





Cycling in the County

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council is committed to improving facilities for cyclists. In 2010, the Council adopted a County Cycling Policy that focussed on developing cycle friendly infrastructure and on the promotion of cycling. The 2011 Census indicated that over 5% of all trips to work, school or college in the County were by bike, one of the highest cycle mode share in Ireland.

In the 2012, the Council developed a County Cycle Network following an assessment of all existing routes in the County. The main objectives of this assessment were:

- > To identify and implement safe cycling routes to key destinations in the County.
- > To retrofit areas towards creating sustainable neighbourhoods so that cycling, together with walking, can be the best option for local trips.
- > To help prioritise funding to deliver cost effective cyclefriendly improvements to the cycle network in the County.

The aim of the improved cycle network is to create conditions to encourage and facilitate increased levels of cycling in the County by providing direct routes with a high level of service. This leaflet provides details of one route being enhanced as part of the County Cycle Network.

Bike shops in the area

- FitzCycles, Lower Kilmacud Road, Stillorgan, T: 2784555
- Stillorgan Cycles, Stillorgan Village, T: 2887318
- Hollingsworth Cycles, Lower Kilmacud Road, Stillorgan, T: 2960225

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If you have any observations on cycling, cycling policy or cycle routes in the County, email cycling@dlrcoco.ie.



Useful Websites:

www.transportforireland.ie www.bikeweek.ie www.rsa.ie www.dublincycling.com

Sandyford Cycle Route **Route: Description:** Enhanced walking and cycling route from Leopardstown Road to Drummartin Link Road, alongside the Green Luas Line. Distance: Total length of 2.4km **Route terrain:** Relatively flat route on a good surface along a shared pedestrian/cycle route, laneway, on-road and off road cycle tracks. Cycle time: 10-12 minutes For cyclists with a low level of fitness. To suit: Part of the route between Leopardstown Road and Brewery Road is suitable for young children. Links: Good links via off-road cycle tracks to the N₁₁, Kilmacud and Ballyogan. Good links also to Dundrum and to the Slang River Greenway route via Balally Drive and Sandyford Road. **Route benefits:** The route provides a direct access into the Sandyford Business Estate and to the Luas from nearby busy traffic routes. Cycle parking: Stillorgan and Sandyford Luas Stops, Beacon South Quarter Residential Areas: The Chase. Tudor Lawns, Woodford. Stillorgan Wood, Stillorgan Heath **Schools:** St. Brigid's NS, Stillorgan St. Benildus College, Kilmacud St. Raphaela's NS & SS, Upper Kilmacud Road St. Olafs NS, Balally Drive Setanta School, Beechpark. **Leisure centres:** DLR Leisure Services Centre – Stillorgan **Retail outlets:** Dunnes Stores, Retails Units, Beacon South Ouarter Londis, Carmanhall Road Centra, Central Park





SANDYFORD CYCLE ROUTE

(Part of the Foxrock to Marlay Park cycle route)

- Leopardstown Road to Brewery Road (0.4km) Starting at Leopardstown road, near the junction with Torquay Road, this section consists of a segregated shared pedestrian/cycle route. This section is suitable for all ages.
- Brewery Road to Sandyford Luas Stop (o.4km) Crossing Brewery Road via a toucan crossing (traffic signals for pedestrians and cyclists), this section consists of a 3m shared pedestrian/cycle laneway that provides access to the Sandyford Luas Stop. As this laneway is narrow, parental guidance is required for younger children
- Sandyford Luas Stop to St. Raphaela's Road (0.5km)— Crossing Blackthorn Avenue via a toucan crossing, on the south side this section consists of a new contraflow off-road cycle track with an on-road cycle lane on the north side. Parental guidance is required for younger children using this section.
- St. Raphaela's Road to Blackthorn Drive (o.4km) This section consists of on-road cycle lanes on the north and south of Blackthorn Avenue. Parental guidance is required for younger children using this section due to the traffic on the road.
- Blackthorn Drive to Drummartin Link Road (o.8km)-This section consists of on-road cycle lanes on the north and south of Benildus Avenue. Parental guidance is required for younger children using this section due to the volume of traffic on the road.
- West of Drummartin Link Road
 A route also exists that links the Sandyford Cycle Route and the Slang River Greenway (DLR Map 2) via Balally Drive. This 1km section consists of a shared pedestrian/cycle route along low traffic residential roads and partly along a cycleway.