**The new BusConnects network is rolling out!**

Launching 25 June 2023

* W4: The Square, Tallaght - Grange Castle Business Park - Liffey Valley Shopping Centre - Blanchardstown Shopping Centre
* W61: Hazelhatch Station - Celbridge Main St - Salesian
* College - Maynooth Station - Maynooth Community College
* W62: Newcastle - Saggart - Greenogue Industrial Estate - Citywest Road - The Square, Tallaght

Operator: Go-Ahead Ireland

# **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/ South West of Dublin, serving areas including:

* Newcastle
* Liffey Valley SC\*
* Greenogue IE\*
* Lucan
* Saggart
* Blanchardstown SC\*
* Citywest
* Hazelhatch
* The Square, Tallaght
* Celbridge
* Kingswood BP\*
* Maynooth

\* Industrial Estate/ Business Park/ Shopping Centre

# **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 5a of the Network Redesign**

Phase 5a commences on the 25th of June and involves the introduction of the W4, W61 and W62 Orbital routes, operated by Go-Ahead Ireland on behalf of TFI.

As part of the network redesign, the plan is to join routes W61 and W62 as soon as road network improvements are available in the Hazelhatch area.

# **Fares:**

The TFI 90 Minute Fare applies to most journeys in the Dublin area, along with some parts of East Kildare and North Wicklow. It allows you to transfer between Dublin City Bus (Dublin Bus and Go-Ahead Ireland Dublin city services), Luas, DART and commuter rail (zones 1 to 4 in the Short Hop Zone) for free during 90 minutes when using a TFI Leap Card. You must touch-on every time you board a service to demonstrate you hold a valid ticket for each journey. As long as you touch-on your last service within 90 minutes of the first touch-on, you will qualify for the TFI 90 Minute Fare.

# **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

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

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

## **W4 interchanges:**

* The W4 stops near Liffey Valley Shopping Centre on the Lucan Road. Use this stop to conenct with services such as C1, C2, C3 and C4 at the same stop. A range of other services in the shopping centre include L51, L53, 26, 76 and G2.
* The W4 also connects with routes C1 and C2 along Grange Castle Road in Lucan.
* The W4 connects with the N4 Orbital at Blanchardstown Shopping Centre.

## **W61 interchanges:**

* The W61 connects with the C3 and C4 at Maynooth station.
* The W61 connects with the C4 in Celbridge.

## **Luas interchanges:**

* W4: Tallaght, Kingswood
* W62: Tallaght, Fettercairn, Citywest Campus, Saggart

## **Commuter rail interchanges:**

* W61: Maynooth, Hazelhatch and Celbridge station
* W4: New Kishoghue station

To plan your journey and view other interchange options, please visit transportforireland.ie or download

the TFI Live app.

# **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. Some examples of Spines are routes C1, C2, C3, C4, G1, G2, H1, H2

and H3.

**Orbital:** Orbitals provide connections between suburbs, without having to travel into the city centre. Some examples of Orbitals are routes N4 and N6.

**Local:** Locals provide connections to Local centres and link to

onward transport connections. Some examples of these routes are L51, L52, L53, L54, L58, L59.

**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. Some examples of Radials are routes 26, 52

and 60.

**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. Some examples of these routes are X25, X26, X27, X28, X30, X31, X32.

# **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

# **Western Orbitals – Summary of stops served**

## **W62:**

S.N. Fhinnéin / St Finian’s NS

E.T.Ghrianóige / Greenogue IE

Teach Sagard / Saggart

Bóthar Iarthar na Cathrach / Citywest Road

Bóthar Ghort an tSrutháin / Brookfield Road

Gleann Seáin / Glenshane

Céide an Ráithín / Raheen Drive

An Chearnóg / The Square

## **W4:**

I.S. Bhaile Bhlainséir / Blanchardstown SC

I.S. Ghleann na Life / Liffey Valley SC

Ospidéal Naomh Lomán / St Loman’s Hospital

An Cnoc Pingin / The Penny Hill

Ard Bhaile an tSionnaigh / Foxborough Rise

Páirc Chaisleán na Gráinsí / Grange Castle Park

P.G. Choill an Rí / Kingswood BP

Gleann Seáin / Glenshane

Céide an Ráithín / Raheen Drive

An Chearnóg / The Square

## **W61:**

Stáisiún Chollchoille / Hazelhatch Station

Ascaill na Sailí / Willow Avenue

An Phríom- hshráid, Cill Droichid hshráid, Cill Droichid / Celbridge Main St

An Coláiste Sailéiseach / Salesian College

Páirc Gnó Acomhal an M4 / M4 Interchange Business Park

Stáisiún Mhaigh Nuad / Maynooth Station

Coláiste Pobail Mhaigh Nuad / Maynooth Community College

# **For more information on the W4, W61 and W62 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 (operated by Dublin Bus and Go-Ahead Ireland), 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