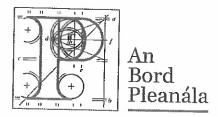
Our Case Number: ABP-314610-22

Planning Authority Reference Number:



Annmarie and Ciaran Rogers 2 Ballymun Road Glasnevin Dublin 9

Date: 21 November 2022

Re: BusConnects Ballymun/Finglas to City Centre Core Bus Corridor Scheme

Ballymun/Finglas to Dublin City Centre

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent submission (including your fee of €50) 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.

If you have any queries in the mean time, please contact the undersigned. 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

HA02 (Acknowledgement - No Receipt to Issue)



Bus Connects Ballymun/Finglas to City Centre Rights of Way on Old Ballymun Road

This observation is made on behalf of Annmarie and Ciaran Rogers. We are the owner occupiers of 2 Ballymun Road. In addition, Annmarie's mother is the current occupier of 4 Ballymun Road, which is located next door to 2 Ballymun Road. Annmarie has been appointed as her mother's attorney under an enduring power of attorney.

Given our location on the Ballymun Road we will be the most impacted by the proposed road change whereby Ballymun Road will become one way between the junction of Church Ave/Ballymun Road and the junction of Claremont Avenue/Ballymun Road.

We have the following observations on the proposed change:

- 1. We have previously been assured at a meeting between NTA and the Glasnevin Village Residents Association, that should the proposed change proceed residents "on road" parking would be made available to all residents located on Ballymun Road between Griffith Avenue extension and Old Ballymun Road. In addition, an application for pay and display/residence parking was made by Annmarie Rogers on behalf of the residents of 2 to 42 Ballymun Road on 14 December 2021 to Dublin City Council (Ref No: 7024232). The outcome of that application is still awaited. It is not clear to us from the proposed plans TIA Appendix 3 Maps and 08.

 Traffic Signs & Road Markings Sheet 2 if this requirement for residents parking is reflected in this proposal and, in fact, it appears that a large number of car spaces will be removed. We object to large swathes of current parking spaces being removed and expect any remaining car spaces are exclusively for pay and display/resident parking.
- 2. Currently, we have access to parking spaces due to our residences of both 2 and 4 Ballymun Road. Please confirm the number of parking spaces that will be available to each resident and the cost (if any). We would expect it should be up to 2 spaces per household and, if that is not the case, we would have a fundamental objection to the proposed road change and any related planning permission.
- 3. Please can it be clarified why the road has to be narrowed at the junction of Ballymun Road and Church Road. Surely, the one way system and cycle lanes can be addressed by appropriate signage and ramps (if required). We note there is no road narrowing at the junction of Claremont Avenue/Ballymun Road. We think this narrowing is unnecessary, adds additional cost and has an unnecessary and adverse environmental impact. We request that it be removed from the plans.
- 4. As noted above as the occupiers of 2 and 4 Ballymun, we (as well as our neighbours between 2 and 14 Ballymun Road) are most impacted by this change. We are prevented from heading northwards on Ballymun Road even to park outside our houses. We would request that

the road layout be amended to allow local access (in essence parking access) to residents of those houses.

- 5. Given the residents of 2 to 14 Ballymun Road are most impacted, we would request a meeting with the NTA and the relevant planning authorities so that the impact of the road changes can be discussed with us in an open and transparent way. If that is not possible, we request that a further meeting be held with the Glasnevin Village Resident Association as the representative group of Glasnevin residents to discuss the latest plans and the impact on Glasnevin.
- 6. Please confirm if Emergency vehicles will have two way access to the road that is proposed to become one way. We cannot have a situation where Emergency vehicles coming from town or the Old Finglas Road are prevented from having direct access to the houses between 2 and 14 Ballymun Road or are forced to take a much more circuitous route. Such a situation would be unconscionable. If Emergency vehicles do not have such access, we would object to any planning permission been given,
- 7. Please confirm that the 16 Hornbeam trees 03-G321 on the Old Ballymun Road will remain in place as they do not impact the cycle lanes nor the traffic system or parking issues. If they are going to be removed, we would object to any planning permission as the removal of such trees is unnecessary and disproportionate.

We are very keen that the above issues be addressed. If they are not addressed or a satisfactory resolution can not be achieved, we would be left with no option but to vigorously oppose the proposed road change and any related planning permission and we reserve our rights accordingly.

Yours sincerely

Annmarie and Ciarán Rogers 2 Ballymun Road Glasnevin Dublin 9