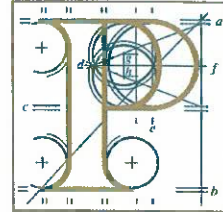


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Galway City Council
Transportation Unit
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Date: 18 May 2022

Re: BusConnects Galway: Cross-City Link (University Road to Dublin Road)
University Road to Dublin Road, Galway City

Dear Sir / Madam,

I have been asked by An Bord Pleanála to refer to the above-mentioned pre-application consultation case.

The Board has agreed that the pre-application consultations are formally closed.

A copy of the Board Direction is enclosed, including a list of the prescribed bodies which the Board considers should be formally notified of any planning application.

Please quote the above-mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,

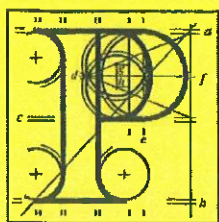


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**Board Direction
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The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 17th May 2022.

Galway City Council requested pre-application consultations under Section 51 A of the Roads Act 1993, as amended, for the development of the BusConnects Galway, Cross City Link project. Two pre-application consultation meetings took place between An Bord Pleanála and the prospective applicant on 13th January 2022 and 29th March 2022 respectively. The prospective applicant requested to close the pre-application consultation on 14th April 2022.

The Board considered the Inspector's Report and the information on the file. The Board noted that advice was provided and that the prospective applicant now wishes to close the consultation stage. The Board decided to close the consultation stage, following which the prospective applicant may apply to the Board for the approval of the roads project.

A recommended list of prescribed bodies who should be forwarded copies of the application document is provided as an appendix.

Appendix 1. List of Prescribed Bodies

A recommended list of Prescribed Bodies who should be forwarded copies of the application documentation is as follows:

- Section 51(3)(b) of the Roads Act 1993, as amended, lists the following bodies:
 - (i) The Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland.
 - (ii) Bord Fáilte Éireann.
 - (iii) An Taisce – the National Trust for Ireland.
 - (iv) The Environmental Protection Agency.
 - (v) Any other prescribed body or person.
- The Board considers that the following prescribed bodies, as per section 51(3)(b)(v) above, should also be notified:
 - (i) Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage.
 - (ii) Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications.
 - (iii) Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media.
 - (iv) Minister for Transport.
 - (v) Northern and Western Regional Assembly.
 - (vi) Irish Water.
 - (vii) Inland Fisheries Ireland.
 - (viii) Transport Infrastructure Ireland.
 - (ix) National Transport Authority.
 - (x) The Heritage Council.
 - (xi) An Chomhairle Ealaíon.

Board Member

Maria FitzGerald

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Date:

17th May 2022