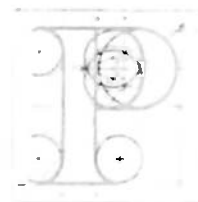


Our Case Number: ABP-314232-22



**An
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Sonja Brennan
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Date: 08 December 2023

Re: DART+ West Railway Order - Dublin City to Maynooth and M3 Parkway
County Dublin, County Meath, County Kildare

Dear Sir / Madam,

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

The Board will revert to you in due course with regard to the matter.

More detailed information in relation to strategic infrastructure development can be viewed on the Board's website: www.pleanala.ie.

If you have any queries in the meantime please contact the undersigned officer of the Board at laps@pleanala.ie. 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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Lauren Griffin

From: Lauren Griffin
Sent: Friday 8 December 2023 13:57
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Case number: ABP-314232-22 - observation on further information

A Chara,

We acknowledge receipt of your email; official acknowledgement will issue in due course.

Kind Regards,

Lauren Griffin

From: Sonja Brennan <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Thursday, December 7, 2023 1:36 PM
To: SIDS <sids@pleanala.ie>
Subject: Case number: ABP-314232-22 - observation on further information

Good afternoon,

I refer to case number ABP-314232-22 and the further information that was published, as I was made aware of via your letter of 23 October.

I understand from Niamh Thornton that an observation on this further information can be submitted by e-mail (without a fee) as I already submitted an observation on the SID last October. Please find attached my additional observation.

Kind regards,
Sonja

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Date: 7 December 2023

Re: Case number ABP-314232-22

Dear Sir/Madam,

I refer to your letter dated 23 October 2023 in relation to the above case number regarding the DART+ West Railway Order, and the further information published, being the Update to the Natura Impact Statement.

In the context of this, I would like to highlight again the negative impact the proposed substation development at Confey will have on the local environment. The extensive reduction in green space, the removal of trees, including mature Irish oak trees, and the additional pollution caused by the increased traffic will all provide harm to the local wildlife and fauna, as well as the air quality for local residents.

I have not seen evidence that this has been sufficiently assessed or considered. The choice of location seems to be based on what is the most convenient option for the applicant rather than what is the optimal option for the environment.

I refer to my full observation on this case which I submitted last October 2022 for further details.

I thank you for the opportunity to submit observations on this case.

Yours sincerely,

Sonja Brennan