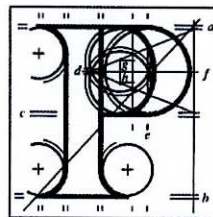


Our Case Number: ABP-314056-22



**An
Bord
Pleanála**

Helen Conlon
70 O'Reilly Avenue
Mount Brown
Dublin
Dublin 8

Date: 26 September 2022

Re: Liffey Valley to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme.
Fonthill Road to High Street all in the County of Dublin.

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your observation or 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 the Local Authority and 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,

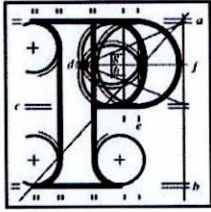


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Observation on a Strategic Infrastructure Development Application

Observer's details

1. Observer's details (person making the observation)

If you are making the observation, write your full name and address.

If you are an agent completing the observation for someone else, write the observer's details:

(a) Observer's
name

(b) Observer's
postal address

Agent's details

2. Agent's details (if applicable)

If you are an agent and are acting for someone else **on this observation**, please **also** write your details below.

If you are not using an agent, please write "Not applicable" below.

(a) Agent's name

(b) Agent's postal
address

Postal address for letters

3. During the process to decide the application, we will post information and items to you or to your agent. For this **current application**, who should we write to? (Please tick ✓ one box only)

You (the observer) at the postal address in Part 1

The agent at the postal address in Part 2

Details about the proposed development

4. Please provide details about the **current application** you wish to make an observation.

- (a) **An Bord Pleanála case number for the current application (if available)**
(for example: 300000)

- (b) **Name or description of proposed development**

- (c) **Location of proposed development**

(for example: 1 Main Street, Baile Fearainn, Co Abhaile)

Observation details

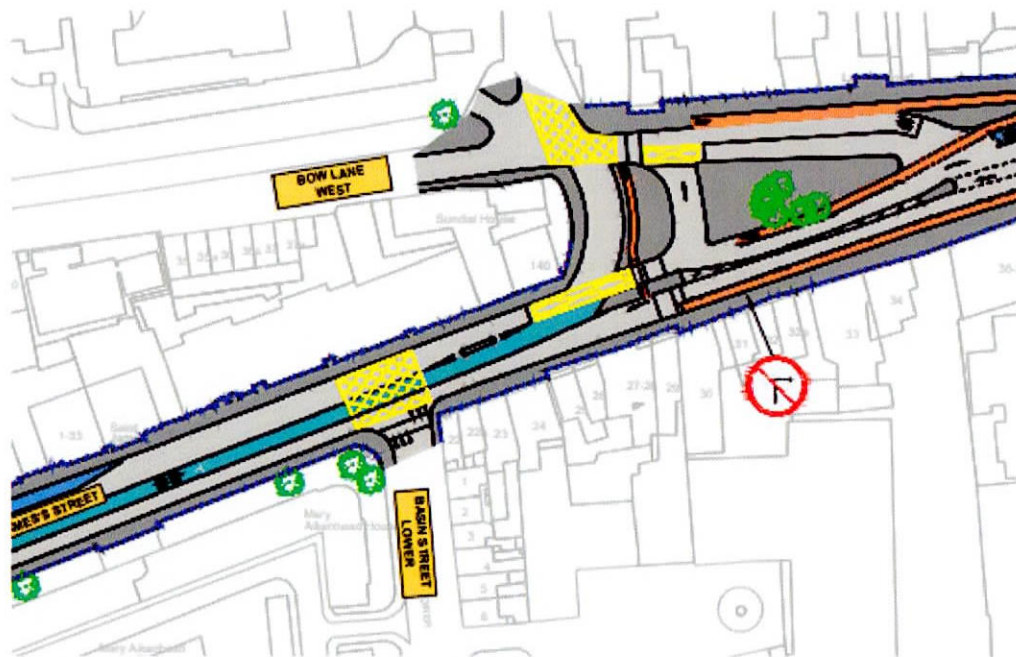
5. Grounds

Please describe the grounds of your observation (planning reasons and arguments). You can type or write them in the space below. There is no **word** limit as the box expands to fit what you write.

You can also insert photographs or images in this box. (See part 6 – Supporting materials for more information).

As part of the BusConnects plan, a Bus Gate is to be installed on Mount Brown. This Bus Gate prioritises hospital access, but has limited consideration for local residences. The Bus Gate will prevent residents of Ceannt Fort from taking a right hand turn towards the City Centre between 6am and 10am and a left turn from the estate towards Inchicore between 4pm and 8pm. This in turn, prevents direct access to our homes at these times depending on the route taken.

Bus connects specifically mention that access to our homes can be maintained through Bow Street West. The only way to access Bow Street West from the Inchicore direction is via Kilmainham Lane, as there is no right hand turn allowed onto Military Road from St. John's Road West (see Image 3). In addition to this, Bow Street West does not allow a right hand turn towards Mount Brown. This is noted on the Bus Connects plan, see image 1 below.



Also see image 2 showing no right hand turn from Bow Street towards Ceannt

Image 1 – From Bus Connects Plan Map 25 of preferred Route

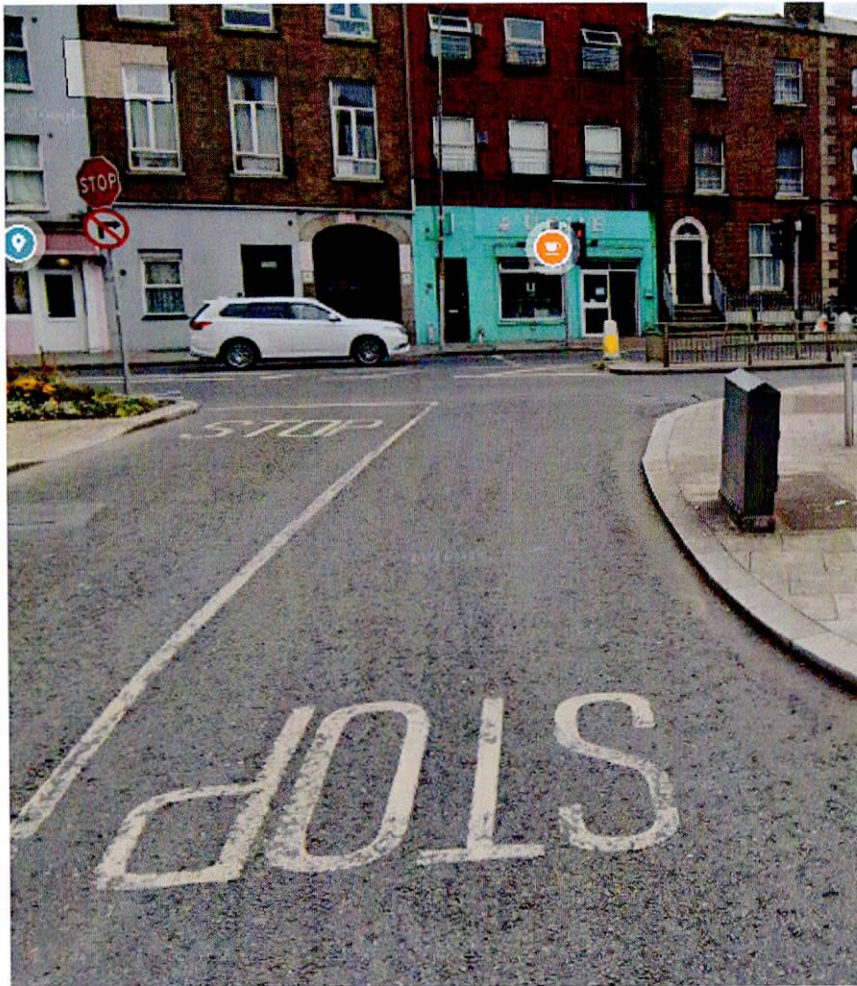


Image 2 – From Google Maps showing no right hand turn towards Ceannt Fort from Bow Street West.



Image 3 – From Google Maps showing no right hand turn towards Military Road from St. John's West Road

From the direction of the city centre, residents using the Bow Street Road to access Ceannt Fort will either travel through Kilmainham Lane or down Military Road. At this time, Kilmainham Lane is a two way route and is already under considerable pressures from heavy traffic. With the Bus Gate in place, this is likely to increase, putting additional pressures on a narrow road (see Image 4) and impacting residents in that area, including elderly person living in Alone supported accommodation. This will inevitably force Dublin City Council to address the issue, which will likely turn this route into a one way system. This will in turn affect access to Ceannt Fort.

See image 4.



Image 4 – Google Maps image of Kilmainham Lane

Supporting materials

6. If you wish, you can include supporting materials with your observation.

Supporting materials include:

- photographs,
- plans,
- surveys,
- drawings,
- digital videos or DVDs,
- technical guidance, or
- other supporting materials.

You can insert photographs and similar items in your observation details: grounds (part 5 of this form).

If your supporting materials are physical objects, you must send them together with your observation by post or deliver it in person to our office. You cannot use the online uploader facility.

Fee

7. You **must** make sure that the correct fee is included with your observation.

Observers (except prescribed bodies)

- strategic infrastructure observation is €50.
- there is no fee for an oral hearing request

Oral hearing request

8. If you wish to request the Board to hold an oral hearing, please tick the “Yes, I wish to request an oral hearing” box below.

You can find information on how to make this request on [our website](#) or by contacting us.

If you do not wish to request an oral hearing, please tick the “No, I do not wish to request an oral hearing” box.

Yes, I wish to request an oral hearing

No, I do not wish to request an oral hearing

Final steps before you send us your observations

9. If you are sending us your observation using **the online uploader facility**, remember to save this document as a Microsoft word or PDF and title it with:

- the case number and your name, or
- the name and location of the development and your name.

This also applies to prescribed bodies sending an observation by email.

If you are sending your observation to us by post or delivering in person, remember to print off all the pages of this document and send it to us.

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Initials		Initials	
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Notes