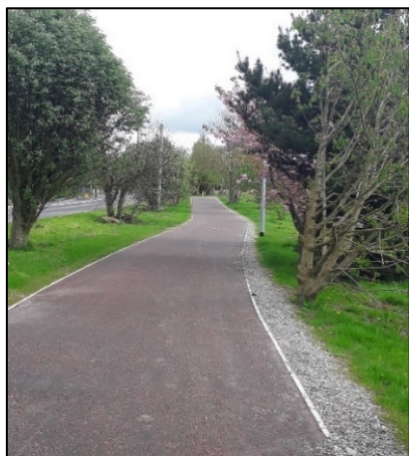


Lifford to Castlefin Greenway - Information Leaflet

Greenways are generally segregated traffic-free routes aimed at providing a safe travel and recreational route for pedestrians, cyclists and users of all abilities.



The picture shows a section of the Lifford to Strabane Greenway completed in 2021 and it is now proposed to develop a project aimed at extending this greenway from Lifford to Castlefin.

The Greenway makeup or construction between the towns (depending on local constraints) will be a 3-metre two-way segregated offline facility with additional grass separation verges. Safety fencing and safety barriers will be included where the design requires.

Derry City and Strabane District Council, in conjunction with partners Donegal County Council, the Department for Infrastructure (NI) and Sustrans (the UK-based cycling and walking charity), was awarded funding from the EU's INTERREG VA programme, administered by the Special EU Programmes Body (SEUPB), to construct a series of cross-border greenways. These greenways will link Derry to Buncrana via Bridgend; Muff to Derry via Culmore; and Lifford to Strabane.

Our Greenways vision

'To develop a cross border network of greenways that link people with places locally, regionally and nationally, accommodating modal shift and bringing social, economic and environmental well-being to all'

Project progress to date

A dedicated project delivery team has been established by Donegal County Council. The design team will develop appropriate route options, carry out environmental assessments, prepare detailed designs, secure planning permission, and procure construction contracts to deliver the project.

A Constraints Report has been prepared considering the challenges posed in delivering a greenway between the two towns.

A study area has been defined within which options will be identified and assessed to establish a preferred route for the proposed Lifford to Castlefin Greenway.

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What happens next?

A project website is being set up which will include regular updates and further project information and can be viewed at www.nwgreenway.com

Donegal County Council welcomes feedback and queries on the project. As part of online non-statutory public consultation, DCC invite comments and observations on the project from the area's residents and landowners which you can email to liffordgreenway@donegalcoco.ie.

Formal statutory public consultations will be conducted as part of the planning process and this will take place in early 2022. This will be publicised closer to the time on social media, in local press and on the radio. The form of public consultations may vary depending on the COVID-19 restrictions in place at the time.

The Project Team will now work within the relevant study area for the proposed Greenway before seeking to secure full planning approval under the relevant planning processes.



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