

# Fitzwilliam Cycle Route

## Presentation to South East Area Committee

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# Presentation Content

- Overview of Scheme
- Existing Conditions
- Feasibility Design
- Project Programme

# Feasibility Study

AECOM appointed by NTA in 2016 to carry out Feasibility and Options Study

## Key contents

- Review of existing conditions
- Car parking review
- Heritage review
- Options assessment
- Design philosophy for links and junctions



# Scheme Objectives

- AECOM commissioned by DCC to design and implement a high-quality cycle route to meet the requirements of cyclists of all ages and abilities
- The proposed route will be a safe and attractive premium cycle route that caters for commuter and recreational cycling

# NTA Cycle Network Plan





# Scheme Extents



# Trip Attractors (within 500m)





# Existing Cycling Demand (12-hour flows)

- Cycle flows
- All other vehicles





# Existing Conditions

## Carriageway

- Wide carriageway: varies from 16.5m to 20m
- Damage to road pavement along the route
- Resurfacing of the scheme area required



# Existing Conditions

## Cycling

- No facilities along most of route
- Unprotected lane on Merrion Sq. East
- Currently strong demand along route
- Merrion Square East:
  - 202 cyclists vs 272 private cars northbound in am peak
  - 177 cyclists vs 224 private cars northbound in pm peak



# Existing Conditions

## Cycling Connections

- Link to Grand Canal Cycle Route via Cumberland St. and Lad Lane offers alternative to Leeson Street junction





# Existing Conditions

## Cycle Parking

- Existing Cycle Parking (on Sheffield Stands) = 36 No. (18 Stands)
- Cycle Hoops – 3 locations
- Significant unmet demand at certain locations



# Existing Conditions

## Just Eat Dublinbikes

- Stations located at Fitzwilliam Square and Merrion Square East
- Operations at stations to be considered





# Existing Conditions

## Walking

- Improvements required at existing crossings (surfacing, obstructions etc.)
- Lack of mid-block crossing locations





# Existing Conditions

## Heritage

- South Georgian Core
- Architectural Conservation Area (ACA)
- Archaeological & Built Heritage Assessment by IAC Archaeology
- Recommended that historic granite kerbs, stone setts, lamp stands and coal hole covers be retained in place
- Use of sympathetic materials could have positive impact on the built heritage resource



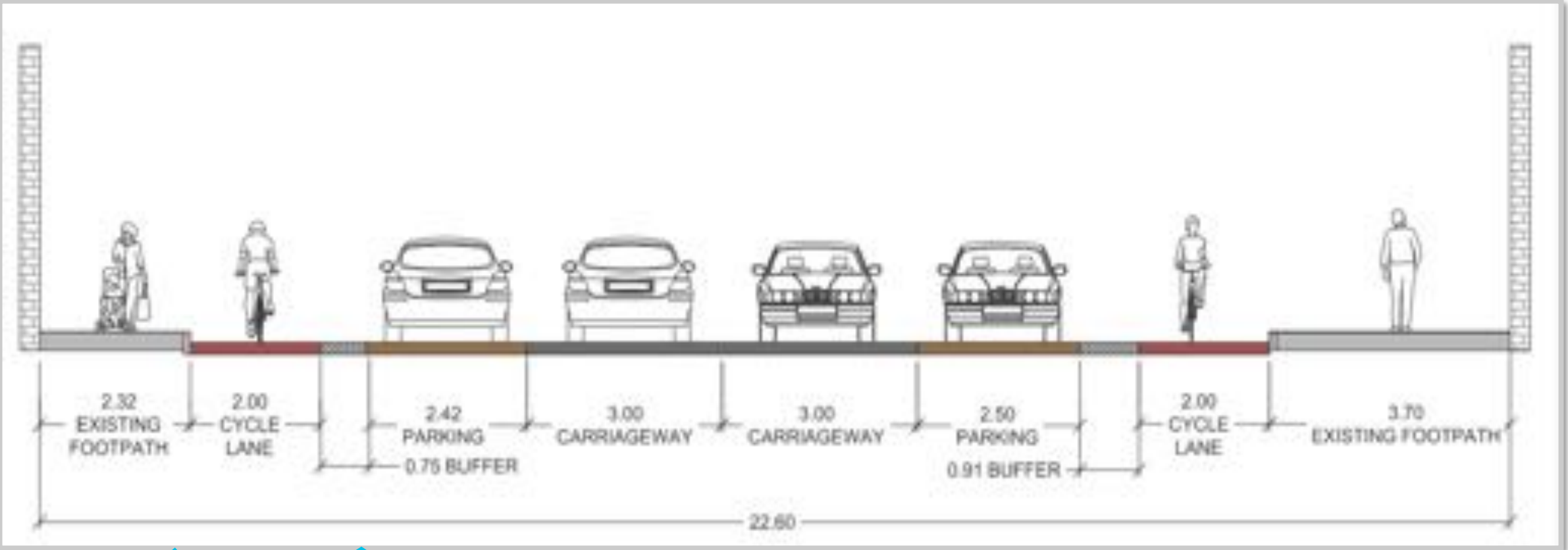
# Existing Conditions

## ESB ecar charging points

- 1 no. existing at Fitzwilliam Street
- 2 no. additional proposed as part of ESB HQ development
- Position of charging unit relative to cycle lanes



# Feasibility Design – Typical Cross Section



Existing kerb line retained

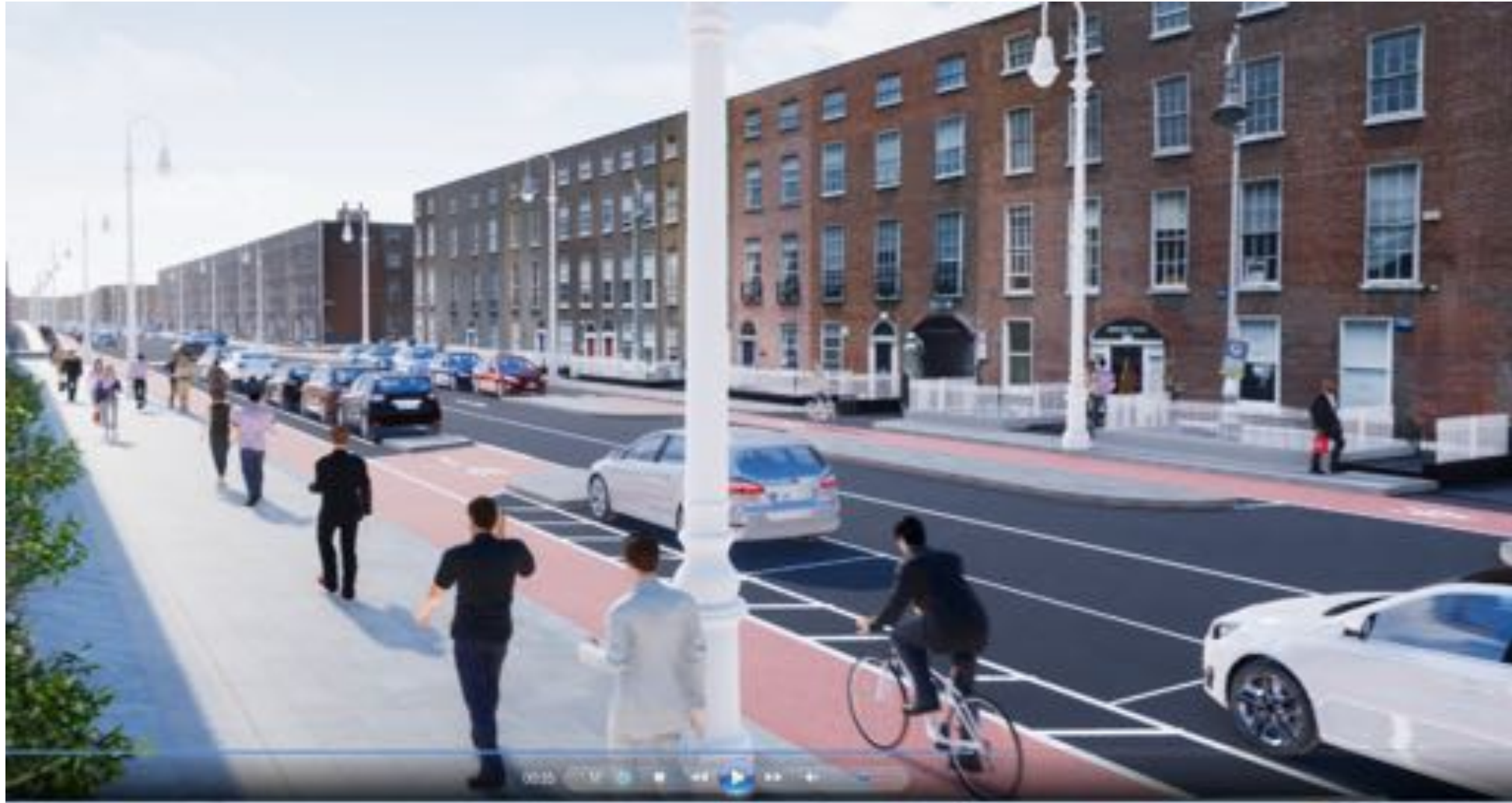
Min 0.75m buffer (road markings)

6m wide carriageway

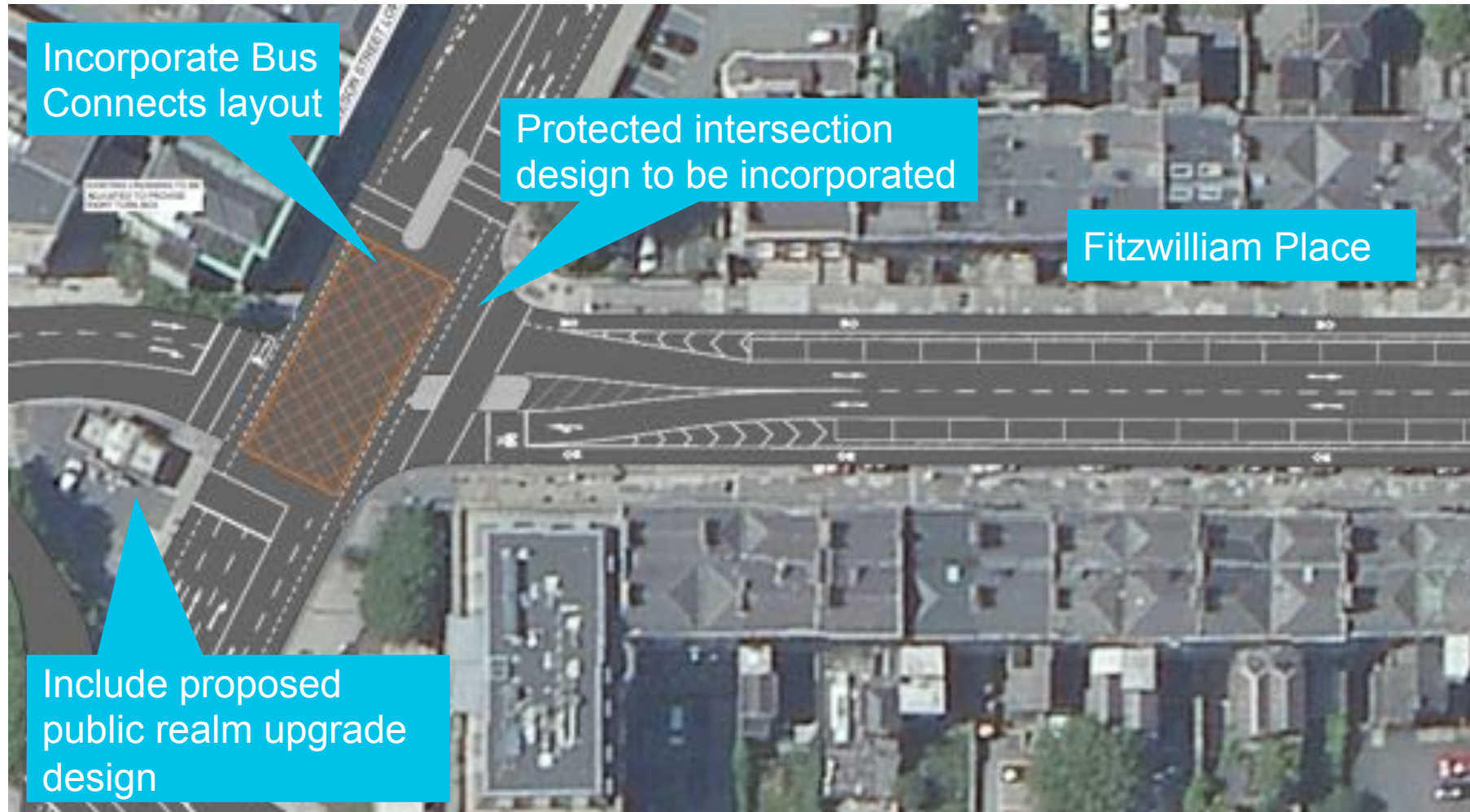
Cycle lane at-grade (No red surfacing through ACA)



# Feasibility Design Video Clip

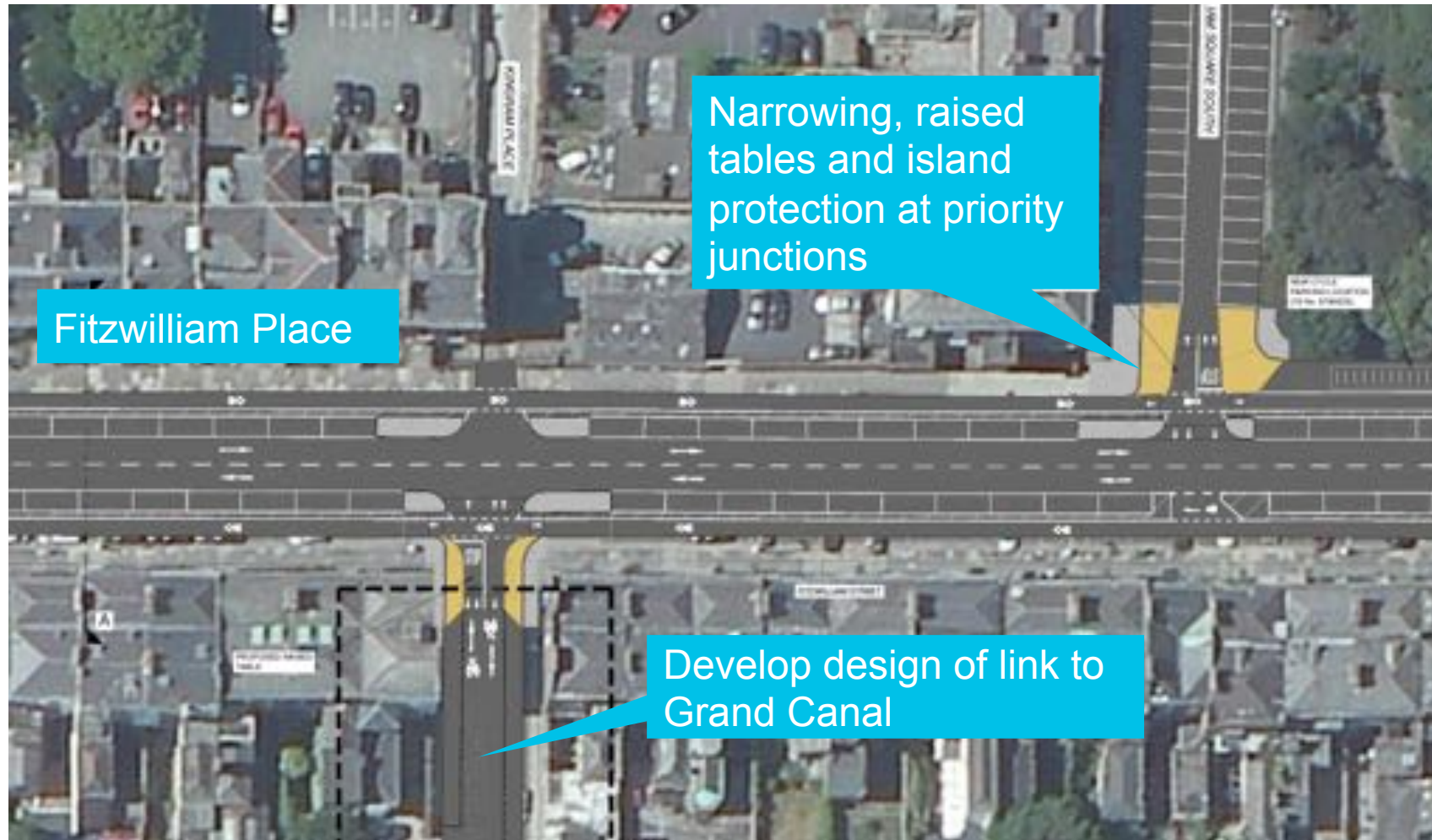


# Feasibility Design – Leeson Street/Fitzwilliam Place



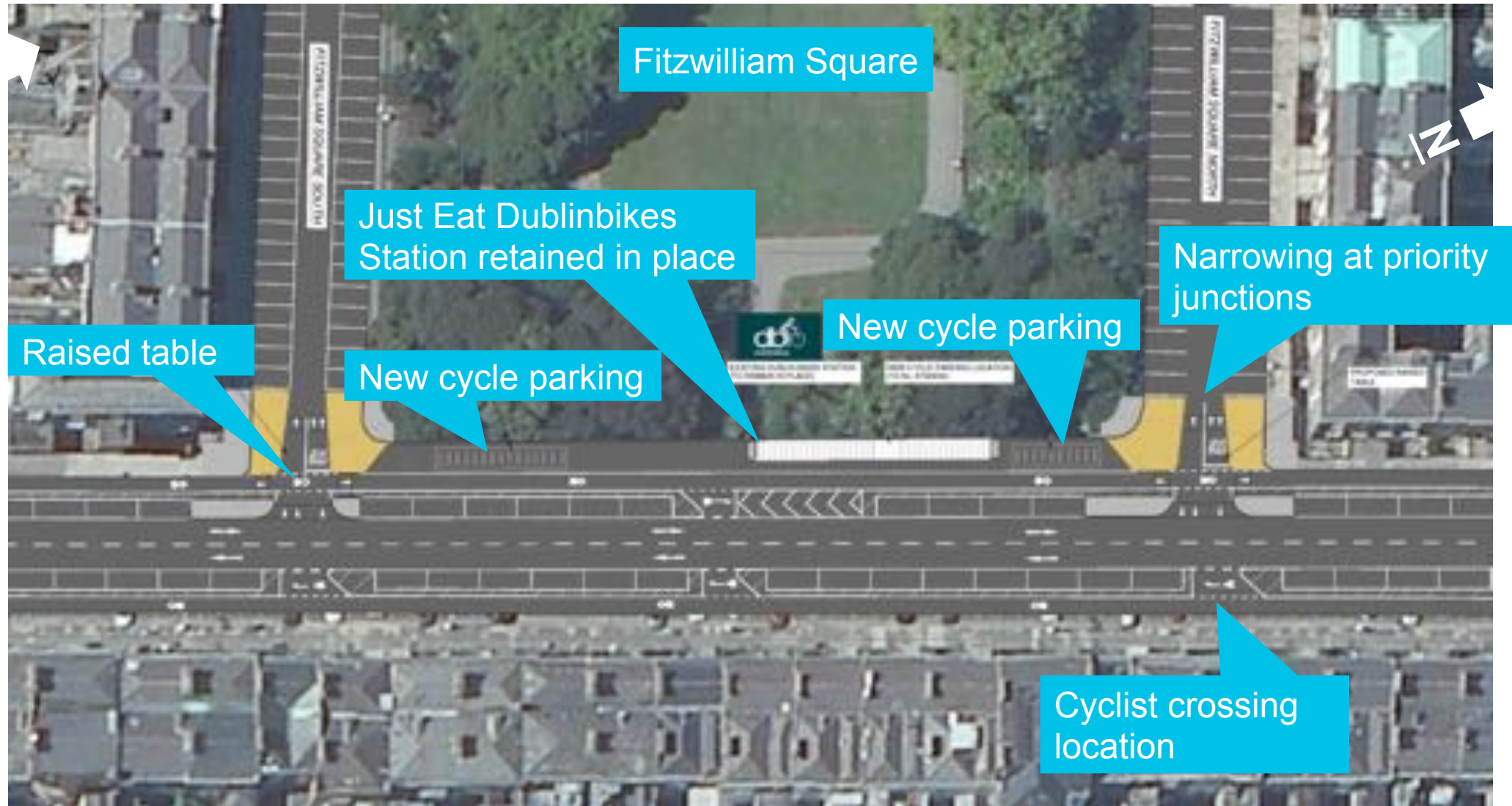


# Feasibility Design – Fitzwilliam Place

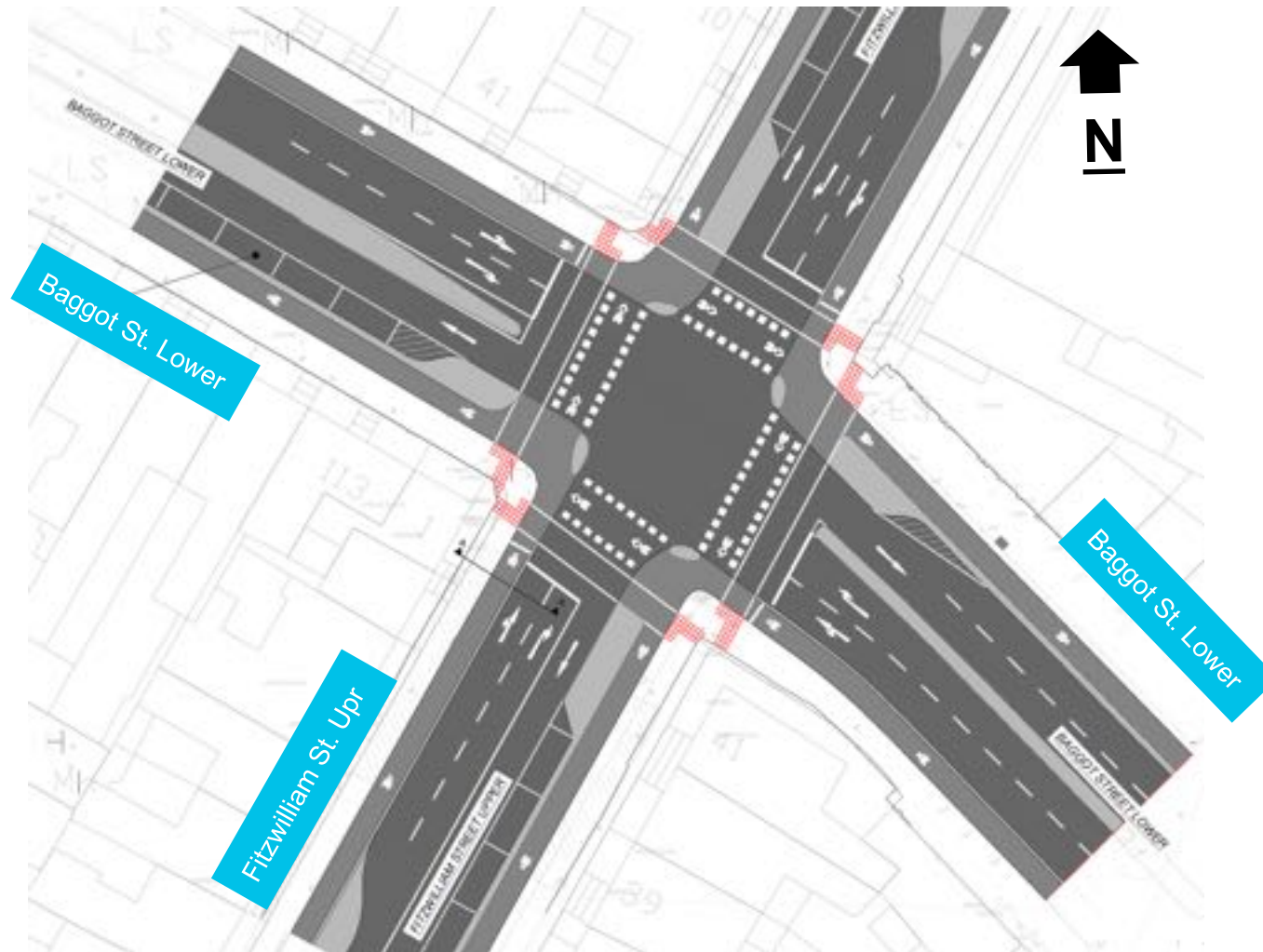




# Feasibility Design – Fitzwilliam Square



# Protected Intersection Design – Baggot Street Junction



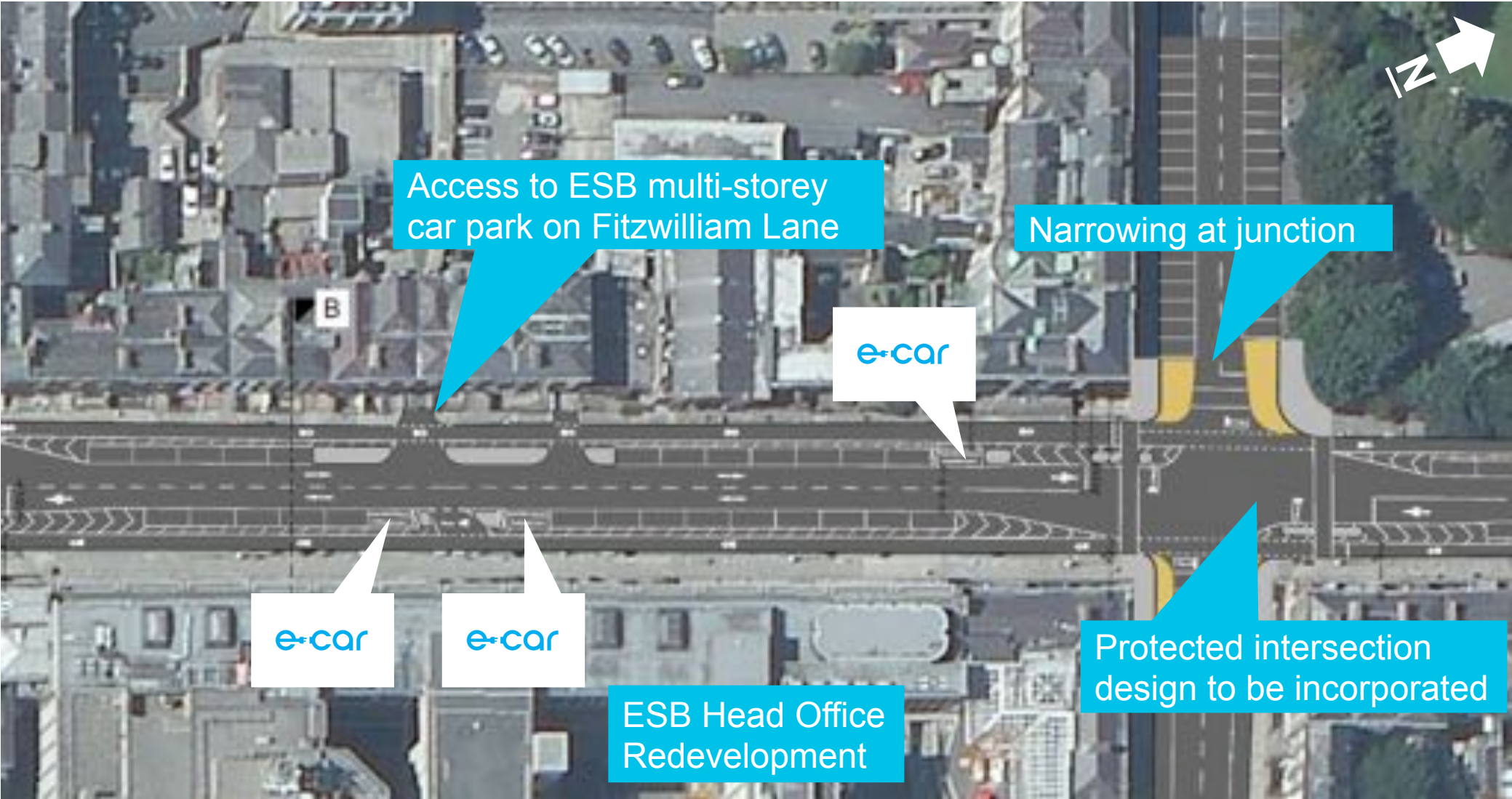
# Protected Intersection Design

Possible alternative to red cycle lane surfacing through junction

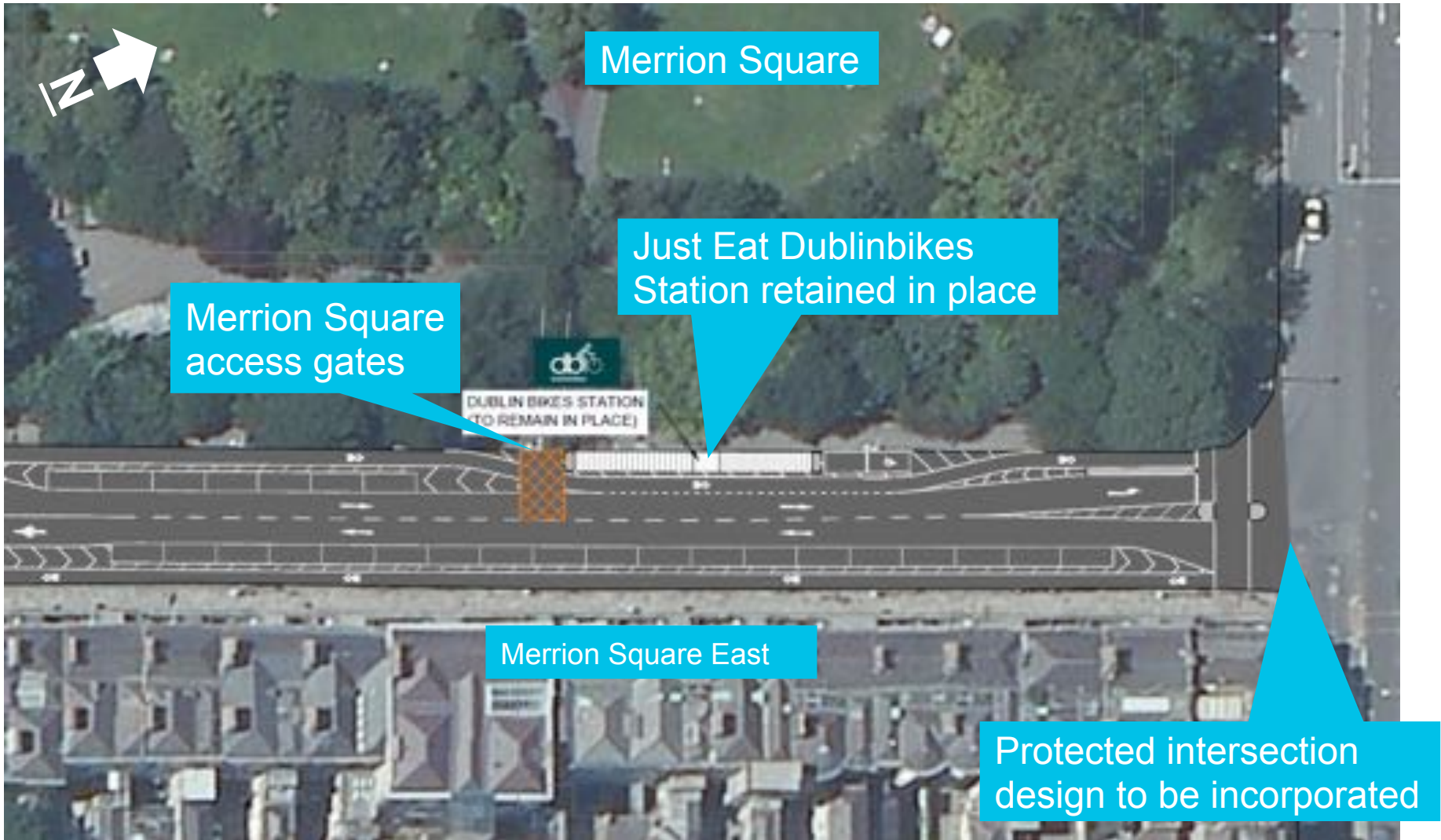




# Feasibility Design – Fitzwilliam Street



# Feasibility Design – Merrion Square East





# Existing Conditions

## Car Parking

- Parallel and perpendicular parking along the route
- Safety issues for cyclists and motorists

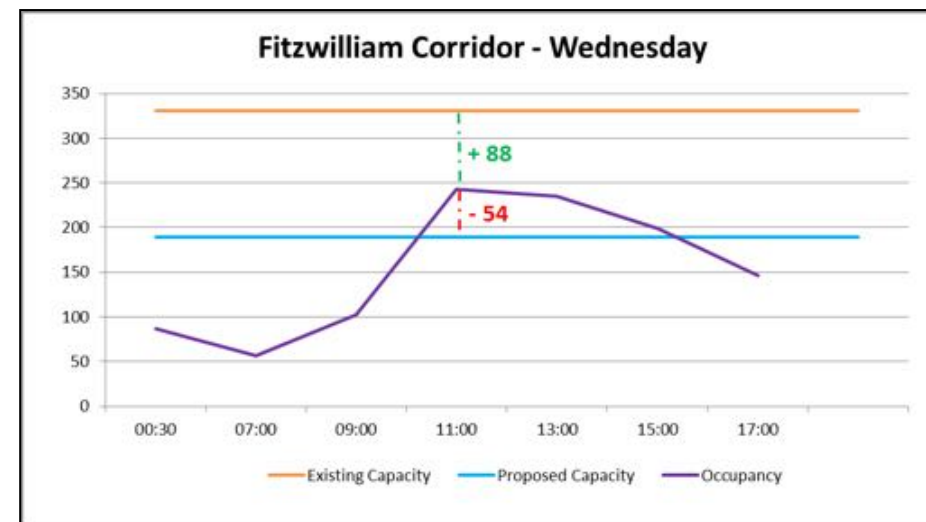
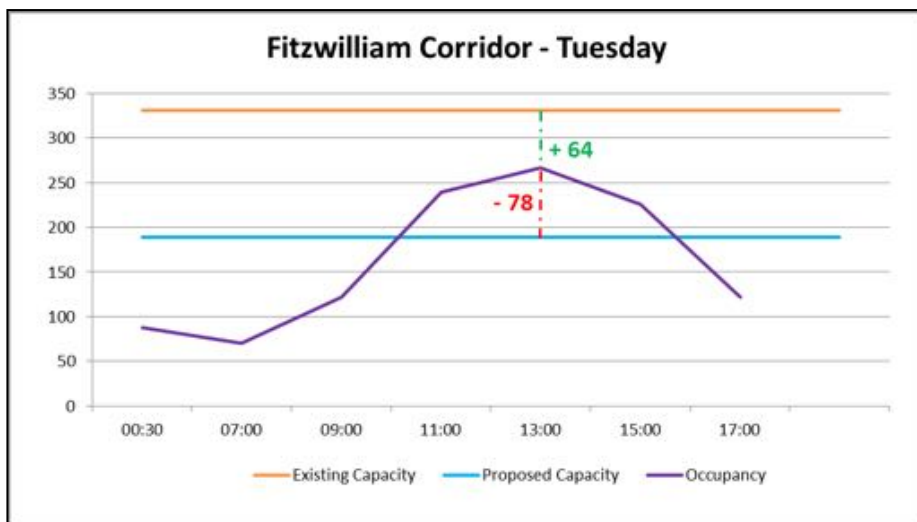




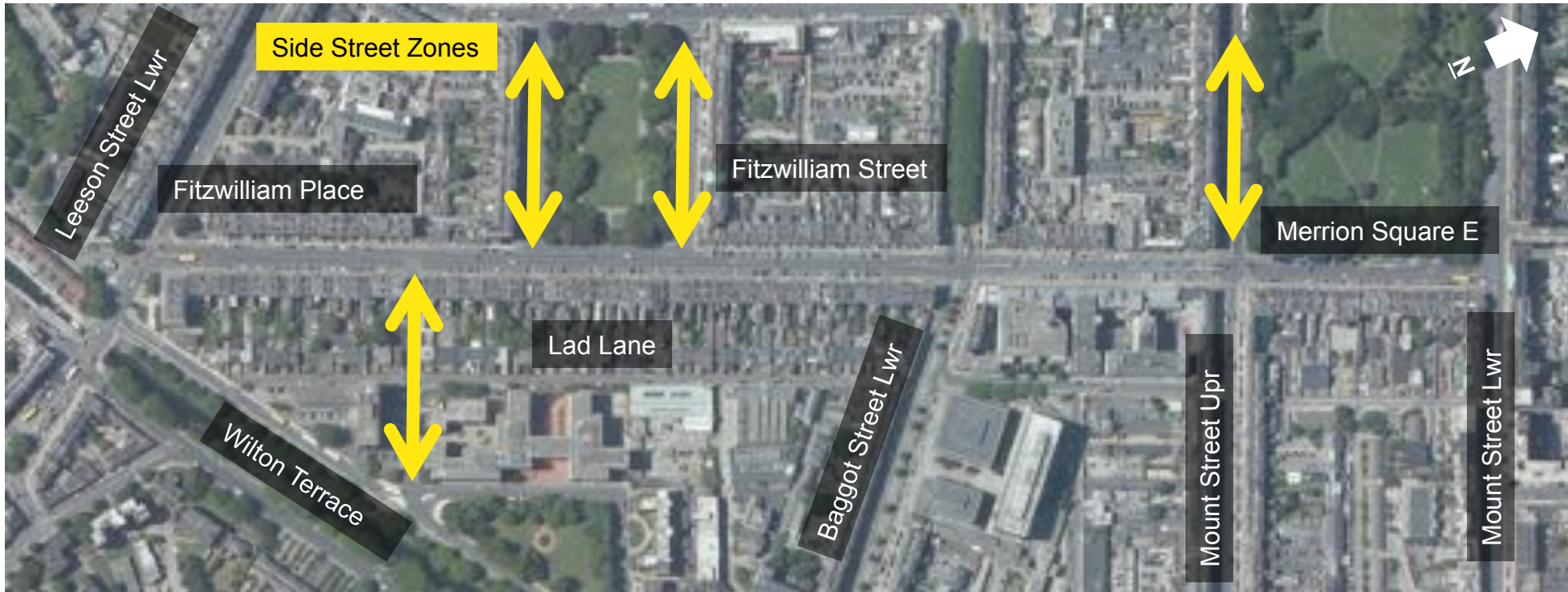
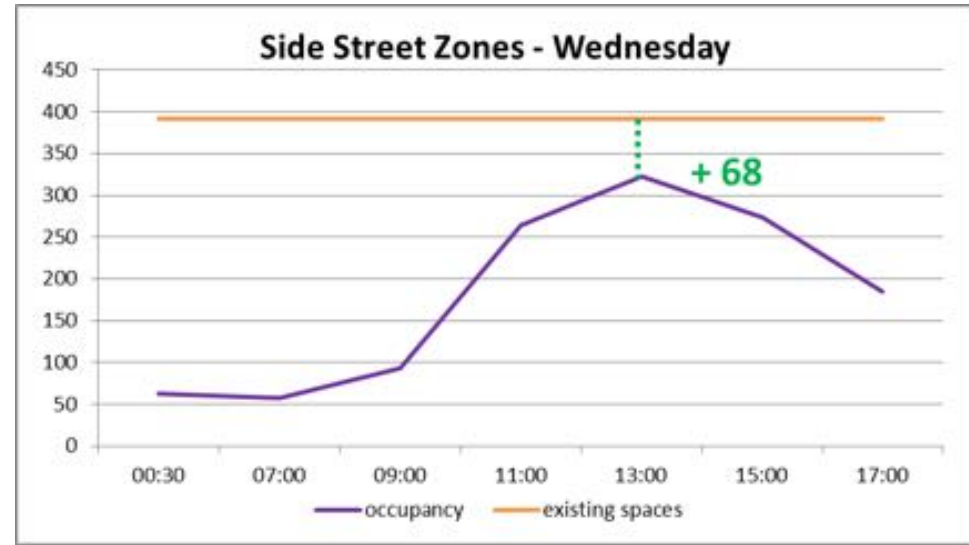
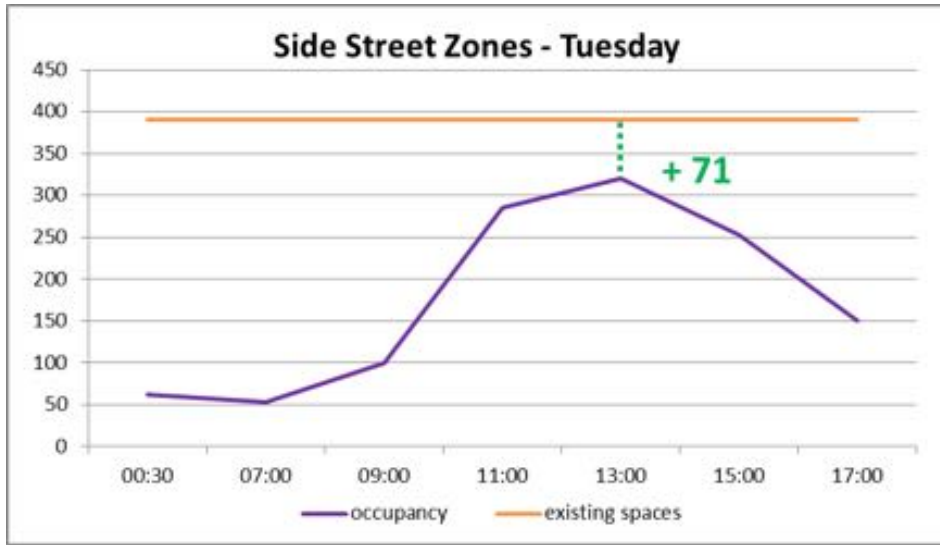
# Car Parking Survey

- Beat Survey carried out in December 2016 (Tues 6<sup>th</sup> and Wed 7<sup>th</sup>)

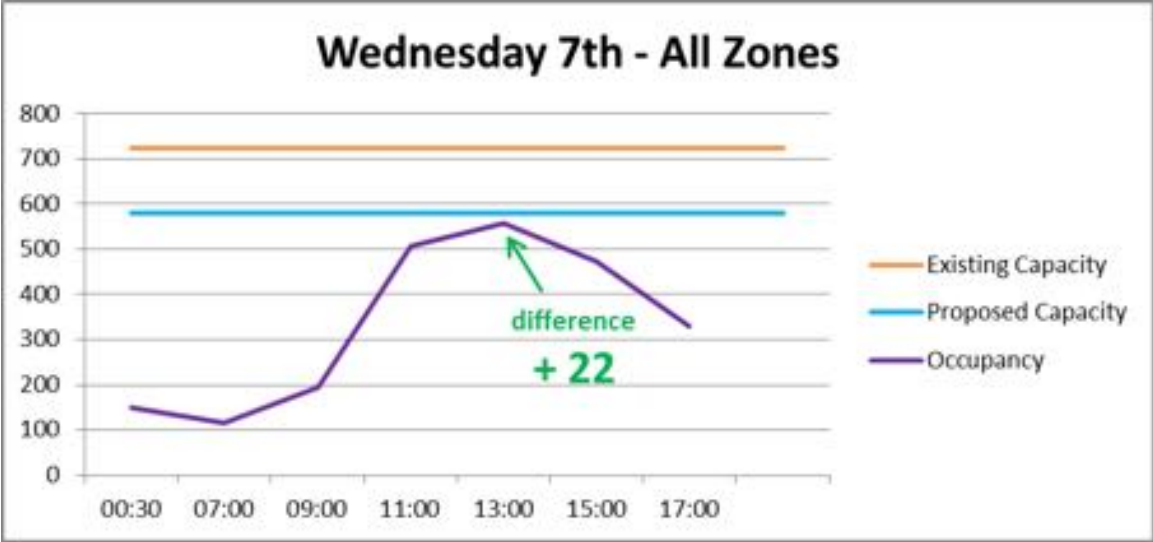
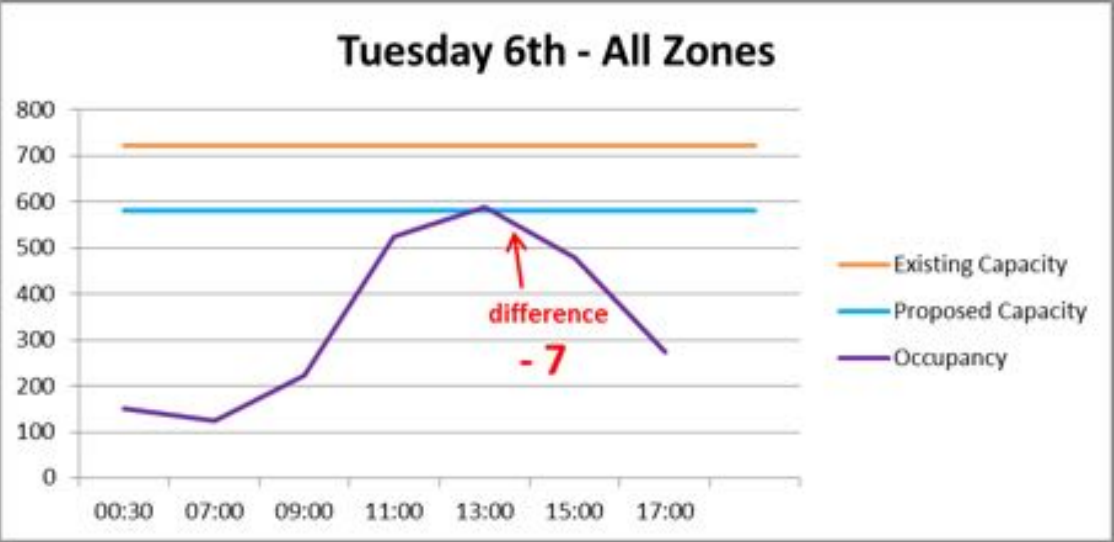












# Car Parking

## Feasibility Design Impact

- Reconfiguration from perpendicular to parallel spaces to allow for proposed cross section
- Existing spaces: 722 in study area (331 on corridor)
- Proposed spaces: 580 in study area (189 on corridor) – reduction of 142

	Number of Parking spaces
Parking <u>currently</u> available in study area	722
Parking available within study area <u>following implementation</u>	580
Parking Demand (Average)	335
Parking Demand (Peak)	573

# Project Programme – Key Dates

- Preliminary Design                      June – July 2018
- Public Consultation                      August 2018
- Detailed Design                              September – October 2018
- Tender/Procurement                      November – December 2018
- Construction                                  January – April 2019
- Velo-City 2018, Dublin                      June 2019





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