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SECTION 131 FORM

Appeal NO: ABP 314485-22Defer Re O/H ☐Having considered the contents of the submission (dated) received 14/12/2023
fromLouise Young I recommend that section 131 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000
be/not be invoked at this stage for the following reason(s): no new material issuesE.O.: Pat BuiDate: 19/12/2023

For further consideration by SEO/SAO

Section 131 not to be invoked at this stage. ☐Section 131 to be invoked – allow 2/4 weeks for reply. ☐

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Please prepare BP _____ - Section 131 notice enclosing a copy of the attached
submission

to: _____ Task No: _____

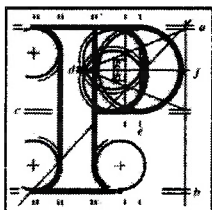
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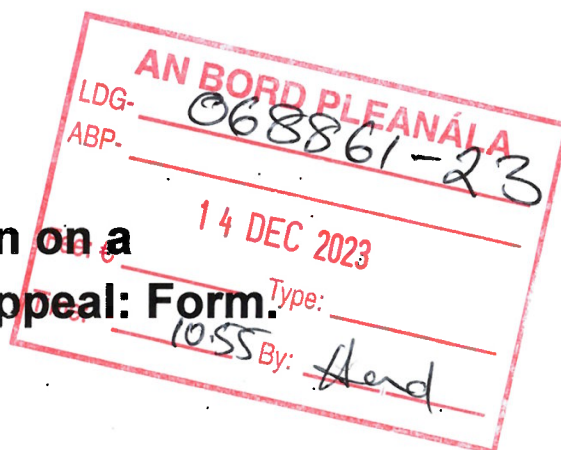
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Observation on a Planning Appeal: Form



Your details

1. Observer's details (person making the observation)

If you are making the observation, write your full name and address.

If you are an agent completing the observation for someone else, write the observer's details:

Your full details:

(a) Name

Click or tap here to enter text.

Louise Young.

(b) Address

Click or tap here to enter text.

"Turbury" Streamstown, Malahide
Co. Dublin

Agent's details

2. Agent's details

If you are an agent and are acting for someone else **on this observation**, please also write your details below.

If you are not using an agent, please write "Not applicable" below.

(a) Agent's name

Click or tap here to enter text.

(b) Agent's address

Click or tap here to enter text.

Postal address for letters

3. During the appeal process we will post information and items to you **or** to your agent. For this observation, who should we write to? (Please tick ✓ one box only.)

You (the observer) at the address in Part 1

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The agent at the address in Part 2

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Details about the proposed development

4. Please provide details about the appeal you wish to make an observation on. If you want, you can include a copy of the planning authority's decision as the observation details.

(a) Planning authority

(for example: Ballytown City Council)

Fingal County Council

(b) An Bord Pleanála appeal case number (if available)

(for example: ABP-300000-19)

PL06F.314485

(c) Planning authority register reference number

(for example: 18/0123)

F20A/0668

(d) Location of proposed development

(for example: 1 Main Street, Baile Fearainn, Co Abhaile)

Dublin Airport

Observation details

5. Please describe the grounds of your observation (planning reasons and arguments). You can type or write them in the space below or you can attach them separately.

To Whom It May Concern,

I am compelled to address the severe implications arising from the Dublin Airport Authority's (DAA) recent utilisation of the new runway, which deviates significantly from the initially approved operational plans. As a resident I have firsthand experience of the adverse effects caused by these unauthorised changes, particularly the increase in nighttime flights and deviation from the agreed flight path.

The original flight path, approved over a decade ago, was a product of extensive consultations and considerations, balancing the needs of airport development with community welfare. The current trajectory, however, indicates a blatant disregard for these carefully laid plans. This breach not only erodes community trust but also has dire consequences for residents' health and well-being.

Impact of Nighttime Flights on Sleep and Health

The increase in nighttime flights has had a profound impact on sleep patterns in our community. Research consistently shows the critical importance of sleep for health. For instance, a study in the Journal of Clinical Sleep Medicine highlights that noise pollution, especially during nighttime, significantly disrupts sleep architecture and leads to health problems (Krahn, 2017).

The Irish Aviation Authority (IAA) and European Union regulations emphasise the importance of minimising noise pollution from airports. The EU Directive 2002/49/EC, transposed into Irish law, mandates the assessment and management of environmental noise. The deviation from approved flight paths and the increase in nighttime flights are not only a health hazard but also a potential violation of these regulations.

Economic and Social Implications

The health and productivity of local communities are directly impacted by these operational changes. Sleep deprivation, as noted in a study by the Sleep Research Society (Watson, 2018), leads to decreased cognitive function, increased absenteeism, and lower productivity. This directly affects the economic vitality of businesses in our area.

Legal and Ethical Considerations

The deviation from the agreed-upon flight paths potentially contravenes the Planning and Development Acts of Ireland, which emphasise the need for adherence to approved plans. The DAA's current operations could be viewed as a violation of these statutory requirements, raising serious legal and ethical concerns.

Call for Action

In light of these facts, I strongly urge a re-evaluation of the current runway usage at Dublin Airport. It is imperative that the DAA adheres to the originally approved flight paths and operational guidelines, particularly limiting nighttime flights. Any plans to extend operations to include unlimited flights must be reconsidered, given the profound health, economic, and legal implications.

I call upon the relevant authorities to enforce adherence to the agreed terms and conditions of the runway's operation. This includes strict compliance with both Irish laws and EU directives concerning environmental noise and community welfare.

The health, well-being, and trust of the Fingal community are at stake. Immediate action is necessary to rectify the current situation and prevent further harm to our community.

References:

1. Krahn, L. (2017). "Impact of Airport Noise Pollution on Sleep: A Review." Journal of Clinical Sleep Medicine.
2. Watson, N.F. (2018). "The Impact of Sleep Deprivation on Productivity and Performance." Sleep Research Society.
3. EU Directive 2002/49/EC.
4. Planning and Development Acts, Ireland.