

Public Consultation Summary of Feedback on proposals for the Griffith Avenue Protected Cycle Lanes

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On the 25th of August 2020, Dublin City Council published on its consultation hub proposals for protected cycle lanes on the section of Griffith Avenue between St Mobhi Road and Walnut Rise. Various comments and suggestions were received as part of the consultation process which are summarised as follows:

Parking at Doctor's Surgery

Issue: Concerns were raised that patients attending the Doctor's surgery at 411 Griffith Avenue are currently encouraged to wait in their cars and on-street parking close to the surgery is therefore required.

Response: A parking bay catering for 5 cars has been provided close to the Doctor's surgery. It is proposed to restrict the maximum parking time in this bay to 1 hour during surgery hours to ensure maximum turnover of spaces.

Leaves/Ponding

Issue: It has been pointed out that there is an annual problem with leaves building up at the kerb edges and resultant ponding issues during Autumn/Winter.

Response: This issue has been brought to the attention of the cleansing section and they are confident that they have both the resources and machinery necessary to keep the proposed cycle lanes clear of leaves.

On-Street Parking for Visitors etc

Issue: On-street parking is required for visitors/carers/residents etc

Response: All houses along the section of Griffith Avenue between St Mobhi Road and Walnut Rise have off street parking. In addition two parking bays, one close to the doctor's surgery and one slightly further east will be provided, giving a total of 17 on-street spaces.

Parking on Grass Verges/Footpaths

Issue: Some residents have voiced concerns that the proposals will displace parking onto the grass verges and footpaths.

Response: The bollards protecting the cycle lanes will make it more difficult for motorists to access the grass verges. The situation will be monitored and additional measures implemented as required. Parking Enforcement will also have a role in deterring illegal parking.

Conflict at Bus Stops

Issue: The proposed design will result in conflict between cyclists and buses and it is requested that consideration is given to bringing cyclists onto the footpath in the vicinity of bus stops.

Response: There are a number of bus stops along the length of Griffith Avenue. The bus stops are all quite short and have been squeezed in between existing trees and driveways. The bus stops along this section are generally not busy and under these circumstances the design team is proposing that the simplest and safest solution is for cyclists to yield to buses at bus stops, waiting for them to load/unload passengers before continuing their journey in the protected cycle lane.

Bollards are unsightly.

Issue: The plastic bollards are unsightly and not in keeping with the neighbourhood.

Response: It is proposed to implement the cycle lane using a combination of bollards, coloured road surfacing and road markings in the first instance. This will allow us to make any changes that are considered necessary after installation. We would intend to follow up with a more permanent solution in consultation with our urban realm designers.

Bins

Issue: Concerned were raised that the proposal would impact on bin collections.

Response: The proposals should not impact on bin collections and residents should continue to leave them on the footpath as they currently do.