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**Board Direction**  
**BD-016484-24**  
**ABP-317164-23**

At a meeting held on 29/05/2024, the Board considered:

- (a) the objections made to the Compulsory Purchase Order,
- (b) the report of the Inspector and
- (c) the documents and submissions on file generally.

The Board decided to confirm the Order without modification for the reasons and considerations as indicated hereunder.

### **Reasons and Considerations**

Having considered the objections made to the compulsory purchase order, and not withdrawn, the report and recommendation of the Inspector, the purpose for which the lands are to be acquired as set out in the compulsory purchase order, and having regard to the following:

- (a) the constitutional and Convention protection afforded to property rights,
- (b) the substandard infrastructure provided for along the existing route,
- (c) the community need, and public interest served and overall benefits, including benefits to a range of road users to be achieved from use of the acquired lands,

- (d) the design response, which has been appropriately tailored to the identified need,
- (e) the suitability of the lands and the necessity of their acquisition to facilitate the provision of the Swords to City Centre Core Bus Corridor,
- (f) the policies and objectives of the Dublin City Development Plan 2022-2028,
- (g) the policies and objectives of the Fingal Development Plan 2023-2029, and
- (h) the submissions made to the Board,

it is considered that, the acquisition by the National Transport Authority of the lands in question, and the restriction of public rights of way, and acquisition of private rights of way, on a temporary and permanent basis as set out in the compulsory purchase order and on the deposited maps, is necessary for the purpose stated, which is a legitimate objective being pursued in the public interest, and that the compulsory purchase order and its effects on the property rights of affected landowners are proportionate to that objective and justified by the exigencies of the common good.

In reaching this conclusion, the Board agrees with, and adopts the analysis contained in the Inspector's report.

**Board Member:**



Tom Rabbette

**Date:** 05/06/2024