

Andrew Keaveney Morgans Wine Merchants Morgan House 35 Pembroke Road Ballsbridge Dublin 4

**Date:** 18 July 2022

Re: BusConnects Belfield/Blackrock to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme

Co. Dublin

Dear Sir,

An Bord Pleanála has received your submission in relation to the case mentioned above 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 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 An Bord Pleanála when they have been processed by the Board.

For further information on this case please access our website at www.pleanala.ie and input the 6-digit case number into the search box. This number is shown on the top of this letter (for example: 303000).

Yours faithfully,

**Executive Officer** 

Direct Line: 01-8737287

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11/07/2022

Case Reference: HA29N.313509

The Secretary, An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to oppose the plans for the Bus Connects-Route 14 from UCD to City Centre. I have enclosed the fee of €50.00.

I have worked and employ 7 people in our offices at Morgans Wine Merchants, 35 Pembroke Road, Ballsbridge for the last 22 years. The Plans submitted make it impossible for us to run a fully operational business alike to the one we currently operate.

Customers will not be an able to access our office nor will we be able to get supplies as deliveries will be cut off and no clear availability of loading bays.

Apart from the impact on designated scenic routes and footpaths those of us living locally will suffer Very Significant Visual Impacts. We will no longer live in a peaceful rural area but rather an industrial landscape with a high level of buses commuting up and down our Georgian Street.

The destruction of the Kiosk and restricted access to the McCartney Bridge which dates from 1791 which people have used this Bridge with their families for centuries is another reminder of how flawed the current plans are. I have made a few points below:

- 1. From speaking with my neighbours who are both Residential and Commercial owners we are so concerned and fearful on the impact this plan will have on our Historical and beautiful area.
- 2. The Plans pre-date Covid and were planned to bring workers into the city centre.
- 3. Globally we are all being asked to rethink how important our neighbourhood is for all our future generations. Not destroy it.
- 4. Pembroke Road is the pedestrian route for all Matches and Concerts in the viaduct 60,000 use this route on match days.
- 5. Northumberland Road makes for a much easier proposal for this plan as it's a wider road and has a more direct route to the city centre.

I ask the Board to take my points into consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Keaveney
Managing Director

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