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## Cork Urban Greenway

**Caibidil:** Volume 1 - Written Statement» 4. Transport and  
Mobility

**Ábhair:** Cycle  
network

The Cork Cycle Network Plan 2017, page 40/41 & Fig 5.4 highlighted a potential Cork Urban Greenway. This would be an orbital route linking various existing greenway sections in the city, along with Tramore Valley Park, Togher, the old Kinsale Railway line, Curraheen Greenway and the proposed Lee2Sea Greenway. The examples of the Mayo and Waterford greenways has shown the success of this type of infrastructure for leisure cycling and tourism. There is no such Urban greenway in Ireland and very few examples internationally of a completed orbital route around a city. The recent announcements of funding for a pedestrian and cycling bridge from Grange to Tramore Valley Park, and the provision for design stage of the Kinsale Rd to the Viaduct greenway means there is now a unique opportunity to complete a Cork Urban greenway route within the lifespan of this city development plan 2022-2028. Construction costs of greenway infrastructure is minor compared to that of roads and motorways, yet this would be a project of strategic economic importance to the city if completed. As well as providing much needed amenities in parts of the city lacking such infrastructure, the routes could be used for local commuting and therefore promote a shift away from cars towards active and sustainable transport modes. Further development of a Northside historical trail greenway from Shandon thru Blackpool, the Glen, St. Lukes and linking across the river at the Marina to join the Lee2Sea greenway should also be explored

### *Príomh-thuairim:*

The proposal from the Cork Cycle Network Plan 2017 for a potential city cycling trail should be carried forward and included in the main Written statement of this City Development Plan

### *Príomh-iarratais:*

In summary I request that Volume 1, written statement, Transport Chapter, Active Travel Section, Table 4.3 to include a Cork Urban Greenway as described in the Cork Cycle Network Plan page 40 and shown in Fig 5.4 from same, attached

### *Main reasons:*

The potential city cycling trail shown in Fig 5.3 is a unique opportunity to complete a link of various sections of greenway to form one complete loop around the city. Further development of a Northside historical trail from Shandon thru Blackpool and linking across the river at the Marina to join the Lee2Sea greenway should also be explored

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**Ceangaltáin:**

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