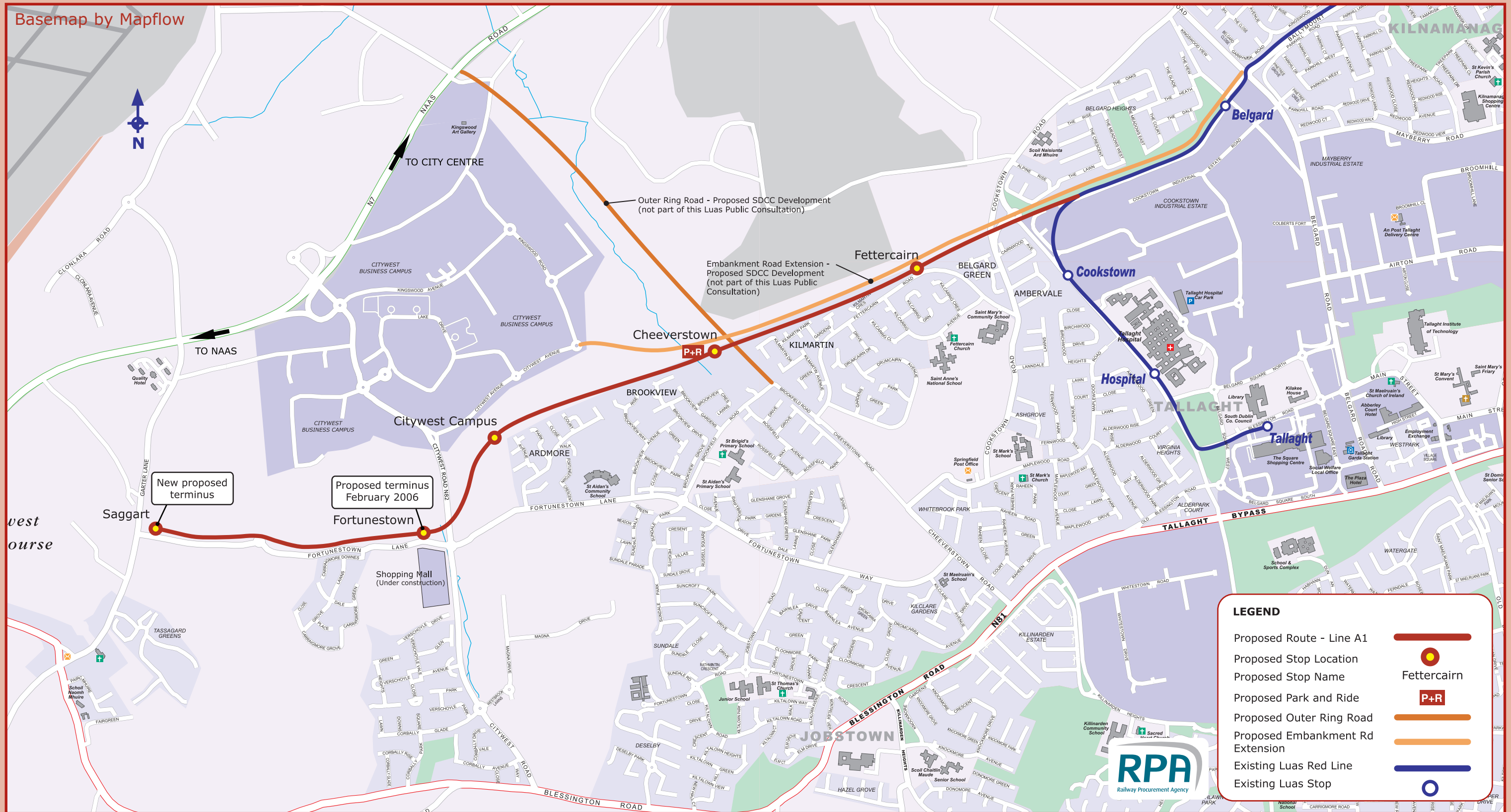


PROPOSED CITYWEST LINK (LINE A1) BELGARD TO SAGGART



Route Description

The proposed Luas line links up with the existing Red Line between Belgard and Cookstown Stops east of the Cookstown Way roundabout. It runs west through this junction and follows the route of the proposed Embankment Road extension along the green-field reservation to the north of Belgard Green, Fettercairn (proposed Stop) and Kilmartin. It then crosses the proposed Outer Ring Road which will link the N7 and the N81, before reaching the proposed Cheeverstown Stop and

Park & Ride. From here it runs adjacent to Brookview and Ardmore and into the developing Citywest Campus (proposed Stop). It then crosses the N82/Citywest Road to the proposed Fortunestown Stop and continues along Fortunestown Lane to terminate at the proposed Saggart Stop.

This proposed Luas line is a partnership initiative between the public and private sectors and is

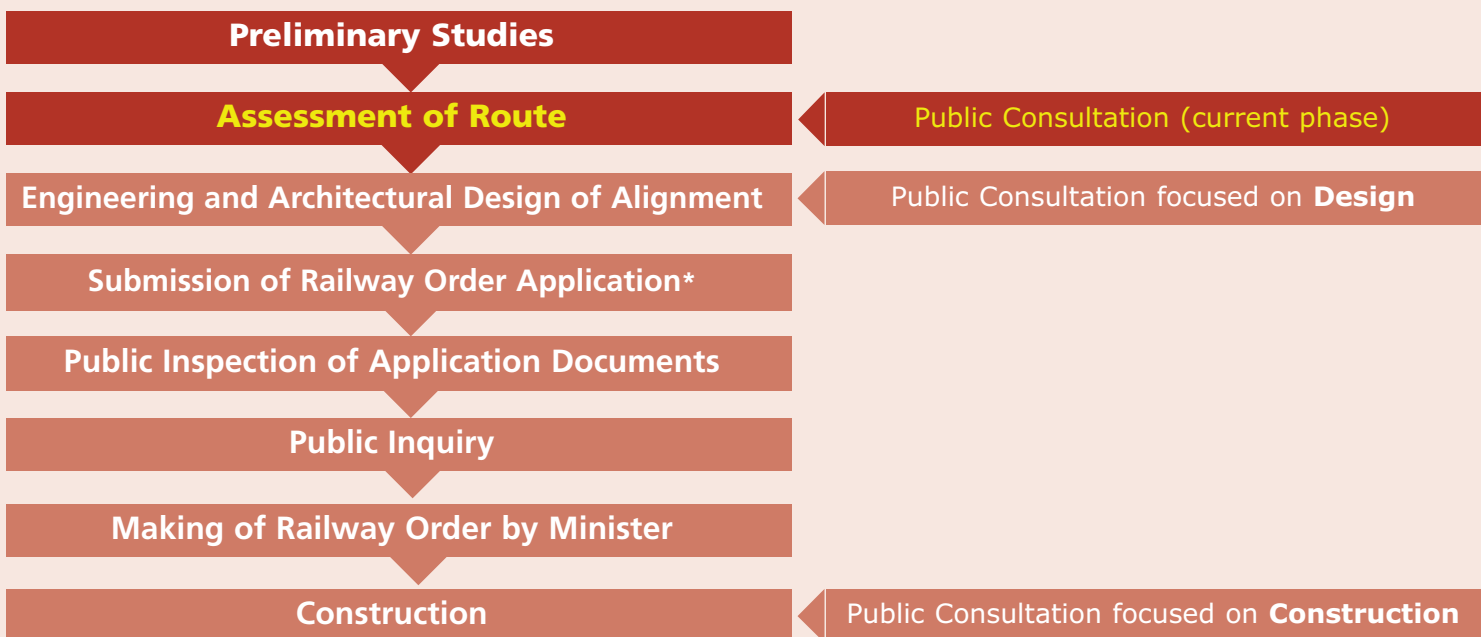
being actively supported by the Railway Procurement Agency, South Dublin County Council and local developers.

Line A1 will deliver top class public transport services to existing communities and facilitate the ongoing development of Citywest as a business centre. The Citywest Luas Link is part of the recently announced Government public transport investment programme - Transport 21.

Route alignments and stop locations shown on this page are indicative only and interested parties should not forego the opportunity to examine the plans and other documents which must accompany any application for powers to proceed with construction of the line. The base map does not incorporate all recent/ongoing developments.

Luas Line A1 - Planning & Approval

Approval to proceed with construction of a light railway line ultimately depends on the making of a Railway Order by the Minister for Transport. The main steps in the overall process may be outlined as follows: (current phase highlighted)



* Applications for Railway Orders must be accompanied by detailed plans, an environmental impact statement (EIS) and other documents. These documents are made available for public inspection prior to the holding of a public inquiry. Details relating to inspection locations, the making of submissions, etc. are published following the making of the Application. Property owners in respect of whose property acquisition powers are sought are notified soon after the making of the Application.

Status of Red Line

Tallaght - Connolly	<i>Now carrying approx. 40,000 passengers daily.</i>
Connolly - The Point (Line C1)	<i>Public Inquiry held - awaiting decision on the Railway Order.</i>
Red Line to Citywest (Line A1)	<i>The subject of this Newsletter.</i>
Capacity Enhancement	<i>All Red Line trams will be extended from 30 metres long to 40 metres commencing in 2007.</i>

NEXT STEPS

The RPA will consider the proposed route taking account of views submitted by those who participate in public consultation. These views will inform the next step which will focus on consultation relating to design of track - layout, stops etc. along the route. An EIS will then be prepared for the route.

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PUBLIC CONSULTATION NOTICE

Citywest Link (Line A1) Belgard to Saggart

Last February the Railway Procurement Agency (RPA) invited comments on its proposal to provide a Citywest Link (Line A1) from the Luas Red Line to a Stop just west of the Fortunestown Lane - Citywest Road (N82) junction. RPA is pleased to announce that since then, discussions have taken place with South Dublin County Council and local property developers and it is now proposed to continue Line A1 further west to Saggart.

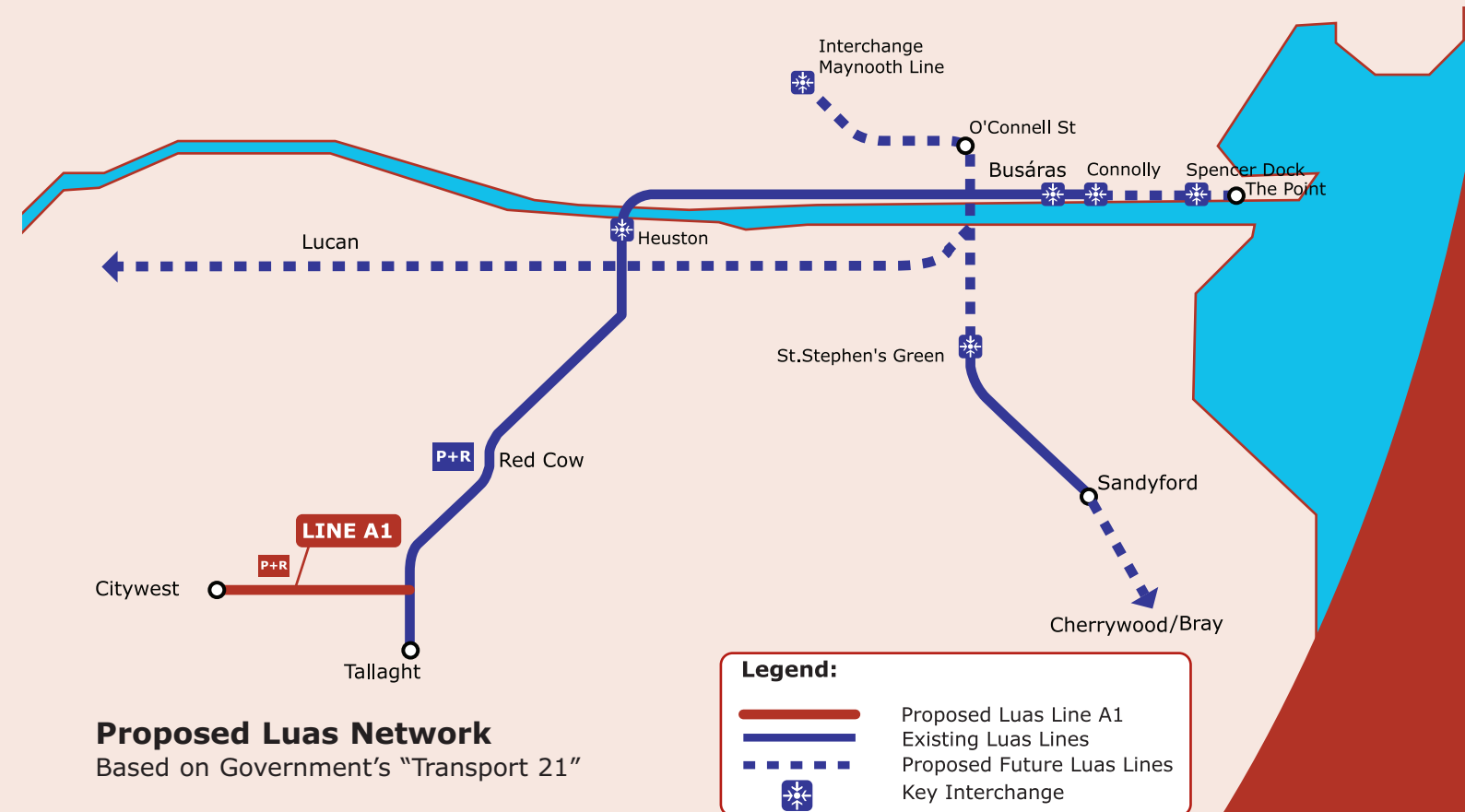
Line A1 would deliver top quality public transport services to established and emerging communities and facilitate the development and consolidation of the Citywest district.

Line A1 is provided for in the Government's "Transport 21" national transport plan.

This public consultation update provides a map (following pages) showing the new proposed link serving Fettercairn, Cheeverstown, Citywest Campus, Fortunestown and Saggart, terminating east of Garter Lane.

RPA would welcome your comments in relation to this exciting proposal.

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