

A summary of the ranking of options considered between Crinken Lane and St. Anne's junction against the scheme sub-criteria used is presented in **Table 6.4** following.

Table 6.4 - Crinken Lane to St Anne's Junction Assessment

Assessment Criteria	Sub-Criteria	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
Economy	Capital Cost	Green	Green	Orange
	Journey-time reliability and consistency	Orange	Orange	Green
Integration	Land Use Integration	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
	Residential Population and Employment Catchments	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
	Transport Network Integration	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
	Cyclists and pedestrian Integration	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
Accessibility and Social Inclusion	High volume trip attractors	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
	Deprived Geographic Areas	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
Safety	Road Safety	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
Environment	Archaeological, Architectural and Cultural Heritage	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
	Flora and Fauna	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
	Soils and Geology	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
	Hydrology	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
	Landscape and visual	Green	Green	Orange
	Noise, Vibration and Air	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
	Land Use and the Built Environment	Green	Green	Orange

All options require land acquisition to facilitate road widening along the Dublin Road between Crinken Lane and Stonebridge Close junction, including portions of gardens and public open space and would require the removal of mature trees. The extent of the construction works for Option 3 is slightly higher than the others and so it scores worse under the "Capital Cost" criterion.

Option 3 provides the highest level of bus priority of the three options and so is preferred under the Journey Time and Reliability criterion, Options 1 and 2 provide similar levels of priority to each other and are less preferable than Option 3.

In terms of Landscape and Visual criterion, Options 1 and 2 are considered preferable as they would have less of an impact on the village streetscape as they require road widening to a total width of three lanes, while Option 3 is considered less preferable as the road will be widened to four lanes in places. Similarly,

this option scores worse under the “Land Use and Built Environment” criterion as it would require the removal of larger numbers of car park spaces and further reduce the widths of footpaths.

Option 3 whilst having disadvantages in comparison to other options in terms of cost and environmental impacts, is considered the preferred option on the basis that it provides the highest level of bus priority and best achieves the scheme objectives in this regard and is therefore brought forward for this section of Route Option 2B.

Route 2B – Sub-Section Assessment St. Anne’s Junction to Loughlinstown

This section of the assessment process looks at scheme options within the section of Route 2B between the junction of the Dublin Road and Shanganagh Road (St. Anne’s junction) and the Loughlinstown Roundabout. The route is geometrically constrained by building lines and environmental features such as trees and protected structures.

The options assessed are:

- Option 1 – Bus lanes in both directions between St. Anne’s roundabout and Loughlinstown roundabout, with a two-way cycle track on the western side of the Dublin Road between St. Anne’s roundabout and the resource centre, and a two-way cycle track on the eastern side of the Dublin Road between Seaview Park and Loughlinstown roundabout.
- Option 2 – Bus lanes in both directions between St. Anne’s roundabout and Loughlinstown roundabout, with an alternative cycle route provided linking Loughlinstown roundabout to Shanganagh Road and St. Anne’s roundabout via Seaview Wood and Seaview Park.

Bus and Cycle Lanes on Dublin Road - Option 1

Option 1 is presented in Figure 6.15 and described in text following.

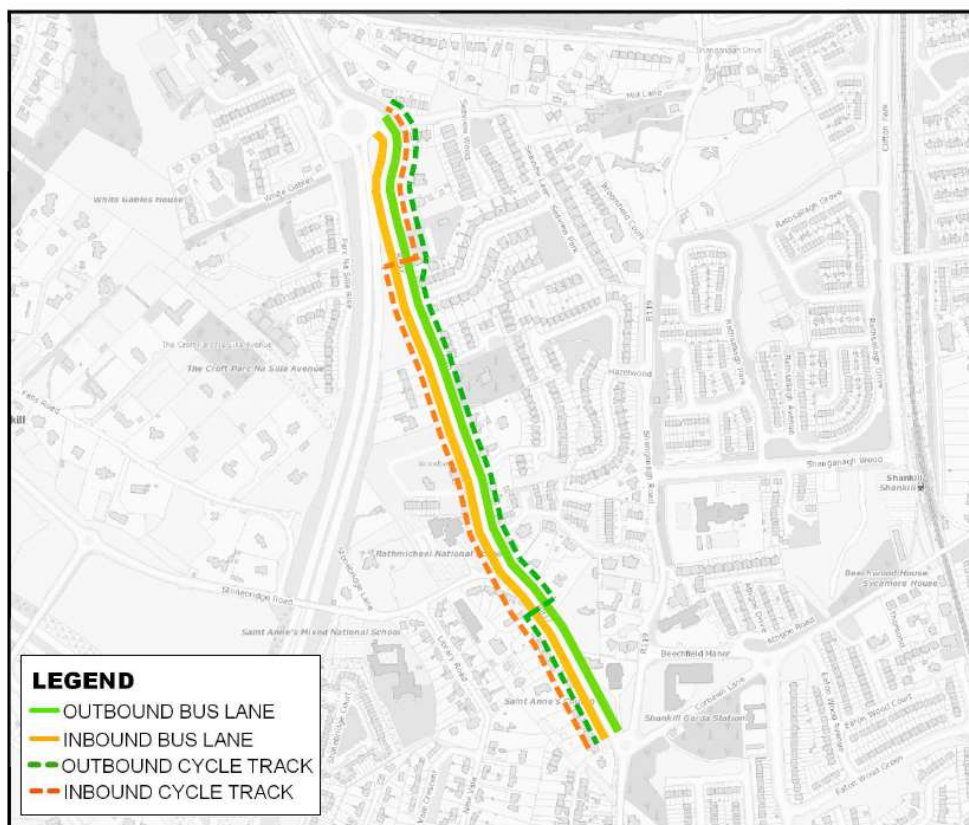


Figure 6.15 - St Anne’s Junction to Loughlinstown Scheme Option 1

Option 1 would provide bus lanes in both directions between St. Anne’s roundabout and Loughlinstown roundabout. This option would result in land acquisition to facilitate road widening along the Dublin Road, including private gardens and public open space and would require the removal of trees, residential off-street parking will not be affected. Significant retaining structures would also be required in places along this section of the route to facilitate road widening.

Due to geometrical constraints, it is not considered feasible to provide a two-way cycle track between St. Anne's roundabout and the resource centre, so this option would provide a two-way cycle track on the western side of the Dublin Road along this section of the route, with a toucan crossing north of the resource centre to facilitate cycle continuity. A two-way cycle track would also be provided on the eastern side of the Dublin Road between Seaview Park and Loughlinstown roundabout, linking in to the existing two-way cycle track to the east of the roundabout. To facilitate the provision of bus lanes in both directions south of Loughlinstown roundabout the existing toucan on Dublin Road would be moved further south to ensure an adequate separation buffer between the Dublin Road and the adjacent M11 motorway.

Bus Lanes on Dublin Road and Alternative Cycle Route - Option 2

Option 2 is presented in Figure 6.16 and described in text following.

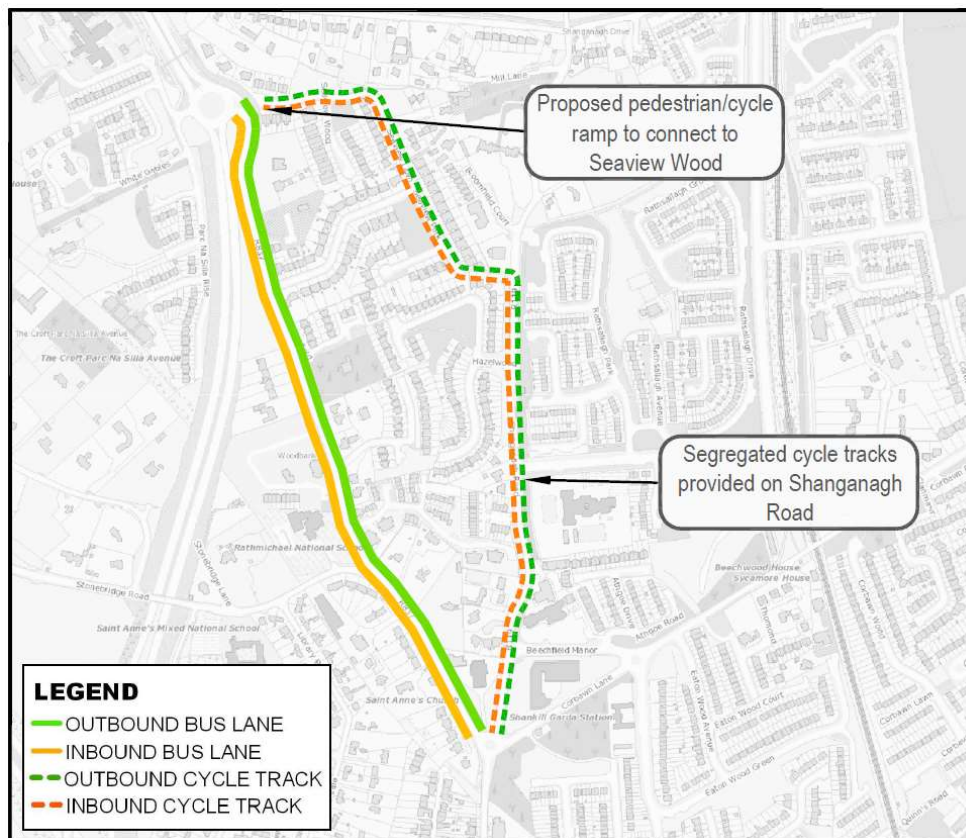


Figure 6.16 - St Anne's Junction to Loughlinstown Scheme Option 2

Option 2 would provide bus lanes in both directions between St. Anne's roundabout and Loughlinstown roundabout, with an alternative cycle route provided linking Loughlinstown roundabout to Shanganagh Road and St. Anne's roundabout via Seaview Wood and Seaview Park. This option would result in land acquisition to facilitate road widening along the Dublin Road to provide bus lanes, including portions of private gardens and public open space and would require the removal of trees, residential off-street parking would not be affected. Due to the level difference, a pedestrian and cycle ramp would be required linking the existing two-way cycle track to the east of Loughlinstown roundabout with Seaview Wood. Cyclists would share the existing carriageway along Seaview Wood and Seaview Park. Upgrading of Shanganagh Road would be required to provide cycle tracks, the majority of which could be provided in public open spaces and verges but would also require removal of trees and hedges and some private land acquisition.

St. Anne's junction to Loughlinstown junction Options Assessment

Details of the 'Stage 2' route options assessment undertaken for Route 2B section between Wilford Roundabout and Crinken Lane are presented in **Appendix A**.

A summary of the ranking of route options against the scheme sub-criteria is presented in **Table 6.5** below.

Table 6.5 - St Anne's Junction to Loughlinstown Junction Options Assessment

Assessment Criteria	Sub-Criteria	Option 1	Option 2
Economy	Capital Cost		
	Journey-time reliability and consistency		
Integration	Land Use Integration		
	Residential Population and Employment Catchments		
	Transport Network Integration		
	Cyclists and pedestrian Integration		
Accessibility and Social Inclusion	High volume trip attractors		
	Deprived Geographic Areas		
Safety	Road Safety		
Environment	Archaeological, Architectural and Cultural Heritage		
	Flora and Fauna		
	Soils and Geology		
	Hydrology		
	Landscape and visual		
	Noise, Vibration and Air		
	Land Use and the Built Environment		

Option 2 is considered preferable in terms of capital costs as the majority of land required on Shanganagh Road to provide cycle tracks is public, whereas provision of cycle tracks along Dublin Road requires acquisition of an additional 4m of private lands in addition to lands required for bus lanes.

In terms of cyclist and pedestrian integration Option 1 is considered preferable as the facilities are provided along Primary Route 12A, whereas the alternative cycle route through Seaview Wood and Seaview Park is circuitous in nature and unlikely to be used by some cyclists, particularly commuter cyclists. In this regard Option 1 is considered slightly preferable in terms of journey-time reliability and quality of services due to the increased likelihood for cyclists cycling in the bus lanes associated with Option 2. In terms of landscape and visual Option 1 is considered less preferable as the increased cross section on Dublin Road will require acquisition of additional private lands, including portions of gardens, and the removal of trees, but residential off-street parking would not be affected.

There is little to differentiate between the options, however in reference to the overall scheme objectives Option 1 provides slight advantages in terms of cyclist integration and journey-time reliability for buses. It is therefore considered preferable and therefore brought forward for this section of Route Option 2B.

Route 2B Indicative Scheme Design

Figure 6.17 illustrates the indicative scheme design for this route option, based on the outcome of the sub-section assessments undertaken previously, as well as the location of indicative cross-sections.

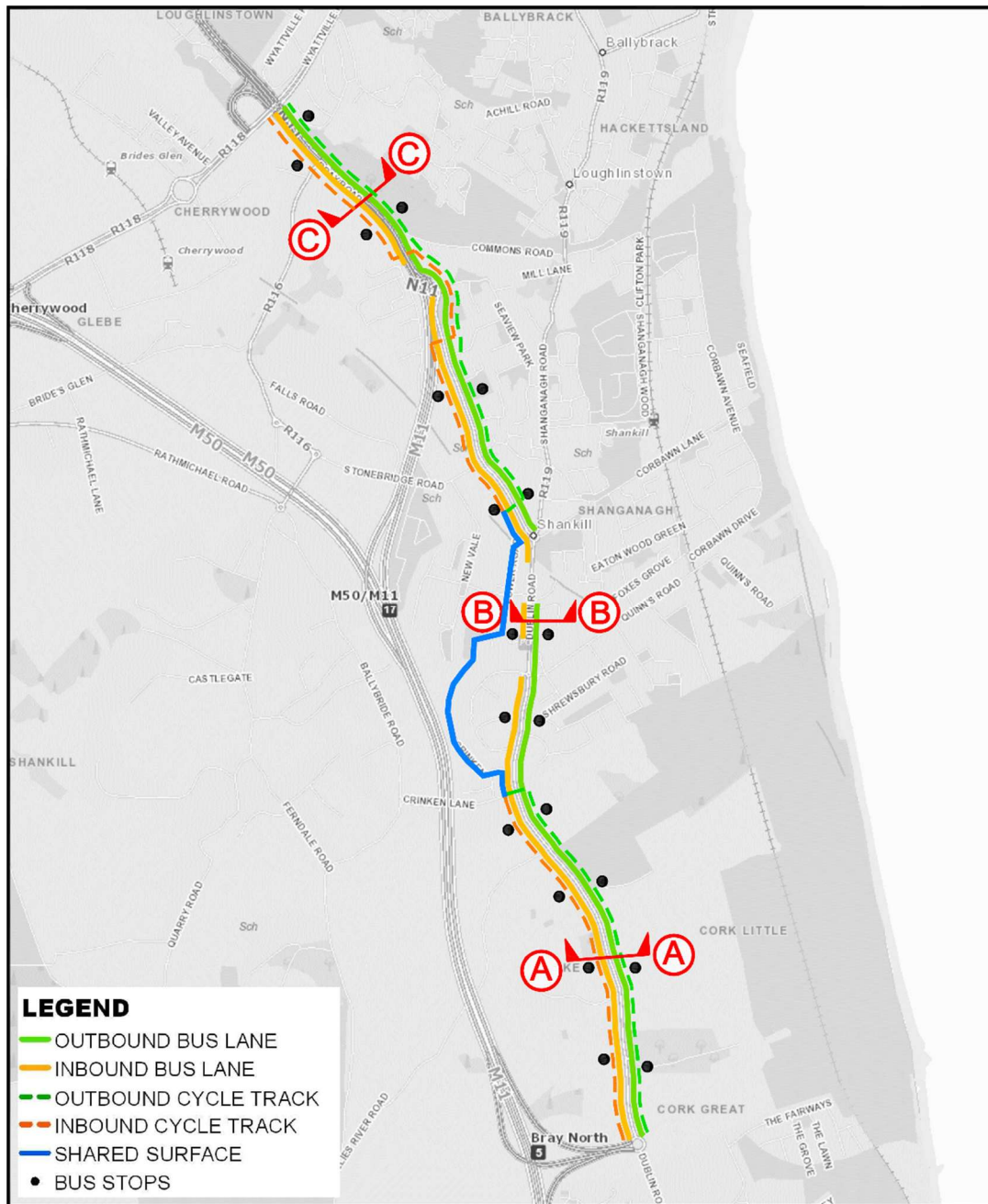


Figure 6.17 Route Option 2B Indicative Scheme Design

Scheme 2B would commence at the Wilford junction which would be upgraded to signalised junction to provide bus priority. Extensive road widening and land acquisition in the form of agricultural and amenity lands, as well as portions of gardens, would be required to provide bus and cycle lanes in both directions on Dublin Road between Wilford junction and Crinken Lane, to the south of Shankill Village. Residential off-street parking will not be affected. This would result in the removal of a large number of significant mature trees as well as impacting on walls and boundaries of architectural heritage significance. This route option would also incorporate a new signalised junction servicing the Woodbrook/Shanganagh LAP lands. A cross-section on the R119 Dublin Road is presented in Figure 6.18.

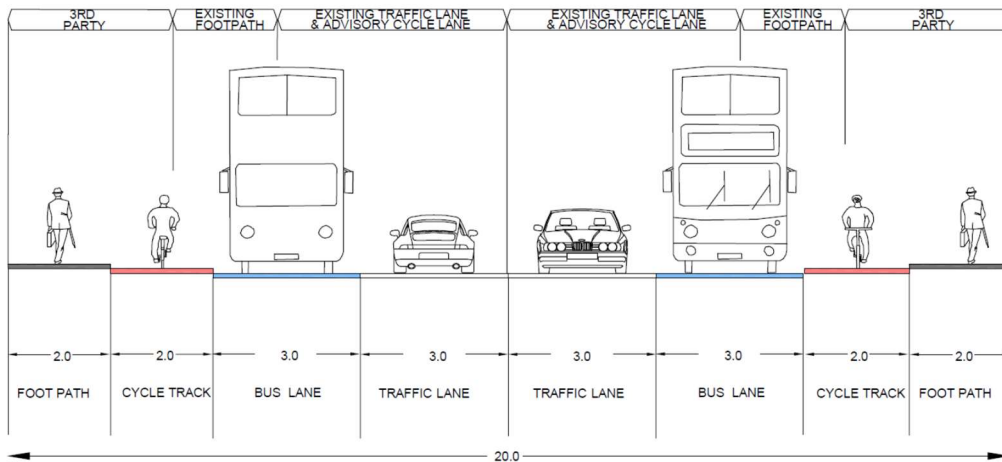


Figure 6.18 Cross Section A-A

Road widening and land acquisition in the form of portions of gardens and open green space, including trees and boundaries, would be required between the Crinken Lane and Quinn's Road junctions to provide bus lanes in both directions, residential off-street parking would not be affected. This route option includes an off-line cycle route to the west of the village which follows along Beech Road, Mountain View, and either Assumpta Park or Stonebridge Close, onto Lower Road and connects to Dublin Road. It would generally comprise cyclists sharing low volume, low speed roads. This cycle route would require land take in the form of private gardens.

It is proposed to upgrade the Quinn's Road roundabout to a signalised junction to improve pedestrian provision and also to incorporate traffic management measures to provide priority for northbound buses towards Shankill Village.

From Crinken Lane to Quin's Road junction it is proposed to widen the road to provide dedicated bus lanes in each direction. From here geometrical constraints mean that it is not practical to provide continuous bus lanes in both directions. Continuous bus lanes are proposed through Shankill Village for southbound buses and two sets of traffic lights and a length of northbound bus lane through the village would be used as part of a queue relocation system to provide priority for northbound buses. To the north of Shankill Village there is a narrow bridge over the old railway line and widening of this bridge is restricted by buildings on either side. For this 180m section buses would be required to merge with general traffic. A cross-section on the Dublin Road in Shankill Village is presented in Figure 6.19.

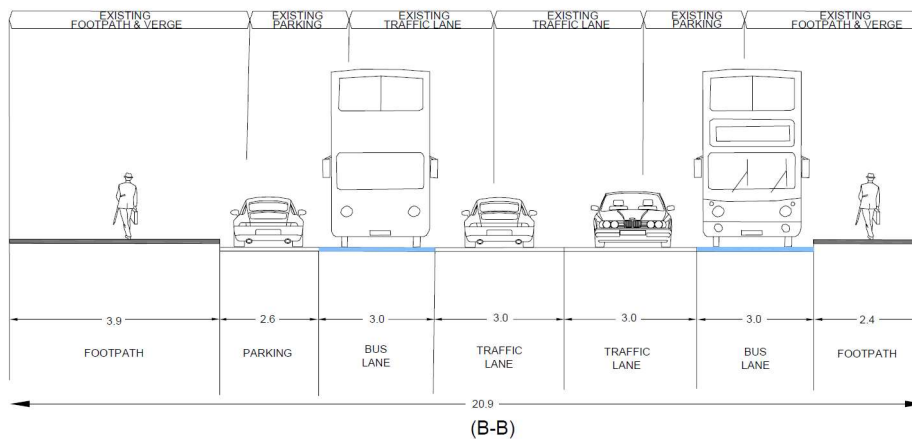


Figure 6.19 Cross Section B-B

Road widening between the Shanganagh Road junction and St. Anne's Resource centre to the north would be required to provide bus lanes and shared footpath/cycle paths along this section. This would require land take public green space and portions of gardens, residential off-street parking will not be affected. Land take would also be required from the grounds of St Anne's Church and their car park would need to be reconfigured in order to retain the same number of car parking spaces.

This option proposes to widen the Dublin Road between St. Anne's Resource Centre and Loughlinstown Roundabout to accommodate bus lanes in both directions. To facilitate this land take would be required, including portions of private gardens and open space. Cycle lanes would also be provided in each direction for the majority of this section, apart from on the northbound approach where cyclists would be crossed to the two-way cycle track on the eastern side of the road to enable them to safely bypass the Loughlinstown Roundabout before re-joining two-way cycle facilities on the N11. This would include an upgrade of the existing signal controlled junction at Stonebridge Road to provide priority for buses. Retaining structures would be required along sections of this route to provide for road widening.

On the southbound approach to the Loughlinstown Roundabout road widening would be required to extend the bus lane to and around the eastern side of the roundabout. This would require realignment of the existing road to provide clearance for buses under the existing footbridge. It is proposed to provide a dedicated bus lane on the northbound approach to the Wyattville junction. This would require reconfiguration of the existing Cherrywood Road signalised junction, as well as amending the existing service road running parallel to the N11 into a one-way northbound only route, with access from the north re-routed via Loughlinstown roundabout. A dedicated northbound cycle lane would be provided linking the Rathmichael Manor/Loughlinstown Hospital area to the existing segregated cycle facilities further north via shared use of the service road. A cross-section on the N11 is presented in Figure 6.20.

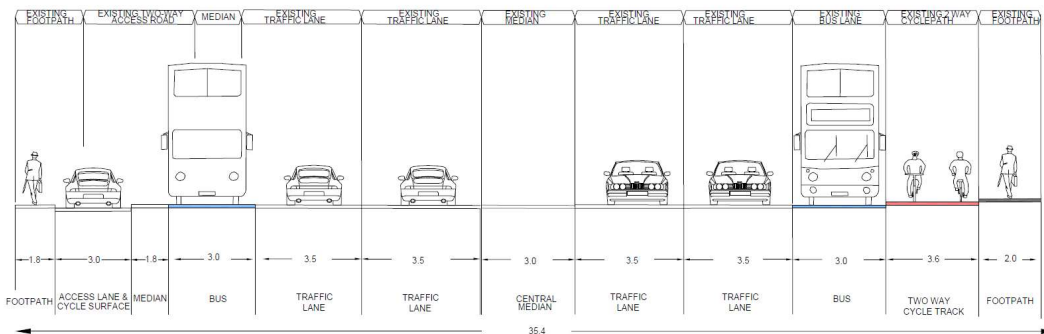


Figure 6.20 Cross Section C-C

6.2.4 Route Option 2C

Route Description

Route 2C is presented in Figure 6.21 and described in text following.



Figure 6.21 Route Option 2C

Inbound: Route 2C would commence at the Wilford junction and follow the R199 Dublin Road to Crinken Lane, and then run east of and parallel to the M11 along a dedicated bus route, passing to the west of Shankill village, before joining the R837 Dublin Road south of Loughlinstown and continue north on the N11 to the Wyattville interchange.

Outbound: The outbound route would follow the same route as the inbound route.

Stops: A total of 8 bus stop would likely be provided in each direction.

Indicative Scheme Design

Figure 6.22 illustrates the indicative scheme design for this route option as well as the location of indicative cross-sections.

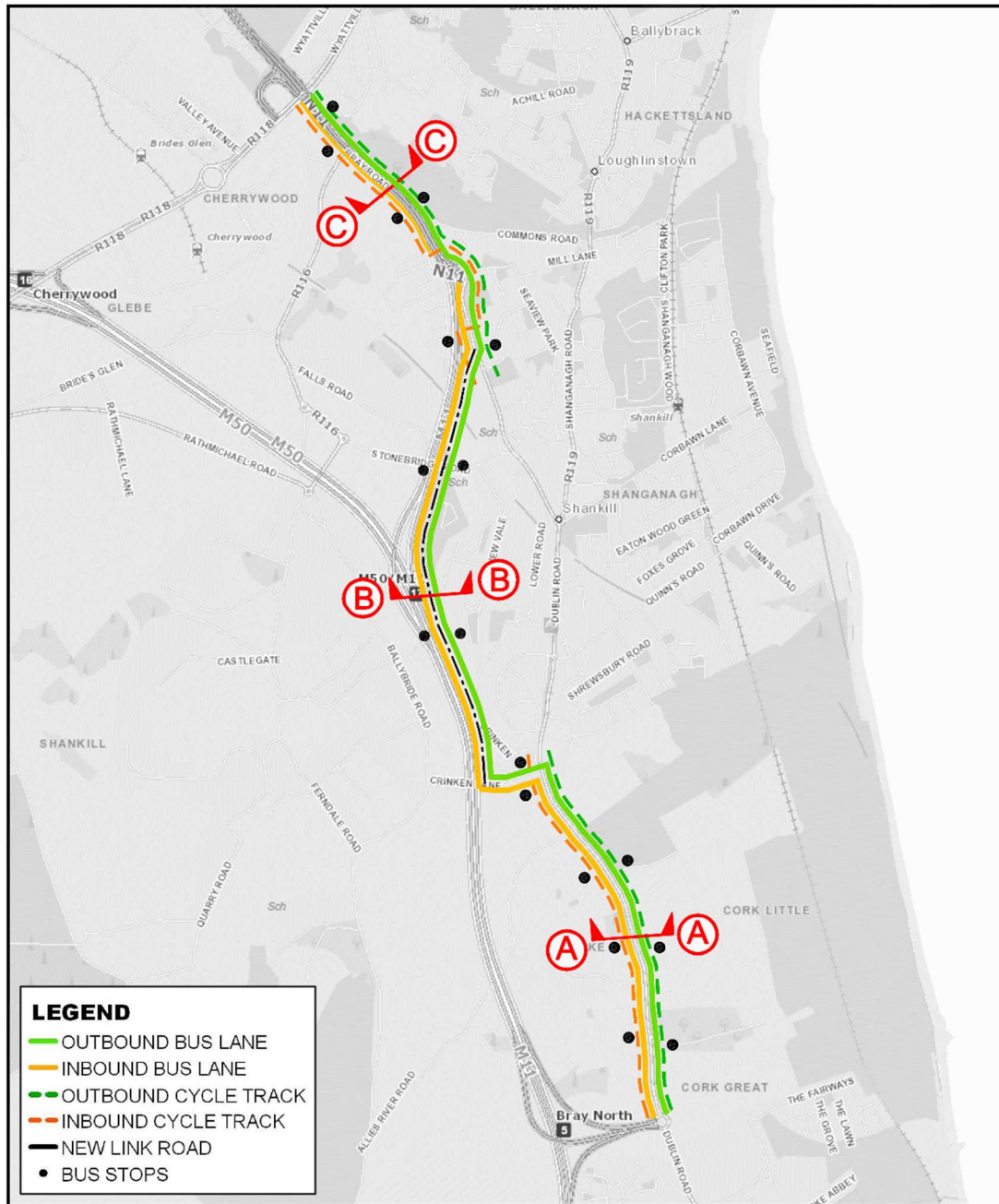


Figure 6.22 Route Option 2C Indicative Scheme Design

Scheme 2C would commence at the Wilford junction which would be upgraded to signalised junction to provide bus priority. Extensive road widening and land acquisition in the form of agricultural and amenity lands, as well as portions of gardens, would be required to provide bus and cycle lanes in both directions on Dublin Road between Wilford junction and Crinken Lane, residential off-street parking will not be affected. To the south of Shankill Village road widening to provide bus and cycle lanes would result in the removal of many significant mature trees as well as impacting on walls and boundaries of architectural heritage significance. This route option would also incorporate a new signalised junction servicing the Woodbrook/Shanganagh LAP lands. A cross-section on the R119 Dublin Road is presented in Figure 6.23.

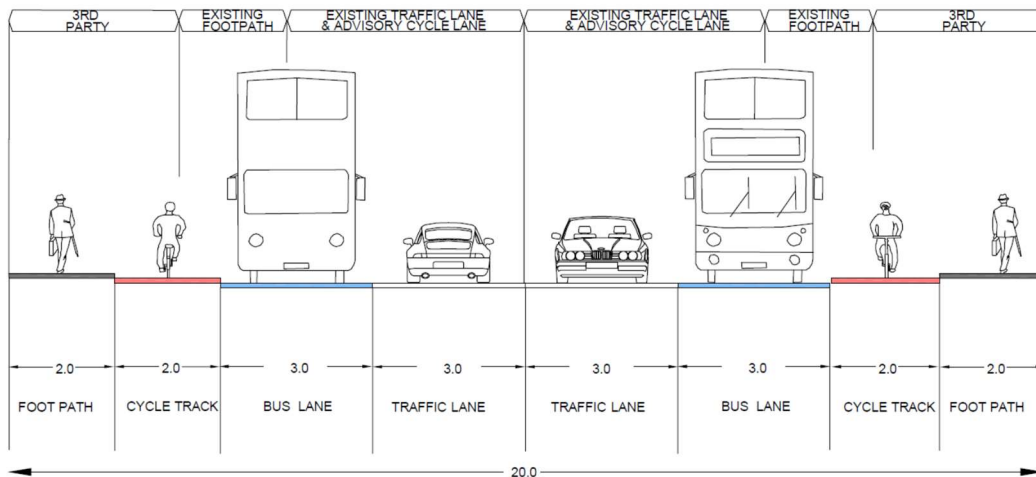


Figure 6.23 Cross Section A-A

A dedicated bus route would be provided running parallel to the M11, running to the west of Mountain View and intersecting at ground level with the Lordello Road footbridge and pedestrian route to the west of New Vale. The route would travel to the west of Stonebridge Grove before rising to intersect with Stonebridge Road at grade. The route would then continue north running parallel to the M11 before joining the R837 Dublin Road to the south of Loughlinstown Roundabout via a proposed signalised junction. This option would require land take, including private lands and portions of gardens, including woodland, treelines and grass verge along the entire route. Construction of this section would require removal of trees and hedgerows which currently provide visual and noise screening for the M11. Replacement noise and visual mitigation would be incorporated into the proposed scheme. Retaining structures would be required along sections of this route to provide for road widening. A cross-section on the new bus-only road is presented in Figure 6.24.

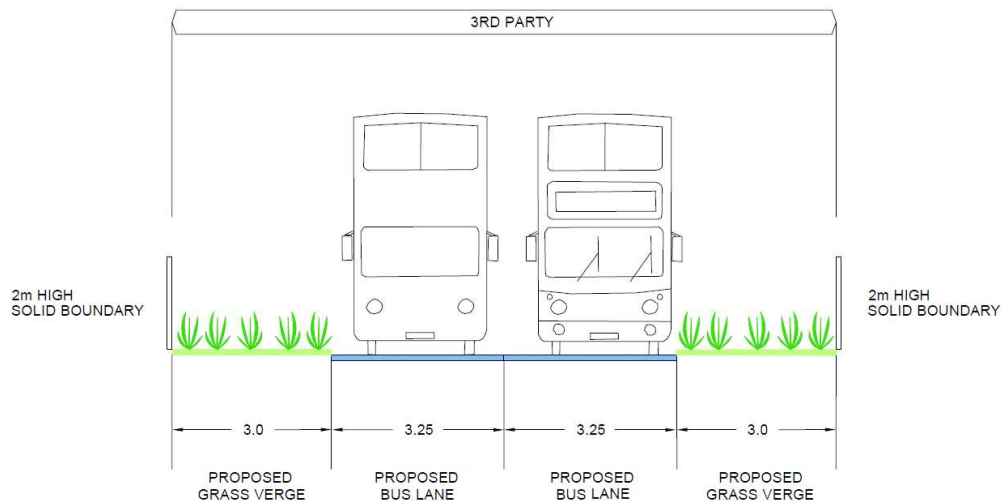


Figure 6.24 Cross Section B-B

On the southbound approach to the Loughlinstown Roundabout road widening would be required to extend the bus lane to and around the eastern side of the roundabout. This would require realignment of the existing road to provide clearance for buses under the existing footbridge. It is proposed to provide a dedicated bus lane on the northbound approach to the Wyattville junction. This would require reconfiguration of the existing Cherrywood Road signalised junction, as well as amending the existing service road running parallel to the N11 into a one-way northbound only route, with access from the north re-routed via Loughlinstown roundabout. A dedicated northbound cycle lane would be provided linking the Rathmichael Manor/Loughlinstown Hospital area to the existing segregated cycle facilities further north via shared use of the service road.

6.2.5 Route Option 2D

Route Description

Route 2D is presented in Figure 6.25 and described in text following.



Figure 6.25 Route Option 2D

Inbound: Route 2D would commence at the Wilford junction and runs via the Dublin Road through Shankill Village to Loughlinstown roundabout and north to Wyattville. A bus-gate would be provided at Shankill Village with general traffic routed to the west of the village via a new link road.

Outbound: The outbound route would follow the same route as the inbound routing.

Stops: A total of 10 bus stops would likely be provided in each direction.

Indicative Scheme Design

Figure 6.26 illustrates the indicative scheme design for this route option as well as the location of indicative cross-sections.

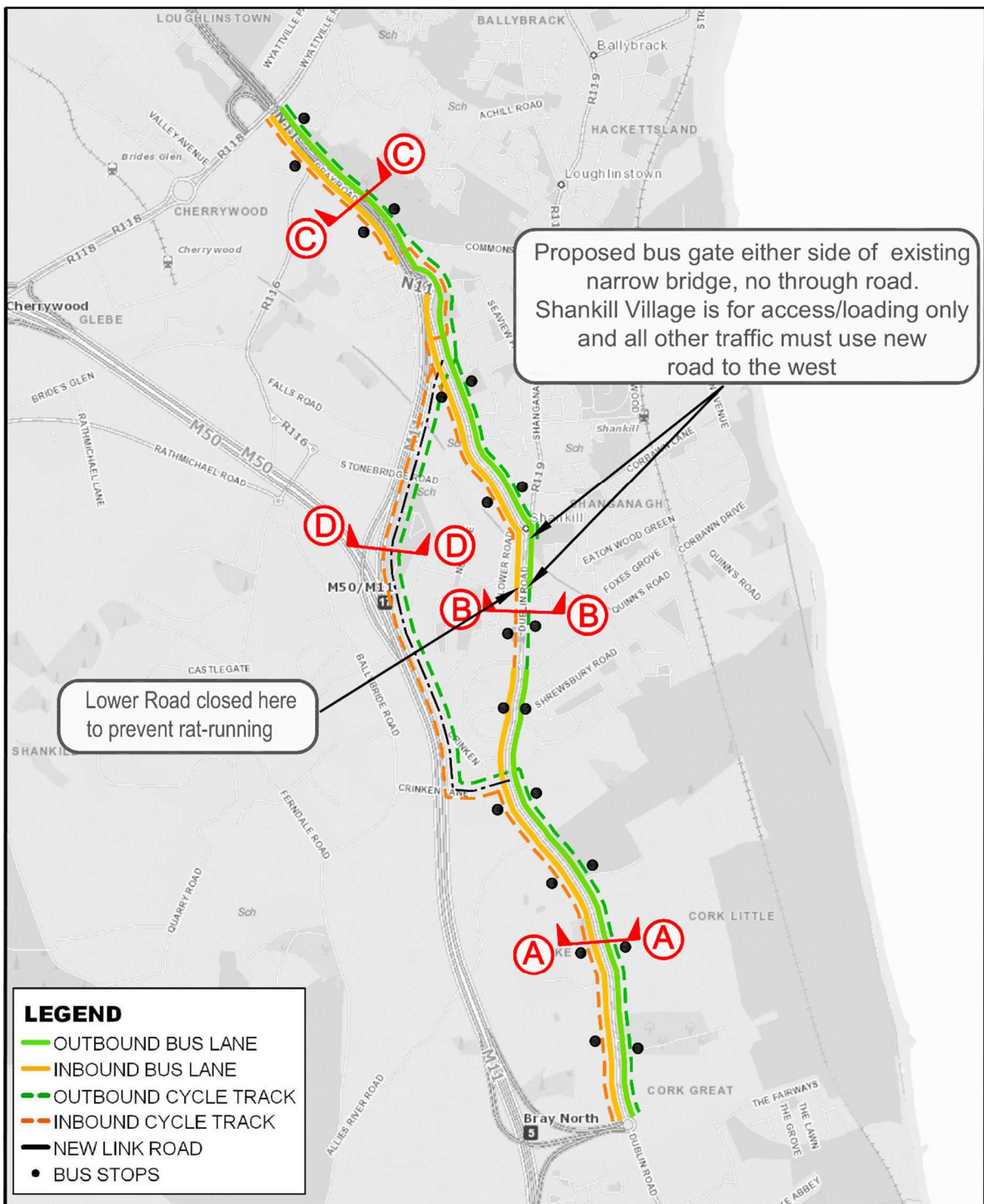


Figure 6.26 Route Option 2D Indicative Scheme Design

This option comprises construction of a new link road to the west of Shankill Village running parallel to the M11. Through-traffic would be diverted via this new route and a bus-only gate facilitating access through Shankill Village for buses, cyclists and pedestrians only.

Scheme 2D would commence at the Wilford junction which would be upgraded to signalised junction to provide bus priority.

Extensive road widening and land acquisition in the form of agricultural and amenity lands, as well as portions of gardens, would be required to provide bus and cycle lanes in both directions on Dublin Road between Wilford junction and Crinken Lane, residential off-street parking will not be affected. To the south of Shankill Village. This would result in the removal of many significant mature trees as well as impacting on walls and boundaries of architectural heritage significance. This route option would also incorporate a new signalised junction servicing the Woodbrook/Shanganagh LAP lands. A cross-section on the R119 Dublin Road is presented in

Figure 6.27.

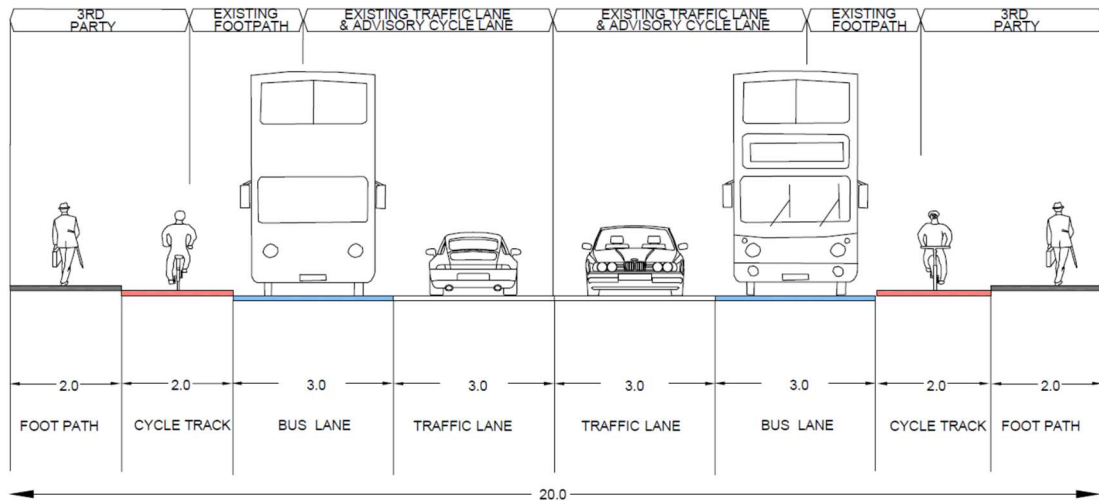


Figure 6.27 Cross Section A-A

Road widening and land acquisition in the form of portions of gardens and open green space, including removal of trees and boundary walls, would be required between the Crinken lane and Quinn’s Road junctions to provide bus lanes in both directions, residential off-street parking will not be affected. Through-traffic would be diverted onto a new link road to the west of Shankill and therefore it is assumed that separate cycle facilities would not be required along this section of the Dublin Road.

Through the provision of a bus gate between the Lower Road and St. Anne’s junctions and the diversion of through-traffic onto the link road to the west it is assumed that bus lanes through the village would not be required. It is not possible to provide bus lanes in both directions for the full extents through Shankill Village due to geometrical constraints and building lines. The St. Anne’s Roundabout would be upgraded to a signalised junction which would facilitate the bus gate immediately to the south and improve pedestrian and cyclist provision. A cross-section on the R119 Dublin Road at Shankill Village is presented in Figure 6.28.

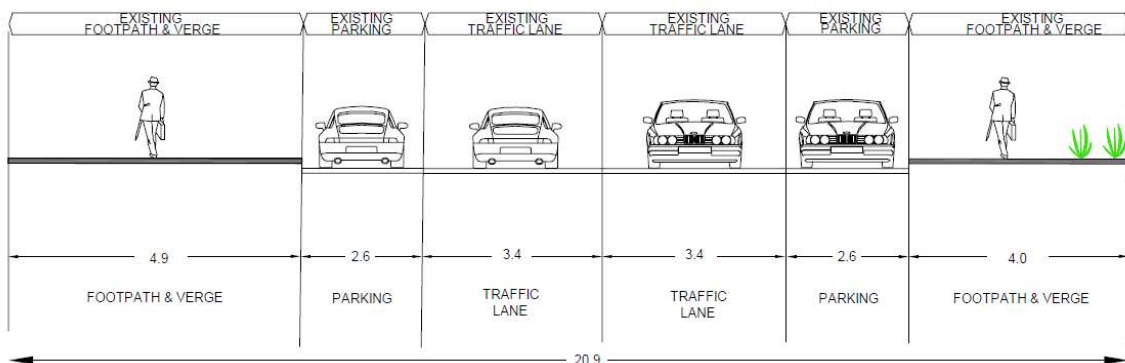


Figure 6.28 Cross Section B-B

Given the relatively high volumes of traffic between the R119 Shanganagh Road and the R837 Dublin Road, and the likely increase in traffic volumes making this manoeuvre due to the bus gate at Shankill, it is considered that dedicated bus lanes would be required along the R837 Dublin Road.

Road widening between the Shanganagh Road junction and St. Anne's Resource centre to the north would be required to provide bus lanes and shared footpath/cycle paths along this section. This would require land take from public green space and portions of gardens but residential off-street parking would not be affected. Land take would also be required from the grounds of St Anne's Church and their car park would need to be reconfigured in order to retain the same number of car parking spaces.

This option proposes to widen the Dublin Road between St. Anne's Resource Centre and Loughlinstown Roundabout to accommodate bus lanes in both directions. To facilitate this land take would be required, including portions of private gardens and open space, residential off-street parking will not be affected. Cycle lanes would also be provided in each direction for the majority of this section, apart from on the northbound approach where cyclists will be crossed to the two-way cycle track on the eastern side of the road to enable them to safely bypass the Loughlinstown Roundabout before re-joining two-way cycle facilities on the N11. This would include an upgrade of the existing signal controlled junction at Stonebridge Road to provide priority for buses. Retaining structures would be required along sections of this route to provide for road widening.

On the southbound approach to the Loughlinstown Roundabout road widening would be required to extend the bus lane to and around the eastern side of the roundabout. This would require realignment of the existing road to provide clearance for buses under the existing footbridge. It is proposed to provide a dedicated bus lane on the northbound approach to the Wyattville junction. This would require reconfiguration of the existing Cherrywood Road signalised junction, as well as amending the existing service road running parallel to the N11 into a one-way northbound only route, with access from the north re-routed via Loughlinstown roundabout. A dedicated northbound cycle lane would be provided linking the Rathmichael Manor/Loughlinstown Hospital area to the existing segregated cycle facilities further north via shared use of the service road. A cross-section on the N11 is presented in Figure 6.29.

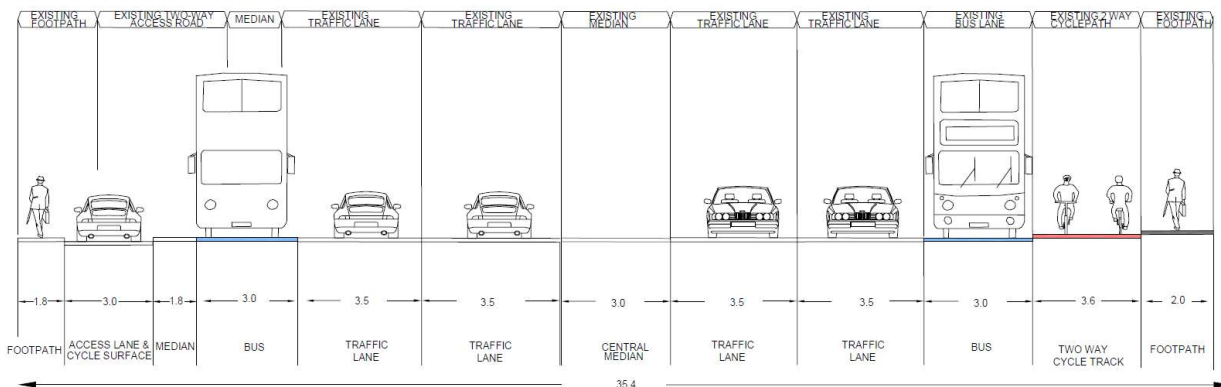


Figure 6.29 Cross Section C-C

The alternative link road for general traffic would be provided running parallel to the M11, running to the west of Mountain View. The route travels to the west of Stonebridge Grove before rising to intersect with Stonebridge Road at grade. The route continues north running parallel to the M11 before joining the R837 Dublin Road to the south of Loughlinstown Roundabout via a proposed signalised junction. This option would require land take, including private lands and portions of gardens, residential off-street parking will not be affected. This includes woodland, treelines and grass verge along the entire route. Construction of this section would require removal of trees and hedgerows which currently provide visual and noise

screening for the M11. Replacement noise and visual mitigation would be incorporated into the proposed scheme. Retaining structures would be required along sections of this route. A cross-section on the new link road is presented in Figure 6.30.

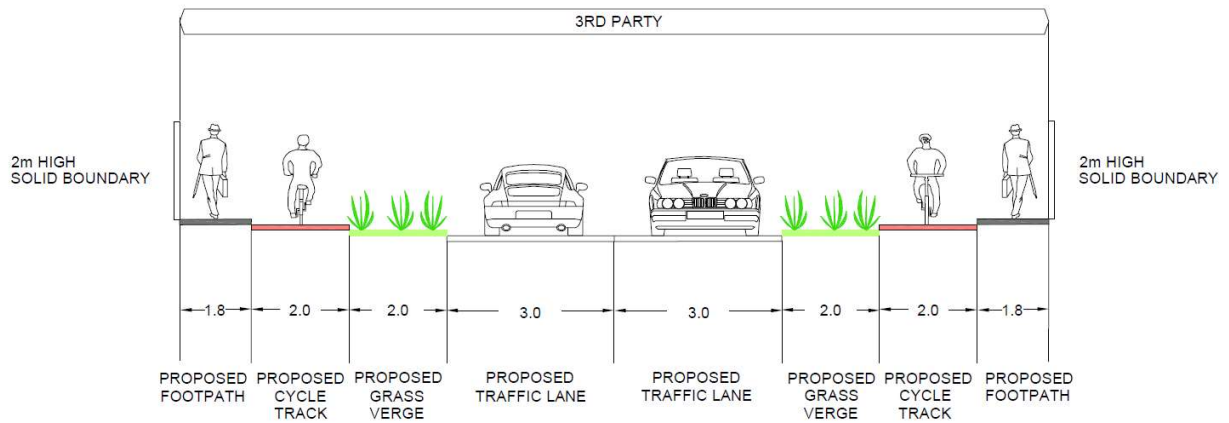


Figure 6.30 Cross Section D-D

6.2.6 Route Option 2E

Route Description

Route 2E is presented in Figure 6.21 and described in text following.



Figure 6.31 Route Option 2E

Inbound: Route 2E would commence at the Wilford junction and run east of and parallel to the M11 along a dedicated bus route, the bus turns onto Crinken Lane to join the Dublin Road and continue north through Shankill Village to the Loughlinstown Roundabout. From here the bus continues north along the N11 to reach the junction with Wyatteville Road.

Outbound: The outbound route would follow the same route as the inbound route.

Stops: A total of 8 bus stop would likely be provided in each direction.

Indicative Scheme Design

Figure 6.22 illustrates the indicative scheme design for this route option as well as the location of indicative cross-sections.

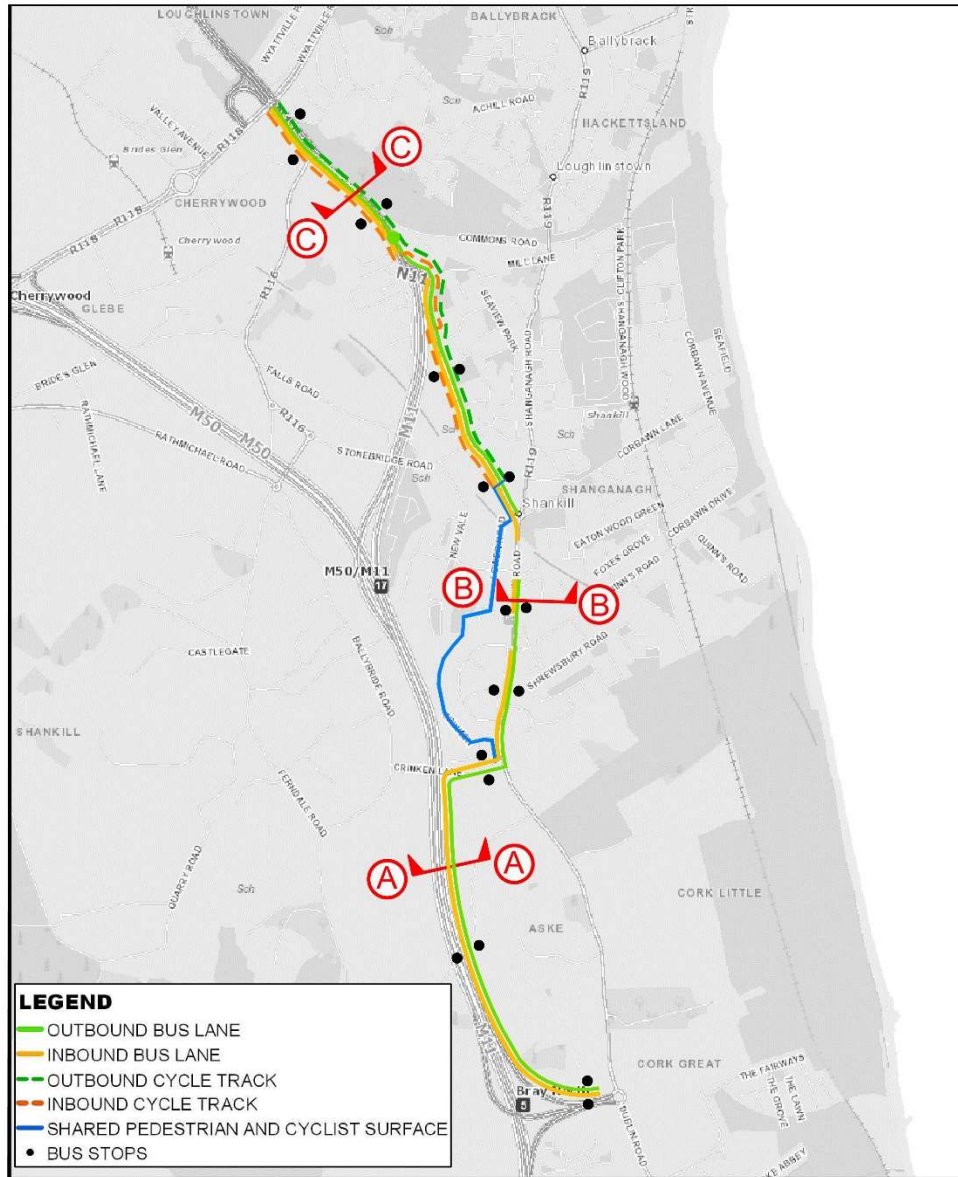


Figure 6.32 Route Option 2E Indicative Scheme Design

Scheme 2E would commence at the Wilford junction which would be upgraded to a signalised junction to provide bus priority. The route option would then travel north along a dedicated bus route crossing Allies River Road at grade, a cross section of this new road can be seen in Figure 6.32. The route would

continue north and rises to intersect Crinken Lane at grade. Crinken Lane would be widened to accommodate bus lanes in both directions.

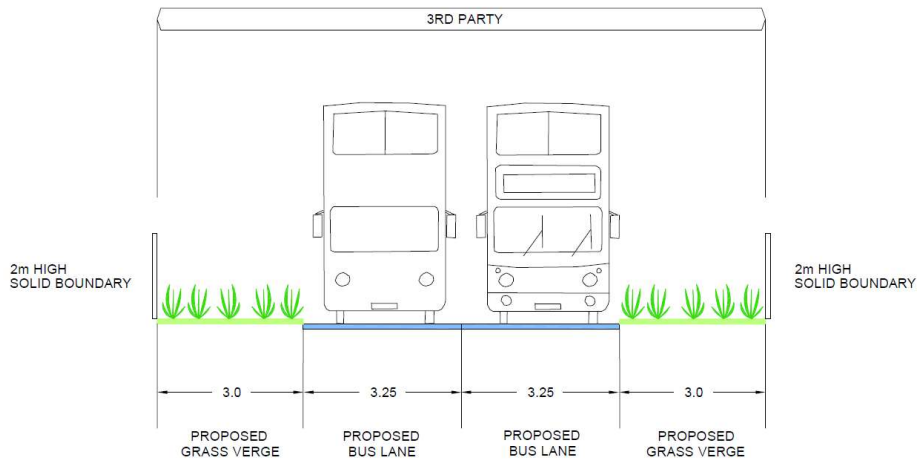


Figure 6.32 Cross Section A-A

Road widening and land acquisition in the form of portions of gardens and open green space, including trees and boundaries, would be required between the Crinken Lane and Quinn’s Road junctions to provide bus lanes in both directions, residential off-street parking would not be affected. This route option includes an off-line cycle route to the west of the village which follows along Beech Road, Mountain View, and either Assumpta Park or Stonebridge Close, onto Lower Road and connects to Dublin Road. It would generally comprise cyclists sharing low volume, low speed roads. This cycle route would require land take in the form of private gardens.

It is proposed to upgrade the Quinn’s Road roundabout to a signalised junction to improve pedestrian provision and also to incorporate traffic management measures to provide priority for northbound buses towards Shankill Village.

From Crinken Lane to Quin’s Road junction it is proposed to widen the road to provide dedicated bus lanes in each direction. From here geometrical constraints mean that it is not practical to provide continuous bus lanes in both directions. Continuous bus lanes are proposed through Shankill Village for southbound buses and two sets of traffic lights and a length of northbound bus lane through the village would be used as part of a queue relocation system to provide priority for northbound buses. To the north of Shankill Village there is a narrow bridge over the old railway line and widening of this bridge is restricted by buildings on either side. For this 180m section buses would be required to merge with general traffic. A cross-section on the Dublin Road in Shankill Village is presented in Figure 6.19.

6.2.7 Route Options Assessment

Details of the 'Stage 2' route options assessment undertaken for Section 2 are presented in **Appendix A**.

A summary of the ranking of route options against the scheme sub-criteria is presented in Table 6.6 below.

Table 6.6 Section 2 Route Options Assessment Summary (Sub-Criteria)

Assessment Criteria	Sub-Criteria	2A	2B	2C	2D	2E
Economy	Capital Cost	Orange	Light Green	Light Green	Red	Orange
	Journey-time reliability and quality of service	Dark Green	Orange	Light Green	Orange	Orange
Integration	Land Use Integration	Orange	Light Green	Light Green	Light Green	Orange
	Residential Population and Employment Catchments	Red	Dark Green	Red	Dark Green	Light Green
	Transport Network Integration	Orange	Light Green	Light Green	Red	Light Green
	Cyclists and pedestrian Integration	Red	Dark Green	Orange	Dark Green	Orange
Accessibility and Social Inclusion	High volume trip attractors	Orange	Light Green	Orange	Light Green	Light Green
	Deprived Geographic Areas	Orange	Light Green	Orange	Light Green	Light Green
Safety	Road Safety	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
Environment	Archaeological, Architectural and Cultural Heritage	Orange	Orange	Light Green	Orange	Red
	Flora and Fauna	Dark Green	Red	Red	Red	Dark Green
	Soils and Geology	Orange	Light Green	Light Green	Orange	Light Green
	Hydrology	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
	Landscape and visual	Dark Green	Orange	Orange	Red	Orange
	Noise, Vibration and Air	Light Green	Orange	Light Green	Light Green	Orange
	Land Use and the Built Environment	Light Green	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange

In terms of Economy there are differences in the capital cost of each of the five schemes. Scheme 2A requires construction of a dedicated bus route including new retaining structures and junctions, and would require land take. Scheme 2B involves extensive widening of existing roads whilst Scheme 2C and 2E requires a combination of widening along the R119 Dublin Road and provision of a new dedicated bus link alongside the M11. Schemes 2B and 2C which utilise more existing roads compare slightly more favourably to Scheme 2A. Scheme 2D will require both extensive widening of existing roads and construction of a new link road and is therefore considered least favourably in terms of costs.

Scheme 2A, which provides dedicated bus lanes and priority at junctions, would result in significantly increased journey time reliability in comparison to Schemes 2B, 2D and 2E which incorporate traffic management measures to provide bus priority. Scheme 2C, incorporates a shorter section of dedicated bus route and is therefore slightly less preferable to Scheme 2A but slightly more preferable to Schemes 2B and 2D.

In terms of Integration Schemes 2A and 2E score comparatively worse than the alternative routes for Land Use Integration as they pass to the west of the area of the proposed Woodbrook-Shanganagh LAP. Schemes 2B, 2C, 2D run directly adjacent to this area and so score similarly on this category.

In terms of Population Catchment, Schemes 2B, 2D and 2E run through Shankill village and therefore serve a higher population than Schemes 2A and 2C which pass to the west.

In terms of Transport Network Integration Schemes 2B, 2C and 2E are considered more favourable as they pass close to either Shankill DART station and/or the proposed Woodbrook DART station and Park and Ride facility. Schemes 2A, 2C and 2E will also travel along a route identified as the proposed Luas line extension objective in the DLRCC 2016-2022 Development Plan. Route 2A is less favourable in comparison to Routes 2B and 2C as it passes west of Shankill and Woodbrook DART stations. Scheme 2D is considered least favourable, as the provision of a bus gate would result in significant diversion lengths and disruption for local traffic.

In terms of Cycle & Pedestrian Integration, Schemes 2B and 2D provide segregated cycle facilities for the most part, with an alternative cycle route to the west of Shankill for Scheme 2B and shared running for cyclists through the bus-gate for Scheme 2D. The sections of Schemes 2A, 2C and 2E running on dedicated bus routes would not include cycle facilities.

In terms of Accessibility & Social Inclusion Schemes 2B, 2D and 2E are considered favourable as they directly serve more high-volume trip attractors (Shankill Village) and deprived geographical areas while Schemes 2A and 2C pass further to the west.

In terms of Safety Scheme, 2A and parts of 2C and 2E provide a safe dedicated bus-only route and would reduce the number of buses using the Dublin Road. The integration of the bus-only route at the Wilford junction for option 2A and 2E would likely be complex. Widening of the carriageway for Routes 2B, 2C, 2D and 2E could result in increased vehicle speeds on the Dublin Road however, and provision of bus lanes through Shankill Village will result in wider crossing distances for pedestrians. On balance there is little to differentiate between the schemes in terms of Safety and as such score equally.

In terms of Environment Scheme 2A offers significant advantages over other schemes as the loss of immature woodland along the M11 is considered to be less significant when compared to the loss of stone boundary walls, tree lines, hedgerows and a large number of mature trees along the Dublin Road which are included within the Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Development Plan 2016-2022 under the objective 'to protect and preserve trees and woodlands'. The land take required for Scheme 2A is also considered to be from lower amenity land than that required for the other schemes and this scheme will have no impact on Shankill Village. Scheme 2D is considered the least favourable as it combines all the negative environmental impacts of both Schemes 2B and 2C.

6.3 Conclusion – Study Area Section 2 Analysis

A summary of the assessment and a relative ranking for each of the five assessment criteria is shown in Table 6.7.

Table 6.7 Route Options Assessment Summary (Main Criteria)

Assessment Criteria	2A	2B	2C	2D	2E
Economy	Light Green	Light Green	Light Green	Red	Light Orange
Integration	Red	Dark Green	Light Orange	Light Green	Light Orange
Accessibility and Social Inclusion	Light Orange	Light Green	Light Orange	Light Green	Light Green
Safety	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
Environment	Dark Green	Light Orange	Light Orange	Red	Light Orange

Based on the assessments above it has been determined that while not the most favourable from an environment perspective Scheme 2B offers the preferred route option for the following reasons:

- It has the lowest capital cost of the five schemes
- It has significant benefits in terms of integration, accessibility and social inclusion as it serves the catchment of Shankill, integrates with the DART and provides continuous cycle facilities
- While not the most preferable of the schemes under journey time reliability, it would still deliver a high level of service for bus passengers
- In terms of safety, the five schemes are considered equal

Scheme 2B is identified as the preferred option for Section 1 and is brought forward into the Emerging Preferred Route as described in Chapter 8.

Scheme 2A is the next preferred as it offers the best journey time reliability and has significant environmental benefits compared to the other schemes, however it has significant disbenefits in terms of integration.

6.4 Loughlinstown Roundabout Options Assessment

All of the route options for Section 2 pass through the Loughlinstown Roundabout. This section of the assessment process specifically looks at options for upgrading the roundabout to provide improved priority for buses in order to best meet the scheme objectives.

The options identified include:

- Option 1 - Retaining the priority controlled roundabout configuration (as existing) and providing a dedicated southbound bus lane running on the eastern side of the roundabout.
- Option 2 – As per Option 1, with the addition of a signalised pedestrian crossing of the N11 to the north of the roundabout.
- Option 3 – Upgrading the priority controlled roundabout to a signal controlled roundabout, with the exception of the minor Rathmichael Manor arm which would be retained as a priority controlled arm.

6.4.1 Loughlinstown Roundabout Option 1

Option 1 is presented in Figure 6.36 and described in text following.



Figure 6.36 Loughlinstown Roundabout Option 1

This option proposes retaining the existing priority controlled roundabout configuration and providing a dedicated southbound bus lane running on the eastern side of the roundabout. A physical barrier, such as kerbing, between the southbound bus lane and roundabout circulatory, would enable southbound buses to move through the roundabout unopposed. This would require locally realigning the N11 arm to achieve the cross section required under the footbridge. On the northbound approach, a bus lane would be provided to the roundabout, with buses having to yield priority to traffic on the circulatory as normal. All other approach arms would remain unchanged.

6.4.2 Loughlinstown Roundabout Option 2

Option 2 is presented in Figure 6.37 and described in text following.

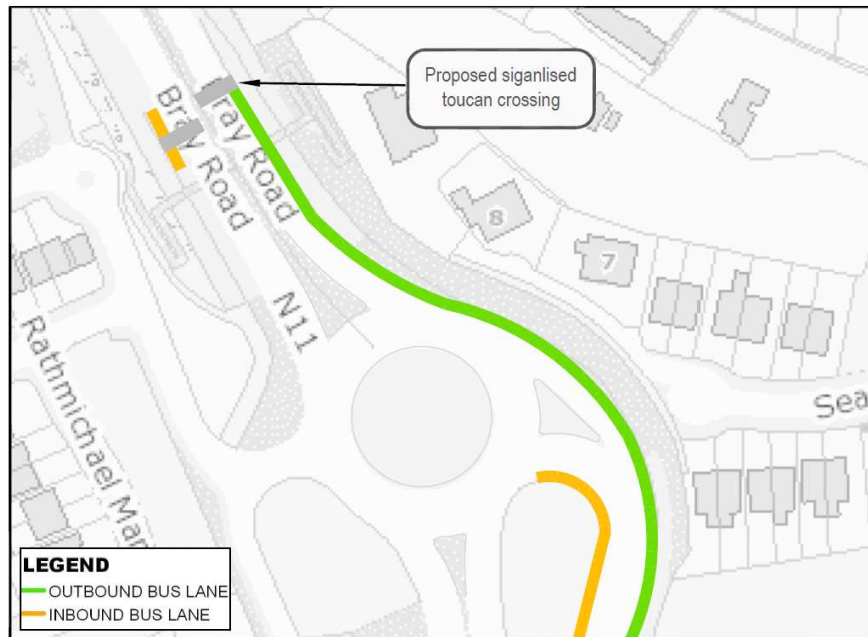


Figure 6.37 Loughlinstown Roundabout Option 2

Similar to Option 1 this option proposes retaining the existing priority controlled roundabout configuration and providing a dedicated southbound bus lane running on the eastern side of the roundabout. A physical barrier, such as kerbing, between the southbound bus lane and roundabout circulatory, would enable southbound buses to move through the roundabout unopposed. This would require locally realigning the N11 arm to achieve the cross section required under the footbridge. On the northbound approach, a bus lane would be provided to the roundabout, with buses having to yield priority to traffic on the circulatory as normal. A signalised pedestrian crossing would be provided to the north of the roundabout, the benefit of which would include enhanced provision for pedestrians as they would not be forced to use the circuitous route across the footbridge, but also increased opportunity for northbound traffic, including buses, to enter the roundabout when the crossing is called, particularly in the evening peak when southbound movements between the N11 and M11 are particularly heavy and delay northbound buses entering the roundabout.

6.4.3 Loughlinstown Roundabout Option 3

Option 3 is presented in Figure 6.38 and described in text following.

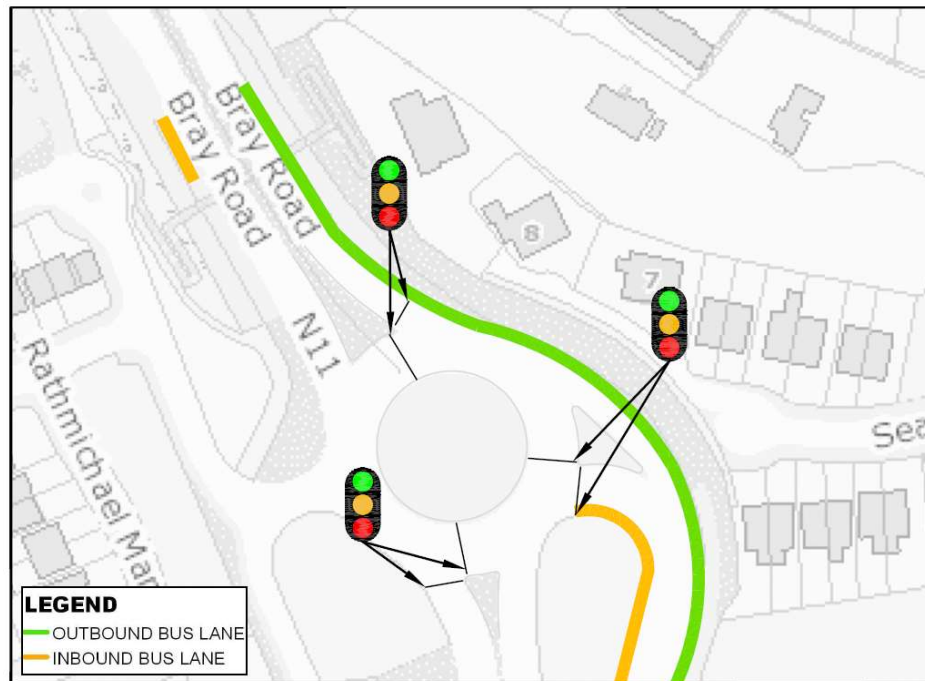


Figure 6.38 Loughlinstown Roundabout Option 3

This option proposes to upgrade the priority controlled roundabout to a signal controlled roundabout, with the exception of the minor Rathmichael Manor arm which would be retained as a priority controlled arm. Similar to Options 1 and 2 this option proposes providing a dedicated southbound bus lane running on the eastern side of the roundabout. A physical barrier, such as kerbing, between the southbound bus lane and roundabout circulatory, would enable southbound buses to move through the roundabout unopposed. This would require locally realigning the N11 arm to achieve the cross section required under the footbridge. On the northbound approach a bus lane would be provided to the roundabout.

Signal controlling the roundabout would provide increased priority for northbound buses, particularly in the evening peak when southbound movements between the N11 and M11 are particularly heavy and currently delay northbound buses entering the roundabout.

6.4.4 Loughlinstown Roundabout Option Assessment

Details of the Stage 2 options assessment undertaken for Loughlinstown Roundabout are presented in Appendix A.

A summary of the ranking of route options against the scheme sub-criteria is presented in Table 6.8 below.

Table 6.8 Loughlinstown Roundabout Options Assessment Summary (Sub-Criteria)

Assessment Criteria	Sub-Criteria	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
Economy	Capital Cost	Green	Green	Orange
	Journey-time reliability and consistency	Orange	Orange	Green
Integration	Land Use Integration	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
	Residential Population and Employment Catchments	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
	Transport Network Integration	Orange	Orange	Green
	Cyclists and pedestrian Integration	Orange	Green	Orange
Accessibility and Social Inclusion	High volume trip attractors	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
	Deprived Geographic Areas	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
Safety	Road Safety	Orange	Orange	Green
Environment	Archaeological, Architectural and Cultural Heritage	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
	Flora and Fauna	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
	Soils and Geology	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
	Hydrology	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
	Landscape and visual	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
	Noise, Vibration and Air	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
	Land Use and the Built Environment	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow

In terms of capital cost Options 1 and 2 are slightly preferable, with a higher cost associated with signalling the roundabout for Option 3. Option 2 which provides a signalised pedestrian crossing is preferable in terms of Cyclists and Pedestrian Integration. The results of the traffic modelling assessment demonstrated that Option 3 provides improved priority for buses whilst also reducing average journey times for other traffic. Option 3 is therefore preferable in terms of both journey-time reliability and transport network integration. In addition, the signalised option would remove the requirement for motorists to yield at the roundabout and this would lead to a decreased risk of collisions and so it scores higher on the “Safety” criterion.

Option 3 for Loughlinstown roundabout is therefore brought forward as part of the emerging preferred route.

7 STUDY AREA SECTION 3 – LOUGHLINSTOWN TO UCD

7.1 Stage 1: Route Options Assessment – Sifting Stage

This section outlines the options development process for Section 3 of the study area (Loughlinstown to UCD).

All roads within the study area are assessed on a high level for their ability to form part of a CBC. Route options are ruled out at this stage if they could clearly not form part of a CBC.

The 'spider's web' of links remaining after this initial phase is then progressed to Stage 1 for further analysis. The links brought forward are shown in Figure 7.1.

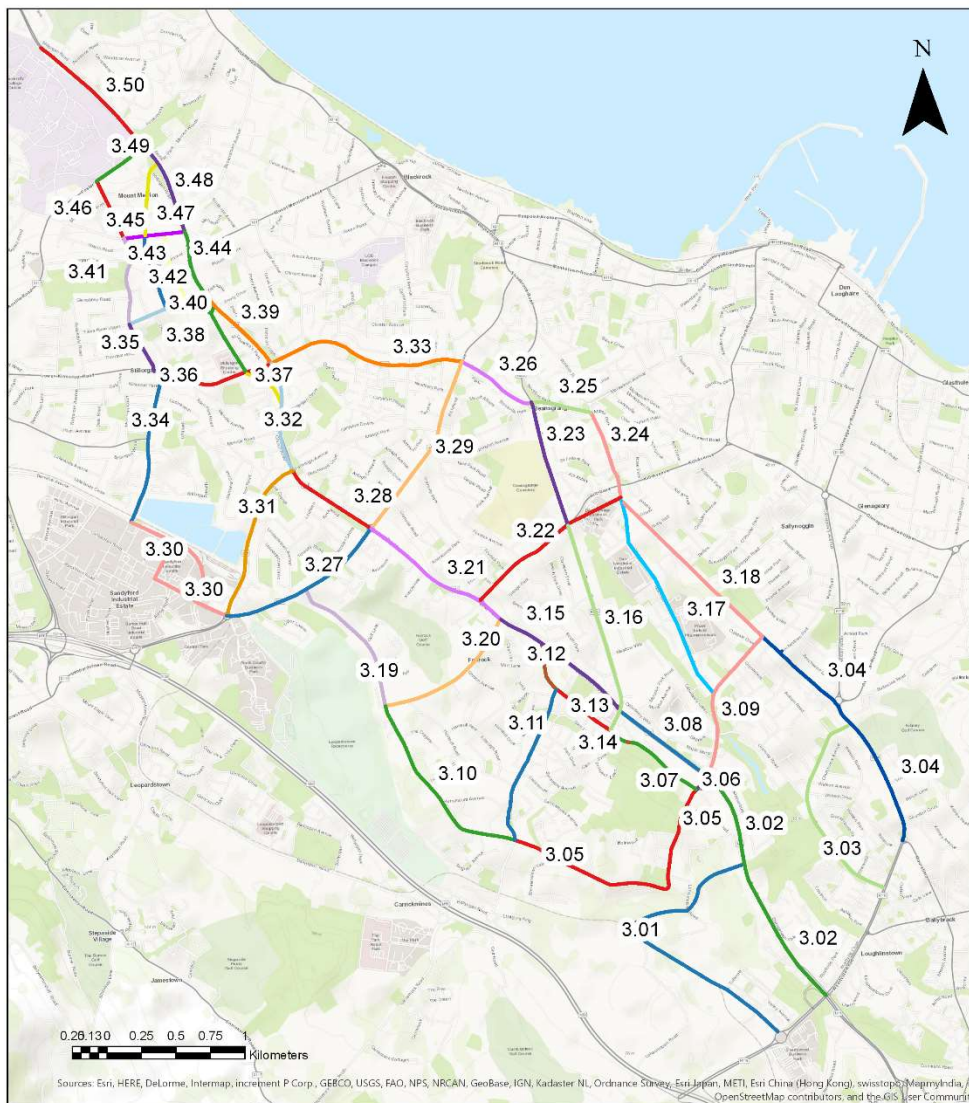


Figure 7.1 Section 3 Route Options – Loughlinstown to UCD

A summary of the Stage 1 is presented in Table 7.1 following.

Table 7.1 Section 3 Stage 1 Route Option Assessment (Sifting) Summary

Link Option No.	Road Name(s)	Comments	Pass / Fail
3.01	Proposed Road	Proposed road linking Cherrywood Strategic Development Zone, between a proposed junction with the N11 at Kilbogget and the Cherrywood Link Road. Construction of this link road would require land take from green fields as well as the purchase of a property adjacent to the N11. No cycle routes proposed by the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along this link. It is anticipated that facilities for buses could be provided on this link. While this link could serve the future population of the Cherrywood SDZ this link is not considered viable as any route options using this link would be circuitous in their route and this development will be well served by the Luas.	Fail
3.02	N11	<p>This route consists of two vehicle lanes and one bus lane in each direction. Raised adjacent shared cycle tracks are provided on both sides of the road. The roadway width is 30m at the narrowest point including a grassed central median which has an approximate width of 8m. The overall reservation is in excess of 40m. Primary cycle route 12A of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>Construction is feasible and this route forms part of an existing quality bus corridor and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass
3.03	Churchview Road	<p>This road provides an alternative route from Wyattville Road to Church Road. The road has one all-vehicle lane in each direction, as well as on road parallel parking on one side for the majority of the link. The road has an average carriageway width of 8.5m and an overall reservation of approximately 17m. Land take would require the removal of front and side gardens, trees, car parking spaces and green spaces. Secondary cycle route 13G of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>This link fails as the scale of the works and the extent of the land take required would be excessive. In addition, there is a viable and more direct alternative route formed by links 3.04 & 2.14.</p>	Fail
3.04	Church Road, Rochestown Avenue	<p>This link stretches from the Johnstown Road to the Church Road junction adjacent to Killiney Golf Course. Rochestown Avenue consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction with provision for right hand turning. Church Road, after the Graduate Roundabout, consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction becoming two vehicle lanes in each direction, approaching Wyattville Road. The carriageway width at the narrowest location is 9m. Secondary cycle routes 13D and 13C of the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along parts of this link.</p> <p>In order to provide dedicated bus lanes, land take would require the removal of green spaces and portions of front gardens along Rochestown Avenue. Land take from front gardens or reassignment of road space could be used to provide bus lanes on Church Road. Development of this link</p>	Pass

		<p>would require the removal of trees located in the verge on either side of the road at various locations.</p> <p>This link has potential for the construction of a CBC and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	
3.05	Brennanstown Road	<p>Located between Old Bray Road and Cornelscourt Hill Road. This road provides one all-vehicle lane in each direction. The carriageway width is approximately 6m at its narrowest location with an overall reservation of approximately 10m. A feeder cycle route as shown in the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along a section of this link.</p> <p>Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require road widening and land take in the form of portions of front gardens and residential properties. A very large number of potentially significant trees would need to be removed. In addition, there is a low population density along this link and any CBC routes using it would be circuitous in nature.</p> <p>This link fails as the initial sift for the reasons outlined above.</p>	Fail
3.06	Johnstown Road	<p>Between the N11 and Cabinteely Village. The road width at its narrowest location is approximately 9m. A feeder cycle route as shown in the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along a section of this link. In order to provide dedicated bus lanes, the land take would involve numerous properties adjacent to the Johnstown Road as well as front and side gardens.</p> <p>This link fails as the scale of the works and the extent of the land take required would be excessive.</p>	Fail
3.07	Old Bray Road	<p>Section between Clonkeen Road and Johnstown Road. This road consists of one all-vehicle lane in both directions. The road has a width of 7m at its narrowest point. No cycle routes proposed by the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along this link. Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require land take in the form of front gardens and green space from Cabinteely Park, on-street parking would also need to be removed along the link. There is a pinch point to the south of the link where provision of bus priority would require the acquisition of several properties.</p> <p>This link fails as the scale of the works and the extent of the land take required would be excessive.</p>	Fail
3.08	N11	<p>Continues on from link 3.02 Stillorgan Dual Carriageway. This road consists of two all-vehicle lanes and one bus lane in each direction. Raised adjacent shared cycle tracks are provided on both sides of the road. The roadway is in excess of 28m at the narrowest point including a grassed central median (5.0m). The overall reservation is in excess of 40m. It's unlikely that land take would be required to provide a CBC. Primary cycle route 12A of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>Construction is feasible and this route forms part of an existing quality bus corridor and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass

3.09	Johnstown Road	<p>Between the N11 and Rochestown Avenue. This section of the road consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction with provision made for right hand turns. The road has an overall reservation of 17m at its narrowest location Secondary cycle routes 13D and 13H of the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along this link. Development of this route would require the removal of trees on both sides of the road at various locations. Land take would mostly be from green spaces although some front gardens would also be affected.</p> <p>This link is suitable for the construction of a CBC and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass
3.10	Brighton Road	<p>Located between Brennanstown Road and Westminster Road. This road provides one all-vehicle lane in each direction. The carriageway width is approximately 6m at its narrowest location with an overall reservation of approximately 10m. No cycle routes proposed by the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along this link. Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require land take in the form of front gardens and several residential properties.</p> <p>This link fails as the scale of the works and the extent of the land take required would be excessive.</p>	Fail
3.11	Cornelscourt Hill Road	<p>Between Brighton Road and the Old Bray Road. The road consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction. The carriageway width is approximately 7m at its narrowest location with an overall reservation of approximately 25m. Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require land take in the form of front/side gardens in places, as well as removal of trees from Kerry Mount Green to Brennanstown Road. A feeder cycle route as shown in the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>Construction of CBC infrastructure is feasible on this link and so it passes the initial sift</p>	Pass
3.12	Old Bray Road	<p>Between Cornelscourt Hill Road and the N11. The carriageway width is 6.5m at its narrowest location with an overall reservation of approximately 12m. A feeder cycle route as shown in the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link. Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require land take in the form of parking spaces and green spaces. There is a narrow section through Cornelscourt Village where the acquisition of several residences or commercial buildings would be required to provide bus priority.</p> <p>This link fails as the scale of the works and the extent of the land take required would be excessive.</p>	Fail
3.13	Old Bray Road	<p>Between Cornelscourt Hill Road and Clonkeen Road. This link consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction. The road has a width of approximately 7m at its narrowest point. No cycle routes proposed by the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along this link. Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require land take in the form of front gardens along the whole length of the link. It is likely that residential parking in several of these gardens would be affected and it would be difficult to find suitable alternative parking</p>	Fail

		This link fails as the scale of the works and the extent of the land take required would be excessive.	
3.14	Clonkeen Road	<p>From N11 to Old Bray Road. This link consists of two all-vehicle lanes in each direction. There is a footpath and grass verge on each side. The average carriageway width is 14m and the reservation width is 27m. No cycle routes proposed by the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along this link. CBC could be constructed by using the existing grass verge or reassigning the existing road space</p> <p>Although construction is feasible this link fails the initial sift as any route option using this link would also need to use either link 3.13 or 3.07 (Old Bray Road) both of which have failed the initial sift as the scale of the works and the extent of the land take required would be excessive.</p>	Fail
3.15	N11	<p>Continues on from link 3.08 Stillorgan Dual Carriageway. This link consists of two all-vehicle lanes and one bus lane in each direction. Raised adjacent shared cycle tracks are provided on both sides of the road. The roadway is in excess of 27m at the narrowest point including a grassed central median (2.0m). The overall reservation is in excess of 37m. It's unlikely that land take would be required to provide a CBC. Primary cycle route 12A of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>Construction is feasible and this route forms part of an existing quality bus corridor and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass
3.16	Clonkeen Road	<p>Between the N11 and Kill Lane. The road consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction. The carriageway width is approximately 9m at its narrowest location with an overall reservation of 16m. Secondary cycle route 13C of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link. Provision of dedicated bus lanes in both directions would require land take in the form of greenspace and undesignated car parking. Development of this link would require the removal of trees on both sides of the road.</p> <p>Construction of CBC infrastructure is feasible on this link and so it passes the initial sift</p>	Pass
3.17	Pottery Road	<p>This road has been recently upgraded, it consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction as well as segregated cycling/pedestrian facilities. The carriageway width is approximately 10m at its narrowest location and the total reservation is approximately 16m. In order to provide dedicated bus lanes land take would be required from green spaces, front/side gardens and car park spaces. Secondary cycle route 13H of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>This link has potential for the construction of a CBC and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass

3.18	Rochestown Avenue	<p>Located between the junction with Johnstown Road and Kill Avenue. The road consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction. There is a pinch point at the junction with Kill Ave where the carriageway width is approximately 7m with an overall reservation of 10m. Secondary cycle route 13D of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link. Development of this route would require the removal of trees on both sides of the road. Provision of dedicated bus lanes in both directions would require land take in the form of greenspace and front gardens. This route links 3.04 and 3.24 to form a coherent route along the East of the study area.</p> <p>This link has potential for the construction of a CBC and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass
3.19	Torquay Road	<p>Between Leopardstown and Brighton Road. This road provides one all-vehicle lane in each direction. The road has a total reservation of 10m, at its narrowest location. No cycle routes proposed by the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along this link.</p> <p>Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require significant road widening and land take in the form of front gardens for the whole length of the link, in addition there is low population density along this route.</p> <p>This link fails as the scale of the works and the extent of the land take required would be excessive.</p>	Fail
3.20	Westminster Road	<p>Between the N11 and Torquay road. This road consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction. The carriageway width is approximately 7m, with a reservation of 11m at the narrowest location. A feeder cycle route as shown in the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require significant road widening and land take in the form of front gardens for the whole length of the link, in addition there is low population density along this route.</p> <p>This link fails as the scale of the works and the extent of the land take required would be excessive.</p>	Fail
3.21	N11	<p>Directly follows Link 3.15. This link consists of two vehicle lanes and one bus lane in each direction. The roadway is approximately 26m wide at its narrowest location, including a central grass median. The overall reservation is approximately 40m. It's highly unlikely that any land take would be required to provide a CBC. Development of this route would require the removal of trees. Primary cycle route 12 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>Construction is feasible and this route forms part of an existing quality bus corridor and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass

3.22	Kill Lane	<p>Between the N11 Stillorgan Road and Kill Avenue. This road consists of one all-vehicle lane in both directions. The road has a reservation width of 16m at the narrowest point. The carriage width is approximately 10m at this location. Secondary cycle route S06 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along part of this link. Provision of dedicated bus lanes in both directions would require land take in the form of front gardens and greenspace. Development of this route would require the removal of trees in verges and front gardens</p> <p>Construction of CBC infrastructure is feasible on this link and so it passes the initial sift</p>	Pass
3.23	Deans Grange Road	<p>Between Stillorgan Park Road and Kill Lane. This road provides one all-vehicle lane in each direction. The carriageway is approximately 9m wide with an overall road reservation of 13m at the narrowest point. Secondary cycle route 13C of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link. There are numerous dwellings on this road and a large cemetery. There is a narrow section alongside Deansgrange Cemetery where provision of bus lanes would require purchase of a row of residential houses or encroachment into the cemetery.</p> <p>This link fails as the scale of the works and the extent of the land take required would be excessive and road widening is severely constrained by the cemetery.</p>	Fail
3.24	Abbey Road	<p>Between Kill Lane and the Abbey Road roundabout. This link consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction with provision for right turning vehicles. The road widens upon approaching the roundabout junction. Secondary cycle route 13H of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link. The road has a reservation width of 16m at the narrowest point. Development of this route would require the removal of trees. Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require land take from front gardens. The large roundabout to the north would likely need to be converted to a signalised junction. Road widening is limited at Baker's Corner junction as building lines are close to the street and traffic management measures would be required to provide bus priority here</p> <p>This link has potential for the construction of a CBC and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass
3.25	Stradbrook Close	<p>Linking the Abbey Road junction to Brookville Park. This road consists of one all-vehicle lane in both directions. The road has a carriageway width of 10m and a reservation width of 20m at the narrowest point. Primary cycle route S05 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link. Development of this route would require the removal of trees but would not require any private land take.</p> <p>This link has potential for the construction of a CBC and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass

3.26	Rowanbyrn Road	<p>Between the eastern end of Newtownpark Avenue and Deans Grange Road. This link consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction. The road widens after the turn off for Rowanbyrn in the south bound direction, into a 2+1 carriageway as far as Deans Grange Road. The road has a reservation width of 20m at the narrowest point. Primary cycle route S05 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link. Road widening to provide dedicated bus lanes would require land take from gardens in places and also from Newpark school. An outbuilding associated with the Newpark Sports complex would be affected by the works</p> <p>This link has potential for the construction of a CBC and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass
3.27	Leopardstown Road	<p>Between the N11 and Burton Hall Road. This link consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction with provision for right turning vehicles. The eastbound lane increases to three lanes on approach to the N11. The carriageway is approximately 10m wide at its narrowest location and has a reservation of 17m. Secondary cycle route S06 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link. Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require land take from some front gardens in places. Development of this route would require the removal of trees on both sides of the road at various locations.</p> <p>This link has potential for the construction of a CBC and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass
3.28	N11	<p>Directly follows Link 3.21. This link consists of two all-vehicle lanes and one bus lane in each direction. Raised adjacent shared cycle tracks are provided on both sides of the road. The carriageway is approximately 26m wide at its narrowest location, including a grass central median. The overall reservation is approximately 40m. It's highly unlikely that any land take would be required to provide a CBC. Primary cycle route 12 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>Construction is feasible and this route forms part of an existing quality bus corridor and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass
3.29	Newtown Park Avenue	<p>Between the N11 Stillorgan Road and Fleurville Road. This link consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction. The road has a reservation width of 15m at the narrowest point. Secondary cycle route S06 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link. Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require land take in the form of front gardens along the whole length of the link. Residential parking may be affected in some of these gardens and it would be difficult to find suitable alternative parking. Development of this route would require the removal of trees on both sides of the road. There is a pinch point at the northern end of the link and providing bus priority here would require purchase of buildings and/or turning movement restrictions.</p> <p>This link fails as the scale of the works and the extent of the land take required would be excessive.</p>	Fail

3.30	Burton Hall Road and Blackthorn Avenue	<p>Burton Hall Road has a carriageway width of 7m at its narrowest location. There is a significant footpath and grass verge on both sides of the road with a total reservation of 23m. Provision of a dedicated bus lane would require minimal land take in the form of the grass verge on both sides of the road. Development of this link would require the removal of trees on both sides of the road. Secondary cycle route S06 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along most of this link. The rest of the link runs along a feeder cycle route.</p> <p>Blackthorn Avenue has a carriage width of 8.9m at its narrowest location. The road consists of two one-way all-vehicle lanes travelling southbound only to Burton Hall Road. Sandyford Luas line runs adjacent to Blackthorn Avenue. Development of this route would require the removal of trees on this road across from the Luas line. Provision of a dedicated bus lane would require minimal land take in the form of the grass verge on both sides of the road.</p> <p>Blackthorn Road links Burton Hall Road to Blackthorn Avenue. Traffic flows in both directions on a 2+1 road becoming a 3+1 road at the junction with Blackthorn Avenue. It is 9m wide at its narrowest location. Prior to Carmanhall Junction, heading northbound, there is a grass verge and footpath providing a combined width of 11m. Development of this route would require the removal of trees on both sides of the road. Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require minimal land take on all three roads.</p> <p>This link is suitable for the construction of a CBC and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass
3.31	Brewery Road	<p>Between the N11 and Leopardstown Road. This link consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction. The eastbound lane increases to two lanes on approach to Leopardstown Avenue and three lanes on the approach to the N11. The carriageway width is approximately 10m wide at its narrowest location, with a total reservation of approximately 16m. Secondary cycle route S06 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>Although construction is feasible with land take, this link fails the initial sift as it could only form part of circuitous routes when combined with adjoining links.</p>	Fail
3.32	N11	<p>Continues on from link 3.28 Stillorgan Dual Carriageway. The N11 (Stillorgan Road) consists of two all-vehicle lanes and one bus lane in each direction. Raised adjacent shared cycle tracks are provided on both sides of the road. The carriageway width is 26m at the narrowest point including a grassed central median (4.5m). The overall reservation is in excess of 30m. It's unlikely that land take would be required to provide a CBC. Primary cycle route 12 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>Construction is feasible and this route forms part of an existing quality bus corridor and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass

3.33	Stillorgan Park Road, Fleurville, Annaville Terrace	<p>Stillorgan Park Road consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction. There is a wide central median throughout the link which provides for right turning vehicles. The road has a reservation width of 20m at the narrowest point. Primary cycle route S05 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link. Development of this section would require the removal of trees on both sides of the road at various locations and some land take</p> <p>There is a significant pinch point on Fleurville where building lines are close to the street for a 140m length. Widening of the road to provide dedicated bus and cycle lanes would require the purchase of three houses here. Alternative schemes could involve a cyclist detour and/or traffic management measures</p> <p>This link passes the initial sift despite the significant constraints as it provides a direct link between Link 3.26 (Rowanbyrn) and Link 3.39 (N11) and facilitates a number of viable route options to the east of the study area.</p>	Pass
3.34	Kilmacud Road Upper, St Raphael's Road	<p>The southern end of the link consists of two all-vehicle lanes and a bus lane in the outbound direction and one all-vehicle lane in the inbound direction. This southern end of the road has a reservation of 25m. Secondary cycle route S06 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>The northern end of the link consists of one all-vehicle lane in the outbound direction and one vehicle and one bus lane in the inbound direction. This end of the road has a reservation of 16.5m at its narrowest point. Provision of dedicated bus lanes in both directions would require minor land take (removal of front gardens and greenspace).</p> <p>This link has potential for the construction of a CBC and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass
3.35	South Avenue	<p>The road consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction with a total carriageway width of 7m and a reservation of 18m. Development of this link would require the removal of trees on both sides of the road at various locations. Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require a minimal amount of land take (front gardens) to provide a CBC. Primary cycle route S05 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along part of this link. A feeder cycle route runs along the rest of the link.</p> <p>This link has potential for the construction of a CBC and therefore passes the initial sift</p>	Pass
3.36	Lower Kilmacud Road	<p>From the N11 Stillorgan Road to South Avenue. The western end of the link consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction and has a reservation width of 15m. Provision of dedicated bus lanes in both directions would require land take from front gardens. The eastern end of the route consists of two wide all-vehicle lanes in each direction. The eastern end has a reservation width of 20m and would not require land take for bus priority lanes. Development of this route would require the removal of trees, on green sites near to Stillorgan Shopping Centre. Primary cycle route S05 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link. Restrictions on right turning movements would likely be required.</p> <p>This link has potential for the construction of a CBC and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass

3.37	The Hill	<p>Between the N11 and Lower Kilmacud Road. The southern end of the road is one way coming off the N11 (inbound only). The northern end of the road consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction. The road has a reservation of 12m. There is designated on-street parking on the eastern side of the road. The provision of a dedicated bus lane in the northbound direction would require land take (removal of front gardens and car parking). It is unfeasible to provide an outbound bus priority lane due to the one-way road layout exiting the N11. No cycle routes proposed by the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along this link.</p> <p>This link fails the initial sift as it is not feasible to provide a northbound bus lane</p>	Fail
3.38	Old Dublin Road	<p>From Lower Kilmacud Road to the N11 Stillorgan Road. The northern end of the link consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction. It has a narrow reservation width of 11m. Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require a large amount of land take from Oatlands College, Stillorgan College of Further Education and adjacent properties. The southern end of the road consists of three outbound vehicle lanes and one inbound vehicle lane. No cycle routes proposed by the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along this link. Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require some land take from gardens.</p> <p>This link has potential for the construction of a CBC and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass
3.39	N11	<p>Directly follows Link 3.32. This route consists of two vehicle lanes and one bus lane in each direction. Raised adjacent shared cycle tracks are provided on both sides of the road. The roadway is 22m at the narrowest point including a grassed central median (4.5m). The overall reservation is in excess of 28m. It's unlikely that land take would be required to provide a CBC. Primary cycle route 12 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>Construction is feasible and this route forms part of an existing quality bus corridor and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass
3.40	Trees Road Lower	<p>From the Stillorgan Road to South Avenue. This road consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction. The carriageway is approximately 11m wide with an overall roadway reservation of 15m at the narrowest point. No cycle routes proposed by the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along this link. Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require significant land take from removal of front gardens. There are on-street residential car parking spaces along the majority of the road and these would need to be removed. A number of gardens along this link would also be reduced to the extent that parking would no longer be possible, and it would prove difficult to find suitable alternative parking.</p> <p>This link fails as the scale of the works and the extent of the impact on residential parking is considered excessive</p>	Fail

3.41	South Avenue	<p>Between Greenfield Road and Trees Road Lower. The southern end of the section has a total reservation of 18m and will only require minor land take. A feeder cycle route as shown in the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link. Development of this route would require the removal of trees on both sides of the road with a large number of trees located across from the Church of St Therese. The northern end of the road consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction with a total carriageway width of 6.5m and a reservation of 10.6m. Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require land take in the form of greenspace from Deer Park.</p> <p>This link has potential for the construction of a CBC and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass
3.42	The Rise	<p>The road consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction. The carriageway width is 11m with undesignated residential parking on both sides of the road. No cycle routes proposed by the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along this link. The overall reservation is 15.5m wide. Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require land take in the form of front/side gardens.</p> <p>There are on-street residential car parking spaces along the majority of the road and these would need to be removed. A number of gardens along this link would also be reduced to the extent that parking would no longer be possible, and it would prove difficult to find suitable alternative parking.</p> <p>This link fails as the scale of the works and the extent of the impact on residential parking is considered excessive</p>	Fail
3.43	Sycamore Road	<p>The road consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction. The carriageway width is 10.2m with undesignated residential parking on both sides of the road. The overall reservation is 15m wide at its narrowest point. No cycle routes proposed by the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along this link. Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require land take in the form of car parking spaces and front gardens. The removal of mini roundabouts and small sections of greenspace would also be required.</p> <p>There are on-street residential car parking spaces along the majority of the road and these would need to be removed. A number of gardens along this link would also be reduced to the extent that parking would no longer be possible, and it would prove difficult to find suitable alternative parking.</p> <p>This link fails as the scale of the works and the extent of the impact on residential parking is considered excessive</p>	Fail
3.44	N11	<p>Directly follows link 3.39. This route consists of two vehicle lanes and one bus lane in each direction. Raised adjacent cycle tracks and footpaths are provided on both sides of the road. The carriageway is 24m at the narrowest point including a grassed central median. The overall reservation is in excess of 33m. It's unlikely that land take would be required to provide a CBC. Primary cycle route 12 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>Construction is feasible and this route forms part of an existing quality bus corridor and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass

3.45	Greenfield Road	<p>From the Stillorgan Road to North Avenue. This road consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction. The eastbound lane increases to two lanes on the approach to the Stillorgan Road junction. The carriageway is approximately 10m wide and an overall roadway reservation of 15m at the narrowest point. There are undesignated car parking spaces along both sides of the road. The road only provides local access and does not provide access to the N11. No cycle routes proposed by the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along this link. Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require land take from front gardens as well as greenspace at the eastern end to provide access to the Stillorgan road. It would also result in the removal of a large amount of residential car parking spaces</p> <p>This link is a cul de sac and would require land take and construction of a new junction with the N11 to convert to a connected bus route.</p> <p>This link fails as the scale of the works and impact on residential parking required would be excessive.</p>	Fail
3.46	North Avenue	<p>Between Greenfield Road and Foster's Avenue. The road consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction. The northern section between St. Thomas Road and Foster's Avenue has a carriageway width of 7m and an overall reservation of 11m. Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require land take from front gardens or implementation of traffic management measures to provide bus priority. Between St. Thomas Road and Greenfield Road, the overall road reservation widens out to 26m, with 5m lanes separated by a 4m wide central reserve. There is undesignated on-street parking on both sides of the road. Development of this route would require the removal of trees on both sides of the road and/or along the central median on North Avenue. A feeder cycle route as shown in the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>This link has potential for the construction of a CBC and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass
3.47	The Rise	<p>Consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction. The carriageway width is 10m with undesignated residential parking on both sides of the road. The overall reservation is 14m wide. Provision of dedicated bus lanes would require land take in the form of front/side gardens. No cycle routes proposed by the GDA Cycle Network Plan run along this link.</p> <p>As a number of the driveways are short, and there is no space for re-designation of parking spaces, this route fails the initial sift.</p>	Fail
3.48	N11	<p>Directly follows Section 3.44. This link consists of two all-vehicle lanes and one bus lane in each direction. Raised adjacent cycle tracks and footpaths are provided on both sides of the road. The roadway is 26m at the narrowest point including a grassed central median. The overall reservation is in excess of 37m. It's unlikely that land take would be required to provide a CBC. Primary cycle route 12 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>Construction is feasible and this route forms part of an existing quality bus corridor and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass

3.49	Foster's Avenue	<p>From North Avenue to the N11. This link consists of one all-vehicle lane in each direction. The eastbound lane increases to two lanes on the approach to the Stillorgan Road junction. The carriageway is approximately 7.5m wide with an overall roadway reservation of 20m at the narrowest point. Development of this route would require the removal of trees on both sides of the road at various locations. Primary cycle route S04 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>This link has potential for the construction of a CBC and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass
3.50	N11	<p>Stillorgan Road directly adjacent the UCD campus. This link consists of two all-vehicle lanes and one bus lane in each direction. Raised adjacent cycle tracks and footpaths are provided on both sides of the road. The roadway is 26m at the narrowest point including a grassed central median. Primary cycle route 12 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.</p> <p>Construction is feasible and this route forms part of an existing quality bus corridor and therefore passes the initial sift.</p>	Pass

Following the Stage 1, 29 of the 50 route options assessed passed the initial sifting stage and are progressed to the next assessment stage. These route options are presented in Figure 7.2.



Figure 7.2 Section 3 Route Options Remaining After Stage 1 Assessment

7.2 Stage 2 – Route Options Assessment

7.2.1 Introduction

Following the Stage 1 assessment the remaining 29 routes were assembled together to form four viable route options for Section 3, these are shown in Figure 7.3.

- Route 3A – which would run along the N11 between Wyattville Road and Leopardstown Road before routing through the Sandyford Industrial Estate, Mount Merrion and onto the N11 via Fosters Avenue to its termination at UCD.
- Route 3B – which would run along the N11 for the full extent between Wyattville Road and UCD.
- Route 3C – which would run along the N11 between Wyattville Road and Johnstown Road before routing via Pottery Road, Abbey Road, Rowanbyrn, Fleurville and Stillorgan Park Road before re-joining the N11. The bus would then continue along the N11 until it reaches UCD.
- Route 3D - which would run via Wyattville Road (Link 2.16 from Section 2), Church Road, Rochestown Ave, Abbey Road, Brookville Park, Rowanbyrn, Annavile Terrace, Fleurville and Stillorgan Park Road before joining the N11, the bus would then continue along the N11 until it reaches UCD (This route uses link 2.16 which passed the initial sift in Section 2).

The following Links passed the initial sift but did not form part of any of the route options brought forward to the Stage 2 Assessment; Links 3.11, 3.16, 3.22, 3.36, 3.40 and the northern half of 3.09. This is either because they could not form part of a continuous route or that they could only form part of routes that would be circuitous in their nature when compared to the four route options discussed above.

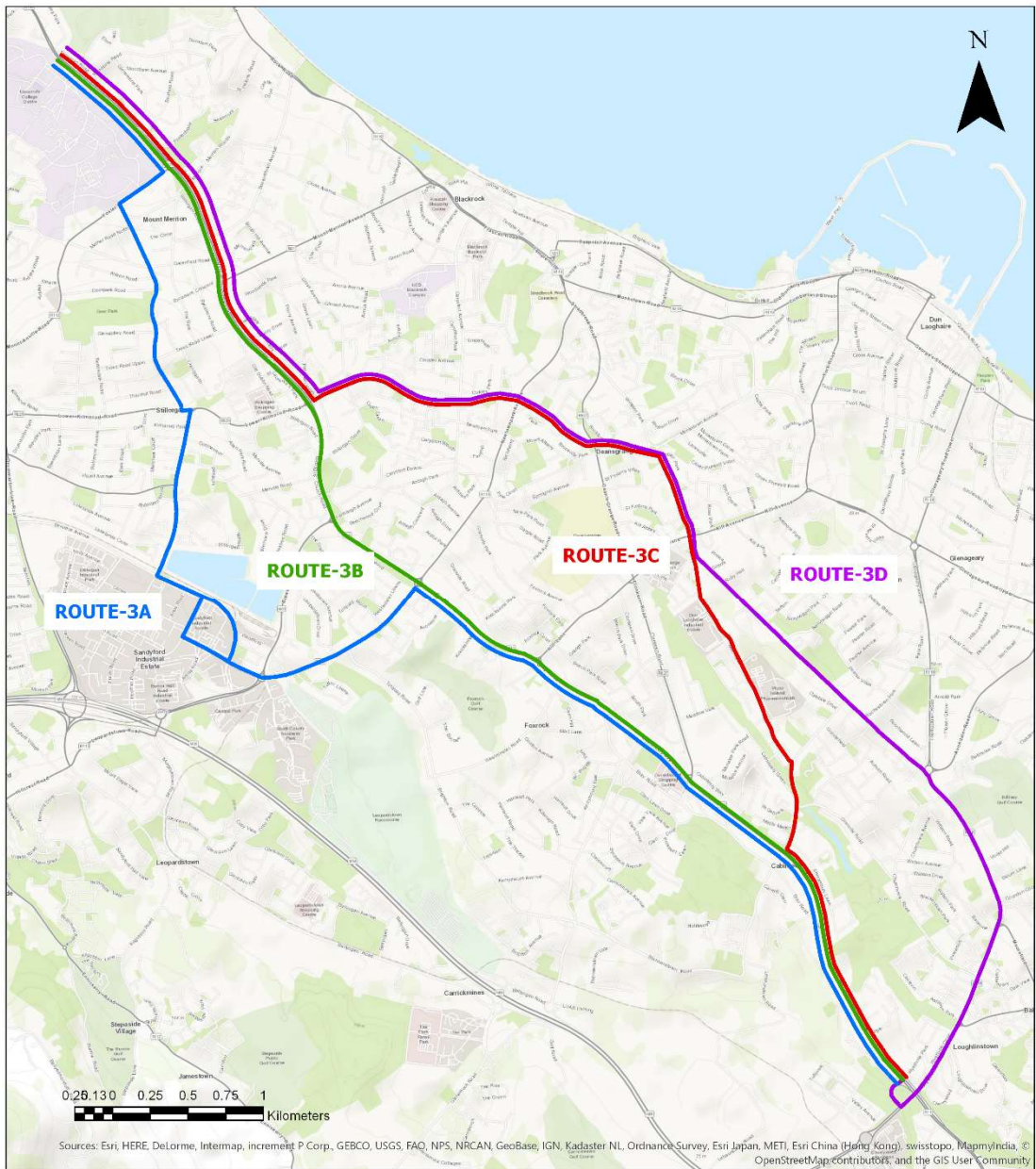


Figure 7.3 Section 3 Route Options

7.2.2 Route Option 3A – N11/Sandyford/Mount Merrion

Route Description

Route 3A is presented in Figure 7.4 and described in text following.



Figure 7.4 Route Option 3A

Inbound: Scheme 3A would begin at the junction of Wyattville road and the N11. The bus would then continue up the N11 for 4.8 km until it takes a left turn onto Leopardstown Road, the bus would then continue along Burton Hall Rd, Blackthorn Ave, St Raphael's Road, South Ave, North Ave and Foster's Ave before it re-joins the N11 and the scheme terminates outside of UCD.

Outbound: The outbound buses would follow the same route as inbound with the exception of Sandyford Industrial Estate where they would follow the one-way routing on Blackthorn Ave rather than Burton Hall Road.

Stops: A total of 23 bus stops would likely be provided in each direction along this route option.

Indicative Scheme Layout

Figure 7.5 illustrates the indicative scheme design for this route option as well as location of indicative cross-sections.

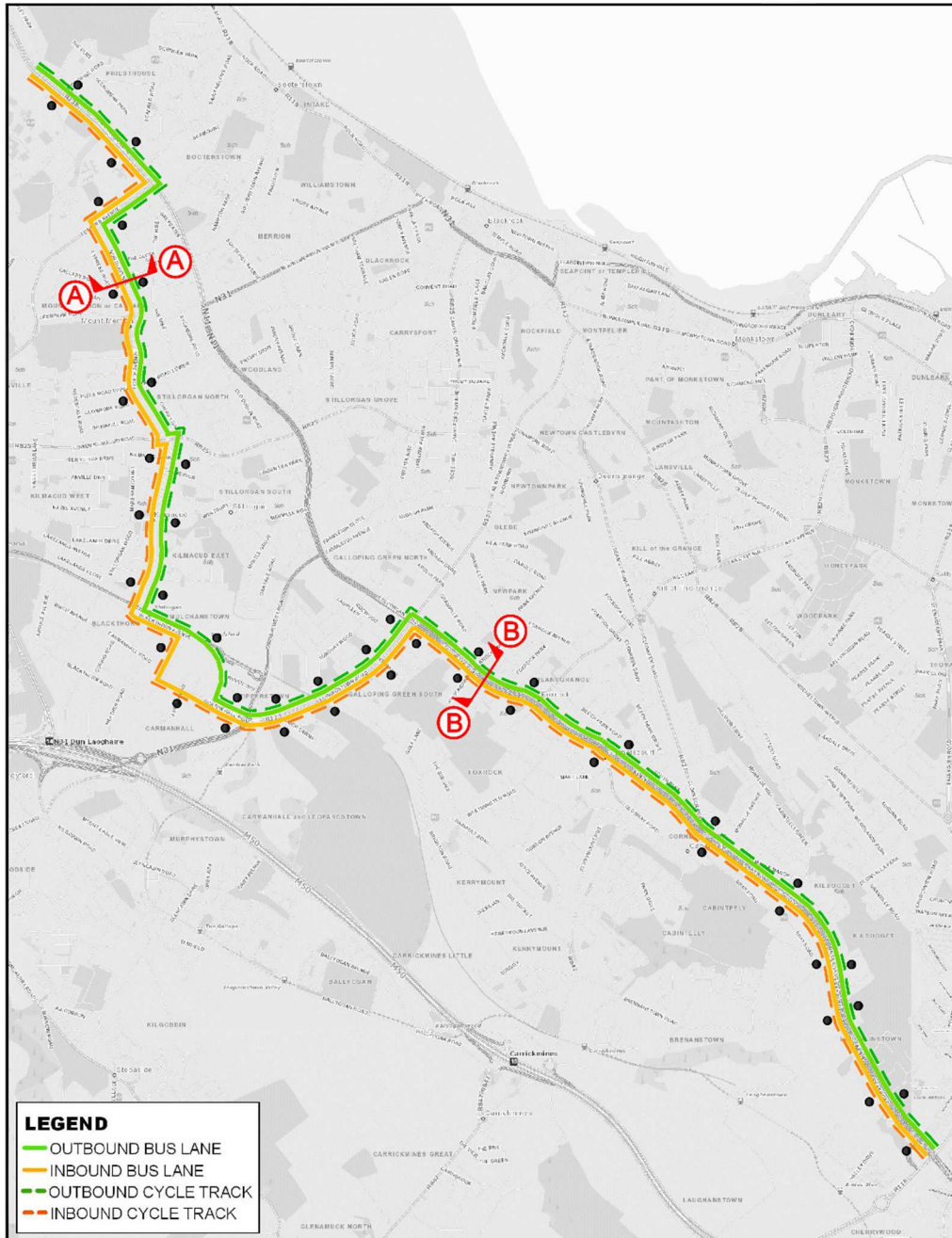
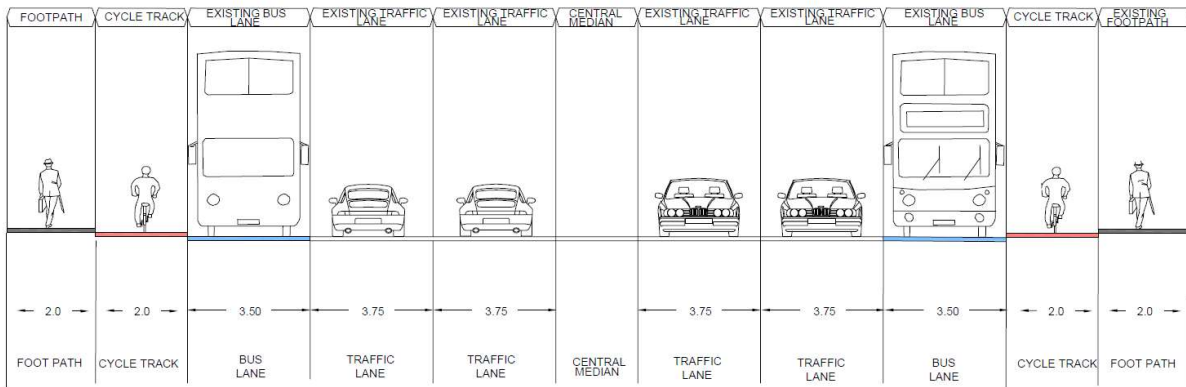


Figure 7.5 Route 3A Indicative Scheme Design

The N11 currently provides dedicated bus lanes between Wyattville Road and Leopardstown Road, segregated cycle tracks and footpaths are also provided along most this section. It is proposed to provide continuous footpath and cycle tracks along the route and upgrade and enhance existing facilities where required. This would include provision of footpaths parallel to the N11 between the Old Bray Road (south of Cabinteely) and Westminster Road junctions, where pedestrians are currently forced to share with cyclists or use alternative, and sometime circuitous, off-line routes. It is proposed to provide upgrades to signal controlled crossings at junctions along this section to facilitate right-turning cyclists as well as providing new toucan crossings at Cornelscourt and Knocksinna to improve pedestrian and cycle integration.



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Figure 7.6 Section B-B

The majority of Leopardstown Road has three lanes (alternating two lanes in one direction), it is assumed one of these lanes would be converted to a bus lane. Road widening with land take from portions of front gardens and public green spaces would still be required on Leopardstown Road to provide dedicated bus and cycle lanes in both directions, residential off-street parking will not be affected. Development of this route would require the removal of trees on both sides of the road at various locations. Secondary cycle route S06 of the GDA Cycle Network Plan runs along this link.

Provision of a dedicated bus lane along Burton Hall Road and Blackthorn Avenue would require minimal land take in the form of the grass verge on both sides of the road. Development of this link would require the removal of trees on both sides of the road.

An outbound bus lane is provided along the majority of St. Raphael's Road and one of the two inbound lanes would be converted to a bus lane with minimal land take required. Similarly, an inbound bus lane is provided along Kilmacud Road Upper and land take in the form of portions of front and side gardens would be required to provide dedicated bus and cycle lanes in both directions, residential off-street parking will not be affected.

Land take in the form of front gardens would be required along South Avenue and also along North Avenue where greenspace and lands from the Mount Merrion Business Centre and St. Teresa's school, including a number of trees on both side of the route, would also be required. On-street parking would be removed but residential off-street parking would not be affected

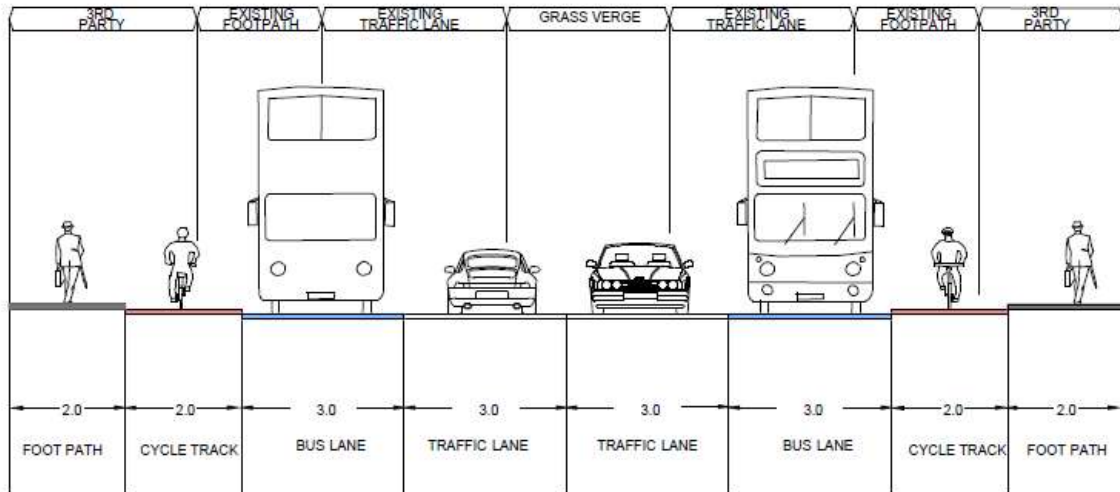


Figure 7.7 Section A-A

The northern section of North Avenue would require land acquisition in the form of portions of front gardens to provided dedicated bus and cycle lanes. On the wider southern section, provision of bus and cycle lanes would require the removal of on-street parking and trees on both sides of the road and/or along the central median, residential off-street parking will not be affected.

Provision of dedicated bus and cycle lanes along Foster's Avenue would require the removal of grass verges and trees on both sides of the road at various locations. Between Foster's Avenue and UCD buses would use the existing bus lanes. Works would be limited to upgrading of bus stops where required and provision of a new stop on the UCD flyover off-ramp, as well as enhancing footpath and cycle facilities on the western side of the route which would require some land take and removal of hedgerows in UCD.

7.2.3 Route Option 3B – N11

Route Description

Route 3B is presented in Figure 7.8 and described in text following.

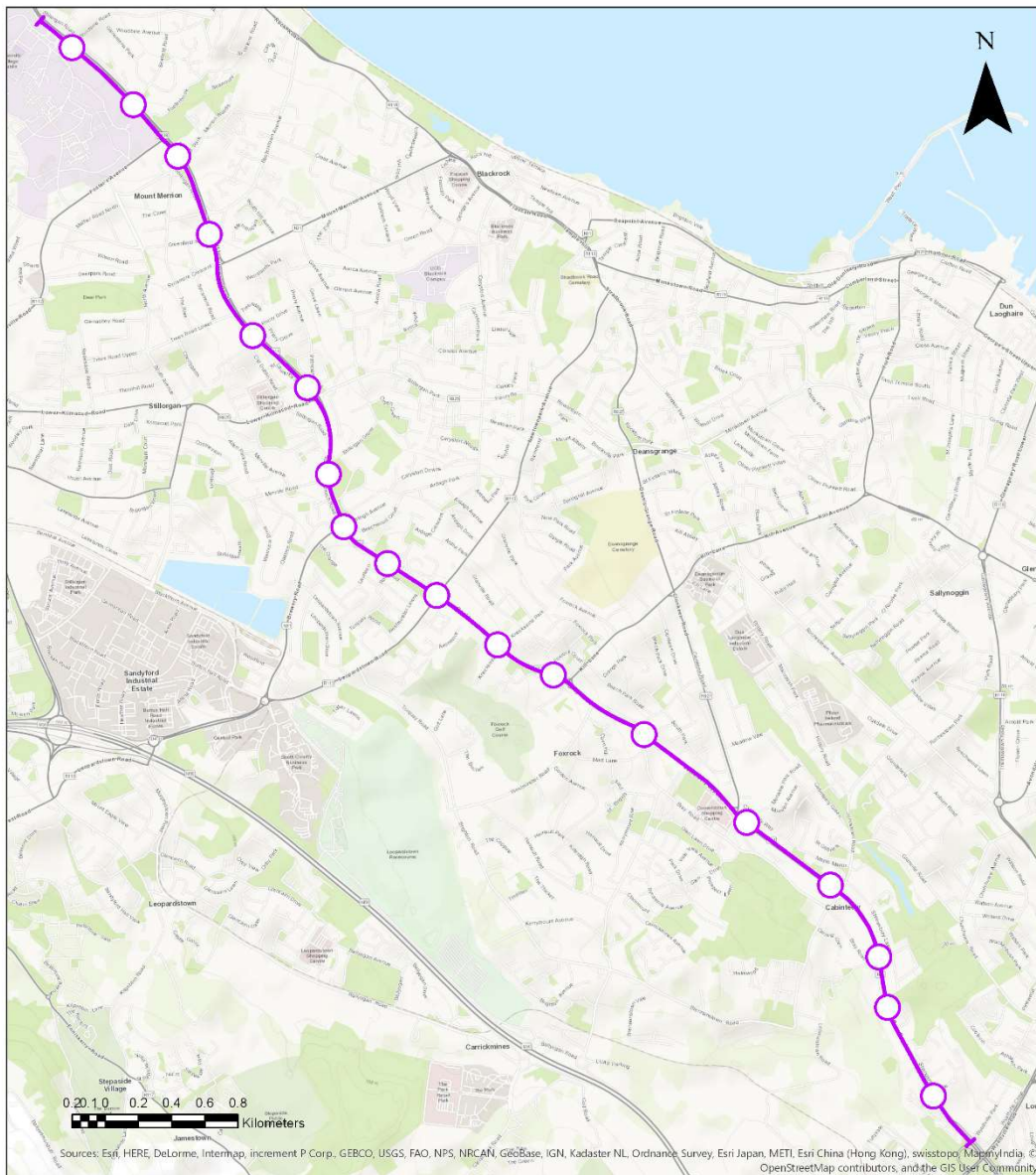


Figure 7.8 Route Option 3B

Inbound: Scheme 3B would begin at the junction of Wyattville Road and the N11. The bus would then continue along the N11 for 9.2 km until it terminates outside of UCD.

Outbound: The outbound buses would follow same route as inbound.

Stops: A total of 19 bus stops would likely be provided in each direction along this route option.

Indicative Scheme Design

Figure 7.9 illustrates the indicative scheme design for this route option as well as the location of an indicative cross-section.

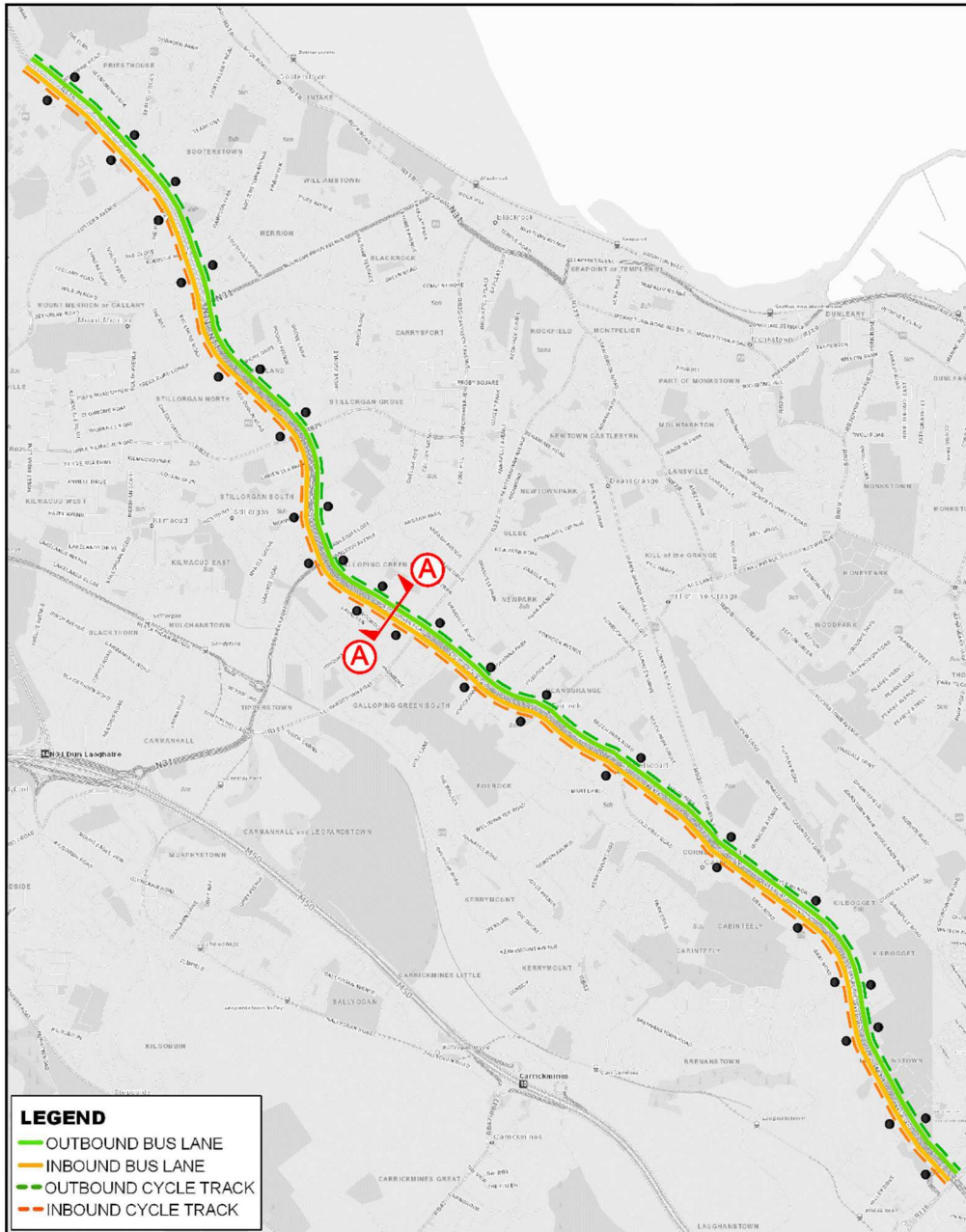


Figure 7.9 Route Option 3B Indicative Scheme Design

Between Wyattville Road junction and UCD there are currently bus lanes in each direction, segregated cycle tracks and footpaths are provided along most this section. It is proposed to provide continuous footpaths and cycle tracks along the route and to upgrade and enhance existing facilities where required. This includes provision of footpaths parallel to the N11 between the Old Bray Road (south of Cabinteely) and Westminster Road junction and The Hill and Trees Road, where pedestrians are currently forced to share with cyclists or use alternative, and sometime circuitous, off-line routes.

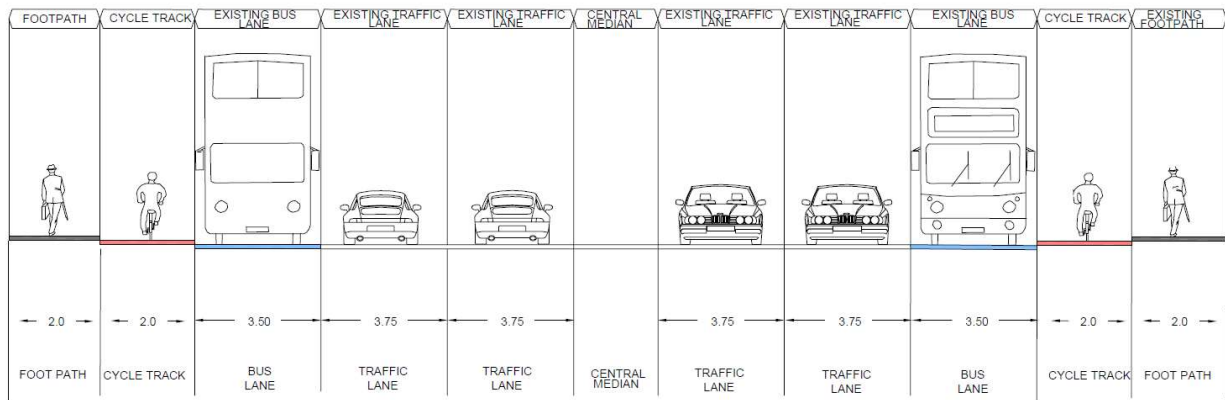


Figure 7.10 Section A-A

It is proposed to provide upgrades to signal controlled crossings at junctions throughout to facilitate right-turning cyclists as well as providing new toucan crossings at Cornelscourt and Knocksinna to improve pedestrian and cycle integration.

It is proposed to upgrade bus stops to mitigate pedestrian and cyclist conflicts throughout, as well as providing Real Time Passenger Information (RTPI) and shelters where required. It is also proposed to provide recessed bus bays where possible to reduce delays to buses. A number of bus stops will be relocated to improve safety where required or, where bus stops are currently provided in close proximity, rationalised to reduce delays to buses. This includes bus stops adjacent Sycamore Crescent where conflicts arise between cyclists and pedestrians due to insufficient widths, with the existing inbound bus stop relocated to adjacent Greenfield Road. Land take in the form of portions of gardens will be required to provide adequate footpaths and cycle tracks between the junctions of Trees Road and Greenfield Road. Proposed upgrades to the Leopardstown Road and Foster's Avenue junctions include reconfiguring left-slip lanes to minimise queuing vehicles obstructing bus lanes and providing enhanced facilities for straight-ahead cyclists, with the upgrade to Foster's Avenue requiring the relocation of the inbound bus stop to the south of the footbridge at Bellfield Park.

It is proposed to provide bus stops on the northbound off-ramp at UCD as well as enhancing footpath and cycle facilities on the western side of the route which would require land take from the verge on the UCD side of the off-ramp. This will facilitate interchange with the proposed UCD to Blanchardstown Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) as well as facilitating buses continuing into the city along the N11 or turning back southbound via the UCD flyover.

7.2.4 Route Option 3C – N11/Pottery Road/Abbey Road/Stillorgan Park Road

Route Description

Route 3C is presented in Figure 7.11 and described in the text following.

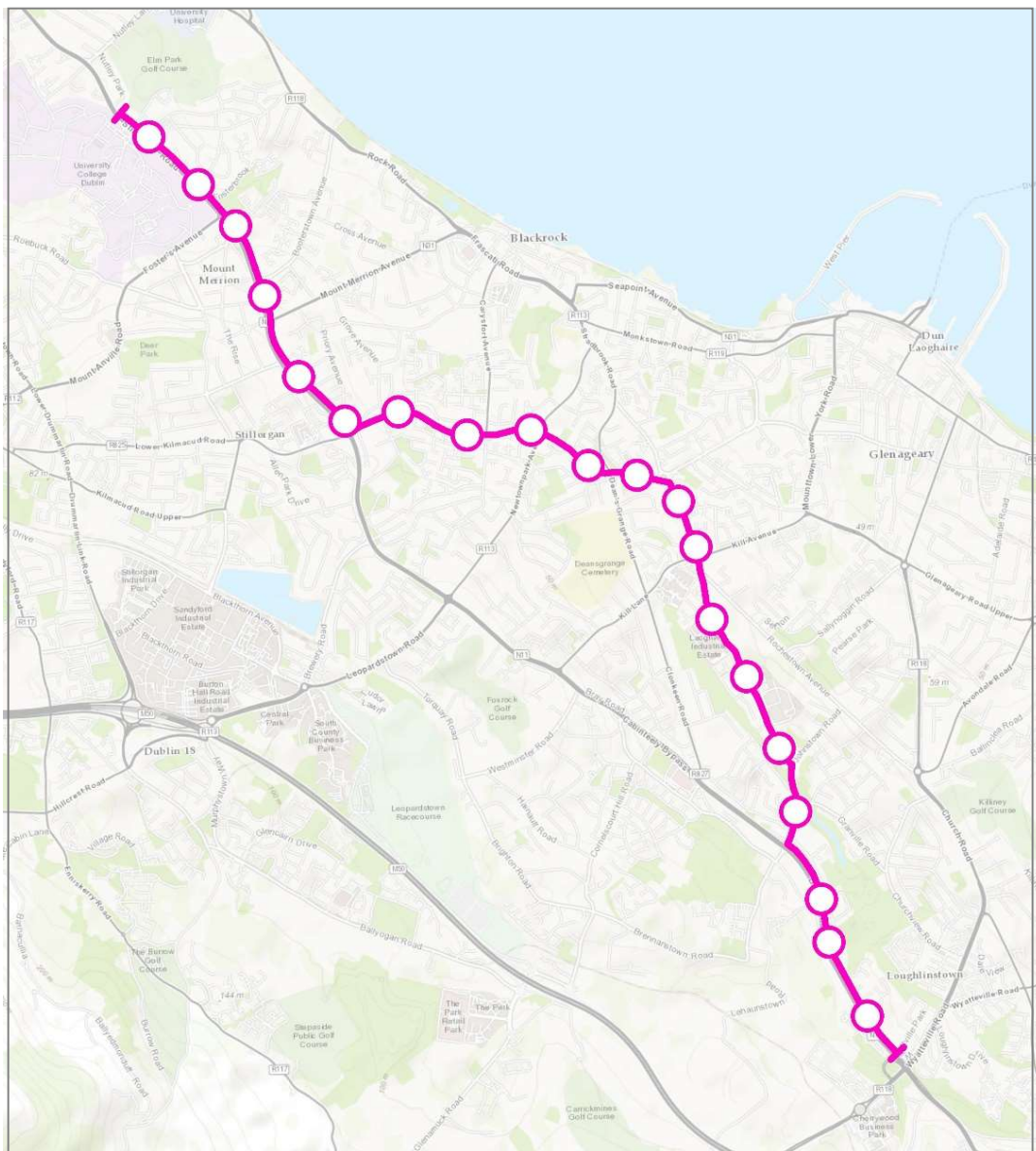


Figure 7.11 Route Option 3C

Inbound: Scheme 3C would begin at the junction of Wyattville Road and the N11. The bus would then continue up the N11 for 2 km until it takes a right turn onto Johnstown Road. The bus would then continue along Pottery Road, Abbey Road, Brookville Park, Rowanbyrn, Annaville Terrace, Fleurville and Stillorgan Park Road before re-joining the N11. The bus would then continue along the N11 until it reaches UCD.

Outbound: The outbound buses would follow same route as inbound.

Stops: A total of 21 bus stops would likely be provided in each direction along this route option.

Indicative Scheme Design

Figure 7.12 illustrates the indicative scheme design for this route option as well as location of indicative cross-sections.

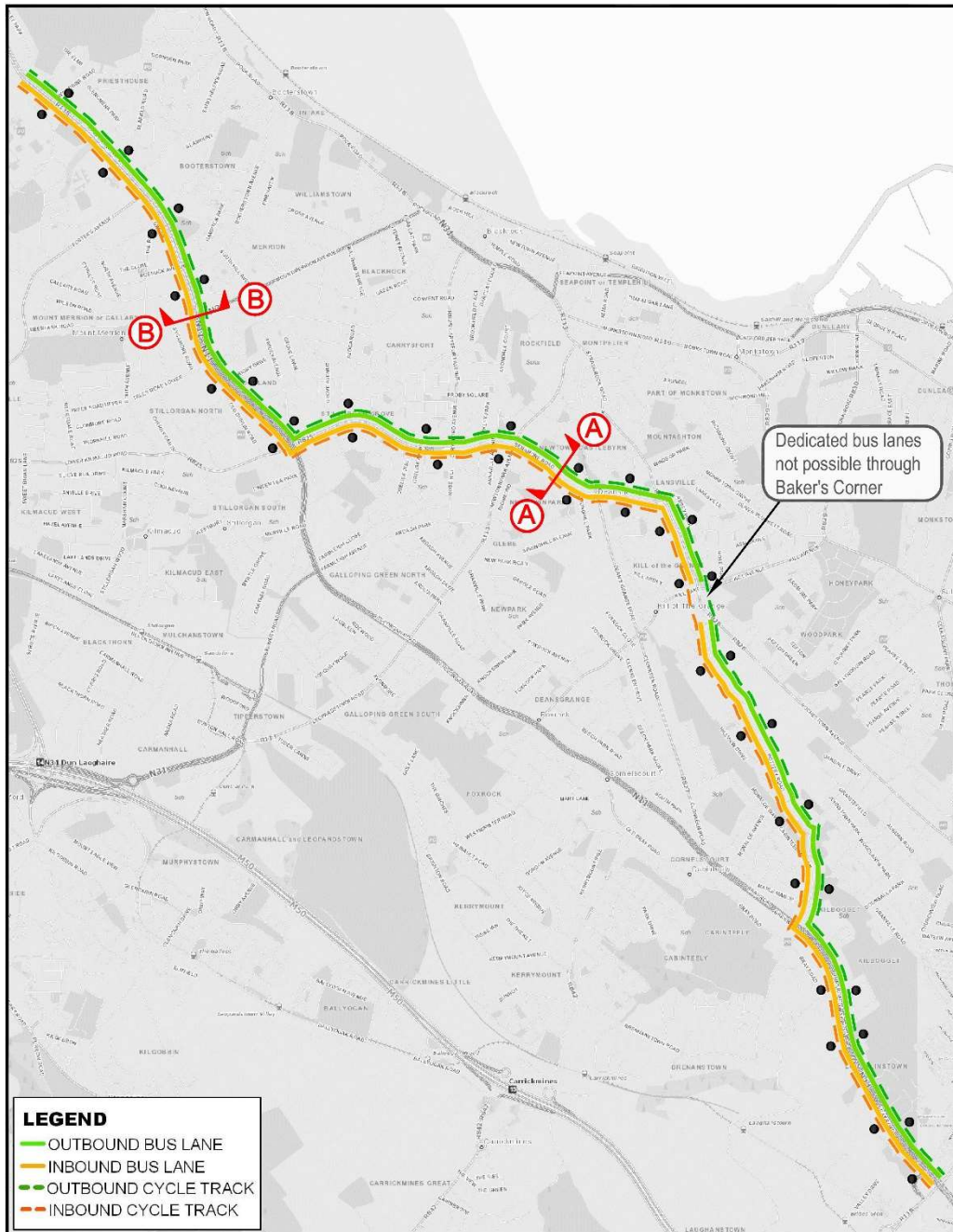


Figure 7.12 Route Option 3C Indicative Scheme Design

The N11 currently provides dedicated bus lanes between Wyattville Road and Johnstown Road, segregated cycle tracks and footpaths are also provided along most this section. Due to the confined space, dedicated bus lanes cannot be provided for a short section by Baker's Corner junction. Road widening with land take from portions of front gardens and public green spaces will be required along Johnstown Road, Pottery Road, Abbey Road and Stillorgan Park Road, including acquisition of four properties, residential off-street parking will not be affected.

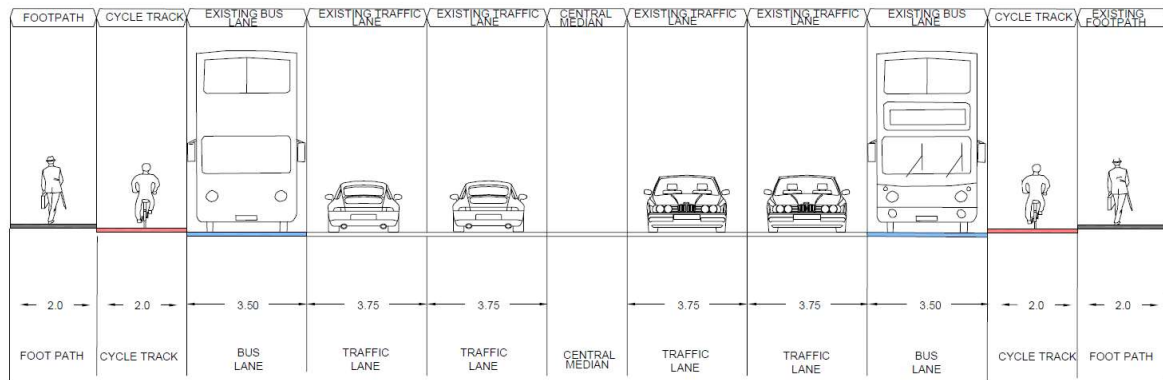


Figure 7.13 Section B-B

Segregated cycle paths are provided along Pottery Road however road widening and land take would be required from green spaces, portions of front/side gardens, on-street car park spaces and lands associated with commercial/industrial premises, residential off-street parking will not be affected. Provision of dedicated bus lanes and cycle lanes are not possible on approaches to and through Baker's Corner due to geometrical constraints.

Provision of dedicated bus and cycle lanes along Abbey Road and on to the junction with Deansgrange Road would require land take in the form of grass verges and portions of front gardens including the removal of trees, residential off-street parking would not be affected. Bus lanes would be provided in both directions along Brookville Drive, however widening of Rowanbyrn, Annville Terrace and Fleurville would require land take in the form of portions of front and rear gardens, as well as open space from a sports ground, residential off-street parking would not be affected. This would also require removal of trees and require acquisition of three residential properties as well as a building associated with Newpark School's sport complex to achieve the required cross section.

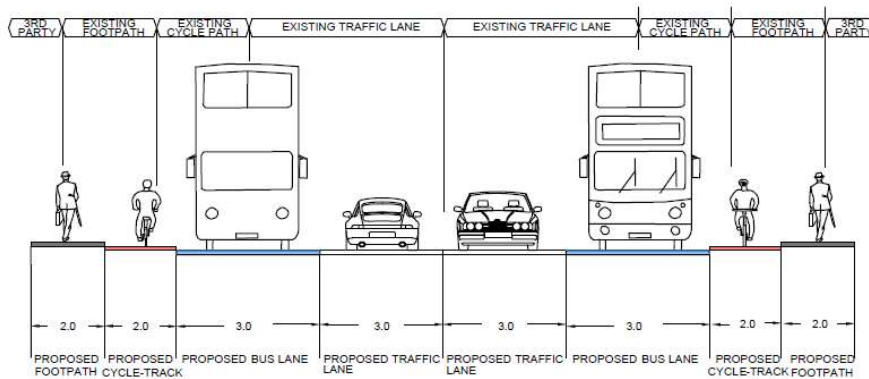


Figure 7.14 Section A-A

There is a wide central median along Stillorgan Park Road between Carysfort Avenue and the N11 which provides for right turning vehicles which could be reallocated to provide bus and cycle lanes. Notwithstanding this, widening of this link would require land take from portions of gardens, grass verges and the removal of trees on both sides of the road at various locations to provide the required cross section, residential off-street parking would not be affected.

From Stillorgan to UCD the route would use the existing bus and cycle lanes provided along the N11. Proposed upgrades to the Foster's Avenue junction include reconfiguring left-slip lanes to minimise queuing vehicles obstructing bus lanes and providing enhanced facilities for straight-ahead cyclists. Land take in the form of portions of gardens would be required to provide adequate footpaths and cycle tracks between the junctions of Trees Road and Greenfield Road. Localised widening would also be required at bus bays and pinch points to provide the required cross section, residential off-street parking would not be affected.

7.2.5 Route Option 3D – N11/Wyattville Road/ Rochestown Avenue/Abbey Road/Stillorgan Park Road

Route Description

Route 3D is presented in Figure 7.15 and described in text following.

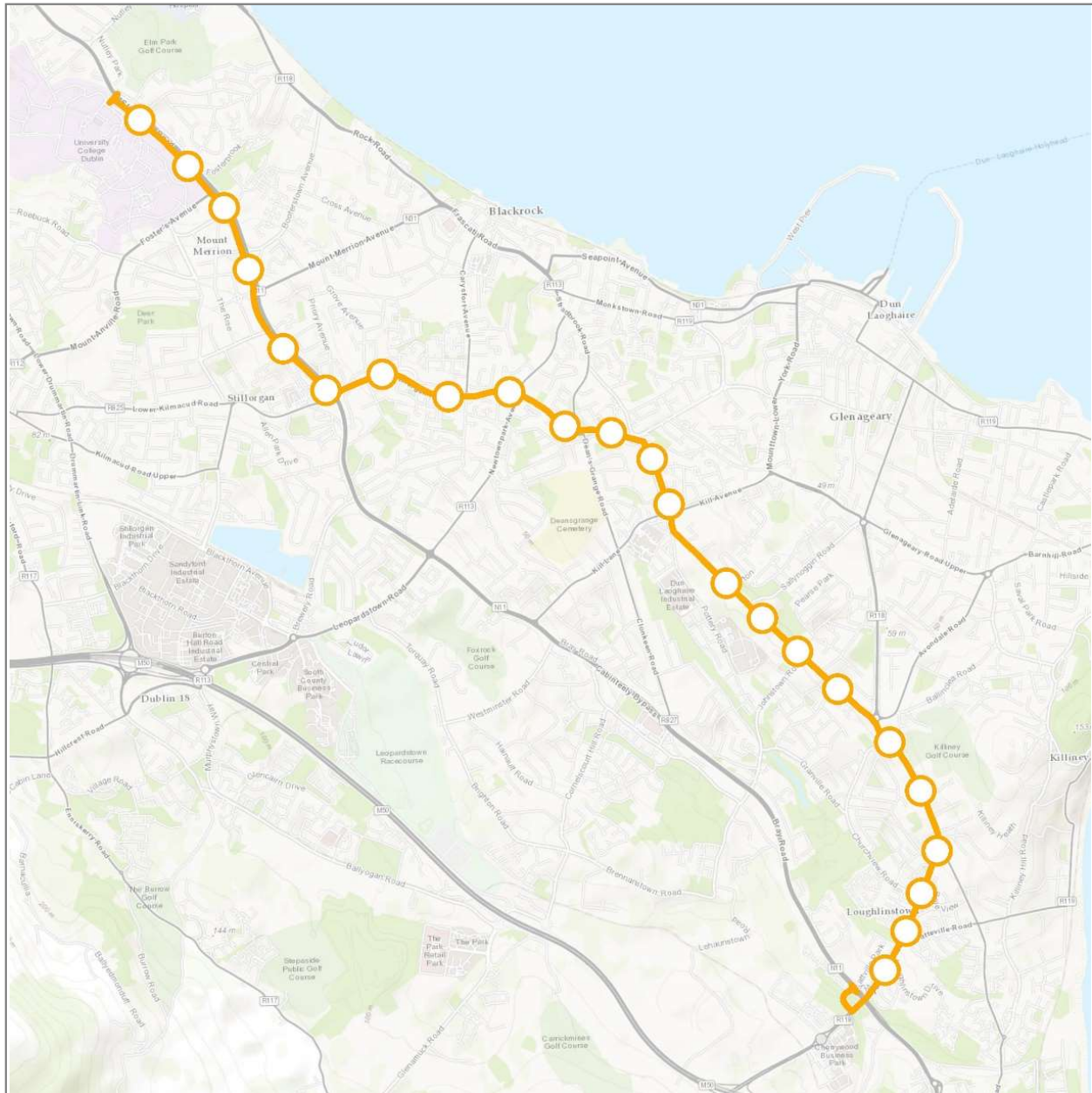


Figure 7.15 Route Option 3D

Inbound: Scheme 3D would begin at the junction of Wyattville Road and the N11. The bus would travel along Wyattville Road and continue onto Church Road, Rochestown Ave, Abbey Road, Brookville Park, Rowanbyrn, Annaville Terrace, Fleurville and Stillorgan Park Road before joining the N11, the bus would then continue along the N11 until it reaches UCD.

Outbound: The outbound buses would follow the same route as inbound.

Stops: A total of 23 bus stops would likely be provided in each direction along this route option.

Indicative Scheme Design

Figure 7.16 illustrates the indicative scheme design for this route option as well as the location of indicative cross-sections.

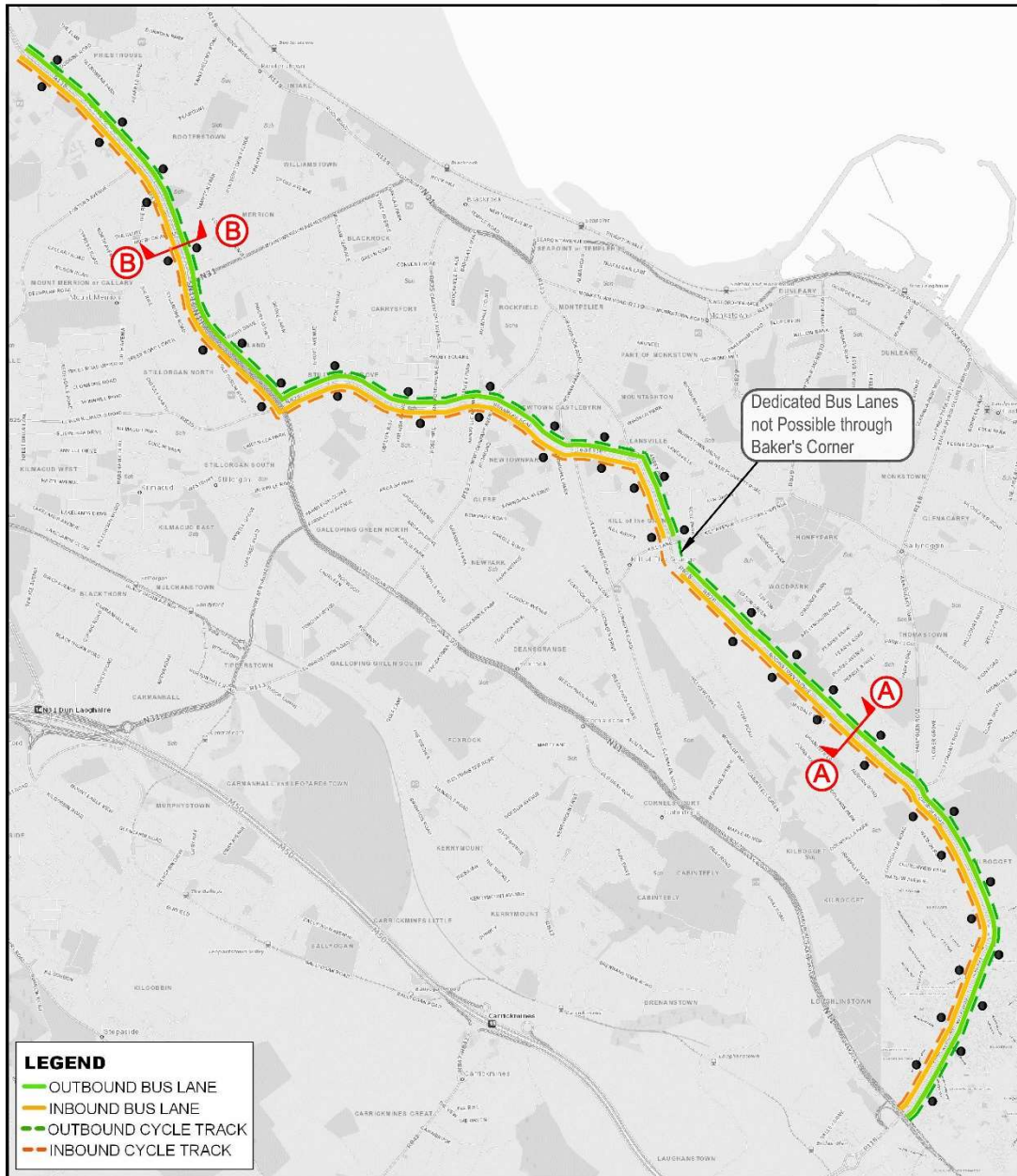


Figure 7.16 Route Option 3D Indicative Scheme Design

Along Wyattville Road one of the existing traffic lanes in each direction would be reallocated to bus lanes, with localised road widening into the central median and/or verges to provide cycle lanes. Similarly, along Church Road dedicated bus and cycle lanes would be provided by widening into the grass verges, with localised land take from portions of front gardens required to provide the required cross section in places, residential off-street parking would not be affected.

Widening would be required along Rochestown Avenue on both sides with land take required from portions of gardens, green spaces and verges, as well as car parking associated with the Supervalu/Graduate premises, agricultural and amenity lands, and parking and open space frontage of the National Rehabilitation Centre. Widening would result in removal of trees along the route. It is also likely that

acquisition of the filling station south of the Pottery Road junction would be required to provide the required cross section, residential off-street parking would not be affected.

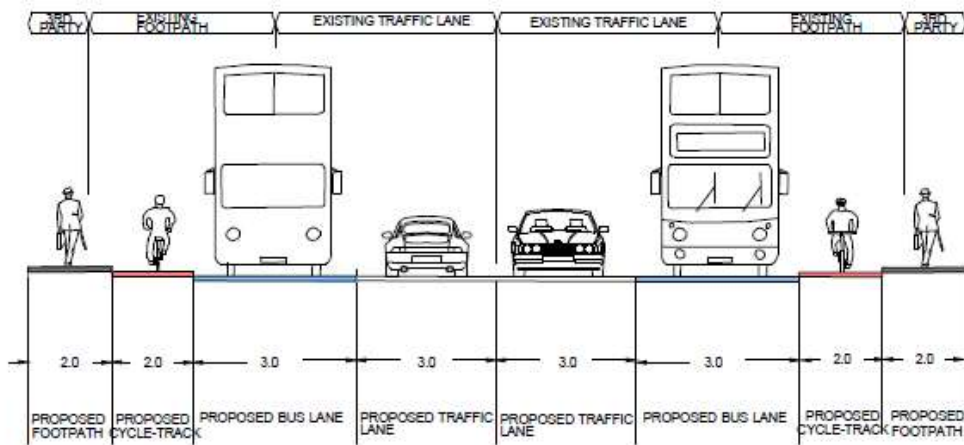


Figure 7.17 Cross Section A-A

Provision of dedicated bus and cycle lanes along Abbey Road and on to the junction with Deansgrange Road would require land take in the form of grass verges and portions of front gardens including the removal of trees. Bus lanes are provided in both directions along Brookville Drive, however widening of Rowanbyrn, Annville Terrace and Fleurville would require land take in the form of portions of front and rear gardens, as well as open space from a sports ground to provided dedicated bus and cycle lanes. This would also require removal of trees and acquisition of three residential properties as well as a building associated with Newpark School’s sport complex to achieve the required cross section, residential off-street parking would not be affected.

There is a wide central median along Stillorgan Park Road between Carysfort Avenue and the N11 which provides for right turning vehicles which would be reallocated to provide bus and cycle lanes. Notwithstanding this, widening of this link would require land take in the form of portions of gardens, grass verges and the removal of trees on both sides of the road at various locations, residential off-street parking would not be affected.

From Stillorgan to UCD the route would use the existing bus and cycle lanes provided along the N11. Proposed upgrades to the Foster’s Avenue junction include reconfiguring left-slip lanes to minimise queuing vehicles obstructing bus lanes and providing enhanced facilities for straight-ahead cyclists. Land take in the form of portions of gardens would be required to provide adequate footpath and cycle track widths between the junctions of Trees Road and Greenfield Road. Localised widening would also be required at bus bays and pinch points to provide the required cross section. Residential off-street parking would not be affected

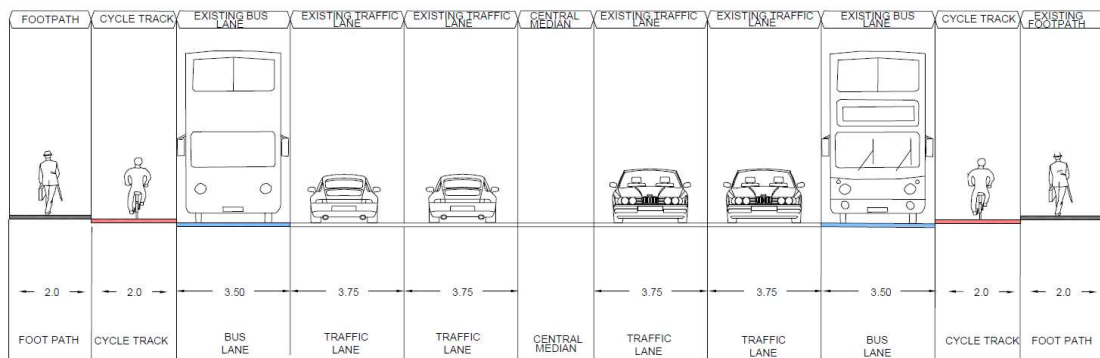


Figure 7.18 Cross Section B-B

7.2.6 Route Options Assessment

Details of the 'Stage 2' route options assessment undertaken for Section 3 are presented in **Appendix A**.

A summary of the ranking of route options against the scheme sub-criteria is presented in Table 7.2 following.

Table 7.2 Route Options Assessment Summary (Sub-Criteria)

Assessment Criteria	Sub-Criteria	3A	3B	3C	3D
Economy	Capital Cost	Orange	Green	Red	Red
	Journey-time reliability and consistency	Red	Green	Light Green	Orange
Integration	Land Use Integration	Light Green	Orange	Orange	Orange
	Residential Population and Employment Catchments	Light Green	Orange	Orange	Light Green
	Transport Network Integration	Light Green	Light Green	Orange	Orange
	Cyclists and pedestrian Integration	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
Accessibility and Social Inclusion	High volume trip attractors	Light Green	Orange	Orange	Orange
	Deprived Geographic Areas	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
Safety	Road Safety	Orange	Light Green	Orange	Orange
Environment	Archaeological, Architectural and Cultural Heritage	Orange	Orange	Orange	Light Green
	Flora and Fauna	Orange	Light Green	Orange	Orange
	Soils and Geology	Yellow	Light Green	Orange	Orange
	Hydrology	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
	Landscape and visual	Orange	Light Green	Orange	Orange
	Noise, Vibration and Air	Orange	Green	Orange	Red
	Land Use and the Built Environment	Red	Green	Orange	Orange

In terms of Economy route options which travel along the N11 are determined to be comparatively more favourable than alternatives, with Scheme 3B scoring very highly in comparison to other options. This is mainly due to the wide road reservation, existing bus lanes and the shorter route length. It also provides the most direct route with the highest provision of dedicated bus lanes and hence is more favourable in terms of journey time reliability and consistency.

In terms of Integration Scheme 3A is most favourable in comparison to alternatives as it links with the Green Luas line at the Sandyford and Stillorgan stops, it also serves a higher employment catchment by passing close to Sandyford Industrial Estate.

In terms of Accessibility and Social Inclusion Scheme 3A serves a slightly higher number of key trip attractors by passing close to Sandyford Industrial Estate, so this route is both considered favourable in comparison to the alternatives.

Scheme 3B travels on the N11 and would involve no turning movements for the buses and so is considered more favourable than the alternatives in terms of "Safety".

In terms of Environment routes along the N11 are considered favourable over alternatives, this is due to the significantly lower land take and construction works that would be required due to the existing bus lanes and road reservation.

7.3 Conclusions - Study Area Section 3 Analysis

A summary of the assessment and a relative ranking for each of the five assessment criteria is shown below in Table 7.3.

Table 7.3 Route Options Assessment Summary (Main Criteria)

Assessment Criteria	3A	3B	3C	3D
Economy	Red	Green	Red	Red
Integration	Light Green	Orange	Orange	Orange
Accessibility and Social Inclusion	Light Green	Orange	Orange	Orange
Safety	Orange	Light Green	Orange	Orange
Environment	Red	Green	Orange	Light Green

Based on the assessments above it has been determined that Scheme 3B offers the preferred route option for the following reasons

- It has a comparably lower capital cost than other options.
- It has lower and more reliable journey times.
- It is consistent with, and delivers part of the GDA cycle network.
- It has a comparably lower impact on the environment than other options.
- It is a safer bus route due to it requiring comparably fewer bus turning movements.

Scheme 3B was identified as the preferred option for Section 3 and is brought forward into the Emerging Preferred Route as described in Section 8.

8 PROPOSED SCHEME

8.1 Introduction

Sections 5 to 7 of this report presented an appraisal of all route options considered for each of the three study area sections. Following this appraisal, preferred route sections are combined to form an end-to-end Emerging Preferred Route. This section of the report presents and describes the emerging preferred route identified and the concept scheme design. Concept scheme design drawings are included in Volume 3 of this report.

8.2 Emerging Preferred Route

The Emerging Preferred Route is presented in Figure 8.1 and is described in this section in the Bray to UCD direction.

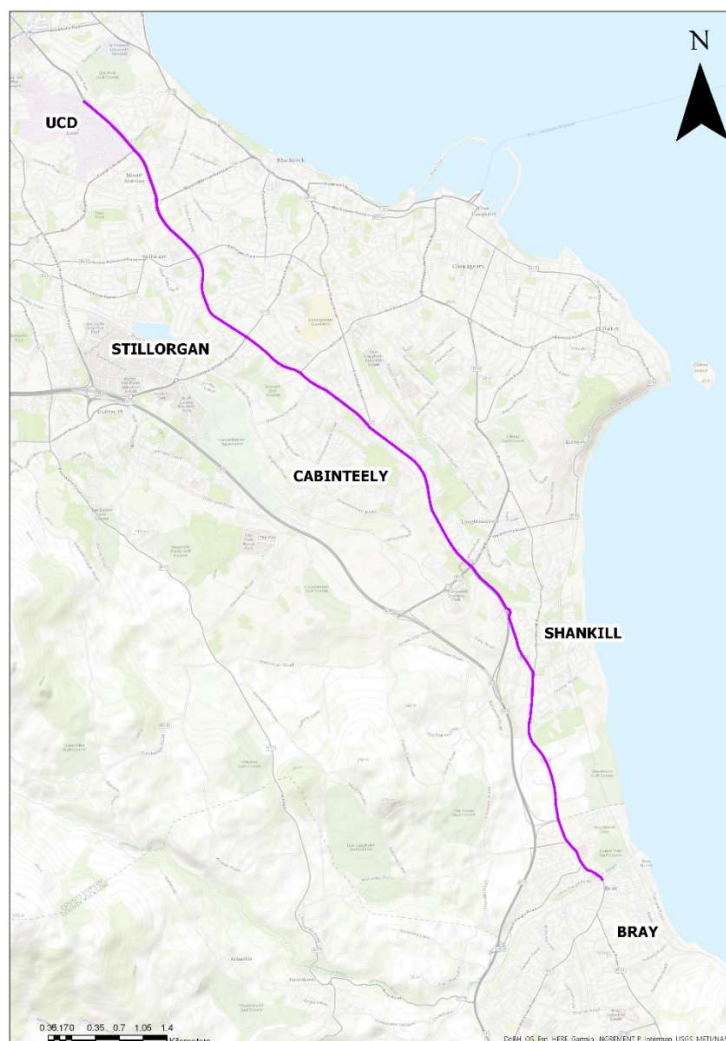


Figure 8.1 Emerging Preferred Route

The route commences in Bray north of the Fran O'Toole (Dargle River) bridge and runs along Castle Street and Dublin Road to the Wilford junction and then follows the R119 (Dublin Road) between Wilford junction and Shankill, before turning north west to follow the R837 (Dublin Road) between Shankill and the Loughlinstown roundabout. From the Loughlinstown roundabout the emerging preferred route follows the existing N11 to its termination at the UCD flyover.

Outbound services running along the CBC would take the same route to return to Bray.

8.3 Concept Scheme Design

The emerging preferred scheme described herein details the on-street infrastructure necessary to provide continuous priority for bus movements along the corridor. The route is described in a Bray to UCD (inbound) direction.

8.3.1 Section 1 Bray to Bray North

Length of Scheme Section: 1.35km

Indicative Infrastructure Cost: €4 million - €5 million

Indicative Land Acquisition Cost: €10 million

Total Indicative Cost of Scheme Section: €14million - €15 million

The CBC commences on Castle Street to the north of the Fran O'Toole bridge over the River Dargle. It is proposed to provide pedestrian bridges on the both sides of the existing bridge and this will allow southbound bus lanes to reach the Seapoint Road junction and to provide dedicated cycle lanes in both directions. An existing bus lane is provided in the southbound direction on Castle Street, between the St. Cronan's Road and Dwyer Road junctions, and in the northbound direction between the St. Cronan's Road and Upper Dargle Road junctions, it is proposed to widen Castle Street to accommodate bus and cycle lanes in both directions. To facilitate this land take, including car parking, would be required from the Castle Street Shopping Centre, the Dargle Centre and adjoining commercial areas to the north and south, as well as parts of gardens and land from St. Philomena's School.

It is proposed to widen Dublin Road to accommodate bus and cycle lanes in each direction for its full length from Castle Street to the Wilford junction. This will include upgrades to the existing signal controlled junctions of Upper Dargle Road, Old Connaught Avenue/Corke Abbey Avenue as well as incorporating the proposed signal controlled junction servicing St. Philomena's School which is under construction at the time of writing. To facilitate this land take would be required. This would include private lands to the south and east of the existing Wilford junction including a cottage, a service station (Topaz), as well as sections of front gardens on Dublin Road between Windsor Motors and the Old Connaught Avenue and private lands along the existing frontages of Windsor Motors, the old Bray Yarns complex, and St. Philomena's School. A significant mature tree which is subject to a tree preservation order will need to be removed from the grounds of St Philomena's School

It is proposed to upgrade the Wilford roundabout to a signalised junction which would enhance priority for buses and improve pedestrian and cyclist provision.

It is proposed to upgrade bus stops to mitigate pedestrian and cyclist conflicts throughout, as well as providing Real Time Passenger Information (RTPI) and shelters where required.

8.3.2 Section 2 Bray North to Loughlinstown

Length of Scheme Section: 4.2km

Indicative Infrastructure Cost: €10 million - €12 million

Indicative Land Acquisition Cost: €14 million

Total Indicative Cost of Scheme Section: €24million - €26 million

Road widening will be required to provide bus and cycle lanes in both directions on the Dublin Road between Wilford junction and Crinken Lane, to the south of Shankill Village. This will require land take from agricultural land and portions of gardens and the removal of a large number of significant mature trees and stone boundary walls. A new signalised junction servicing the Woodbrook/Shanganagh LAP lands will be incorporated.

Due to geometrical constraints through Shankill Village, it is not considered practical to provide dedicated cycle facilities through this section. An alternative route to the west of the village is proposed for cyclists, this would generally comprise cyclists sharing low traffic volume, low speed roads. This route, which follows along Beech Road, Mountain View and Stonebridge Close, onto Lower Road and connecting to Dublin Road via a proposed access ramp. Construction of this route option will require land take from portions of private gardens.

From Crinken Lane to Quin's Road junction it is proposed to widen the road to provide dedicated bus lanes in each direction. From here geometrical constraints mean that it is not practical to provide continuous bus lanes in both directions. For southbound buses continuous bus lanes are proposed through Shankill Village. For northbound buses two sets of traffic lights and a length of northbound bus lane through the village are proposed as part of a queue relocation system to provide priority. To the north of Shankill Village there is a narrow bridge over the old railway line and widening of this bridge is restricted by buildings on either side. For this 180m section, buses would be required to merge with general traffic. Land take from portions of front gardens will be required along this section.

It is proposed to upgrade the Quinn's Road roundabout to a signalised junction to improve pedestrian provision and to incorporate measures to provide priority for buses in both directions. It is also proposed to upgrade the roundabout at St Anne's Church to a signalised junction and a northbound bus lane would be provided on the approach to this junction from Shankill Village to ensure priority for buses in both directions at the junction.

Road widening is proposed to provide bus lanes, footpaths and cycle paths along the section between this new junction at St Anne's Church and the Loughlinstown Roundabout. This will include upgrading the existing signal controlled junction at Stonebridge Road. On the northbound approach to the Loughlinstown roundabout cyclists will cross over to the two-way cycle track on the eastern side of the road to enable them to safely bypass the Loughlinstown Roundabout before re-joining two-way cycle facilities on the N11. This will require land take from gardens along the whole length and removal of trees, residential off-street parking will not be affected. Land take would also be required from the grounds of St Anne's Church and the car park would need to be reconfigured in order to retain the same number of car parking spaces.

It is proposed to partially signalise the Loughlinstown Roundabout to reduce overall delays for all users and to provide enhanced journey time reliability to buses. On the southbound approach to the roundabout road realignment will be required to extend the bus lane to and around the eastern side of the roundabout and to provide clearance for buses under the existing footbridge. It is proposed to provide a dedicated bus lane on the northbound approach to the Wyattville junction. This will require reconfiguration of the existing Cherrywood Road signalised junction, as well as amending the existing service road running parallel to the N11 into a one-way northbound only route.

It is proposed to upgrade bus stops to mitigate pedestrian and cyclist conflicts throughout, as well as providing Real Time Passenger Information (RTPI) and shelters where required.

8.3.3 Section 3 Loughlinstown to UCD

Length of Scheme Section: 9.2km

Indicative Infrastructure Cost: €9 million - €11 million

Indicative Land Acquisition Cost: €2 million

Total Indicative Cost of Scheme Section: €11million - €13 million

This section has existing good quality bus provision throughout and so the extent of the works required is less than in Sections 1 & 2. The majority of the works proposed in this section involve upgrading pedestrian and cyclist facilities. This includes amendments to existing junction layouts to improve bus priority and enhance pedestrian and cycle facilities. Footpaths will be provided parallel to the N11 in the locations where pedestrians are currently forced to share with cyclists or use alternative, and sometime circuitous, off-line routes. It is proposed to upgrade bus stops to mitigate pedestrian and cyclist conflicts throughout, as well as providing Real Time Passenger Information (RTPI) and shelters where required. In general, indented bus bays (bus lay-byes) have been provided where practicable.

It is proposed to indent the existing bus bay by St Laurence College and this will require land take locally, it is also proposed provide a pedestrian link to improve permeability to Shanganagh Vale here. The design will incorporate a new junction connecting to the Cherrywood SDZ close to Kilgobbet Grove which is under construction at the time of writing. New footpaths are proposed along either side of the N11 between Old Bray Road (south of Cabinteely) and Westminster Road junction. This will require widening into existing verges and removal of trees.

The junction at Clonkeen Road will be upgraded to provide an additional pedestrian crossing, this will require the reconfiguration of the existing traffic islands. Land take will be required at this junction to indent bus bays on both sides of the road. Some land take will be required at Johnstown Road junction to ensure pedestrians can pass around the back of the existing bus stops and avoid conflict with cyclists. A new toucan crossing is proposed to allow bus passengers and cyclists to cross at Westminster Road junction. To facilitate this the U-turning will be removed, motorists wishing to make this U-turn can make the manoeuvre at the next junction instead. Land take will be required here to indent the outbound bus bay.

The junction at Kill Lane will be upgraded and the left turn slip onto the N11 removed. Land take will be required to indent bus bays on both sides of the road here. A new Toucan crossing is proposed at near the Knocksinna junction to allow bus passengers and cyclists to cross the road, land take will be required here to indent bus bays on both sides of the road.

The junction at Leopardstown Road will be upgraded to improve pedestrian and cycle facilities. Land take will be required to extend the existing inbound left turn lane and to indent the inbound bus bay. The junction at Brewery Road will also be upgraded to enhance pedestrian and cyclist facilities, this will require construction of a new retaining wall in places to allow widening of the inbound cycle lane. Land take will be required to indent the outbound bus bay here and at the nearby bus stop at St John of Gods. It is proposed to provide new footpaths to increase pedestrian connectivity on both sides of the road along the N11 between the junctions of The Hill and Trees Road Lower, this will require widening into existing verges and removal of trees.

A significant upgrade to the junction at Lower Kilmacud Road is proposed to improve pedestrian and cyclist facilities. Three of the four left turn slips will be removed, and wider pedestrian refuges will be provided as

well as enhanced cycle facilities. This will require the realignment of the N11 on both approaches to the junction.

The junctions at Priory Drive and Trees Road Lower will be upgraded with the left turn slips onto the N11 removed. Land take will be required from portions of gardens on the western side of the road at the junction with Mount Merrion Avenue, this will allow continuous cycle facilities to be provided inbound and reduce conflict with pedestrians.

Several bus stops will be relocated to improve safety between Trees Road Lower and Foster's Avenue, where bus stops are currently provided in close proximity, their rationalisation will also reduce delays to buses. This includes the bus stop adjacent to Sycamore Crescent where conflicts arise between cyclists and pedestrians due to insufficient widths, with the existing inbound bus stop relocated to adjacent Greenfield Road. The existing inbound bus stop at the Foster's Ave junction will be relocated 130m to the south.

It is proposed to set back the existing concrete barrier at the footbridge near Colaiste Eoin, this will allow for the provision of continuous outbound bus and cycle lanes under the bridge. Proposed upgrades to the Foster's Avenue junctions include providing a dedicated left turn lane outside the bus lane to reduce delays caused by queuing vehicles obstructing the bus and also providing enhanced facilities for straight-ahead cyclists.

Land take will be required from UCD in places to indent two bus bays and to widen existing cycle tracks. A new pedestrian link to UCD is proposed close to the Seafield Road junction. It is proposed to provide bus stops on the northbound off-ramp at UCD. This will facilitate interchange with the proposed UCD to Blanchardstown Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) as well as facilitating buses continuing into the city along the N11 or turning back southbound via the UCD flyover.

8.4 Summary

8.4.1 Infrastructure Provision

The emerging preferred route measures approximately 14.5 km in total. Along the emerging preferred route existing bus infrastructure is provided along approximately 69% (10km) in the inbound direction and 69% (10.1km) in the outbound direction.

The emerging preferred scheme would improve this provision to approximately 97% (14.1km) for the inbound direction and 98% (14.2km) in the outbound direction. Queue relocation systems are provided through Shankill Village which will give buses enhanced priority in the areas where it is not practicable to provide dedicated bus lanes. In addition, improvements to cycle infrastructure along the emerging preferred route, which incorporates primary routes 12 and 12A, would increase the overall provision to 13.35km (92%) in each direction, with an alternative off-line cycle route provided for the section without cycle facilities.

8.4.2 Cost Estimates

A high-level cost estimate for has been prepared based on the concept design drawings. According to this estimate the proposed CBC infrastructure cost is anticipated to be in the region of €45m-€55m.

8.4.3 Journey Time Benefits

Through the provision of increased bus priority infrastructure, the proposed scheme would improve the overall journey time for buses as well as the journey time reliability. A review of the existing journey time data for buses illustrates the issues that will be addressed by the proposed scheme.

The following graphs show the existing journey time and bus speed data for the section of the 145 bus route which overlaps with the emerging preferred route (between Quinsborough Road, Bray & UCD). The information presented in these graphs has been taken from the automatic vehicle location system on the Dublin Bus fleet and the journey times are inclusive of dwell times at stops. Figure 8.2 presents the average journey time over certain time periods during a normal weekday for the inbound and outbound directions.

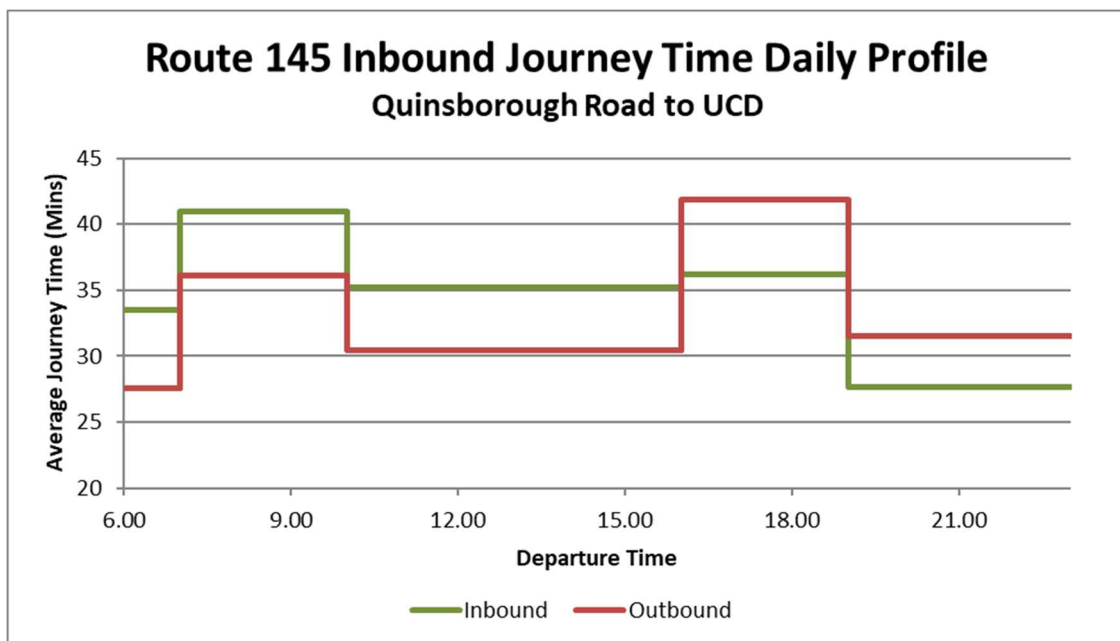


Figure 8.2 Existing Average Journey Times

The graphs presented in Figure 8.3 and Figure 8.4 show the current issues with journey time reliability along the route. Journey times during the core hours of bus operation (0:700-19:00) are observed to vary between 35 minutes and 41 minutes inbound and between 30 minutes and 42 minutes outbound. The variation in journey times is most likely due to the lack of bus priority on sections of the route as well as boarding times at stops which are high due to the requirement for each passenger to interact with the driver.

The journey times outside of these hours, when traffic volumes are lower, are more reflective of the journey times which could be achieved by a combination of improved bus priority, better enforcement of bus lanes and cashless fares.

After 19:00 in the evening the average journey time reduces to 28 minutes inbound and 32 minutes outbound. Similarly, before 07:00 in the morning journey times reduce to 34 minutes inbound and 28 minutes outbound. The variance in journey time is in the order of 13 minutes inbound and 14 minutes outbound depending on the time of departure.

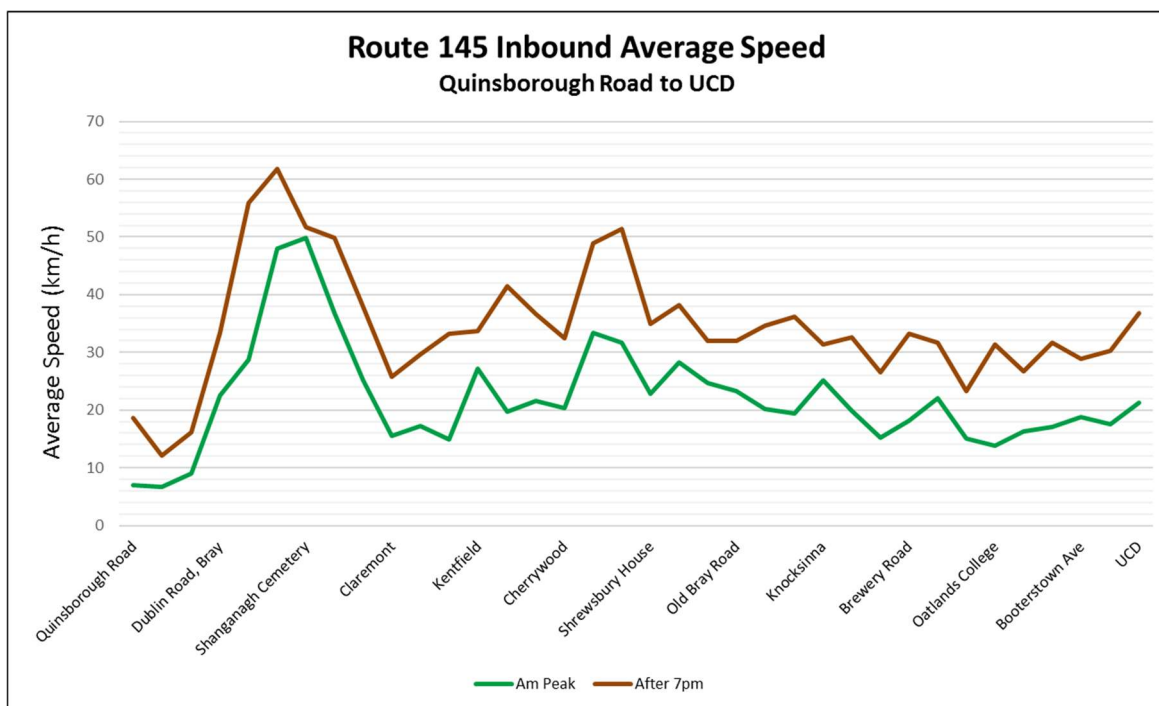


Figure 8.3 Existing Inbound Average Speed

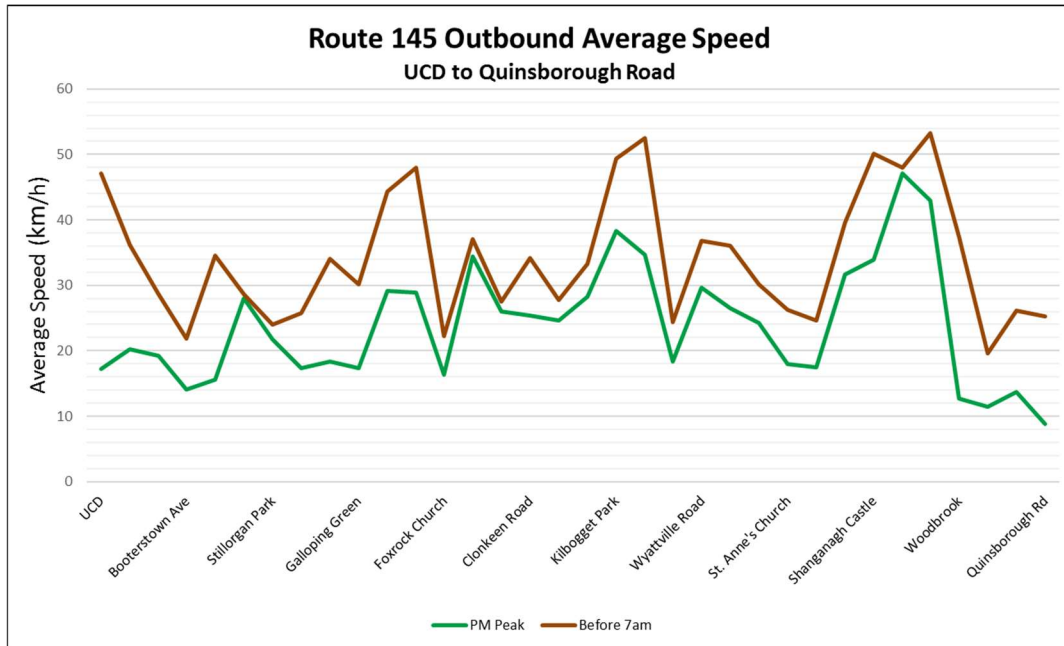


Figure 8.4 Existing Outbound Average Speed

Looking at both the inbound and outbound data, it can be seen that the average speed for buses along the route is higher during off-peak times, in uncongested conditions compared to the higher speeds attained by the bus during the off-peak times. This further illustrates the benefits improved bus priority will bring to buses operating along the proposed route.

Based on the above, a conclusion can be drawn that by improving the provision of bus lanes along the route (coupled with the introduction of cashless fares) the risk of journey time turbulence to buses would be reduced, allowing the buses to move along the route quicker and with more consistent journey times. The extent of these benefits will be confirmed and quantified at the next design stage.

9 NEXT STEPS

This report has identified an emerging preferred route for the bus infrastructure along this Core Bus Corridor for which a concept design has been developed.

The next project stage (The development of a Preliminary Design) will further refine and update the initial concept design along the route. Further account will be taken of likely public transport service levels, particularly the bus service patterns and any changes to the overall bus network which may arise from the separate bus network review process. The proposals will be amended, if and as required, to integrate any resultant changes. The Preliminary Design will define the final practically achievable scheme for the CBC, considering more detailed studies of constraints, impacts and environmental assessment required at a local level.

Prior to finalisation of the CBC scheme design, a public consultation process will be undertaken, with inputs and feedback received incorporated where practical and appropriate to do so.

This Preliminary Design will form the basis of the planning consent process for the scheme, which will require a development consent application to be made directly to An Bord Pleanála, due to the nature and extent of the proposed works.

Appendix A

Scheme Options Assessment Stage 2		Section 1	
Assessment Criteria	Sub-Criteria	SCHEME 1A	SCHEME 1B
1	Economy	<p>Capital Cost</p> <p>Total - € 14.6 m Cost per KM - € 12.8 m</p> <p>Indicative Scheme Infrastructure Works Cost - €4.4 m Private Land Costs - €10.2 m</p> <p>-Dedicated bus lanes will be constructed from Castle St to Wilford Roundabout</p> <p>-Upgrades on the Dublin Rd will involve land take from gardens as well as the purchase of the Topaz garage and car park spaces from businesses.</p> <p>-Land take involves 3385 sqm of gardens/green spaces, 280 sqm of St Philomena's National school, 1088 sqm of parking spaces/commercial property, a Topaz Garage, a house and one commercial building that has been demolished and has yet to be reconstructed</p> <p>-Wilford Roundabout and junctions at Upper Dargle Rd, Old Connaught Ave, Seapoint Rd and The Maltings will be upgraded as part of the scheme. 2 new pedestrian cyclist/bridges will be constructed either side of the existing DArgle Bridge</p> <p>26 private landowners affected</p>	<p>Total - € 30.25 m Cost per KM - € 10.99 m</p> <p>Indicative Scheme Infrastructure Cost - € 7.3 m Private Land Costs - € 22.95 m</p> <p>-Dedicated bus lanes will be provided from Lidl to the Wilford Roundabout</p> <p>-This scheme uses part of a road being constructed as a new access to St Philomena's National School. A new road would be constructed through the green field site of the Old Bray Golf Club which links to a new bridge over the Dargle River. A new bridge would also be constructed over Seapoint Rd leading to Bray DART station. Dedicated bus lanes will be provided for the majority of this section, with some share running with future LUAS likely required between the new Dargle River bridge and Bray DART station.</p> <p>-Wilford Roundabout and junctions at Old Connaught Ave, Quinsborough Rd and Florence Rd will be upgraded as part of the scheme</p> <p>-Land take involves 13466 sqm of private land, 111 sqm of commercial parking, a house and the Topaz garage</p> <p>24 private landowners affected</p>
		<i>Rank</i>	
	Journey-time reliability and quality of service	<p>The scheme has a total length of 1.35 km and from initial journey time calculations would take an average of 6-7 mins.</p> <p>Full priority is provided on Dublin Rd and Castle St.</p> <p>It is anticipated that supplementary measures such as a queue relocation system would reduce delays for buses on the Bray Main St approach to the scheme when it is congested leading to more reliable journey times, however some delays will still be experienced</p> <p>94% dedicated bus lanes inbound and 100% dedicated bus lanes outbound provided (As far as the River Dargle)</p>	<p>The scheme has a total length of 2.33 km and from initial journey time calculations would take an average of 7-8 mins.</p> <p>Full priority is provided on Dublin Rd, and new road through the golf club lands. Shared running likley required with future LUAS between the new Dargle River bridge and Bray DART station.</p> <p>It is anticipated that supplementary measures such as a queue relocation system would reduce delays for buses on the Bray Main St approach to the scheme when it is congested leading to more reliable journey times, however some delays will still be experienced</p> <p>95% dedicated bus lanes inbound and 100% dedicated bus lanes outbound provided</p>
<i>Rank</i>			

Scheme Options Assessment Stage 2		Section 1		
Assessment Criteria	Sub-Criteria	SCHEME 1A	SCHEME 1B	
2	Integration	Land Use Integration	The route provide a direct link into Bray Town Centre which offers a mix of employment and retail development. The section on Dublin Road between St. Phlomena's School and Wilford roundabout (Wilford to Bray County Boundary) is in accordance with Dun Loaghaire Rathdown Development Plan (2016-2022) 6-year road proposal and objective to provide a bus priority route.	The route will serve the proposed future mixed-use development of the former Bray Golf Club Lands designated for development within the Bray Town Development Plan and will also link directly to the town centre.The section on Dublin Road between St. Phlomena's School and Wilford roundabout (Wilford to Bray County Boundary) is in accordance with Dun Loaghaire Rathdown Development Plan (2016-2022) 6-year road proposal and objective to provide a bus priority route.
		<i>Rank</i>		
		Residential Population		
		400m (5 mins)	3024	4031
		800m (10 mins)	8461	9336
		1200m (15 mins)	14896	15461
		Employment Catchment		
		400m (5 mins)	2021	2600
		800m (10 mins)	3486	3770
		1200m (15 mins)	4390	4513
		Total residential and employment (10 mins)	11947	13106
		Total residential and employment (10 mins) per km	6637	4854
		<i>Rank</i>		
		Transport Network Integration	This scheme can be used by other buses passing through Bray Town and continuing further South. There is a short walk to link with Bray DART station. The route will likely provide connectivity with proposed LUAS line B2 (depending on location of future Luas stops) Access to all areas of Bray maintained as normal. A supplementary queue relocation system will mean additional delays for general traffic using Bray Main St.	This scheme links directly with Bray DART station, and future LUAS line B2 and it also provides direct access to bus services that use Bray Main St. Queue relocation system will mean additional delays for general traffic using Bray Main St. Access to all areas of Bray maintained as normal.
		<i>Rank</i>		
Cyclists and pedestrian Integration	This scheme follows GDACNP primary/secondary cycle route B1 along Dublin Road and Castle Street. Potential to provide sufficient level of service for cyclists.	This scheme follows GDACNP primary/secondary route B1 along Dublin Road with potential to provide sufficient level of service for cyclists. Cycle facilities could be incorporated along the proposed new road through the Old Bray Golf Course which would provide links to GDACNP route W11/N5 greenway.		
<i>Rank</i>				

Scheme Options Assessment Stage 2		Section 1		
Assessment Criteria	Sub-Criteria	SCHEME 1A	SCHEME 1B	
3	Accessibility and Social Inclusion	High volume trip attractors	Route serves Bray town centre including a number of employment and education trip attractors as listed below. -Bray Town Centre -Employment Centres along Corke Abbey Ave. -5 Primary Schools (1808 students) -4 Secondary School (2476 students)	Route serves Bray town centre and DART station, including a number of employment and education trip attractors as listed below. -Bray Town Centre -Employment Centres along Corke Abbey Ave. -5 Primary School (1808 students) -4 Secondary Schools (2476 students)
		<i>Rank</i>		
		Deprived Geographic Areas	Equal across all options. No RAPID areas	Equal across all options. No RAPID areas
	<i>Rank</i>			
4	Safety	Road Safety	The route interfaces with 6 no. junctions, all of which would require "straight-through" movements of buses. Improvements to Wilford roundabout will improve road safety.	The route interfaces with 7 no. junctions, which would require 4 turn movements for buses in each direction (1 right turns and 3 left turns in outbound direction and 3 right turns and 1 left turns inbound). Improvements to Wilford roundabout will improve road safety.
		<i>Rank</i>		
5	Environment	Archaeological, Architectural and Cultural Heritage	The route runs through the designated ZAP of the historic core of Bray town along Bray Main St. There is a potential that remains may be uncovered in in this area during construction if ground works are proposed beneath the current street levels Architectural Heritage: Demolition of Protected Structure Woodbrook Side Lodge (RPS 1874)	The route runs in greenfields in the vicinity of a number of recorded archaeological sites. The presence of these sites is an indication of a general archaeological potential to reveal previously unknown (truncated) features beneath the topsoil. Architectural Heritage: Demolition of Protected Structure Woodbrook Side Lodge (RPS 1874)
		<i>Rank</i>		

Scheme Options Assessment Stage 2		Section 1	
Assessment Criteria	Sub-Criteria	SCHEME 1A	SCHEME 1B
	Flora and Fauna	<p>There is unlikely to be any significant impact on any sites of international or national conservation value. This is because there is unlikely to be any connectivity or impact on pathways between the route option and any nationally or internationally designated sites.</p> <p>Several small trees and shrubs may be lost north of the bridge on castle street. Potential impacts on birds if removed in breeding season.</p> <p>Crossing of River Dargle has the potential to result in impacts on water quality through release of polluting construction materials. This could impact fauna, particularly aquatic species such as fish. No invasive species were noted on the bank, and there were no signs of otter holts.</p> <p>An old ivy-covered wall and sections of hedgerow/treeline at entrance to St. Philomena's School/John of Gods will be removed. Map 13 of Town Plan indicates Tree Preservation Order (TPO) apply to these trees. Potential impacts on birds if removed in breeding season.</p> <p>Where removal of Topaz petrol station, Fitzpatrick motors and gate lodge/protected structure north of Nissan Garage is required, there is a risk that the buildings host roosting bats. The risk for all but the latter is considered to be low.</p> <p>Loss of individual trees and shrubs in public and private green space on Dublin Road in Little Bray has potential for impact on breeding birds if vegetation cleared in breeding season.</p> <p>Several trees will need to be removed to provide a bus lane around Wilford Rbt. Potential to host nesting birds in the bird breeding season.</p>	<p>There is unlikely to be any significant impact on any sites of international or national conservation value. This is because there is unlikely to be any connectivity or impact on pathways between the route option any nationally or internationally designated sites.</p> <p>'This route will involve the removal of two buildings - one east of Bray Wanderer's club, and one north of the Nissan Garage close to the Wilford roundabout. There is potential that either building could host roosting bats.</p> <p>Area of rough grassland and hedge to be removed adjacent to railway line has potential to host nesting birds in the bird breeding season. This area was not accessible for survey and is based on study of aerial imagery.</p> <p>Crossing of River Dargle has the potential to result in impacts on water quality through release of polluting construction materials. This could impact fauna, particularly aquatic species such as fish. No invasive species were noted on the bank, and there were no signs of otter holts.</p> <p>Several trees will need to be removed to provide a bus lane around Wilford Rbt. Potential to host nesting birds in the bird breeding season.</p> <p>Part of scheme to run through existing greenfield site (Old Bray Golf Club lands), this may result in the loss of habitats of ecological value. The ecological value of these habitats cannot be fully assessed at this stage prior to access to lands, however the lands appear to have significant tree cover. There is potential that trees are used by roosting bats and nesting birds.</p> <p>Where removal of Topaz petrol station and Fitzpatrick motors is required, there is a risk that the buildings host roosting bats. For these buildings, this risk is considered to be low.</p> <p>Loss of individual trees and shrubs in public and private green space on Dublin Road in Little Bray has potential for impact on breeding birds if vegetation is cleared in breeding season.</p>
		Rank	

Scheme Options Assessment Stage 2		Section 1	
Assessment Criteria	Sub-Criteria	SCHEME 1A	SCHEME 1B
	Soils and Geology	This scheme (as with scheme 1B) passes through and requires the outright purchase of a Topaz garage. Other notable features relating to soils and geology along this route include possible bedrock outcropping in Bray town and associated areas of extreme aquifer vulnerability.	As with route 1A this route passes beside a Topaz garage and will require the purchase of the garage. This route also crosses through a golfcourse and park area and will require the construction of a bridge over the River Dargle, with associated bridge foundations. This route also passes close to an electroplating and manufacturing company and possible factory/plant (although it is unknown if these would suggest ground contamination). The extend of groundworks on this scheme is considerably higher than that for scheme 1A and so it scores comparitively worse on this criterion
	<i>Rank</i>		
	Hydrology	Route passes through area of Castle Street/Ravenswell which has been subjected to flooding, however ongoing flood protection works likely to mitigate any risks. Existing bridge crossing of River Dargle to be utilised with additional pedestrian/cycle bridges are proposed either side of the existing Dargle Bridge. Minimal potential for impacts to Hydrology.	'Route passes through area of Ravenswell which has been subjected to flooding, however ongoing flood protection works likely to mitigate any risks.New bridge over River Dargle required. It is assumed that any new bridge will be designed to ensure minimal potential impact to Hydrology
	<i>Rank</i>		
	Landscape and visual	Widening of the Dublin Rd from Wilford Roundabout to Supervalu will have a negative impact because of the removal of portions of front gardens and green spaces Land-take along east side of Castle Street – Dublin Road from south of St. Philomena’s School Entrance north to N11 / Dublin Road Roundabout will result in direct loss of existing boundaries, portion of gardens, mature plantings and trees at St. Philomena’s School Entrance; and from Corke Abbey Avenue junction north to N11 / Dublin Road Roundabout.	Widening of the Dublin Rd from Wilford Roundabout to Lidl will have a negative impact because of the removal of front gardens and green spaces The Old Bray Golf Club has been zoned for redevelopment, the scheme is in keeping with the planned developments Visual impact on residential streets of Quinsborough Road, Duncairn Road, Florence Road and Seapoint Court. Land-take along east side of Dublin Road from Lidl to N11 / Dublin Road Roundabout will result in direct loss of existing boundaries, portion of gardens, mature plantings and trees from Corke Abbey Avenue junction north to N11 / Dublin Road Roundabout.
	<i>Rank</i>		
	Noise, Vibration and Air	On Dublin Rd and Castle St the proposed scheme will result in traffic being relocated closer to sensitive receptors due to road widening. Where this is the case there is likely to be an increase in noise vibration and air pollutants	On Dublin Rd the proposed scheme will result in traffic being relocated closer to sensitive receptors due to road widening. Where this is the case there is likely to be an increase in noise vibration and air pollutants. This scheme travels partially on a new built road away from sensitve receptors
	<i>Rank</i>		

Scheme Options Assessment Stage 2		Section 1	
Assessment Criteria	Sub-Criteria	SCHEME 1A	SCHEME 1B
	Land Use and the Built Environment	<p>From Topaz to Wilford Rd. widening of roads along the scheme would result in potential significant impact (loss of portions of front gardens) to a number of properties</p> <p>Land-take along east side of Castle Street – Dublin Road from south of St. Philomena’s School Entrance north to N11 /Dublin Road Roundabout.</p>	<p>CBC will be planned and developed as part of mixed-use development of the former Bray Golf Club Lands</p> <p>From Topaz to Wilford Rd. widening of roads along the scheme would result in potential significant impact (loss of portions of front gardens) to a number of properties.</p> <p>Land-take along east side of Dublin Road from Lidl north to N11 /Dublin Road Roundabout.</p> <p>Significant impact to the streetscape of Quinsborough Road & Florence Road. Likely removal of street trees and large numbers of on-street parking residential parking spaces</p>
	<i>Rank</i>		

Option Assessment Stage 2 (Multi Criteria Analysis)		Section 2					
Assessment Criteria	Sub-Criteria	SCHEME 2A	SCHEME 2B	SCHEME 2C	SCHEME 2D	SCHEME 2E	
1	Economy	<p>Total - € 31.7 million Cost per KM - € 7.6 million</p> <p>Indicative Scheme Infrastructure Cost - € 15.9 million Private Land Costs - € 15.8 million</p> <p>Between Wilford junction and the Dublin Road south of Loughlinstown Roundabout the bus will run in a dedicated bus-only corridor to the east of the M11 with landtake generally from the existing wide road reservation and some gardens and private lands. Upgrade of Wilford Roundabout to signalised junction and signalisation of Loughlinstown Roundabout.</p> <p>Land take involves 10530 sqm of private land</p> <p>13 private landowners affected</p>	<p>Total - € 24.6 million Cost per KM - € 5.9 million</p> <p>Indicative Scheme Infrastructure Cost - € 10.5 million Private Land Costs - € 14.1 million</p> <p>South of Shankill Village dedicated bus lanes and segregated cycle tracks will be provided on the Dublin Rd between Wilford junction and Crinken lane. This will involve land take in the form of green fields, front gardens and lands from public amenity and green space. Dedicated bus lanes will be provided between Crinken Lane and Quin's Road junction. An alternative cycle route will be provided to the east of the village following Beech Road/Crinken/Mountain View with land take required to provide a connection to Lower Road via Assumpta Park or Stone Bridge Close. On the northern end of Lower Road landtake would be required to provide a connection through to Dublin Road in the vicinity of St. Annes Church roundabout.</p> <p>Sections of dedicated bus lanes in both direction in Shankill Village between Quins Road and St. Annes Church junction, with enhanced priority for buses provided using queue relocation at the upgraded Quins Road, St. Annes/Corbawn Lane and Lower Road junctions.</p> <p>North of Shankill Village dedicated bus lanes and segregated cycle tracks will be provided along Dublin Road. This will involve land take from St Anne's Church carpark, Rathmichael School, green spaces and front gardens.</p> <p>Quins Rd and St. Annes Church roundabouts will be upgraded to a signalised junctions and the junction at Stonebridge road will also be upgraded as part of the scheme. Upgrades to Loughlinstown and Wilford junctions to provide enhanced priority for buses.</p> <p>Land take involves 9396 sqm of private land</p> <p>42 private landowners affected</p>	<p>Total - € 22.6 million Cost per KM - € 5.4 million</p> <p>Indicative Scheme Infrastructure Cost - € 13.3 million Private Land Costs - € 9.3 million</p> <p>South of Shankill Village dedicated bus lanes and segregated cycle tracks will be provided on the Dublin Rd between Wilford junction and Crinken lane. This will involve land take in the form of green fields, front gardens and lands from public amenity and green space. Between Crinken Lane and the Dublin Road south of Loughlinstown Roundabout the bus will run in a dedicated corridor to the east of the M11 with landtake generally from the existing wide road reservation and some gardens and private lands. Upgrade of Wilford Roundabout to signalised junction and signalisation of Loughlinstown Roundabout.</p> <p>Land take involves 6220 sqm of private land</p> <p>23 private landowners affected</p>	<p>Total - € 41 million Cost per KM - € 10 million</p> <p>Indicative Scheme Infrastructure Cost - € 17.2 million Private Land Costs - € 23.8 million</p> <p>South of Shankill Village dedicated bus lanes and segregated cycle tracks will be provided on the Dublin Rd between Wilford junction and Crinken lane. This will involve land take in the form of green fields, front gardens and lands from public amenity and green space. Between Crinken Lane and the Dublin Road south of Loughlinstown Roundabout general traffic will be routed via a new road running to the east of the M11 with landtake generally from the existing wide road reservation and some gardens and private lands. Dedicated bus lanes will be provided between Crinken Lane and Quin's Road junction.</p> <p>A bus-only gate would be provided between the St. Annes/Corbawn Lane junction and the Dublin Road/Lower Road with through traffic routed via the new road to the west of Shankill.</p> <p>North of Shankill Village dedicated bus lanes and segregated cycle tracks will be provided along Dublin Road. This will involve land take from St Anne's Church carpark, Rathmichael School, green spaces and front gardens.</p> <p>Upgrades to Loughlinstown and Wilford junctions to provide enhanced priority for buses.</p> <p>Land take involves 5810 sqm of gardens and 9740 sqm of agricultural land</p> <p>49 private landowners affected</p>	<p>Total - € 33.7 million Cost per KM - € 7.5 million</p> <p>Indicative Scheme Infrastructure Cost - € 13.3 million Private Land Costs - € 20.6 million</p> <p>Between Wilford junction and Crinken Lane the bus will run in a dedicated bus-only corridor to the east of the M11 with landtake generally from the existing wide road reservation and some gardens and private lands. Upgrade of Wilford Roundabout to signalised junction</p> <p>Dedicated bus lanes will be provided between Crinken Lane and Quin's Road junction. An alternative cycle route will be provided to the east of the village following Beech Road/Crinken/Mountain View with land take required to provide a connection to Lower Road via Assumpta Park or Stone Bridge Close. On the northern end of Lower Road landtake would be required to provide a connection through to Dublin Road in the vicinity of St. Annes Church roundabout.</p> <p>Sections of dedicated bus lanes in both direction in Shankill Village between Quins Road and St. Annes Church junction, with enhanced priority for buses provided using queue relocation at the upgraded Quins Road, St. Annes/Corbawn Lane and Lower Road junctions.</p> <p>North of Shankill Village dedicated bus lanes and segregated cycle tracks will be provided along Dublin Road. This will involve land take from St Anne's Church carpark, Rathmichael School, green spaces and front gardens.</p> <p>Quins Rd and St. Annes Church roundabouts will be upgraded to a signalised junctions and the junction at Stonebridge road will also be upgraded as part of the scheme. Upgrades to Loughlinstown and Wilford junctions to provide enhanced priority for buses.</p> <p>Land take involves 13706 sqm of private land</p> <p>32 private landowners affected</p>	
		Rank					
		Journey-time reliability and quality of service	<p>'96% dedicated bus lanes in bound and 100% outbound.</p> <p>The scheme has a total length of 4.2 km and from initial journey time calculations would take an average of 7-8 mins</p>	<p>'89% dedicated bus lanes inbound and 94% dedicated bus lanes outbound provided</p> <p>The scheme has a total length of 4.17 km and from initial journey time calculations, would take an average of 9-10 mins. In general good bus priority is provided throughout and therefore journey times will be reliable. Journey time savings would be minimal however, particularly along the section to the south of Shankill as buses currently experience few delays.</p>	<p>'96% dedicated bus lanes in bound and 100% outbound.</p> <p>The scheme has a total length of 4.2 km and from initial journey time calculations would take an average of 8-9 mins</p>	<p>'86% dedicated bus lanes inbound and 89% dedicated bus lanes outbound provided</p> <p>The scheme has a total length of 4.17 km and from initial journey time calculations, would take an average of 8-9 mins. In general good bus priority is provided throughout and whilst a bus-only gate is provided at Shankill village limiting access to local traffic there is a possibility of some journey time unreliability due to local traffic turning movements.</p>	<p>'89% dedicated bus lanes inbound and 94% dedicated bus lanes outbound provided</p> <p>The scheme has a total length of 4.5 km and from initial journey time calculations, would take an average of 10-11 mins. In general good bus priority is provided throughout and therefore journey times will be reliable.</p>
Rank							
2	Integration	<p>The route would pass to the south and west of the proposed Woodbrook-Shanganagh LAP. Sections of the LAP including most of the Shanganagh Castle lands and some of the Woodbrook lands would still be within a 10-15minute walk of the route.</p> <p>This route also passes within a 10-15 min walk of the Old Connaught LAP development lands, access to these lands would be facilitated by constructing a new pedestrian/cycle access route across the M11 at Allies River Road. This new access route is a specific objective of the county development plan</p>	<p>The route would pass alongside the proposed Woodbrook-Shanganagh LAP, thereby providing good integration with residential zoned lands.</p>	<p>The route would pass alongside the proposed Woodbrook-Shanganagh LAP, thereby providing good integration with residential zoned lands.</p>	<p>The route would pass alongside the proposed Woodbrook-Shanganagh LAP, thereby providing good integration with residential zoned lands.</p>	<p>The route would pass to the south and west of the proposed Woodbrook-Shanganagh LAP. Sections of the LAP including most of the Shanganagh Castle lands and some of the Woodbrook lands would still be within a 10-15minute walk of the route.</p> <p>This route also passes within a 10-15 min walk of the Old Connaught LAP development lands, access to these lands would be facilitated by constructing a new pedestrian/cycle access route across the M11 at Allies River Road. This new access route is a specific objective of the county development plan</p>	
		Rank					
		Residential Population Catchment					
		400m (5 mins)	2861	3292	2672	3393	2981
		800m (10 mins)	7975	10239	8378	10229	9836
		1200m (15 mins)	19280	20648	19522	20648	20406
		Employment Catchment					
400m (5 mins)	714	885	724	885	875		
800m (10 mins)	2225	2403	2272	2403	2356		
1200m (15 mins)	5824	5698	5788	5698	5734		
Total residential and employment (10 mins)	10200	12642	10650	12642	12192		
Total residential and employment (10 mins) per km	2429	3010	2536	3010	2903		
Rank							
Transport Network Integration	<p>This route passes to the west of Shankill village but would link with other buses using the national road network at Loughlinstown. The route would be further away from Shankill DART station and the proposed Woodbrook DART station and possible future park-and-ride facility when compared to other routes.</p>	<p>This route passes through Shankill Village and would link well with existing buses that use this route.</p> <p>The route is located a short walk from Shankill DART station and the proposed Woodbrook DART station and possible park-and-ride facility.</p>	<p>This route passes to the west of Shankill village but would link with other buses using the national road network at Loughlinstown.</p> <p>The route is located a short walk from the proposed Woodbrook DART station and possible park-and-ride facility but would be further away from Shankill DART station when compared to other routes.</p>	<p>This scheme passes through Shankill Village and would link well with existing buses that use this route.</p> <p>The route is located a short walk from Shankill DART station and the proposed Woodbrook DART station. The proposed bus gate is likely to result in significant diversion lengths for local traffic.</p>	<p>This route passes through Shankill Village and would link well with existing buses that use this route.</p> <p>The route is located a short walk from Shankill DART station.</p>		
Rank							
Cyclists and pedestrian integration	<p>The sections of this route that follow primary cycle route 12A would incorporate cycle facilities. The section of route between Wilford junction and the proposed junction to the south of Loughlinstown roundabout does not follow the cycle route and no pedestrian or cycle facilities would be provided along this bus-only road.</p>	<p>The route follows GDACNP primary cycle route 12A. Cycle facilities will be provided through a combination of segregated cycle tracks and an alternative off-line cycle route passing to the east of Shankill Village. There is insufficient space to provide on-line cycle facilities between Crinken Lane and Shankill Village and cyclists would either travel in the bus lanes or utilise the alternative route. Upgrades to existing footpaths and pedestrian crossings would also be provided.</p>	<p>This route partially follows primary route 12A, on the N11 and Crinken lane to Woodbrook junction sections. Segregated cycle facilities will be provided for this portion of the route. The section of route between Crinken Lane and the proposed junction to the south of Loughlinstown roundabout does not follow the cycle route and no pedestrian or cycle facilities would be provided along this bus-only road, however pedestrian and cycle access would be provided to proposed bus stops.</p>	<p>The route follows GDACNP primary cycle route 12A. Cycle facilities will be provided through segregated cycle tracks with provision of a bus gate and resultant reduction in general through-traffic facilitating a shared cycle street between Shankill village and Quins Road. Upgrades to existing footpaths and pedestrian crossings would also be provided.</p>	<p>The route partially follows GDACNP primary cycle route 12A. Cycle facilities will be provided through a combination of segregated cycle tracks and an alternative off-line cycle route passing to the east of Shankill Village. There is insufficient space to provide on-line cycle facilities between Crinken Lane and Shankill Village and cyclists would either travel in the bus lanes or utilise the alternative route. Upgrades to existing footpaths and pedestrian crossings would also be provided.</p> <p>The section along the new road parallel to the M11 is not on the GDA CNP and no cycle facilities would be provided.</p>		

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3	Accessibility and Social Inclusion	High volume trip attractors	Offers access to a number of high volume trips attractors and residential centres as outlined below. -Cherrywood Business Park -St. Columcille's Hospital -4 Primary Schools (930 students) -2 Secondary Schools (655 students)	Offers access to a number of high volume trips attractors and residential centres as outlined below. -Cherrywood Business Park -St. Columcille's Hospital -5 Primary Schools (1259 students) -2 Secondary Schools (655 students)	Offers access to a number of high volume trips attractors and residential centres as outlined below. -Cherrywood Business Park -St. Columcille's Hospital -4 Primary Schools (930 students) -2 Secondary Schools (655 students)	Offers access to a number of high volume trips attractors and residential centres as outlined below. -Cherrywood Business Park -St. Columcille's Hospital -Shankill Village -5 Primary Schools (1259 students) -2 Secondary Schools (655 students)	Offers access to a number of high volume trips attractors and residential centres as outlined below. -Cherrywood Business Park -St. Columcille's Hospital -Shankill Village -5 Primary Schools (1259 students) -2 Secondary Schools (655 students)
		Deprived Geographic Areas	Serves the northern section of the Loughlinstown and Shanganagh/Rathsalhagh RAPID area but not the southern section.	Serves the northern and southern sections of the Loughlinstown and Shanganagh/Rathsalhagh RAPID area.	Serves the northern section of the Loughlinstown and Shanganagh/Rathsalhagh RAPID area but not the southern section.	Serves the northern and southern sections of the Loughlinstown and Shanganagh/Rathsalhagh RAPID area.	Serves the northern and southern sections of the Loughlinstown and Shanganagh/Rathsalhagh RAPID area.
4	Safety	Road Safety	The route interfaces with 5 no. junctions. Upgrade and signalisation of the Loughlinstown, Wilford and Quins Road junctions would result in road safety improvements. The route option would result in a reduction in buses passing through Shankill Village. The integration of the bus-only route at the Wilford junction will likely be complex with potential traffic safety risks. With the exception of the sections running on existing roads this route does not provide for segregated cycle facilities. Pedestrian access at bus stops is likely to be provided through a combination of both controlled and uncontrolled crossings.	The route interfaces with 6 no. junctions (and a likely further 2 additional junctions associated with the proposed Shanganagh Castle and Woodbrook developments). Upgrade and signalisation of the Loughlinstown, St. Annes, Wilford and Quins Road junctions would result in road safety improvements. A combination of segregated cycle facilities and an alternative off-line cycle route passing to the east of Shankill Village will improve safety for cyclists. No cycle facilities will be provided through Shankill Village, however there are a number of locations where the village can be accessed from the alternative cycle route. The alternative route will have minimal benefits to the west of the village, however it will increase permeability between the residential areas to the south and the schools to the north. Segregated cycle facilities would improve safety for cyclists however widening of the road to the north and south of Shankill to provide bus lanes will likely result in increased vehicle speeds. Provision of bus lanes in Shankill Village will result in an increase in the number of traffic lanes at pedestrian crossing. Upgrades to existing footpaths and pedestrian crossings would also be provided.	The route interfaces with 6 no. junctions (and a likely further 2 additional junctions associated with the proposed Shanganagh Castle and Woodbrook developments). Upgrade and signalisation of the Loughlinstown, and Wilford junctions would result in road safety improvements. The route option would result in a reduction in buses passing through Shankill Village. The integration of the bus-only route at the Wilford junction will likely be complex with potential traffic safety risks. Segregated cycle facilities between Wilford and Crinken Lane would improve safety for cyclists however widening of the road along this to provide bus lanes will likely result in increased vehicle speeds. The provision of a dedicated bus route to the west of Shankill would mean no segregated cycle facilities between Crinken lane and south of Loughlinstown roundabout and existing advisory lanes would be retained.	The route interfaces with 6 no. junctions (and a likely further 2 additional junctions associated with the proposed Shanganagh Castle and Woodbrook developments). Upgrade and signalisation of the Loughlinstown, St. Annes, Wilford and Quins Road junctions would result in road safety improvements. Segregated cycle facilities would improve safety for cyclists however widening of the road to the north and south of Shankill to provide bus lanes will likely result in increased vehicle speeds. No cycle facilities will be provided through Shankill Village, however provision of a bus gate will reduce through traffic and improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists.	The route interfaces with 6 no. junctions. Upgrade and signalisation of the Loughlinstown, St. Annes, Wilford and Quins Road junctions would result in road safety improvements. A combination of segregated cycle facilities and an alternative off-line cycle route passing to the east of Shankill Village will improve safety for cyclists. No cycle facilities will be provided through Shankill Village, however there are a number of locations where the village can be accessed from the alternative cycle route. The alternative route will have minimal benefits to the west of the village, however it will increase permeability between the residential areas to the south and the schools to the north. Segregated cycle facilities would improve safety for cyclists. Provision of bus lanes in Shankill Village will result in an increase in the number of traffic lanes at pedestrian crossing. Upgrades to existing footpaths and pedestrian crossings would also be provided. The route option would result in a reduction in buses along the Dublin Road south of Shankill Village. Pedestrian access at bus stops is likely to be provided through a combination of both controlled and uncontrolled crossings.
	Archaeological, Architectural and Cultural Heritage	RMP/SMR sites The site of a cemetery cairn is known as Toole's Moat (DU026-067) is located in Old Connaght townland; disturbance of the site in the 1890s produced at least five inhumation burials, possibly within cists, and with a range of pottery, stone artefacts, and animal bones. The site was levelled in the 1960s to make way for playing fields at the new St Brendan's School. More recently, an area adjacent to the monument was excavated in advance of construction on the Shankill and Bray by-pass (the present M11) in 1989, revealing part of a ditch and some post-medieval material (Keeley 1989, 20). Stray finds The National Museum was also presented with a quantity of animal and human bones, possibly from O'Tooles Moat in Old Connaght (DU026-067) 'NIAH/ Protected Structures N/A	RMP/SMR sites Existing road adjacent to the site of an early 'Kilruck Church', Building, Cross, graveyard DU026-054001 Stray finds N/A 'NIAH/ Protected Structures Protected structures on the route/ in landtake: None	RMP/SMR sites N/a Stray finds N/A 'NIAH/ Protected Structures Protected structures on the route/ in landtake: None	RMP/SMR sites on the Bus route/ in landtake: Existing road adjacent to the site of an early 'Kilruck Church', Building, Cross, graveyard DU026-054001 'Along the alternative route for Cars: The site of a cemetery cairn is known as Toole's Moat (DU026-067) is located in Old Connaght townland; disturbance of the site in the 1890s produced at least five inhumation burials, possibly within cists, and with a range of pottery, stone artefacts, and animal bones. The site was levelled in the 1960s to make way for playing fields at the new St Brendan's School. More recently, an area adjacent to the monument was excavated in advance of construction on the Shankill and Bray by-pass (the present M11) in 1989, revealing part of a ditch and some post-medieval material (Keeley 1989, 20). Stray finds: Along the alternative route for Cars: The National Museum was also presented with a quantity of animal and human bones, possibly from O'Tooles Moat in Old Connaght (DU026-067)	RMP/SMR sites Existing road adjacent to the site of an early 'Kilruck Church', Building, Cross, graveyard DU026-054001 The site of a cemetery cairn is known as Toole's Moat (DU026-067) is located in Old Connaght townland; disturbance of the site in the 1890s produced at least five inhumation burials, possibly within cists, and with a range of pottery, stone artefacts, and animal bones. The site was levelled in the 1960s to make way for playing fields at the new St Brendan's School. More recently, an area adjacent to the monument was excavated in advance of construction on the Shankill and Bray by-pass (the present M11) in 1989, revealing part of a ditch and some post-medieval material (Keeley 1989, 20). Stray finds The National Museum was also presented with a quantity of animal and human bones, possibly from O'Tooles Moat in Old Connaght (DU026-067) 'NIAH/ Protected Structures Protected structures on the route/ in landtake: None	
		Summary Constraints Earthmoving works may identify further features associated with DU026-067 if the corridor runs outside the wayleave of the original N11 Corridor.	Protected Structures immediately adjacent: RPS 1873 Wilford House 'Wilford House (RPS 1873), 'Woodbrook Front Lodge (RPS 1871 including gates railings and Side lodge), the Aske Lodge and Main house (RPS 1866), Beauchamp House (RPS 1862); Saint James's Church (Original Building) (Note: Railings and Gates also Protected Structures) (RPS 1543); Shanganagh Marble and Stone Centre (Note: Railings and Gates and Granite Milestone also Protected Structures)(RPS 1858); Shanganagh Castle House, Castle and Gate Lodge (RPS 1845);Crinken Cottage (Former Gate Lodge to Shanganagh Castle)(RPS 1850); Plaque (Opposite Shankill Post Office)(RPS 1838); Saint Anne's Church (RPS 1805); Saint Anne's (RPS 1800); Saint Rita's (RPS 1521)	Summary Constraints A number Protected Structures are located adjacent to the road in a number of incidents their protection includes their entrance gates and railings .	Summary Constraints 'Along the alternative route for Cars: 'Earthmoving works may identify further features associated with DU026-067 if the corridor runs outside the wayleave of the original N11 Corridor.' Archaeological sites on the Bus route: There is a potential for features associated with the site of Kilruck Church might extend into the road, however the existing road has been disturbed and extended and the potential is deemed to be low.	Summary Constraints There is a potential for features associated with the site of Kilruck Church might extend into the road, however the existing road has been disturbed and extended and the potential is deemed to be low. Earthmoving works may identify further features associated with DU026-067 if the corridor runs outside the wayleave of the original N11 Corridor.	

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5	Environment	Flora and Fauna	No demolitions are proposed for this option. This option will result in the loss of existing immature woodland, treelines and amenity grassland verge along the M11. These trees have the potential to host nesting birds within the bird breeding season although based on their age and size, it is considered unlikely that any would support roosting bats. The loss of immature woodland is considered to be less significant when compared to the loss of a large number of mature trees along the Dublin Road. There is unlikely to be any significant impact on any sites of international conservation value. Although the route option passes through the Loughlinstown Wood pNHA, the area affected is taken up by existing N11 roadway. There will be no road widening in this section and therefore no significant ecological impact on the pNHA.	No demolitions are proposed for this option. 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		Soils and Geology	Requires a new road to be constructed along all of the route involving significant earthworks	Include works adjacent to a petrol station and land take to widen the existing roads although there will be no new road required for this route	Requires a new road to be constructed along the northern half of the route involving significant earthworks	Includes works adjacent to a petrol station and requires the construction of a new road in the northern half of the route (to the west) and road widening along the entire eastern side of the route	Requires a new road to be constructed along the southern half of the route involving significant earthworks. Includes works adjacent to a petrol station which may encounter contaminated soils
		Hydrology	Loughlinstown River passes under the existing N11 however it can be assumed that existing cross section of road will remain the same. Crinken stream crosses under the R119 (Dublin road) in Woodbrook	Loughlinstown River passes under the existing N11 however it can be assumed that existing cross section of road will remain the same. Crinken stream crosses under the R119 (Dublin road) in Woodbrook	Loughlinstown River passes under the existing N11 however it can be assumed that existing cross section of road will remain the same. Crinken stream crosses under the R119 (Dublin road) in Woodbrook	Loughlinstown River passes under the existing N11 however it can be assumed that existing cross section of road will remain the same. Crinken stream crosses under the R119 (Dublin road) in Woodbrook	Loughlinstown River passes under the existing N11 however it can be assumed that existing cross section of road will remain the same. Crinken stream crosses under the R119 (Dublin road) in Woodbrook
		Landscape and visual	Protected Views & Prospects: Little or No Impact Recreation Access Routes / Designated Walk Ways: Little or No Impact Tree Protection / Preservation: Potential Low-Medium Impact, Impact on mature woodland screen planting along M11, and localised impact on tree protection/preservation objectives. Landscape Impact on Protected Structures: Little or No Impact Landscape Impact Record of Monuments and Places: Little or No Impact Landscape Impact Architectural Conservation: Little or No Impact Visual Impact on properties: Potential Low Impact, Impacts primarily at Mountain View where new carriageway alongside the M11 will encroach on the residential area. Impact on Landscape / Townscape Character Potential Low-Medium impact, Impacts primarily at Mountain View where new carriageway will impact the landscape character alongside the M11.	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Impact on residential properties providing an off-line shared footpath/cycle lane from end of Mountain View cul-de-sac through to end of Stonebridge Court Impact on Landscape / Townscape Character Potential High-Major Impact Significant land-take will have a dramatic effect on the existing character of the road corridor south and north of Shankill Village. Changes to the road will have a medium impact on Shankill Village. Impact on mature trees / tree-lines along old railway line to provide off-line shared footpath/cycle access from roundabout at St. Anne's Church to Lower Road	Protected Views & Prospects: Little or No Impact Recreation Access Routes / Designated Walk Ways: Little or No Impact Tree Protection / Preservation: Potential High Impact Impact on mature woodland screen planting along M11. Landscape Impact on Protected Structures: Little or No Impact, Note route requires modification of boundary to Woodbrook Lodge. Landscape Impact Record of Monuments and Places: Little or No Impact Landscape Impact Architectural Conservation: Little or No Impact Visual Impact on properties: Potential High Impact Significant land-take to either side of road south of Crinken Lane. Land-take will result in significant loss of boundary stone walls, existing mature trees and impact on garden properties south of Crinken Lane. Impact on Landscape / Townscape Character Potential High Impact Significant land-take will have a dramatic effect on the existing character of the road corridor south of Crinken Lane and along Crinken Lane.	Protected Views & Prospects: Little or No Impact Recreation Access Routes / Designated Walk Ways: Little or No Impact Tree Protection / Preservation: Significant impact on a number of tree protection/preservation objectives throughout, and impact on mature woodland screen planting along M11. 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		Noise, Vibration and Air	There will be sections of the scheme (to the west of Shankill primarily) where the proposed scheme will result in traffic being relocated close to sensitive receptors. Where this is the case there is likely to be an increase in noise, vibration and air pollutants. Increases will be relative to the existing M11 running adjacent and it is likely that landscaping and screening can be incorporated into design to minimise these effects. There will be a reduction in the number of buses using the Dublin Road and this will reduce the levels of noise, vibration and air pollution experienced by a comparatively larger number of sensitive receptors	There will be sections of the scheme (through Shankill primarily) where the proposed scheme will result in traffic being relocated closer to sensitive receptors due to road widening. Where this is the case there is likely to be an increase in noise, vibration and air pollutants	There will be sections of the scheme (to the west of Shankill primarily) where the proposed scheme will result in the bus only route being located close to sensitive receptors. Where this is the case there is likely to be an increase in noise, vibration and air pollutants. Increases will be relative to the existing M11 running adjacent and it is likely that landscaping and screening can be incorporated into design to minimise these effects. There will be a reduction in the number of buses using the Dublin Road and this will reduce the levels of noise, vibration and air pollution experienced by a comparatively larger number of sensitive receptors	There will be sections of the scheme (to the west of Shankill primarily) where the proposed scheme will result in traffic being relocated close to sensitive receptors. Where this is the case there is likely to be an increase in noise, vibration and air pollutants. Increases will be relative to the existing M11 running adjacent and it is likely that landscaping and screening can be incorporated into design to minimise these effects. There will be a reduction in traffic using the Dublin Road and this will reduce the levels of noise, vibration and air pollution experienced by a comparatively larger number of sensitive receptors	There will be sections of the scheme (through Shankill primarily) where the proposed scheme will result in traffic being relocated close to sensitive receptors due to road widening. Where this is the case there is likely to be an increase in noise, vibration and air pollutants
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	Land Use and the Built Environment	<p>Amenity, Open Space, Recreational / Sports Land-use Potential Low Impact, Encroachment on open space at Mountain View and rear of Assumpta Park.</p> <p>Land take is from comparatively low amenity lands when compared to other schemes. No parking will be removed from Shankill Village</p>	<p>Amenity, Open Space, Recreational / Sports Land-use Potential Medium-High Impact</p> <p>Significant land-take from High Amenity Landscape at Woodbrook House and west of Dublin Road north to Kilturk Park/St. Joseph's. Impact on Playground / open space at Shanganagh Park. Impact on open space at Beech Road, Castle Farm, Cherrington Drive, etc.</p> <p>There will be a reduction in the number of parking spaces available in Shankill Village</p>	<p>Amenity, Open Space, Recreational / Sports Land-use Potential Medium-High Impact</p> <p>Significant land-take from High Amenity Landscape at Woodbrook House and west of Dublin Road north to Kilturk Park/St. Joseph's. Impact on Playground / open space at Shanganagh Park. Impact on open space at Mountain View, rear of Assumpta Park, etc.</p>	<p>Amenity, Open Space, Recreational / Sports Land-use Potential High Impact</p> <p>Significant land-take from High Amenity Landscape at Woodbrook House and west of Dublin Road north to Kilturk Park/St. Joseph's. Impact on Playground / open space at Shanganagh Park. Impact on open space at Beech Road, Castle Farm, Cherrington Drive, etc. and encroachment on open space at Mountain View and rear of Assumpta Park.</p>	<p>Amenity, Open Space, Recreational / Sports Land-use Potential High Impact</p> <p>Significant land-take from High Amenity Landscape at Woodbrook House and west of Dublin Road north to Kilturk Park/St. Joseph's. Impact on Playground / open space at Shanganagh Park. Impact on open space at Beech Road, Castle Farm, Cherrington Drive, etc. and encroachment on open space at Mountain View and rear of Assumpta Park.</p> <p>There will be a reduction in the number of parking spaces available in Shankill Village</p>
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1	Economy	<p>Capital Cost</p> <p>Total - €33.3 million Cost per KM - €2.8 million</p> <p>Indicative Scheme Infrastructure Works Cost - €26.1 million Private Land Costs - €7.1 million</p> <p>Dedicated bus lanes and segregated cycle facilities will be provided for the full length of the scheme.</p> <p>Upgrade of North and South Avenue will require removal of portions of public green space and front gardens</p> <p>Upgrades to a total of 19 junctions would be required as part of the scheme (9 minor, 8 moderate and 2 major junction upgrades).</p> <p>5113 sqm private lands affected, 0 houses to be removed</p> <p>135 private landowners affected</p>	<p>Total - €11.8 million Cost per KM - €1.2 million</p> <p>Indicative Scheme Infrastructure Works Cost - €10 million Private Land Costs - €1.8 million</p> <p>Dedicated bus lanes will be provided for the full length of the scheme, this scheme will benefit from current provision of bus lanes along the majority of the scheme.</p> <p>12 minor and 2 moderate junction upgrades will be part of the scheme</p> <p>1236 sqm of private lands affected</p> <p>29 private landowners affected</p>	<p>Total - €40.8 million Cost per KM - €4.1 million</p> <p>Indicative Scheme Infrastructure Works Cost - €18.9 million Private Land Costs - €21.9 million</p> <p>Dedicated bus lanes will be provided for the full length of the scheme except for a short section through Baker's Corner.</p> <p>Upgrade of Fleurville Road and Benamore Road will require the removal of 4 properties</p> <p>Upgrades of Stillorgan Park will require extensive removal of public green space</p> <p>10 minor, 7 moderate and 1 major junction upgrades will be part of the scheme</p> <p>13,266 sqm private lands affected, 4 properties to be removed</p> <p>169 private landowners affected</p>	<p>Total - €51.5 million Cost per KM - €4.7 million</p> <p>Indicative Scheme Infrastructure Works Cost - €29.1 million Private Land Costs - €22.4 million</p> <p>Dedicated bus lanes will be provided for the full length of the scheme except for a short section through Baker's Corner.</p> <p>Upgrade of Fleurville Road and Benamore Road will require the removal of 4 properties</p> <p>Upgrades of Stillorgan Park will require extensive removal of public green space</p> <p>10 minor, 7 moderate and 1 major junction upgrades will be part of the scheme</p> <p>13,627 sqm private lands affected, 4 properties to be removed</p> <p>188 private landowners affected</p>	
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		<p>Journey-time reliability and quality of service</p> <p>The scheme has a total length of 11.86 km and from initial journey time calculations, would take an average of 32-33 mins</p> <p>100% dedicated bus lane provided both inbound and outbound.</p>	<p>The scheme has a total length of 9.2 km and from initial journey time calculations, would take an average of 22-24 mins</p> <p>100% dedicated bus lane provided both inbound and outbound.</p>	<p>The scheme has a total length of 10 km and from initial journey time calculations, would take an average of 26-27 mins</p> <p>97% dedicated bus lanes provided inbound and outbound</p>	<p>The scheme has a total length of 11 km and from initial journey time calculations, would take an average of 27-28 mins</p> <p>97% dedicated bus lanes provided inbound and outbound</p>	
Rank						
	<p>Land Use Integration</p> <p>Offers the potential to link a number of large residential areas with key trip attractors such as Sandyford Industrial Estate (largest employment destination in the study area), UCD and the Cherrywood SDZ.</p>	<p>Serves a largely residential corridor providing links with a number of key destinations such as Stillorgan Shopping Centre, which has planning permission for redevelopment, a number of smaller employment centres and the Cherrywood SDZ.</p>	<p>Serves a largely residential corridor providing links to destinations such as the Stillorgan Shopping Centre, which has planning permission for redevelopment, and the Cherrywood SDZ as well as zoned employment lands along Pottery Rd.</p>	<p>The vast majority of the scheme is zoned as residential though it will serve the Stillorgan Shopping Centre, which has planning permission for redevelopment and will partially serve Cherrywood SDZ.</p>		
	Rank					
	Residential Catchment					
	400m (5 mins)	10067	9090	10267	12234	
	800m (10 mins)	27234	25052	28146	34481	
	1200m (15 mins)	53197	48493	55589	61885	
	Employment Catchment					
	400m (5 mins)	7455	4040	3730	3254	
	800m (10 mins)	17415	8868	9007	8477	

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Assessment Criteria	Sub-Criteria	SCHEME 3A	SCHEME 3B	SCHEME 3C	SCHEME 3D	
2	Integration	1200m (15 mins)	29432	15905	18166	17411
		Total residential and employment (10 mins)	44649	33920	37153	42958
		Total residential and employment (10 mins) per km	3987	3727	3753	4053
		Rank				
		Transport Network Integration	Sections along the N11 will link well with Dublin Bus services and this scheme also links directly with the Green Luas line at Sandyford and Stillorgan stops.	This scheme is an existing strongly performing bus corridor and would integrate well with other Bus routes using the N11	Sections along the N11 will link well with Dublin Bus services. Sections diverging from the N11 (Stillorgan Park, Pottery Road, etc.) have some bus connectivity but less than the adjacent N11	Sections along the N11 will link well with Dublin Bus services. Sections diverging from the N11 (Stillorgan Park, Rochestown Avenue, etc.) have some bus connectivity but less than the adjacent N11
		Rank				
		Cyclists and pedestrian Integration	This scheme follows a combination of primary, secondary and feeder GDANCP routes. The portions on the primary routes 12 & 12A (N11) have existing good quality cycle facilities and these would be improved. Improvements to junction layouts or signalling would also benefit cyclists and pedestrians. The sections on secondary routes (St Raphael's Rd, Blackthorn Ave & Leopardstown Road) have a combination of on and off road cycle lanes while the feeder routes (North and South Avenue) have no cycle lanes at present. Provision of a CBC provides an opportunity to improve these facilities.	This scheme directly follows the existing GDANCP primary routes 12 & 12A and intersects with 1 other primary route and 9 secondary routes. Existing good quality cycle facilities are provided for the length of the scheme and these would be improved. Any improvements to junction layouts or signalling would also benefit cyclists and pedestrians.	This scheme follows a combination of primary and secondary GDANCP routes. The sections on the N11 (primary route) have existing good quality cycle facilities for the length of the route and these would be improved. Any improvements to junction layouts or signalling would also benefit cyclists and pedestrians. The sections on primary route S05 (Fleurville Road to Brookfield Park) have good cycle facilities and these would be improved. Improvements to the roundabout at Abbey Road and Monkstown Ave junction would increase safety for pedestrians and cyclists. Abbey Road is designated as a secondary cycle route but currently has no cycle facilities. Construction of a CBC on this route would allow the improvement of the cycle facilities. Pottery Road (secondary route) has recently been upgraded and has excellent cycle and pedestrian facilities.	This scheme follows a combination of primary and secondary GDANCP routes. The sections on the N11 (primary route) have existing good quality cycle facilities for the length of the route and these would be improved. Any improvements to junction layouts or signalling would also benefit cyclists and pedestrians. The sections on primary route S05 (Fleurville Road to Brookfield Park) have good cycle facilities and these would be improved. Improvements to the roundabout at Abbey Road and Monkstown Ave junction would increase safety for pedestrians and cyclists. Abbey Road and Rochestown Ave are designated as a secondary cycle route but currently have no cycle facilities. Construction of a CBC on this route would allow the improvement of the cycle facilities. Church Road and Wyattville Road are designated as secondary routes and have some sections of cycle facilities which will also be improved.
Rank						

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Assessment Criteria	Sub-Criteria	SCHEME 3A	SCHEME 3B	SCHEME 3C	SCHEME 3D	
3	Accessibility and Social Inclusion	High volume trip attractors	Strong mix of high volume trip attractors including employment, recreational and educational along the scheme as outlined below: -UCD -Sandyford Industrial Estate -Leopardstown Hospital -Leopardstown Racecourse -Cornelscourt Shopping Centre -Cherrywood Business Park - 13 Primary Schools (5265 students) -10 Secondary Schools (5024 students)	Serves a number of high volume of employment, recreational and educational trip attractors as outlined below: -UCD -Stillorgan Shopping Centre -St. John of God Hospital -Cornelscourt Shopping Centre -Cherrywood Business Park - 14 Primary Schools (4738 students) -10 Secondary Schools (5253 students)	Serves a number of high volume of employment, recreational and educational trip attractors as outlined below: -UCD -Stillorgan Shopping Centre -Dun Laoghaire Institute of Design -Cherrywood Business Park - Dun Laoghaire Industrial Estate/Amgen Pharmaceuticals - 13 Primary Schools (3299 students) -10 Secondary Schools (5201 students)	Offers a link to a number of high volume of recreational and educational trip attractors, though less high density employment centres, as outlined below: -UCD -Stillorgan Shopping Centre -Dun Laoghaire Institute of Design - Loughlinstown FAS Training Centre -Cherrywood Business Park - 19 Primary Schools (4748 students) -11 Secondary Schools (5351 students)
		Rank				
		Deprived Geographic Areas	Equal Across All Options. Each option has a bus stop within a ten minute walk of the northern section of the Loughlinstown & Shanganagh/Rathsallagh RAPID Area	Equal Across All Options. Each option has a bus stop within a ten minute walk of the northern section of the Loughlinstown & Shanganagh/Rathsallagh RAPID Area	Equal Across All Options. Each option has a bus stop within a ten minute walk of the northern section of the Loughlinstown & Shanganagh/Rathsallagh RAPID Area	Equal Across All Options. Each option has a bus stop within a ten minute walk of the northern section of the Loughlinstown & Shanganagh/Rathsallagh RAPID Area
	Rank					
4	Safety	Road Safety	The route interfaces with 16 no. outbound and 17 no. inbound junctions, including 3 no. minor junctions. 7 turn movements required in outbound direction (3 right turns and 4 left turns) and 8 turn movements (4 right turns and 4 left turns) required in inbound direction	The route interfaces with 15 no. straight through Junctions with no turns required for buses.	The route interfaces with 16 no. junctions. 4 turn movements required in each direction (2 right turns and 2 left turns in outbound direction and 2 right turns and 2 left turns inbound)	No. of Junctions: 21 No. of minor Junctions: 3 3 turn movements required in each direction (0 right turns and 3 left turns in outbound direction and 3 right turns and 0 left turns inbound)
		Rank				
	Archaeological, Architectural and Cultural Heritage	Potential Impact on Areas of Archaeological Interest: A segment of a large Early Medieval enclosed cemetery was excavated at Mount Offaly a significant proportion of which remains largely undisturbed beneath the surrounding properties north, south and west. There is a potential that features associated with the site might extend beneath the N11 (northbound), however historically there was a watermain laid here, the road has been extended and there are likely to be modern services beneath all of which may have removed evidence for the early church site.	Potential Impact on Areas of Archaeological Interest: A segment of a large Early Medieval enclosed cemetery was excavated at Mount Offaly a significant proportion of which remains largely undisturbed beneath the surrounding properties north, south and west. There is a potential that features associated with the site might extend beneath the N11 (northbound), however historically there was a watermain laid here, the road has been extended and there are likely to be modern services beneath all of which may have removed evidence for the early church site. In addition to the Mount Offaly site (Woodlands and St Brigid's), there are two other roadside ecclesiastical enclosure sites, such enclosures can be extensive. At St Brigid's there is a slight curve in the road indicating that the road may 'have curved to avoid/respect a former enclosure. There is a potential that some remains associated	Potential Impact on Areas of Archaeological Interest: A segment of a large Early Medieval enclosed cemetery was excavated at Mount Offaly a significant proportion of which remains largely undisturbed beneath the surrounding properties north, south and west. There is a potential that features associated with the site might extend beneath the N11 (northbound), however historically there was a watermain laid here, the road has been extended and there are likely to be modern services beneath all of which may have removed evidence for the early church site. In addition to the Mount Offaly site (Woodlands and St Brigid's), there are two other roadside ecclesiastical enclosure sites, such enclosures can be extensive. In both cases, there is a slight curve in the road indicating that the road may have curved to avoid /respect a former enclosure. There is a potential that some remains associated	Potential Impact on Areas of Archaeological Interest: None Architectural Heritage: With regard to the protected structures along the route the CBC works are unlikely to extend beyond the existing road and given that the structures have clearly defined boundaries they are unlikely to be impacted as they can easily be avoided.	

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Assessment Criteria	Sub-Criteria	SCHEME 3A	SCHEME 3B	SCHEME 3C	SCHEME 3D
5	Environment	<p>Architectural Heritage: With regard to the protected structures along the route the CBC works are unlikely to extend beyond the existing road, the structures have clearly defined boundaries that lie outside the landtake</p>	<p>with these sites may extend beneath the present road surface, albeit heavily truncated or indeed removed by subsequent road development.</p> <p>Architectural Heritage: With regard to the protected structures along the route the CBC works are unlikely to extend beyond the existing road, the structures have clearly defined boundaries that lie outside the landtake</p>	<p>with these sites may extend beneath the present road surface, albeit heavily truncated or indeed removed by subsequent road development.</p> <p>Architectural Heritage: With regard to the protected structures along the route the CBC works are unlikely to extend beyond the existing road, the structures have clearly defined boundaries that lie outside the landtake</p>	
		<i>Rank</i>			
		<p>Impacts to watercourses cannot be ruled out where construction results in increased sediments and pollutants entering the surface water network. As watercourses within this route are connected to Dublin Bay and its European Sites downstream, significant effects cannot be ruled out at this stage.</p> <p>There are no proposed building demolitions for this route option.</p> <p>Widening along North Avenue in Mount Merrion is likely to encroach into Deer Park resulting in loss of parkland.</p> <p>Off the main N11/Stillorgan Road, tree protection / preservation objectives are located at Torquay Road Junction; Stillorgan Wood; Kilmacud House; Deerpark (North Avenue); North Avenue (between Wilson Road & Greenfield Road); Foster's Avenue (UCD). These may be used by nesting birds within the bird breeding season.</p> <p>The loss of gardens along the Leopardstown Road and of public and private green space on South and North Avenues in Mount Merrion has the potential to impact breeding birds if vegetation clearance occurs within the bird breeding season</p>	<p>'Impacts to watercourses cannot be ruled out where construction results in increased sediments and pollutants entering the surface water network. As watercourses within this route are connected to Dublin Bay and its European Sites downstream, significant effects cannot be ruled out at this stage.'</p> <p>There are no proposed building demolitions for this route option.</p> <p>There is unlikely to be any significant impact on any sites of international or national conservation value</p> <p>This option runs along an existing established road corridor with limited widening required when compared to other schemes- therefore impact on ecology expected to be limited to where trees need to be removed to facilitate redirecting cycle lanes.</p> <p>Minimal ecological impact.</p>	<p>Impacts to watercourses cannot be ruled out where road widening crosses streams/rivers. As watercourses within this route are connected to Dublin Bay and its European Sites downstream, significant effects cannot be ruled out at this stage.</p> <p>There are four proposed building demolitions for this route option. All buildings have the potential to host roosting bats.</p> <p>There will be some loss of treelines along the main N11 where footpaths are constructed. Vegetation clearance could impact nesting birds if conducted during the bird breeding season.</p> <p>Off the main N11, ecological impacts are likely to be limited to vegetation clearance. In most cases, these are small trees or shrubs in front gardens facing existing roads. Some trees, notably those fronting lands at Johnstown House, Kilgobbet, are large and have potential to host roosting bats, as well as nesting birds.</p>	<p>Impacts to watercourses cannot be ruled out where road widening crosses streams/rivers. As watercourses within this route are connected to Dublin Bay and its European Sites downstream, significant effects cannot be ruled out at this stage.</p> <p>This option would result in the demolition of four properties. All of these buildings have the potential to host roosting bats.</p> <p>This option would result in significant loss of mature hedgerows and treelines along Church Road and Rochestown Avenue, which may be used by nesting birds within the bird breeding season.</p> <p>Land take from front gardens along Wyatville Road and Johnstown Avenue is likely to result in the loss of hedgerows/treelines and ornamental shrubs which may be used by nesting birds within the bird breeding season.</p> <p>Several large horse chestnut trees on Rochestown Avenue close to the junction with Pottery road are considered to have potential to host roosting bats based on their age and presence of roost features.</p> <p>Off the main N11/Stillorgan Road, tree protection / preservation objectives are located at The Lodge (to Johnstown House), Johnstown Road; Rochestown Avenue; and The Grange (Baker's Corner). These may be used by nesting birds within the bird breeding season.</p>
<i>Rank</i>					

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Assessment Criteria	Sub-Criteria	SCHEME 3A	SCHEME 3B	SCHEME 3C	SCHEME 3D
	Soils and Geology	Requires land take and construction works in some areas - as such, has a slightly higher impact on soils and geology than Route 3B, but not significantly.	Minor construction works along the N11 - as such, minimal impact on soils and geology.	This route requires significant construction works and land-take. It also passes in the vicinity of a number of petrol stations and a site with historical industries. As such, it has some disadvantages over the other options.	This route requires significant construction works and land-take. It also passes in the vicinity of a number of petrol stations and sites with historical industries. As such, it has some disadvantages over the other options.
	Rank				
	Hydrology	This scheme option does not pass over or adjacent to any water bodies	This scheme option does not pass over or adjacent to any water bodies	This scheme option does not pass over or adjacent to any water bodies	This scheme option does not pass over or adjacent to any water bodies
	Rank				
	Landscape and visual	<p>Protected Views & Prospects :Little or No Impact There is an objective to preserve views north from Deerpark (Mount Merrion) – no impact arises.</p> <p>Tree Protection / Preservation:Potential Low Impact: Tree protection / preservation objectives are located at Torquay Road Junction; Stillorgan Wood; Kilmacud House; Deerpark (North Avenue); North Avenue (between Wilson Road & Greenfield Road); Foster’s Avenue (UCD);</p> <p>Landscape Impact on Protected Structures: Potential Low Impact There are few Protected Structures along route. No impact is anticipated</p> <p>Visual Impact on properties: Potential Medium-High Impact No impact envisaged along the main N11 /Stillorgan Road. Off the main N11/Stillorgan Road there is potential for medium to high visual impact along Leopardstown Road; St. Raphaela’s Road; Kilmacud Road Upper; South Avenue; and North Avenue.</p>	<p>Makes use of the existing N11 corridor with no particular landscape or visual sensitivities. The majority of the proposed scheme will utilise the existing bus lanes/facilities</p>	<p>Tree Protection / Preservation:Potential Low Impact Tree protection /preservation objectives are located at Johnstown Road; and The Grange (Baker’s Corner).</p> <p>Landscape Impact on Protected Structures: Potential Low Impact: There are few protected Structures along route. No impact anticipated</p> <p>Visual Impact on properties: Potential Medium Impact. No impact envisaged along the main N11/Stillorgan Road. Off the main N11/Stillorgan Road there is potential for medium visual impact along Johnstown Road; Pottery Road; Abbey Road; Brookville Park; Rowanbyrn; Anneville Terrace;</p>	<p>Tree Protection /Preservation:Potential Low Impact, Tree protection /preservation objectives are located at The Lodge (to Johnstown House), Johnstown Road; Rochestown Avenue; and The Grange (Baker’s Corner).</p> <p>Landscape Impact on Protected Structures: Potential Low Impact: There are few Protected Structures along route.</p> <p>Visual Impact on properties: Potential Medium Impact No impact envisaged along the main N11/Stillorgan Road. Off the main N11/Stillorgan Road there is potential for medium visual impact along Johnstown Road; Rochestown Avenue Road; Abbey Road; Brookville Park; Rowanbyrn; Anneville Terrace; Fleurville; and Stillorgan Park.</p>
	Rank				
	Noise, Vibration and Air	There are long sections of the proposed scheme (North Avenue through Mount Merrion) which will result in traffic being relocated closer to sensitive receptors due to road widening. Where this is the case there is likely to be an increase in noise, vibration and air pollutants	The majority of the proposed scheme will utilise the existing bus facilities and consequently there is likely to be no change in noise, vibration and air pollutant levels from the existing scenario	There will be long sections of the proposed scheme (Stillorgan Park Road, Rowanbyrn, Brookville Park, Abbey Road, Pottery Road) which will result in traffic being relocated closer to sensitive receptors due to road widening. Where this is the case there is likely to be an increase in noise, vibration and air pollutants	There will be long sections of the proposed scheme (Stillorgan Park Road, Rowanbyrn, Brookville Park, Abbey Road, Rochestown Road) which will result in traffic being relocated closer to sensitive receptors due to road widening. Where this is the case there is likely to be an increase in noise, vibration and air pollutants
	Rank				
	Land Use and the Built Environment	Potential Medium Impact: No impact envisaged along the main N11/Stillorgan Road. Off the main N11/Stillorgan Road there is potential for medium – high impact along South Avenue and North Avenue.	The scheme makes use of the existing N11 corridor. The majority of the proposed scheme will utilise the existing bus lanes/facilities. Negligible impact on existing land use character and built environment	No impact envisaged along the main N11/Stillorgan Road. Off the main N11/Stillorgan Road there is potential for low-medium impact along Pottery Road; Abbey Road; Brookville Park; Rowanbyrn; Anneville Terrace; and Fleurville.	No impact envisaged along the main N11/Stillorgan Road. Off the main N11/Stillorgan Road there is potential for low-medium impact along Abbey Road; Brookville Park; Rowanbyrn; Anneville Terrace; and Fleurville.
	Rank				

<u>Option Assessment Stage 2</u> <u>(Multi Criteria Analysis)</u>		Section 2 - Sub-section Wilford Junction to Crinken Lane		
<u>Assessment Criteria</u>	<u>Sub-Criteria</u>	<u>Option 1</u>	<u>Option 2</u>	
1	Economy	Capital Cost	<p>Total - € 12.4 million</p> <p>Indicative Scheme Infrastructure Cost - € 3.3 million Private Land Costs - € 9.1 million</p> <p>Dedicated bus lanes and segregated cycle tracks will be provided on all of the Dublin Rd between Wilford junction and Crinken lane. This will involve land take in the form of green fields, front gardens and lands from public amenity and green space.</p>	<p>Total - € 16 million</p> <p>Indicative Scheme Infrastructure Cost - € 3.8 million Private Land Costs - € 12.2 million</p> <p>The construction cost of option 2 is slightly higher as additional works such as public lighting and drainage would be required along the offline cycle track</p> <p>Additional land take is required as the off line cycle track is seperated from the Dublin Road. It is assumed that the piece of land between the road and the cycle track would also need to be purchased.</p>
		<i>Rank</i>		
		Journey-time reliability and quality of service	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
	<i>Rank</i>			
2	Integration	Land Use Integration	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
		<i>Rank</i>		
		Residential Population Catchment	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
		<i>Rank</i>		
		Transport Network Integration	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
		<i>Rank</i>		
		Cyclists and pedestrian Integration	<p>This option provides segregated cycle tracks on either side of the Dublin Road</p> <p>This option is slightly preferable as northbound cyclists are not required to cross the road to use the cycle facilities and is in accordance with the GDA CNP</p>	<p>This option provides a two-way cycle track to the east of Dublin Road</p> <p>This option is slightly less preferable as northbound cyclists are required to cross the road to use the cycle facilities and it is a slight deviation from the GDA CNP</p>
<i>Rank</i>				

<u>Option Assessment Stage 2</u> <u>(Multi Criteria Analysis)</u>		Section 2 - Sub-section Wilford Junction to Crinken Lane		
<u>Assessment Criteria</u>	<u>Sub-Criteria</u>	<u>Option 1</u>	<u>Option 2</u>	
3	Accessibility and Directness	High volume trip attractors	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
		<i>Rank</i>		
		Deprived Geographic Areas	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
		<i>Rank</i>		
4	Safety	Road Safety	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
		<i>Rank</i>		
5	Environment	Archaeological, Architectural and Cultural Heritage	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
		<i>Rank</i>		
		Flora and Fauna	Widening the Dublin Road to provide bus lanes and cycle tracks will have a severe impact on mature trees, These trees have the potential to host nesting birds within the bird breeding season and roosting bats. Many of these trees are included within the Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Development Plan 2016-2022 under the objective 'to protect and preserve trees and woodlands'.	The narrower cross section used along the Dublin Road means that the impact on these trees will be less severe than option 1
		<i>Rank</i>		
		Soils and Geology	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
		<i>Rank</i>		
		Hydrology	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
<i>Rank</i>				

<u>Option Assessment Stage 2</u> <u>(Multi Criteria Analysis)</u>		Section 2 - Sub-section Wilford Junction to Crinken Lane		
<u>Assessment Criteria</u>	<u>Sub-Criteria</u>	<u>Option 1</u>	<u>Option 2</u>	
	Landscape and visual	Widening the Dublin Road to provide bus lanes and cycle tracks will have a severe impact on mature trees and stone boundary walls along the route. Protection of these trees is part of an objective in the DLRCC development plan	Providing an offline cycle track allows for a narrower cross section to be used along the Dublin Road. This will mean that fewer mature trees would need to be removed when compared to option 1, although the impact on boundary walls will be the same as option 1.	
	<i>Rank</i>			
	Noise, Vibration and Air	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria	
	<i>Rank</i>			
	Land Use and the Built Environment	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria	
	<i>Rank</i>			

Option Assessment Stage 2 (Multi Criteria Analysis)		Section 2 - Sub-section Crinken Lane to St Annes			
Assessment Criteria	Sub-Criteria	Scheme 2	Scheme 3	Scheme 4	
1	Economy	Capital Cost	Road widening to provide bus lanes on one side of the road through Shankill Village	Road widening to provide bus lanes on one side of the road through Shankill Village	Road widening to provide bus lanes on both sides of the road through Shankill Village
		Rank			
	Journey-time reliability and quality of service	There will be one bus lane provided through Shankill Village, this is northbound north of Stonebridge Close junction and southbound south of the junction. Two queue relocation systems will be used at Quins Road and Lower Road junctions to provide priority for northbound buses These bus priority measures will reduce delays when the village is congested and will lead to faster and more reliable journey times than option 1	Bus lanes are provided for southbound buses only through Shankill Village. A queue relocation system will be used at Quins Road junction to provide priority for northbound buses These bus priority measures will reduce delays when the village is congested and will lead to faster and more reliable journey times than option 1	Bus lanes are provided for southbound buses through Shankill Village, the northbound bus lane stretches from the Stonebridge Close junction to the Lower Road junction. Two queue relocation systems will be used at Quins Road and Lower Road junctions to provide priority for northbound buses These bus priority measures will reduce delays when the village is congested and will lead to faster and more reliable journey times than option 1	Bus lanes are provided for southbound buses through Shankill Village, the northbound bus lane stretches from the Stonebridge Close junction to the Lower Road junction. Two queue relocation systems will be used at Quins Road and Lower Road junctions to provide priority for northbound buses These bus priority measures will reduce delays when the village is congested and will lead to faster and more reliable journey times than all three other options
	Rank				
2	Integration	Land Use Integration	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
		Rank			
		Residential and employment catchment	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
		Rank			
		Transport Network Integration	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
		Rank			
		Cyclists and pedestrian Integration	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
		Rank			
3	Accessibility and Directness	High volume trip attractors	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
		Rank			
		Deprived Geographic Areas	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
		Rank			
4	Safety	Road Safety	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
		Rank			
5	Environment	Archaeological, Architectural and Cultural Heritage	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
		Rank			
		Flora and Fauna	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria

<u>Option Assessment Stage 2</u> <u>(Multi Criteria Analysis)</u>		Section 2 - Sub-section Crinken Lane to St Annes		
<u>Assessment Criteria</u>	<u>Sub-Criteria</u>	<u>Scheme 2</u>	<u>Scheme 3</u>	<u>Scheme 4</u>
	<i>Rank</i>			
	Soils and Geology	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
	<i>Rank</i>			
	Hydrology	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
	<i>Rank</i>			
	Landscape and visual	Option 1 requires reallocation of road reserve from two lanes with parking both sides, to a three-lane carriageway with parking on one side only and removal of street trees and reduction in footpath widths	Option 2 requires reallocation of road reserve from two lanes with parking both sides, to a three-lane carriageway with parking on one side only and removal of street trees and reduction in footpath widths	Option3 requires reallocation of road reserve from two lanes with parking both sides, to a four-lane carriageway with parking on one side only and removal of street trees and reduction in footpath widths This Option has a more severe visual impact than Options 1 and 2 on the streetscape of Shankill Village
	<i>Rank</i>			
	Noise, Vibration and Air	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
	<i>Rank</i>			
	Land Use and the Built Environment	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
	<i>Rank</i>			

<u>Option Assessment Stage 2</u> <u>(Multi Criteria Analysis)</u>		Section 2 - Sub-section Shanganagh Road (St Anne's Church) to Loughlinstown Roundabout		
<u>Assessment Criteria</u>	<u>Sub-Criteria</u>	<u>Option 1</u>	<u>Option 2</u>	
1	Economy	Capital Cost	<p>Total - € 8.2 million</p> <p><i>Indicative Scheme Infrastructure Cost - € 3.1 million</i> <i>Private Land Costs - € 5.1 million</i></p> <p>Dedicated bus lanes and segregated cycle tracks will be provided along Dublin Road. This will involve land take from St Anne's Church carpark, Rathmichael School, green spaces and front gardens.</p>	<p>Total - € 6.9 million</p> <p><i>Indicative Scheme Infrastructure Cost - € 4.9 million</i> <i>Private Land Costs - € 2.0 million</i></p> <p>Dedicated bus lanes will be provided along Dublin Road. This will involve land take from St Anne's Church carpark, green spaces and front gardens.</p> <p>An alternate cycle track will be provided along Seaview Park and Seaview Road linking to Shanganagh Road. Segregated cycle tracks will be constructed on either side of the road along Shanganagh Road</p>
		Rank		
		Journey-time reliability and quality of service	Same level of bus priority provided as option 2 however provision of segregated cycle tracks means that buses will not have to wait behind cyclists and will have slightly faster and more reliable journey times	Same level of bus priority provided as option 1 however buses will occasionally have to wait behind cyclists as they share a lane. This will result in slightly slower and less reliable journey times
	Rank			
2	Integration	Land Use Integration	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
		Rank		
		Residential Population Catchment	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
		Rank		
		Transport Network Integration	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
		Rank		
Cyclists and pedestrian integration	Segregated cycle tracks provided alongside bus lanes. This cycle route is in accordance with the GDA CNP	Cycle detour provided instead of online cycle track. This option will involve changes to the GDA CNP. It is likely some cyclists will continue to use the Dublin Rd and they will be required to share the bus lane		
	Rank			

<u>Option Assessment Stage 2</u> <u>(Multi Criteria Analysis)</u>		Section 2 - Sub-section Shanganagh Road (St Anne's Church) to Loughlinstown Roundabout		
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		Deprived Geographic Areas	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
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		Hydrology	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
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	Landscape and visual	This option involves significant road widening to a proposed cross section width of 20m along the Dublin Rd. Land take from gardens is required along the route. This option is considered more visually impactful due to the wider cross section along the Dublin Rd	This option involves significant road widening to a proposed cross section width of 16m along the Dublin Rd. Land take from gardens is required along the route. Road wideing is also required on Shanganagh road to provide segregated cycle tracks. This option is considered less visually impactful due to the narrower cross section along the Dublin Rd	
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Option Assessment Stage 2 (Multi Criteria Analysis)		Section 2 - Sub-section Louglinstown Roundabout			
Assessment Criteria	Sub-Criteria	Scheme 1	Scheme 2	Scheme 3	
1	Economy	Capital Cost	Construction of a new southbound bus lane around the roundabout	Construction of a new southbound bus lane around the roundabout and a new toucan crossing to the north of the roundabout	Construction of a new southbound bus lane around the roundabout and signalling three arms of the junction
		Rank			
		Journey-time reliability and quality of service	Addition of a southbound bus lane through the roundabout results in significantly reduced delays for southbound buses through the junction. No additional priority is provided for northbound buses	Addition of a southbound bus lane through the roundabout results in significantly reduced delays for southbound buses through the junction. Junction modelling shows that the introduction of a toucan crossing to the north would increase the gaps in southbound traffic and results in journey time savings for northbound buses entering the roundabout. This does delay southbound buses more than option 1 however, as buses will be occasionally required to stop at the toucan crossing	Addition of a southbound bus lane through the roundabout results in significantly reduced delays for southbound buses through the junction. Junction modelling shows that the partially signalised Louglinstown roundabout would result in significant journey time savings for northbound buses as well
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2	Integration	Land Use Integration	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria
		Rank			
		Residential Population Catchment			
		400m (5 mins)			
		800m (10 mins)			
		1200m (15 mins)			
		Employment Catchment			
		400m (5 mins)			
		800m (10 mins)			
		1200m (15 mins)			
		Total residential and employment (10 mins)			
Total residential and employment (10 mins) per km	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria	Options considered equal under this criteria		
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Transport Network Integration	Junction modelling shows no significant change to the journey times for general traffic or other bus services using the roundabout	Junction modelling shows no significant change to the journey times for general traffic or other bus services using the roundabout Introduction of a new toucan crossing leads to slightly increased journey times due to the extra red time at these new signals	Junction modelling shows an overall decrease in the average journey time through the junction for all traffic. This is particularly effective in reducing journey times for northbound traffic joining from the M11 during the morning peak		
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Cyclists and pedestrian Integration	No change to existing pedestrian or cyclist facilities at the roundabout as part of this option	An new toucan crossing is proposed as part of this option	No change to existing pedestrian or cyclist facilities at the roundabout as part of this option		
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Appendix B

REPORT

Bray to UCD Core Bus Corridor (CBC)

Road Safety Audit Stage 1

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Introduction

This report results from a Stage 1 Road Safety Audit of the proposed Bray to UCD Core Bus Corridor (CBC).

The audit has been prepared in accordance with Part 2 NRA HD 19/15 Road Safety Audit.

The Audit Team has examined and reported on only the road safety implications of the scheme and has not examined or verified the compliance of the design to any other criteria.

The Audit Team was as follows:

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The audit was carried out on Wednesday 19th April to Tuesday 25th April 2017. The daytime site visit was carried out on Wednesday 19th April 2017.

Weather conditions during the daytime site visit was overcast with some heavy showers. Road surfaces were damp to wet.

Scheme drawings audited are listed in **Appendix B**.

Problems Identified

2.1 Problem

The bus stop located opposite the Castle Street Shopping Centre is crossing an access lane. This could lead to vehicles undertaking unsafe maneuvers while crossing the kassel kerbs located at the bus stop.

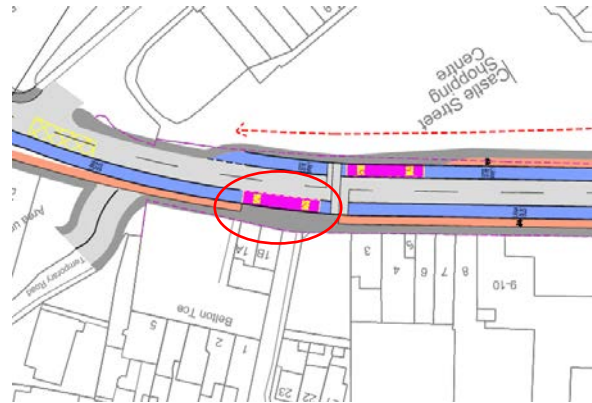


Figure 1 Bus stop crossing a vehicular access (Example drawing sheet 1)

Recommendation

The design team should review all bus stop locations to ensure they do not impede on vehicular accesses.

2.2 Problem

It is noted from the typical cross sections that it is proposed to reduce the footway to 2m. The presence of street furniture will reduce the cross section further which may force pedestrians onto the carriageway in conflict with vehicular traffic.



Figure 2 Street furniture reducing footway widths to below minimum (Example drawing sheet 1)

Recommendation

The design team should ensure street furniture is considered during the design to maintain minimum footway widths when accommodating street furniture.

2.3 Problem

The right turn lane appears to end prematurely for the right turn in the Castle Street Shopping Centre car park leading to increased risk of side swipe collisions.

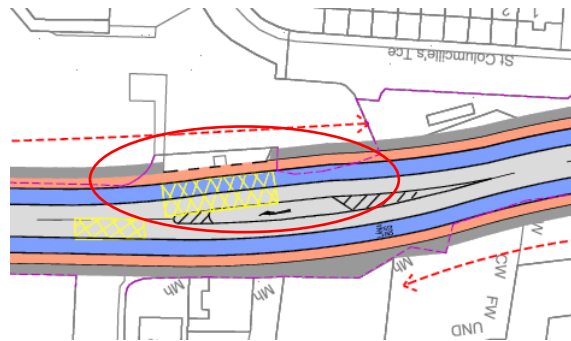


Figure 3 Right turn lane ends prematurely (Example drawings sheet 1)

Recommendation

The design team should ensure the right turn lane is sufficiently long to avoid potential collisions.

2.4 Problem

Wide bell mouth entrances into residential areas could lead to high entry speeds and potential conflicts with vulnerable road users due to longer crossing distances.



Figure 4 Wide bell mouth entrance (Example drawing sheet 1 – Cronan's Road)

Recommendation

The design team should review all side road entrances to reduce conflicts with vulnerable road users to a minimum.

2.5 Problem

The layout of the Upper Dargle Road junction layout is unclear for cyclists who wish to turn right as they have two traffic lanes to cross leading to potential conflicts with vehicular traffic. Cyclists heading in a north bound direction could conflict with left turning traffic due to the increased vertical alignment of the realigned minor arm.

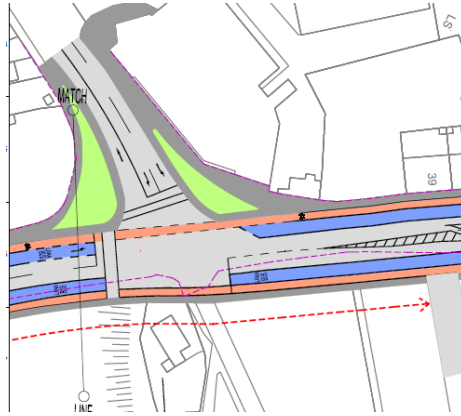


Figure 5 Junction layout unclear for cyclists
(Example drawing sheet 2)

Recommendation

The design team should ensure adequate facilities are provided for cyclists and vertical alignment gradients are minimised. This may include sacrificing the grass verges adjacent to the carriageway to increase the space available for shared areas.

2.6 Problem

Along the route there is inconsistency with how the footway crosses accesses leading to increased risk of pedestrian confusion over priority and conflicts with vehicular traffic.

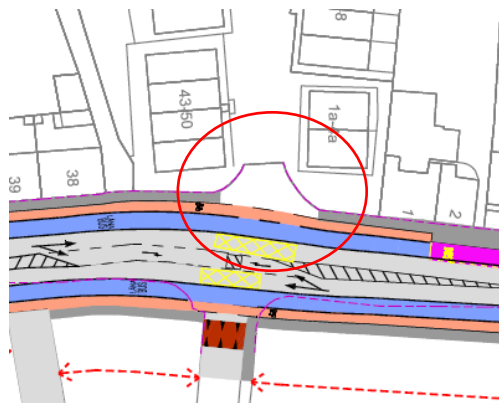


Figure 6 Inconsistent of footway crossing accesses
(Example drawing sheet 2)

Recommendation

The design team should review all accesses to ensure consistency of footways crossing vehicular accesses. Priority should be given to the pedestrian footways.

2.7 Problem

Along the route, there is inconsistency with the use of left turn filter lanes within bus lanes to side roads. This may lead to increased risk of rear shut collisions with vehicles on main carriageway traffic due to unexpected stopping.

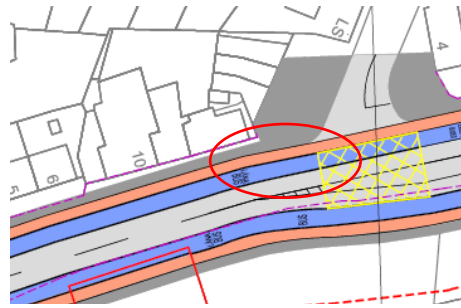


Figure 7 Inconsistent use of left turn filter lane
(Example drawing sheet 2)

Recommendation

The design team should review all left turns at priority junctions and ensure consistent use of left turn lanes.

2.8 Problem

At the Old Connaught Avenue/ Dublin Road/ Croke Abbey Ave Junction, there is a lack of pedestrian facilities. This could lead to vulnerable road users coming into conflict with vehicular traffic.

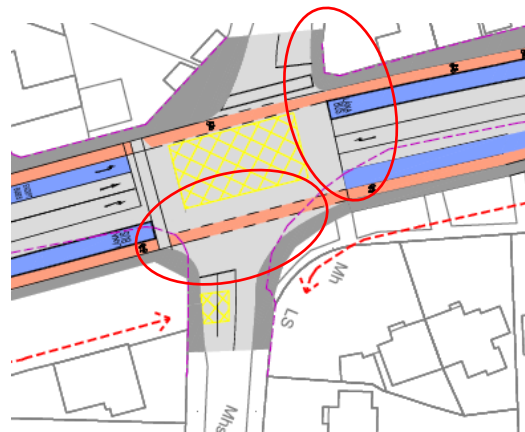


Figure 8 Lack of Pedestrian crossing facilities
(Example drawing sheet 3)

Recommendation

The design team should review all signalised junctions to ensure there are adequate pedestrian crossing facilities.

2.9 Problem

At the Old Connaught Avenue/ Dublin Road/ Croke Abbey Ave Junction , there is a number of property accesses in close proximity to the signalised junction with one property access appearing beyond the stop line of the junction. There is a risk of confusion for a motorist leaving the property as to when it would be safe to exit.

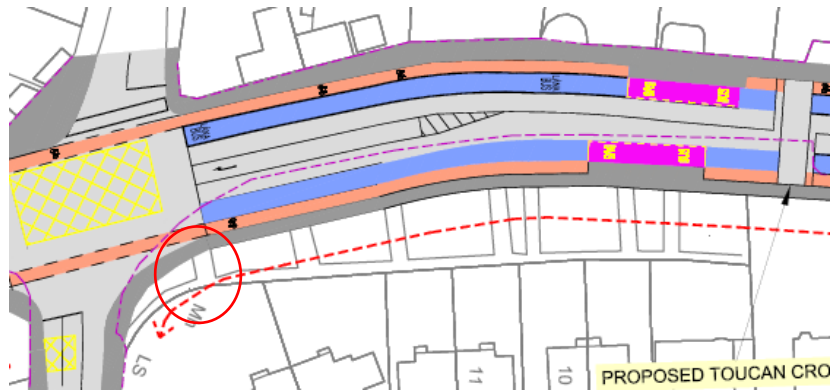


Figure 9 Property access located within junction area (Example drawing sheet 3)

Recommendation

The design team shall ensure there are no accesses beyond the stop line within the junction area.

2.10 Problem

There are a number of property access in close proximity to the signalised junction (Old Connaught Ave/Croke Abbey Ave/Dublin Road) and bus stop. Risk of side impacts to cyclists and vehicular traffic to traffic accessing and egress from the properties

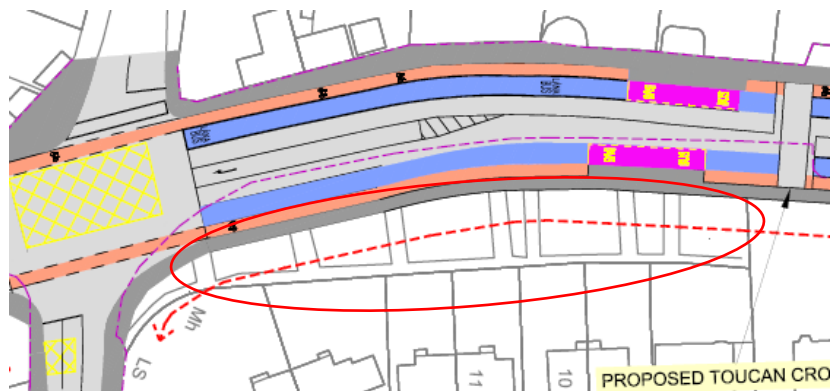


Figure 10 Numerous property access (drawing sheet 3)

Recommendation

The design team should consider grouping the entrances together to form a single access from the carriageway.

2.11 Problem

The toucan crossing is located at a property access potentially leading to conflicts with access/egress traffic and road signal furniture/ pedestrians waiting to use the crossing.

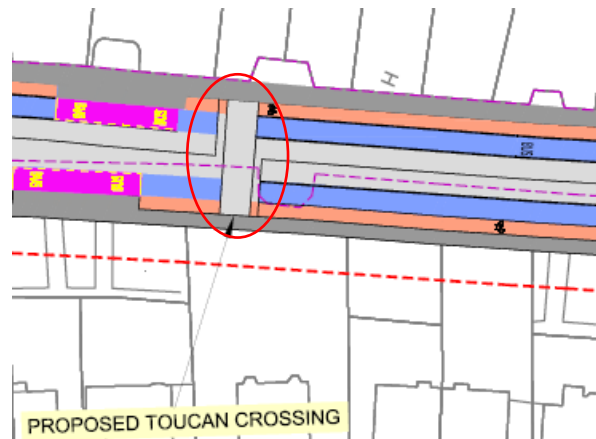


Figure 11 Toucan crossing at property access (Example drawing number 3)

Recommendation

The design team should all review crossing locations to ensure they are located away from vehicular accesses.

2.12 Problem

There are numerous signalised junctions along the route where a left turning slip lane is proposed. These are undesirable for cyclists and pedestrians due to increased risk of conflict with left turning vehicles and encourage high speeds.

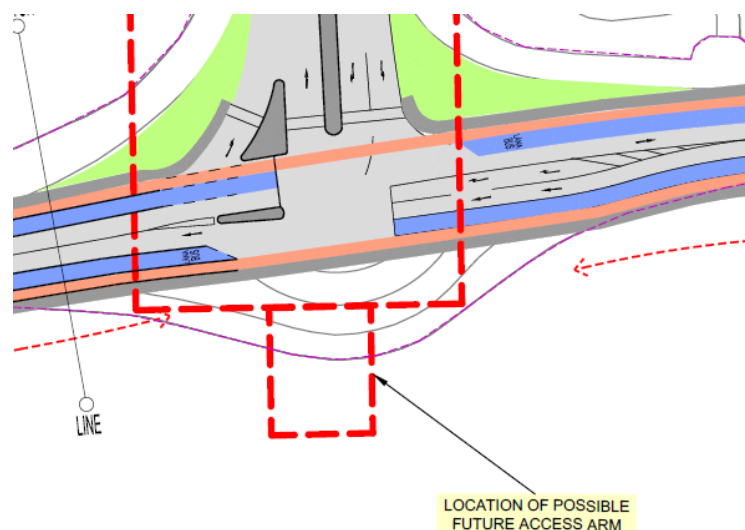


Figure 12 Left turn slip lanes (Example drawing sheet 4)

Recommendation

The design team should consider the removal of left slip turning lane in favour of left turning lanes.

2.13 Problem

Along the route there is an inconsistent approach to the layout of bus stops, specifically where bus stops are shown to be within the cycle lane. This will lead to buses cutting of cyclists while they are at the stops, forcing cyclists onto the road, leading to an increased risk of collisions with vehicles.

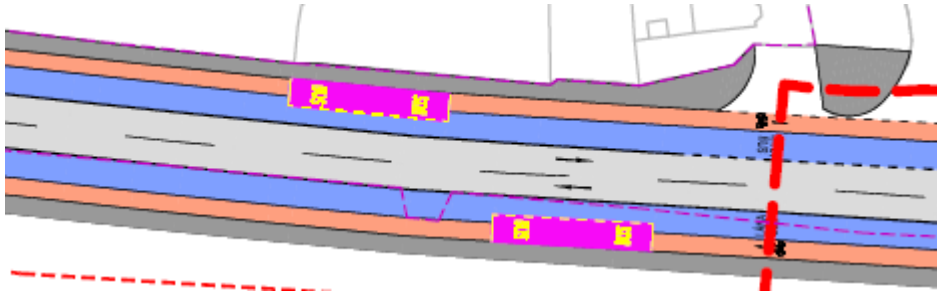


Figure 13 Bus stops located within cycle lane (Example drawing sheet 5)

Recommendation

The design team should ensure that bus stops do not conflict with the cycle lanes.

2.14 Problem

Prior to the access to the future Woodbrook development, it is noted that the bus stops are located away from any crossing points. This could lead to increased numbers of vulnerable road users crossing a wide carriageway and coming into conflict with vehicular traffic.

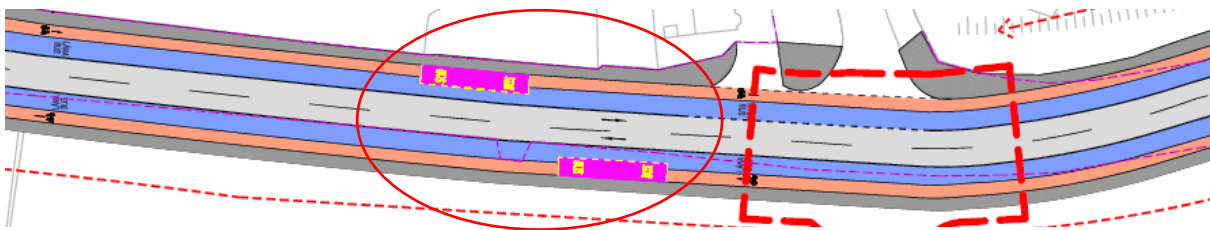


Figure 14 Bus stop remote from a pedestrian crossing (Example drawing sheet 5)

Recommendation

The Design Team should adopt a consistent design approach for bus stops and their proximity to pedestrian crossings throughout the scheme.

2.15 Problem

At the junction with Crinken Lane, the start of the shared surface cycle track is shown opposite the footway on the left hand side of the junction. There is a risk of visually impaired pedestrians walking northwards across the junction may mistake the shared surface as the footway leading to conflicts with vehicles/ cyclists.

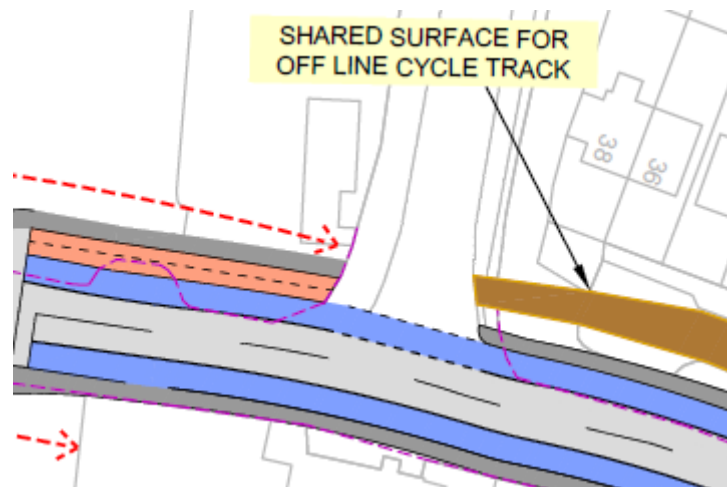


Figure 15 Start of shared surface (drawing sheet 7)

Recommendation

The design team should ensure the shared surface is angled away from the footway and appropriate corduroy paving used at the start of the shared surface.

2.16 Problem

At the proposed Cherrington Road/ Quinns Road/ Dublin Road junction, it is unclear how the two lanes traveling northbound merge into one at the opposite side of the junction leading to increased risk of side swipe, sudden breaking/rear shunt collisions.

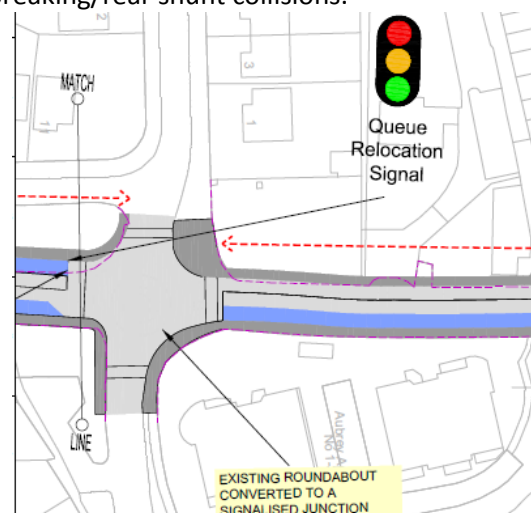


Figure 16 Unclear Merging of 2 lanes to 1 lane across the junction (Drawing sheet 9)

Recommendation

The design team should review junction layout and ensure there is a clear and concise layout for the merging of the two lanes.

2.17 Problem

There is a see through effect for the shared surface along Lower Road with reduced visibility to signage due to parked vehicles. There is also a risk of conflicts between vulnerable road users and vehicle traffic due to the parked vehicles forcing road users onto the opposite side of the road.



Figure 17 Shared surface junction see through
Drawing sheet 9

Recommendation

The design team should consider additional measures to highlight the presence of the junction ahead. Measures may include additional signage, prohibitive parking, and colour contrast for the raised table.

2.18 Problem

Approaching the Dublin Rd/ Corbawn Lane/ Shanganagh Road Roundabout, there is a significant level difference between the shared surface and the tie in point at the roundabout. There is risk of slips through steep gradients being required to achieve the proposed design.

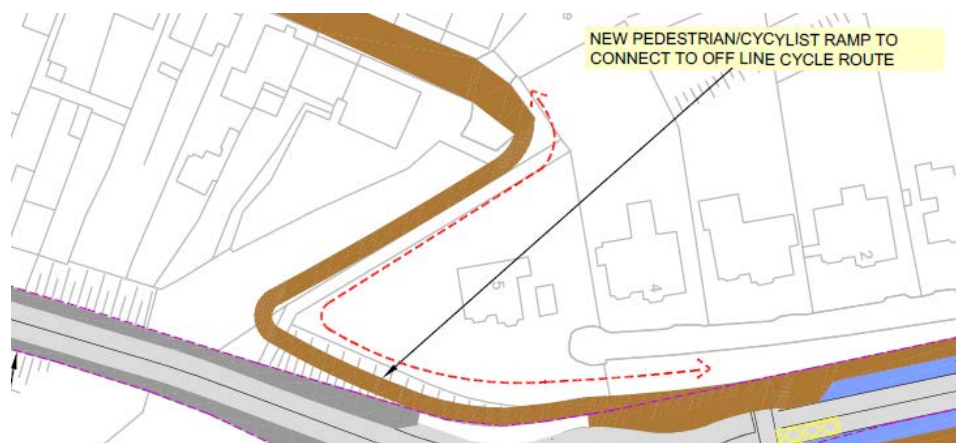


Figure 18 Major level difference for proposed ramp (Drawing sheet 10)

Recommendation

The design team should ensure the proposed design gradients comply with both DMURS and the National Cycle Manual. If desirable gradients cannot be achieved alternative design shall be considered.

2.19 Problem

The Audit Team notes that an existing crossing to be removed from outside St Anne’s church. There is an existing desire line at this location due to the church and the demand will increase due to the location of the proposed bus stops. There is a risk of conflicts between vulnerable road users and vehicular traffic.

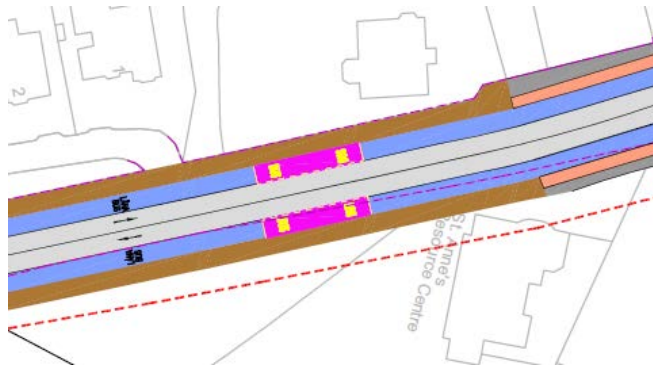


Figure 19 Remove of crossing at desire line (Drawing sheet 10)

Recommendation

The design team should consider maintaining the pedestrian crossing at this location.

2.20 Problem

At the roundabout linking the R837 Dublin Road to the N11, unclear road markings could increase risk of side swipe collisions.

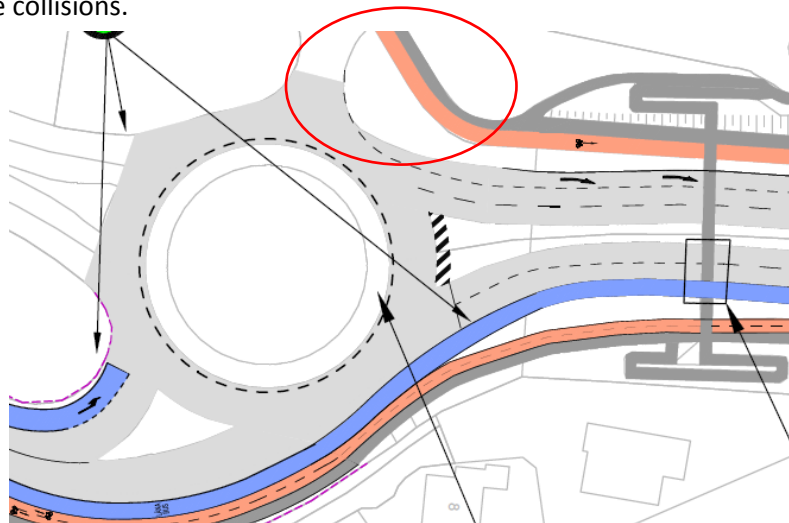


Figure 20 Unclear road markings (drawing sheet 13)

Recommendation

The design team should ensure road markings are in accordance with the Traffic Signs Manual.

2.21 Problem

The proposed partial signalisation of the R837 Dublin Road /N11 Roundabout could lead to conflicts with traffic going around the roundabout and traffic entering the roundabout leading to sudden swerving and braking maneuvers increasing the risk of side swipe and or rear shunt collisions.

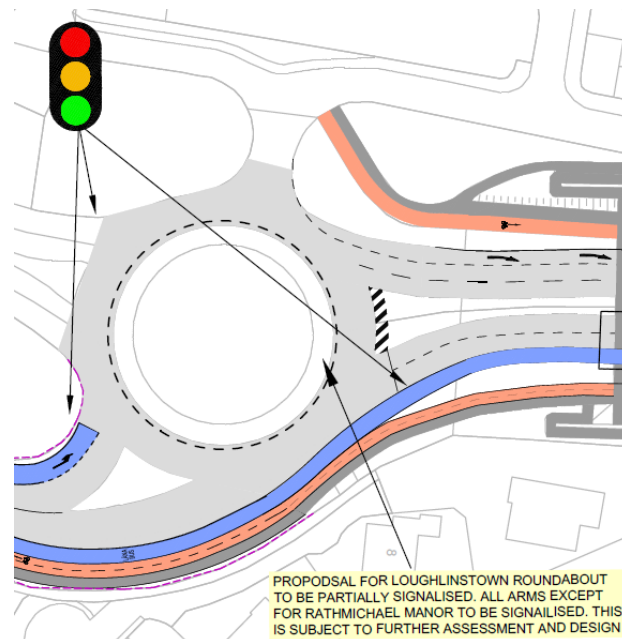


Figure 21 Partial signalization of the junction (drawing sheet 13)

Recommendation

The design team should consider providing full signalisation or signals with flashing ambers instead of green aspects.

2.22 Problem

There is potential for high vehicle speeds on the proposed shared surface of pedestrians, cyclist and vehicles parallel to the N11 leading to conflicts between vulnerable road users and vehicles.



Figure 22 Shared surface (Drawing sheet 14)

Recommendation

The design team should consider appropriate speed reduction measures to ensure low vehicle speeds on the shared surface.

2.23 Problem

At the N11/ Cherrywood Rd junction, the existing island to be reconfigured appears to be very small to cater for stacking room for waiting cyclists.

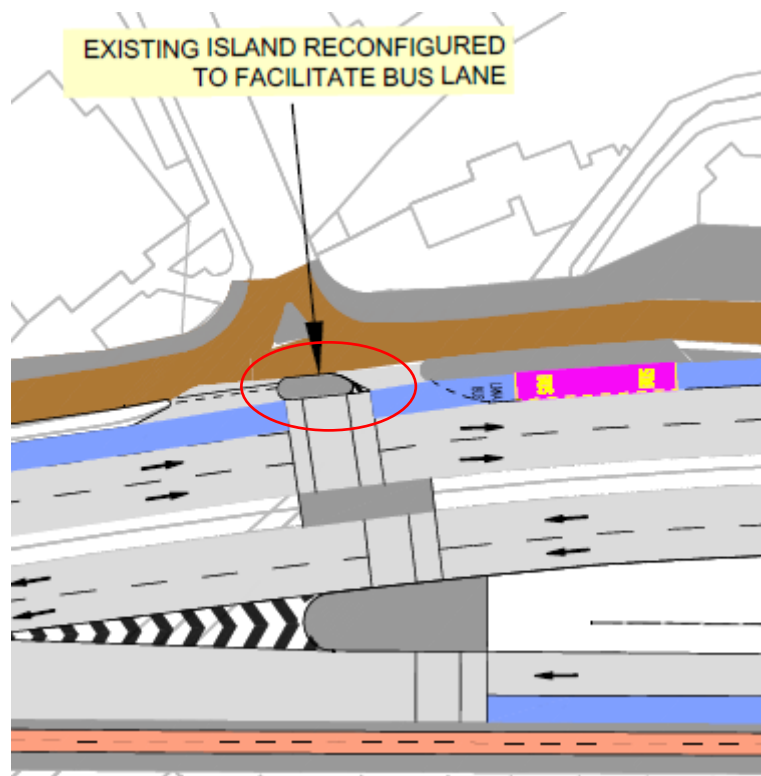


Figure 23 Reduced island area (Drawing sheet 14)

Recommendation

The design team should review the layout to ensure that sufficient space is provided for cyclists and pedestrians waiting to cross.

2.24 Problem

There are locations where existing sign poles are located in the middle of the footway. This could lead to conflicts with visually impaired pedestrians.



Figure 24 Existing sign with in footway (Drawing sheet 15)

Recommendation

The design team should review all signage and replace existing multiple pole signs with cantilever type poles.

2.25 Problem

The location of the yield line so close to the slip lane could cause rear shunt type collisions due to vehicles stopping unexpectedly.

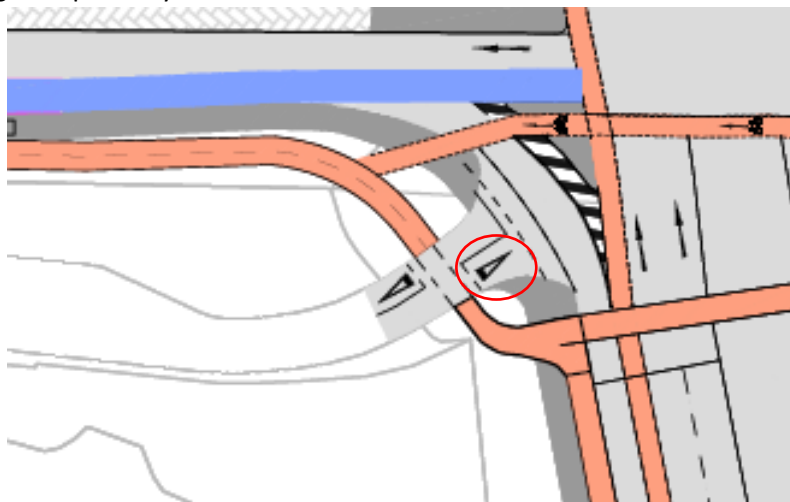


Figure 25 Yield line located close to bell mouth (Drawing sheet 15)

Recommendation

The design team should consider relocating the crossing to ensure vehicle approaching the yield line are sufficient located away from the bell mouth of the junction on the slip road.

2.26 Problem

The stagger on the toucan crossing places the pedestrians such they turn their back on oncoming traffic increased risk of vulnerable road users conflicting with vehicular traffic.

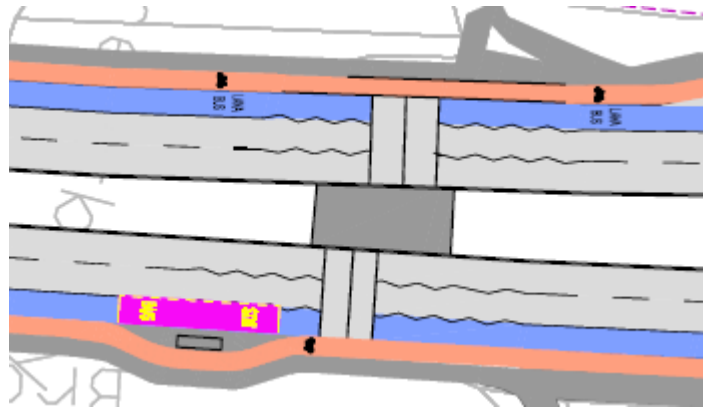


Figure 26 Reversed staggered crossing (Example drawing sheet 19)

Recommendation

The design team should review all staggered crossings to ensure the stagger when required, turns the vulnerable road user towards the oncoming traffic.

2.27 Problem

Along the route there is inconsistent use of right turning facilities for cyclist, with some instances using the “jug” type of turn facilities.

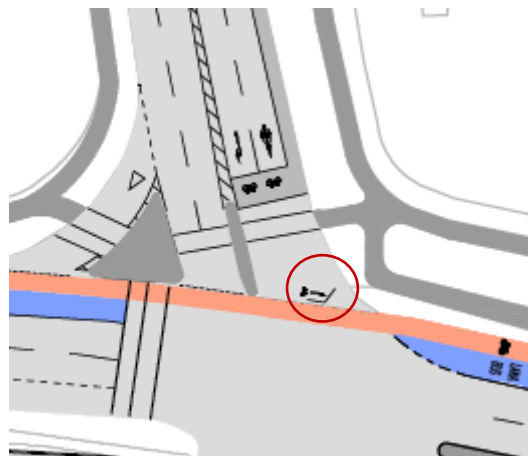


Figure 27 Cyclist right "jug" type turn

Recommendation

The Design Team should adopt a consistent design approach for all right turn facilities for cyclists throughout the scheme.

2.28 Problem

At the Bray Road/ N11 Junction, the footway on the minor arm takes a convoluted route after the crossing leading to increased risk of slips, trips and falls on the desire line.

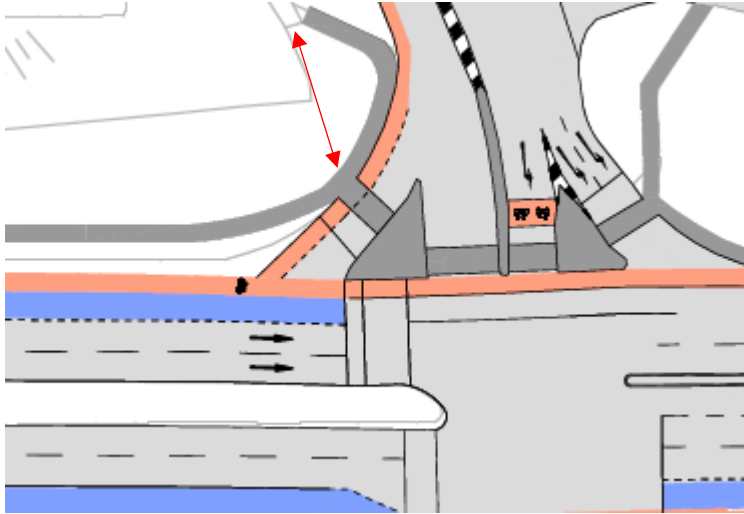


Figure 28 Lack of footway on the desire line (Example drawing sheet 24)

Recommendation

The design team should review all footways and provide footways on the desire line.

2.29 Problem

Along the route there is inconsistent and inappropriate use of advance stop lines for cyclists. Increased risk of vulnerable road user collisions.

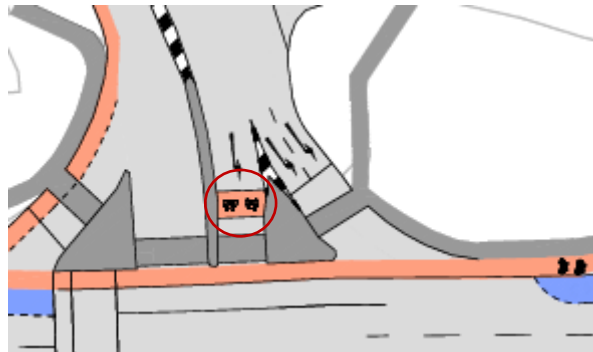


Figure 29 Inconsistent use of advanced stop line (Example drawing sheet 24)

Recommendation

The design team should review all signalised junctions and provide advance stop lines and cycle lines for cyclists in accordance with the National Cycle Manual

2.30 Problem

At the N11/ Westminster Rd junction, it appears that the pedestrian refuge in the median is to be reduced in width. This will create a localised constriction preventing cyclists and pedestrians from freely passing each other.

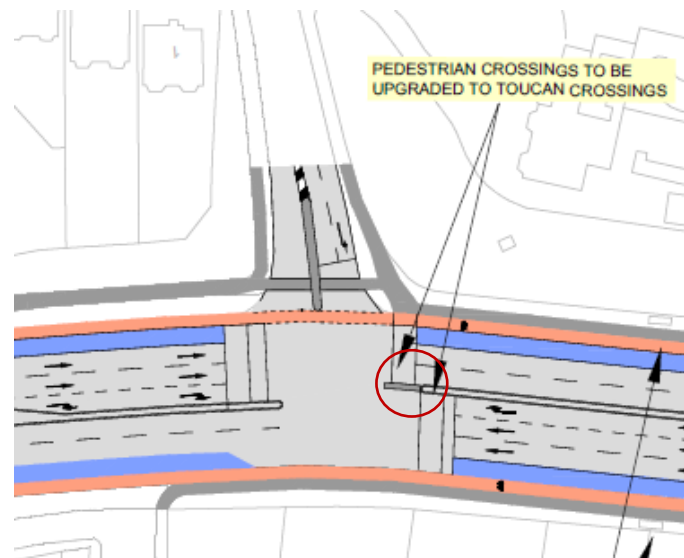


Figure 30 Inconsistent use of advanced stop line
(Example drawing sheet 25)

Recommendation

The design team should review the proposed refuge island and provide a suitable width to accommodate pedestrians and cyclists waiting to cross.

2.31 Problem

At the N11/ Clonkeen Rd junction, it appears that the island in the median is to be moved. This will impact upon the location of secondary traffic signals increasing the risk of driver confusion and rear shunt type collisions.

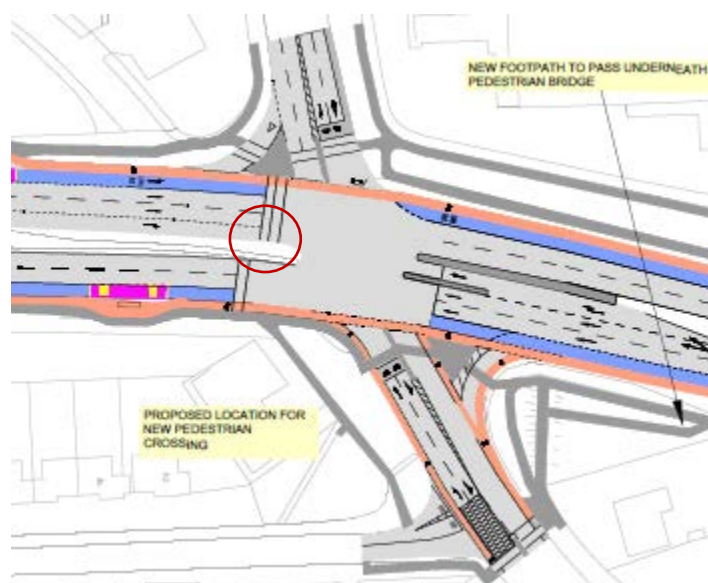


Figure 31 Removal of Central Island (Example drawing sheet 22)

Recommendation

The design team should review the proposed junction layout to ensure there is sufficient space for secondary traffic signals.

2.32 Problem

The proposed typical cross section details all lane widths as 3 metres in width which is below minimum standard as detailed in DMURS. This could lead to an increased risk of side swipe collisions.

Recommendation

The design team should review the proposed lane widths and comply with the typical standard as detailed in DMURS.

Audit Team Statement

We certify that we have examined the drawings and documents listed in the appendices to this report.

The examination and subsequent report was made with the sole purpose of identifying any features of the scheme that could be removed or modified in order to improve the safety of the proposals.


The problems identified have been noted in this report together with associated safety improvement suggestions, which we recommend should be studied for implementation.

No one on the Audit Team has been involved in any way with the scheme design.

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Appendix A Site Location Plan



Appendix B
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Appendix C
Road Safety Audit Feedback Form

ROAD SAFETY AUDIT FEEDBACK FORM

Scheme: Bray to UCD QBC
 Audit Stage: Road Safety Audit Stage 1
 Date Audit Completed: 2017

Paragraph No. in Report	To Be Completed by the Design Team			To Be Completed by the Audit Team
	Problem accepted (yes/no)	Recommended measure accepted (yes/no)	Alternative measures (describe)	Alternative Measures accepted by Auditors (yes/no)
2.1	Y	Y		
2.2	Y	Y		
2.3	Y	Y		
2.4	Y	Y		
2.5	Y	Y		
2.6	Y	Y		
2.7	Y	Y		
2.8	Y	Y		
2.9	Y	Y		
2.10	Y	Y		
2.11	Y	Y		
2.12	Y	Y		
2.13	N	N	It is agreed that the design approach is inconsistent regarding single carriageway at the southern part of scheme versus the N11 dual carriageway section, however the design team do not consider this to be a problem. The approach adopted is to provide bus stops in-line with cycle tracks on the single carriageway part of the route from Bray to the N11. This is	Yes

			harmonious with the lower design speed, lower traffic volume and more restricted available space along this link. The approach adopted on the N11 is different: the cycle track is brought off-road to the rear of bus stops because of the higher design speed, higher traffic volume and in most cases, more available space along the N11.	
2.14	Y	Y		
2.15	Y	Y		
2.16	Y	Y		
2.17	Y	Y		
2.18	Y	Y		
2.19	Y	Y		
2.20	Y	Y		
2.21	Y	Y		
2.22	Y	Y		
2.23	Y	Y		
2.24	Y	Y		
2.25	Y	Y		
2.26	Y	Y		
2.27	Y	Y		
2.28	Y	Y		
2.29	Y	Y		
2.30	Y	Y	<i>Note: The design team have decided to remove this Toucan crossing due to the lack of space and retain the pedestrian crossing. A Toucan crossing will instead be provided on the south side of the junction to serve as a right-turning facility for cyclists on the N11.</i>	Yes
2.31	N	N	The new pedestrian crossing proposed for this arm of the junction requires a reconfiguration	Yes

			of the existing layout. That includes removal of the existing splitter island at the right-turn lane to create a wider median for a pedestrian refuge / staggered crossing and to provide as short a crossing length as possible for pedestrians. It should be feasible to provide a satisfactorily safe new traffic signal layout design here as is currently provided at other similar junctions on the N11, e.g. Kill Lane junction to the north.	
2.32	Y	Y		

Signed: *Sustan Durr* Designer

Date 23rd November 2017

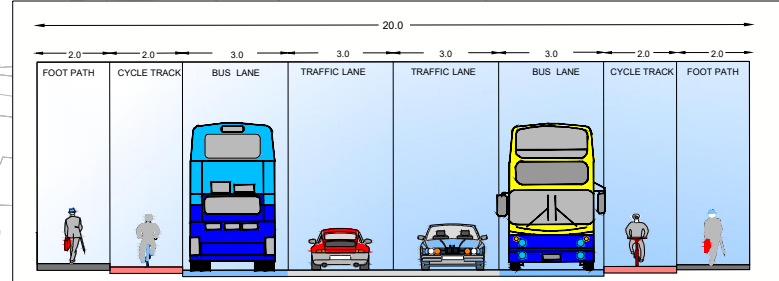
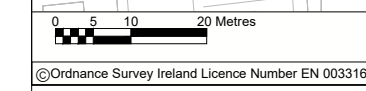
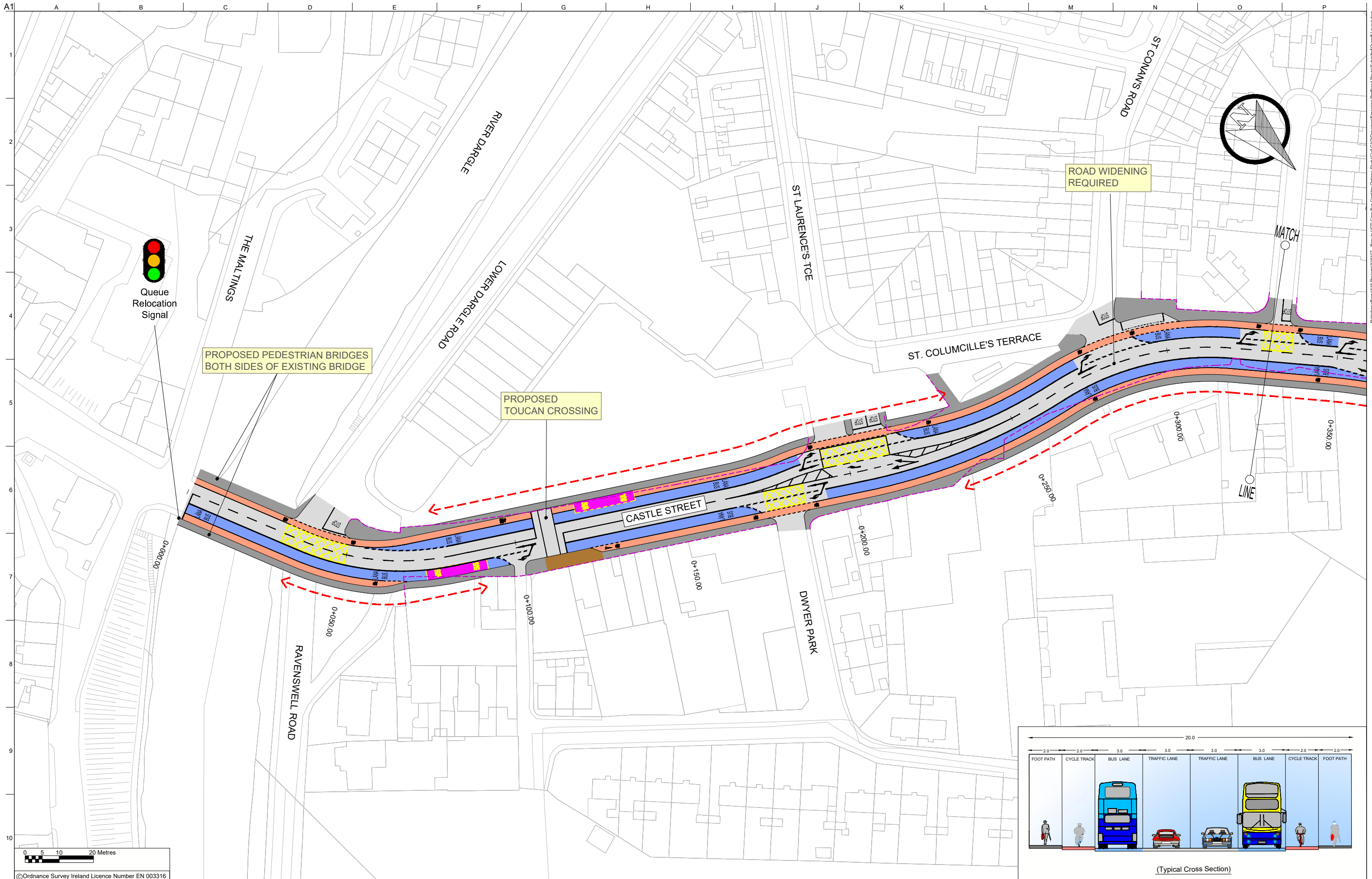
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Signed:Client

Date

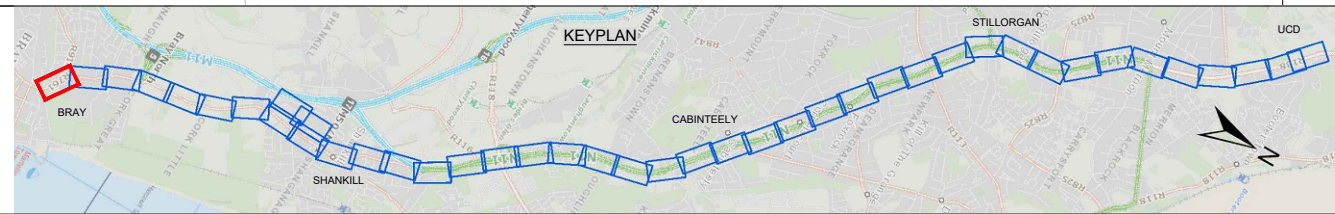
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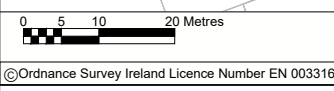
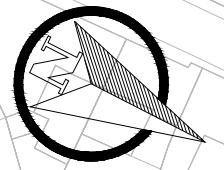
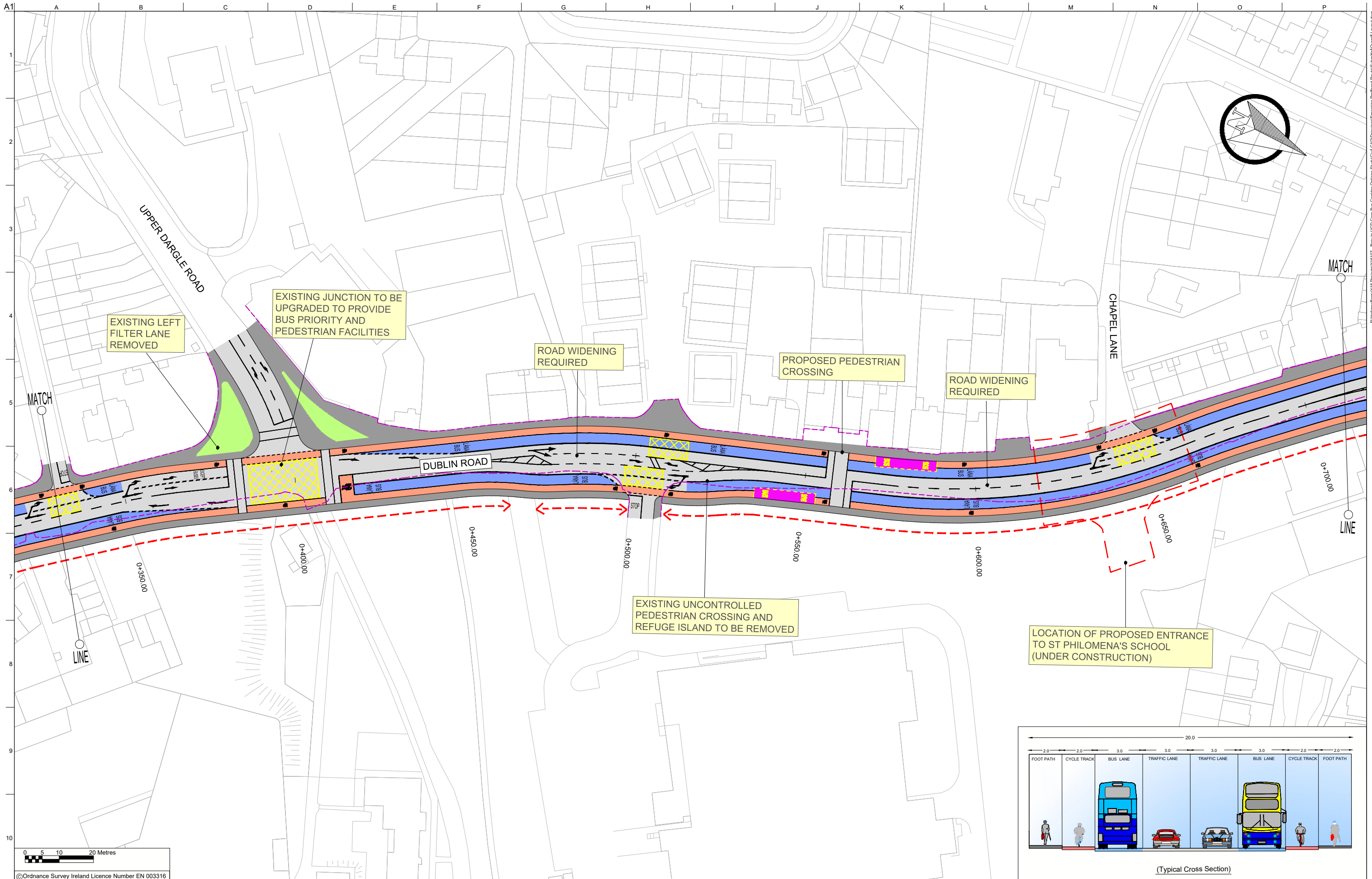
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- Bus Stop
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- Existing Boundary



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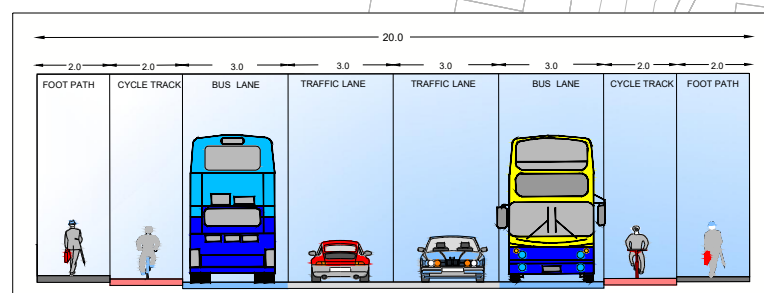
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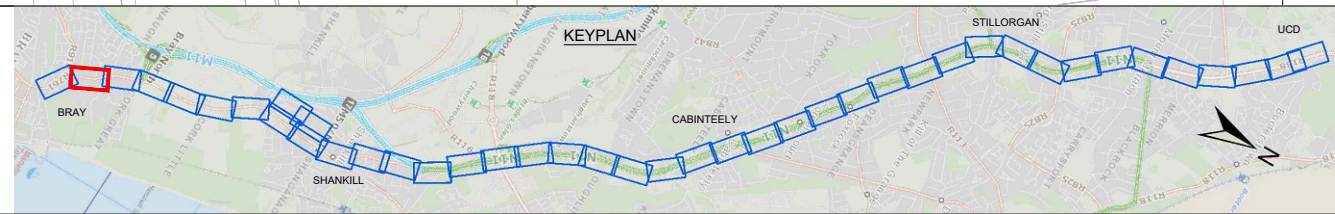
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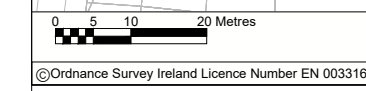
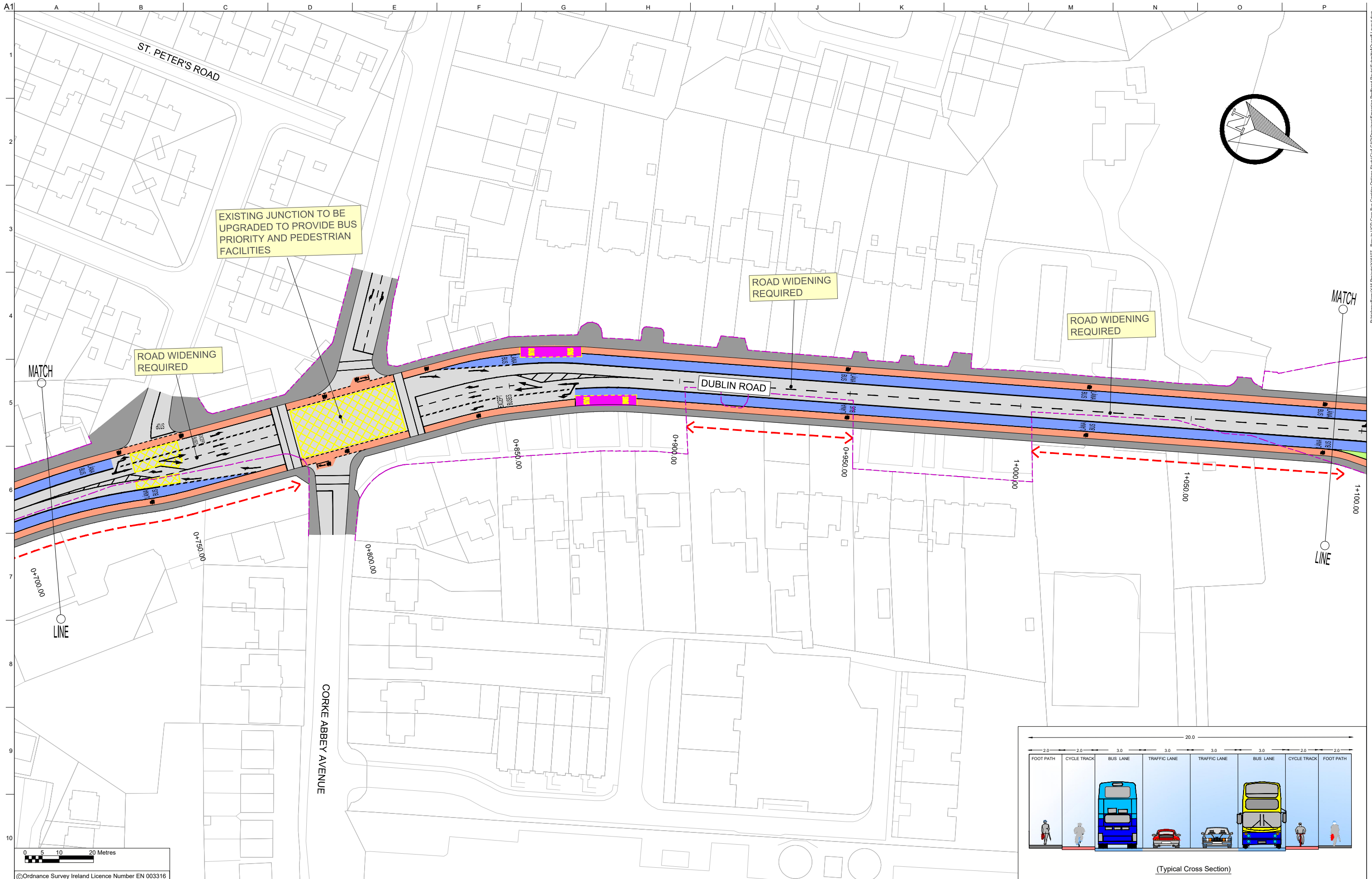


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


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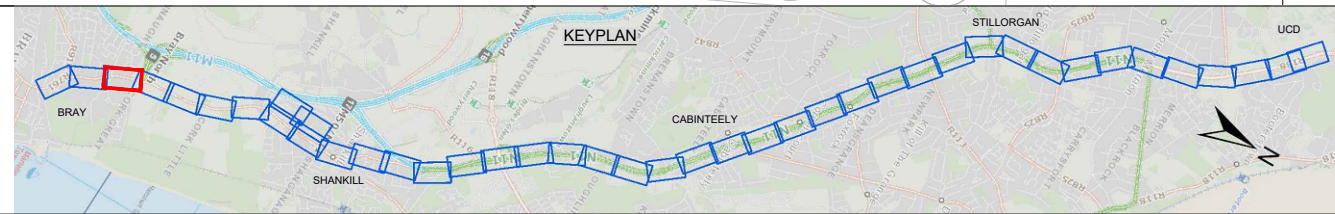
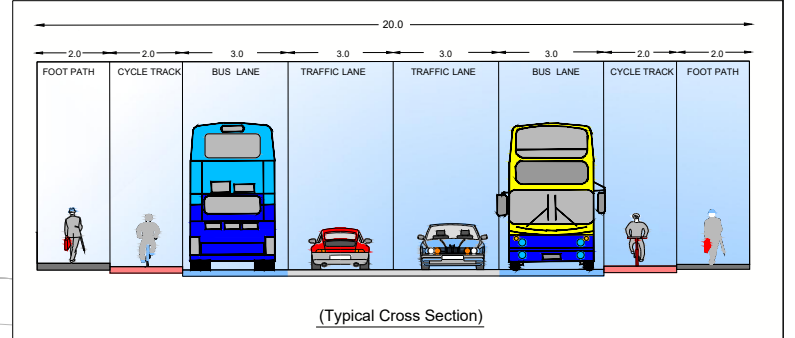
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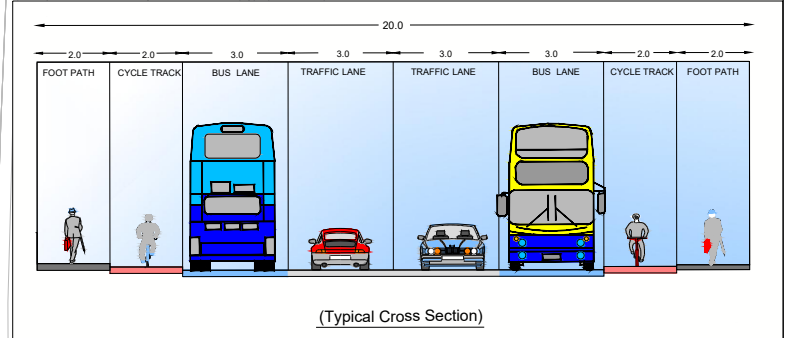
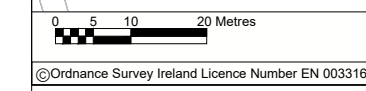
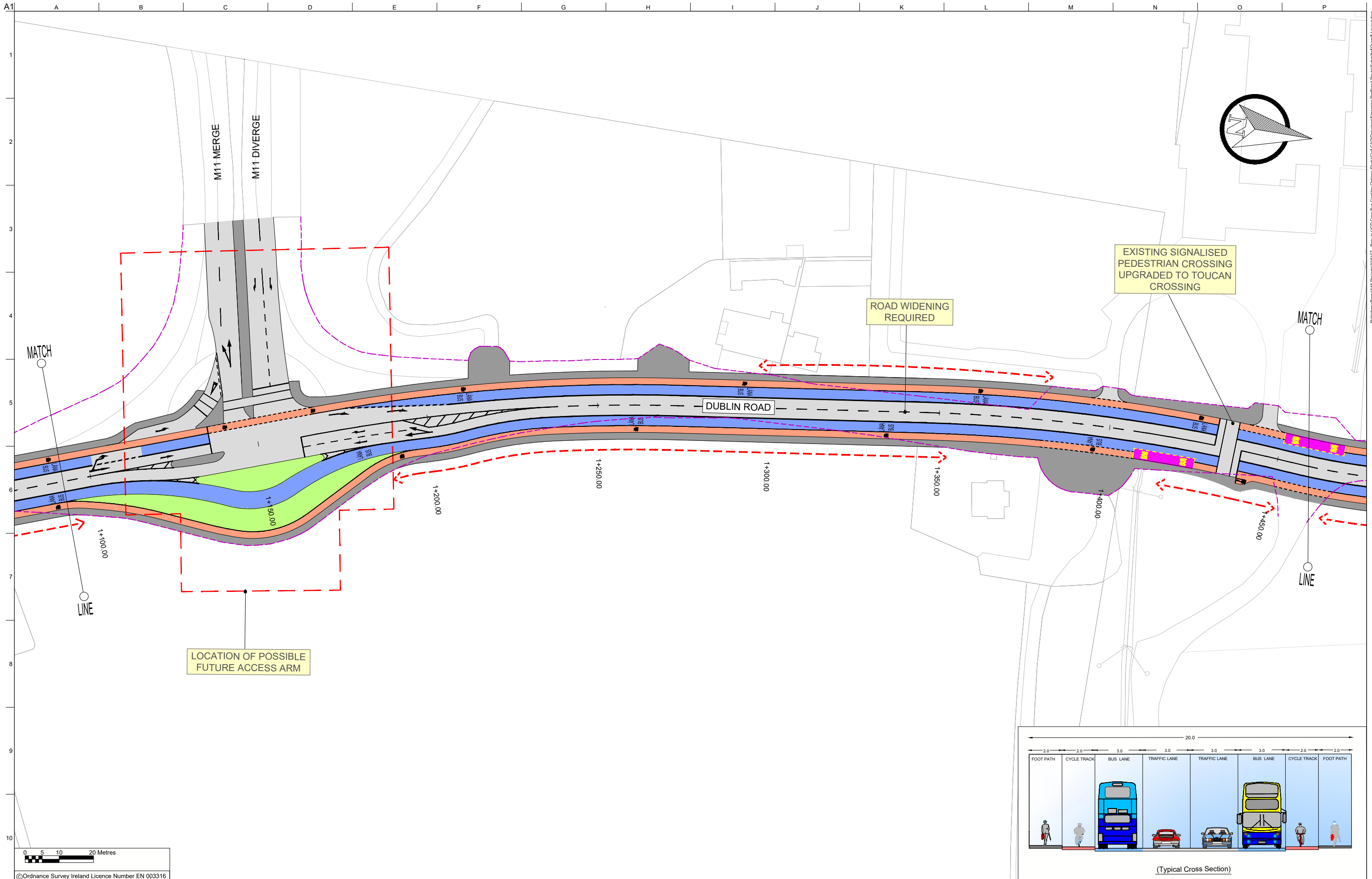


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


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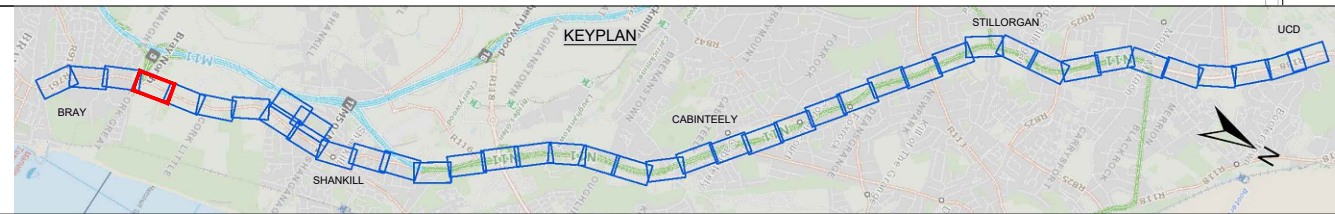


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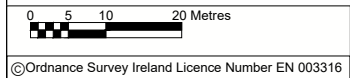
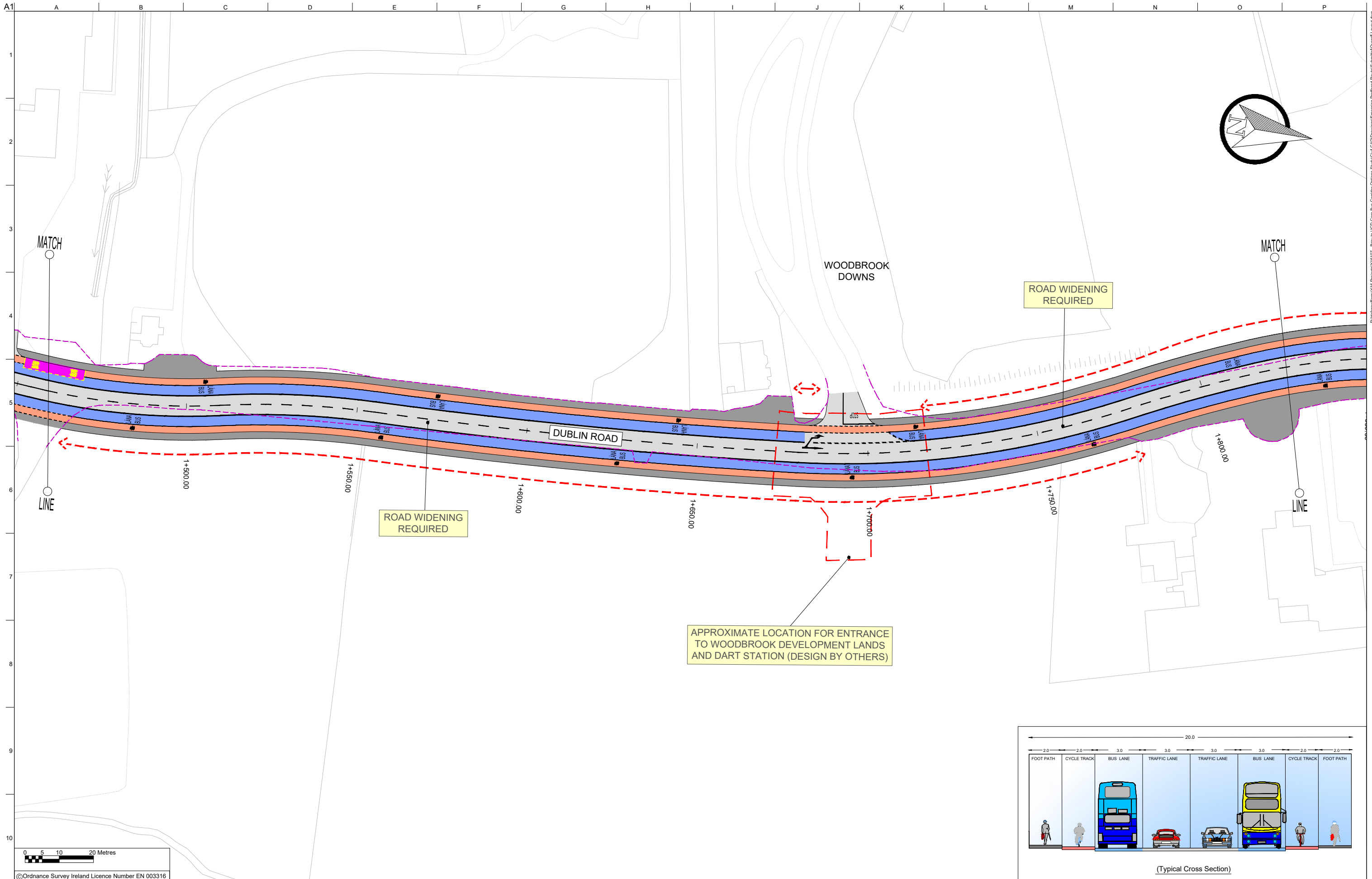


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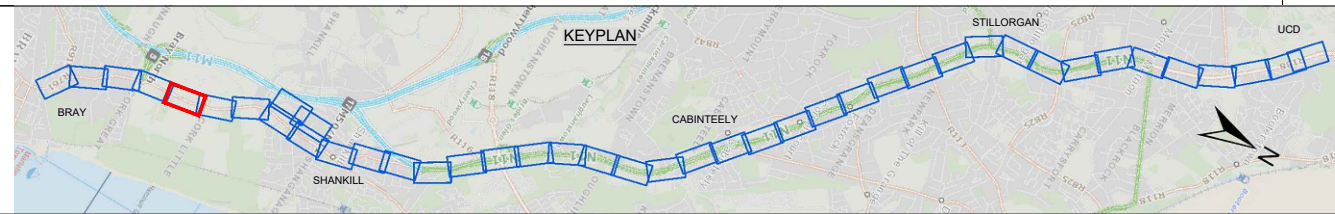
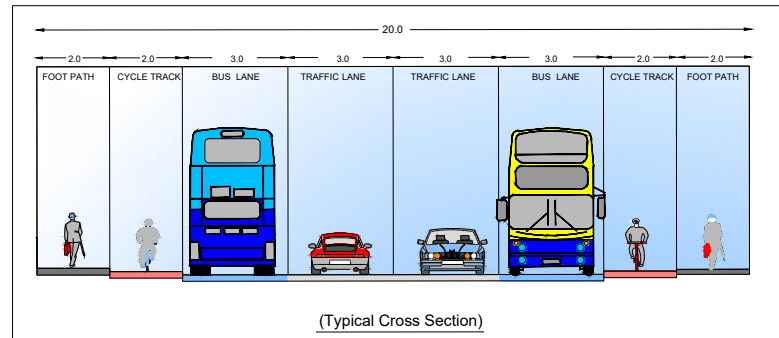


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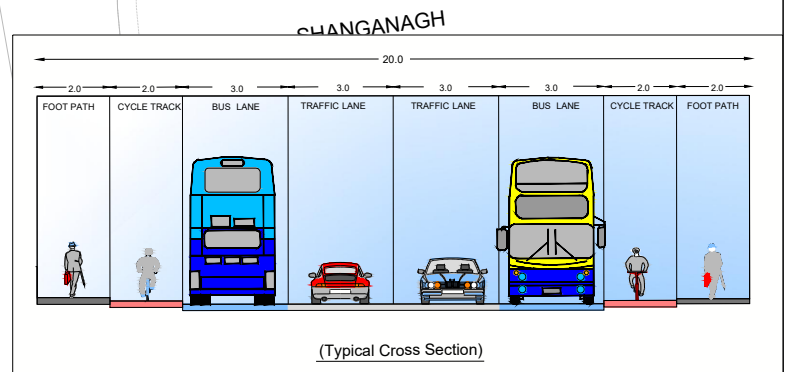
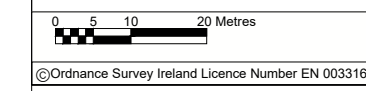
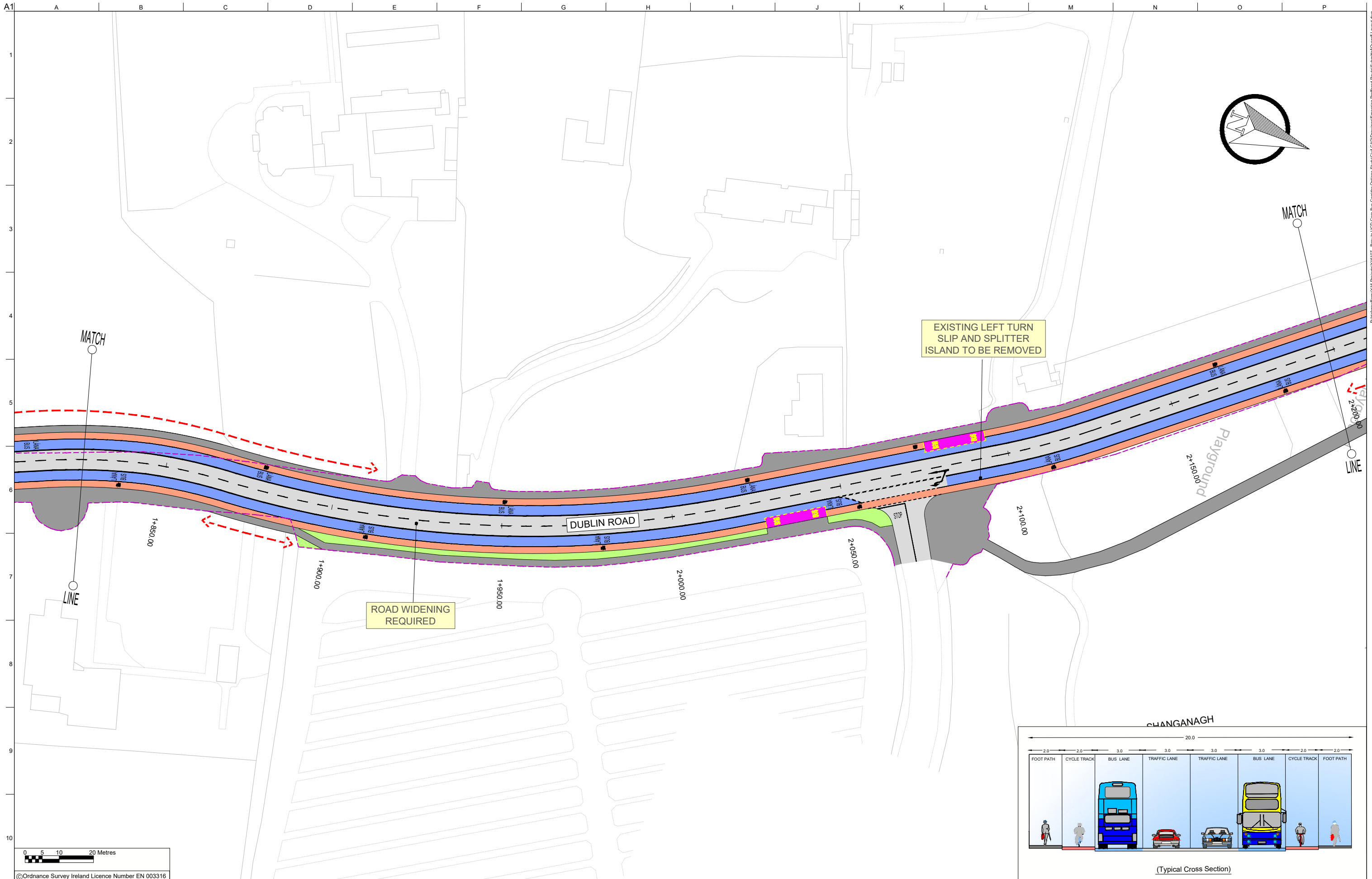


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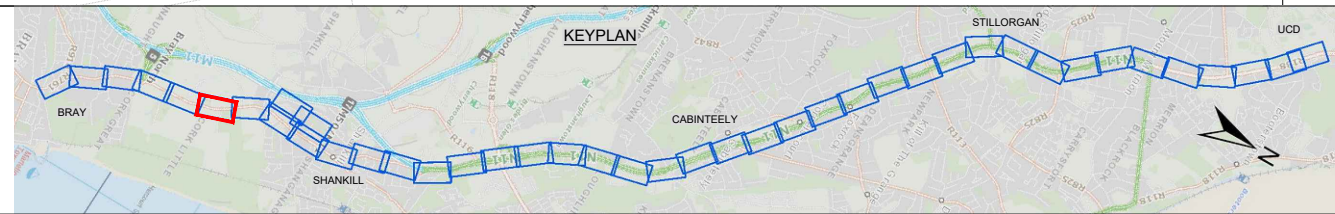


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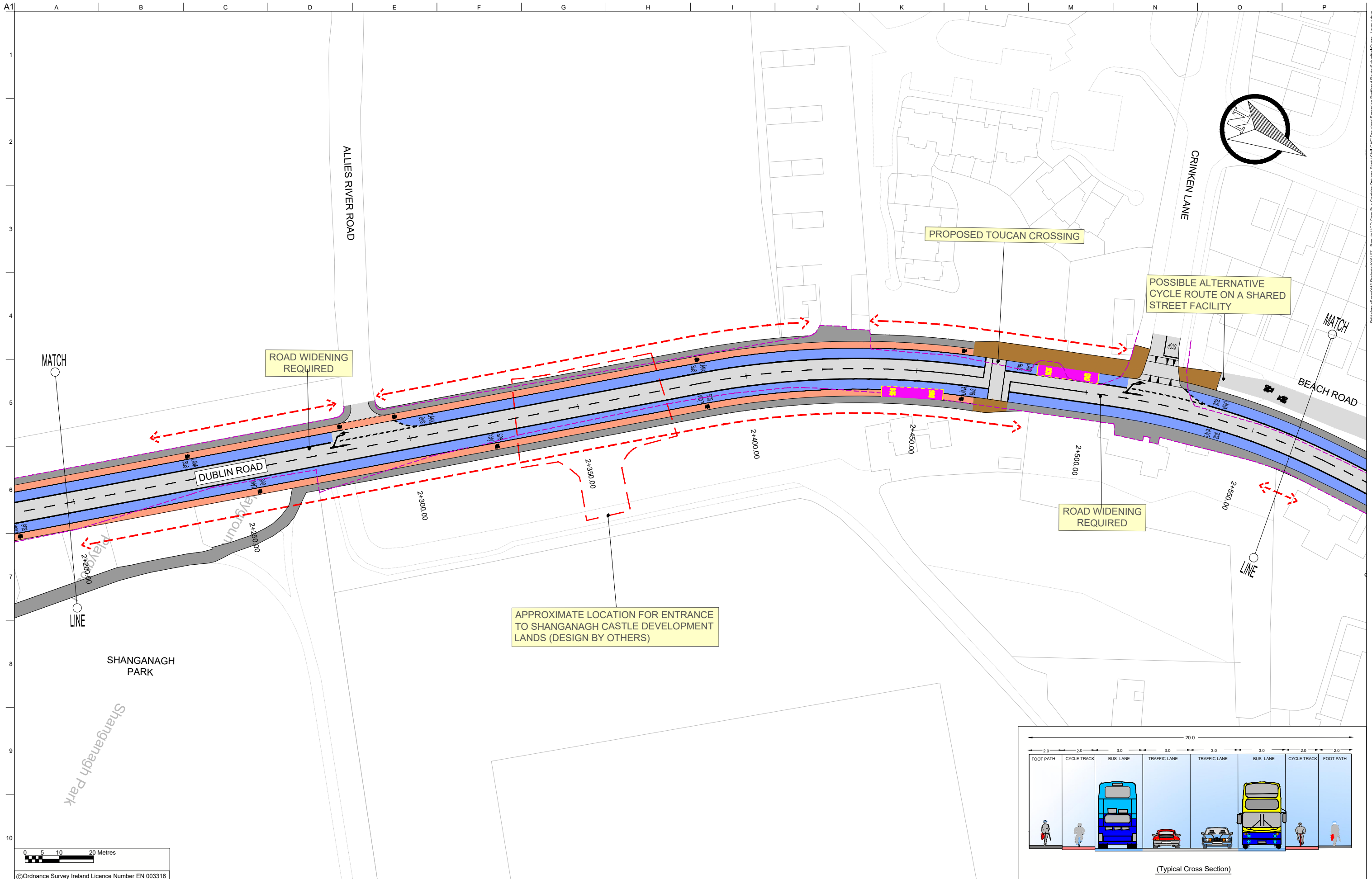


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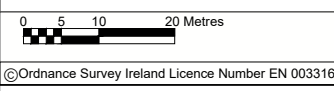
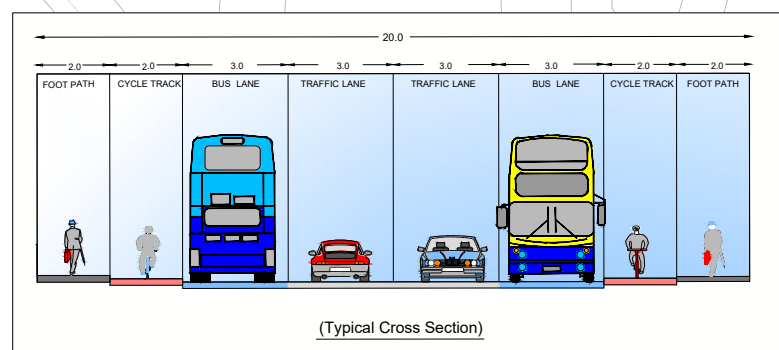
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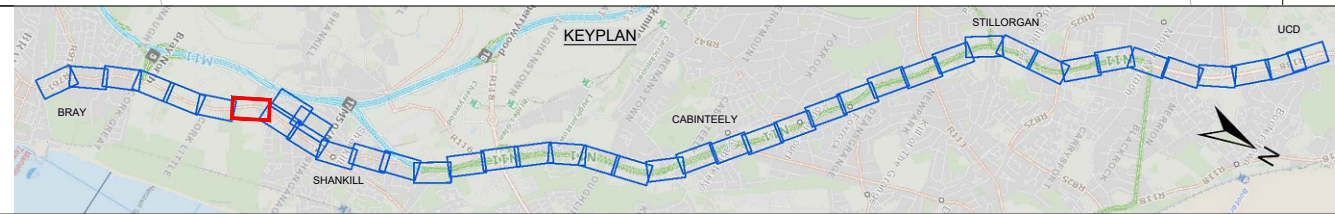


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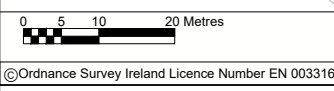
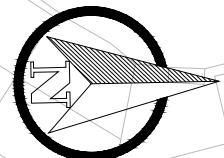
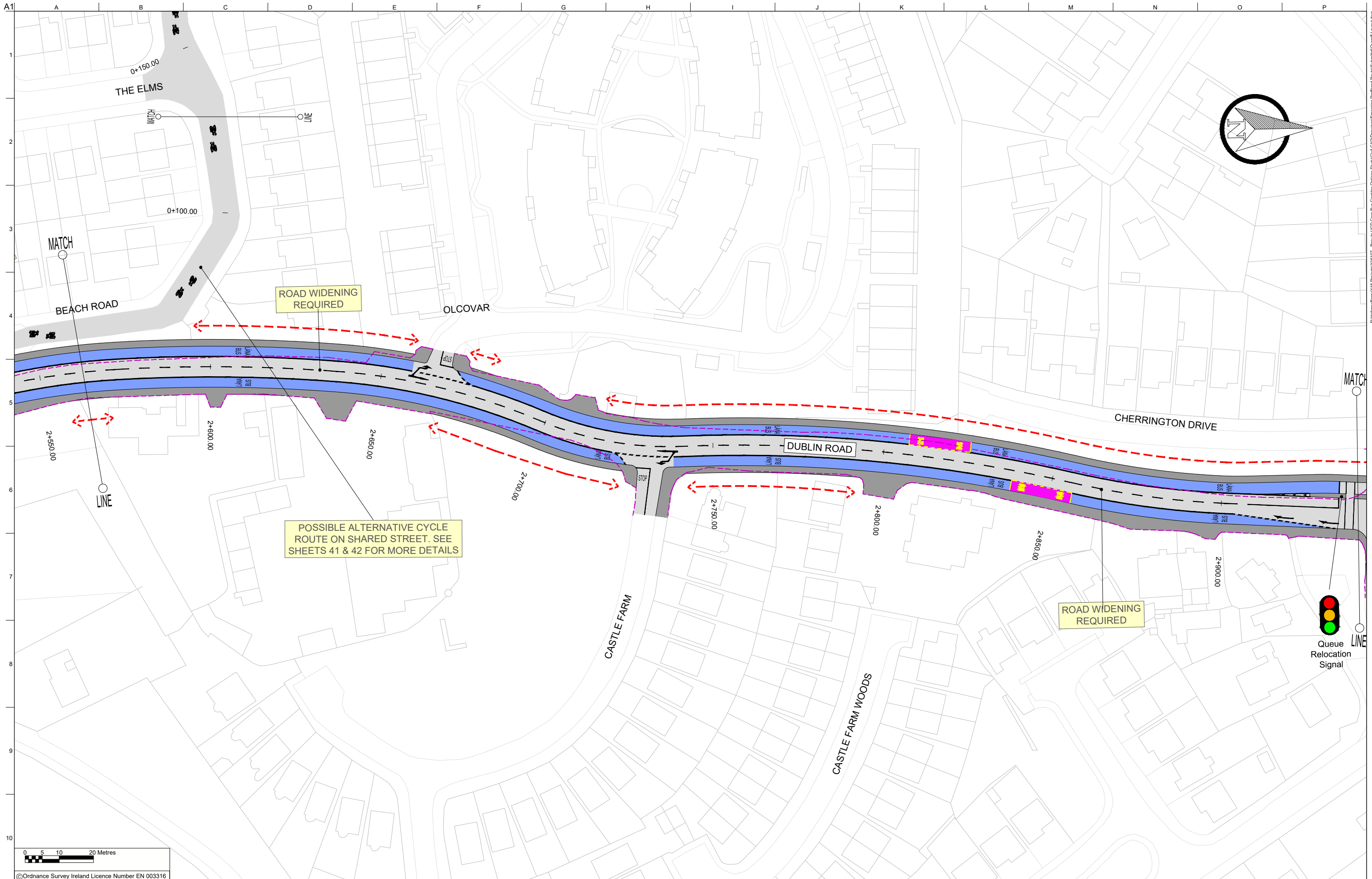
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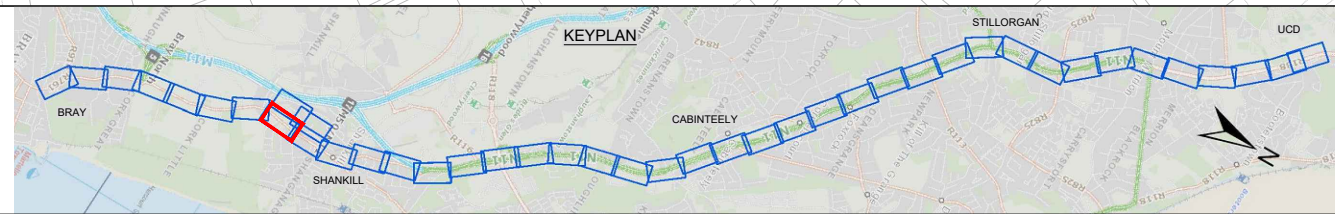
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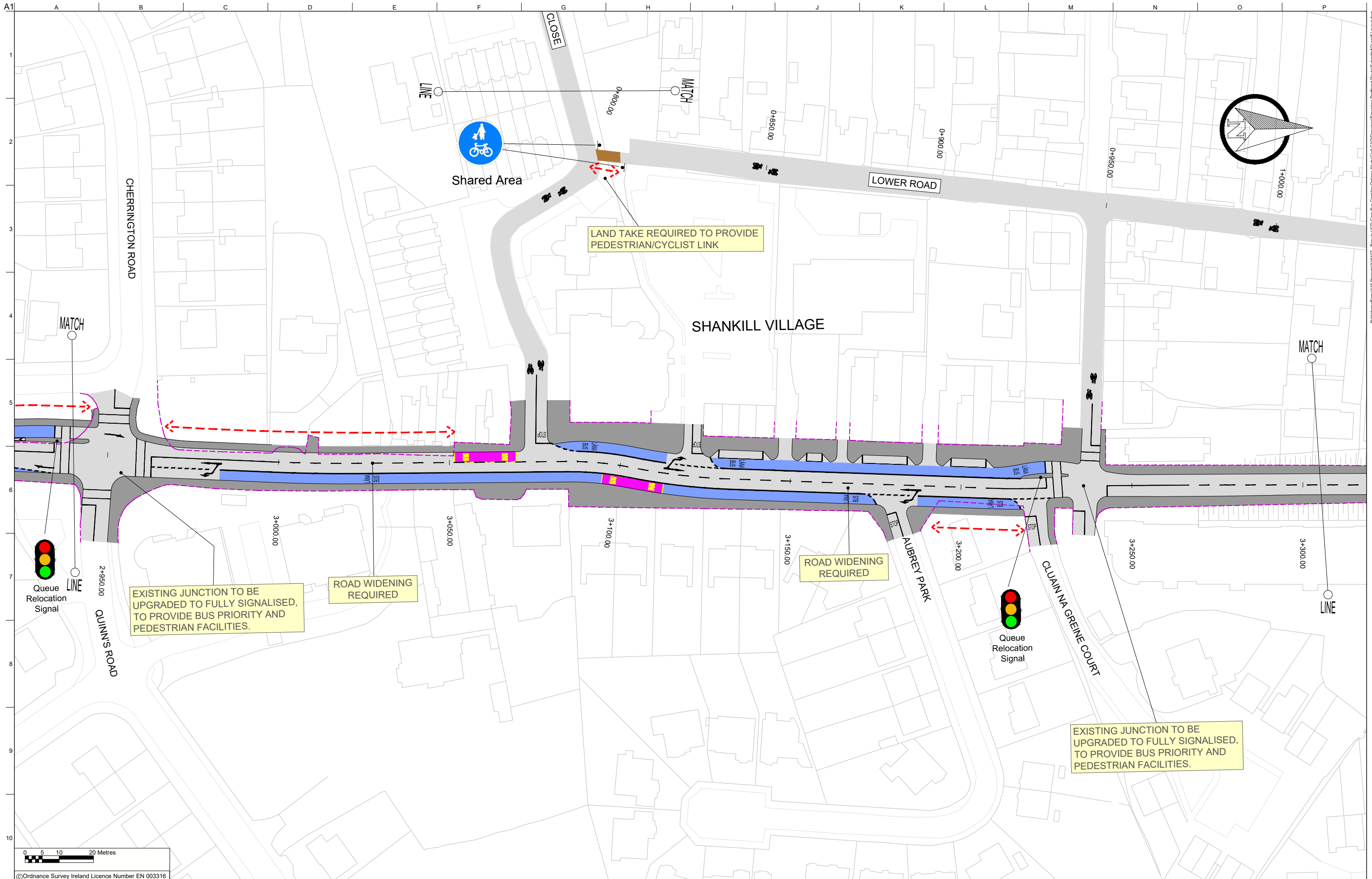
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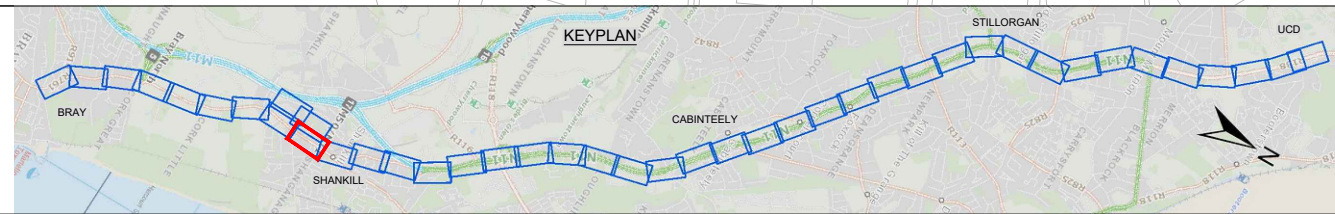
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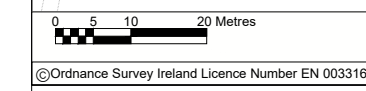
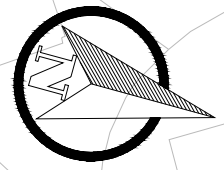
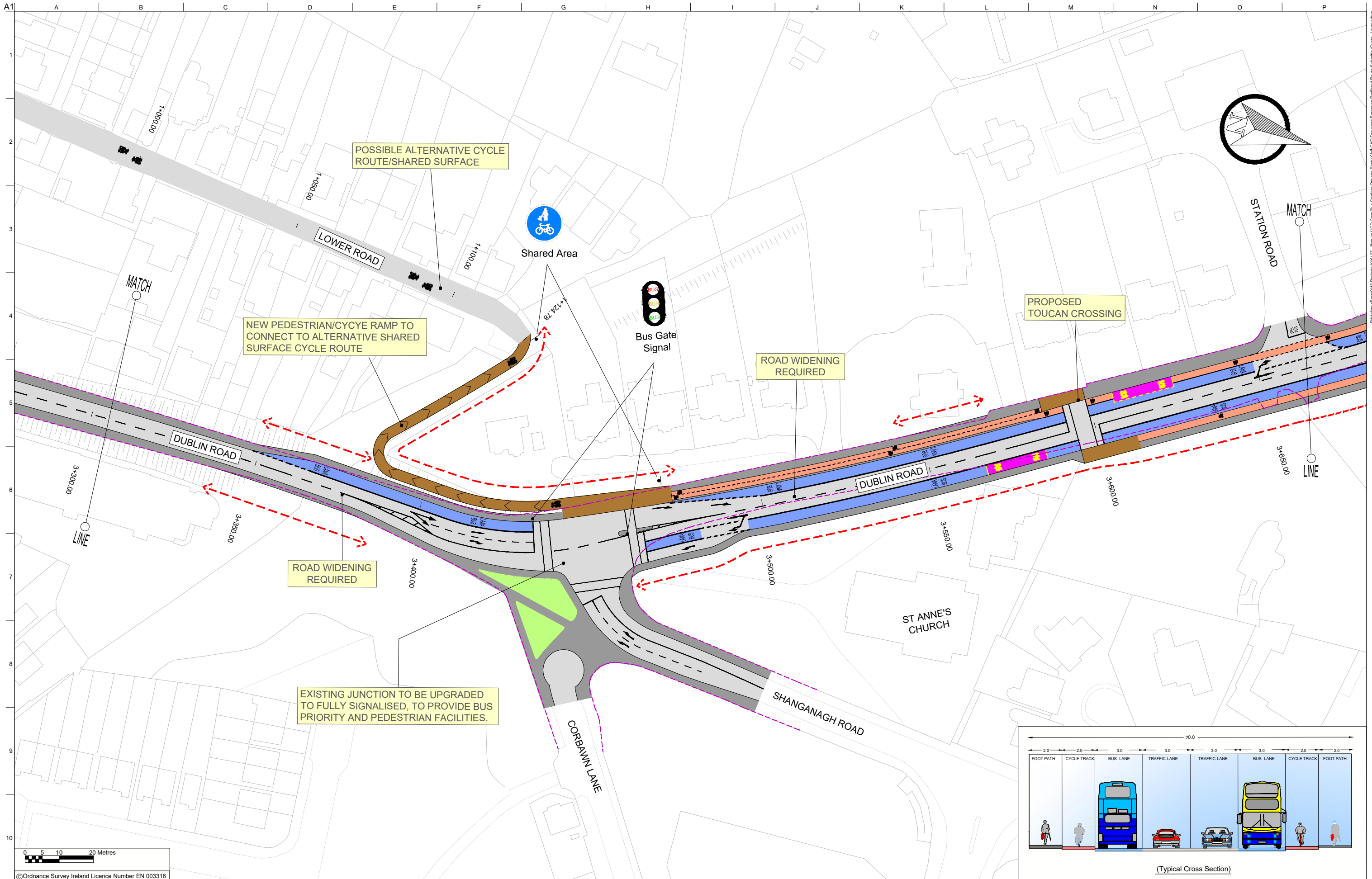


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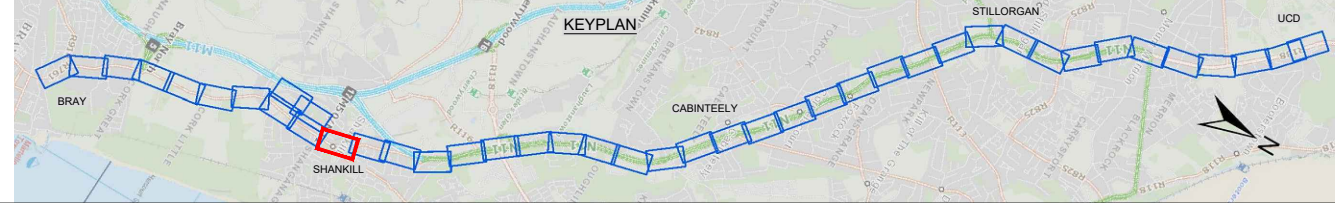
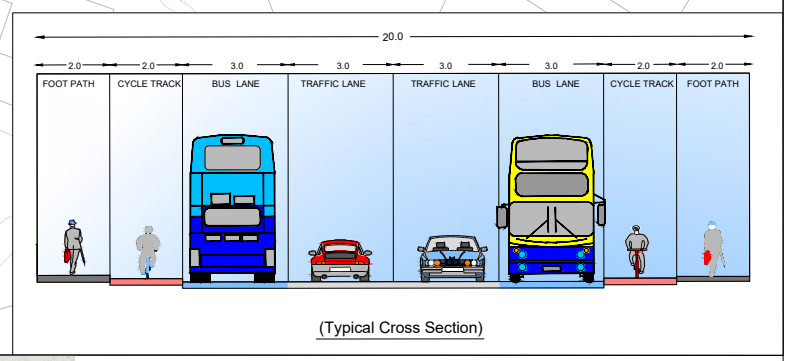
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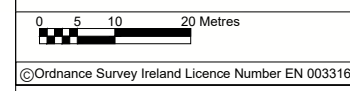
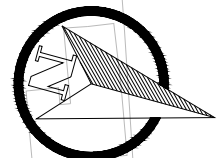
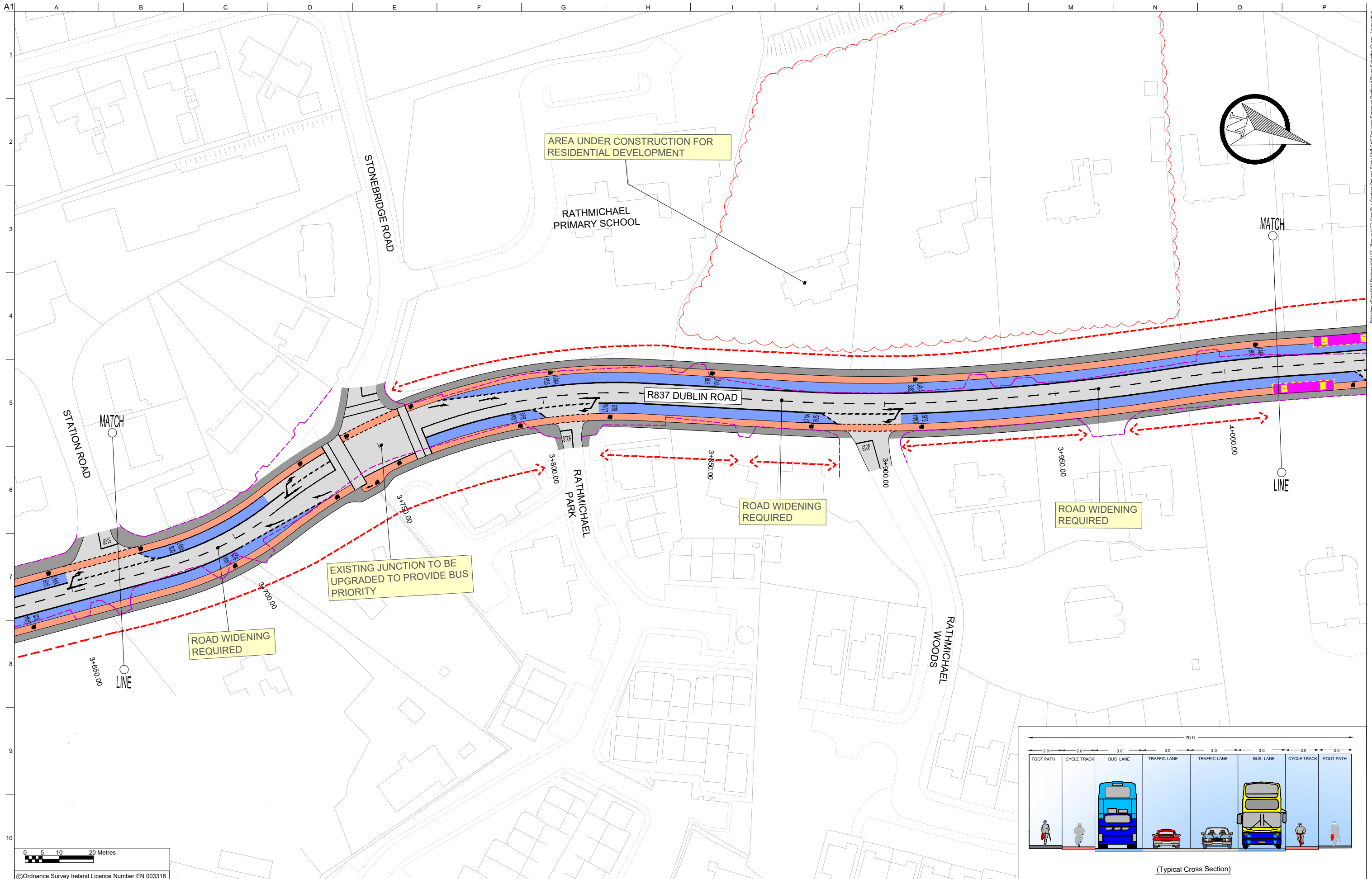
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


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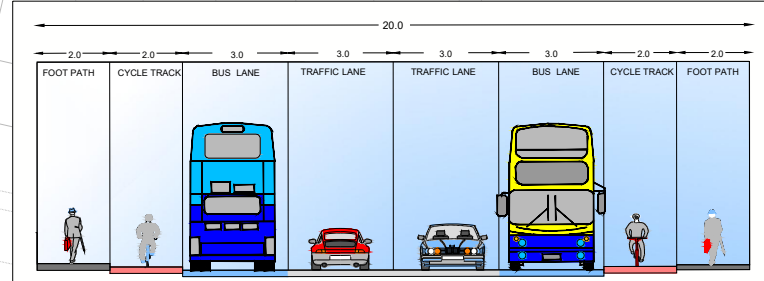
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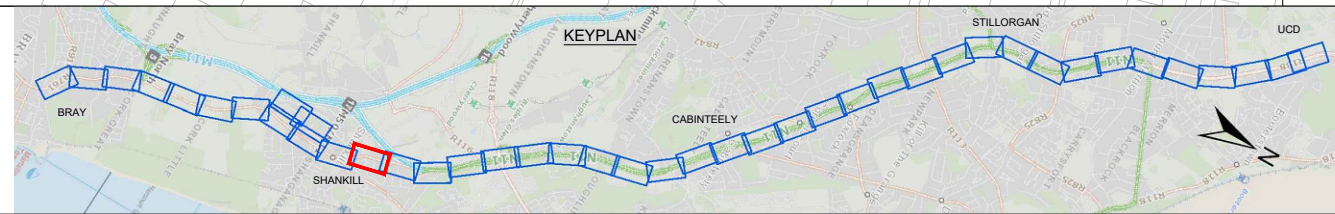
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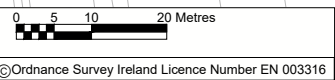
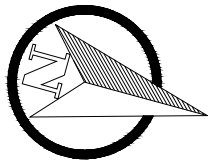
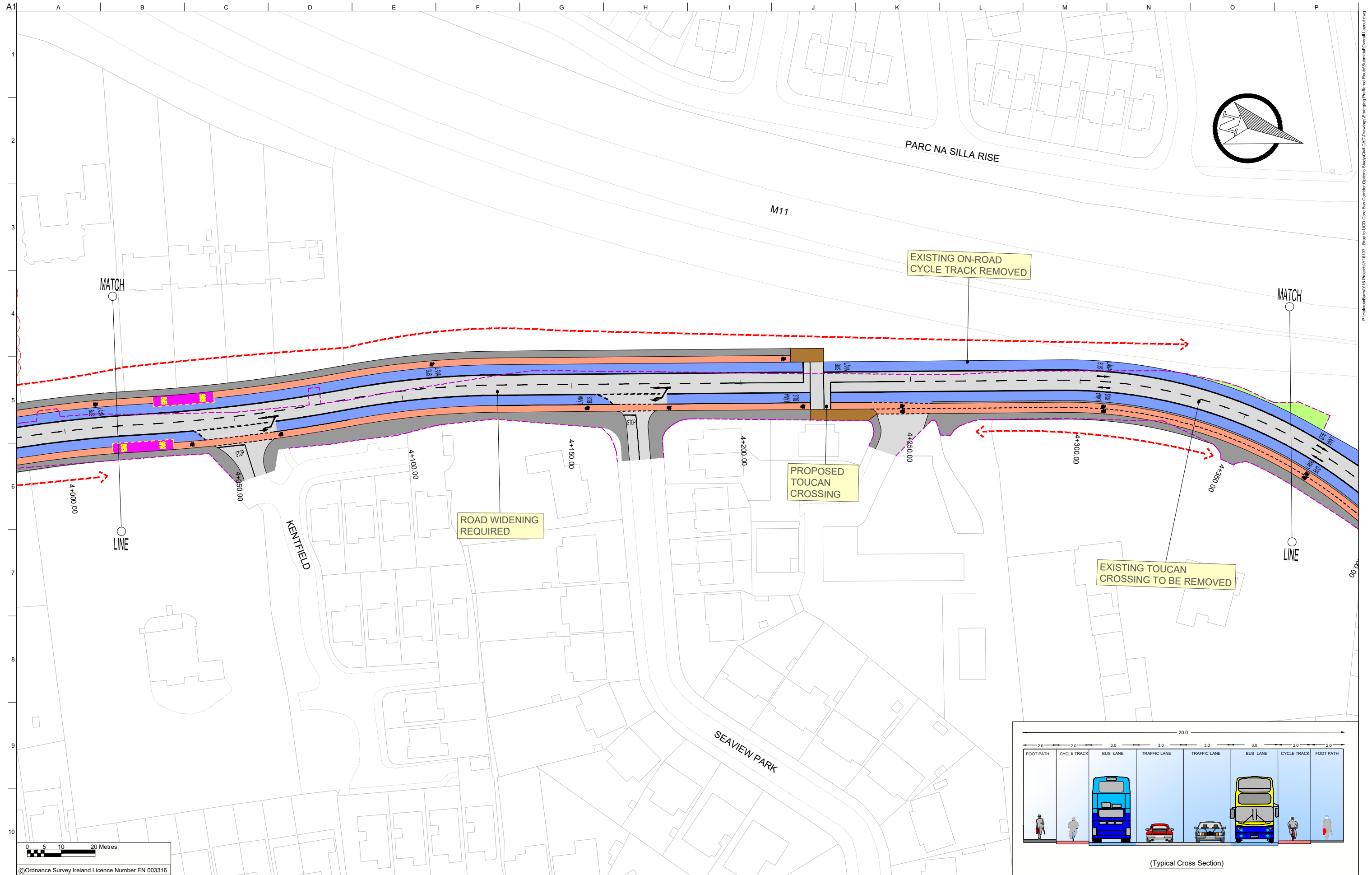


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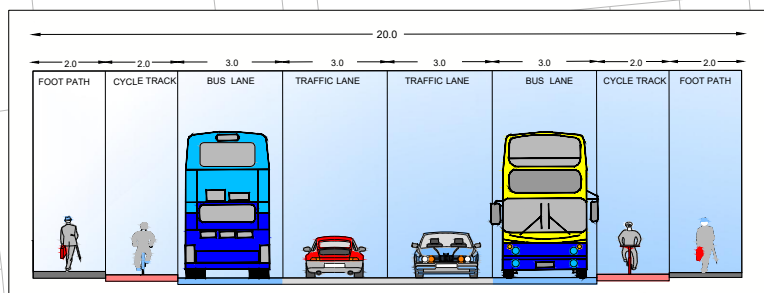


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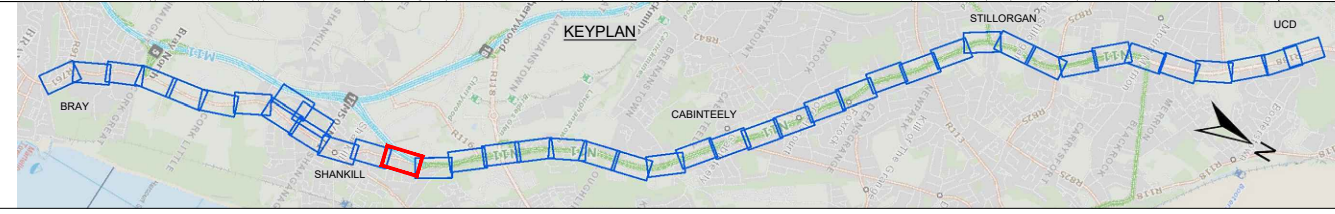
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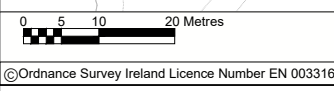
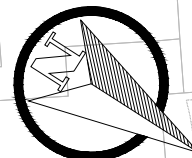
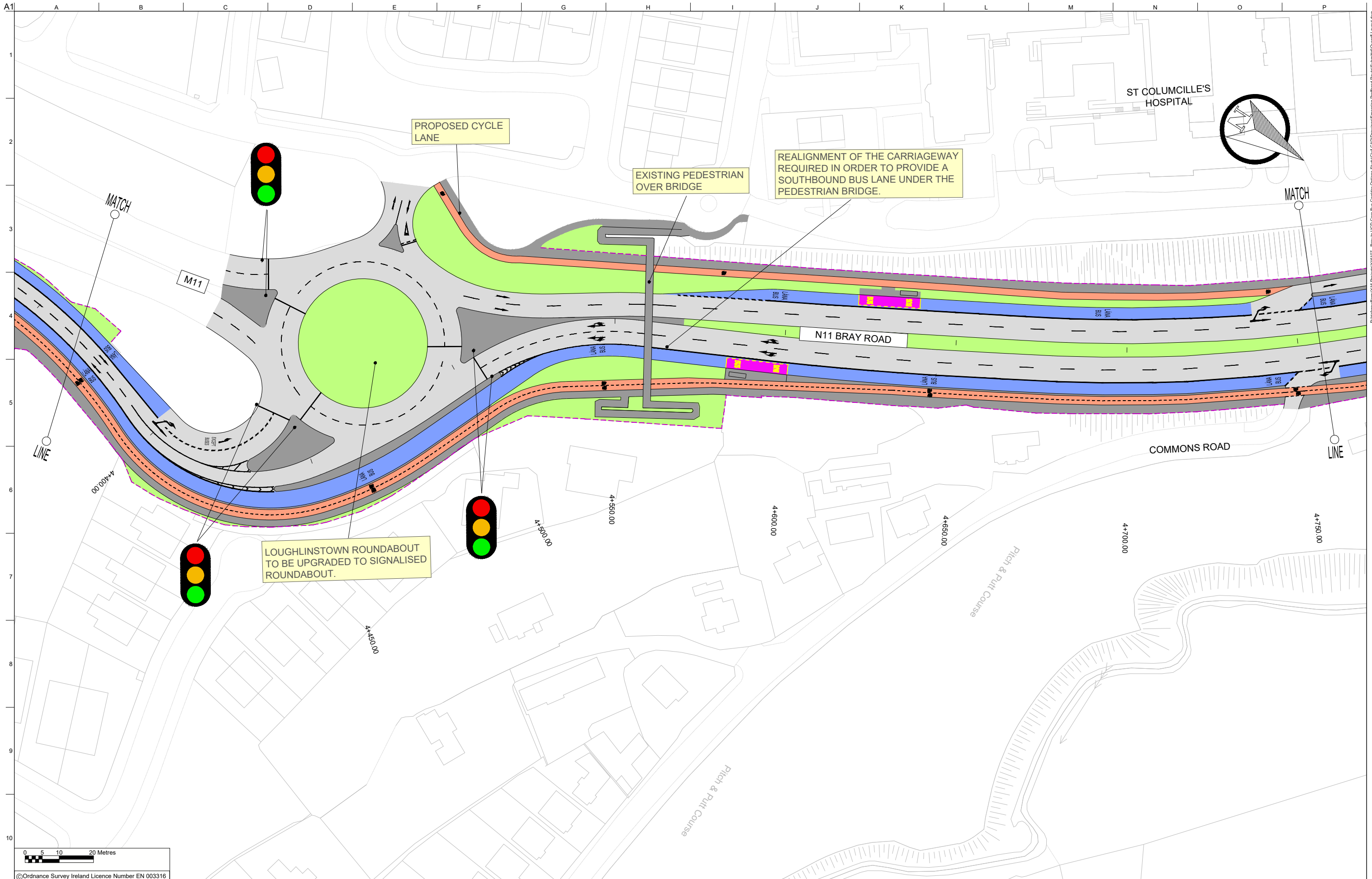
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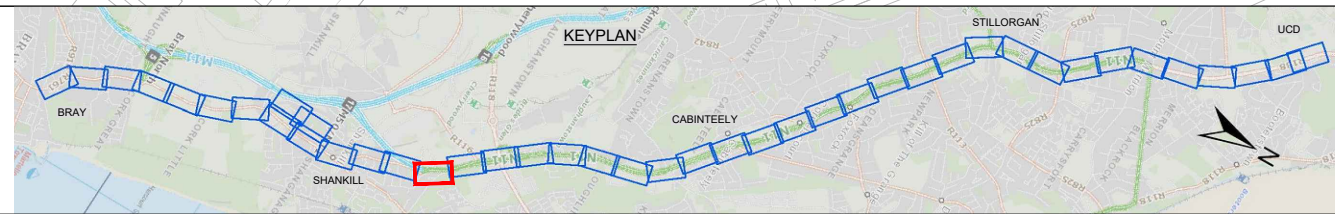
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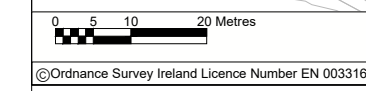
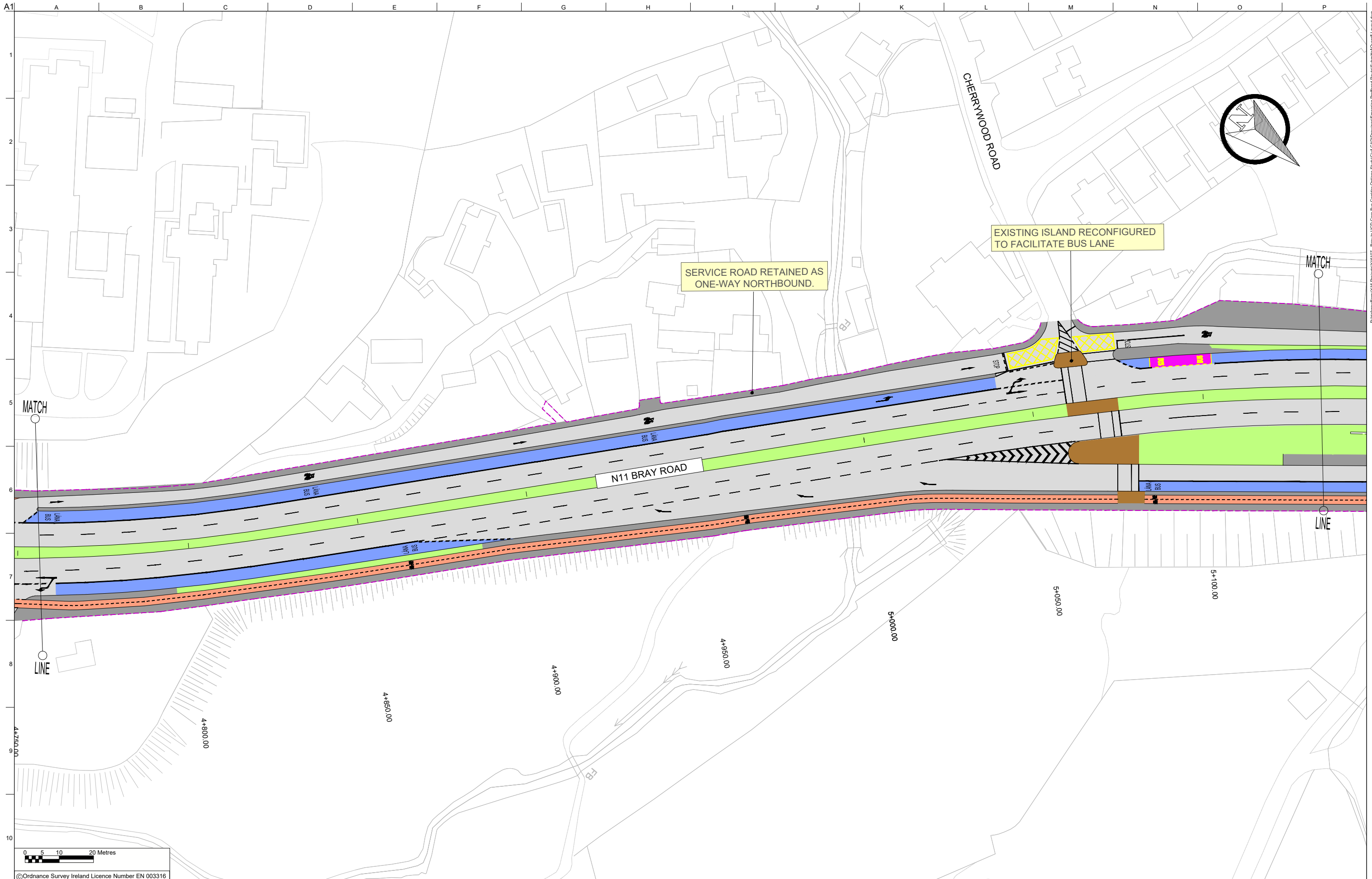
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


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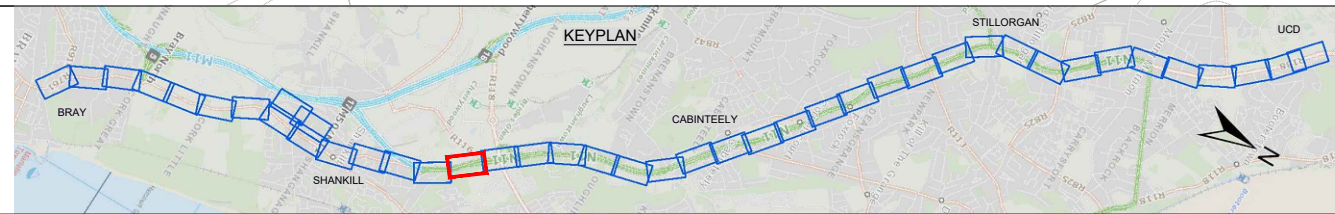
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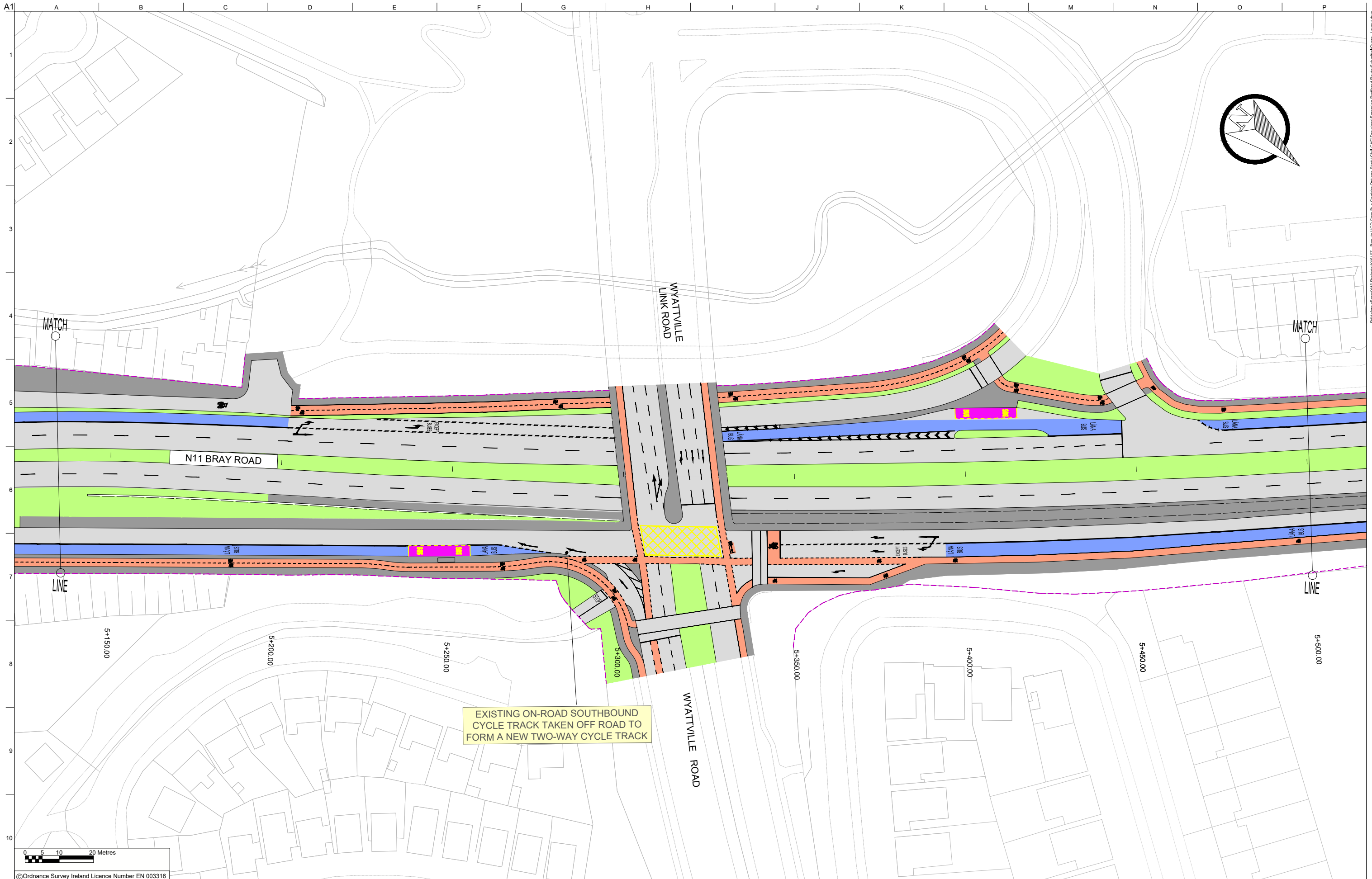


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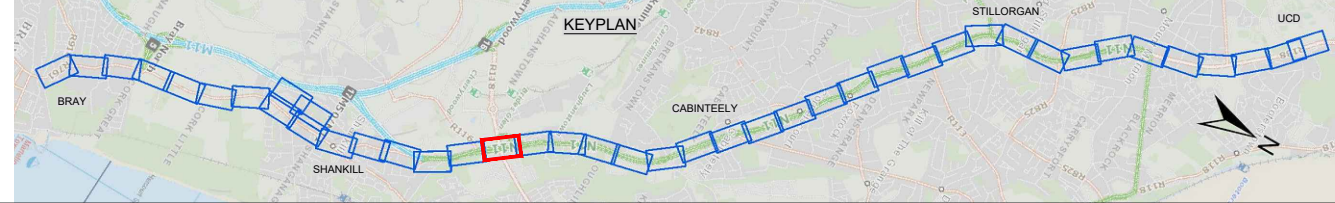


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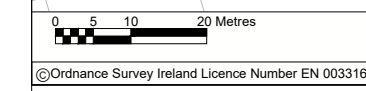
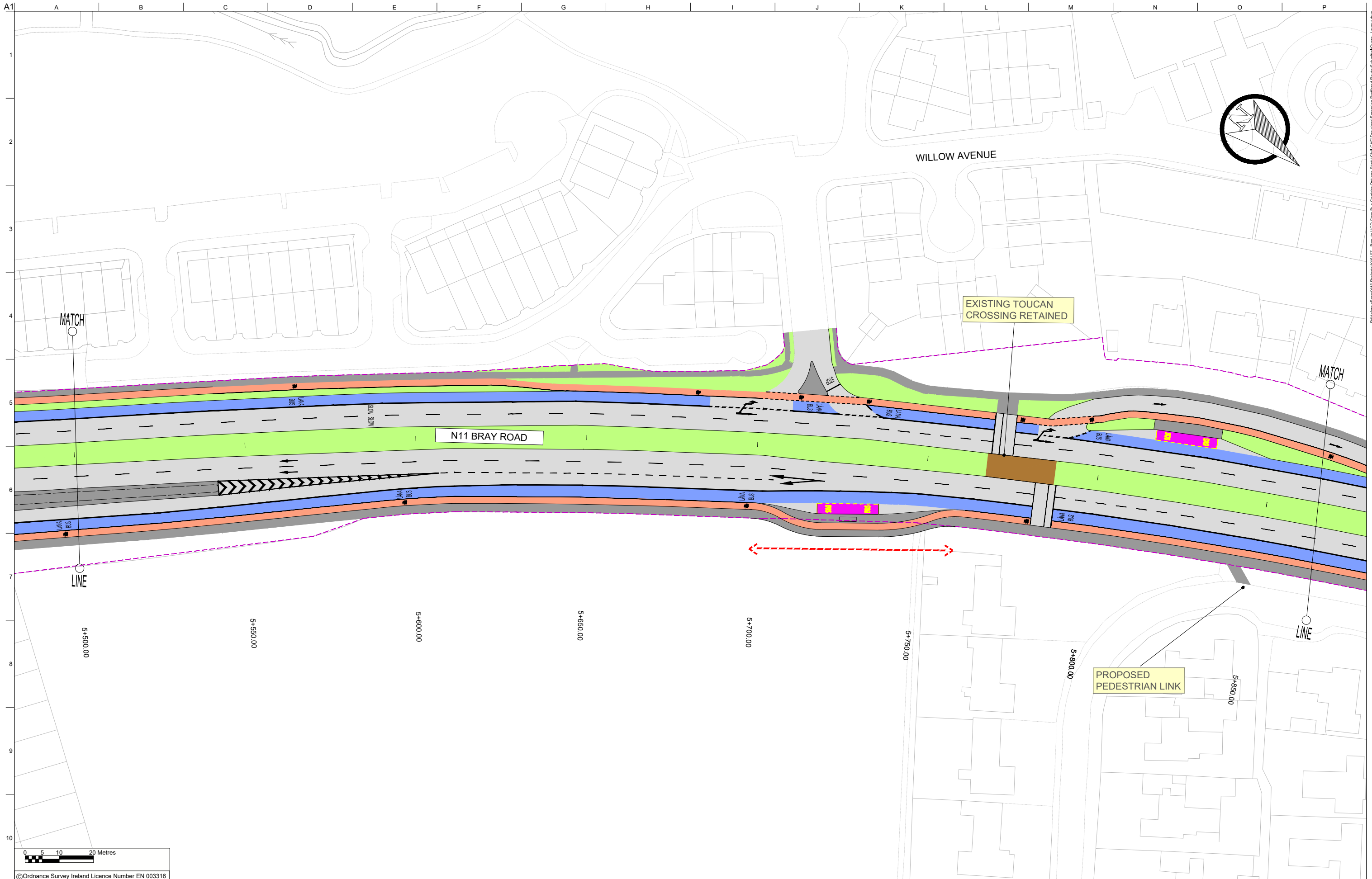
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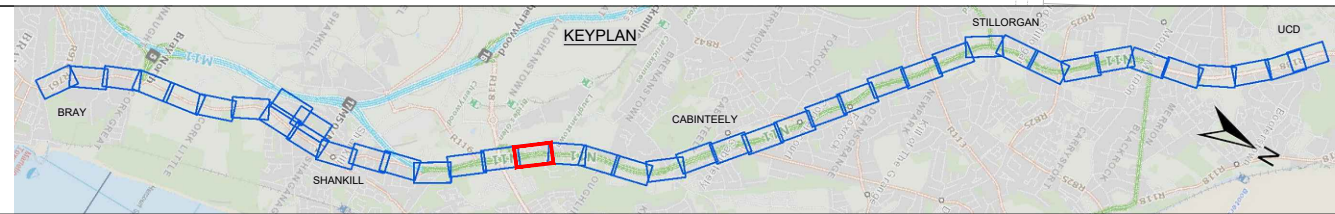
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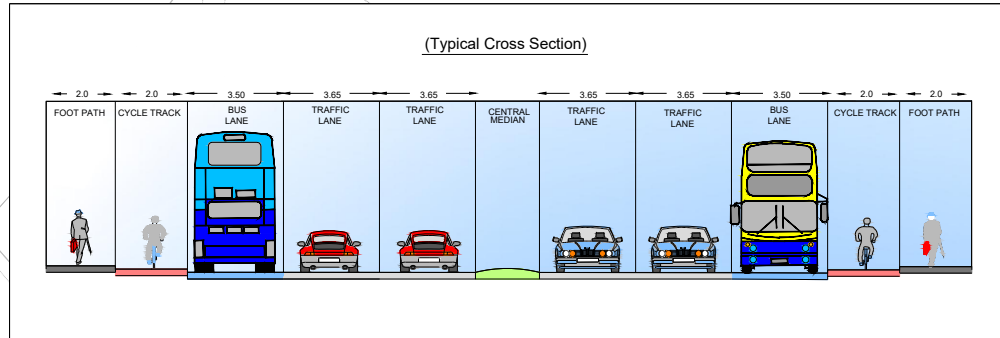
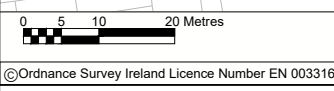
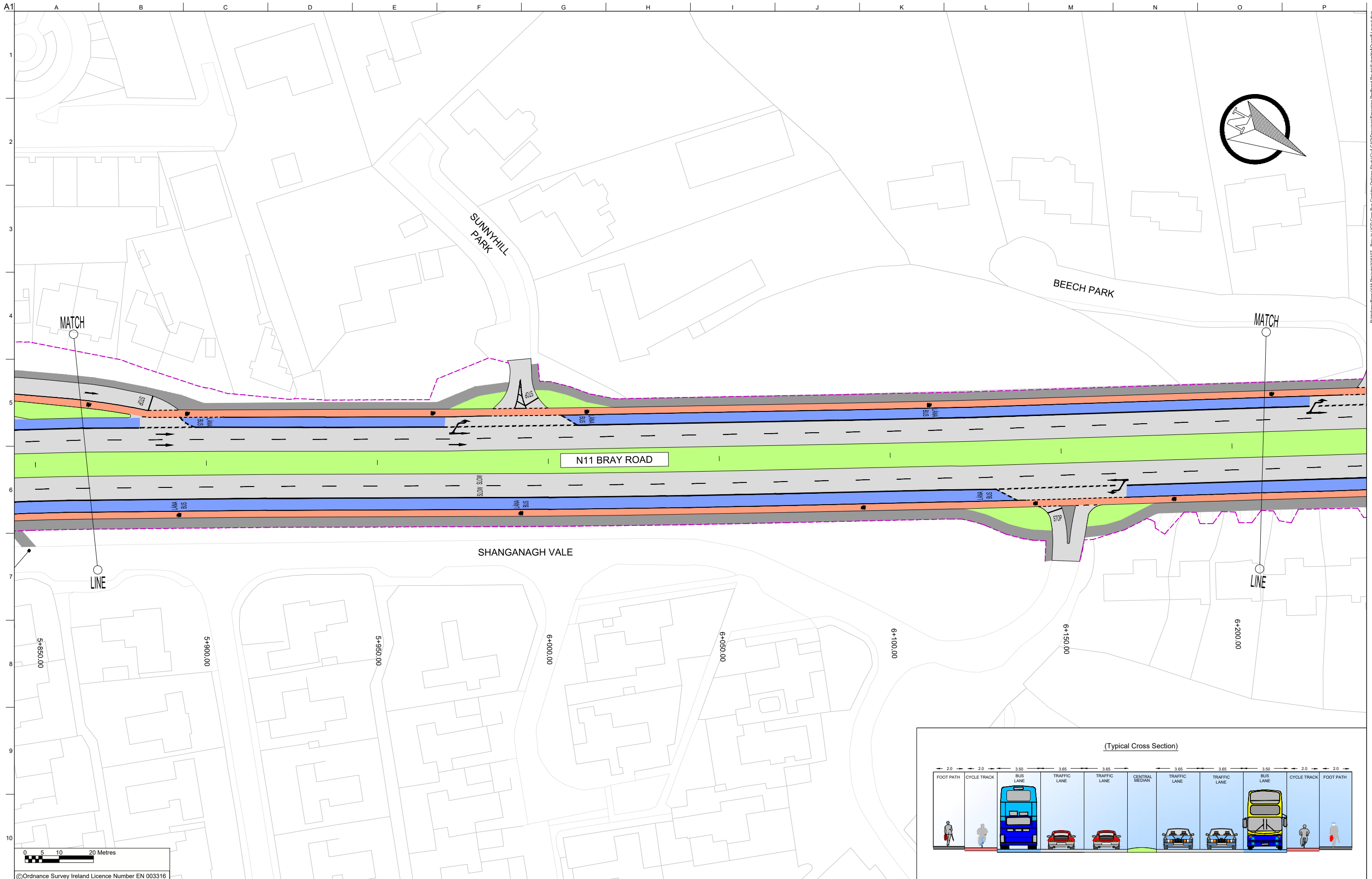
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




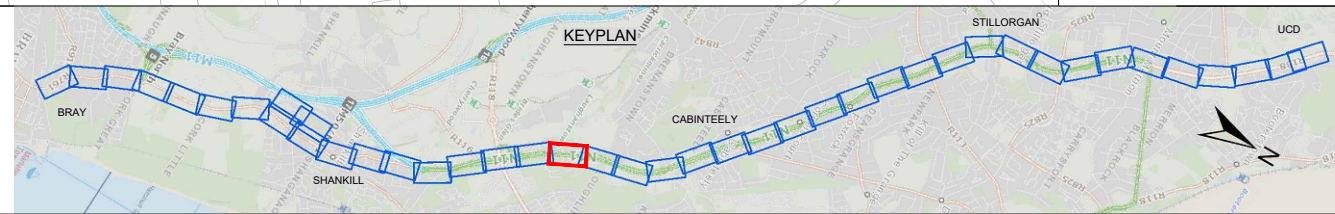
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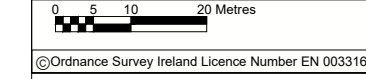
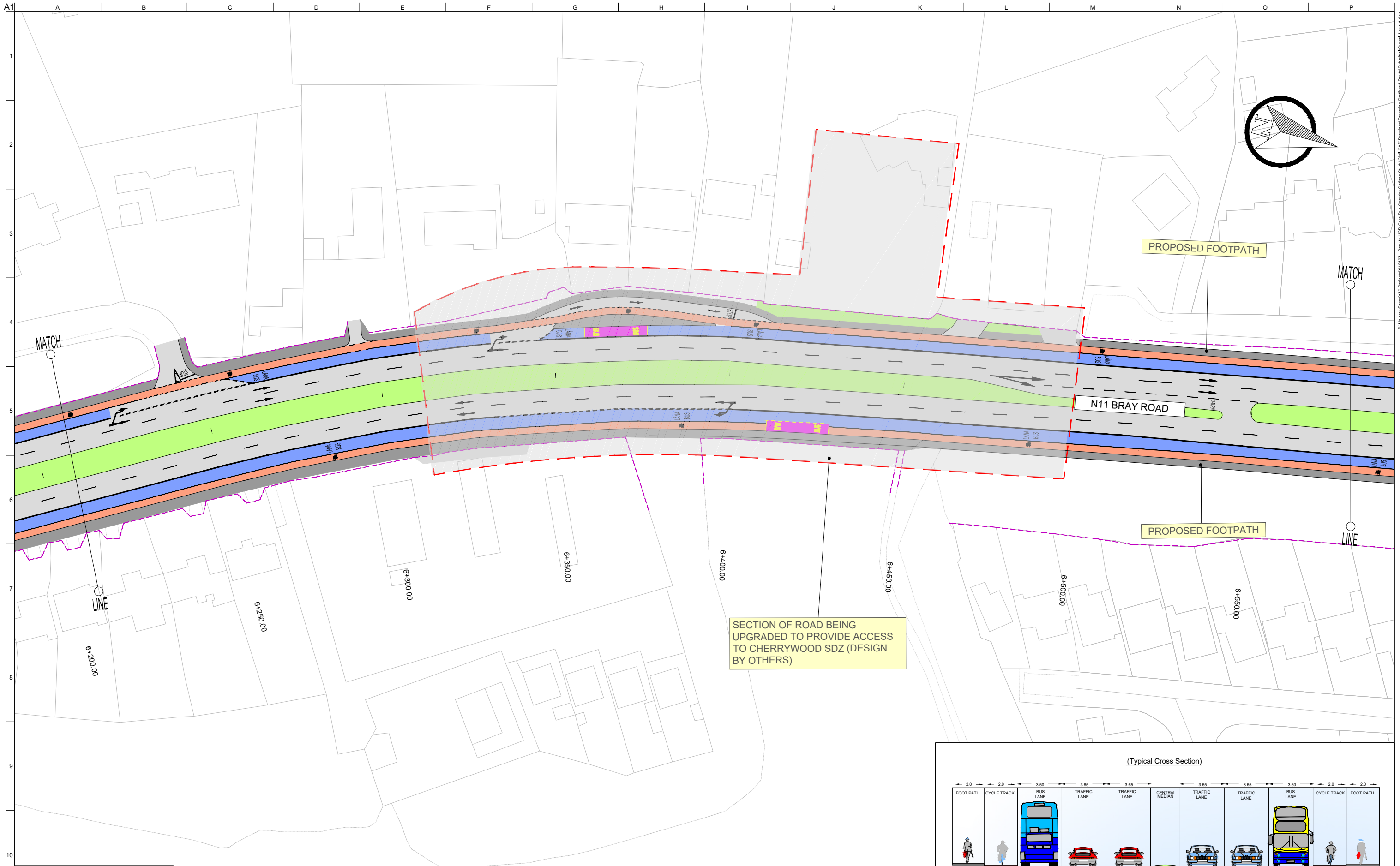


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 Cycle Lane	 Footpath	 Existing Boundary
 Shared Surface	 Bus Stop	

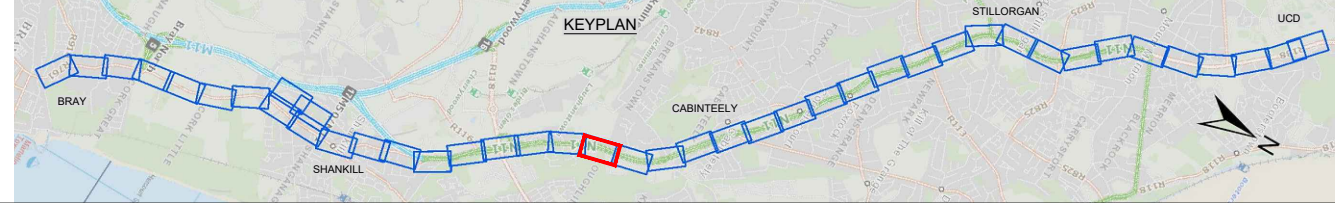
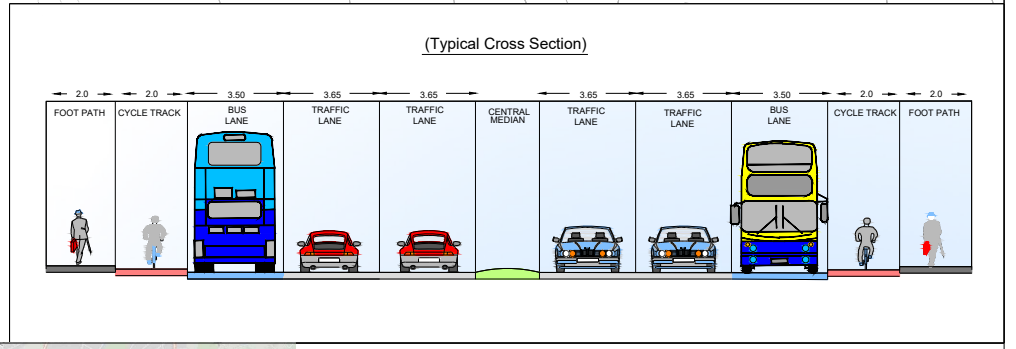


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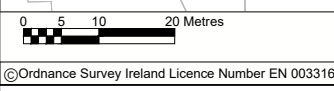
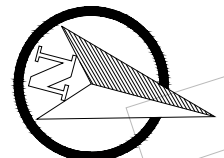
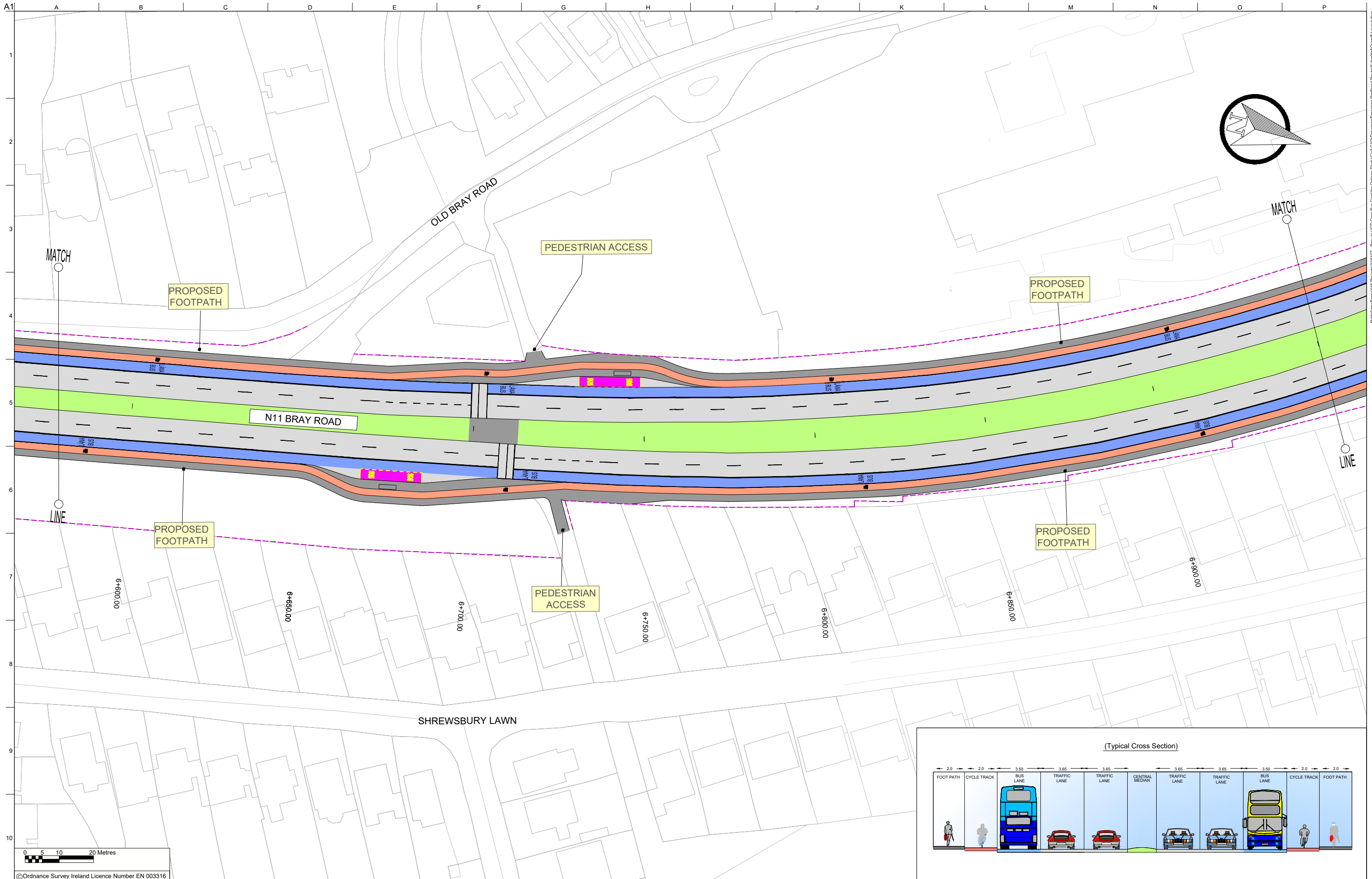


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	Shared Surface		Bus Stop		











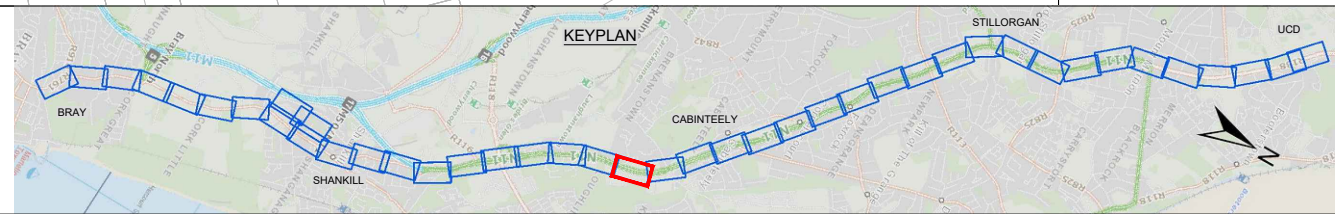
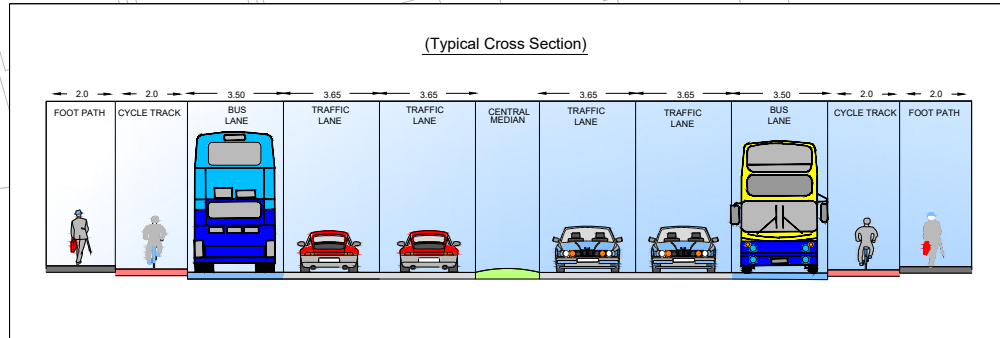
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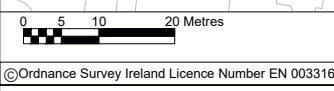
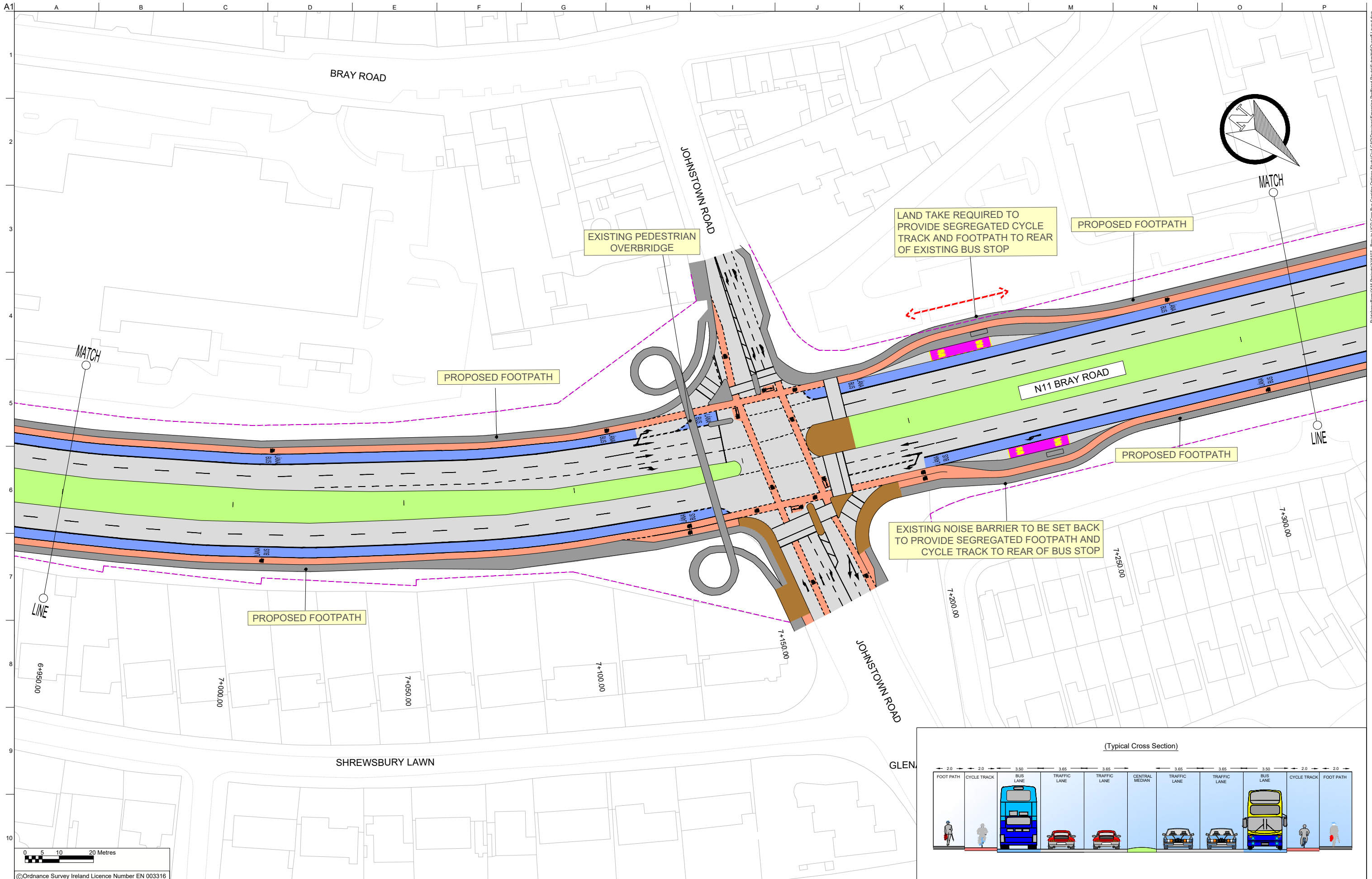
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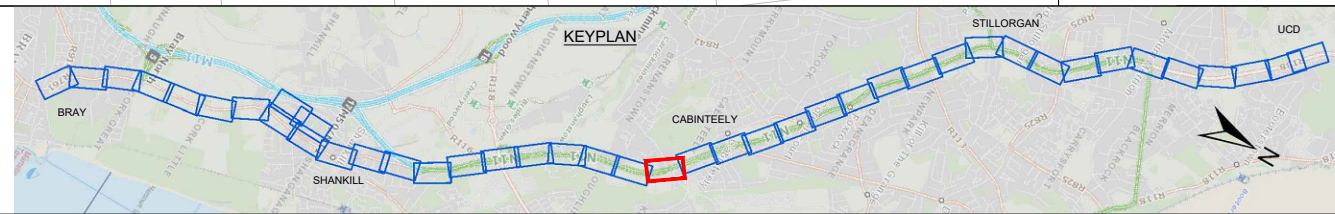
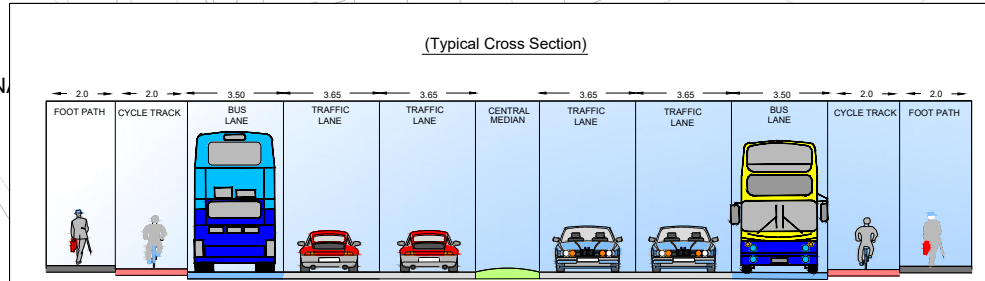


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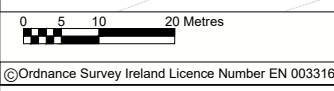
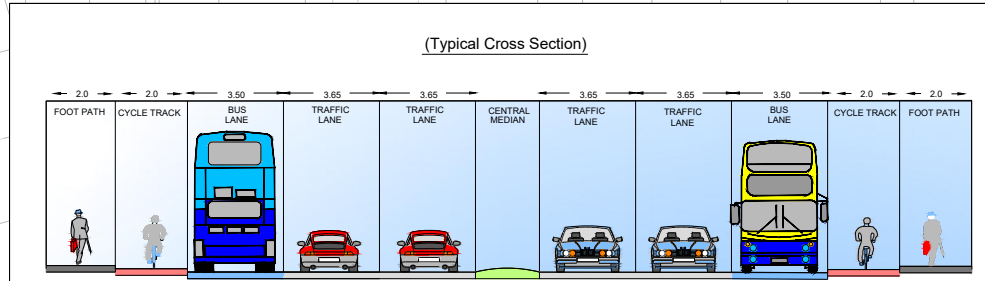
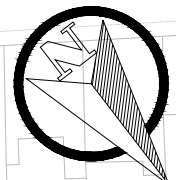
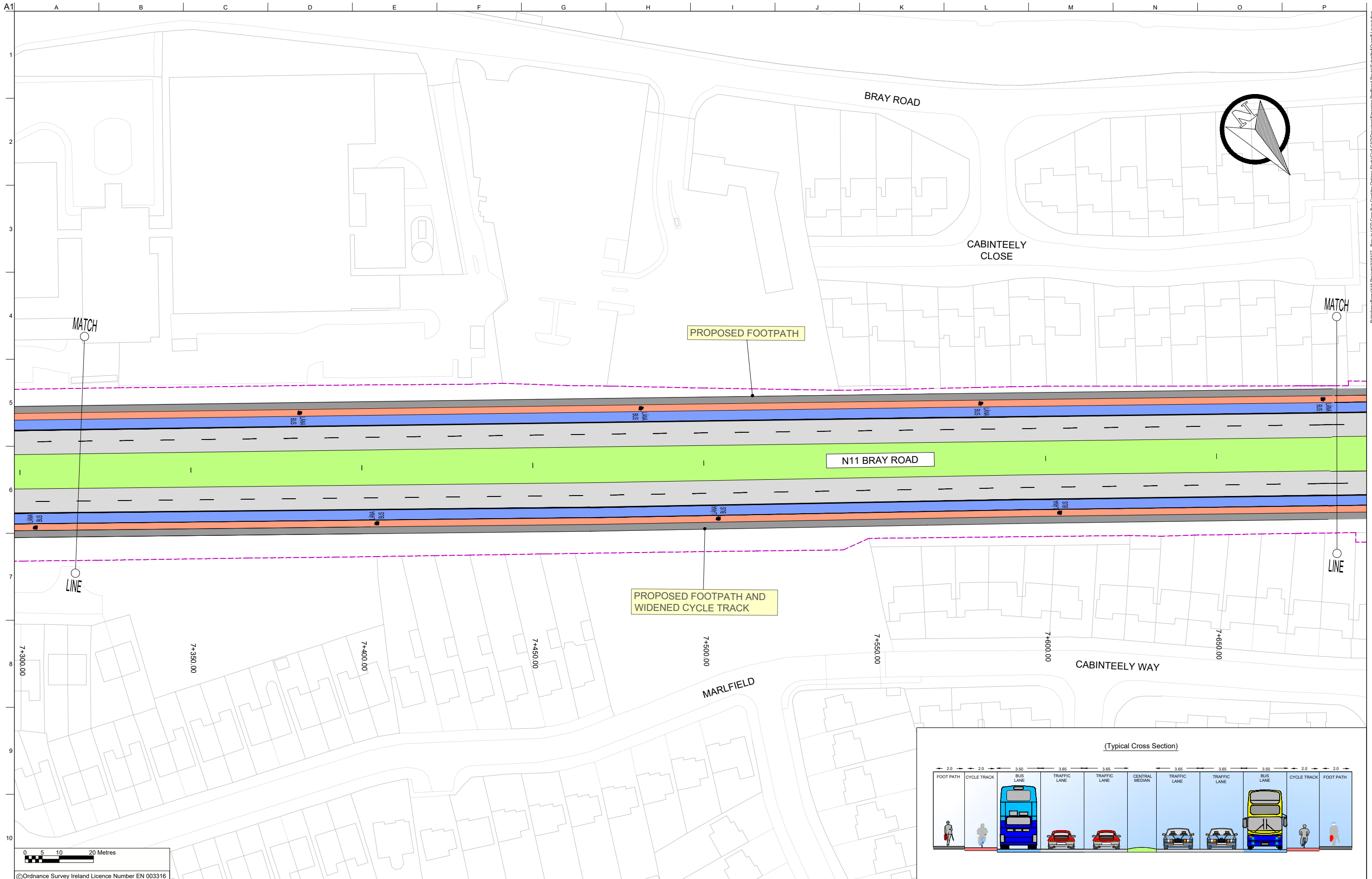


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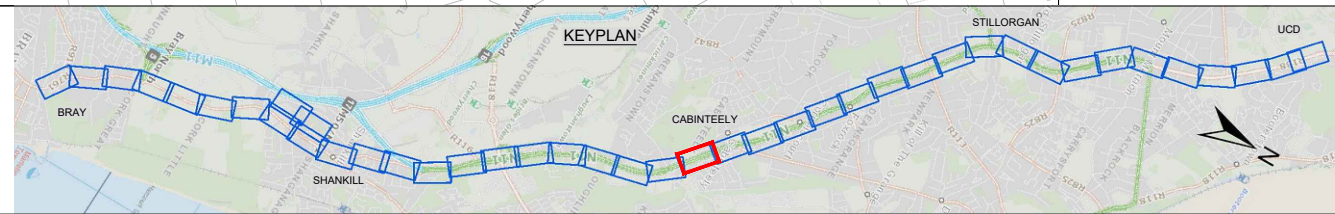


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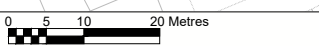
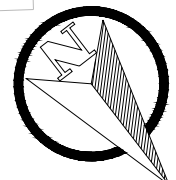
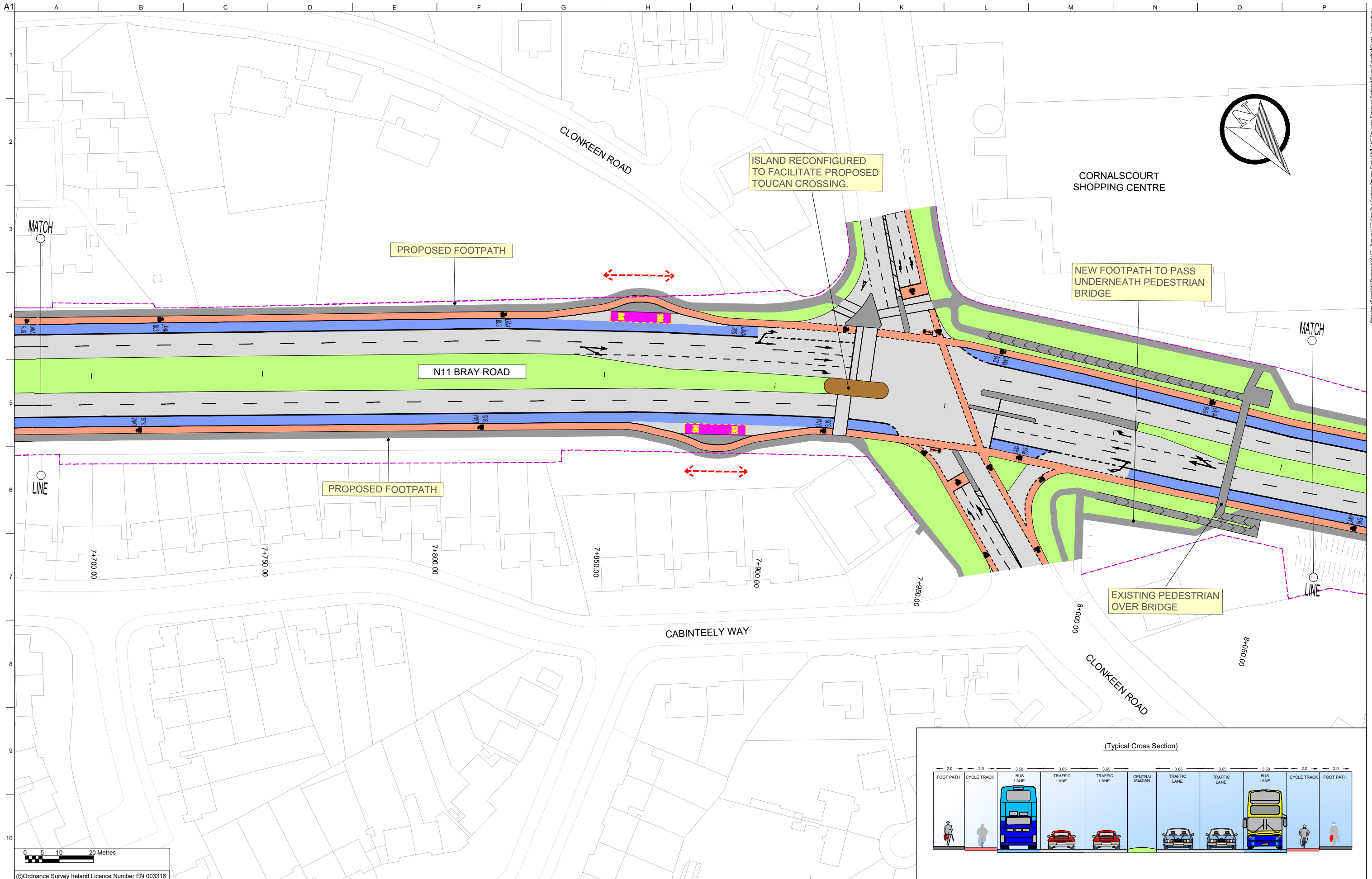


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Cycle Lane	Footpath	Existing Boundary
Shared Surface	Bus Stop	











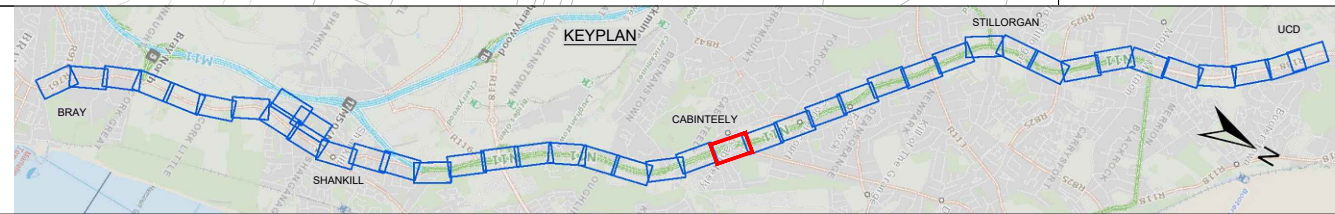
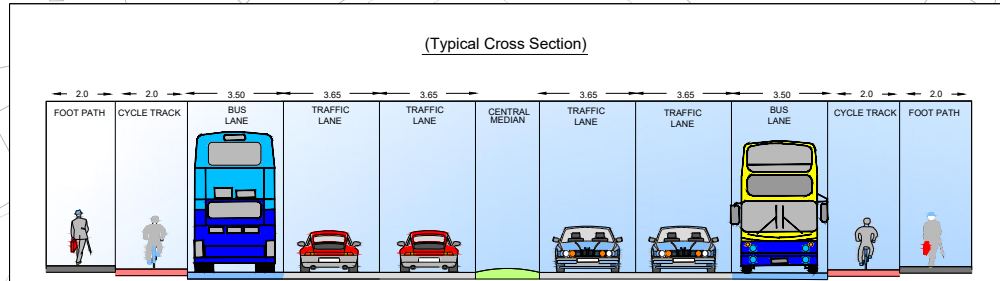
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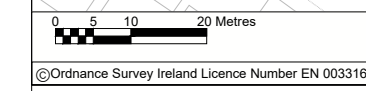
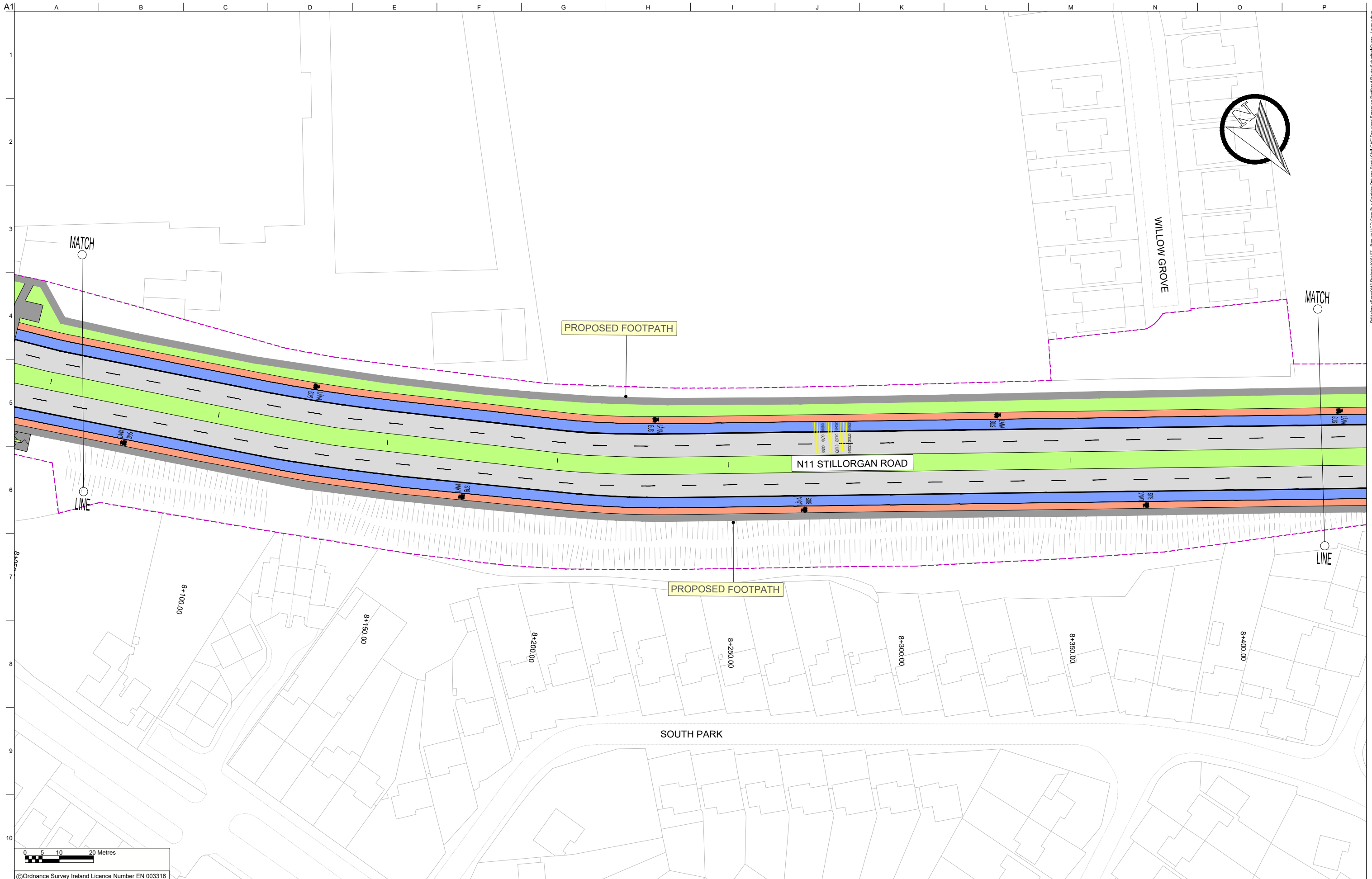
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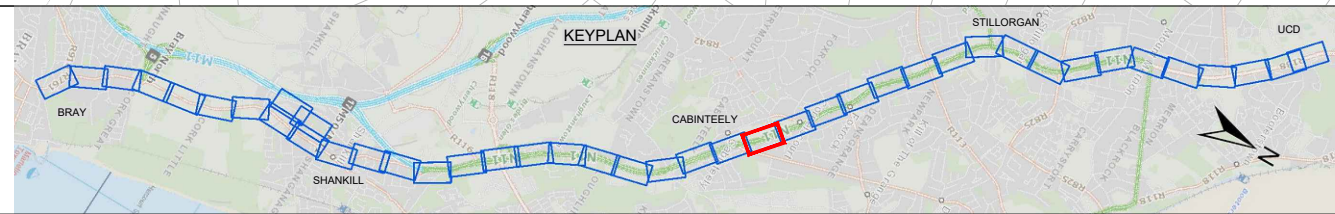


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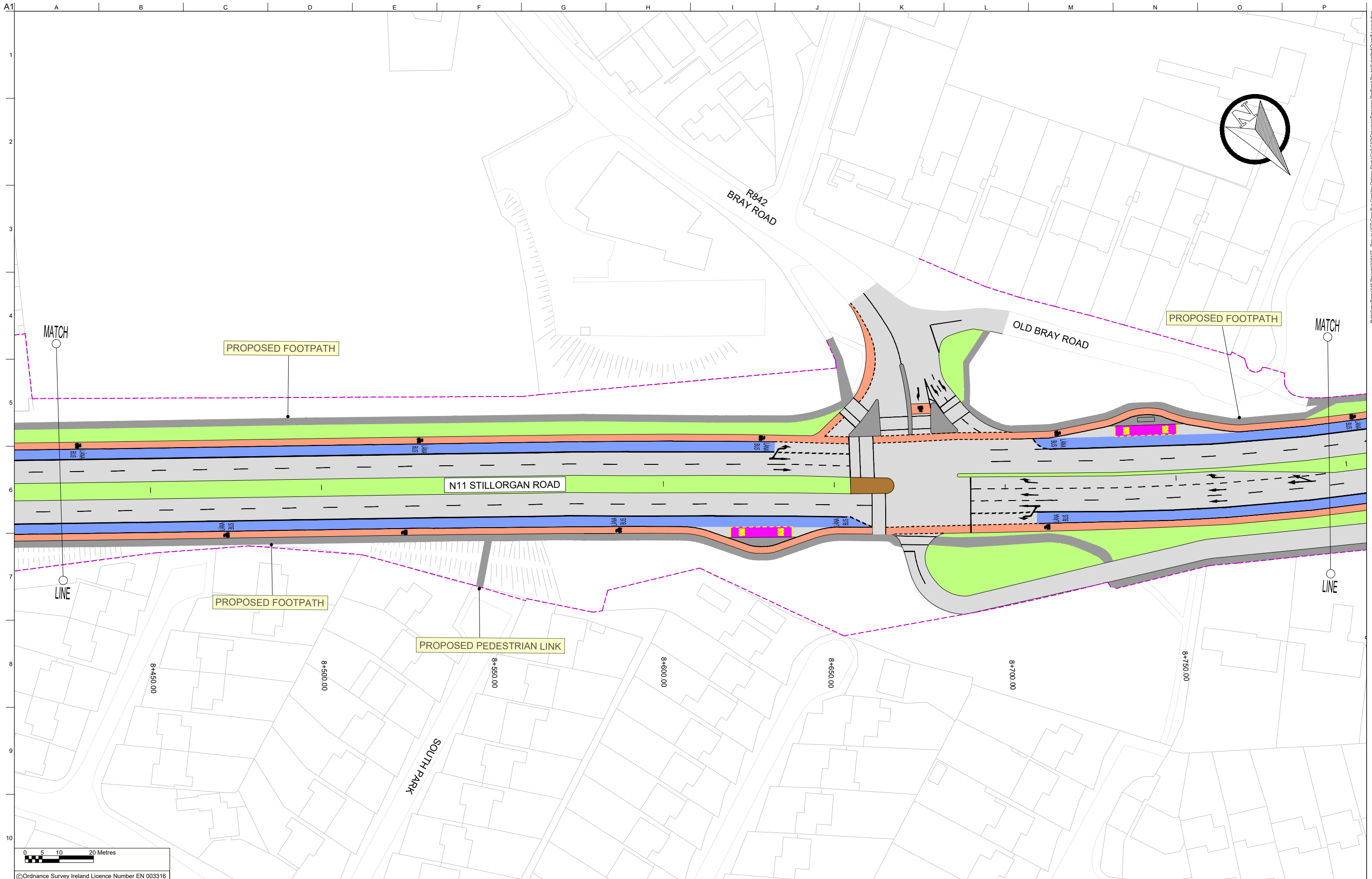


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	Shared Surface		Bus Stop		











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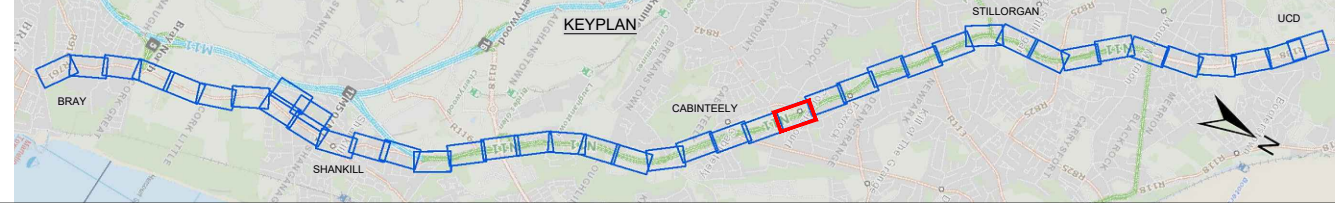


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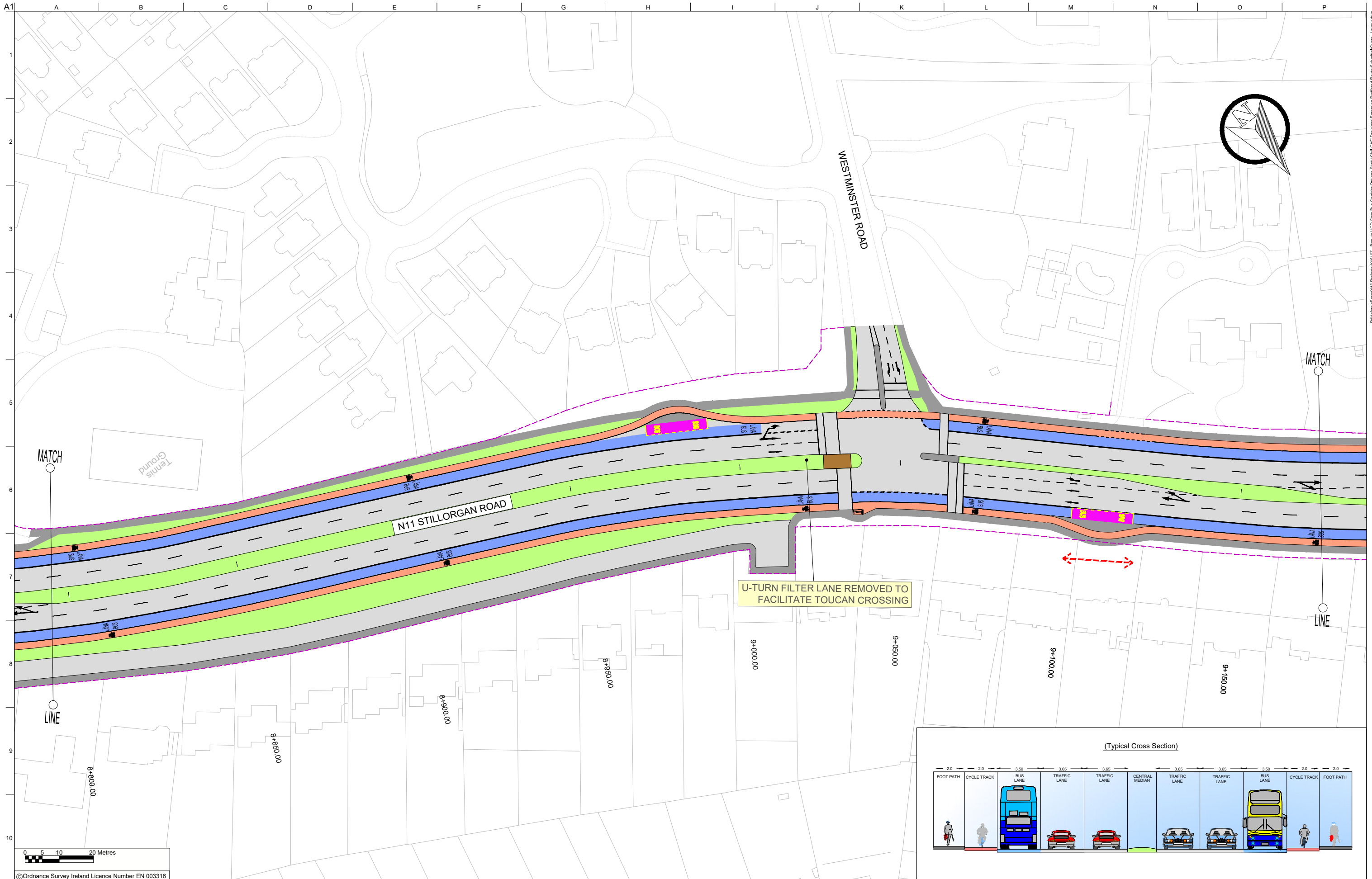
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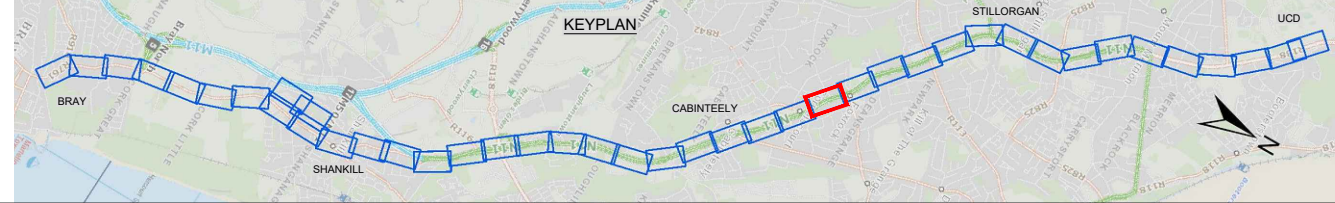
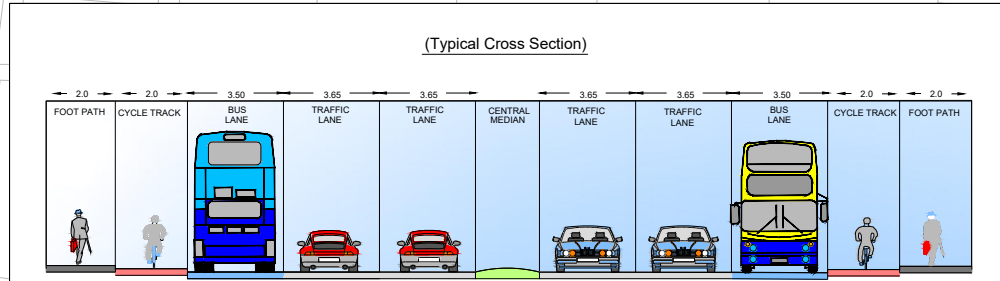


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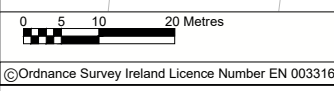
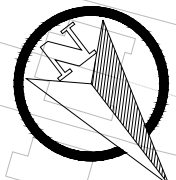
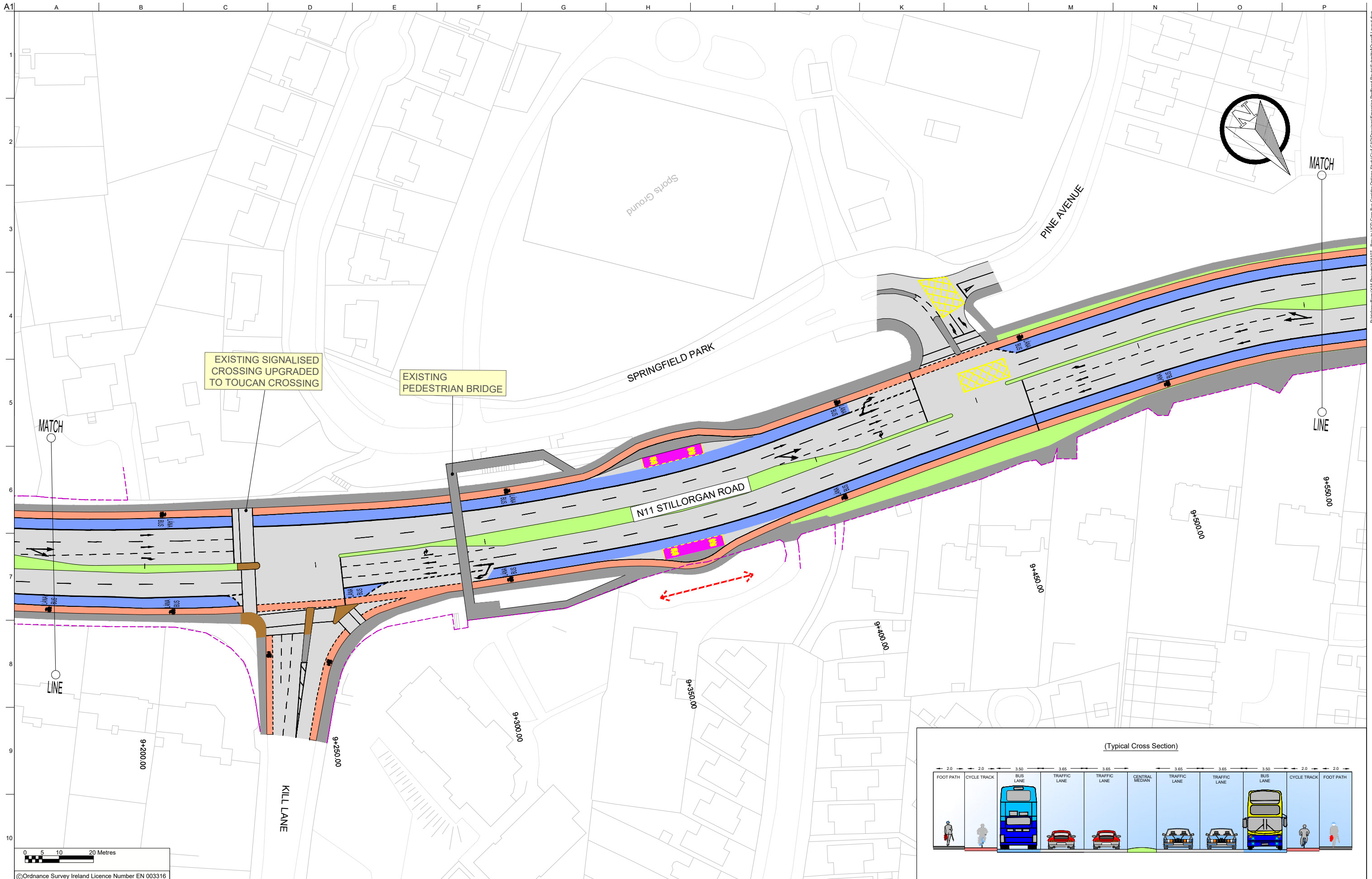
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- ↔ Possible Land Acquisition
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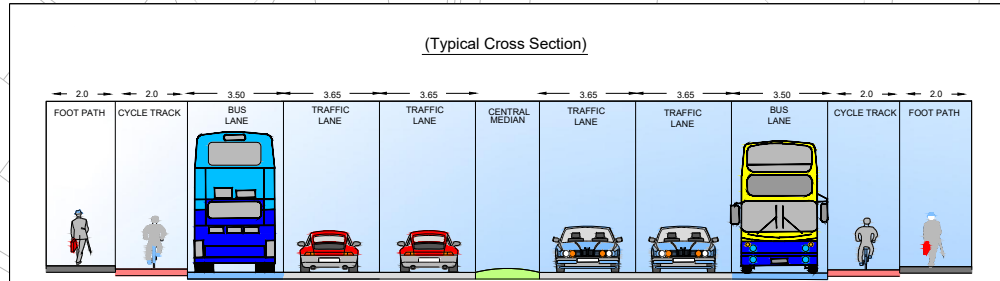
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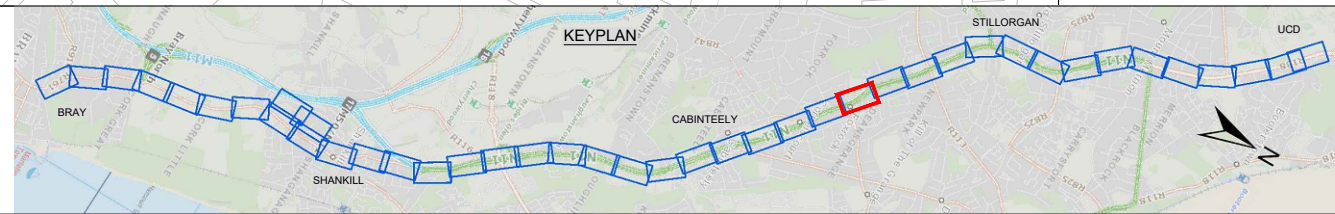


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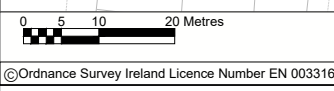
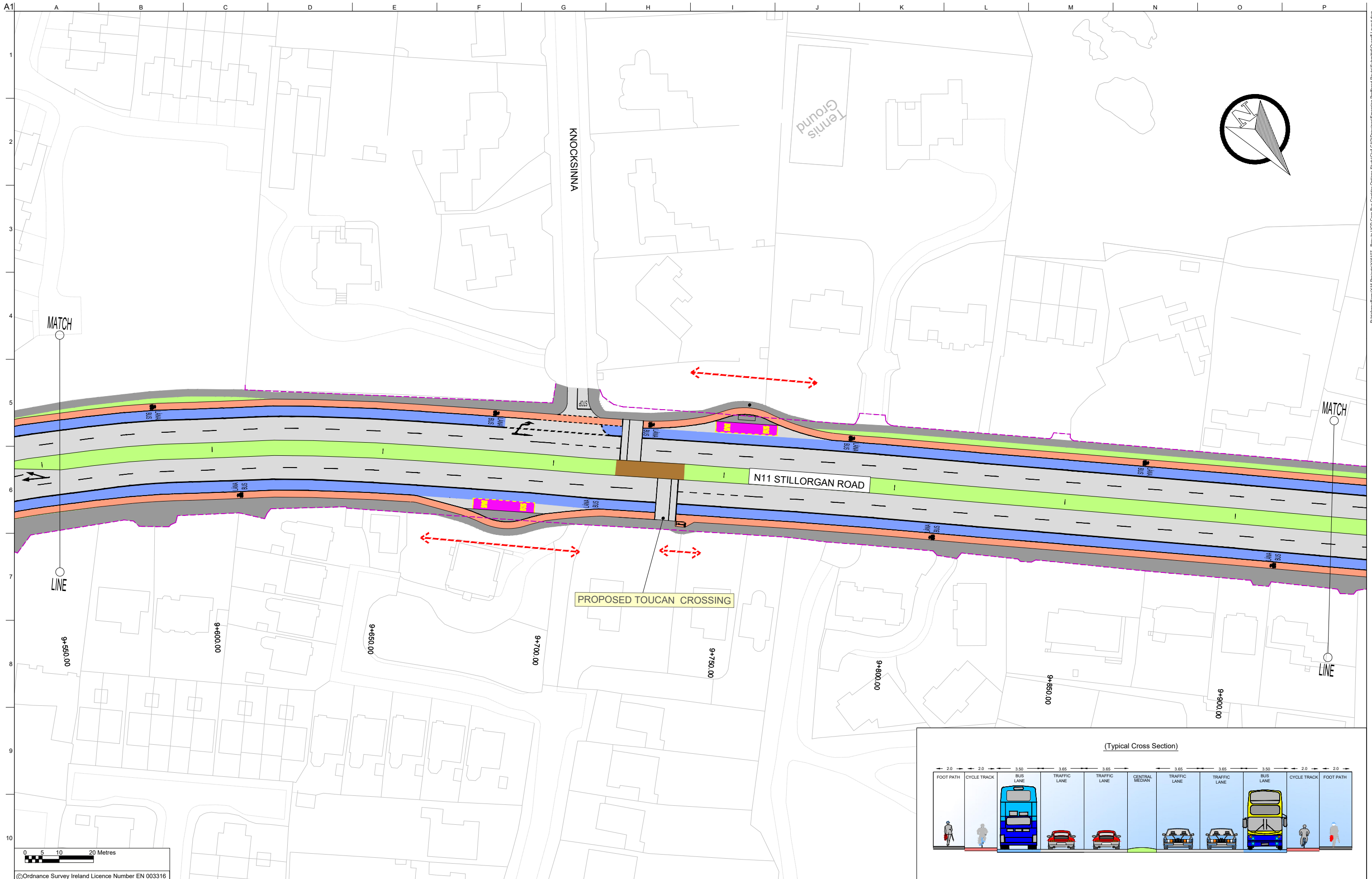


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Cycle Lane	Footpath	Existing Boundary
Shared Surface	Bus Stop	

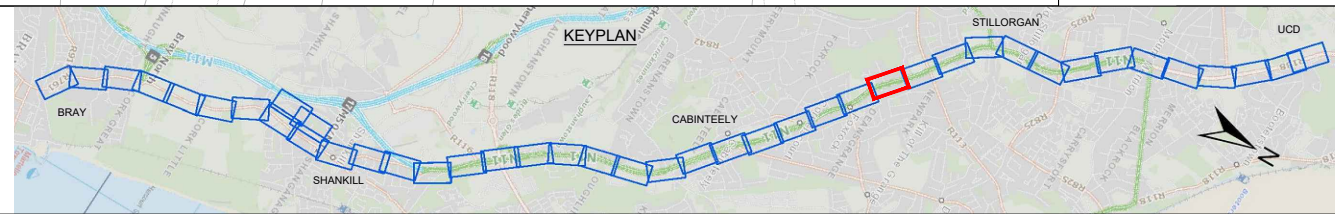
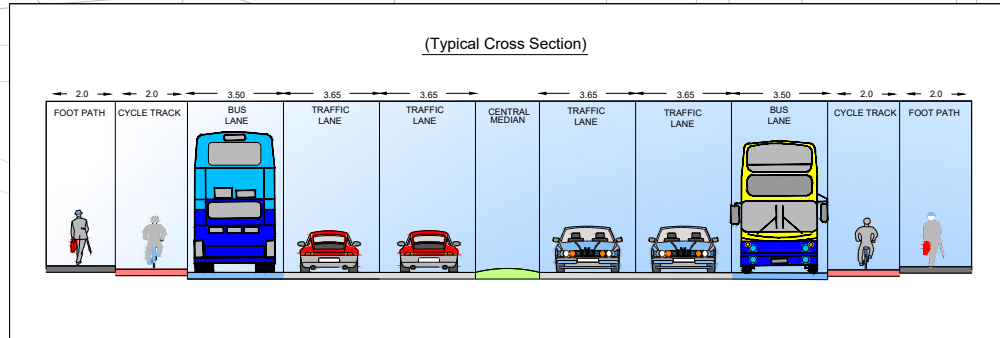


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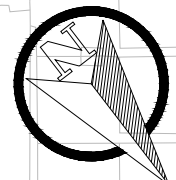
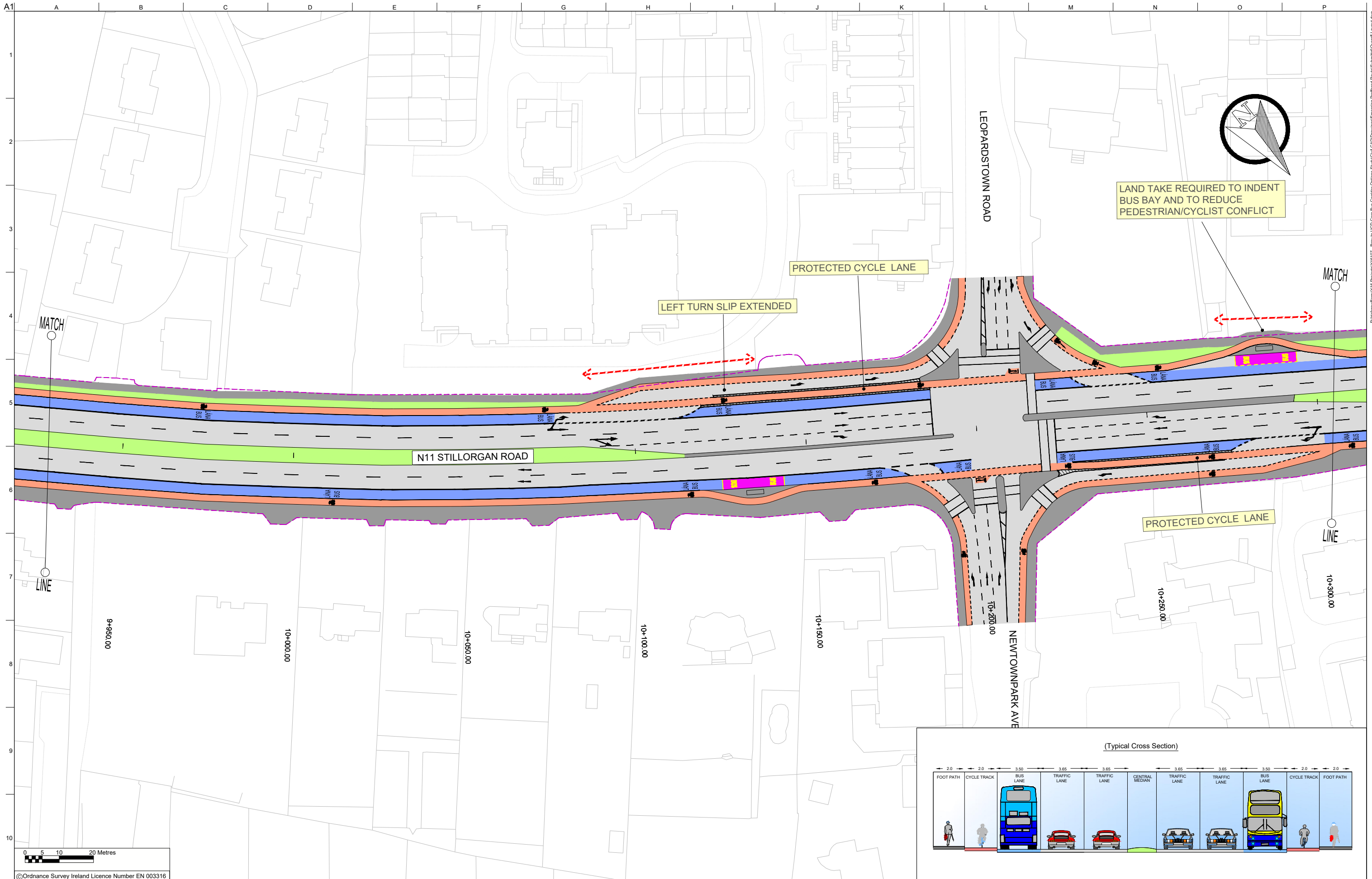


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	Shared Surface		Bus Stop		



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LAND TAKE REQUIRED TO INDENT BUS BAY AND TO REDUCE PEDESTRIAN/CYCLIST CONFLICT

PROTECTED CYCLE LANE

LEFT TURN SLIP EXTENDED

N11 STILLORGAN ROAD

LEOPARDSTOWN ROAD

NEWTOWNPARK AVE

PROTECTED CYCLE LANE

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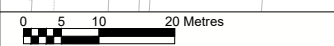
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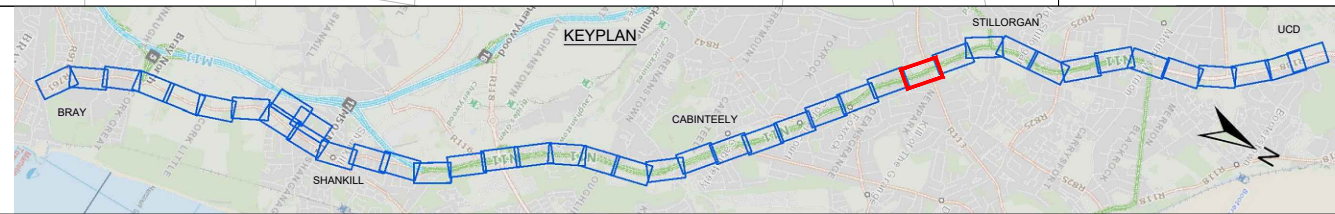
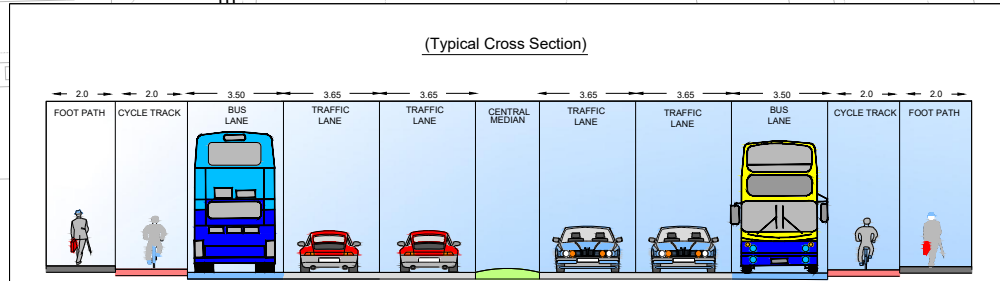
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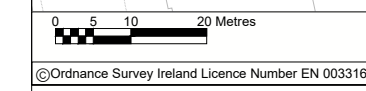
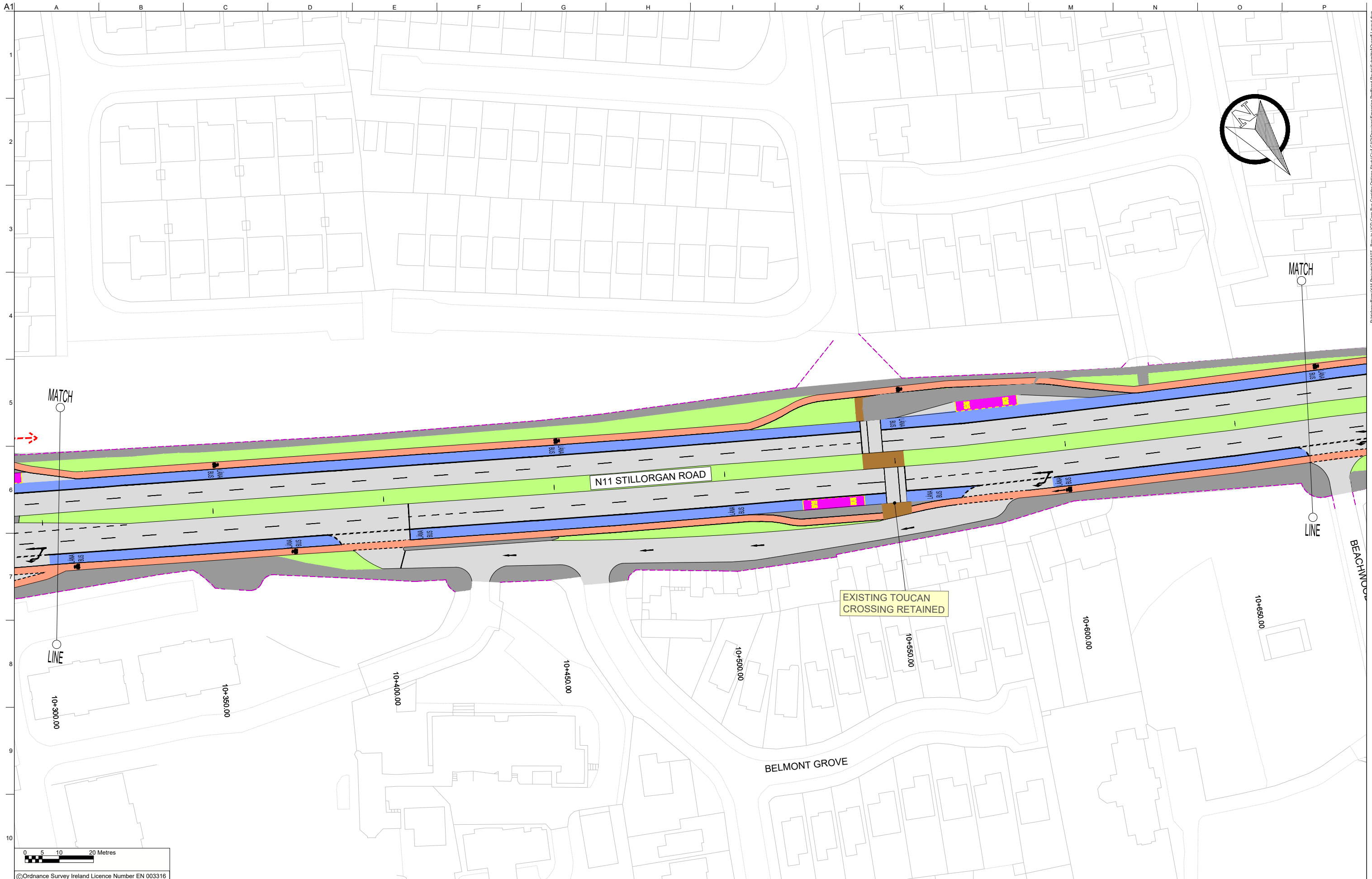
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- Bus Stop

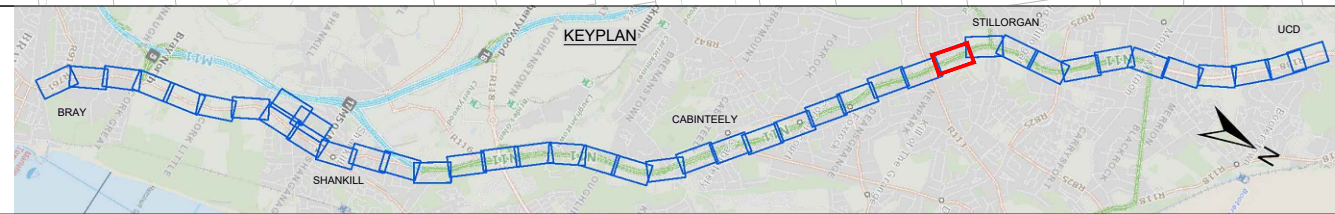


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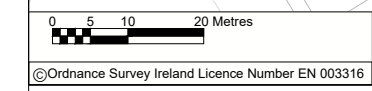
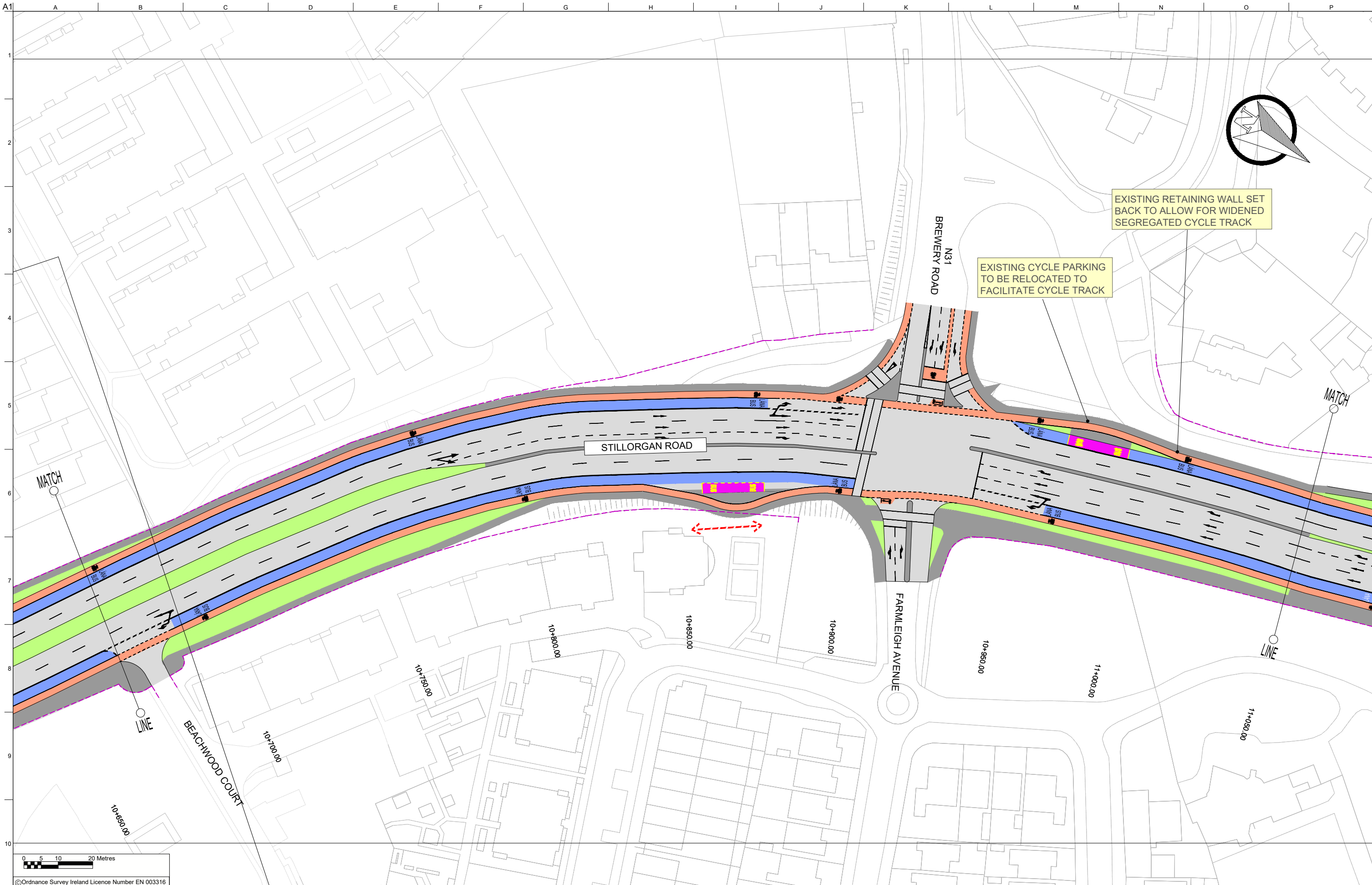


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


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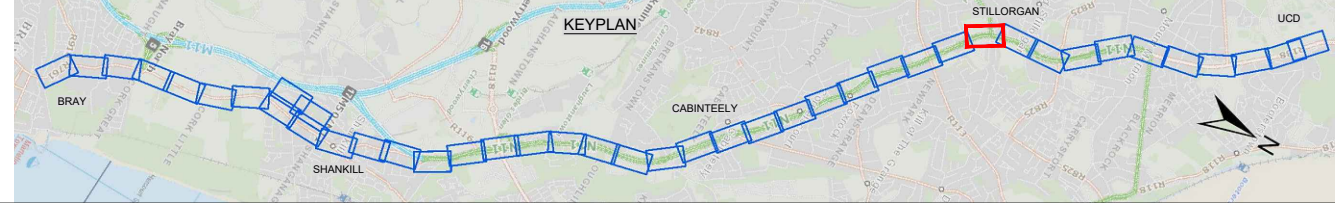


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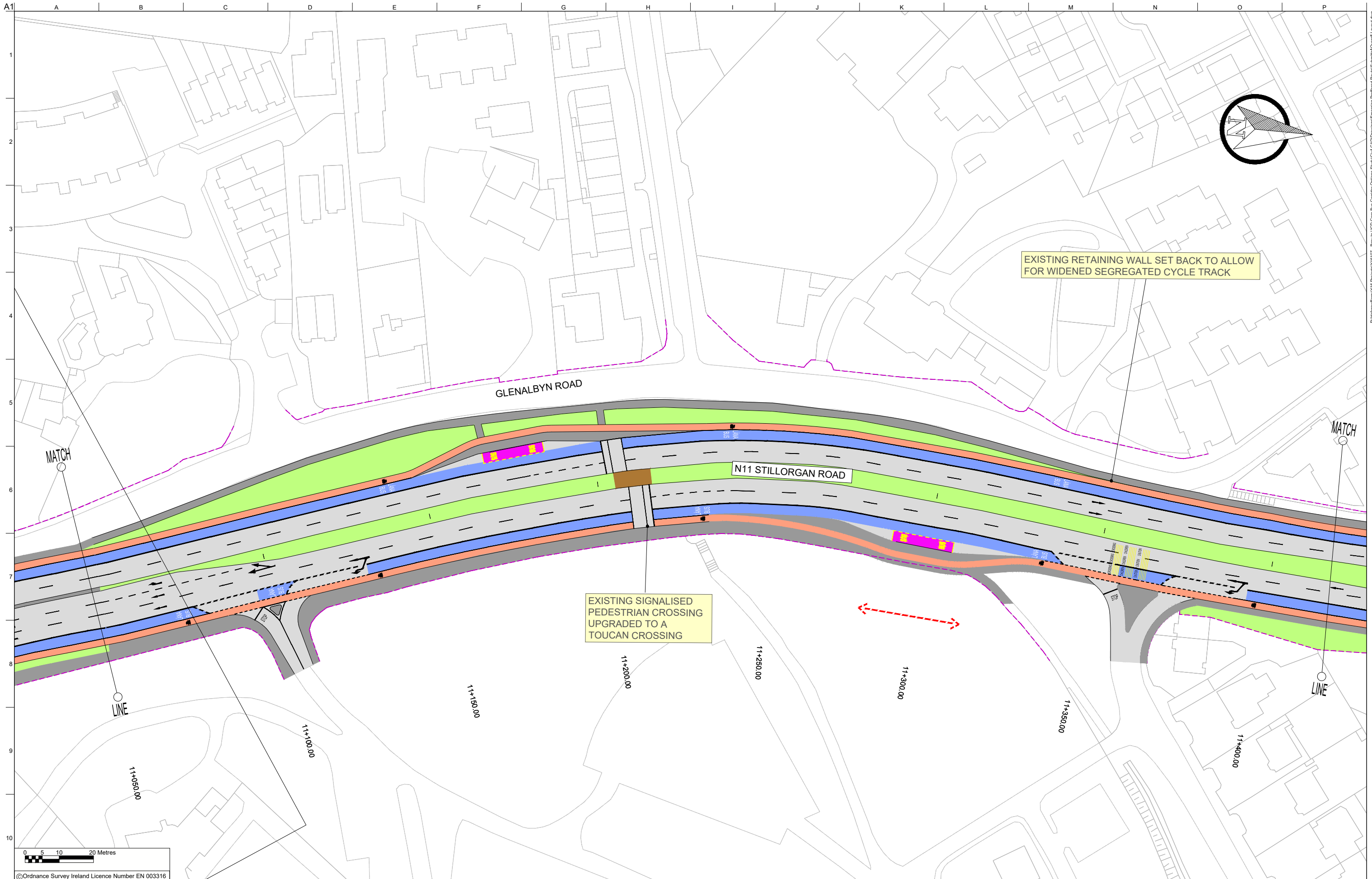


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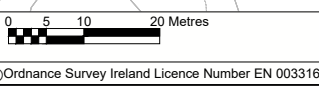


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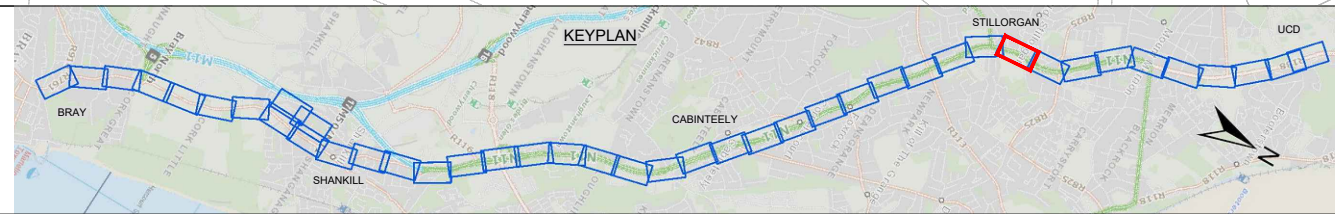
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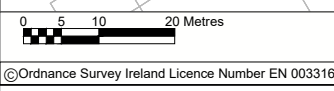
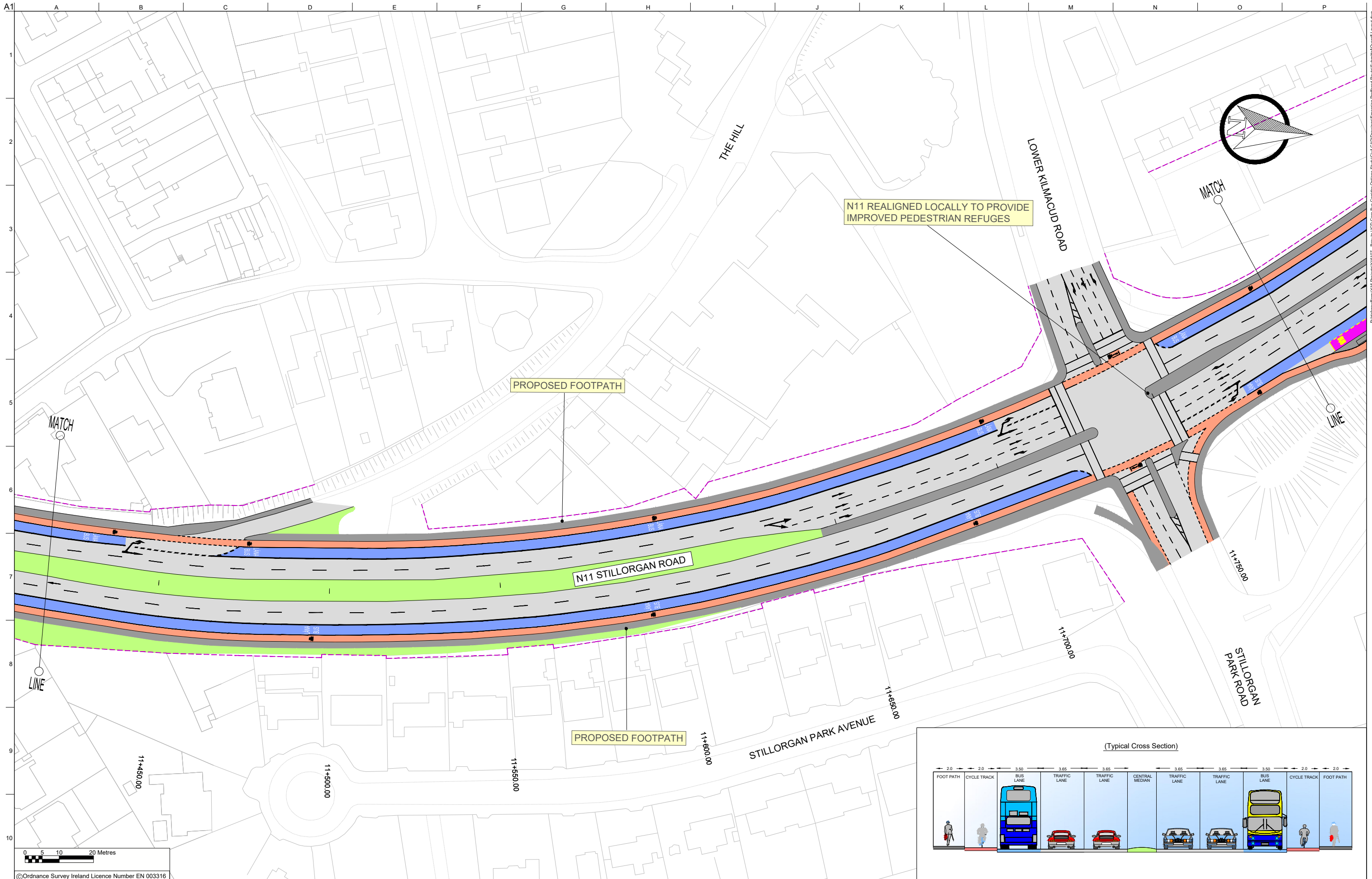


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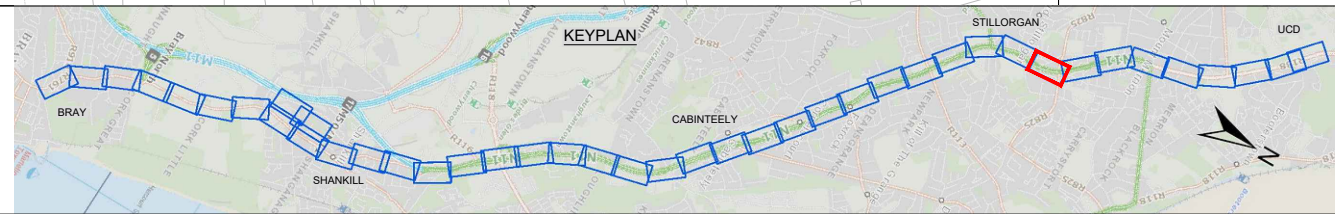
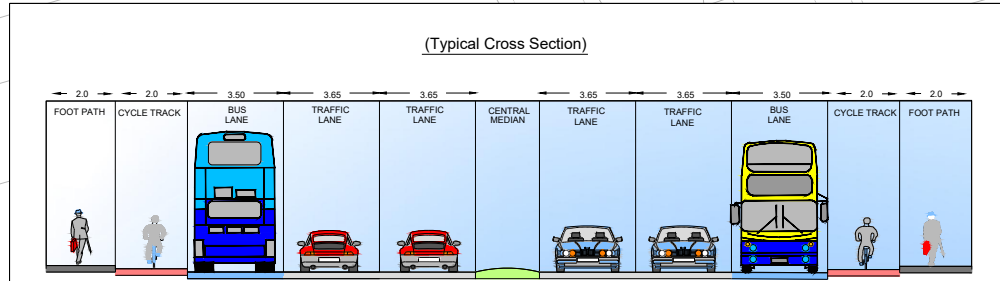
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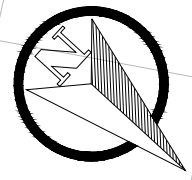
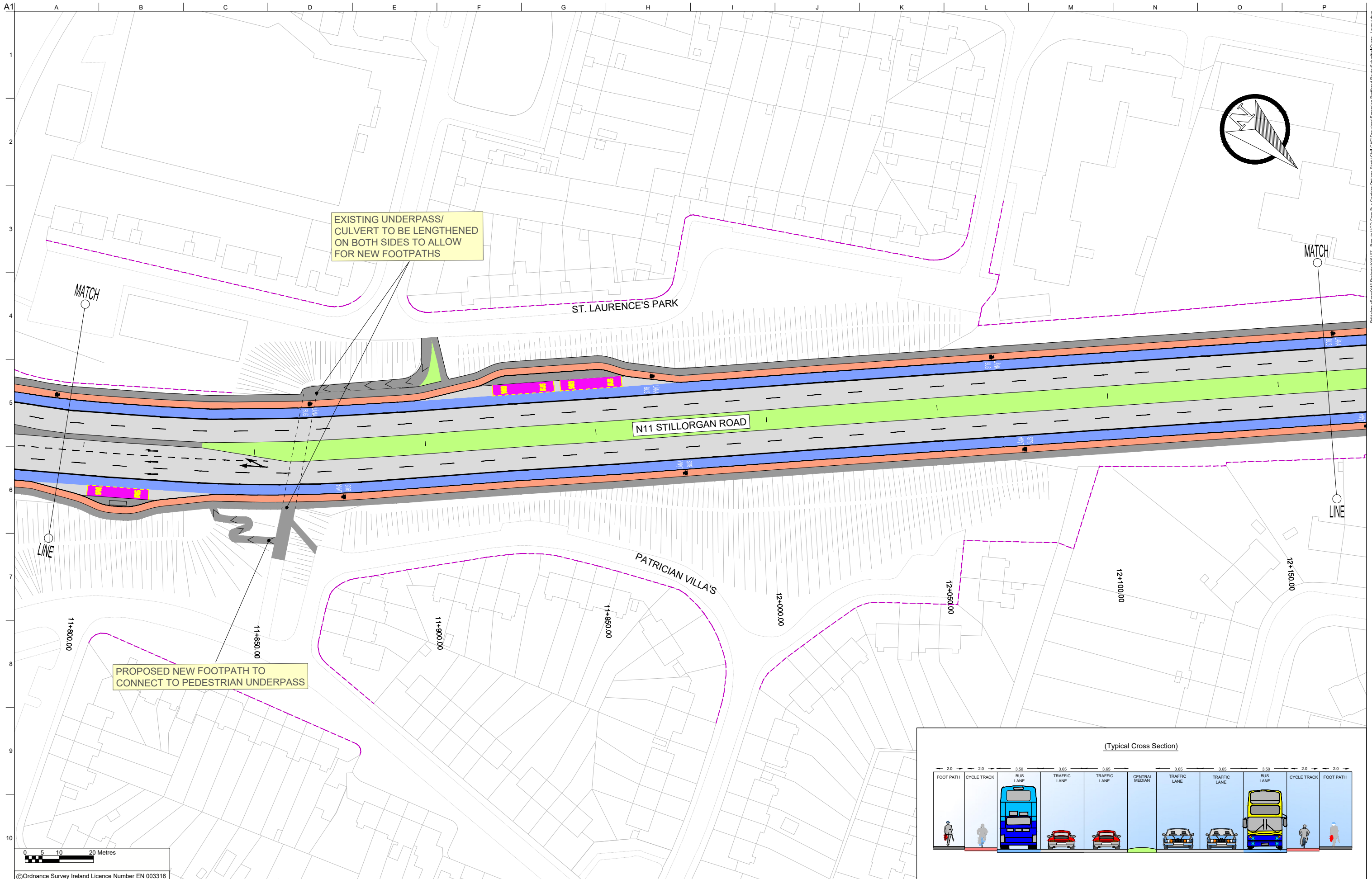
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MATCH

MATCH

LINE

LINE

ST. LAURENCE'S PARK

PATRICIAN VILLA'S

N11 STILLORGAN ROAD

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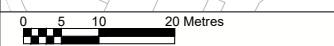
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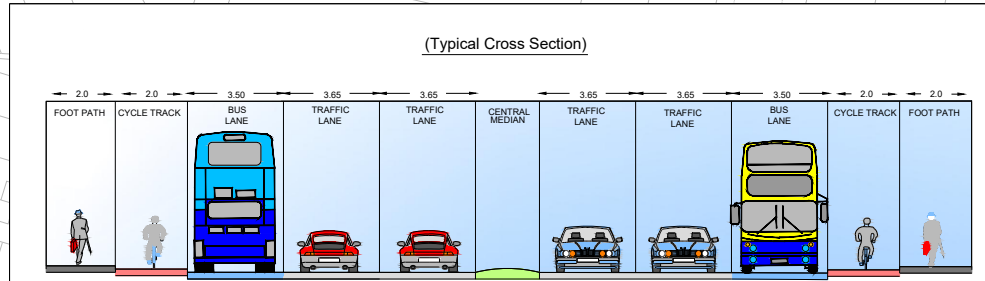
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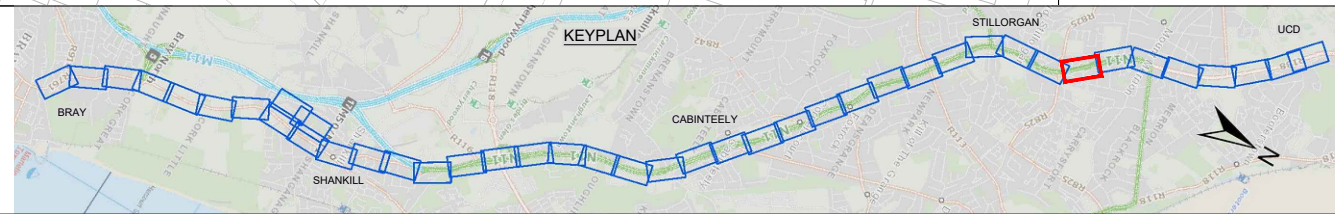


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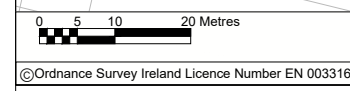
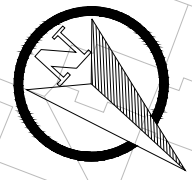
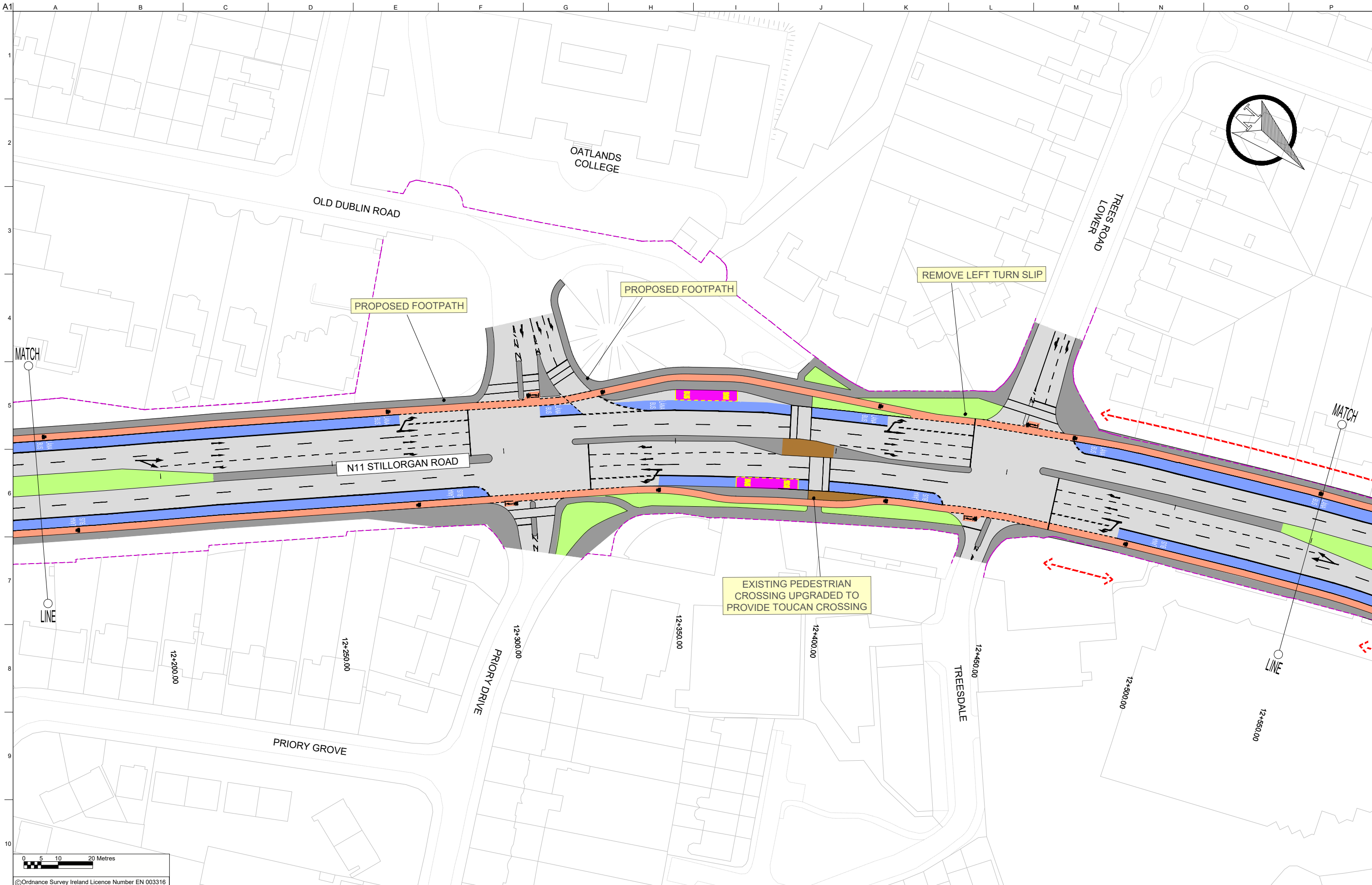


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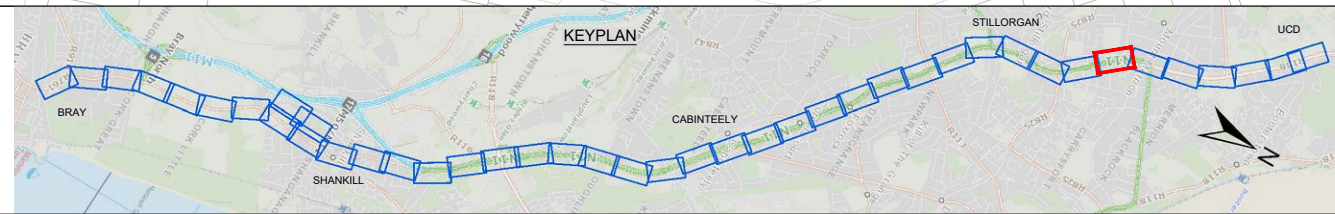
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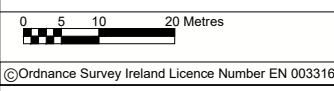
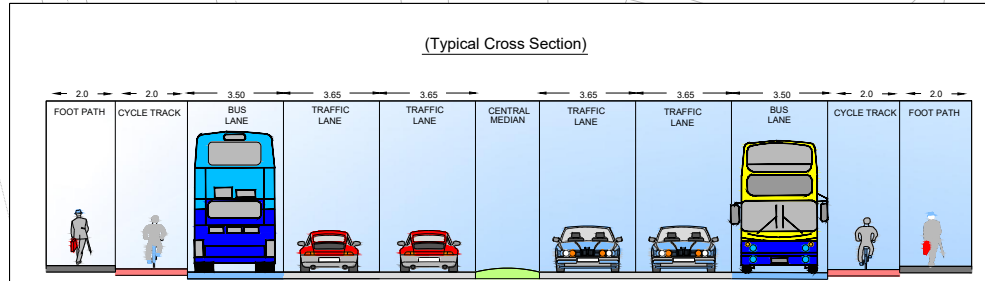
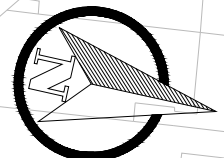
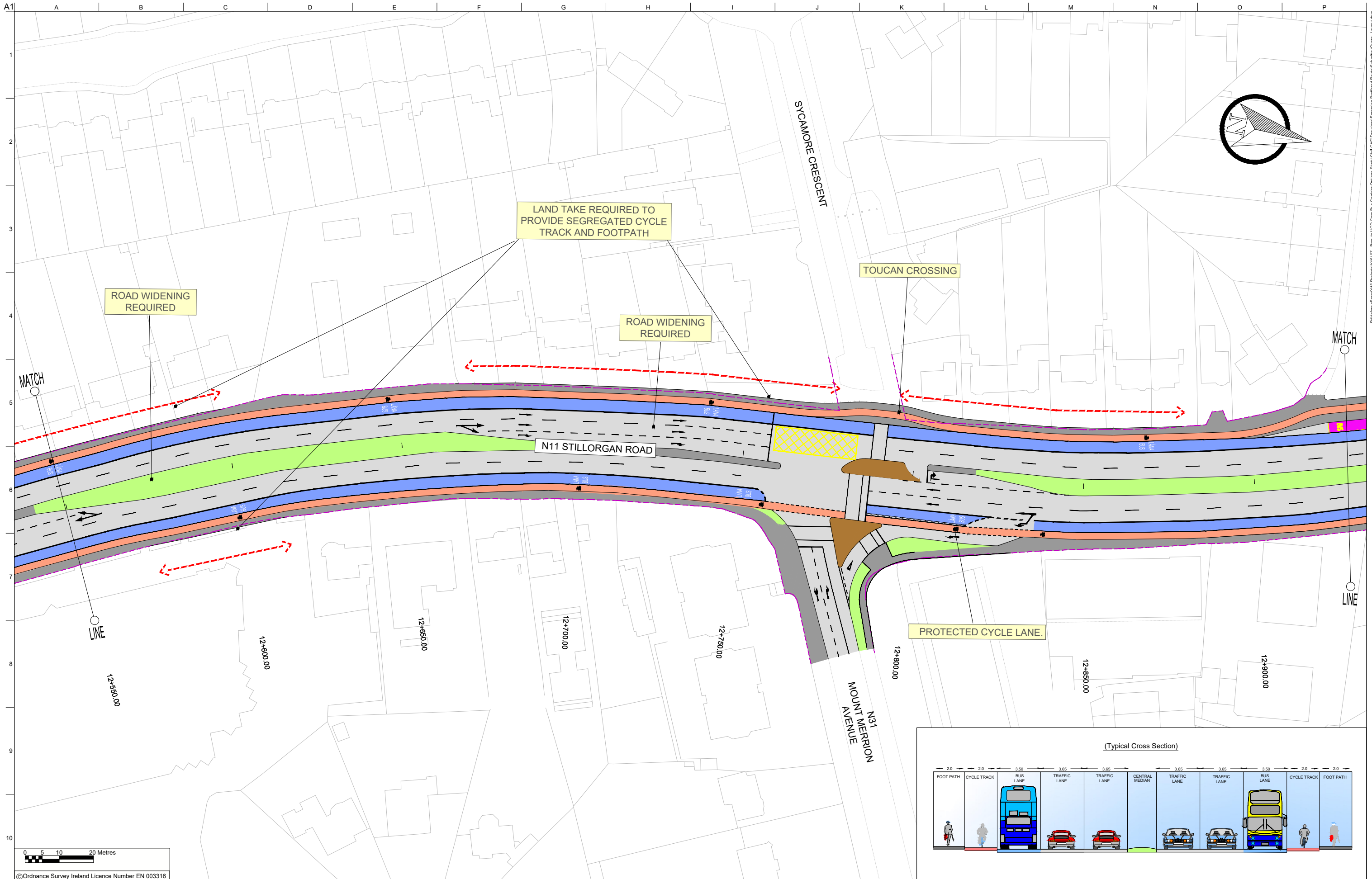
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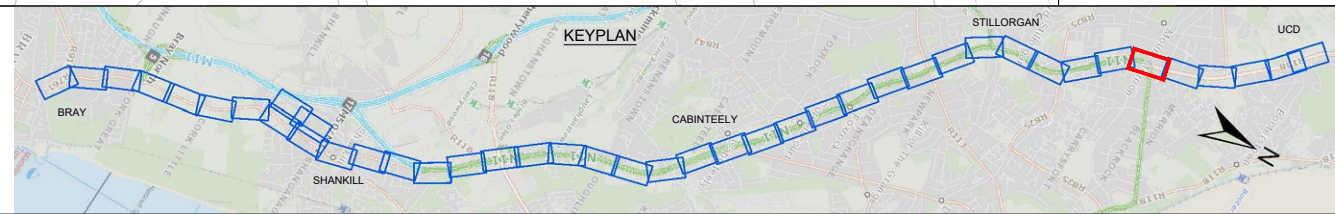
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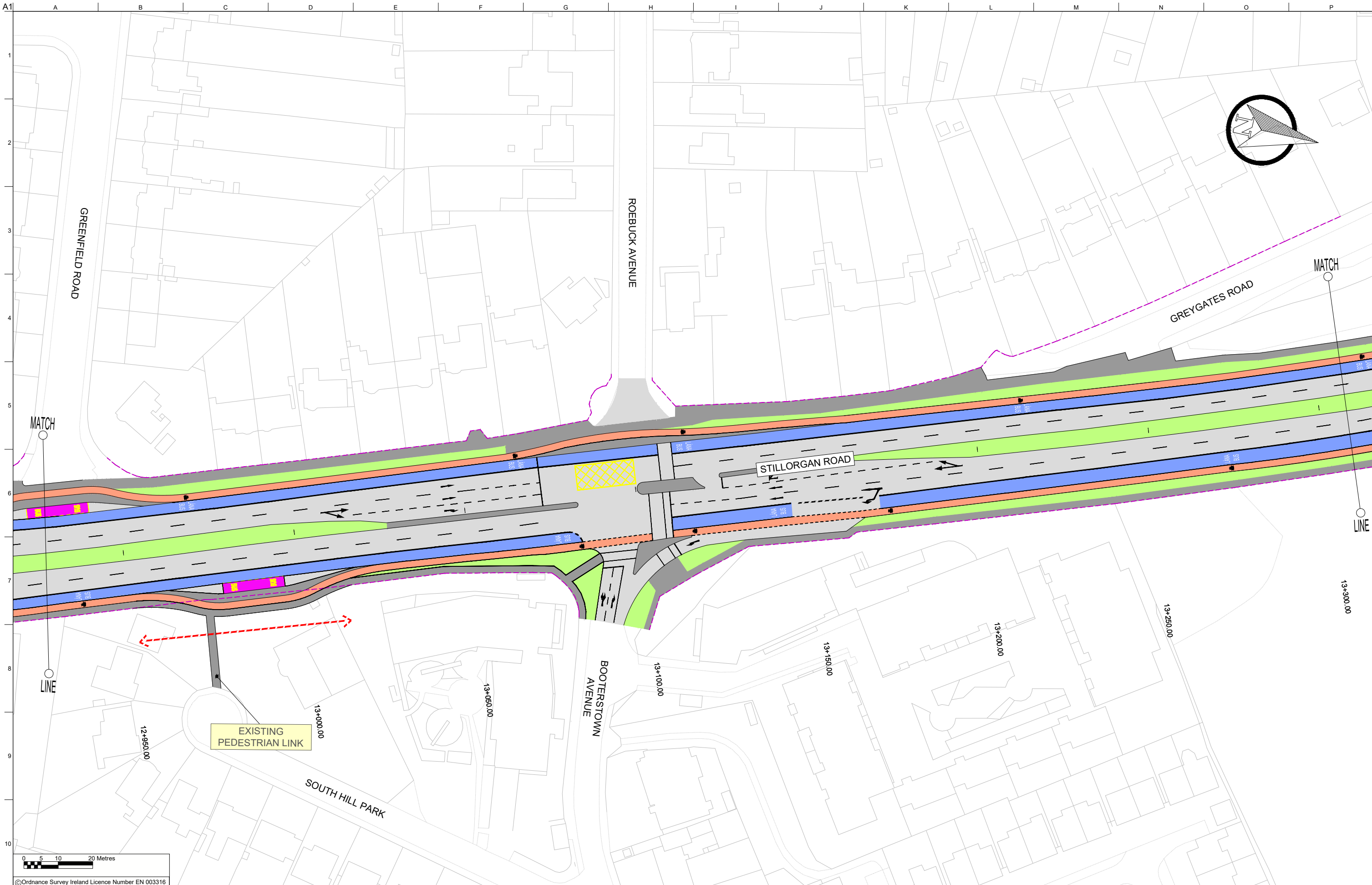
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




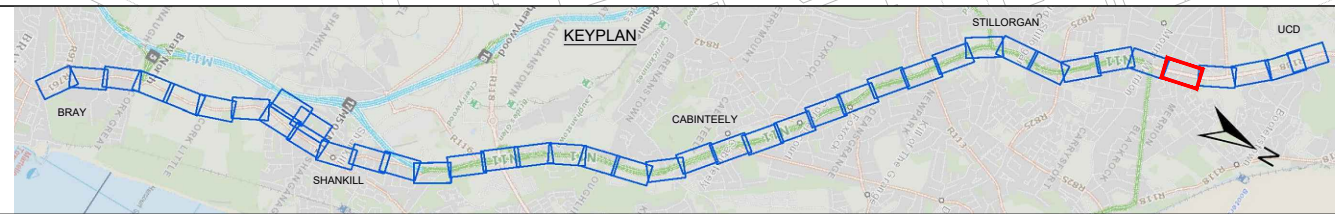
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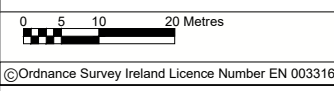
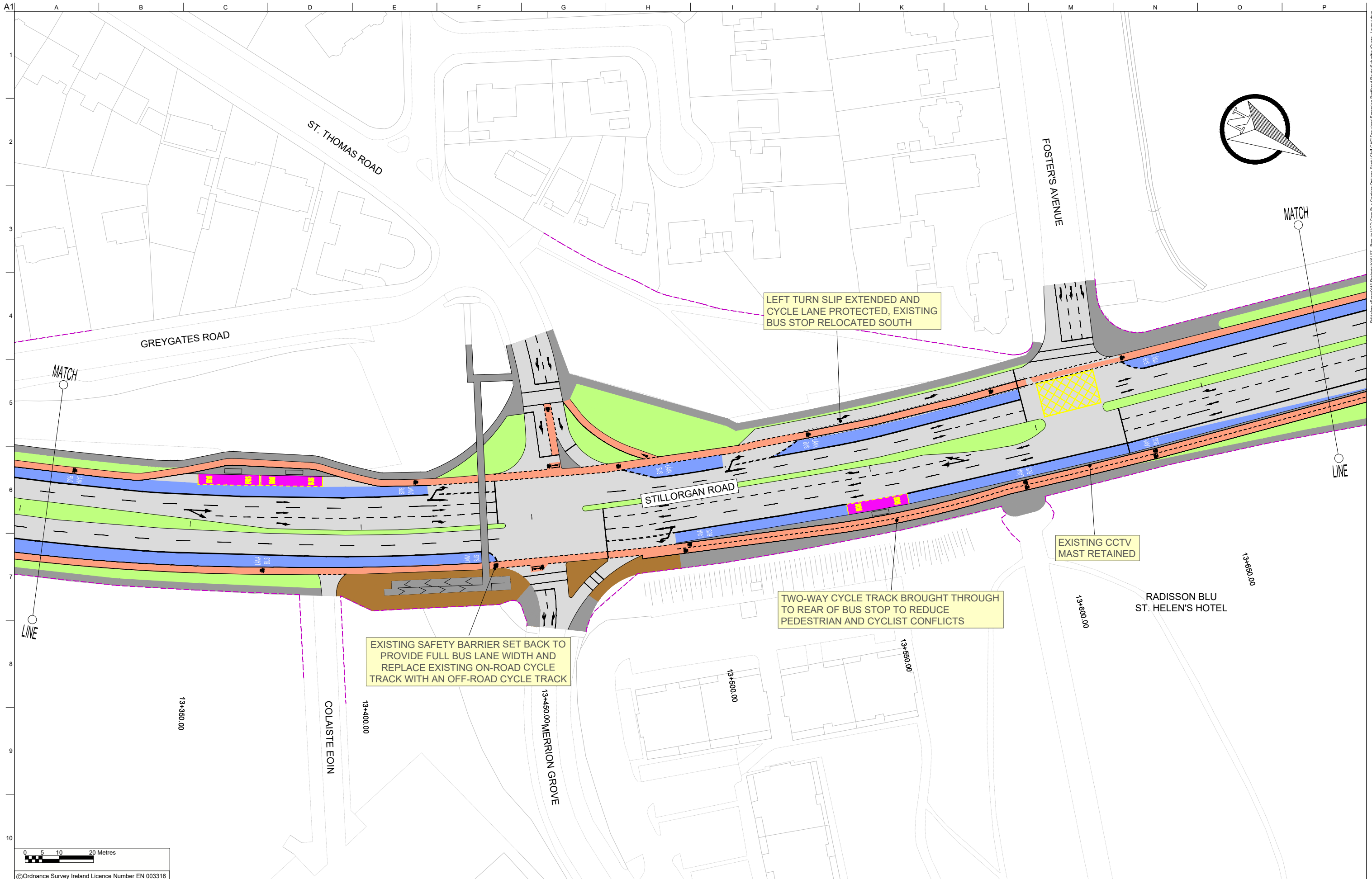
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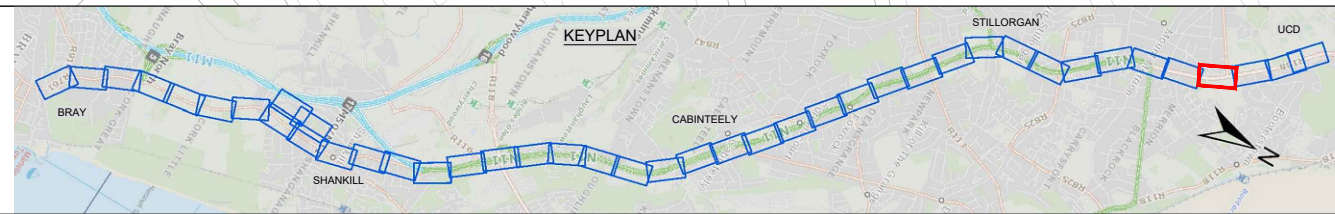


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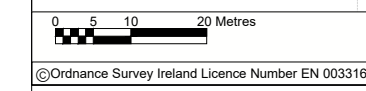
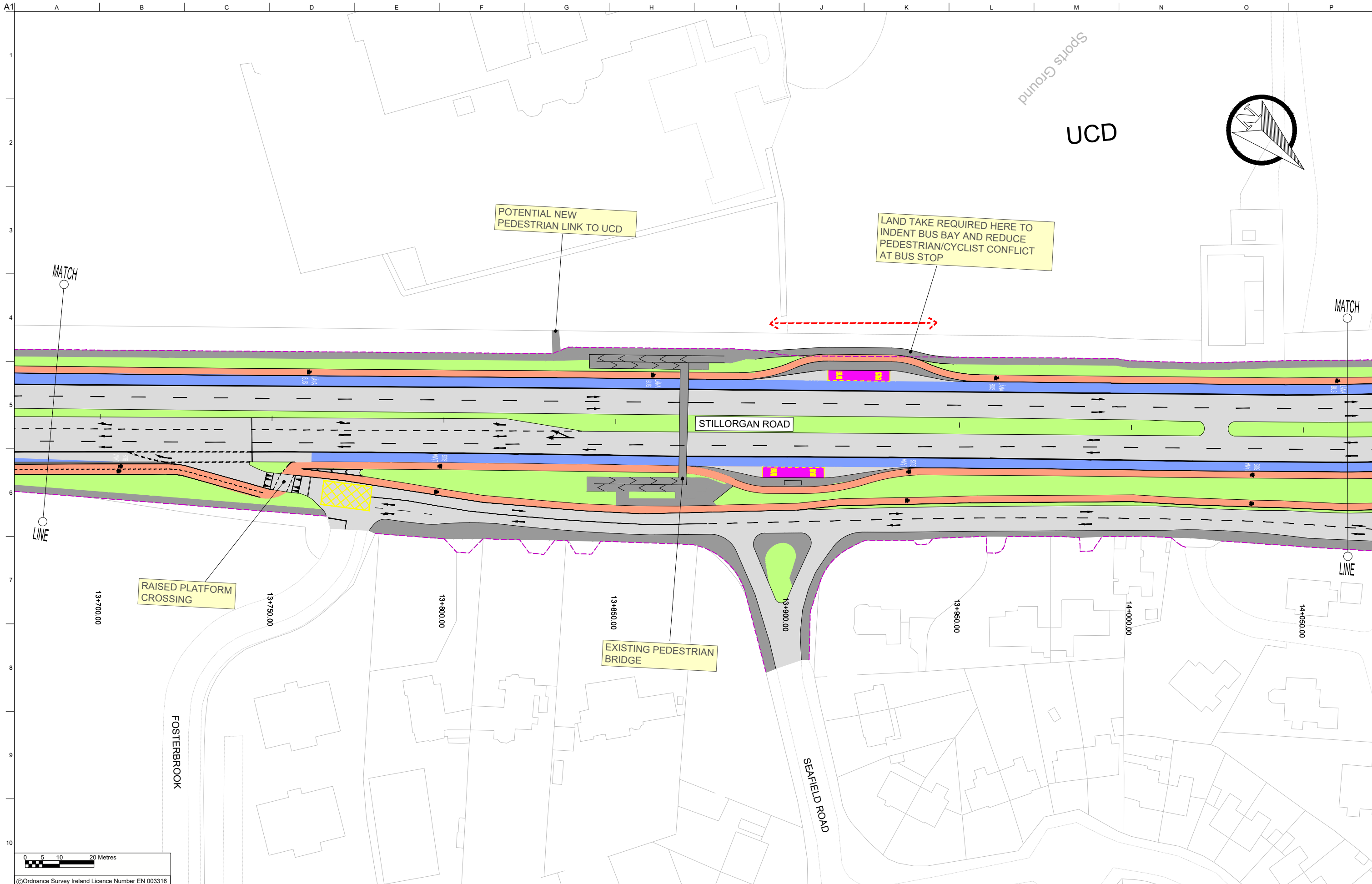


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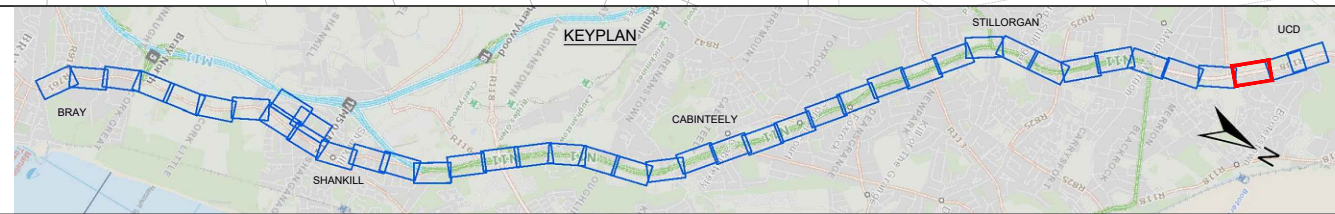


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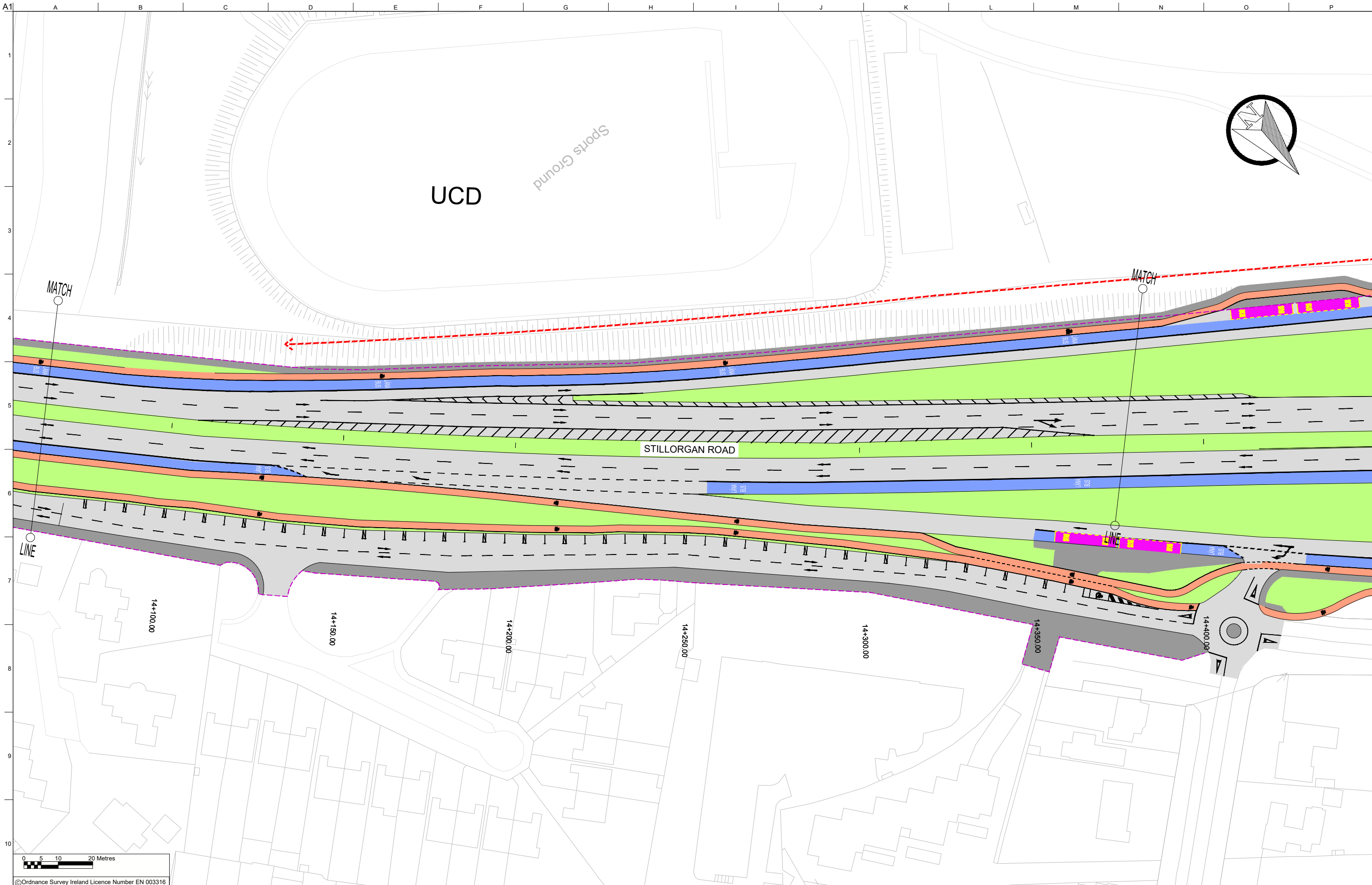


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


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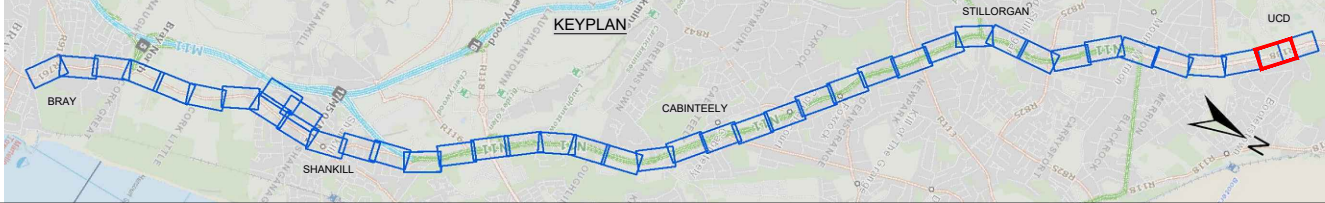


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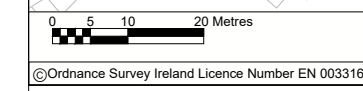


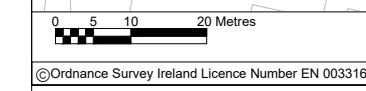
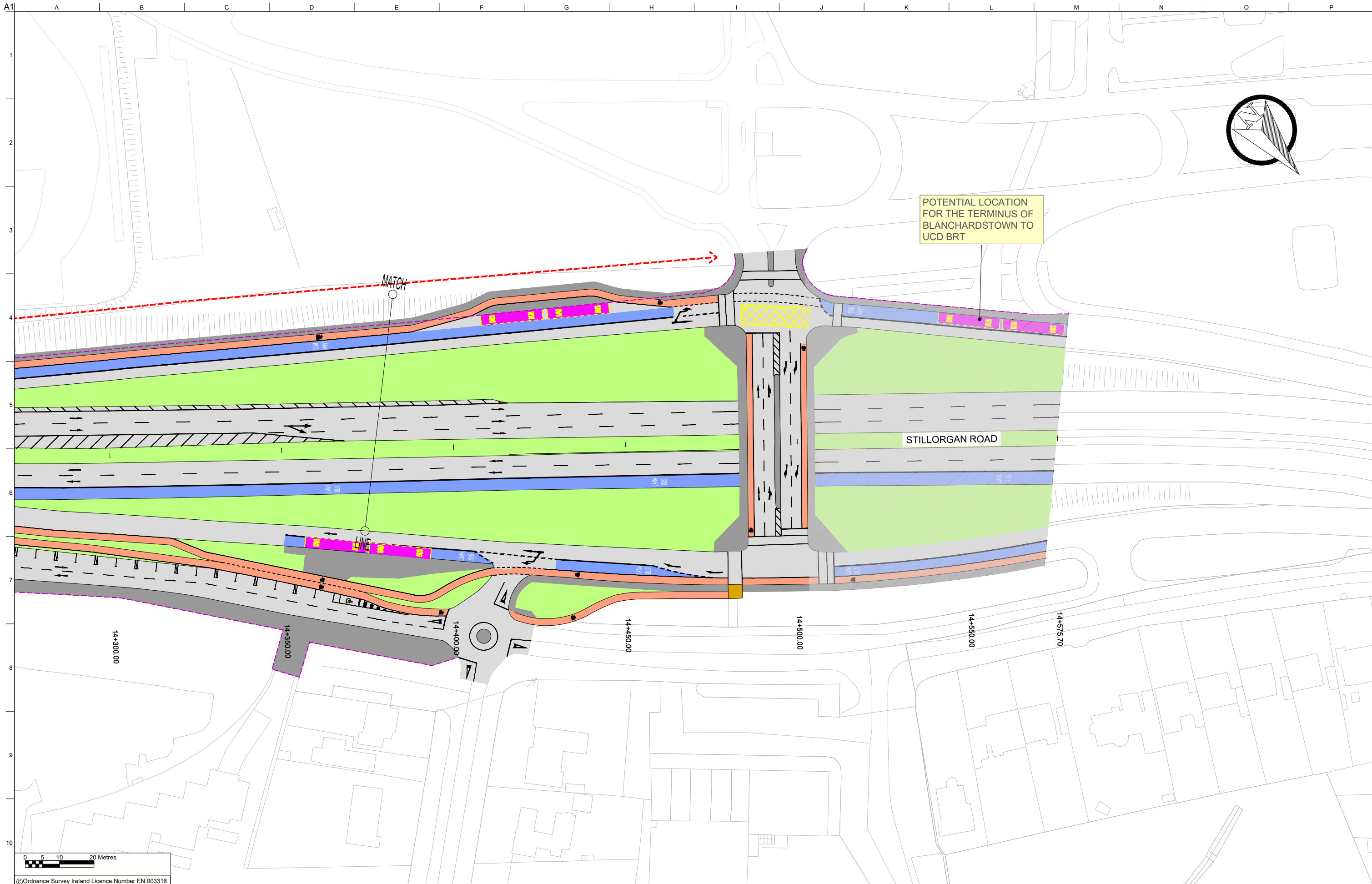
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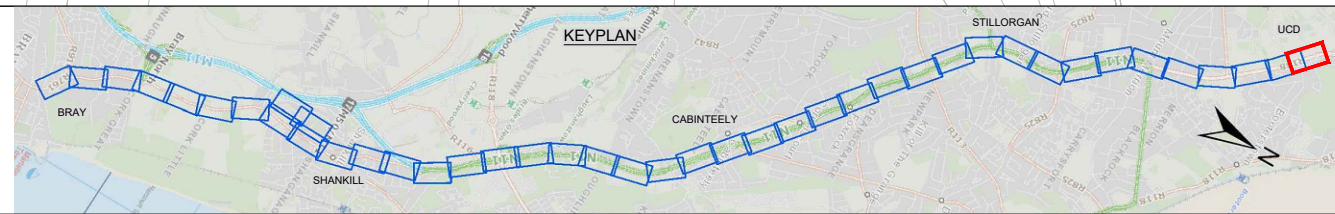
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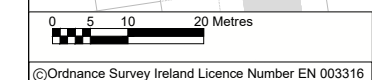


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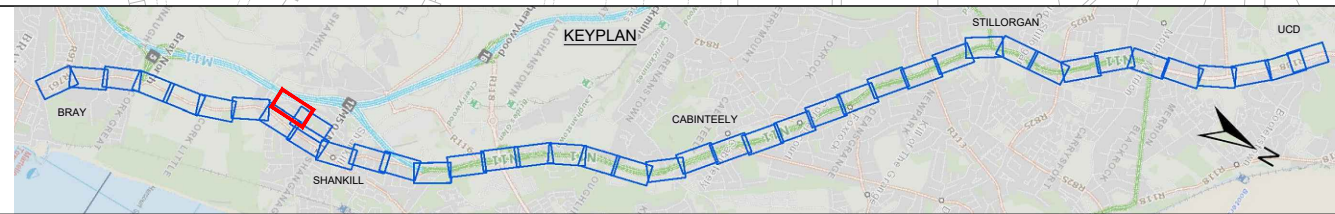
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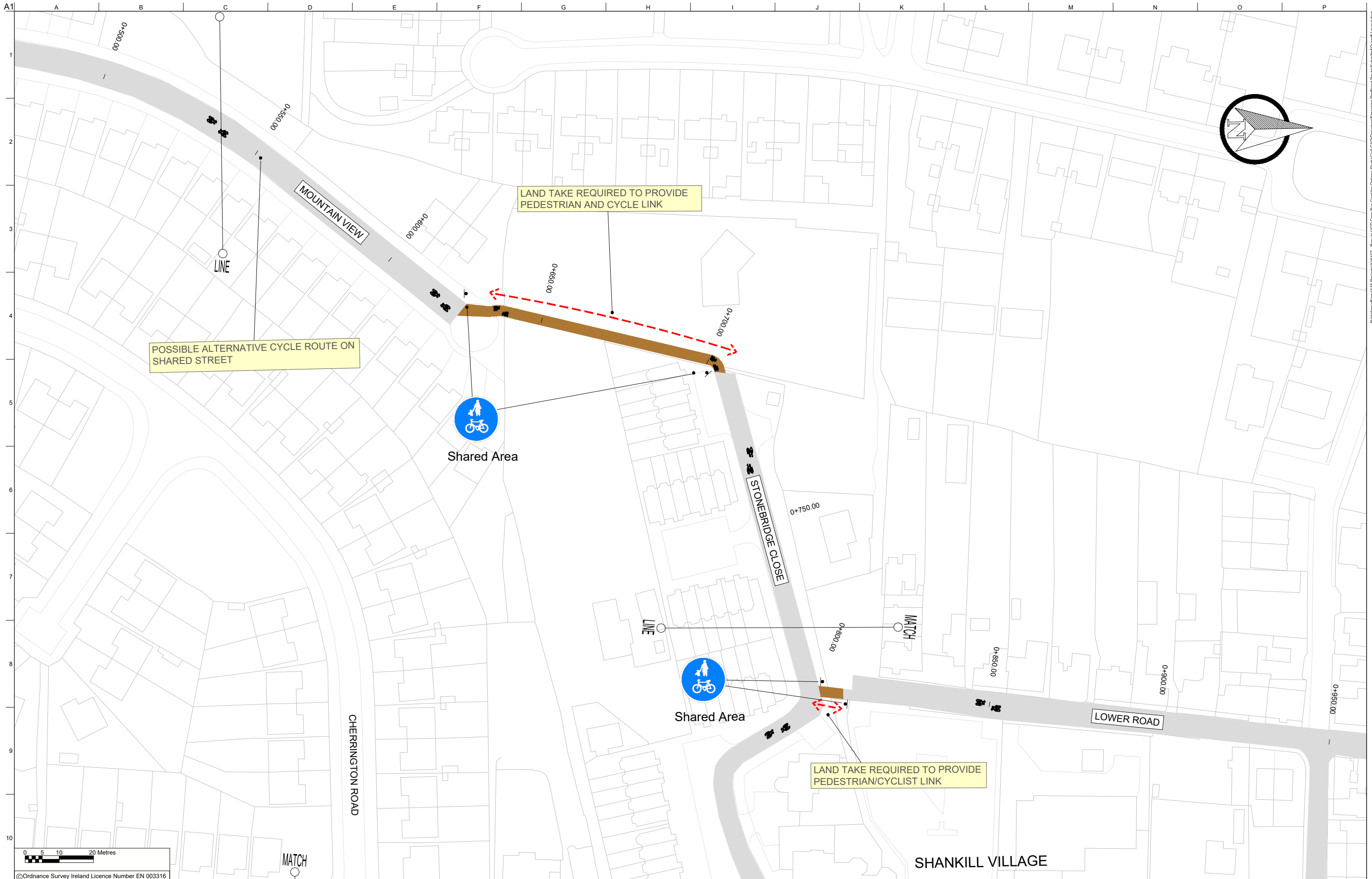
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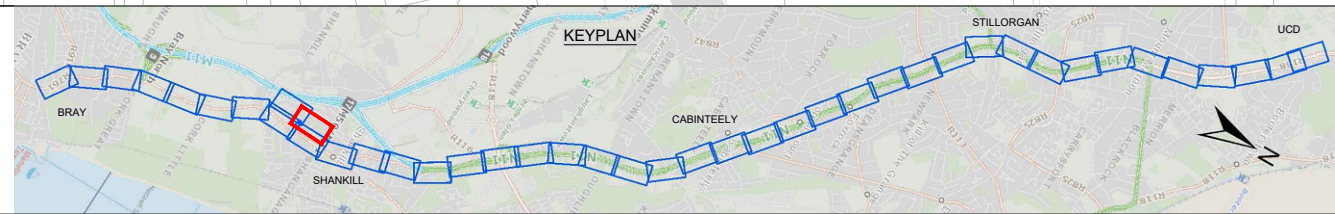
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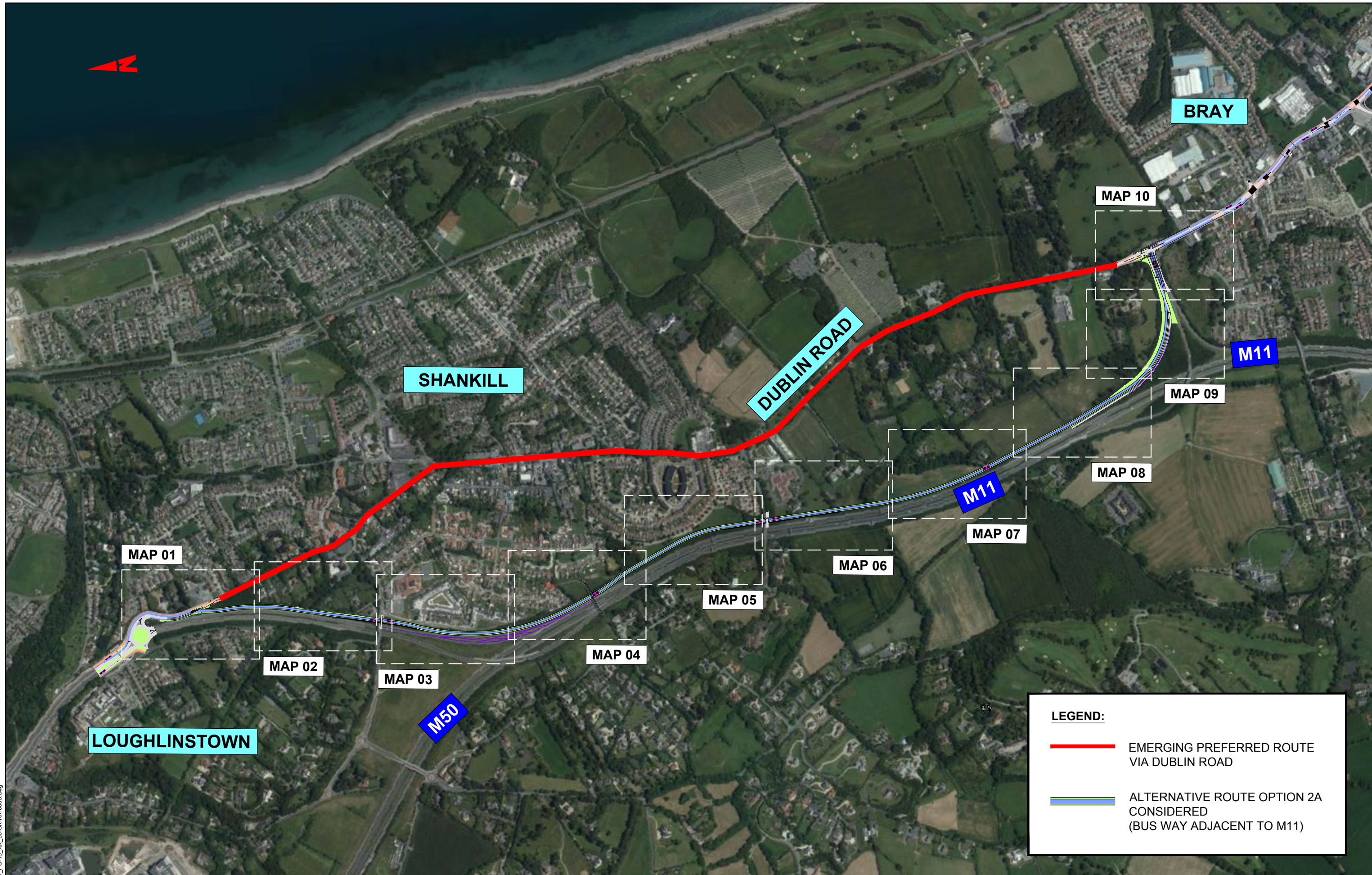
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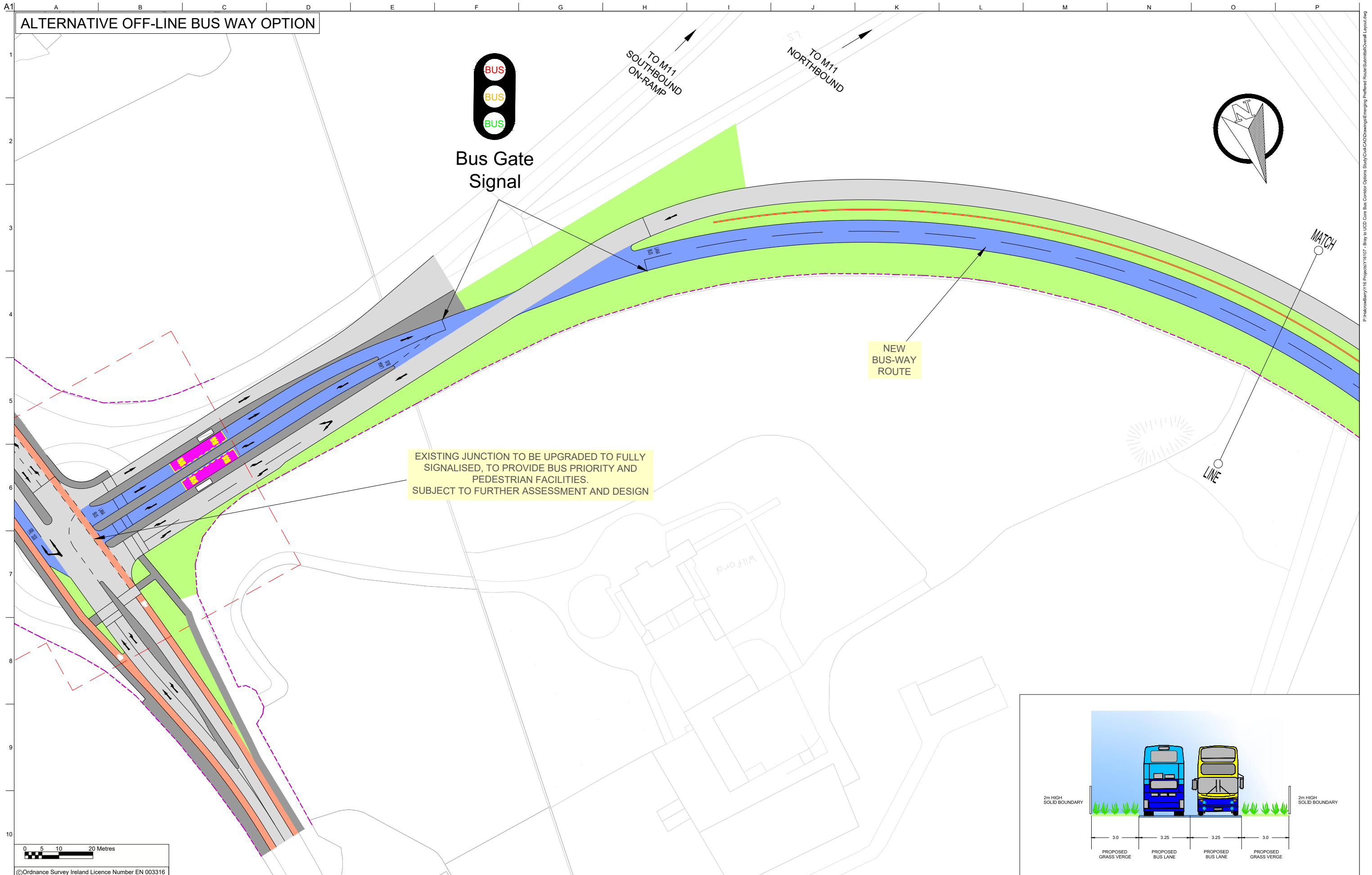
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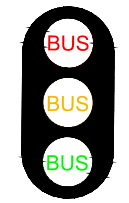
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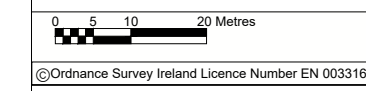


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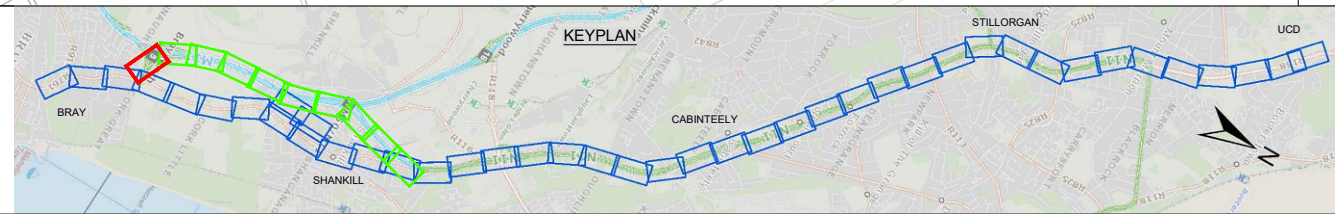
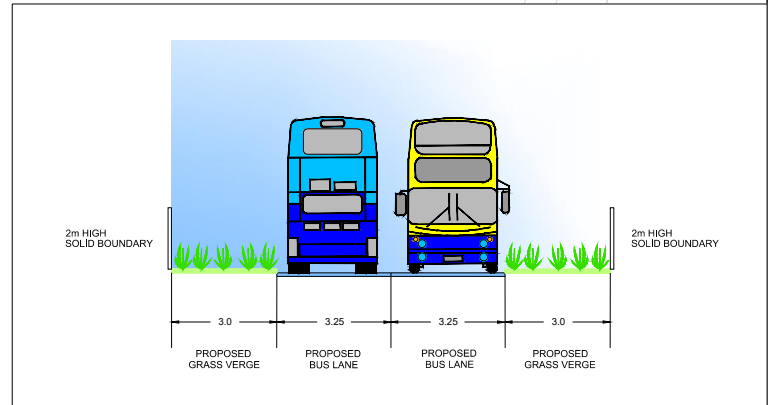
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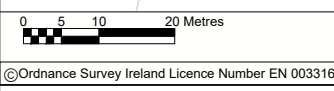
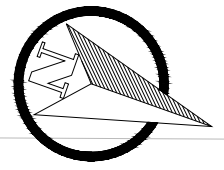
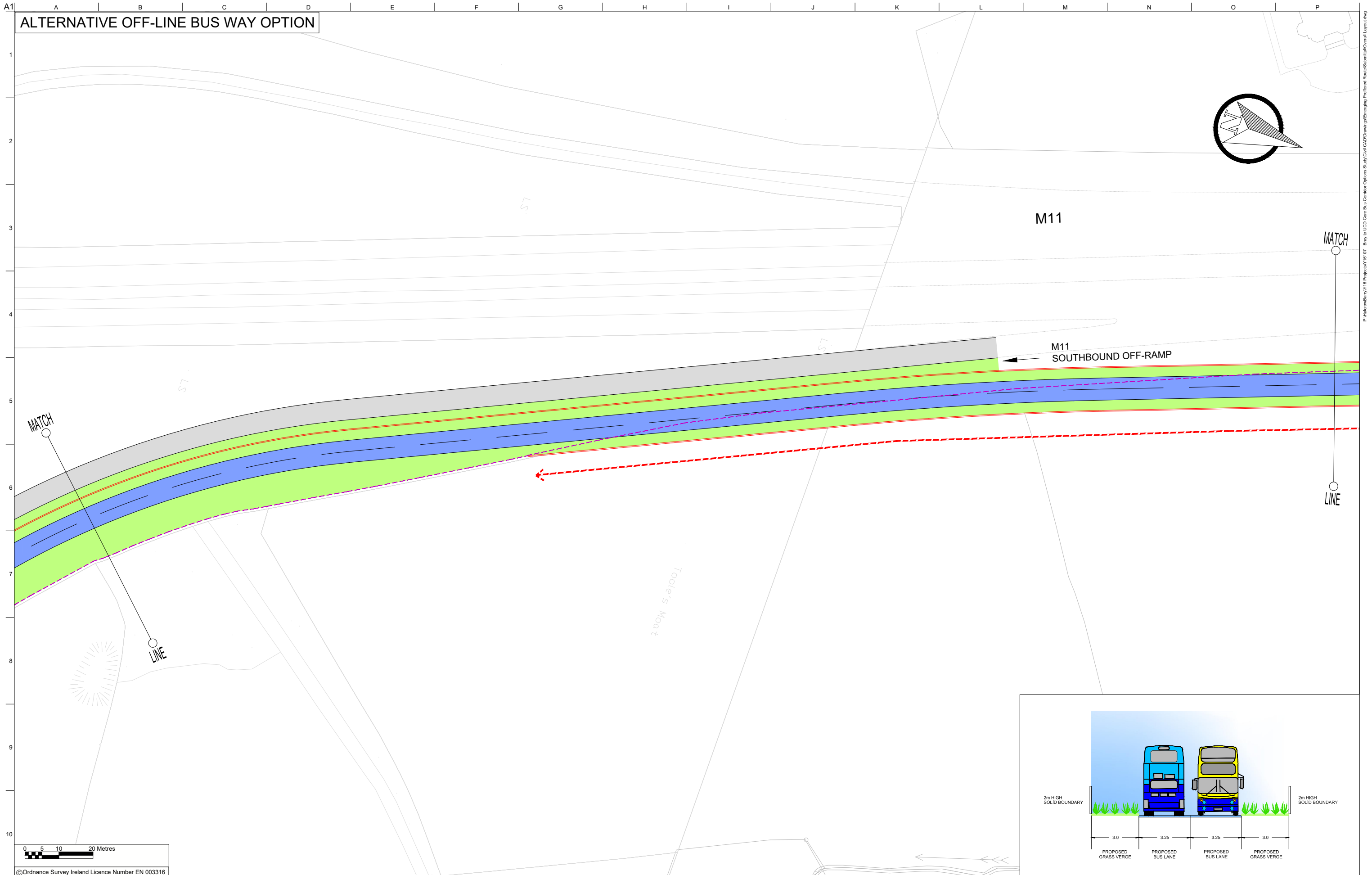
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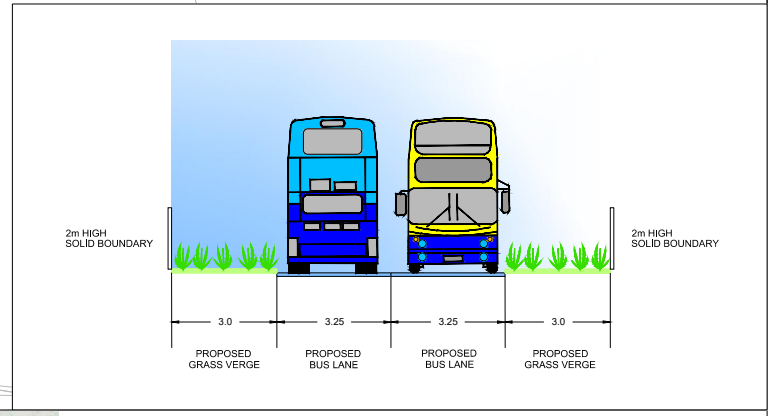
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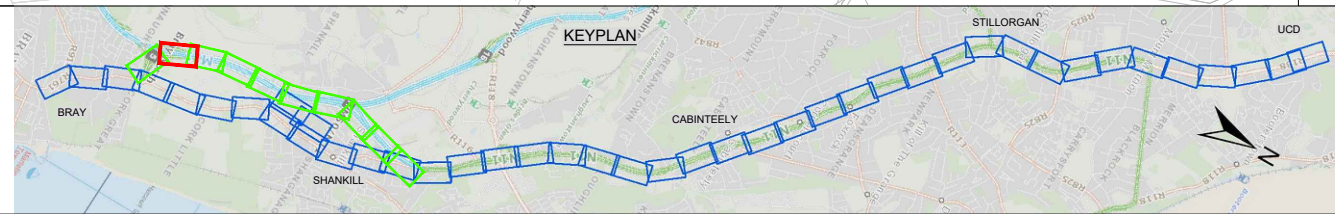
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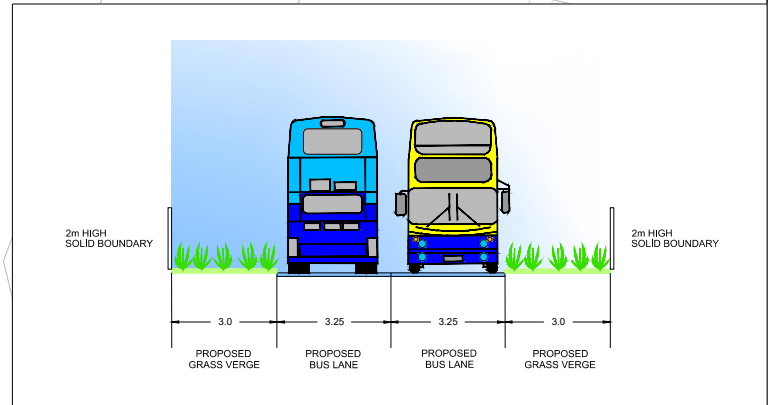
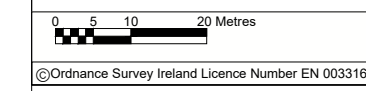
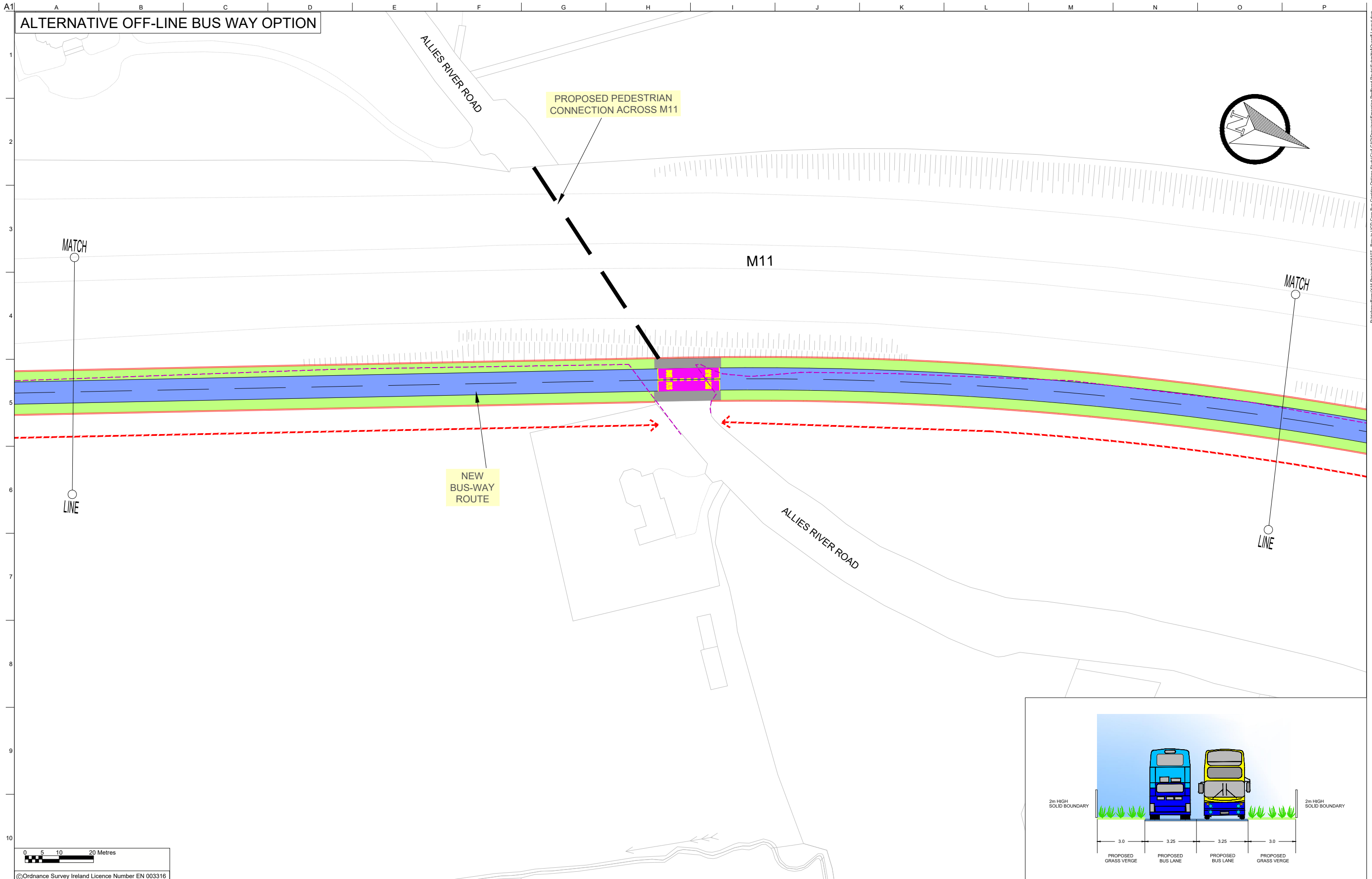
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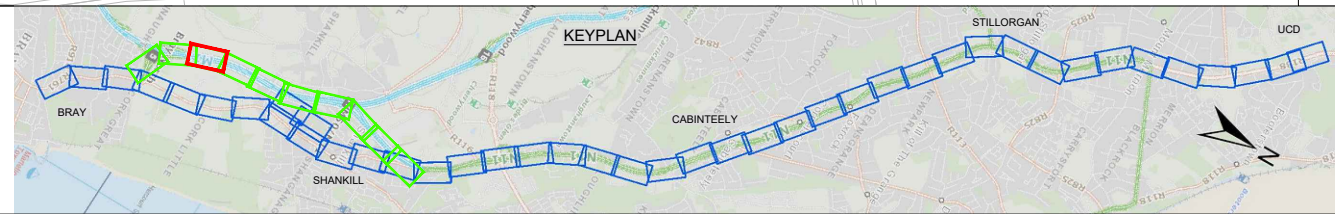


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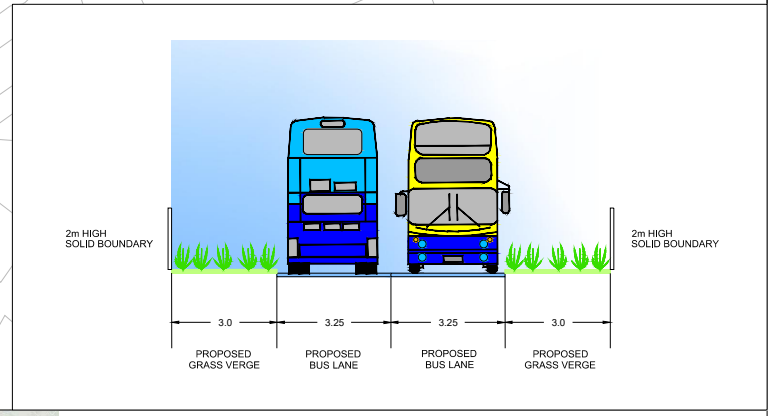
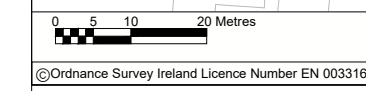
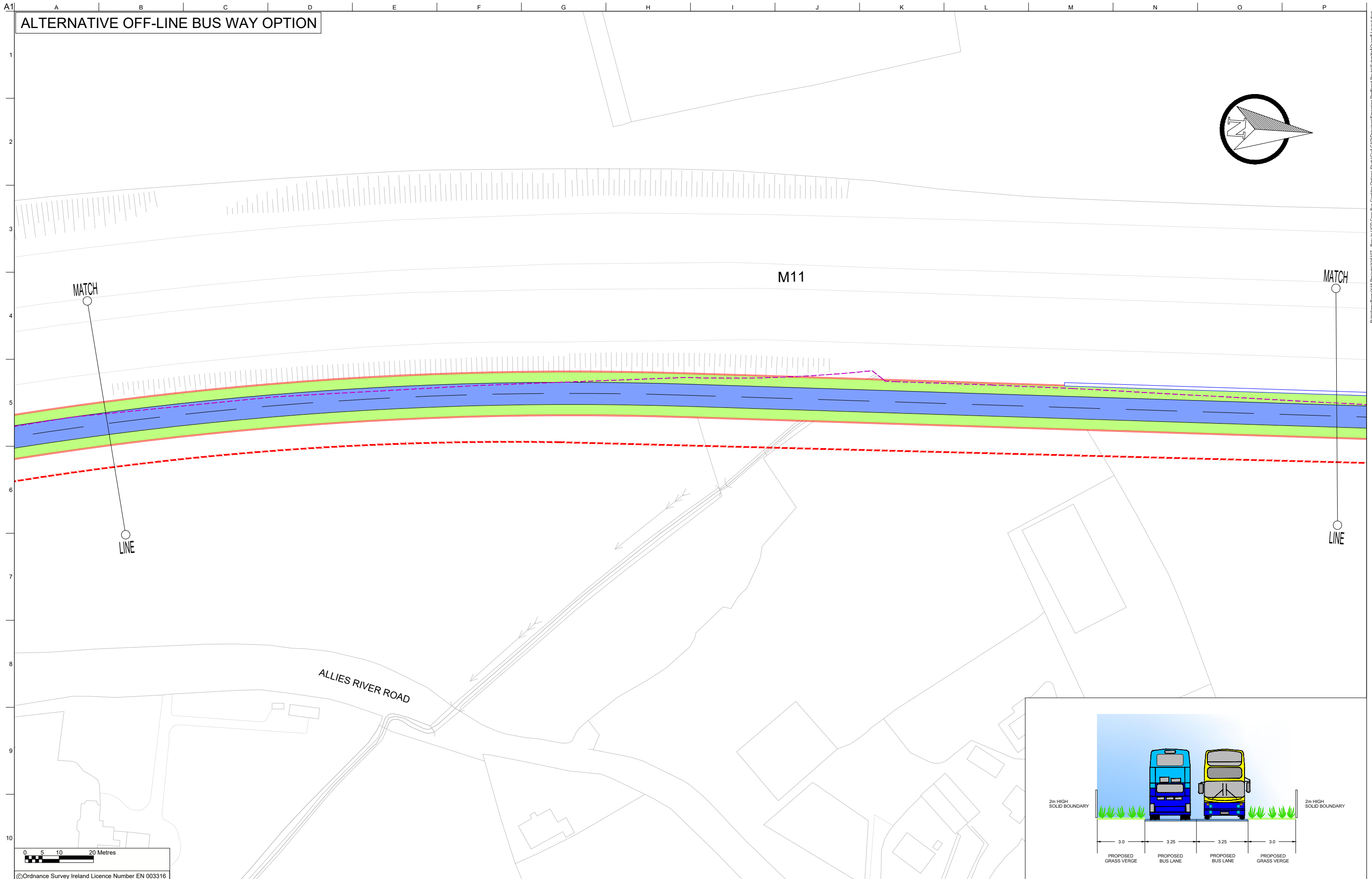


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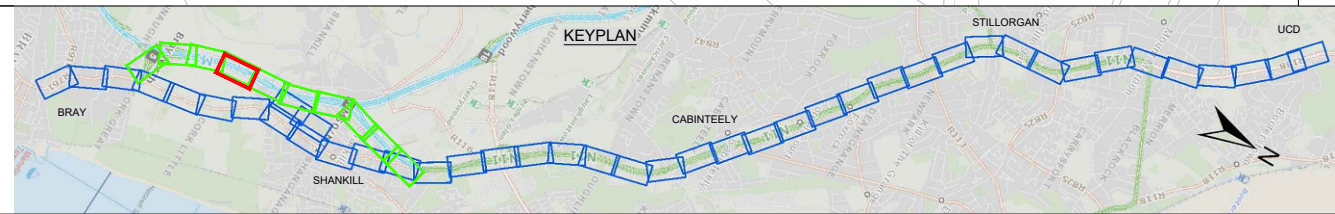


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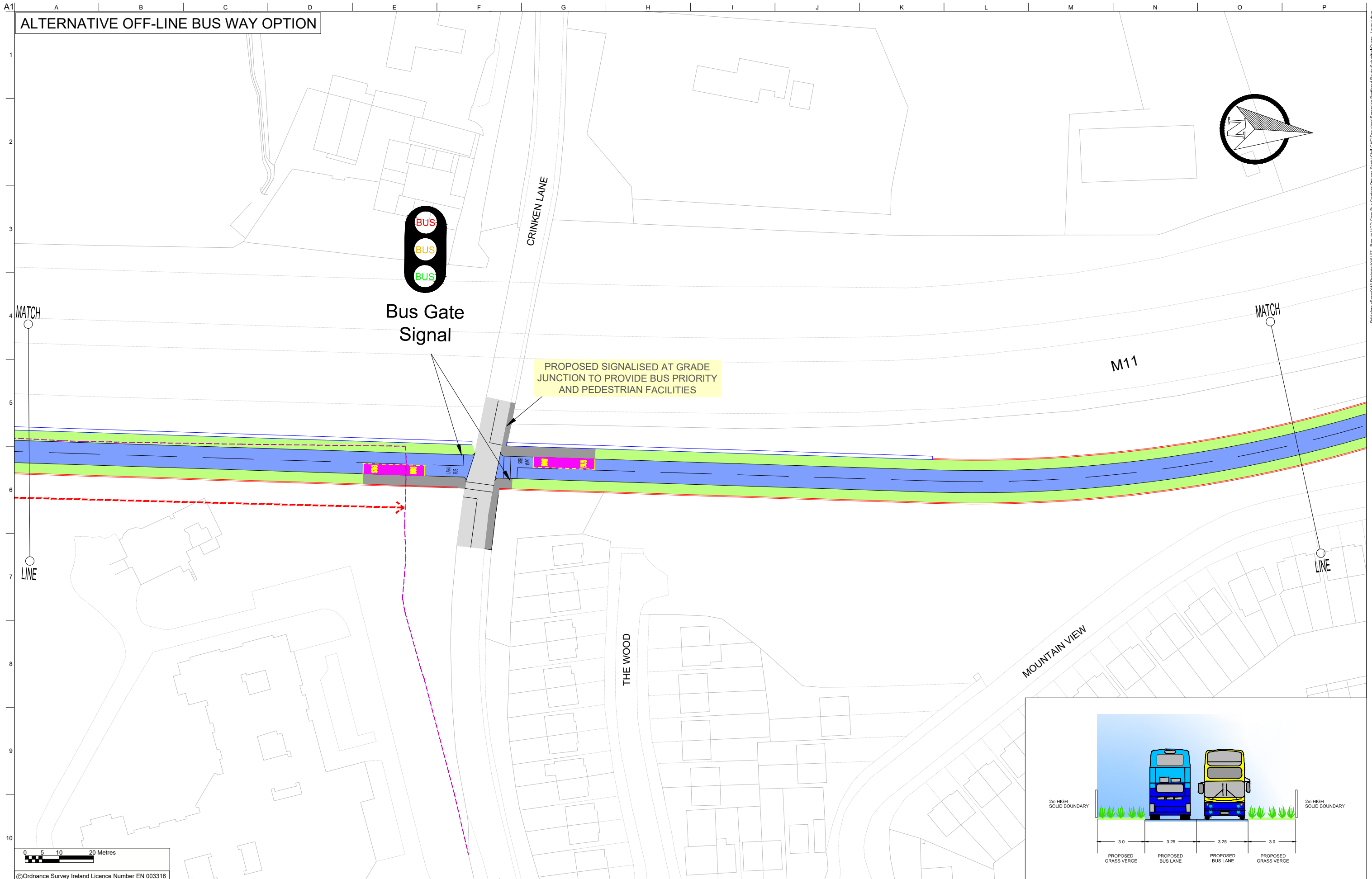


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 Bus Lane	 Carriageway	 Possible Land Acquisition
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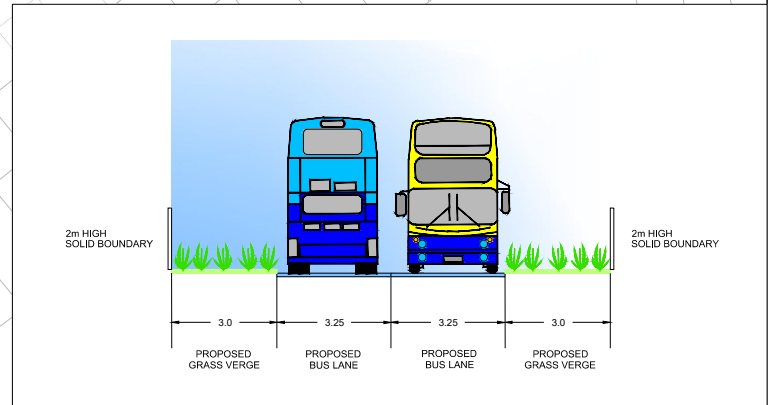
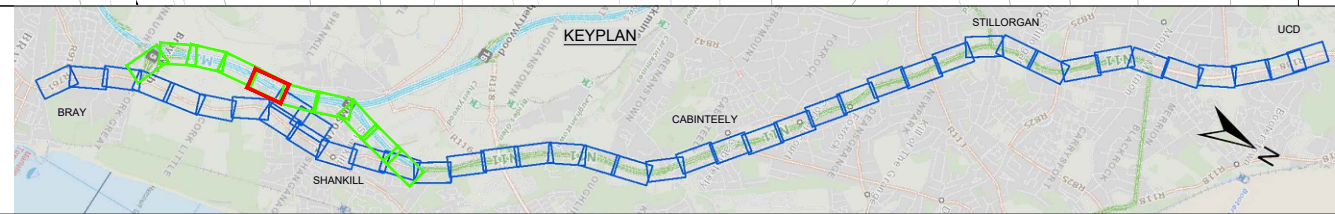


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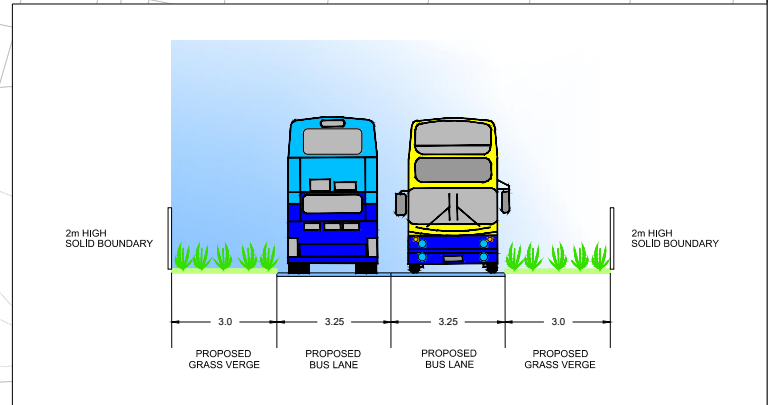
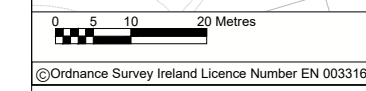
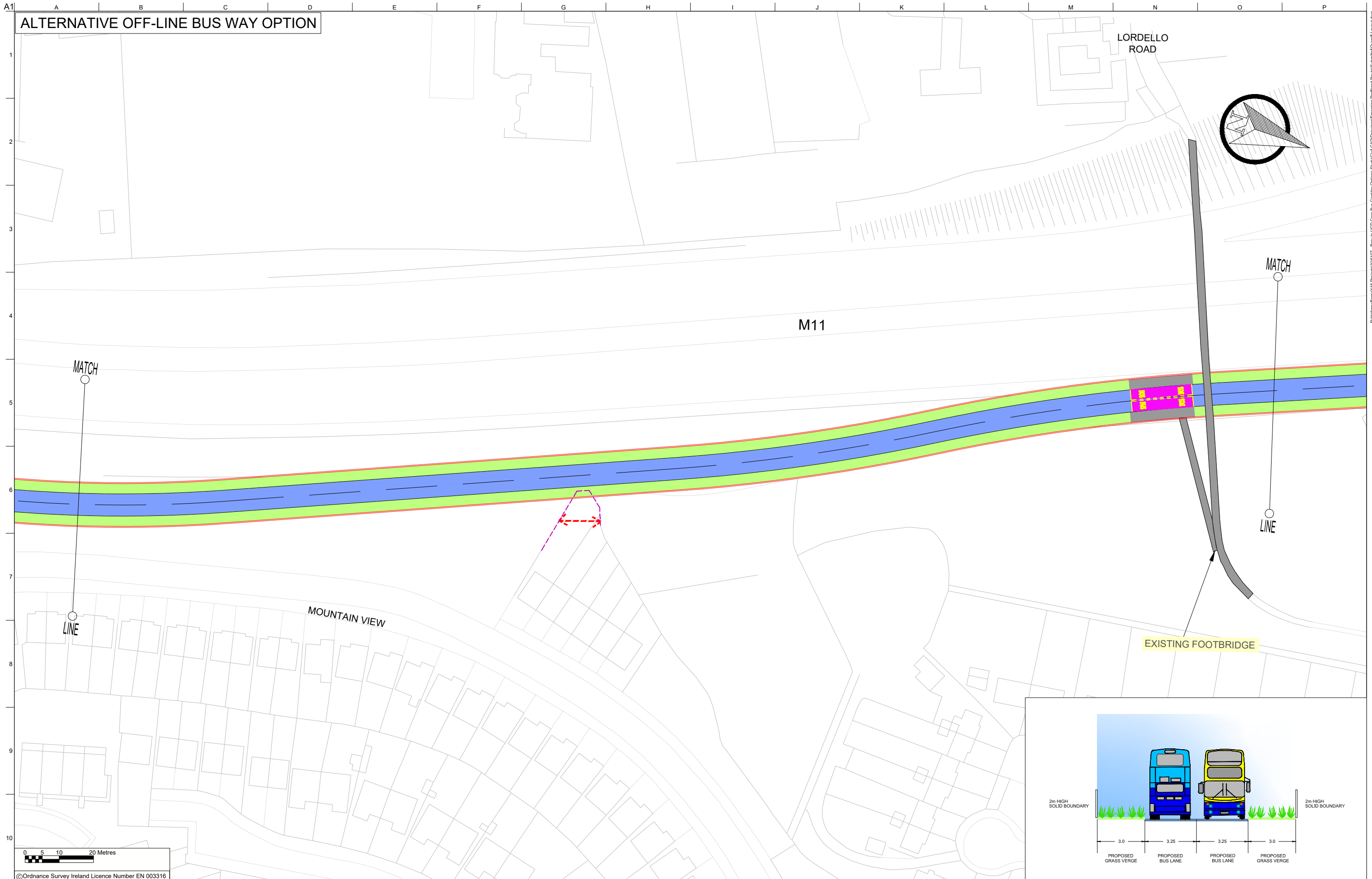


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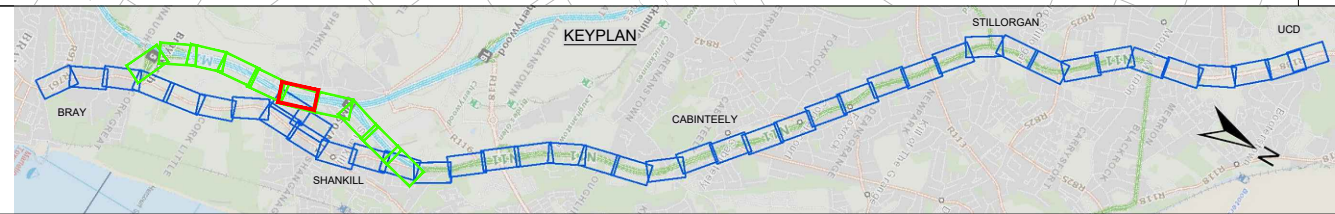


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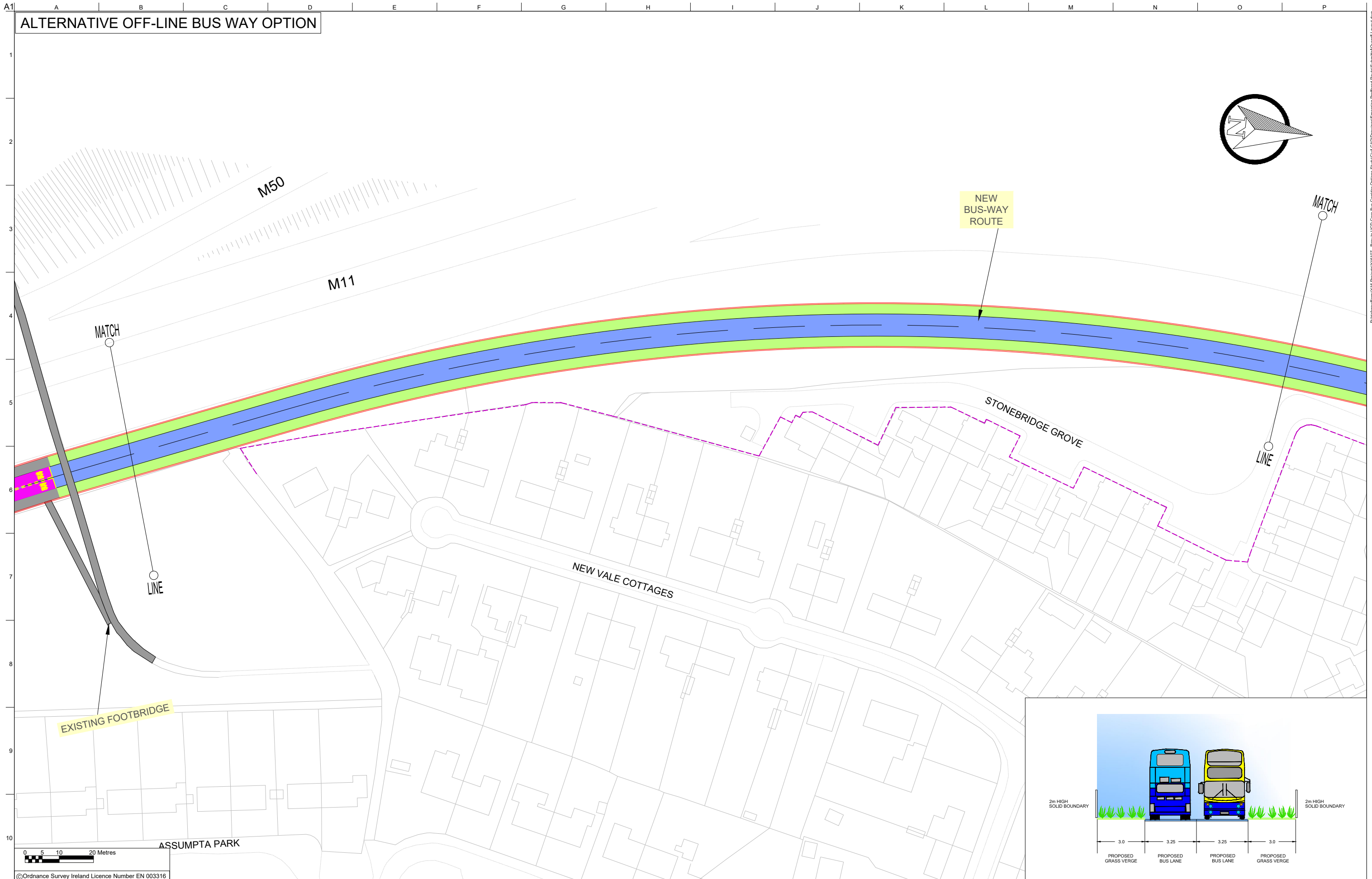


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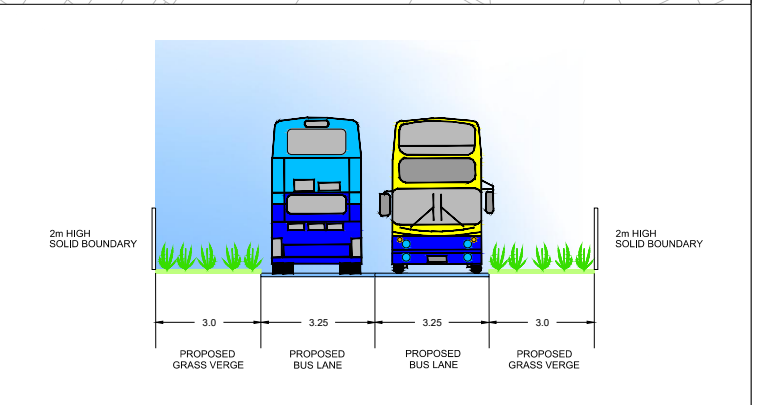
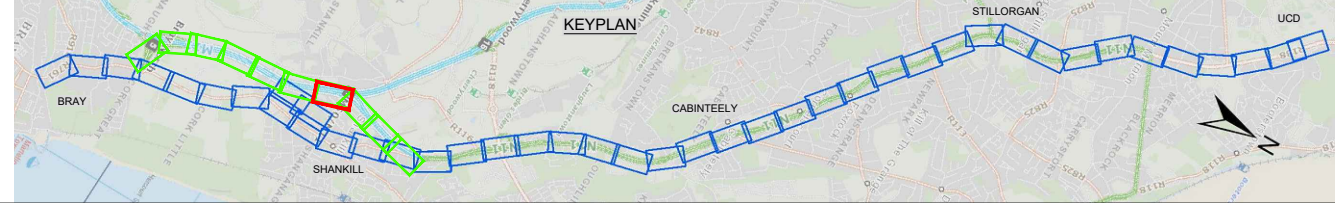


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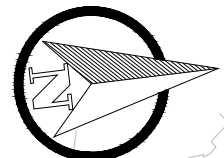
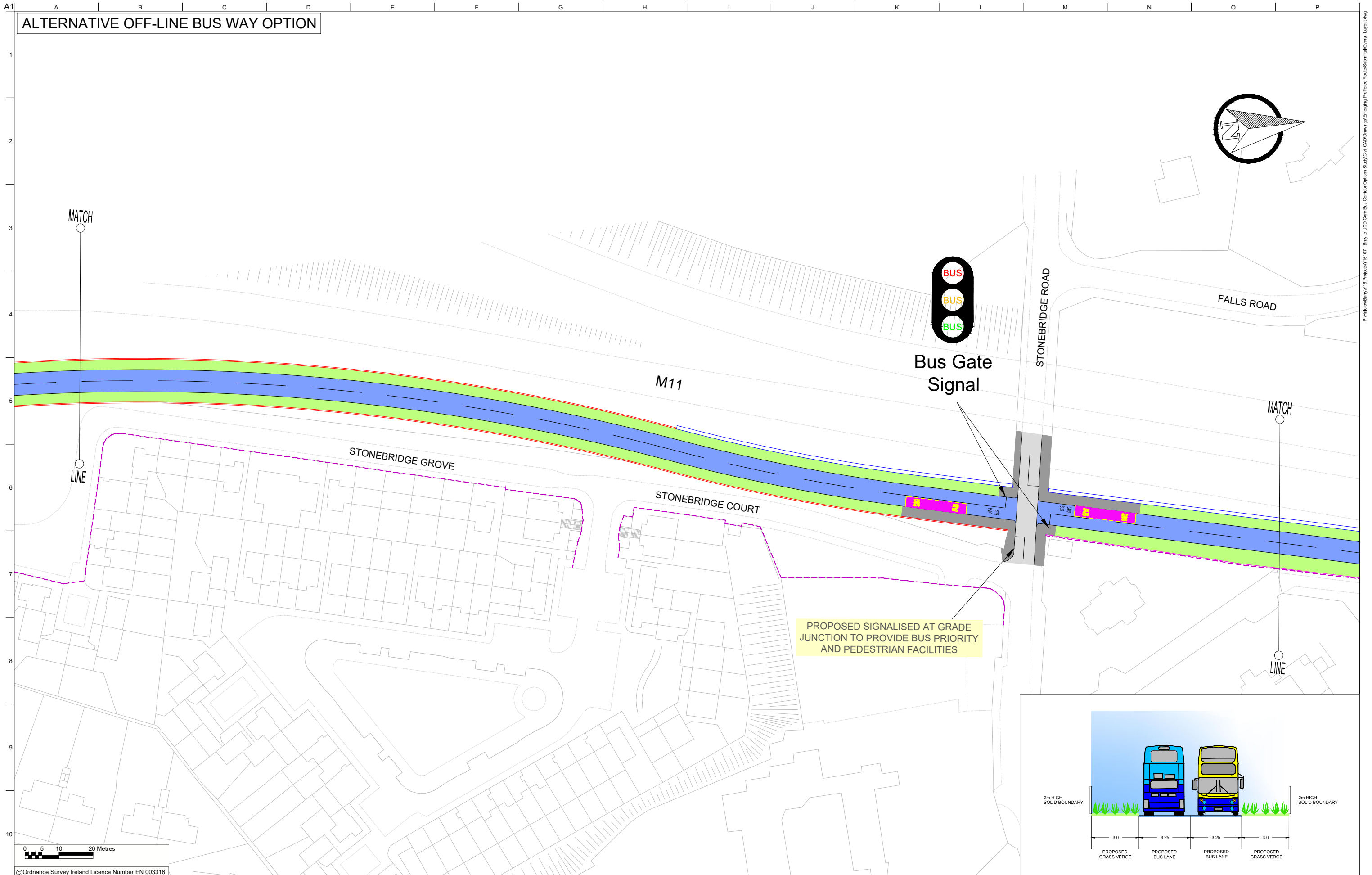
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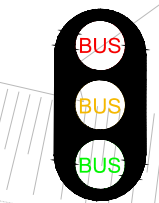


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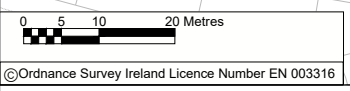
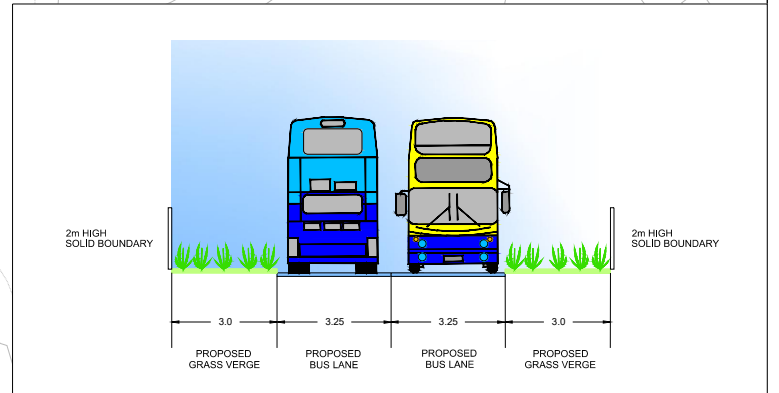
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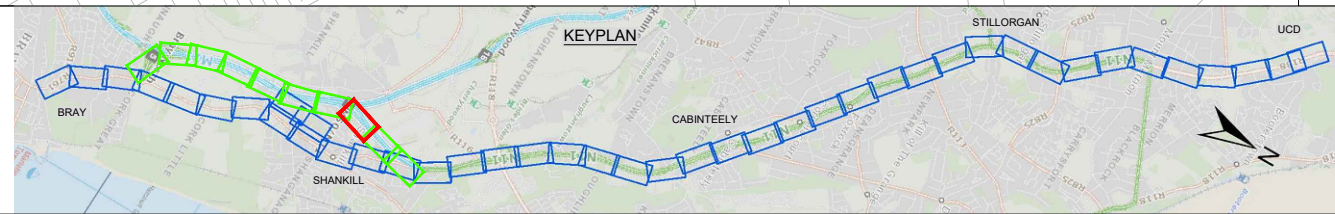
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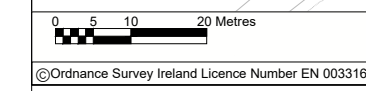
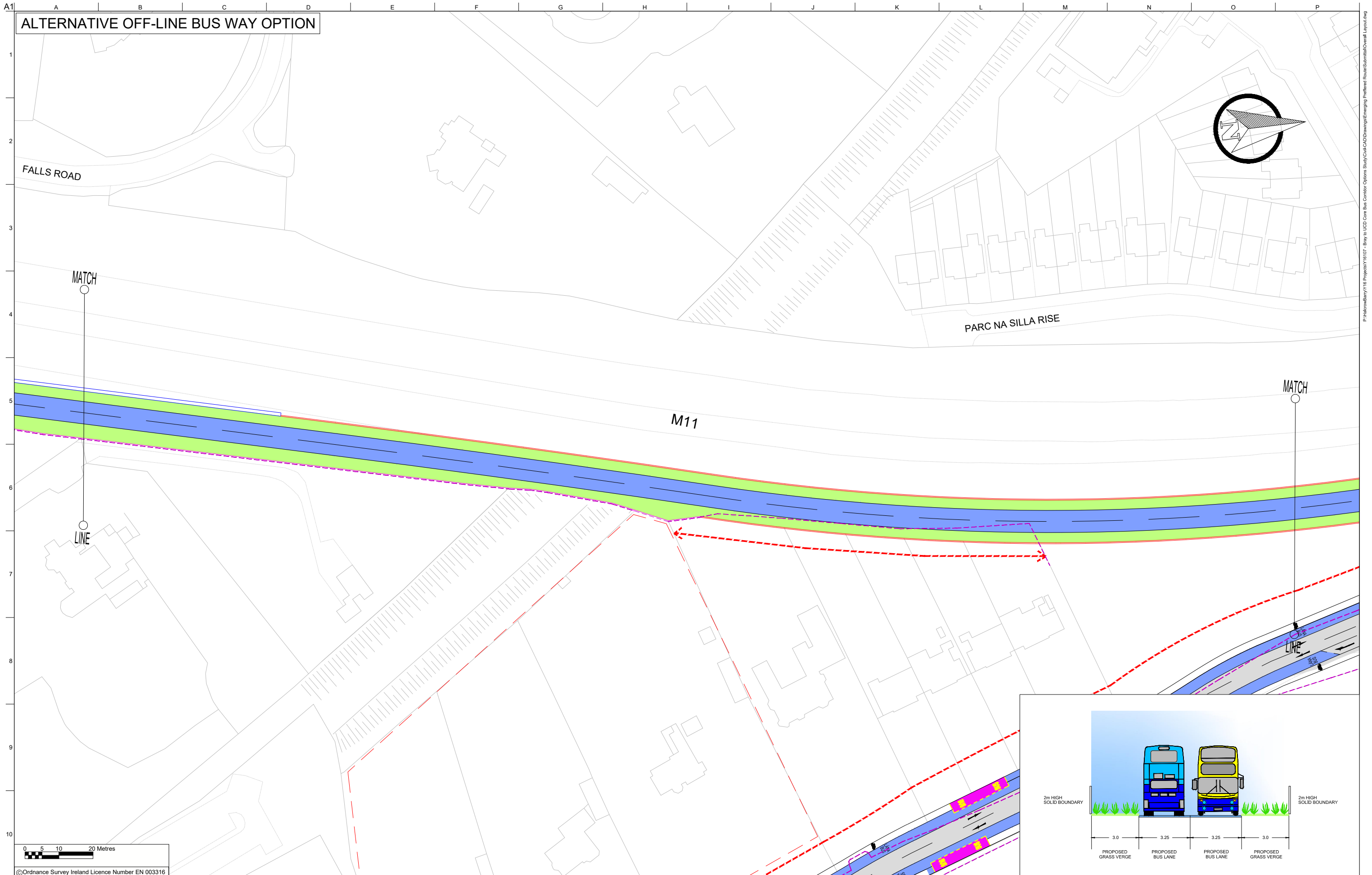
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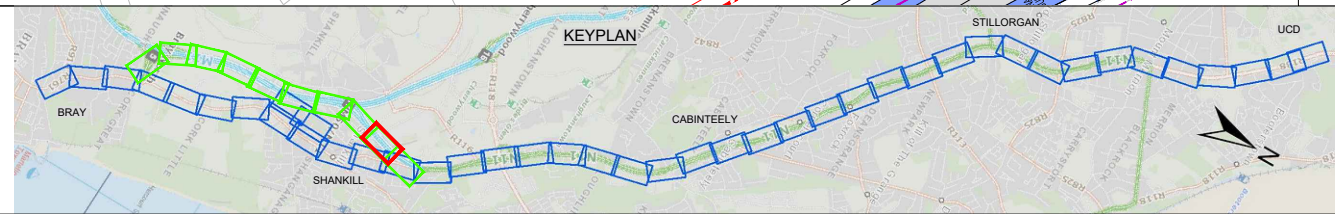
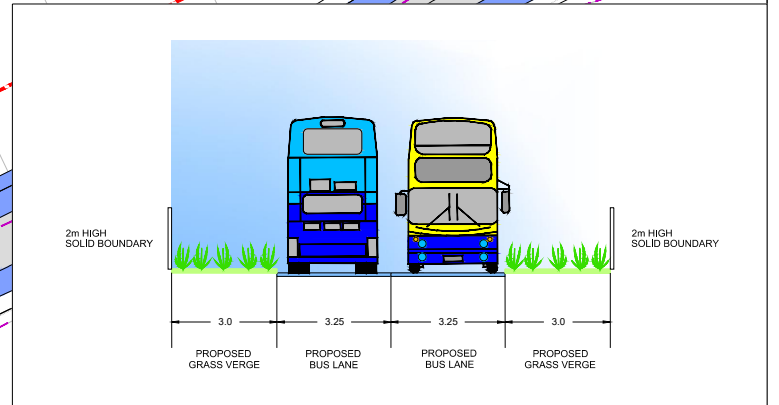


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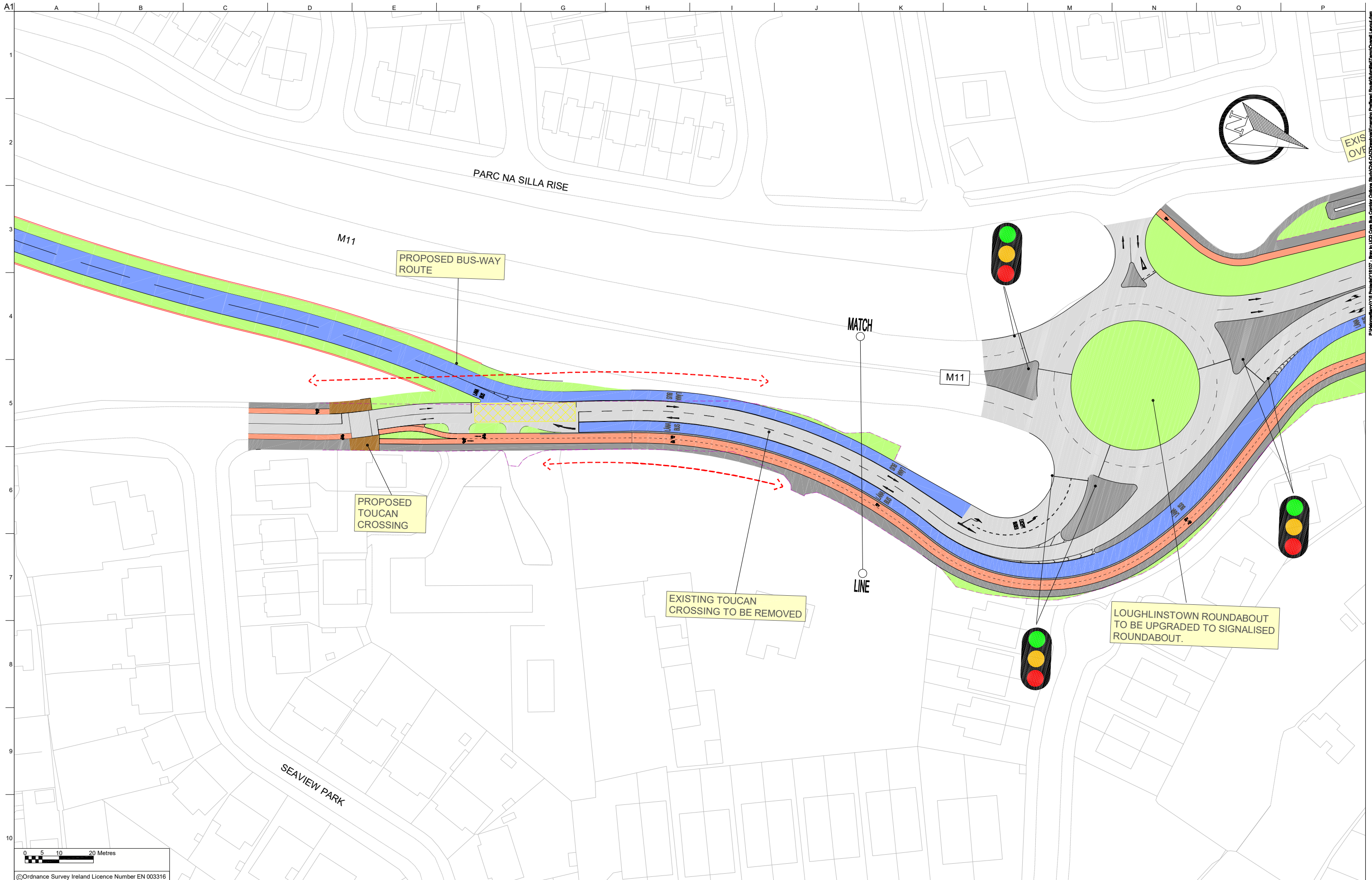


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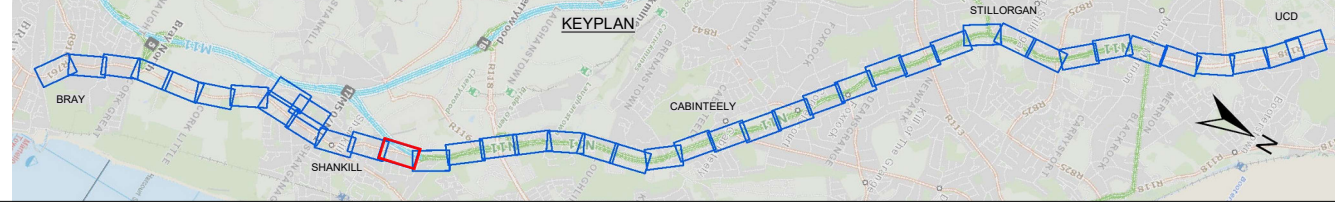
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