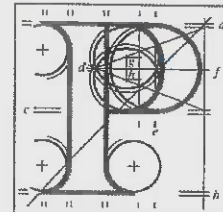
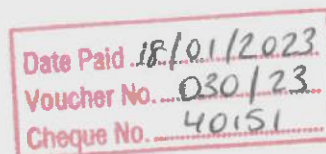


Our Case Number: ABP-314724-22



An
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Pleanála

John and Josianne Bullows
17 Dartmouth Square
Dublin 6



Date: 18 JAN 2023

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 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 cheque refund of €50 is enclosed.

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,

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November 21, 2022

Re: Metrolink Terminus

Case Reference Number: NA29N.314724

Our names are Professor John Bullows and Mrs. Josianne Deloire Bullows and we live at 17 Dartmouth Square Dublin 6. I am writing regarding the proposed development of a Terminus for the Metrolink project at Charlemont, Dublin 6, under the Railway Order 2022 (Metrolink – Estuary to Charlemont) Ref No NA29N.314724. I have paid the required fee of €50.

As owners of 17 Dartmouth Square, we are opposed to the acquisition of the land under our property, both in terms of the amount of building and disturbance it would create but also the vibrations of the power of the metro structure which, in such proximity, would affect the integrity of our house and the neighbouring houses and would be a cause of devaluation.

TII admitted at a Metrolink meeting that it was possible to position the proposed metro under the Carroll's building. This would be a better solution for Dartmouth Square residents.

By positioning the terminus centrally in St Stephen's Green, passengers can avail of other forms of transport such as luas, bus, coach, taxi and rail, in an area that can absorb future major transport activity on the scale of a Metrolink southside terminus.

In Charlemont, there are no bus tops, coach stops or taxi ranks on the boundary roads and to introduce them, would be creating an unimaginable chaos, and Luas would not connect. The canal road is congested and blocked in the morning and evening. It would be dangerous for a car or a taxi to stop to drop or collect a passenger in the middle of the traffic. There is also very limited transport access to the location as it is defined from the East by the residential houses of Dartmouth Square and from the West by the very narrow residential Dartmouth Lane. To the South is Dartmouth Road which is also severely congested. This would become the point of entry for cars, buses, coaches and taxis and would have devastating consequences for the residents and also for Dublin traffic in general.

The logical location for the metro link in St Stephen's Green, in the city centre, where the amenities, attractions, shopping and cultural activities are.

The added cost of tunnelling and building a terminus in Charlemont cannot be justified as there are no advantages in building it there. On the opposite, one would face a minefield of traffic, human and environmental issues which would have to be reversed.

For all the reasons listed above and the impact it would have on a residential area and the environment, it would be inappropriate and prejudicial to position the metro directly behind Dartmouth Square and build a metro station with lifts and escalators at 1,5 m (5 feet) from our homes.

Yours sincerely,

John and Josianne Bullows

Melanie
Prof J Bullows

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