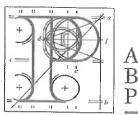
Our Case Number: ABP-314597-22

Your Reference: Kieran Devaney and Family



An Bord Pleanála

Profe Building Engineering and Planning Baile Eamonn An Spideal Co. Galway

Date: 30 November 2022

Re: BusConnects Galway Cross-City Link Scheme. University Road to Dublin Road, Galway City.

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent submission in relation to the above-mentioned proposed road development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter.

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

The Board has also received an application for confirmation of a compulsory purchase order which relates to this proposed road development. 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 in due course on this matter. The Board shall also make a decision on both applications at the same time.

If you have any queries in relation to this matter please contact the undersigned officer of the Board.

Please quote the above-mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,

Niamh Thornton **Executive Officer**

Direct Line: 01-8737247

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- I, GERARD DEVANEY SNR, aged 18 years and upwards do solemnly and sincerely declare as follows:-
- 1. I say that I started work in Eyre Square Market. Eyre Square, Galway from the age of 18 and have continued to trade there ever since.
- 2. I say to date I have been trading for 58 years in the Eyre Square Market, Eyre Square, Galway.
- 3. I make this solemn Declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the statutory Declarations Act 1938.

DECLARED before me, a practising solicitor by GERARD DEVANEY SNR and I know the deponent At Woodquay, Galway on the 14 day of Novangel

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 Eyre Square, Galway from the age of 12 and further say that I obtained my own
 Licence at the age of 18 and have continued to trade there ever since.
- 2. I say to date I have been trading for 31 years in the Eyre Square Market, Eyre Square, Galway.
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DECLARED before me, a practising solicitor by **KIERAN DEVANEY**

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- 2. I say to date I have been trading for 27 years in the Eyre Square Market, Eyre Square, Galway.
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- 2. I say to date I have been trading for 36 years in the Eyre Square Market, Eyre Square, Galway.
- 3. I make this solemn Declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the statutory Declarations Act 1938.

Gerard Devaney Jnr

DECLARED before me, a practising solicitor by **GERARD DEVANEY JNR**

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The Secretary,

An Bord Pleanála,

64 Marlborough Street,

Dublin 1.

Date: 16th November 2022

Our Ref: Bus Connect Galway - Cross City Link

Ref: Proposed Bus Connect Galway - Cross City Link (University Road to Dublin Road). HC61.311682, HA61.314597.

Dear Sirs,

We Refer to the above and confirm being retained by Mr. Kieran Devaney & Family, Current Licensee holders for a casual trading licence in Eyre Square to lodge an objection on their behalf to the current Strategic Infrastructure Development by Galway City Council for the Proposed Bus Connect Galway – Cross City Link (University Road to Dublin Road). HC61.311682, HA61.314597.

Supporting Documentation/An Bord Pleanála Fee;

I enclose copy of the following documentation:

- Copy of the objection to the development and copy of the objection to the CPO.
- (2) I enclose a cheque to the amount of €50.00 in payment of the objection fee to An Bord Pleanála.
- (3) Copy of the current casual trading license obtained from Galway City Council.



- (4) A Map prepared by Galway City Council showing the trading bays.
- (5) Signed affidavits from the Mr. Devaney and other family members involved in the business.
- (6) Extract page from CPO Document. Page 68. & Copy of CPO Map.

Introduction:

The basis for this objection/Submission relates to a specific section of the city where the proposed Bus Connect Galway – Cross City Link (University Road to Dublin Road). It should be noted that the Devaney family are not objecting to the development in full, they are objection to the CPO and development works which seriously impact and likely close their casual trading business which they have operated from this location since 1964.

The area in area in questions sits on Eyre Square directly opposite Supermacs – Imperial Hotel – Golden discs, covering the open area there. Below is a street view Image taken from Google street view archive in June of 2009 and you can see the Devaney family setting up their stales. The area in questions is outlined in red. The second image is a good street view image taken in October 2022, again you can see the trading area in full operation.



June 2009 Street View Image





October 2022 Street view

The Devaney family hold a valid casual trading licence each year issued by the local Authority Galway City Council. Galway City Council has not communicated with the Devaney family or any other trader during the entire process from initial concept — public display through to final design drawings and application to An Bord Pleanála. The letter received by the family in relation to the CPO was the first correspondence.

As it stands in this current proposal there has been no attempt to facilitate casual trading in this location or any other. No engagement by Local Authority. Total disregard for the continued operation of their family business.

This objection/submission and objection to the CPO is based on all the above and current situation facing the Devaney Family.

In 2011 the bye-laws were changed by the Councillors regarding casual trading and it was greed with the local Authority that the Devaney family could trade the way they were with 2 vans allowed into the designated trading area beside the stall.

Prior to the 2011 Bye-laws the Devaney family had several meetings with the local authority to reach an agreement regarding the trading areas, none was reached. The Local Authority took a legal case against the Devaney family in 2009/2010 to remove the vans and stalls. The Judge dismissed the case.



C.P.O Objection -Compulsory Purchase order No. CCL-CPO-001,2002 in the City of Galway

In relation to the CPO issued on behalf of the project our client wishes to object to the CPO specifically relating to SCHEDULE PART III (SECTION B) Reference BC,DB. See below;

BusConnects Galway - Cross City Link (University Road to Dublin Road) Compulsory Purchase Order No. CCL-CPO-001, 2022

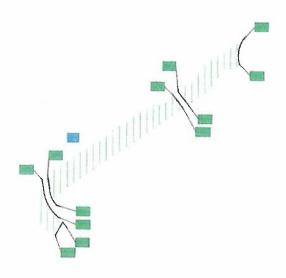
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Extract Text from CPO

BC	All rights of vehicular traffic (except pedal cycles or other bicycles) over that section of North Eyre Square in the county of Galway in between the lines BC1 and BC2 shown coloured green on the deposit map reference BCG- DM-03
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Extract Map – Lands to be Compulsorily Acquired- Deposit Map Sheet 3 of 5 (drawing no BCG-DM-03)

The areas noted DB1,BC1, BC2 are located opposite Supermacs and the Imperial Hotel on Eyre Square. Our client has enjoyed the benefit of a casual trading licence to trade in these areas in Bays 2,3,4,5,6 since beginning their business in 1964 — Current. (Please see attached copy of current trading licence and Galway City Council Map showing the Bays in question. Please also see attached affidavits swearing the length of time the client has enjoyed casual trading at this location.)

If the CPO is upheld in these areas then access to the area hatched in green will be limited to the following;

BC: All rights of vehicular traffic (except pedal cycles or other bicycles) over that section of the North Eyre Square in the County of Gawlay in between the lines BC1 and BC2 shown coloured green on the deposit Map reference BCG - DM - 03.

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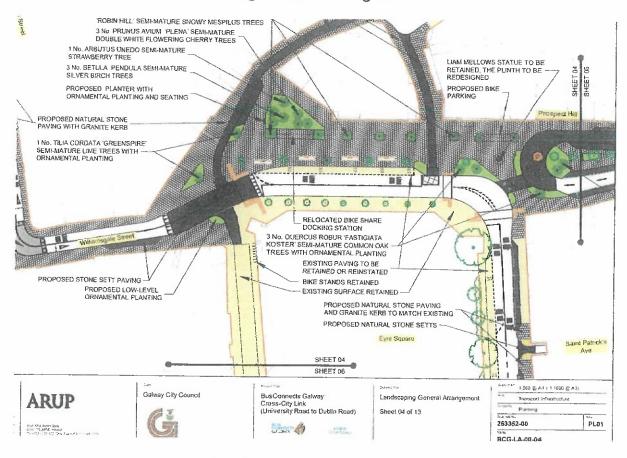


If the CPO is upheld and these areas are for pedestrian and cyclists only then that will mean that the Devaney family will have to cease trading completely. It should be noted that no consultation has been sought with the Devaney family by any dept. or member of Galway City Council to discuss this or offer up any possible alternative. This is unacceptable considering they have a license with Galway City Council.

We ask that An Bord Pleanála put a stay on the CPO of these areas until such time consultation can be sought with Galway City Council regarding the future of the Devaney trading Bay which they have occupied since 1964 (58years ago)

Submission/Objection Content:

The basis for this submission and objection to the Bus Connect Galway – Cross City Link (University Road to Dublin Road) doesn't relate to the entire project. The objection relates to a specific area in Eyre Square where the Devaney family have enjoyed a casual trading licence since 1964. Please see below an extract from the project drawings showing the area in question. We have also shown below aerial images from various years on google Earth which clearly show these areas being used as a trading area.



Drawing Number BCG-LA-00-04

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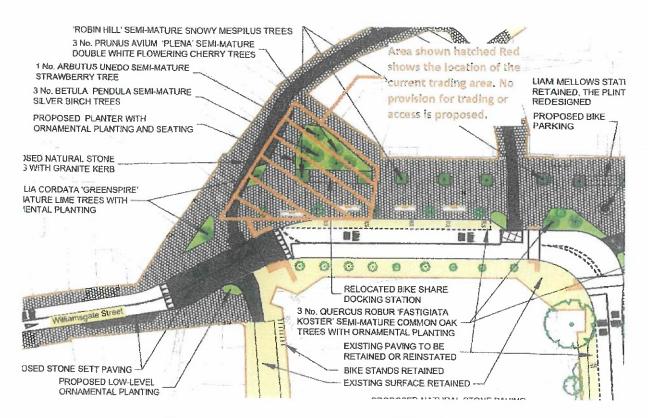
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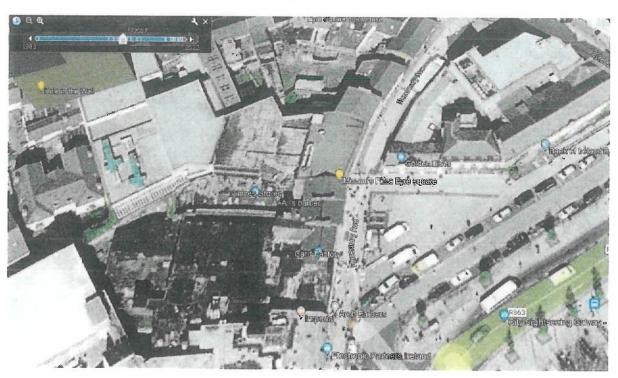
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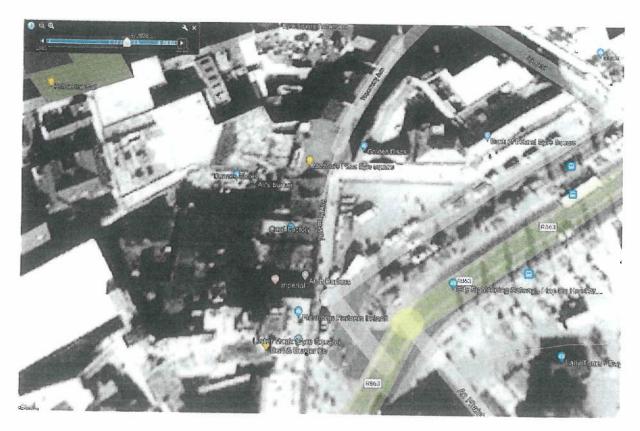


Current casual trading area shown hatched Red.

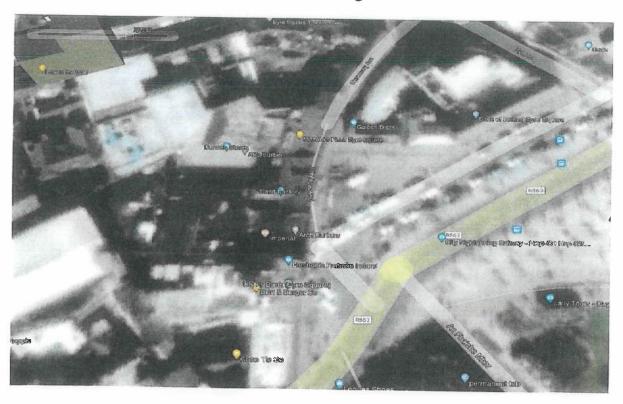


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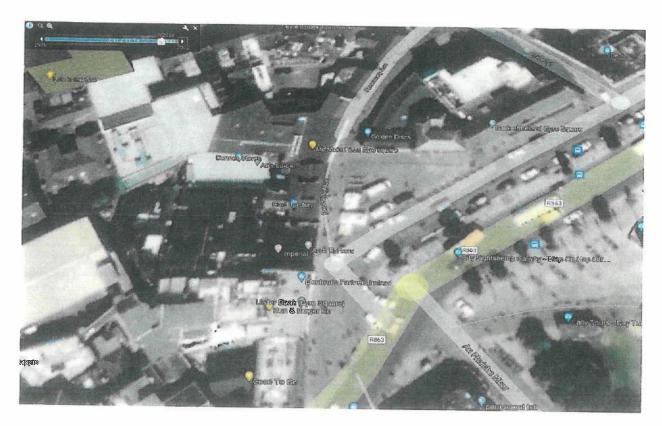


2008 Aerial Image



2012 Aerial Image



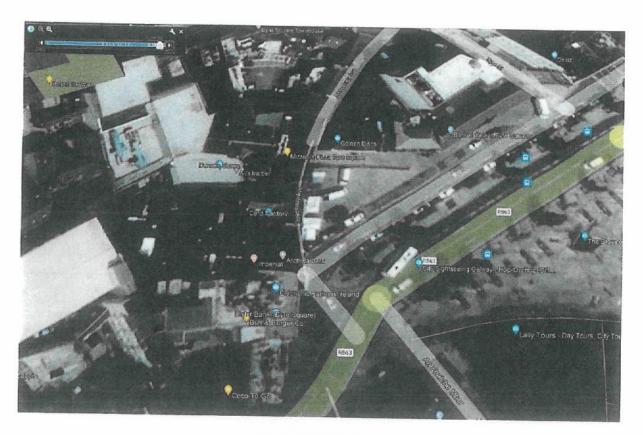


2018 Aerial Image



2019 Aerial Image





2021 Aerial Image



2022 Aerial Image



You can clearly see from the aerial images taken over the course of a decade of satellite imagery that the trading area is well established with stalls and vehicular access.

You can see also from the photographs below; taken from different angles on a busy Saturday that the area in question is substantial and for no reference or consideration given to this area in the project drawings/application is unacceptable. Notwithstanding that, there has been no communication from the Local Authority as to what happens to the trading area and livelihood of the traders here Devaney family included.

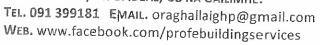




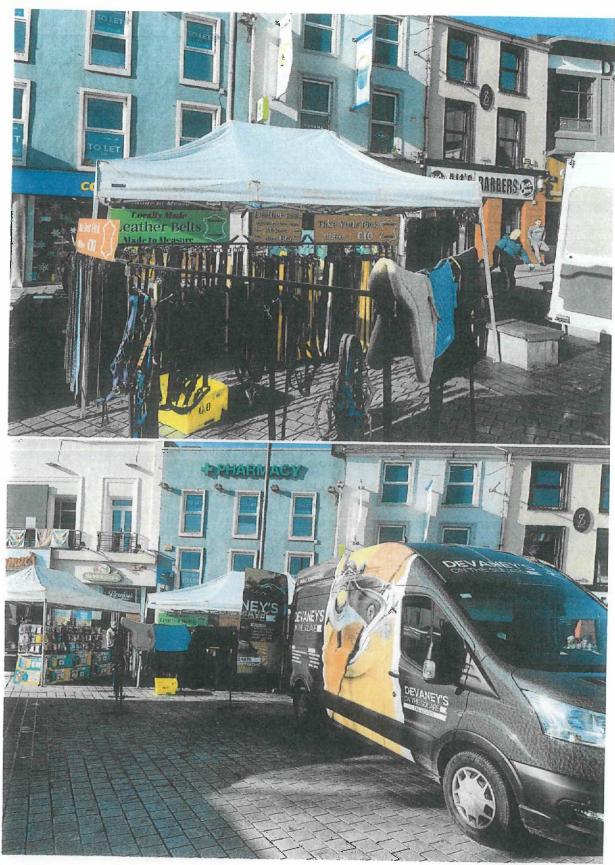




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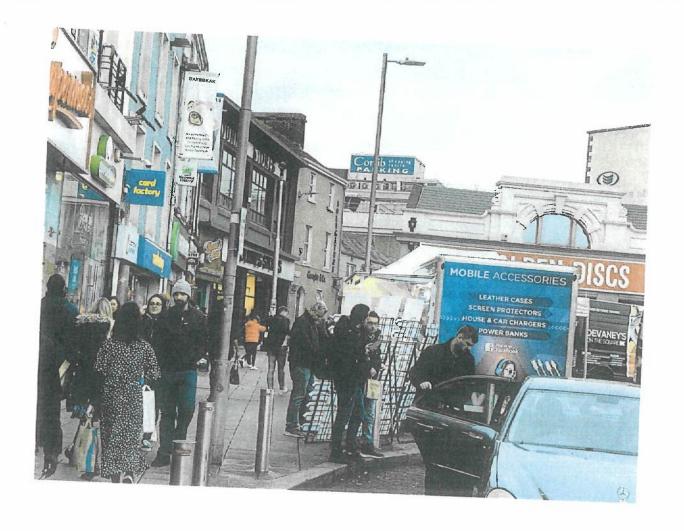
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Summary:

In summary you can see that this proposal have flaws and total disregard for casual traders who have spent 58 years operating a well known and respected business in the City of Galway. No attempt to meet and discuss the proposal was sought by the Local Authority. It was the Devaney family themselves that sought out the Local Authority and tried to get a meeting with the appropriate person. To date no solution has been offered to the Devaney family.

Below are key points which the Devaney family requested were included in this Objection/submission;

- The current location of the trading area is key to have foot flow from shop street up towards Supermacs and Corrib shopping centre.
- No Provision is shown in any of the drawings for a possible alternative area.

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- If this area is for bicycles access only then the vans bringing the stall equipment and stock cannot access this area.
- The Devaney family understand the City Council are trying to improve on the traffic issues within the city, however this cannot be at the cost of the family's livelihood. The area in which they trade is not strategic part of the new bus corridor and revisions could be made to accommodate the stalls and future of the family business.
- The City Bye-laws will need to be amended if the trading areas are omitted or amended.
- The Devaney family are willing to temporarily re-locate for the duration of proposed works once they can return to the same area again under the same conditions they currently operate under.

We would ask An Bord Pleanála that they consider all of the information above and clear total disregard for the casual traders operating in this area some for in excess of 50years.

If an alternative layout could be drafted allowing the trading to continue in the same location and van access then the Devaney Family will have no objection to the development/project and would be happy to re-locate temporarily for the duration for the works.

Should you require any further Information in relation to same don't hesitate to contact me,

Yours sincerely

Fránk O Reilly

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Last Date for Objections is the 18th November 2022

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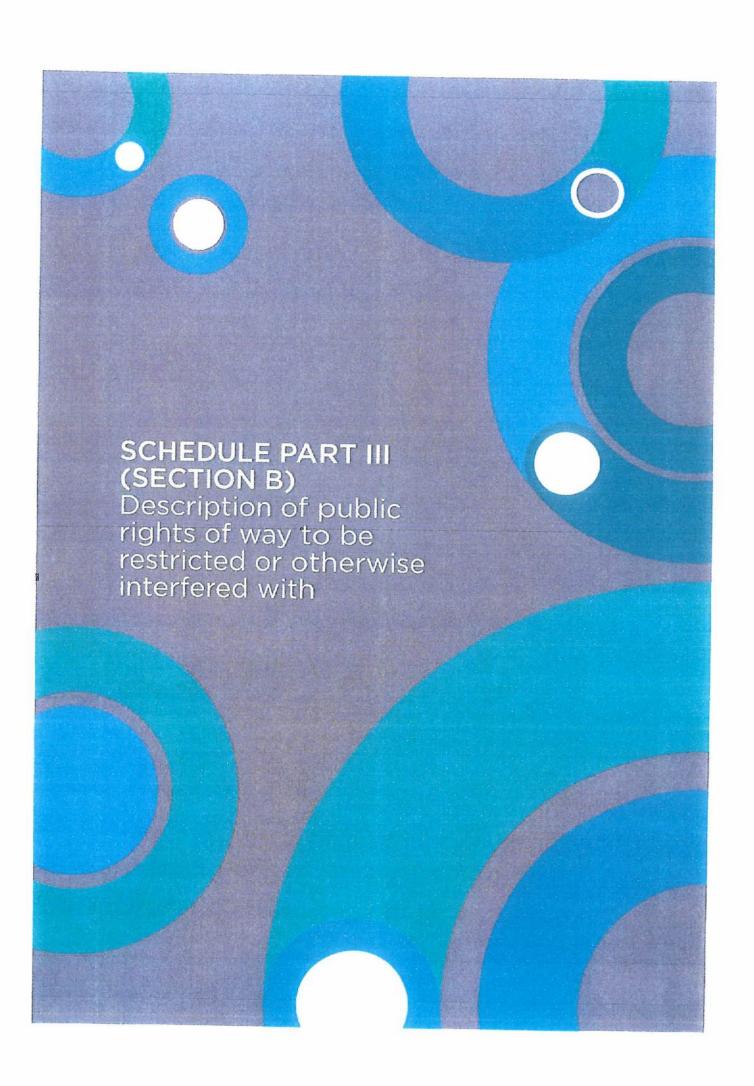
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PART III (SECTION B) SCHEDULE

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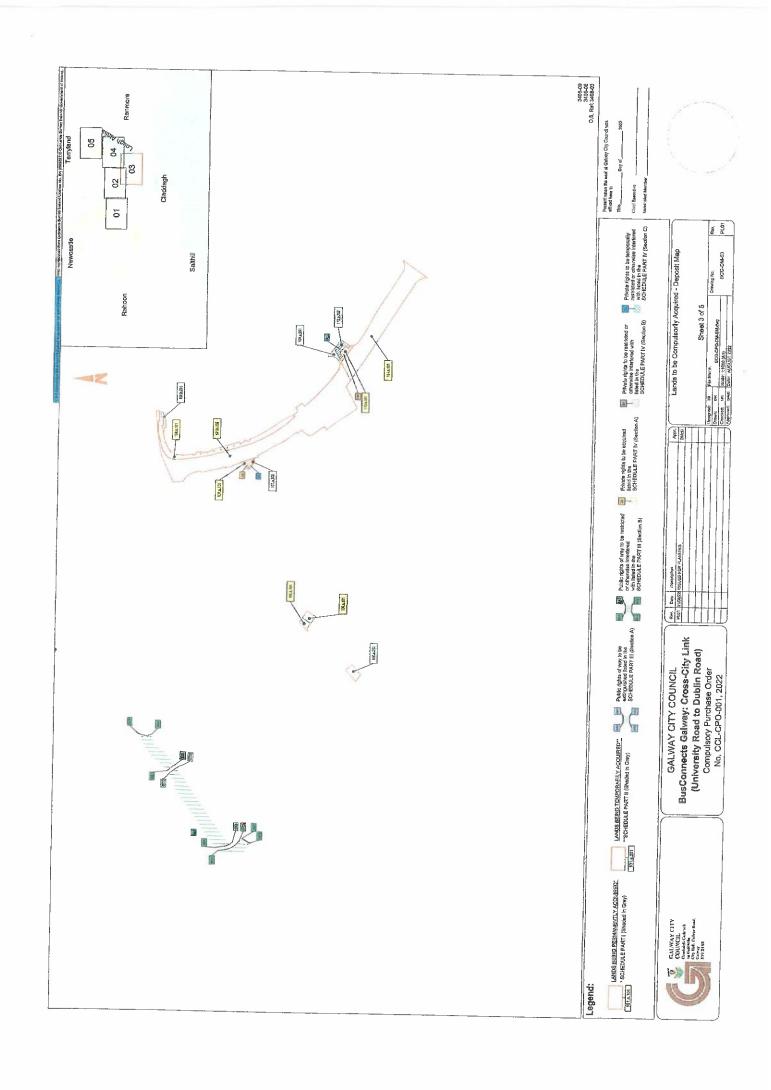
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