Our Case Number: ABP-318758-23 Your Reference: NPA-OBS-003124



Drogheda City Status Group c/o Anna and Eugene McKenna 78 George's Street Drogheda A92 F2WD

Date: 15 February 2024

Re: Proposed public realm improvement works known as the 'Westgate 2040 Project"

in Drogheda, County Louth

Dear Sir / Madam.

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent submission in relation to the above mentioned proposed development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter. Please accept this letter as a receipt for the fee of €50 that you have paid.

Please note that the proposed development shall not be carried out unless the Board has approved it or approved it with conditions.

If you have any queries in relation to the matter please do not hesitate to 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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SUBMISSION ON WESTGATE VISISION 2040

ABP 318758-23

Dear Sir/Madam

On behalf of Drogheda City Status Group and Eugene and Anna McKenna

I would like to make the following observations re above Westgate Vision and I would like to take this opportunity to state that I fully support Councillor Michelle Hall, former Mayor of Drogheda, on her excellent submission and I fully support her views.

(i) implications of the proposed development for proper planning and sustainable development in the area concerned.

In the overall view of the Westgate Vision I do not think the use of Corten steel is a suitable material visually wise. I would suggest a type of material more in keeping with the historic theme of Drogheda.

I would have concerns regarding the roofing, if any, of proposed Old Abbey and also future policing of this area.

It is important that serious consideration be given with regard to the derelict buildings in Narrow West Street.

Consideration should also be given to a designated Coach Park.

## **George's Square Area**

The traffic lights at bottom of George's Street need to be properly synchronized and sufficient other lighting needs to be included.

As George's Square is a very busy bus stop area I believe that the present toilets should be modernized and well maintained.

There is also a great need for a proper bus shelter to be sited in this Square. I often see bus users standing in heavy rain waiting for a bus to arrive to take them to work etc.

I would question if there is suitable wheelchair provision provided for wheelchair users in the area of George's Square.

I trust that you will take my observations into consideration.

Thanking you

Anna McKenna