

LUAS Citywest (Line A1) Belgard-Saggart

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Construction of Luas Citywest is now well underway with the works completed to a level which has allowed the installation of the first section of track works through Citywest Business Campus. This milestone was marked by an event attended by the Minister for Transport, Mr. Noel Dempsey T.D. on the 23rd September.



Pictured at an event held on the 23rd September to mark the first section of track installed were Minister for Transport, Mr. Noel Dempsey T.D., Mr. Frank Allen CEO RPA and representatives of Citywest Luas Ltd. (CLL)

Work Progress

Area 1 (Outer Ring Road to the N82)

Site clearance, utility protection, boundary treatment, drainage, ducting and track formation works are now complete in this area. Track laying has commenced through this area with the construction of the park and ride facility also progressing well. Track laying through the N82 road crossing is nearing completion with temporary traffic management arrangements expected to be lifted by early October.

Area 2 (N82 to Saggart) & Area 3 (Cookstown Way to the Outer Ring Road)

Boundary works in these areas are nearing completion. Site clearance, enabling, drainage and ducting works are advancing to a level to allow track slab formation works get underway.

Area 4 (Works at Belgard & Cookstown)

RPA has signed a contract with BAM Rail Ltd. for the tie-in of this new line at Cookstown, the building of the substations and the reconfiguration of Belgard Stop.

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Looking Ahead

Area 1

The installation of the overhead contact systems poles as well as the construction of Cheeverstown and Citywest Stops is expected to get underway in the coming months. The construction of the substations at Cheeverstown and Saggart will also commence and works to Citywest Link Road will be finished.

Area 2 & Area 3

Once the track slab formation is completed the contractor will begin constructing the track slab and installing rail. Works will also commence on the construction of the stops at Fettercairn, Fortunestown and Saggart. Works are expected to commence across the junction at the entrance of Carrig Court estate in the coming weeks and detailed arrangements have been communicated to the residents before these works commenced.

Area 4

In mid-October, works are planned to get underway at Belgard Stop and Cookstown on the existing Red Line. There will be some adjustments to the current access/exit arrangements at Belgard and passengers will be informed in advance.

RPA is continuing with the procurement of a Systems Contractor to deliver new stop equipment, power supply including overhead power lines, traffic signal works and other systems which are necessary to run a top quality Luas system. The work involved under this contract will be completed by the end of 2010. This will then be followed by a period of testing before the line is opened in early 2011.

All of the work to be carried out will be in accordance with the final approved plans for the line which have been the subject of much planning and consultation over the course of the last number of years. The plans and other documents relating to the line may be viewed online at http://www.rpa.ie/luas/railway_orders/line_a1

This €150 million project is being developed by means of a partnership between the public and private sectors. The private sector consortium which has been formed to partner the Railway Procurement Agency in the delivery of Line A1 is Citywest Luas Ltd (CLL). CLL is a group of local landowners and business interests (comprising of Davy Hickey Properties, Harcourt Developments Limited and Mansfield Group).

Stay informed

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