

Proposed Public Transport Improvements in County Monaghan

	Proposal	Connecting		Serving*	Description
Regional Corridor Proposals	25	Athlone	Belfast	Longford, Edgeworthstown, Cavan, Monaghan and other places en route	This corridor is currently served by routes 24, 65, 70, 175, 270, 271 and 466. We propose more frequent services on this corridor and the integration of routes along the corridor to provide a minimum service frequency of 2 hours.
	30	Cavan	Dundalk	Bailieborough, Kingscourt, Carrickmacross, Inniskeen and other places en route	This corridor is currently served by route 166. We propose more frequent services on this corridor with a minimum service frequency of 2 hours.
	33	Enniskillen	Dundalk	Clones, Smithborough, Monaghan, Castleblaney and other places en route	This is a new corridor. Parts of this corridor are currently served by routes 65, 95, 162, 180, 270 and 271. We propose the integration of these routes with a minimum service frequency of 2 hours.
	36A	Letterkenny	Dublin	Strabane, Omagh, Monaghan, Ardee and other places en route	This corridor is currently served by routes X3, 32, 180, 932, 933 and 980A. We propose more frequent services and a better integration of routes along this corridor. A minimum service frequency of 2 hours is proposed between Letterkenny and Dublin and between Derry/Londonderry and Dublin. In our proposal routes 36A and 36B will combine to provide a 60 minute frequency between Strabane and Dublin.
	36B	Derry/Londonderry	Dublin		

Local Route Proposals	166A	Cavan	Carrickmacross	Cootehill, Shercock and other places en route	We propose a new route from Cavan to Carrickmacross via Cootehill and Shercock, to replace a current infrequent variant of route 166. Minimum service frequency of 3 return trips a day.
	A74	Clones	Oram	Newbliss, Ballybay, Doohamlet, Castleblaney and other places en route	We propose a new route from Clones to Oram via Ballybay and Castleblaney. Minimum service frequency of 3 return trips a day.
	A75	Carrickmacross	Castleblaney	Lough Egish Food Park and other places en route	We propose a new route from Carrickmacross to Castleblaney via Lough Egish Food Park. Minimum service frequency of 3 return trips a day.
	M3	Mullan	Monaghan	Emyvale, Glaslough, Tyholland and other places en route	We propose a new route from Mullan, Emyvale and Glaslough to Monaghan. Minimum service frequency of 3 return trips a day.

	Route	Connecting		Serving*
Existing Routes	176	Cavan	Monaghan	Ballyhaise, Scotshouse, Clones, Newbliss, Threemilehouse and other places en route
	182	Drogheda	Monaghan	Collon, Ardee, Carrickmacross, Castleblaney, Annyalla, Clontibret and other places en route
	980	Carrickmacross	Dublin	Ardee, Collon, Slane and other places en route
	M1	Knockatallon	Monaghan	Tydavnet, Scotstown, Ballinode and other places en route
	M2	Castleblaney	Monaghan	Doohamlet, Ballybay 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 more 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 starting 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.

Monaghan Proposed Public Transport Network

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Map Key

- Existing Route
 - Regional Corridor Proposal
 - Terminus, where a route begins or ends
 - Rail Line
 - Local Route Proposal
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- Airports
 - Points of Interest
 - Ferry Ports
 - Third Level Education
 - Train Stations

