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Feedback Recorded

1. Introduction

South Dublin County Council (SDCC) hosted a series of public consultation events in October 2025 as part of the ongoing Tallaght Village Active Travel and Public Realm Improvement Scheme.

The aim of these sessions was to engage with the community, gather feedback on the preliminary design concepts, and ensure that local knowledge, accessibility needs, business realities, and heritage considerations are reflected in the design process.

Consultations were held on:

- 13th October 2025 (6pm) – Evening community session - Presentation and Workshop
- 14th October 2025 (11am) – Daytime community session - Presentation and Workshop
- 14th October 2025 (1pm – 6pm): Drop in and discuss
- 14th October 2025 (6pm) – Second evening session - Presentation and Workshop

Additional inputs were gathered through written submissions, emails (via TalVES@sdblincoco.ie), and a business survey.

2. Overview of Participation

Over the four sessions, a wide cross-section of the community participated, including:

- Local residents and community groups
- Local businesses and service providers
- Representatives from St Maelruan's Church
- Representatives from the Priory
- Representatives from disability advocacy groups and accessibility stakeholders
- Elected representatives
- SDCC and the Design Team

There were approximately 70 attendees over the four sessions. The sessions were open-format, combining presentation of project concepts with facilitated group discussions.

3. Summary of Key Themes

The following is a summary of the feedback recorded during the consultation events. Refer to Appendix A for detailed notes recorded.

3.1. Accessibility and Inclusion

- Persistent mobility challenges for wheelchair and pushchair users due to uneven paths, steep gradients (particularly the bypass bridge), and narrow footpaths.
- Improved lighting and consistent paving requested to make walking safer and more comfortable.
- Calls for accessible seating, meeting points, and sensory gardens to create spaces inclusive of people with disabilities, the elderly, and neurodiverse users.
- Concern that bollards, planters, and narrow crossings currently limit wheelchair access.
- Suggestion to develop autism-friendly and sensory spaces within the village.

3.2. Safety and Security

- Widespread concern about antisocial behaviour, loitering, and poor Garda presence, especially at night.
- Requests for increased Garda patrols, CCTV coverage, and better street lighting throughout the village.
- The village is perceived as unsafe after 22:00.

- Traffic safety issues include speeding, poor pedestrian crossings, and scooter use on footpaths.

3.3. Heritage and Identity

- Strong consensus that the heritage of Tallaght must be celebrated and made visible within the project design.
- Desire to integrate local history—the Priory, Evie Hone’s grave, the Fenians plaque, and the Foss—through art, interpretation, and design elements.
- Suggestions for a heritage trail, sculptures, murals, and interpretative signage.
- Local authors (Albert Perris and Tomas Maher) were recommended as collaborators for heritage storytelling.

3.4. Public Realm and Social Spaces

- General agreement that Tallaght Village currently lacks a social core and sense of place.
- Calls for outdoor seating, covered gathering areas, café spaces, and play zones (including water play and climbing features for children).
- Proposal for a cycle hub and repair station, and secure bike cages instead of open stands.
- The public want the village to “bring back pride of place” through cleanliness, greenery, and activation of derelict sites.
- Esso site repeatedly cited as a key issue and opportunity site—suggestions include community garden, heritage centre, or skate park.

3.5. Transport and Movement

- Pedestrianisation of Main Street was cited a number of times, with many participants suggesting bus-only or one-way systems as alternatives.
- Recognition that adequate parking exists nearby (Courthouse, Molloy’s, Locksmith) but signage is poor.
- Calls for clear directional signage to car parks to change the “park outside and walk in” mindset.
- Support for BusConnects rerouting through the college, freeing Main Street for pedestrian priority.
- Concerns about school drop-offs, delivery access, and traffic congestion at key junctions (notably around Aon Scéal Café and the bypass).
- Desire for better walking links to the Dodder Greenway, Bancroft Park, and Priory grounds, potentially forming a walking loop.

3.6. Environment and Biodiversity

- Suggestions for rewilding, rain gardens
- Preference for natural landscaping and solar-powered street lighting.
- Support for waste management improvements, addressing litter and cleanliness concerns.
- Recognition that Tallaght’s environmental quality and maintenance are crucial for long-term success.

4. Business Survey

Engagement with the local business community was gathered both through the in-person public consultation sessions and via a dedicated Business Survey, which was distributed to traders, service providers, and property owners across Tallaght Village. The goal was to capture the operational realities of trading in the area, assess the potential impacts of the proposed scheme, and identify opportunities for local economic regeneration.

Respondents represented a broad range of sectors including:

- Professional services
- Retail outlets
- Charity and community services
- Personal and local services

Operating hours typically range from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., with deliveries and collections most common between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Businesses rely primarily on small vans, private cars, and courier bikes, with larger deliveries accessing rear car parks or side loading areas. Several businesses operate daily or multi-day delivery schedules, and many accommodate courier pickups throughout the day.

4.1. Key Challenges Identified

4.1.1. Parking and Loading Difficulties

- A recurring theme across all business types was the need for practical loading and short-term parking solutions.
- Businesses support timed loading bays (e.g., 6 a.m.–10 a.m.) to facilitate deliveries while maintaining pedestrian safety during business hours.
- Illegal or dual parking - particularly opposite the Dragon Inn, creates safety hazards and accessibility barriers.
- Donation drop-offs for charity shops often block footpaths due to the lack of dedicated loading space.
- Calls were made for clearer directional signage to nearby car parks, such as those at the Courthouse, Molloy's, and Locksmith, to reduce Main Street pressure.

4.1.2. Antisocial Behaviour and Safety

- Several traders identified ongoing problems with loitering, drug use, and vandalism, particularly near derelict or poorly lit areas.
- There is a strong perception that insufficient Garda presence and CCTV coverage have contributed to safety concerns and deterred evening activity.
- Some businesses directly linked the sense of insecurity to reduced footfall and lower customer retention: "People avoid the village after dark because it doesn't feel safe."

4.1.3. Traffic Congestion and Access

- Nearly all businesses cited traffic congestion as a major operational issue, particularly around the Tallaght Bypass junction, The Village Square car park, and the courthouse area.
- The traffic light sequence was described as inefficient, with respondents reporting that short journeys can take up to 30–40 minutes at peak times.
- Large vehicles and buses were noted as worsening congestion and visibility issues for drivers and pedestrians alike.
- Businesses highlighted that clients and customers sometimes avoid the area during busy periods due to the perceived difficulty of access.

4.1.4. Dereliction and Streetscape Condition

- The Esso site, building beside the Dragon Inn, and the old AA building were repeatedly cited as "major eyesores" that detract from the appearance and economic potential of the village.
- Businesses expressed frustration that these sites remain unresolved despite smaller-scale improvements elsewhere.
- Many respondents supported SDCC intervention, including acquisition or temporary activation of vacant sites for markets, food stalls, or community gardens to create vibrancy.

4.1.5. Cleanliness and Maintenance

- Businesses emphasised the link between cleanliness and commercial success.
 - Littering and overflowing bins (especially near takeaways) were highlighted as persistent problems.
 - The flower baskets and street planting previously maintained by the Tallaght Community Council were cited as low-cost, high-impact improvements that enhanced street appeal.
- Several participants called for larger bins, more frequent waste collection, and active maintenance agreements between SDCC and local traders.

4.2. Key Opportunities Identified

Despite the challenges, the business community expressed optimism and support for the goals of the Tallaght Village Active Travel Scheme, provided that operational needs are carefully balanced.

4.2.1. Pedestrianisation Benefits

- Many businesses viewed the potential pedestrianisation of Main Street as a potential catalyst for regeneration, citing Capel Street in Dublin as a positive example.
- Support was conditional on ensuring delivery access during restricted hours and adequate nearby parking.
- Respondents agreed that a calmer, safer public realm would encourage greater footfall and dwell time.

4.2.2. Shopfront and Façade Improvements

- Businesses were supportive of SDCC's proposed Shopfront Improvement Scheme and urged its extension to include consistent signage, colour palettes, and heritage-sensitive design.
- Several traders observed that the current mix of shopfront styles, fonts, and colours "undermines the character" of the historic village.

4.2.3. Public Realm Enhancements

- Improvements near Aon Scéal Café were praised as an example of effective small-scale investment.
- Traders called for continued enhancement of lighting, greenery, and public seating, noting that these create a "village feel" and encourage customers to linger.
- Suggestions included murals, art installations, and seasonal planting, which could help define Tallaght as a destination rather than a through-route.

4.2.4. Economic Activation and Events

- Businesses expressed interest in collaborating on public events, markets, and heritage trails to drive footfall.
- Several highlighted the potential to link the village to the Dodder Greenway and Priory grounds as a visitor draw, similar to the success of greenway-linked towns elsewhere in Ireland.
- Traders emphasised that such initiatives would need to be supported by a long-term maintenance and promotion plan to sustain benefits.

4.2.5. Community Collaboration

- Many business owners signalled willingness to participate in collective stewardship, such as maintaining planters, hosting murals, or sponsoring events.
- They stressed the importance of ongoing communication with SDCC to ensure that design and delivery phases are responsive to business needs.

5. Summary of Public Priorities

The most frequently cited priorities for the next design phase were:

1. Safety and accessibility for all users.
2. Pedestrian-first design with controlled vehicle access.
3. Celebration of Tallaght's heritage through art, signage, and design.
4. Revitalisation of derelict and vacant sites (particularly the Esso site).
5. Improved lighting, cleanliness, and security presence.
6. Greening and biodiversity enhancement.
7. Connection to wider walking and cycling networks.
8. Support for local businesses and delivery needs.

6. Next Steps

The consultation feedback will inform:

- The development of 5 concept options which will be developed over the next month
- Accessibility and inclusion audits for key routes and public spaces.
- Further engagement with stakeholders
- Continued public communication through SDCC's Active Travel page: <https://www.sdcc.ie/en/active-travel/villages-districts/tallaght-village/> and upcoming design display events.

7. Conclusion

The consultations confirmed deep local pride in Tallaght's heritage and a collective desire for a safer, cleaner, greener, and more vibrant village.

Participants envision a pedestrian-friendly core connected to the greenway network, enriched by heritage interpretation, and underpinned by inclusive design that supports residents, businesses, and visitors alike.

Appendix A

Feedback recorded during the Public Consultation Events held 13th and 14th October 2025

- Large vehicles struggle on the project roads.
- Limited parking and then people park where they shouldn't.
- Concern for potential increase in antisocial behavior and loitering with more open space being proposed.
- The bridge over the bypass is dangerous and has limited access for pushchairs and wheelchairs with different levels and a steep incline.
- People want to develop the old Esso grounds as they are currently an eye-sore in the center of the village.
- Concern about the cleanliness of the streets.
- Tallaght is currently missing the social aspect and enticement.
- Public would like the development to flow nicely into the rest of Tallaght and blend well.
- Public would like the possibility of a walking loop through Tallaght and Bancroft park.
- With the increase in footfall and cyclists, a cycle hub would be a good idea.
- Current signage needs to be improved and signs to the existing car parks would help reduce the demand for parking.
- The village needs sustenance to bring people/tourists in.
- Bike cages would be better and safer than bike stands.
- Could the new bus route be moved off the main street.
- A lot of the public are keen on pedestrianisation and making pedestrians more of a priority than cars.
- Is there an option for just buses to run down the main street.
- With the development of more pedestrian friendly areas can there be an increase in Garda patrols.
- Cars parking opposite the Dragon Inn is dangerous for pedestrians as well as being unsightly.
- Celebrate the history of Tallaght within the project, show Tallaght's rich history.
- Make the roads, cycle tracks and pathways more level and consistent, no mash ups.
- Safety and security should be a key factor.
- Enhance the entrances to the smaller more hidden shops down side streets.
- Is there potential for a shortcut to be made through the Priory lands.
- Wind could cause an issue for any outdoor seating, investigate some coverage or tactical blocking that is also aesthetically pleasing.
- Currently walking after 22:00 is not safe and poorly lit.
- Current Tallaght village is a patchwork fix.
- Disabled users are currently struggling to move easily.
- A meeting point for everyone of all abilities and backgrounds to come together and be part of the community is needed.
- A sensory garden/area would be a nice touch.
- Consistent paths and lighting for smooth flow through the village are needed.
- Clearer signage for car parks is needed.
- Esso site should be used if possible.
- Lighting needs to be improved.
- Outdoor seating and tables would be nice with the potential for cover to be included for all year-round outdoor seating.
- Separate bikes and pedestrians to reduce risk of collisions.
- Water-play and kid features would be ideal.
- Integrate the history of Tallaght within the design.
- Use the old swimming pool in the Priory grounds if possible.
- Open the stream up near the Dragon Inn.
- Main street to be one way.
- More like the plaza in front of Aon Scéal Cafe
- More bike parking.
- Prioritise active travel and biodiversity.

- Include all Old Greenhill Road.
- Neon lights and signs.
- The village is dirty and neglected.
- Derelict buildings and Esso site.
- Narrow footpath at the well.
- Weeds in the flowerbeds.
- Priory and Greenhill have drainage issues.
- Priory wall is leaning and breaking.
- Old bridge wall to be retained at Esso site.
- Graveyard should be emphasised.
- The Foss should be protected.
- Lights need improving.
- Reduce car speeds.
- School drop-offs are chaos.
- Scooters are an issue.
- The public would like a new sculpture on Main Street.
- Car access to the priory should be retained.
- Toilets should be installed in the village.
- Accessibility is a big issue.
- Paths and traffic lights are unsafe.
- Heritage needs to be a focal point.
- Tell Tallaght's story within the design.
- Provide for the children.
- Speeding cars are an issue.
- Curious about the Esso site and the burnt down building beside the Dragon Inn.
- Signage is an issue and very inconsistent.
- There are bad/ not enough disabled parking spots.
- No glass recycling bins, which leads to glass on the streets.
- Issue with the bins.
- Safe place to store bikes.
- Could the village project reflect the multicultural/ multiracial of the Tallaght community.
- Rental bikes to be implemented.
- The greenway will bring people in.
- Link the greenway, the river and the village with the heritage.
- Contact Albert Paris (local author) to help with the heritage knowledge.
- Evie Hone (famous artist) has her grave in the graveyard.
- The graveyard has history and heritage that needs to be protected and shown better.
- Sensory landscaping and tranquil space.
- To be able to know people helps deal with the loneliness of elderly people.
- Crossing at the Dragon Inn is difficult for wheelchair users.
- How viable is a traffic route through the college.
- Sheltered seating and coverage for bike stores.
- Poor lighting in the evening.
- Pedestrianise in front of the Priory.
- Climbing area for kids and wet play.
- Use the old swimming pool in the priory lands for water space.
- Open the water mill by the Dragon Inn.
- Dodder Park is great for being inclusive.
- Tallaght is known for solicitors and takeaways.
- Totem pole toilets were there.
- There's no bus to Tallaght village.

- Old bank of Ireland still boarded up.
- Tallaght ethnic community is blossoming.
- Community feels blocked out of the Priory.
- Two vacant sites in the village- Esso and burnt site.
- Teddy bear picnic used the Priory gardens, open to working with people in the community.
- Tomas Maher is another author of Tallaght.
- Boutique shops.
- Future of Tallaght is Tallaght multiracial.
- Things to make people visit the village, such as a small grocery shop.
- One-of-a-kind philosophy.
- Drug dealing is a major issue.
- Safety and security are key success factors.
- IRES owns the old bank site.
- Honoring the heritage of Tallaght.
- Pedestrianisation, 3 levels – road, cycle track and footpath.
- Be aware of emergency service access.
- How to help bring awareness to the Poddle walk.
- Celebrating living in Tallaght, people have pride.
- More murals and images as you walk through the village.
- More about historical parts of Tallaght.
- Letting people know where the parking is.
- Buy-in from businesses to improve their street space.
- Move the bus route out of main street, improve pedestrian accessibility.
- Concerns about getting the bus.
- Antisocial behavior problems in the village, poor presence from the guards.
- What can the square do to help this.
- Success factor should be to change the perception of Tallaght.
- Reaching out to the schools.
- Lopsided village.
- The bypass bridge is very steep.
- Tallaght was supposed to have traffic going around it.
- Big issue with parking for delivery drivers.
- Public want commitment to maintaining Tallaght clean.
- Concern about the budget.
- Extend the Luas to around the college.
- Bring restaurants to main street.
- Esso site is an eye-sore and something needs to occur.
- Tallaght is missing the social aspect which is one of the success factors.
- There is plenty of parking, it's the mindset that needs changing to park and walk more.
- The village needs substance to go there.
- Secure bike facilities.
- Signage and lights are needed for the connection from the village to the Luas.
- Open up to Bancroft Park.
- Walking loop to dodder valley.
- Check stakeholder list.
- Autism directive space.
- Can we share the slideshow with the public.
- Tallaght castle.
- Walnut tree.
- The church.
- A 1-hour walking tour.

- European movement.
- Esso site will always impact the rest of the village until it is dealt with.
- The village is for everybody.
- The village is scary at night.
- Need more places to eat in the village.
- The village has a quality where people and families live.
- Bins should extend past the village.
- Security for bikes.
- Disabled parking bay is not suitable.
- Can shop signage be changed to be more consistent.
- Can anything be done to the burnt building.
- Bollards and planters are difficult to pass especially for wheelchair users.
- Is there anything we can do for future generations in Tallaght, any further education outside of school.
- Speeding on the road, traffic calming is needed.
- Scooters and motorbikes make it difficult to walk on the footpaths near the takeaways.
- Scope for facilities.
- Car access to the church especially on Sundays.
- Low hanging trees are an issue for the visually impaired.
- Meeting point for those with disabilities and accessible benches for wheelchair users.
- Parking is a problem.
- There are social issues of loitering and need to bring back the pride of place.
- Small walking spaces.
- Traffic issues.
- No Luas in the village.
- More access to information.
- Tallaght village is missing the social aspect which should be a success factor.
- How will it connect to other parts of Tallaght.
- Esso site is an eye sore.
- More restaurants wanted.
- Open up Bancroft park to link more parts of Tallaght.
- Cycle repair hub.
- Better lighting and signage.
- Nice walkway to the Priory market.
- Bring substance to the village to attract people in.
- Electric bike locks.
- Survey delivery times etc. for businesses.
- Does a bus have to go through the village.
- Pedestrianise main street.
- Bad communication from buses about routes and times.
- Can the bus go along the college road.
- What about just buses along main street.
- Guards do nothing about antisocial behavior.
- Certain areas need constant Garda presence.
- Talk to Garda about CCTV.
- Check building lines and ownership of the current parking area opposite the Dragon.
- Let people know where parking is better.
- More focus on history: historical centre, monks, Clonmel stone.
- No plastic signs.
- More murals around.
- Too many of the same types of businesses.
- Direct link to town.

- Open the Priory grounds to the public more.
- Take care of people who can't walk or cycle.
- The walk between the square and the village is too difficult.
- Remove the current stigma.
- Kids need something more than they currently have (small courtyard).
- Build a plan for all ages and accessibility limitations.
- Need better parking around the Priory market.
- What about the new cycle lanes, waste of money to rip them up when they are still new.
- Speeding cars through the village.
- People cannot walk safely on the paths.
- Traffic in the village is terrible.
- More parking meters are needed.
- Waste management and bin situation need improving.
- Needs better and safer places and bike security.
- Antisocial behavior needs fixing.
- More places to eat, not just takeaways.
- Balance between places to live and businesses.
- Bring back small local businesses.
- the priory historical walk – open this up again
- Village traffic issues – lorries
- Parking at Borza / bank issues with getting in and out
- Mobility issues – specifically Tallaght bypass and steepness of gradients
- Places for statues / art : a new civic centre / innovation centre / interpretation trail
- Hoarding around Esso site is detrimental at such a key location into the village
- Query over what the budget was: SDCC noted link to ambition rather than specifics
- Street cleaning: used to be weekly with litter picking, seems to have stopped
- Places to meet for social occasions should be a success factor
- Night time economy, spaces to meet for dinner (better lighting needed also)
- Person strongly advocating parking in proximity to the village and walking the remainder if the scheme was to be pedestrianised
- No restaurants in the village – should be a draw to Main St.
- Esso station again
- Bankroft park & Dodder Valley Greenway commended as positive assets locally. These should be expanded on and linked to this scheme. Perhaps adding cycle repair hub along the route
- Better signage / wayfinding / lighting required
- Main St. is too narrow for cycle tracks
- Brendan: village needs something of substance to draw people into the village
- Not safe leaving bikes – call for covered / protected bike parking
- Change people's mindset about how the village is accessed i.e. park and walk / cycle
- SDCC mentioned shop front scheme for businesses
- Timed deliveries mentioned as possible arrangement for pedestrianised scheme
- Footpath on Main St. on the Priory side is too narrow, with bikes and ebikes using it as well it's dangerous for pedestrians
- Can busses be taken away from Main St. to make more meaningful pedestrianisation
- Access/ wheelchair friendly improvement
- Dragon to Old Greenhills road should be pedestrianised
- Bus gate version of pedestrianisation
- People driving an extra 5 mins to allow pedestrianisation is a good thing on balance
- Call for more CCTV / better lighting – not safe
- Cars parking across from the Dragon at the takeaways is not good for wheelchairs as the footpath is regularly blocked. Railings and bollards were put in place but not effective
- More celebration of Tallaght's history: more interpretations or representation through art

- Fenians plaque is too high – cant read it
- TCC rep: disability issues due to patchwork system of solutions to date e.g. cars parking opposite Dragon at the takeaways make it hard for wheelchairs to navigate
- Create a meeting point in the village that is inclusive of the disabled community
- Wheelchair friendly benches and chairs
- Sensory elements i.e. trees
- Drop kerbs and transitions to be studied
- Places for all members of the community to engage, ageing and disabled people
- Paths for visually impaired people
- Highlight parking outside village where people can park and walk
- More time for people to cross at pedestrian signal crossings
- Esso site at the gateway to Tallaght is a problem
- Busconnects should be routed through college not Main St. (UCD cited)
- “Tallaght could be the best pedestrianised street in Ireland”
- Pedestrianisation is positive considering ample parking is available in the locale
- Parking available in the courthouse, Molloy’s, by the Locksmith
- Lighting is an issue throughout Tallaght village
- Café tables and chairs with covered area for seating
- Covered area for bike parking
- Capel St. cited as good example
- Water play, colour, kids stuff e.g. pre existing water pump reimagined as a fun artefact for kids to interact with
- Street lights, plaques need better consideration
- Rewild the priory!
- Parking available outside the village
- Cold water swimming in Bishop’s lake(?) within the Priory
- Sunken space at the Mill race could be expanded out as a sunken gathering space with play incorporated
- Who’s paying for it, noting concern over trusting the SDCC team given historical issues
- Vibrancy of Templeogue cited as something to aspire to
- Businesses and specifically abundance of solicitors cited as an issue for attracting footfall to the village, especially compared to Templeogue
- Disconnected nature of all the streets in Tallaght
- Jeff Treacy Mural
- Litter picker needed
- Talbot’s Leap / hoarded house burnt down next to the Dragon is an issue
- Priory swimming pool mentioned as an aspiration to resurrect for the public
- Heritage centre on the Esso site (or in the Priory)
- Dominicans noted as a key stakeholder on main St.
- How can people get into the Priory and engage with this valuable asset in the centre of town
- How Priory is affected with various pedestrianised versions of the scheme i.e. funeral procession needs access currently – how is this accommodated going forward
- Passionate about the church’s stake holding and contributions to community
- More backing of the importance of the Dominicans
- Funeral procession from Flannagan’s funeral directors to the Priory – how is this accommodated. Person against pedestrianisation
- Trees and benches are a waste of time – good money after bad – if the council has no influence over the derelict sites
- Bandstand with food trucks
- Community is here already!
- Teddy Bear picnic and positive engagement with the Priory with Aon Scéal Cafe previously
- Query over deadlines – SDCC responded with 5 options presented in a number of weeks
- Councillor in attendance backing SDCC and ambitions of the project and community

- Left turn issue at Aon Scéal Cafe where people rounding the corner on a green light think the pedestrian red is for them – they stop and hold up traffic – confusing!
- 'WALK' , Autism Connect, Cheverstown – all organisations to get in touch with
- Ban any further apartments being built in Village. Far too many - overshadowing the village.
- SDCC should buy/take over Esso Site and create Community Garden there perhaps. It has been lying idle far too long and has created anti social behaviour.
- "Dancers" area should be better maintained on a regular basis with colourful flowers/shrubs throughout the year.
- Take away businesses should have signage in line with old style village.
- Encourage Dominican Fathers to deal with ugly Site of St. Dominic's Hall - several years lying in disrepair- it is an eye sore!!
- Ask Dominican Fathers to have Priory Wall opposite Molloy's repaired. Sections of stone have been pulled out leaving large gaps. The wall could collapse and cause injury.
- Sections of Main Street flood and need repair on Priory side near the paths and pedestrians get splashed by passing traffic.
- Remove decorative plastic flowers on bicycles in village - nothing appealing about them.
- Bigger bins needed at Pizza Takeaways as boxes don't fit in normal sized bins ...as a result , these boxes are strewn around the village.
- Contacting Albert Perris regarding the unique heritage of Tallaght village.
- In terms of bringing people into the village a lot of work needs to be done. Even Tallaght locals tend to go elsewhere for shopping (other than food shopping), eating out etc. The more footfall there is in the village the more it will draw people in. The fantastic new Dodder greenway is already attracting people from far and wide and it would be great to link it to the village. You only have to look at the Great Western greenway to see the life and prosperity it has brought to adjacent towns. Yet Tallaght village has no visible connection to the Dodder greenway. There are no signs along the greenway for walkers or cyclists indicating how near Tallaght village is in terms of distance and cycle/walking time or how to access the village from the greenway and vice versa. The beautiful Firhouse weir is so close to the Village on foot or bike, but only people very familiar to the area know this. An information sign at this location and at other strategic points (bridge at the Edge, Old Bawn rd.) indicating distance to the village and information about various cafés to be found there would be good. A huge attraction of Tallaght is the proximity to the walking routes in the mountains. Linking Tallaght village with the mountains through a Village based interpretative centre and regular shuttle bus would be great, and preferable to the proposed massive carpark and development at the Hellfire Club.
- "I would love to see Rev. William Deverill from St Maelruans consulted in your plans in relation to the heritage of Tallaght village as he has a huge knowledge of this area."
- Pedestrianise Main Street Tallaght
- Second Invasion myth of Partholón story reflected in Tallaght Village in some ways. <https://irishmythologystories.substack.com/p/the-second-invasion-of-ireland-partholon>
- Consideration of various disabilities in spaces and seating created
- Swimming pool outdoors from Bishop open to public in the Priory. Cold water swimming is loved by many and the nearest lakes are in the mountains or you have to go to the seaside. This would be completely unique to Dublin as even Clontarf baths are hardly accessible.
- Rewilding an area in the Priory and opening all the gardens with perhaps an orchard again available
- Rain gardens on all Main Street buildings to encourage their implementation across houses in Tallaght
- One issue I've encountered on Capel Street is fast moving food delivery bikes, scooters and every day cyclists, so I would see a need for a delineated cycling route through village
- Sensory spaces
- Playful Street principles, climbing for kids and water play area. Space to play marbles and kick a ball around. Spaces for kids made of willow to meander through and sit in.
- Consistent pathways and removal of low hanging branches and shrubs we'll maintained.
- Parking outside the village with safe corridors for ages and disabled persons to easily get to the village.
- Making street lamps beautiful with engraving or casts that bring back cultural heritage. No more boring lights. Perhaps solar powered too. <https://electricsskyline.ie/sectors/public-lighting/solar-powered-public-lighting/>
- Large trucks banned completely from the village

- Covered bike parking and outdoor seating by old wind turbines
- Bus Connects to go through Tallaght University with walkways through the Priory to Tallaght Main Street. This cuts 5 minutes at least off going through the village and means the main street can be completely pedestrianised. It was another participants idea, but I think it's an incredible one that must be put in place for the improvement of the village long-term.
- Underground bins
- Shop fronts need to adhere to village standards. Removal of loud gaudy colours.
- Make something of Talbot's Leap near The Dragon. It's always filled with rubbish otherwise.
- Access into the village from the footbridge. I mentioned the bridge into Tallaght Village from St Dominics is not very safe at night and also steep steps and ramp from St Dominic side. It's difficult for anyone with mobility issues and elderly. Solution: Expand the bridge for dual use. Remove cycle track along by Priory Market to the bridge. Connect along the new road at Avonbeg down to the Edge cafe. There is no point keeping the cycle track in the village just because there was so much money spent on it. Not fit for purpose in 5 years!
- "Assess into the Village from the Seán Walsh park / Tallaght Stadium, I mentioned how dangerous the junction is. Travelling from this area and you want to get to Lidl / Priory Market or a bus in the village. 7 sets of Traffic lights. If you walk towards the existing footbridge from this junction. There are no traffic lights to cross!!!! You cant blame people driving! It's not bringing young people in the village. Too dangerous and time consuming! Solution: Foot bridge over the junction. Car's turning into the Village from dual carriageway reduced to one lane. One way system to aloud for footbridge. "
- "Can we be the 1st village to start camino with solid stone structures with the arrow/ walking man. Heritage centre/Tourism office in Priory Market. Maps on display/ directions to the pathway to the Dublin mountains. So many walks to explore."
- Dual parking in Tallaght village street reduced to loading bay 6am to 10am and only mobility parking after that.
- One way system
- Skate park at the old garage site as the pump track is not suitable for skateboards. (from my son he wants it named after him)
- Extending the Luas to stop at the Dragon Pub
- Lidl vehicles have access to dual carriageway by their back entrance
- Lack of garda / parking warden in the village ,
- Parking V Deliveries in the village
- Large trucks turning into and going through the village.
- Opening up of the Poddle walk in the TU,
- Trying to extend the village to the High St. hasn't worked
- Shop fronts could do with an uplift.
- The two unused building sites which are eye soar need to be sorted out.
- The new planting at the Aon Scéal Cafe needs a second look to see if it hinderance to prams / wheelchairs entering the cafe.
- I have lived here for over 50 years and have seen the area go from fields to offices / industries, a village to a city
- Most of the amenities we have were hard fought for and are maintained by volunteers
- We still have only one garda station where we need at least one or two sub offices

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