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Oral Hearing Agenda ABP 321752-25

Case	Compulsory Purchase Order of land at Lee's Cross Junction in the townlands of Ballyelan, Ballyhashig & Ballynoe, County Limerick. Compulsory Purchase Order 2025.
Date	Thursday, 05 th June 2025
Start Time	10.00 am
Location	Online – MS Teams

The purpose of the oral hearing is to provide an opportunity for all parties, who wish to do so, to make further submissions and to allow the Inspector to seek clarification on any relevant issues arising and objections made. Parties will also have the opportunity to ask questions or seek clarification on submissions made at the hearing.

There is no obligation on any party to make a submission to the oral hearing or to ask questions of the other parties. All written submissions already received will be considered by the Inspector and the Board. For this reason, submissions previously made in writing need not be reiterated at the oral hearing.

All parties are requested to be mindful of the nature of this application and to ensure that presentations or questions are relevant to the nature of this CPO. You are reminded that the Board has no role or jurisdiction in the determination, or the assessment, of compensation and that any submission made to this hearing should bear this in mind, as no discussion regarding compensation will be facilitated.

On completion of the oral hearing, the Inspector will prepare a report and recommendation on the case for the Board. The decision to confirm or annul the CPO will be made by the Board.

The Board may direct the payment of a contribution towards the costs to any person appearing at an oral hearing, which have been incurred by that person, as a consequence of appearing at the hearing. Any payment will be at the Board's discretion. Any application for costs should be made in writing to the Board within three weeks of the date of this hearing.

If you intend to provide a written copy of your submission or use visual aids when speaking (presentations, maps, photos, etc.), these should be submitted in a digital format to the Board at least 3 working days in advance of participation in the hearing (and will be retained on the case file after the oral hearing).

Submissions presented to this oral hearing will be recorded by a service provider organised by An Bord Pleanála. You are not permitted to record the proceedings of the oral hearing.

The agenda and order of appearance for the oral hearing is set out below, along with a timetable. Parties should please note that this timetable is indicative only and may vary during the course of the oral hearing.

	AGENDA
	10.00am: Opening of Hearing by Inspector
1	<p>10.15am: <u>Submission by Limerick City and County Council:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Brief overview of the proposed CPO, including a request for the Council to clarify and describe the design and layout of the proposed junction improvement scheme, as no design drawings have been included with the documentation to date. ii. Justification for the proposed acquisition of land, with reference to the following key criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The acquisition is required to meet a clearly identified community need. ▪ The lands proposed to be acquired are suitable and necessary to meet that need. ▪ The proposed works are in accordance with the relevant Development Plan. ▪ Alternatives to the acquisition have been assessed and found not to be feasible or available. ▪ The CPO represents a proportionate response to the identified need, with due consideration given to the Objector's rights and interests, and with any interference being justified in the context of the common good. iii. Council response to written submissions made by the Objector. <p>[30 minutes.]</p>
2	10.45am: Break (15 mins)
3	<p>11.00am: <u>Submission by Objector, elaborating on the written submission:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mr. John O'Brien ▪ Followed directly by a response from Limerick City and County Council <p>[50 minutes.]</p>
4	<p>11.50am: <u>Questioning between parties as follows:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Objector to Limerick City and County Council

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ii. Limerick City and County Council to Objector iii. Objector to Limerick City and County Council iv. Limerick City and County Council to Objector v. Inspector to Limerick City and County Council and/or Objector <p>[60 mins.]</p>
5	<p>12.50pm: <u>Closing Comments (if required):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Mr. John O'Brien ii. Limerick City and County Council <p>[Should be no new issues or material not permitted.]</p>
6	<p>1.00pm: Closing of Oral Hearing by Inspector</p>