



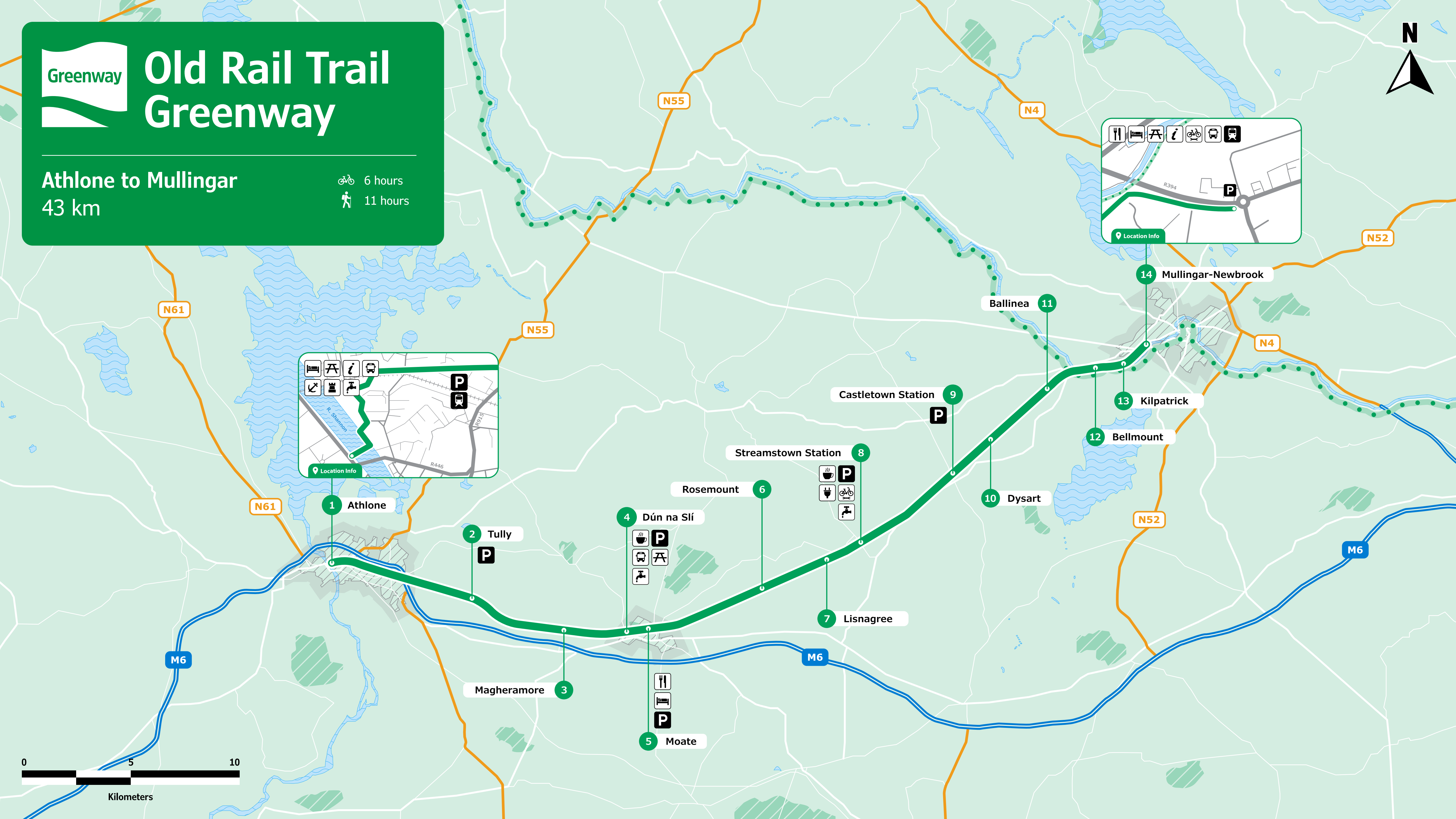
Old Rail Trail Greenway

Athlone to Mullingar

43 km

 6 hours

 11 hours



1-5

Athlone to Moate

15.5 km

The greenway begins at Athlone Greenway Bridge beside Athlone Castle and Luan Gallery, where an inlaid bronze plaque marks the River Shannon and the Connacht–Leinster border. After crossing the bridge, turn left along Athlone Marina, passing a Franciscan Abbey and graveyard on quiet roads.

The route goes under the active railway line before joining a segregated path leading out of the town past access points at Whitegates and Garrycastle. On the outskirts, the surface becomes slightly rougher as you enter Crosswood Bog, a raised bog and Special Area of Conservation. After roughly 15 kilometres, the route reaches Moate.

5-9

Moate to Castletown Geoghegan

16 km

As you approach Moate, the Dún na Sí Amenity and Heritage Park—located about 400 metres off the greenway—offers a worthwhile stop with playgrounds, a wetland reserve, sculptures, refreshments and cultural heritage displays.

Returning to the greenway, you soon reach Moate Station, which features in the 1978 film *The Great Train Robbery*. The preserved station house, footbridge and platform remain. Moate town is a short 350 metre walk from the greenway. Continuing on, the route moves back into open countryside, passing the former stations at Streamstown and Castletown. At Streamstown, a café occupies the old station building.

9-14

Castletown Geoghegan to Mullingar

11.5 km

At Castletown Station, you can turn right and travel 2.5 kilometres on-road for the village of Castletown-Geoghegan. As you continue on the greenway, you will reach Ballinea after 7 kilometres which marks the meeting point of the Old Rail Trail and the Royal Canal Greenway.

The two routes then continue in parallel as you approach Mullingar with the surroundings becoming more urban, there are multiple access points within the town. Mullingar is a large town with plentiful accommodation and refreshment options as well as excellent public transport links.

Map Legend

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|  Parking |  Information |  Historic Site |
|  Train Station |  Restaurant |  Refreshments |
|  Bus Stop |  Picnic Area |  Marina |
|  Bike Repair |  Water Fountain | |
|  EV Charging |  Accommodation |  Royal Canal Greenway |