Our Case Number: ABP-317121-23



Leo McNamee 22 St. Columba's Rd Lower Drumcondra Dublin 9

Date: 06 February 2024

Re: BusConnects Swords to City Centre Bus Corridor Scheme

Swords to Dublin City Centre

Dear Sir / Madam,

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

If you have any queries in relation to this 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,

Breda Ingle

**Executive Officer** 

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Subject:

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Leo McNamee, 22 St. Columba's Road Lower, Dublin 9

RE: St. Anne's Road junction with Drumcondra Road

To Whom It May Concern,

I would like to request that the decision that no interventions are proposed at Saint Anne's Road is reconsidered.

I take the point that the impact of the Proposed Scheme is negligible at this junction – the reduction of 32% in the number of private cars on the bus route during the PM peak is welcome.

However, I would like to emphasise that most of this rat-running traffic is coming from Conliffe Road (travelling west across to St. Anne's Road). This traffic only traverses the bus spine briefly. Please see original submission for details outlined on the map. Your response does not make reference to traffic crossing the spine and I expect there won't be such a big decrease here.

The response makes clear that the bus connects proposal itself won't make the issue here worse however the opportunity to make an improvement should be considered given that works to the junction are planned. A long-standing issue could be fixed relatively easily. This would have enormous support from local residents. As mentioned in the original submissions, local access is maintained by alternative routes and this junction was closed for a number of weeks recently for road works without any negative consequences.

In addition, the closure of the junction at St. Anne's Road could be considered as a public realm improvement. This is the ideal space to either extend the pocket park of put in place seating that could be used by the numerous adjacent cafes and restaurants.

I would be happy to discuss further with the team if helpful.

Best wishes,

Leo McNamee