**The new BusConnects network is rolling out in the West
of Dublin**

Launching 16th October 2022

* G1: Red Cow Luas – Ballyfermot – City centre – Spencer Dock (24 hour service)
* G2: Liffey Valley Shopping Centre – Ballyfermot – City centre – Spencer Dock (24 hour service)
* 60: Red Cow Luas – Clondalkin – Cherry Orchard – Ballyfermot – Decies Road – Islandbridge – City centre – Sir John Rogerson’s Quay

Operator: Dublin Bus

# **The new BusConnects network**

The new network follows from three rounds of public consultation which concluded in 2020. It will improve the existing Transport for Ireland (TFI) network by providing enhanced bus services with high frequency spines and new local, orbital and radial routes.

This new network is being introduced on a phased basis over the coming years. This phase involves services in the West of Dublin serving areas including:

* Fonthill Road
* Liffey Valley Shopping Centre
* Park West
* Red Cow Luas
* Clondalkin
* Cherry Orchard
* Ballyfermot
* Inchicore
* Heuston Station
* Thomas Street
* Spencer Dock
* Sir John Rogerson’s Quay

# **Some of the many benefits of BusConnects include:**

* Increased capacity and frequency
* Increased all day, night-time and weekend services
* Improved ticketing to allow for free interchange between services

# **We are now entering Phase 4 of the Network Redesign**

Phase 4, which commences on October 16, involves the introduction of the G-Spine Routes G1, G2 and Route 60 which will all be operated by Dublin Bus.

This will coincide with the removal of the following routes:

* The **western part of Route 40 between Liffey Valley and City centre**
* **Route 79 Aston Quay – Spiddal park / Cherry Orchard**
* **Route 79a Aston Quay – Park West**

# **Fares:**

The TFI 90 Minute Fare now applies to most journeys in the Dublin area when using a TFI Leap Card. It includes the option to transfer for free between Dublin City Bus (Dublin Bus and
Go-Ahead Ireland), Luas, DART and commuter rail (zones 1 to 4 in the Short Hop Zone). Just touch on your last journey within 90 minutes of the first.

# **TFI Leap Fares:**

## **Short Fare:**

* Adult: €1.30
* Young Adult / Student: €0.65
* Child: €0.65

## **TFI 90 Minute Fare:**

* Adult: €2.00
* Young Adult / Student: €1.00
* Child: €0.65

# **Changes to Route 40:**

From October 16, **Route 40** will no longer serve Liffey Valley Shopping Centre to City centre as this section is being replaced by the new **G2**. The altered **Route 40** will go from Charelstown Shopping Centre to Earlsfort Terrace/Lesson Street.

How to interchange between G-Spine and Route 40:

To get **Route 40** Northbound towards Charelstown Shopping Centre, get off G-Spine on Eden Quay at **Stop 7359** and go to **Stop 319** on Westmoreland Street.

To get the G-Spine Westbound towards Red Cow Luas/Liffey Valley, get off **Route 40** on O’Connell Bridge at **Stop 273** and go to **Stop 7889** on Burgh Quay.

# **Discontinuation of Route 79.79a:**

From October 16, **Routes 79** and **79a** will no longer operate as they are being replaced by the new routes. In some placesm such as Spiddal Park and Decies Road, it might be quicker to walk a short distance to **Routes G1** and **G2**, which will have a frequent service. A direct city centre service from your current stop will still be available on **Route 60**.

The G-Spine will offer very high frequency and a brand new overnight service.

# **Interchange with other modes on the TFI Network**

The new network provides enhanced connections across all modes of transport.

## **G1 & G2:**

* You can use the **G1** to interchange with Luas Red line services at Red Cow Luas. You can also use the **G1** and **G2** to interchange with the nearby Luas Red line at Connolly Station and Spencer Dock.
* You can use the **G1** to interchange with Irish Rail services at Park West & Cherry Orchard Station. You can also use the **G1** and **G2** to interchange with the nearby Irish Rail services at Connolly Station.
* In the City centre, both the **G1** and **G2** allow for interchange with many other bus services including the new Orbital **N4** at New Wapping Street. You can also interchange with Bus Éireann services at nearby Busáras.
* In the West, the **G2** allows for interchange with a wide range of TFI services at Liffey Valley.

## **Route 60:**

* You can use **Route 60** to interchange with Luas Red line services at Red Cow Luas, Irish Rail services at Park West and Cherry Orchard as well as Luas and Irish Rail services at Heuston and nearby Connolly Station.
* In the City centre, **Route 60** allows for interchange with many other TFI bus services. You can also interchange with Bus Éireann services at nearby Busáras.
* To plan your journey and view other interchange options, please visit transportforireland.ie

# **New Network Route Types**

The network redesign introduces five types of route that each operate in different ways.

**Spine:** Spines are very frequent routes made up of individual bus services that are timetabled to work together over their common sections.

**Orbital:** Orbitals provide connections between suburbs, without having to travel into the city centre.

**Local:** Locals provide connections to local centres and link to onward transport connections.

**Radial:** Radials are other services that operate into Dublin city centre. These services are not part of any spine and operate to their own timetable.

**Peak Only/Express:** Peak routes operate during peak travel periods, providing additional capacity along key bus corridors. Express routes are direct services from outer suburbs to the city centre during peak hours, serving limited stops to get passengers to their destination faster.

# **Benefits of the BusConnects programme**

BusConnects is the National Transport Authority’s programme to greatly improve bus services in Irish cities.

It will provide additional capacity and increased frequency, especially at evenings and weekends. More 24-hour services will be introduced which will assist shift workers and support the night-time economy.

The BusConnects Network Redesign in Dublin is introducing high frequency spine and radial routes that operate into Dublin City centre, new orbital routes for faster cross-suburban trips, and new local routes to provide important connections within local areas. Peak services will provide additional capacity at the busiest travel times.

230KM of priority bus lanes making journeys faster and more reliable.

New Bus stops and shelters with better signage and information.

New simplified fares system

New Park & Ride facilities at key locations

Low emissions bus fleet

200km of cycle lanes/tracks

New bus livery providing a common style across all TFI operators

# **G Spine – Summary of stops served**

## **G1:**

Duga Spencer / Spencer Dock

Cé Urumhan/Cé Wellington / Ormond Quay/Wellington quay

Sráid Thomáis/ Thomas Street

Ospidéal San Séamas / St James’s Hospital

Inse Chór / Inchicore

Baile Formaid / Ballyfermot

Gort na Silíní / Cherry Orchard

Páirc Gnó Stadium / Park West

Siúlán Áth na Coille / Woodford Walk

Luas na Bó Deirge / Red Cow Luas

## **G2:**

Duga Spencer / Spencer Dock

Cé Urumhan/Cé Wellington / Ormond Quay/Wellington quay

Sráid Thomáis/ Thomas Street

Ospidéal San Séamas / St James’s Hospital

Inse Chór / Inchicore

Baile Formaid / Ballyfermot

Bothár na Botha Fuaire / Coldcut Road

Bothár Bhaile Néill / Neilstown Road

Bothár an Naoú Loc / Ninth Lock Road

Cnoc an Fhuaráin / Fonthill

Gleann na Life / Liffey Valley

# **For more information on the G1, G2 and Route 60 please contact**

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# **Travel Assistance Scheme:**

The Travel Assistance Scheme is run by Dublin Bus on behalf of Transport for Ireland within the Greater Dublin Area. Its aim is to help customers use public transport on their own, especially those with disabilities and reduced mobility.

The scheme is open to all over the age of eighteen, and available on Dublin City Buses, Luas and DART services in the Greater Dublin Area. For further information on how to use the scheme call (01) 703 3204 or email
travel.assist@dublinbus.ie