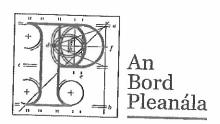
Our Case Number: ABP-314610-22

Planning Authority Reference Number:



Glasilawn Area/Tolka Estate Active Group 27 Glasilawn Road Dublin 11 D11DX84

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

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

Yours faithfully,

Niamh Thornton **Executive Officer**

Direct Line: 01-8737247

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HA02 (Acknowledgement - No Receipt to Issue)

Email

Website



14th November 2022.

An Bord Pleanala 64 Malborough Street Rotunda Dublin 1 D01V902

Reference statutory planning application for the Ballymun / Finglas to City Centre core bus corridor scheme.
Submission on behalf of GLASILAWN AREA /TOLKA ESTATE ACTIVE GROUP

To whom it may concern, GLASILAWN AREA/TOLKA ESTATE ACTIVE GROUP RESIDENTS GROUP wish to make the following observations on the statutory planning listed above.

We as a group are supportive of improvements to the overall transport strategy, however we have several concerns with the proposal.

COMMUNICATION,

We understand that several meetings have taken place and some of the meetings were over zoom during covid, which didn't suit members of our community group, therefore our community does not feel there has been adequate engagement with us regarding this process.

ENVIORONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT.

The environmental impact assessment does not adequately address the impact to Ballygall Road East or the side estates of Glasilawn Road and Avenue Glasmeen Glasnamana Tolka Estate and Griffith Road. Also more traffic will be forced along Old Finglas Road to take Tolka Estate Road turn. Due to the proposed closure of Ballymun Road Lower and Mobhi Road northbound all traffic will be diverted to the above areas, many of these are not in a position to take on heavy volumes of traffic. All residential areas, many which are already suffering due to narrow roadways with residents all ready under pressure to park or get access to their homes due to traffic problems. We would expect to see any assessment which has been carried out to see the impact from noise, environmental pollution

LOWER BALLYMUN ROAD CLOSURE MODIFIED VERSION OF A

The plan to close Ballymun Road to traffic is only adding to the problem and makes no sense, to divert traffic away from shortest route possible to take traffic away from the city. ,Ballymun Road lower is the quickest way to bring traffic onward to the M50 . We understand that this is a narrow road and it would also lend itself better to one way system Northbound to create easier flow of traffic . The proposal of closing Ballymun Road lower will send more traffic along an already congested route on which there are various schools ST Marys /St Bridgids which already cause major traffic hold ups in the area. We are all in favour of better more efficient public transport and cycle options but that diverting all traffic from two main artieries Into one road which is already struggling to cope with traffic problems is not the answer.

RAT RUNs

We all know like water traffic finds its way when hold ups occur So when traffic backs up along Cremore Villas, Ballygall Road East Cars will cut through Glasilawn Road, Avenue /Tolka Estate Fitzmaurice Road which are totally not suitable for heavy traffic'.

RESIDENTS OLD AND YOUNG

Turning local access roads into arterial routes will be detrimental to our area and cause great distress to old and young alike .Safe passage for children coming from and to shops and schools will be highly impacted by more traffic.

BALLYMUN CORE ROUTE DESTINATION

Bus Termination at Arran Quay is an inconvenience to all bus users and still along walk to the city center adding more problems to comute and also in an area which unsafe in evenings.

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