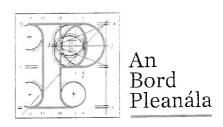
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Andrew Whelan 14 Stonepark Abbey Rathfarnam Dublin 14 D14 T1W4

Date: 31 October 2024

Re: Railway (Metrolink - Estuary to Charlemont via Dublin Airport) Order [2022]

Metrolink. Estuary through Swords, Dublin Airport, Ballymun, Glasnevin and City Centre to

Charlemont, Co. Dublin

Dear Sir / Madam.

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent letter in relation to the above mentioned case. The contents of your letter have been noted.

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 relation to the matter 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,

Executive Officer

Direct Line: 01-8737263

RA03

Lauren Griffin

From:

LAPS

Sent:

Thursday 31 October 2024 15:44

To:

'ANDREW WHELAN'

Subject:

RE: Metrolink Acknowlegment letter

A Chara,

The Board acknowledges receipt if your email, official correspondence will issue in due course.

Kind regards,

Lauren

From: ANDREW WHELAN <andywhelan1@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday 31 October 2024 13:33

To: LAPS < laps@pleanala.ie>

Subject: Metrolink Acknowlegment letter

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Good Afternoon.

May i respectfully ask when one expects to get an acknowledgement letter for my email submission sent to LAPS on 7th inst.

Kind regards:

Andrew Whelan.

14 Stonepark Abbey Rathfarnham D14 T1W4 7 Oct 2024

An Bord Pleanála 64 Marlborough Street Dublin 1 D01 V902

Re: Railway (Metrolink-Estuary to Charlemont via Dublin Airport) Order {2022}

Sir/ Madam.

I am submission No10 and I made an Oral presentation to the ABP Inspectors on Wed 27th Mar 2024. A copy of my Oral presentation with 6 questions was handed to the Inspector.

I wish to make the following comment in relation to my Oral submission and the additional documentation received by the Board during the hearing.

Oral Hearing.

I was disappointed with the vague / no committal replies from TII Senior Council to my 6 questions. My sole objective was to future proof Metrolink and I wish to formally record the fact that if constructed as presented, Metrolink may very well limit any planned DAA Airport expansion.

Additional documentation submitted to ABP.

I note the agreement between TII and the DAA on Day 5: Book 3 of 3.

Of particular note is item No 2 which states:

Future potential development: The Metrolink structures shall be constructed so as to accommodate future development above the stations and tunnels.

On 1st inst I met with a DAA representative and outlined how the proposed shallow tunnel depth as section AA at ML RO 302 D-E could jeopardise the construction of a possible APM (Automatic People Mover) above the metro tunnel.

Were TII to delay the incline SB from the Dublin Airport station to the additional Airport Tunnel drawings (submitted by TII on Day 6 Book 1 of 1) would give DAA greater flexibility and depth {centrally located <u>airside</u> between T1 & T2} to construct a screened passenger APM link at Level -1 to DAA's indicative Western Satellite Pier.

Conclusion:

The Inspectors are aware of how the Grand Canal main sewer prevented a metrolink gradient connection to the Ranelagh Luas station platform.

Airport expansion woes are topical therefore I trust that the applicant, DAA and ABP are forewarned and minded to future proof Metrolink.

Yours

A Whelan.