Carlow Public Transport Network

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Connecting Ireland Rural Mobility Plan

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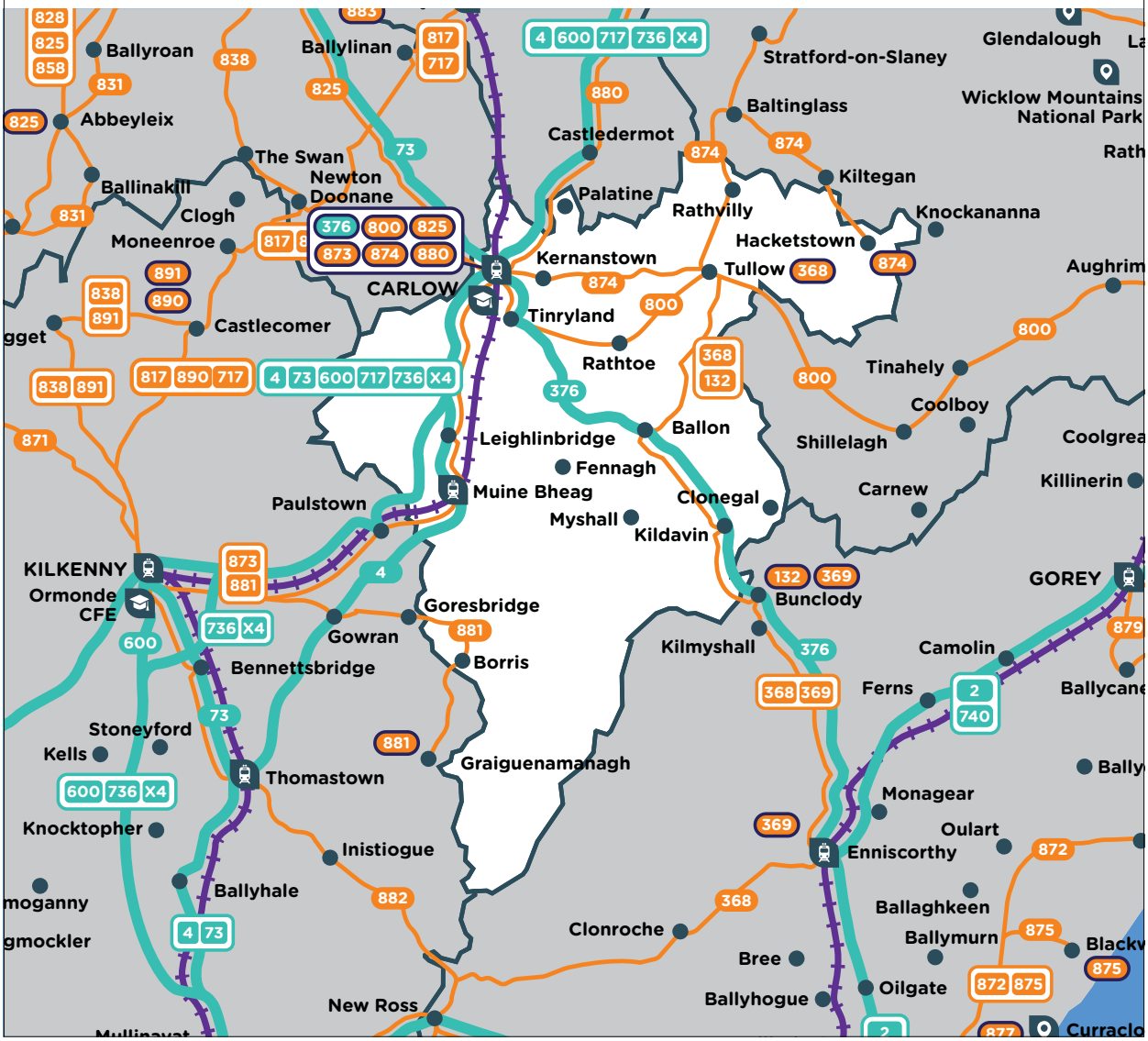

Proposed Public Transport Improvements in County Carlow

	Proposal	Connecting		Serving*	Description
Regional Corridor Proposals	12	Portlaoise	Wexford	Athy, Carlow, Bunclody, Enniscorthy and other places en route	This is a new corridor, parts of this corridor are currently served by route 73 and route 376. A better integration of these routes is proposed with a minimum service frequency of 2 hours.
	13	Dublin	Waterford	Carlow, Muine Bheag, Thomastown and other places en route	This corridor is currently served by routes 4, X4, 600 and 736 a mix of express and all-stop services. We propose more frequent all-stop services on this corridor and better integration of the existing services. A minimum service frequency of 2 hours on all-stop services is proposed.
	14	Dublin	Clonmel	Kilkenny, Callan and other places en route	This corridor is currently served by routes 600 and 717. We propose more frequent services on this corridor with a minimum service frequency of 2 hours between Clonmel and Kilkenny.
Local Route Proposals	874	Carlow	Knockananna	Kernanstown, Tullow, Baltinglass, Hacketstown and other places en route	We propose to extend route 874 from Hacketstown to Knockananna, with an increase in frequency. Minimum service of 3 return trips a day.
	880	Carlow	Naas	Castledermot, Ballitore, Kilcullen and other places en route	We propose to alter route 880 to serve Narraghmore and Calverstown. Minimum service of 3 return trips a day.
	881	Kilkenny	Graiguenamanagh	Goresbridge, Borris and other places en route	We propose to increase the frequency of route 881 from Kilkenny to Graiguenamanagh. Minimum service of 3 return trips a day.
	884	Carlow	Sallins	Baltinglass, Blessington, Naas and other places en route	We propose to extend route 884 from Ballymore Eustace to Carlow. Minimum service of 4 return trips on weekdays and 3 return trips at weekends.
	A62	Carlow	New Ross	Leighlinbridge, Muine Bheag, Borris, Graiguenamanagh and other places en route	We propose a new route from Carlow to New Ross via Graiguenamanagh. Minimum service of 3 return trips a day.
	A67	Carlow	Gorey	Fennagh, Bunclody, Killinerin and other places en route	We propose a new route from Carlow to Gorey via Bunclody and Carnew. Minimum service of 3 return trips a day.
	A82	Abbeyleix	Carlow	Ballinakill, The Swan, Clogh and other places en route	We propose a new route from Abbeyleix to Carlow. Minimum service of 3 return trips a day.

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Existing Routes	132	Bunclody	Dublin	Tullow, Baltinglass, Blessington, Tallaght
	368	Tullow	New Ross	Ballon, Bunclody, Enniscorthy and other places en route
	800	Carlow	Arklow	Rathtoe, Tullow, Shillelagh and other places en route
	873	Carlow	Kilkenny	Leignlinbridge, Muine Bheag, Paulstown and other places en route
	Train	Dublin	Waterford	Carlow, Muine Bheag, Kilkenny and other places en route

Regional Corridor Proposals

Regional Corridors generally operate along main roads, connecting cities and large towns and any settlements en route. Corridors can consist of several routes, some provided commercially and some by the State using financial support. Some run the full length of the corridor between places, and some, only on sections. Connecting Ireland will improve the level of service during the core day, evenings and on weekends on Regional Corridors. We will do this by liaising with existing service providers. New services may be added, or existing services improved.

Local Route Proposals

Local routes connect smaller towns and villages and their rural catchments with nearby larger towns. This will improve access to the range of services available in larger centres, at morae useful times of the day and week, for those living in rural areas and smaller villages. It will also permit transfer to Regional Services to travel onwards, with timed reliable connections.

Existing Routes

No significant changes are planned to these routes. As the public transport network develops, and as more people travel more often and more widely by public transport, we will continue to review their usage and take steps to ensure their continued fitness-for-purpose.

Notes

*Serving: The map shows the main alignments of our planned routes and services. Most journeys will take that route. However, there may be a need to deviate from that route to provide connectivity to smaller settlements or areas located off the main alignment, but which also require a level of service. Distinctions may be drawn in the passenger information that we prepare, as support to the maps shown. Connecting Ireland proposes a step-change in public transport connectivity. The minimum level of service we have identified is a strating point in many cases. Where our analysis demonstrates a warrant for levels of service above the minimum, we will plan to provide that, where funding can be identified. Improvements may be delivered in stages as the project proceeds.

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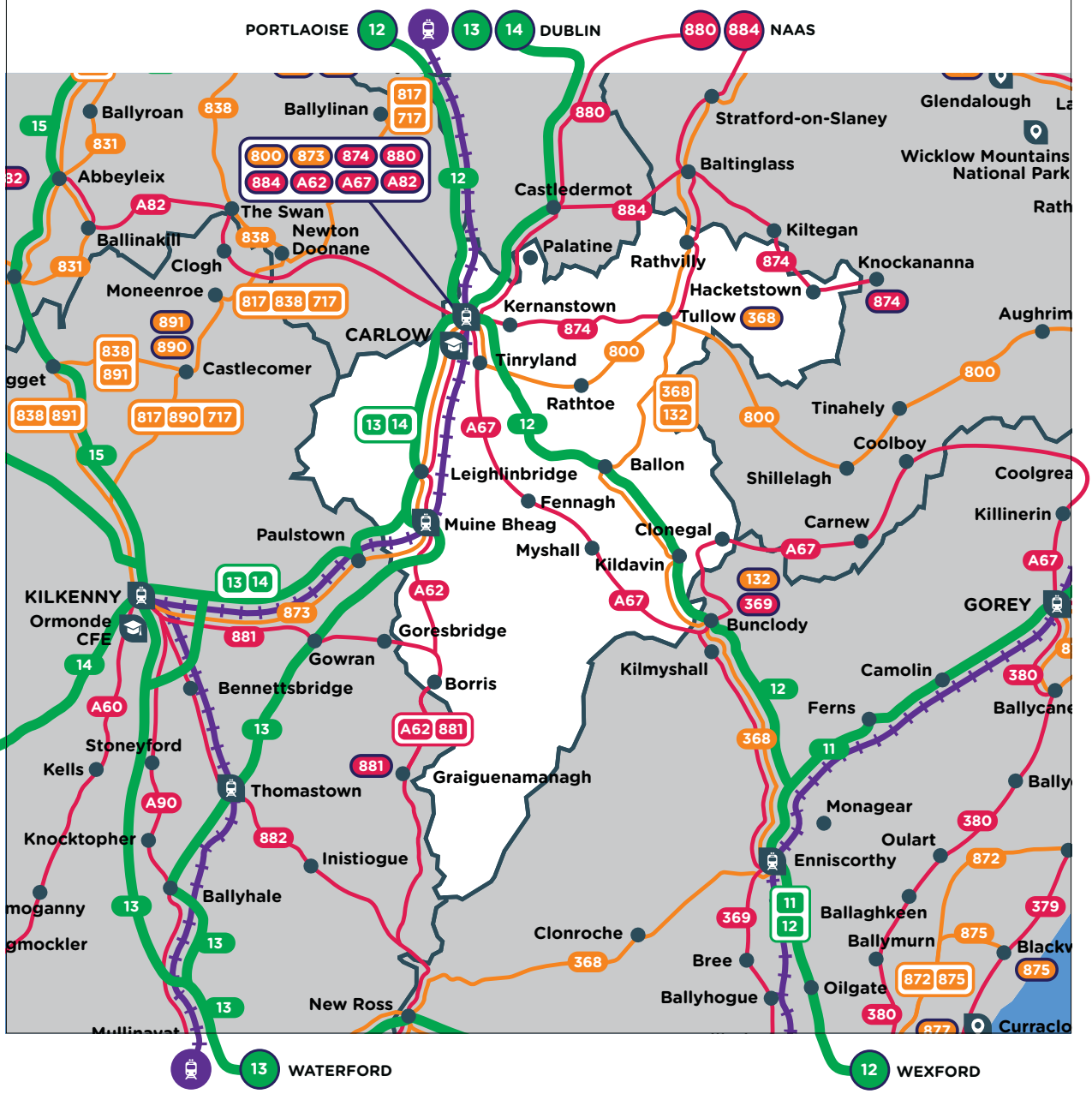
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