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At a meeting held on 23/09/2025, the Commission 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 Commission decided to confirm the Order with modifications based on the reasons and considerations set out below.

Reasons and Considerations

Having considered the objections made to the Compulsory Purchase Order, the report of the Inspector who considered the objections, the purpose of the Compulsory Purchase Order to facilitate the delivery of BusConnects; sustainable public transport and active travel infrastructure, and also having regard to:

- (a) the constitutional and convention protection afforded to property rights,
- (b) the substandard infrastructure provided for along the existing route,
- (c) the strategic nature of the scheme in the context of reducing carbon emission and climate change,
- (d) 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,

- (e) the proportionate design response to the identified need,
- (f) the suitability of the lands and the necessity of their acquisition to facilitate the provision of the BusConnects Sustainable Public Transport and Active travel Scheme,
- (g) the policies and objectives of the Galway City Development Plan 2023- 2029,
- (h) the submissions made at to the Commission, and,
- (i) the report and recommendation of the Inspector,

it is considered that the acquisition of these lands on a permanent and temporary basis, restriction, acquisition and interference of rights of way, by Galway City Council, 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 Commission agrees with and adopts the analysis contained in the report of the person who conducted the assessment of the objections and agrees to confirm the Compulsory Purchase Order including the alterations to the proposed land take from Flannery's (Plot No. 214.a.101, 214.b.201) and ATU (Plot No. 220.a.101, 220.c.201) as described in the amended relevant extracts from the CPO schedule set out in Table 2-4 Proposed Revised Compulsory Purchase Order No. BCGDR-CPO-0001-2025 Schedule Part I Page 27 set out in Galway City Council Response to Submission and CPO Objections dated June 2025. Revised deposit map and server maps addressing this amendment are included in Appendix A of Galway City Councils Response to Submissions and Objections dated June 2025.

SCHEDULE

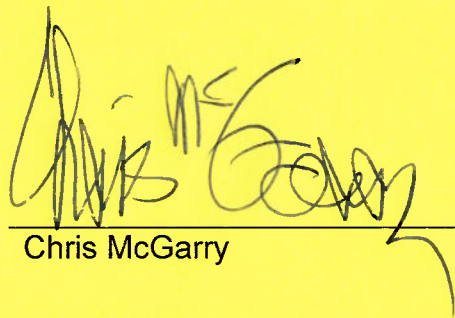
The compulsory purchase order (Deposit Maps and Schedules) shall be modified as follows:

Alteration to **Plot Number. 214.a.101, 214.b.201** and **Plot Number. 220.a.101, 220.c.201** as described in the amended relevant extracts from the CPO schedule set out in Table 2-4 Proposed Revised Compulsory Purchase Order No. BCGDR-CPO-0001-2025 Schedule Part I Page 27 set out in Galway City Council Response to Submission and CPO Objections dated June 2025.

Reason: To take account of updated information.

Planning

Commissioner:



Chris McGarry

Date: 23/09/2025