

Scenario 1: What if we grow Clondalkin with an Emphasis on Local Vitality?

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Clondalkin has two key sites with the potential for growth (Framework Sites) at Ninth Lock Road and Knockmeenagh / N7. These sites will accommodate most of the future growth in Clondalkin. This scenario emphasises the need to grow in a way that protects and adds to the existing vitality of the village centre and local businesses. To enhance vibrancy, necessary social and community facilities will need to be considered. Vibrancy is facilitated by strengthened connections between the growth areas and the village centre, and local business. This scenario will require decisions to be made on how we use available space for active travel and vehicular movement.



Ninth Lock Road Streetscape Improvement

Ninth Lock Road is dominated by vehicles, with limited planting and poor street frontages, which can make it feel like a 'hostile' environment.

Investment in material improvements, new planting, reallocation of streetspace, and added activity through kiosks and shopfronts could significantly improve pedestrian experience, vibrancy and accessibility.

From an improved public plaza, suitable for local markets and events, all the way to a future gateway at New Nangor Road, Ninth Lock Road can evolve into a bustling street that supports the ongoing success of Clondalkin Village.



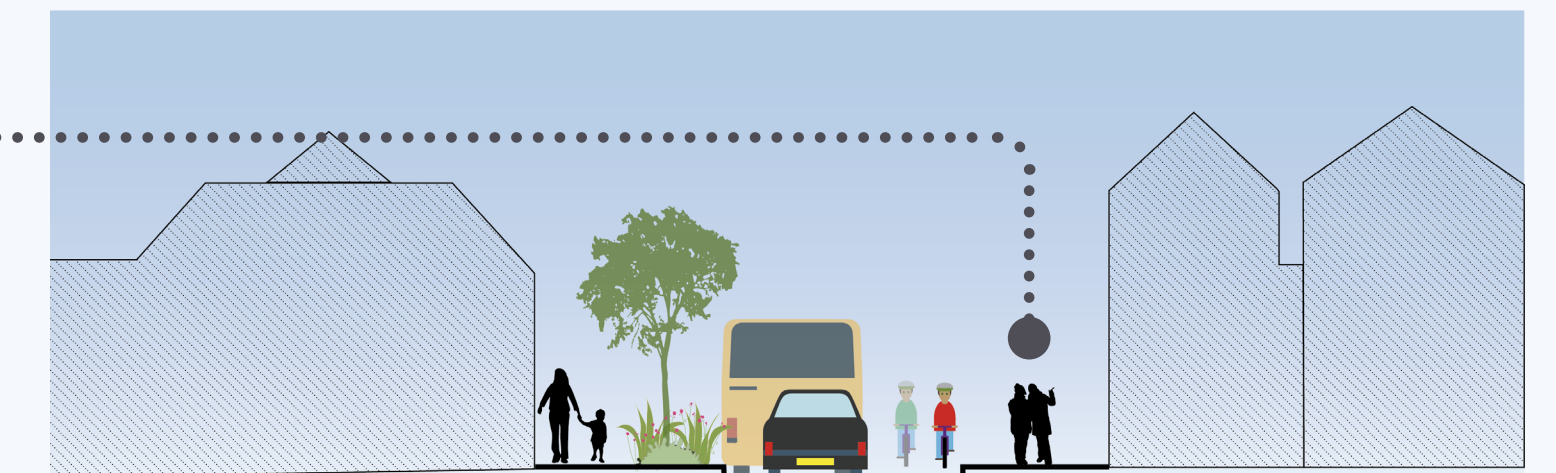
Ninth Lock Road photo

HOW WOULD WE SHARE STREET SPACE IN THIS SCENARIO?

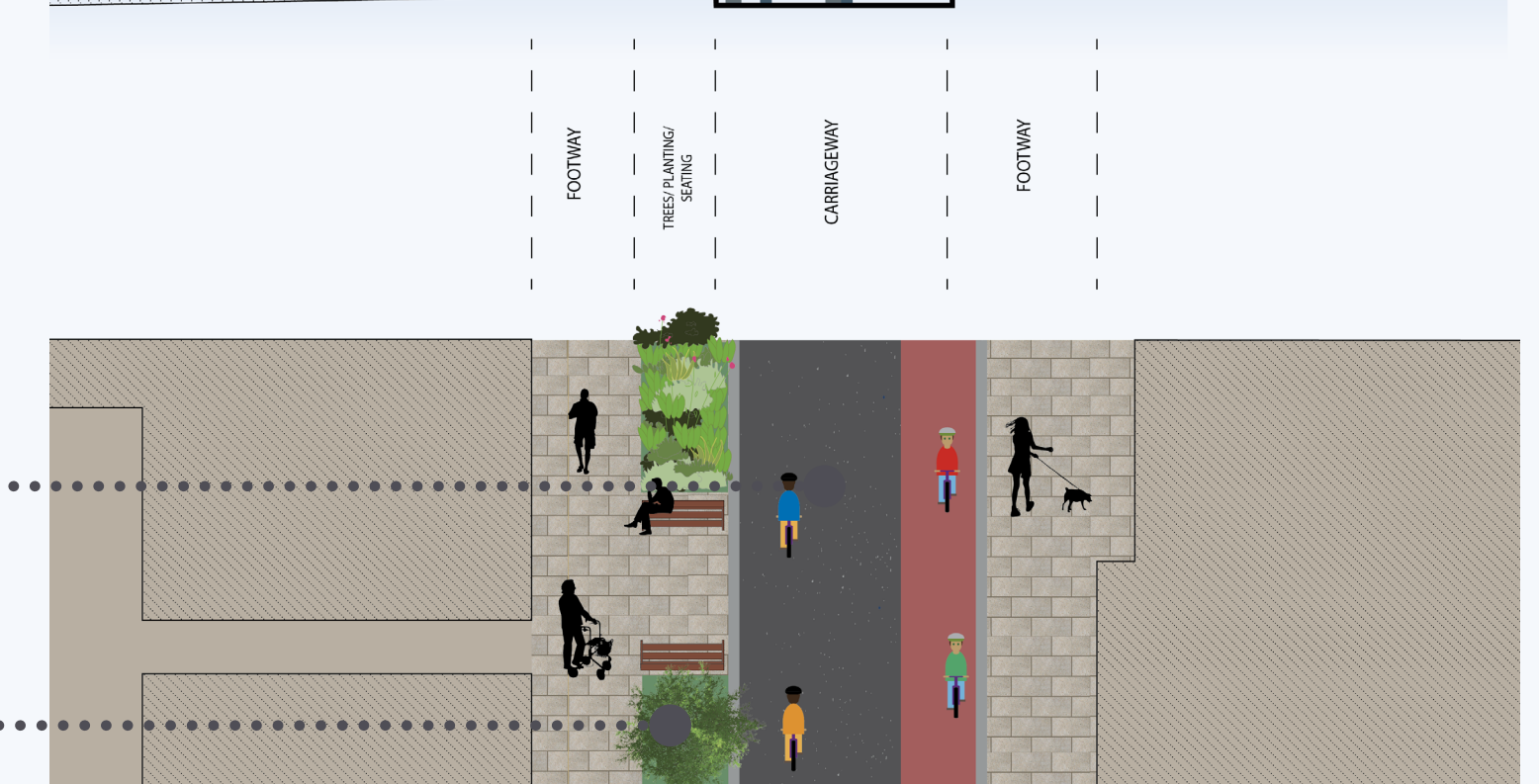
Main Street Case Study

- Prioritised movement into and around the centre for buses, pedestrians, cyclists
- Reduced traffic on primary commercial streets
- Improved pedestrian environment; seating, spillout spaces, lighting, planting
- Improved accessibility; blue badge/ elderly parking spaces, level surfaces, dished kerbs, clear footpaths
- Segregated cycle lanes where feasible

One movement lane for cyclists and buses. More space for pedestrians, businesses, and for people to enjoy the Centre



A reallocation of space to allow for cycle lanes where possible, no private vehicles on Main Street. A calmer and safer centre with space for lingering.



More space for planting, trees, seats and events



Main Street, September 2023



Case study; Clonakilty, Cork. Investment in the public realm has resulted in increased investment, new retail opportunities, new community groups, festivals and events and reduced vacancy.

Framework Site: Ninth Lock/ Mill Centre

The framework site is a large area of future residential and mixed use growth

To promote local vitality the framework site will:

- Establish a green link from the New Nangor Road to the Old Nangor Road
- Establish an active travel link between the Mill Centre and New Nangor Road toward Dunawley Avenue and the train station beyond
- Develop a new pedestrian link between the site and the Ninth Lock Road
- Develop an interior active travel spine to the Ninth Lock Road
- Prioritise active frontages to the Ninth Lock Road and along the reactivated vehicular connection to the site.
- Develop secondary opportunities for mixed use frontage interior to the site along the active travel route.

Ambition: Support the Continued Success And Vitality of Clondalkin

Vibrant Village Centre



Local Identity and Character



Engaged and Active Community



Approach: Improved Accessibility, Connections, Use of Space

New opportunities for seating, planting, lighting



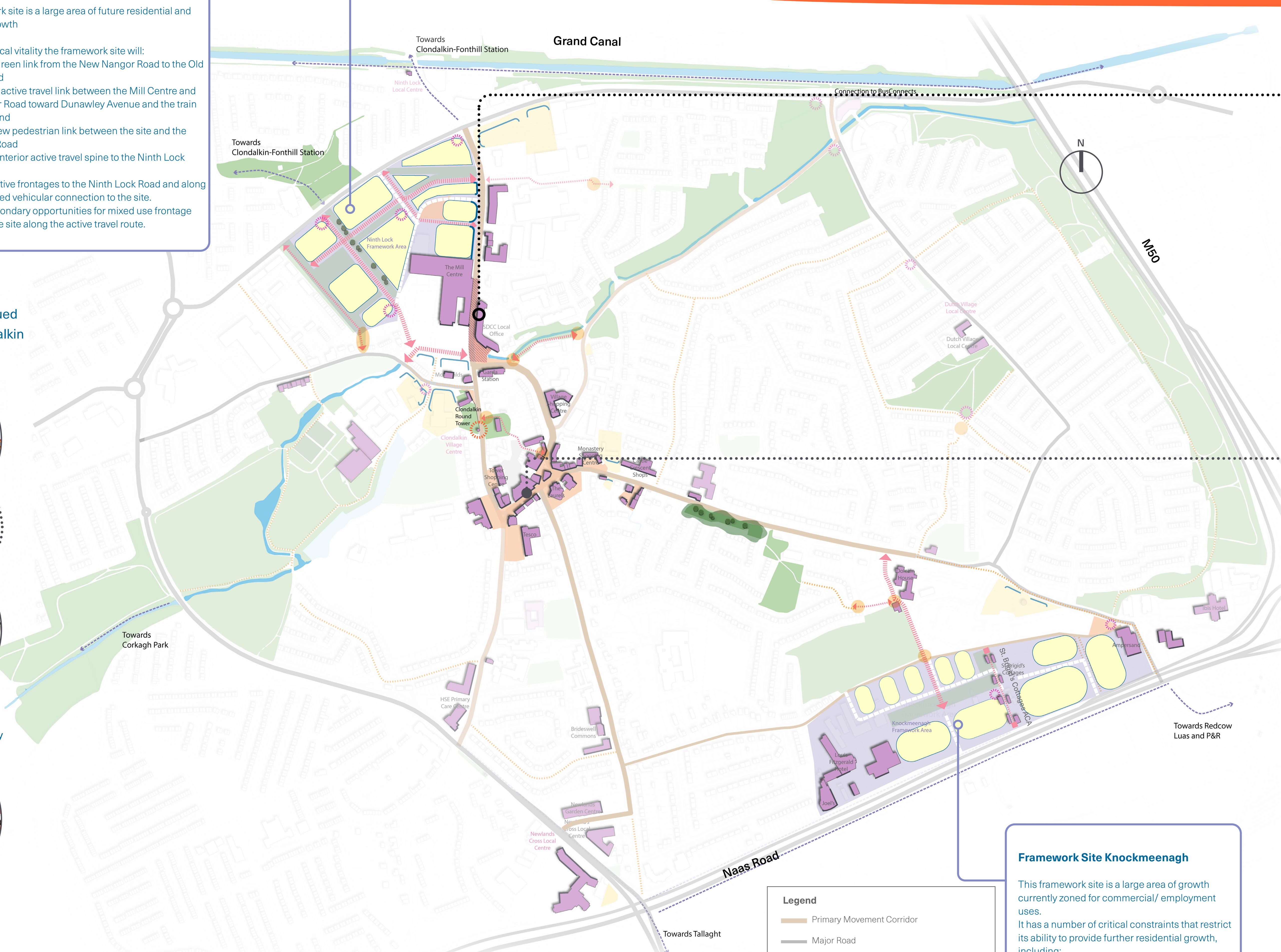
Opportunities for pop-up shops, kiosks, activation



Evening economy and activity



Modern, wide, level footpaths



Legend

- Primary Movement Corridor
- Major Road
- Existing Quiet Link
- Suggested Active Link
- Proposed Connection Point
- Tree Planting/ Nature Based Intervention
- Potential Public Realm Upgrade
- Active Frontage - Existing
- Active Frontage - Proposed
- Future Opportunity Site
- Village Enhancement Scheme
- Nodal Point
- Framework Site and Proposed Link

Framework Site Knockmeenagh

This framework site is a large area of growth currently zoned for commercial/ employment uses. It has a number of critical constraints that restrict its ability to provide further residential growth, including:

- Lack of viable existing access points
- Difficulties in delivering new access points
- St. Brigid's Cottages ACA and Knockmeenagh Lane.

To promote local vitality the framework site will:

- Consolidate and intensify employment uses to the N7 frontage
- Provide active frontage to the south of Knockmeenagh Lane to provide passive supervision to this connection between local centres and provide improved access to the Luas Red Cow and buses on Monastery Road
- Investigate feasibility of cul-de-sac at St Brigid's with new street access.