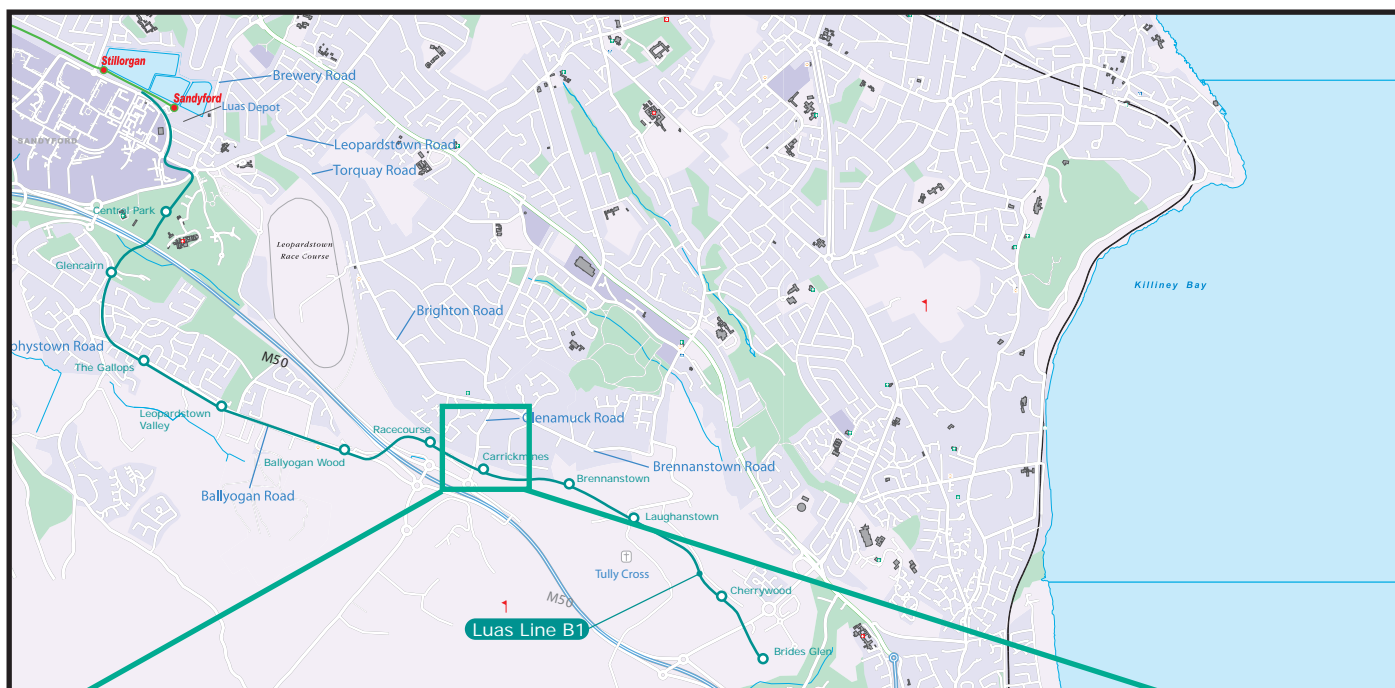


Sandyford to Cherrywood (Line B1)

BRIDGES

The bridge structures have taken shape over recent months and we would like to thank the local authorities for their co-operation and the members of the public for their patience and co-operation in following our diversion routes. We would also like to compliment the different teams on the huge achievement despite sometimes difficult weather conditions and wind impact. The remainder of these works will have less impact on traffic while finishing off the main structures.



Glenamuck Bridge and Road Upgrade Works

Works are progressing well at Glenamuck Road and Bridge and it is envisaged that the road will be partially open to vehicular and pedestrian traffic at the end of May, however we are working to a very demanding timeframe in this instance. We are delighted to be re-opening the access to this area ahead of schedule. We would like to thank all concerned for your patience and forbearance during the upgrading works. Whilst the temporary pedestrian access remains in place, please note that for safety reasons, all cyclists must dismount from their bicycles. Mopeds and motorised vehicles are not permitted at anytime on the temporary pedestrian access.



Formwork for wall pours on Glenamuck Bridge

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Cherrywood Viaduct

Following the completion of the structural steel installation in March all Luas related traffic management restrictions have now been removed from Wyattville Link Road. Works are progressing well on the viaduct and the structure will be ready for track installation shortly. The remaining works in this area will have minimal impact on traffic movement.



Spine Road Underpass nearing completion



Cherrywood Viaduct

Spine Road Underpass

The construction of the Spine Road underpass is complete. The 300 metre long underpass will allow the future Luas trams to pass under Spine Road at Laughanstown and come back up at the future Brennanstown Luas stop.

New Luas Bridge over Brewery Road / Leopardstown Road Roundabout

All of the structural steelwork erection for Brewery Road Bridge has been completed and works on the construction of the concrete deck and parapets are in progress. No significant traffic restrictions are envisaged for these works.



Structural Steel Erection over Brewery Road Roundabout



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New Luas Bridge over M50 at Junction 15 (Carrickmines Bridge)

Construction of the bridge deck and parapets is complete and the reinforced earth ramps are progressing well.



Carrickmines Bridge



Steel fixing on Carrickmines Bridge

New Luas Bridge over M50 at Junction 14 (Leopardstown Bridge)

Construction of the Luas Bridge over the M50 at Leopardstown continues to progress well with all of the structural steel erection complete and works to the concrete deck and parapets continuing at pace.



Leopardstown Bridge, Steel lift over the M50

UTILITIES DIVERSION WORKS

Sandyford Park and Ride

Works at Sandyford Park and Ride have been delayed due to difficulties with ground conditions and existing utilities. A new design has now been developed to overcome these issues and works to replace the water main will re-commence this month.

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Ballyogan Road

The construction of the new carriageways, cycle-lanes and footpaths continues. The portion of Ballyogan Road outside Ballyogan Wood will be diverted onto the new carriageway this month. A speed limit of 30 kph will be in place on the temporary surfacing. This speed limit will be enforceable by the Gardaí. The temporary traffic lights will be moved along Ballyogan Road towards Ballyogan Avenue this month. This will allow the removal of the existing footpath on the north side of the road and the installation of a new, wider carriageway. Pedestrians are requested to obey the temporary direction signs.



Finished road construction (right side) on Ballyogan Road



Footway and Public Lighting Installed Ballyogan Road

TRACK AND CIVIL WORKS

Works on the new Green Line Luas extension from Sandyford to Cherrywood move into a new phase this week with the start-up of the main track-laying contract. Works will start in the existing Sandyford depot where new tracks are being installed to accommodate the expanded Green Line fleet. This fleet will be increased from the existing 14 trams to 26 and the new trams will be ready to go into service before the new extension goes into operation.

Pedestrian Access to Sandyford Stop

Pedestrians will continue to have access to the Sandyford Stop via the path along the north side of the Sandyford Depot. A short localised diversion route will be provided to facilitate the works to the depot. The journey time to the stop will be the same during this local diversion.

GREEN LINE PARK AND RIDE FACILITIES

Stillorgan Park and Ride

The old entrance to the Stillorgan Park and Ride is now closed and the parking spaces have been reinstated in this location. The new entrance is fully operational. Works will continue on the footpath and general tidying around the site, however there will be no further impact to the operation of this car park in the near future.

Construction of the Sandyford - Drummartin Link Road will have a minor affect on parking in Stillorgan Park and Ride during construction. On completion however, this is expected to increase the car parking capacity by 10 spaces. These works are expected to commence later in 2008

Sandyford Car park

Please note that pay & display and day rate parking is provided by the local authority in the Sandyford Industrial Estate and Stillorgan Industrial Park.

For more details on the locations and rates check out <http://www.dlrco.ie/roads/payndisplaycharges.pdf>