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PUBLIC MEETING **LUAS CHAOS**



8pm Monday 5th March

St. Brigid's Pastoral Centre

Cabinteely

Speakers Include

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The roll out of LUAS Cross City has caused traffic chaos across Dublin

The reduction of tram frequency has resulted in dangerous overcrowding and left many passengers late for work, school and college. This is causing enormous stress, anxiety and discomfort for regular commuters.

It is clear, sufficient planning was not carried out in advance of the roll out of LUAS Cross City and the arrival of longer trams. Dozens of bus routes have been diverted from College Green, causing significant delays for thousands of commuters and motorists alike.

Analysis conducted by Dublin City Council highlights that bus journey times have soared by up to 110% following the launch of LUAS Cross City.

The government were warned about this in 2014. To this day the government remain inactive and seem unable to bring forward solutions to alleviate the chaos.

Long delays, overcrowded trams, buses and trains, combined with a lack of coordinated park and ride facilities is making it impossible for commuters to

rely on Dublin's public transport.

The Minister for Transport, Shane Ross TD claimed that LUAS Cross City was a "victim of its own success" and that these are simply teething issues.

This laissez faire attitude by the Minister and the government is completely unacceptable. Minister Ross and his colleagues need to recognise the extent of the problem and take immediate steps to alleviate it.

He must acknowledge the impact that the botched roll out of LUAS Cross City is having on LUAS and Dublin Bus users.

The LUAS timetable must be reviewed to increase peak-time frequency between St. Stephen's Green and Bride's Glen.

The Minister should establish a Dublin Transport Commission to coordinate public transport in the capital. We need urgent investment in practical infrastructure, such as additional buses, park and ride facilities and the expansion of the Dublin Bikes scheme beyond the city centre.

Please share your experiences at the public meeting & join the debate online using the hashtag #GetDublinMoving.

Government's National Development Plan lacks ambition for Dublin

The government's new National Development Plan lacks ambition for Dublin. The plan is very light on detail and much of the content has been repackaged from existing proposals.

Worryingly for south Dublin commuters, the government have scaled back on existing commitments to improve Dublin's public transport infrastructure.

DART Underground and the LUAS Green Line extension to Bray have been shelved until at least 2027. It also appears there will be no further upgrades to the LUAS Green Line between Sandyford and Bride's Glen during the same period.

In the meantime, over 8,000 homes will be built in Cherrywood, housing over 30,000 people. The LUAS Green Line is already close to capacity, the public cannot wait 10 years for these improvements.

Investment in transport infrastructure should be evidence-based and not based on spin or local political concerns. The government must review their decision to shelve these critical projects.





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I will be hosting a public meeting on Monday 5th March regarding the continued transport chaos generated by the botched roll out of LUAS Cross City.

I invite you to come along and share your experience.

In the meantime, you can sign a petition via my website www.cormacdevin.ie calling on Minister Shane Ross to take action to alleviate the chaos.

You can also join the debate on Twitter and Facebook using the hashtag #GetDublinMoving.

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