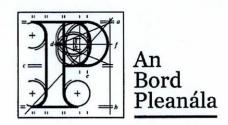
Our Case Number: ABP-314724-22



Jian Cheng and Family 164 Ballymun Road Dublin 9

Date: 25 November 2022

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

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

Charlemont, Co. Dublin

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent submission (including your fee of €50) 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.

Please be advised, there is no fee for an affected landowner, listed on the schedule, to make an observation on this case, therefore, a refund of €50 will be made to the credit/debit card used to make the online observation.

Please be advised that copies of all submissions/observations received in relation to the application will be made available for public inspection at the offices of the relevant County Council(s) and at the offices of An Bord Pleanála when they have been processed by the Board.

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

Yours faithfully,

Niamh Hickey
Executive Officer

Direct Line: 01-8737145

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Name: Jian Cheng

Address: 164 Ballymun Road, Dublin 9

I am lodging submission/observation on behalf of myself, my wife Yi Zhang, my daughter Megan Cheng and my son Max Cheng. We absolutely oppose to the proposal of construction of Glasnevin Metro station within the Metro link project along the Ballymun Road, in particular about the plan to construct the underground metro directly under my house on 164 Ballymun Road, Dublin 9.

- There will be major disruption on this end of Ballymun Road, the project will severely effect residents on the main road and we'll all face major issues with accessing our properties, traffic disruption, noise, vibration, dirt and dust to mention a few.
- There is the Our Lady of Victories national school across road from my house, on normal days, the parents park their cars along footpath of both sides of the road during drop off and collection. The project will majorly disrupt these activities and create a major safety hazards for the parents, the children and the local residents.
- 3. Then there is the relocation of all services(drainage, sewerage, electricity, water, gas) to the eastern side of Ballymun road before station construction even commences.
- 4. The station construction itself will require 7-10 years duration with associated road closures and traffic gridlock, with no vehicle access to my own house.
- 5. Furthermore, there is also the construction and excavation of the proposed shaft in the Albert college park, which is also a major project itself.
- The construction will inevitably causing damage to our house as well as the long term structure effect on our property since the underground tunnel running directly underneath our house. Think about the noise, the vibration each time the metro passes through underneath.

We are a young family of myself, my wife, my two young children, Megan and Max who are only 8 years old and 6 years old. Both myself and my wife are working from home for the foreseeable future, hence our house is also our place of work for which we will be present at all times. We cannot tolerate the noise, pollution and vibration that will be caused during the construction directly outside and underneath my house. We are also deeply fearful of the safety of our house due to tunnel being constructed directly underneath our house, we are even more fearful of the safety on ourselves day in and day out during the construction period that will last well beyond the 7-10 years that was estimated for this part of the project. I cannot accept that my children to grow up during their most vulnerable times on a construction site for best part of their youth.

I am also deeply concerned in respect of hugely increased population footfall after the station being in place, in terms of anti-social behaviour etc. The local residents all firmly believe that the Metro Station should be redesigned and built within the Albert College Park instead of building a ventilation shaft.

We as a family had been extremely stressful about the planning proposal, we believe the current planed project will make our lives a living nightmare, essentially making our current location an inhabitable environment. We are pleading with the authority to reject the current planning proposal and order TII to redesign their planning please.

We will so much appreciate your support.

Kind regards,

Jian Cheng