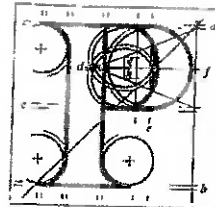


Our Case Number: ABP-316119-23

Planning Authority Reference Number:



**An
Bord
Pleanála**

John and Veronica Bolger
453 Landen Road
Ballyfermot
Dublin 10
D10 TD88

Date: 07 June 2023

Re: DART+ South West Electrified Heavy Railway Order - Hazelhatch & Celbridge Station to Heuston Station, and Hesuton Station to Glasnevin
County Dublin and County Kildare

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent submission and oral hearing request (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.

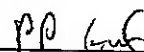
The Board has absolute discretion to hold an oral hearing in respect of any application before it, in accordance with section 218 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. Accordingly, the Board will inform you on this matter in due course.

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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**Submission to An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1.
D01V902. Dart+ South West Electrified Railway Order.**

AN BORD PLEANÁLA
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15 MAY 2023
Time: 13:10 Type: _____
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**Submission by John and Veronica Bolger, 453 Landen Road,
Ballyfermot, Dublin 10, D10TD88. Contact phone number**

SUBMISSION

We John and Veronica Bolger have huge concerns around the proposed works contained in the application for a Railway Order as outlined above. We will be surrounded on two sides with the construction works and underneath our property with supporting rods going from the rear wall to just under our front garden wall. At the rear it will be the installation of a Secant Piled wall and to side it will be the inconvenience of the compound being located there with track access for heavy machinery. We formally request to be invited along to any oral hearing that may be held by An Bord Pleanála in connection with the application. Listed below are our observations/concerns:

- Development Boundary / Compound Boundary / Compound Access Point / Track Access Point
- 11.10 construction of secant piled wall.
- 11.27 reinstatement of boundary treatment along CIE railway corridor boundary where existing boundary will be required to facilitate works.
- Distance between railway wall and new secant piled wall, if the gap is too big it will cause a rat run and access for dumping and access to each property, this needs clarification and discussion with homeowners.
- Noise of construction machinery/traffic/pile driving etc all at nighttime and weekends – sleep deprivation – people have to go to work
- Dirt and superficial damage to houses, gardens, cars etc.
- Unable to enjoy back garden and hanging out washing due to dirt in the air.
- Close proximity of High Voltage electric cables and any dangerous current coming off them – health hazard - there are already concerns locally around the carcinogenic risks from pylons and now we will have HV electrical cables right at the rear of our properties just feet away. Further discussion required on this and further information.
- Serious concerns around CIE's responsibility for future damage to the fabric and the foundations of the house/extension (deep foundations) also cobble lock in front garden and unsettling of that. Insulation on house is 14 years old will this stand up to vibrations of works and the placing of the rods under the house. Also sheds and contents in our Garden will they stand up to the pile driving and rods underneath the ground.

Our household will be hugely impacted during these works:

- Sleep deprivation
- View blocked as we will be surrounded by a compound for the duration of development.
- While the temporary bridges are under construction and while in-situ. Restricted access from Landen Road onto Kylemore Road and no left-hand turn from Landen Road onto Kylemore Road (route to work each day coming to and from huge re-route required, will have to leave earlier and contend with traffic backed up due to restrictions). Access to and from our garden.
- Noise of machinery entering and exiting the Compound and accessing the track day and night
- Unable to enjoy our back garden
- Ongoing dirt on house/windows/cars/garden furniture etc.
- Concerns around damage to house/foundations/gardens/sheds: short term is the Contractor – future damage that may occur will be CIE – We have requested an undertaking from CIE accepting responsibility for any future damage that may occur to our house and gardens in the future as a result of the works of the Dart+ South West Project.
- Future noise from DART trains due to increased frequency and closer proximity to house and natural sound barrier of the trees no longer existing
- There will be a charge on the deed of our house going forward if the works proceed. We are concerned that this will devalue our property and will have implications for Home Insurance costs going forward.
- There is no benefit for the local community with all this disruption and inconvenience, we will not have access to a train station at Kylemore Road bridge as this is not going in until a future project. The result is that we get all the inconvenience and life disruption but no access to or benefit of the new service. We will have to go through all this disruption again in the future when the new train station goes in. Surely it should be installed at the same time.

Please consider the people and families living along the route of this project and ensure we are listened to and our concerns addressed.