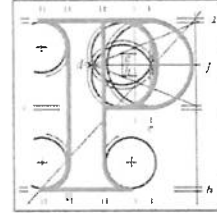


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**An  
Bord  
Pleanála**

Finola Connolly  
29 Villiers Rd  
Rathgar  
Dublin 6

**Date:** 24 April 2024

**Re:** Bus Connects Templeogue/Rathfarnham to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme  
Templeogue/Rathfarnham to City Centre

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent submission in relation to the above-mentioned proposed road development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter.

Please note that the proposed road development shall not be carried out unless the Board has approved it or approved it with modifications.

If you have any queries in the mean time, please contact the undersigned officer of the Board at [laps@pleanala.ie](mailto:laps@pleanala.ie)

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

Yours faithfully,

Eimear Reilly  
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## Eimear Reilly

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**From:** LAPS  
**Sent:** Tuesday 26 March 2024 13:37  
**To:** f [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: ABP-316272-23 - Submission

Good afternoon Finola

I acknowledge receipt of your email. A formal acknowledgement will issue by post.

Kind regards

Eimear

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 26, 2024 12:05 PM  
**To:** LAPS <laps@pleanala.ie>  
**Subject:** ABP-316272-23 - Submission

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**Case Reference – ABP 316272-23**  
**Finola Connolly 29 Villiers Rd., Rathgar Dublin 6**

Dear Sir/Madam

The response to the initial submissions was very comprehensive and captured all the submissions very well. I was satisfied that my concerns about the impact for Highfield Rd and adjoining roads in Rathgar were noted but no satisfactory answer given other than to repeat the initial findings, I still hold and wish it to be noted again that the impact has not been correctly assessed. I fully acknowledge I am looking at it from a limited lay person's perspective but the common sense factor of it doesn't add up.

The <https://templeoguerathfarnhamscheme.ie/wp-content/uploads/sites/10/2023/03/Appendix-A6.1-Transport-Impact-Assessment.pdf> shows the following stats re reduction of traffic in PM on Rathgar Rd. Rathgar Rd is to be closed to outbound traffic so this makes sense.

Table 6.49 Road Links that Experience a Reduction of  $\geq 100$  Combined Flows **during PM Peak Hour** (Direct Study Area) show the following reductions in traffic in Rathgar Rd in pm

Section 3 Rathgar Rd reduction  $782 - 70 = 712$

Section 4 Rathgar Rd Reduction  $1072 - 581 = 491$

I appreciate that there are assumptions of traffic reduction due to the improved bus scheme which is very welcome. However some of this outbound **pm** traffic will reroute onto Highfield Rd as a very obvious re route for those traveling to Rathgar Terenure. Other changes as follows will also facilitate and encourage this

A right-hand turn has been introduced onto

- Highfield Rd from Upp Rathmines Rd which will encourage this.

- Off Highfield Rd onto Rathgar Rd. I appreciate this is to facilitate resident on Rathgar Rd accessing their homes but it will also encourage others to reroute.

AND

The island in front of Supervalu is to be removed. The run from Upp Rathmines Rd to Rathgar via Highfield Rd will be opened up and made much easier.

It is difficult to see how it can be alleged that there will be no impact on Highfield Rd. in **the PM**.

Also, I appreciate that the consultation process is taking place properly now but I will repeat the only way that people in our area became aware of this programme was when the Fine Gael Councillors arranged a meeting a few weeks before the submission date. This is not acceptable.

Many thanks for your consideration.

Kind Regards  
Finola Connolly