

Oral Hearing Agenda ABP-310801-21

Opening	Wednesday 25 th January 2023
Date	
Start Time	10.00am
Location	An Bord Pleanála Offices, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1
Description	Abbey Street Lower-Marlborough Street-Eden Quay-Old Abbey Street
	Area Compulsory Purchase (Abbey Theatre Redevelopment/ Cultural/
	Amenity) Order 2021

Time	Topic
10.00am	Opening of Oral Hearing
	 Housekeeping items,
	Inspector's opening statement.
10.10am	Submission by Dublin City Council (50 mins max)
	 Overview of the CPO,
	 Description of development facilitated by the CPO,
	including the intention for the land (each plot),
	 Justification for the land acquisition,
	Outline of alternatives considered,
	Overview of policy context for development,
	Responses to the written submissions of objectors, including:
	- Validity of CPO procedure,
	- Right to compulsory purchase land on behalf/ for the benefit
	of the Abbey Theatre,
	- Demonstration of the 'common good' being served, and
	- Intentions and for Old Abbey Street.

11.00am	Break
11.30am	Submissions by Objectors
	 Presentation of cases (30 mins each max),
	Order of Appearance for Objectors:
	- Traian Cracuin,
	- Michael Hegarty and Mary Hegarty, and
	- Roy Wilson.
1.00pm	Lunch Break
2.00pm	Questioning between the parties (if required, 45 mins max):
	(i) Objectors to Dublin City Council,
	(ii) Dublin City Council to Objectors, and
	(iii) Inspector to Dublin City Council, and/ or Objectors.
2.45pm	Closing Statements (if required, with no new issues to be raised):
	- Dublin City Council (10 mins max), and
	- Objectors (10 mins each max).
3.30pm	Closing of Oral Hearing by Inspector

Important Notes:

- 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 the submissions made at the oral 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.

- Parties are reminded that the Board has no role or jurisdiction in the determination, or the assessment of compensation, and that any submission made to the oral hearing should be cognisant of this as no discussion regarding compensation will be facilitated.
- To assist the operation of the oral hearing, if parties intend to provide a written statement (inclusive of any plans and/ or drawings) as a submission or use of visual aids when speaking (presentations with maps, photographs, etc.), hard and/ or soft copies of these are requested to be submitted to An Bord Pleanála at least 2 working days in advance of participation in the oral hearing, and these will be retained on the case file after the oral hearing.
- If not already provided, at the opening of the oral hearing, 2 no. hard copies of submissions and any visual aids are required by the Inspector for the case file. Additionally, hard copies of submissions and any visual aids are required to be provided for circulation to the other parties.
- Submissions made to this oral hearing will be recorded by a service provider organised by An Bord Pleanála. Parties are not permitted to record the proceedings of the oral hearing.
- 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 agenda and order of appearance for the oral hearing is set out above, along with a timetable. Parties should note that this timetable is indicative and may vary during the course of the oral hearing.